

CARNIVAL CONQUEST DEBUTS FIRST DEDICATED PICKLEBALL COURT IN CARNIVAL FLEET

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MIAMI – Pickleball is one of America's fastest-growing sports, and now it has a special place on board America's Cruise Line, with Carnival Conquest debuting the first dedicated pickleball court in the Carnival fleet.

Carnival Conquest's team members were the first to test out the new pickleball court that was added during its recent dry dock. The new court is located on the ship's top deck, so picklers can enjoy the fun of their favorite game and take in beautiful ocean views all at once. Pickleball is a two- or four-person sport where players hit a perforated hollow ball over a net using solid-faced paddles, combining elements of tennis, badminton and ping-pong. The game has existed for decades, but it has seen surging popularity across the U.S. recently and growing interest internationally as well.

While Carnival Conquest has become the first <u>Carnival</u> ship to feature a permanent pickleball court, the game can be played on board several other ships across the Carnival fleet as well – with equipment recently added to most ships featuring <u>basketball courts</u>, where the game can be played.

Pickleball joins several other popular activities as part of <u>Carnival SportSquare</u>, which includes facilities for games such as <u>mini golf</u>, <u>volleyball</u> and <u>basketball</u>. For more about onboard activities, <u>click here</u>.

Carnival Conquest's pickleball court is one of several recent ship enhancements, which also includes the addition of Carnival's new signature livery which features a stunning red, white, and blue hull design. Carnival Conquest sails from PortMiami year-round and offers a range of itineraries to The Bahamas as well as other Caribbean destinations. To view current sailings offered aboard Carnival Conquest, click here.

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