

Holland America Line's ms Eurodam Achieves Eighth Consecutive Perfect Score of 100 on United States Public Health Inspection

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First time in company history that ship gets eight scores of 100 in a row

SEATTLE, Feb. 9, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- On a recent surprise United States Public Health inspection conducted by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, *ms Eurodam* became the first ship in Holland America Line's history to achieve eight consecutive perfect scores of 100. The ship was inspected Feb. 1, 2015, at Port Everglades in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., at the start of a seven-day Caribbean cruise.

Prior to this inspection, *Eurodam* received a score of 100 in October 2014 during a call at Boston, Mass., on a Canada/New England cruise. In the past year, *ms Noordam, ms Zuiderdam, ms Statendam* and *ms Westerdam* also earned perfect scores of 100.

"Achieving eight consecutive perfect scores during U.S.P.H inspections is an amazing accomplishment, and it shows how diligently everyone works to continuously exceed our goals," said Orlando Ashford, president of Holland America Line. "Congratulations to the *Eurodam* team for consistently demonstrating how a commitment to excellence and hard work delivers results."

CDC inspections are part of the Vessel Sanitation Program, which was introduced in the early 1970s and is required for all passenger ships that call at a U.S. port. The inspections are unannounced and are carried out by officials from the United States Public Health Service twice a year for every cruise ship. The score, on a scale from one to 100, is assigned on the basis of a checklist involving dozens of areas of assessment, encompassing hygiene and sanitation of food (from storage to preparation), overall galley cleanliness, water, shipboard personnel and the ship as a whole. The ships received perfect scores in all of those areas.

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Holland America Line's fleet of 15 ships offers more than 500 cruises to 415 ports in 98 countries, territories or dependencies. One- to 110-day itineraries visit all seven continents and highlights include Antarctica, South America, Australia/New Zealand and Asia voyages; four annual Grand Voyages; and popular sailings to ports in the Caribbean, Alaska, Mexico, Canada/New England, Europe and Panama Canal. The line currently has a new 2,650-guest ship, *ms Koningsdam*, on order for delivery in February 2016 from Fincantieri shipyard, as well as a second Pinnacle Class ship due for delivery in November 2018.

Fleetwide, the company features Signature of Excellence enhancements, a commitment totaling more than \$500 million, that showcase the Culinary Arts Center presented by Food & Wine magazine — a state-of-the-art onboard show kitchen where more than 60 celebrated guest chefs and culinary experts provide cooking demonstrations and classes — Explorations Café powered by TheNew York Times, Digital Workshop powered by Windows, teens-only activity areas and all new stateroom amenities highlighted by flat-panel TVs and plush Euro-top Mariner's Dream Beds.

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