

P&O Cruises launches summer '24 programme with "instagram" holidays to Ibiza, and Mykonos and Amsterdam short breaks

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P&O Cruises new series of holidays for summer 2024 will include popular "island" itineraries, the scenic Norwegian fjords and extended time in many destinations to maximise the new programme of tailored shore experiences.

New ship Arvia (joining the fleet in December 2022) will offer two different 14-night western Mediterranean itineraries, each with six ports of call. One will include Italy, Spain and France with calls to La Spezia (for Florence and Pisa) and Barcelona while the other will be Spain and France with calls to Barcelona and Valencia.

Iona will continue to spend the summer season in the Norwegian fjords for seven night itineraries of spectacular scenic cruising with calls to the world heritage port of Geiranger, as well as Olden and Alesund.

Britannia's summer programme will include seven night Norwegian fjords and 14-night western Mediterranean "island" cruises to the Balearics with extended calls to Palma and Ibiza and one itinerary including Cagliari in Sardinia. These itineraries also include many new shore experiences to discover the beach clubs and off the beaten track vineyards, adrenaline activities and countryside of Ibiza.

Malta will be the homeport for Azura's summer season of seven and 14-night fly/cruise holidays. The western Mediterranean itineraries include a call to Civitavecchia for Rome and to Monte Carlo from Villefranche. The Eastern route includes selected calls to Ephesus from Kusadasi and the picturesque Greek islands of Mykonos and Santorini. Central Mediterranean itineraries include calls to Trieste for Venice and a new southern Adriatic itinerary features Taranto, Catania and the Greek Ionian islands of Cephalonia and Corfu.

Short breaks to Amsterdam are part of Ventura's summer programme as well as The Canary Islands, Iberia and southern cruise breaks. These holidays include longer time in the ports of Lisbon and Amsterdam to make the most of these popular capital cities.

Aurora and Arcadia, both mid-sized ships, will offer longer "discovery" itineraries for experienced cruisers. Arcadia will sail a 16-night Iceland cruise in June '24 with an overnight call in Reykjavik and a 30 night Canada & USA cruise in September '04 with overnight calls in Boston and New York to see the sights in these vibrant cities.

Tangier and Casablanca will be part of Aurora's 18-night western Mediterranean cruise in April '24 while the ship's Arctic Circle cruise in October '24 includes Iceland and the North Cape and the chance to see the Northern Lights.

P&O Cruises president Paul Ludlow said: "This programme of holidays, more than ever before, maximises the time in port to ensure our guests can see and experience the very best of each destination at their own pace.

"Whether a beach and relaxation break, or the opportunity for thrilling activities, exploration and adventures, each itinerary is carefully thought out to discover the heart of the places we visit.

"With Ibiza, Palma, Mykonos and Casablanca, as well as many other iconic skylines the Instagram moments will be endless as well as the opportunity for making memories with friends and family and rekindling our passion for travel."

Pre-registration for summer '24 holidays is available from March, 23, 2022, and on general sale from March 30, 2022.

Example itineraries include:

Arvia - Mediterranean, 14 nights, £999

14-night cruise on Arvia (K409) from £999 per person. Departing April 28, 2024 the price includes kids' clubs, full board meals and entertainment on board. Departing from and returning to Southampton, ports of call are La Coruna, Palma, La Spezia, Marseille, Barcelona and Cadiz.

Azura - Mediterranean fly/cruise, seven nights, £699

Seven-night cruise on Azura (A413B) from £699 per person. Departing April 18, 2024 the price includes kids' clubs, full board meals and entertainment on board. Departing from and returning to Tenerife, including flights to and from the UK, ports of call are Civitavecchia (for Rome), Livorno, Villefranche, Ajaccio.

Iona - fjords, seven nights, £529

Seven-night cruise on Iona (G410) from £529 per person. Departing April 20, 2024 the price includes kids' clubs, full board meals and entertainment on board. Departing from and returning to Southampton, ports of call are Stavanger, Olden, Alesund and Haugesund.

Ventura - Canary Islands, 14 nights, £999

14-night cruise on Ventura (N424) from £999 per person. Departing September 14, 2024 the price includes kids' clubs, full board meals and entertainment on board. Departing from and returning to Southampton, ports of call are Madeira, La Palma, Tenerife, Gran Canaria, Lanzarote, Cadiz

and Lisbon.

Aurora - short break, 3 nights, £399

Three-night cruise on Aurora (R408) from £399 per person. Departing May 15, 2024 the price includes full board meals and entertainment on board. Departing from and returning to Southampton and calling at Zeebrugge for Bruges.

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About P&O Cruises

P&O Cruises is Britain's favourite cruise line, welcoming guests to experience holidays with a blend of discovery, choice, relaxation and exceptional service catered towards British tastes. P&O Cruises fleet of premium ships combine genuine service, a sense of occasion and attention to detail.

In 2021 P&O Cruises launched Iona, its first Excel class ship. The LNG-powered ship, with 5,200-guest capacity, is the largest ship built to serve the UK market. Iona features enhancements to already successful brand signature venues from the existing fleet, as well as features newly developed for Iona. These include a three deck atrium in the heart of the ship as well as SkyDome – a glass dome exclusively designed by Martin Francis. This is a world first at sea and offers a unique space for both relaxing in all weathers and providing entertainment, featuring aerial performers and a wealth of live acts.

P&O Cruises second LNG-powered Excel class ship and sister ship to Iona is named Arvia, meaning from the seashore, and will join the fleet in December 2022. Arvia is an innovative and future-focused ship and will offer outstanding, varied and contemporary holidays. Arvia has been designed to travel to the sun all year-round and to maximise views of the ocean and the seashore from everywhere on board.

With over 200 destinations worldwide, P&O Cruises Itineraries are carefully curated to inspire discovery, and are varied to suit newcomers and experienced guests alike. With a wide choice of holidays from two days to three months there is something for everyone. P&O Cruises sails to Australia & New Zealand, Baltic, the British Isles, Canada, the Spain, Portugal & the Canary Islands, the Caribbean, Central America, the Far East & Asia, the Indian Ocean, the Mediterranean, Scandinavia, South America, the South Pacific, the United States and Western Europe.

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