



CARNIVAL CRUISE LINE DEBUTS FIRST SOLAR ECLIPSE CRUISE, OPENS FIRST WAVE OF ITINERARIES FOR SUMMER 2026

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New Cruises Now Open Will Take Guests to Prime Destinations Throughout Europe and Alaska

MIAMI, Aug. 20, 2024 – [Carnival Cruise Line](#) is beginning to reveal its 2026/2027 deployment plans and today announced the first wave of sailings for summer 2026, including cruises to some of summertime's most sought after destinations in [Europe](#) and [Alaska](#), as well as the first time Carnival guests can take part in a special solar eclipse cruise. Reservations for these [new summer 2026](#) Europe and Alaska sailings open today.

See Europe and Sail Under Eclipse Aboard Carnival Legend

For the first time, Carnival is introducing a special 11-day [Carnival Journeys](#) Eclipse cruise featuring stops in Spain, Portugal and France on [Carnival Legend](#) departing from Dover, England on August 9, 2026. The total solar eclipse will take place on Aug. 12, 2026, when the ship is at sea, providing guests with a prime viewing vantage point for this rare celestial occurrence. Ports of call on this bucket list voyage include: Le Havre (Paris), France; St. Peter Port, Guernsey; Vigo, Spain; Lisbon and Leixões (Porto), Portugal; Le Verdon (Bordeaux), France; and Zeebrugge (Brussels), Belgium.

"The chance to see a total solar eclipse while having fun exploring the cultural richness of Spain, Portugal and France aboard Carnival Legend, is a truly special opportunity – among a lineup of many phenomenal cruises," said Christine Duffy, president of Carnival Cruise Line. "And as the popularity of Carnival Legend's 2024 Europe sailings prove, it's never too soon for our loyal guests to start planning their next summer vacation."

Carnival Legend's summer 2026 season in Europe begins with a 14-day [transatlantic](#) voyage that departs [Miami](#) on May 24, 2026, and visits Liverpool, England; Holyhead, Wales; and Dun Laoghaire (Dublin), Ireland before arriving in Dover (London), England. While homeporting in Europe, Carnival Legend will sail nine cruises from [Dover](#), with varied itineraries that span 9-12 days, and six cruises of either nine- or 12-day itineraries from [Civitavecchia \(Rome\)](#).

From Dover, Northern Europe sailings showcase destinations such as Copenhagen and Amsterdam. The ship will also cruise the [British Isles](#), with several stops in ports across Ireland, England and Scotland, in addition to one cruise with four stops in Iceland. [Scandinavia](#) and Baltic cruises offer visits to Germany, Estonia, Finland, Sweden, Denmark and Belgium while Western Europe ports include those in Portugal, Spain and France.

From Civitavecchia, nine-day and 12-day sailings will bring guests to popular destinations across Italy, the Greek Isles, Turkey and Croatia. Ports of call from Civitavecchia include Istanbul and Kusadasi (Ephesus) in Turkey; Piraeus (Athens) and Mykonos in Greece; and Naples (Amalfi/Pompeii), Italy; Split and Dubrovnik, Croatia. The ship's final cruise from Europe in 2026 will be a 14-day Carnival Journeys voyage departing Nov. 1, 2026, from Civitavecchia to Tampa, Fla., with visits to Cartagena and Malaga, Spain; Gibraltar; and Bermuda.

Alaska Cruises from Seattle Aboard Carnival Spirit and Carnival Miracle

[Carnival Miracle](#) will join [Carnival Spirit](#) sailing from [Seattle](#) to Alaska in summer 2026. The itineraries available today are Seattle embarkations only. Carnival will once again offer Alaska itineraries from [San Francisco](#) in 2026, and those itineraries will be available this Fall.

Seven-day Alaska sailings departing every Thursday on Carnival Miracle begin on May 7, 2026. Carnival Miracle will cruise [Tracy Arm Fjord](#) and visit [Skagway](#), [Juneau](#) and [Ketchikan](#), Alaska, as well as [Victoria, British Columbia](#). Also available are two special Carnival Journeys sailings aboard Carnival Miracle. A nine-day cruise adds more time aboard the ship as guests explore the natural wonder of the region's Inside Passage and an added visit to [Sitka](#), Alaska. A similar 10-day Carnival Journeys cruise to the Inside Passage also visits [Icy Strait Point](#), Alaska.

Alaska sailings on Carnival Spirit also offer cruising of Tracy Arm Fjord and stops in Skagway, Juneau and Ketchikan, Alaska, as well as Victoria, British Columbia. The sailings begin April 28, 2026, and continue through Sept. 15, 2026. When Carnival Spirit returns to Seattle on Sept. 23, 2026, the ship will embark guests on a 15-day round-trip Carnival Journeys cruise to [Hawaii](#), with stops in Honolulu, Oahu; Nawiliwili, Kauai; Kahului, Maui and Hilo, Hawaii; as well as a visit to Victoria, British Columbia in Canada.

Also new are four Carnival Journeys cruises that transit the [Panama Canal](#) to reposition Carnival Miracle and Carnival Spirit before and after the summer in Alaska. The cruises feature visits to [Cabo San Lucas, Mexico](#); [Puntarenas, Costa Rica](#); and [Cartagena, Colombia](#). Carnival Spirit's 16-day Carnival Journeys cruises take the ship to Seattle from its Mobile, Ala. homeport on April 12, 2026 then back to Mobile with an Oct. 8, 2026 departure. These are the first Carnival cruises connecting the two cities of Seattle and [Mobile](#). Carnival Miracle will reposition with guests on board from [Tampa, Fla.](#) on April 11, 2026 and depart Seattle Sept. 26, 2026 on 16-day Carnival Journeys Panama Canal repositioning cruise ending in [Galveston, Tex.](#)

For additional information on [Carnival Cruise Line](#) and to book a cruise vacation on Carnival, call 1-800-CARNIVAL, visit <http://www.carnival.com>, or contact your favorite travel advisor or online travel site.

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ABOUT CARNIVAL CRUISE LINE

Carnival Cruise Line, part of Carnival Corporation & plc (NYSE/LSE: CCL; NYSE: CUK), is the first cruise line to sail over 100 million guests and is proud to be known as America's Cruise Line, for carrying more Americans and serving more U.S. homeports than any other. Since its founding in

1972, Carnival has continually revolutionized the cruise industry and popularized the cruise vacation as an affordable and fun travel option. Carnival operates from 14 U.S. and two Australian homeports, as well as seasonally from Europe and employs more than 48,000 team members representing 120 nationalities.

Carnival's fleet of 27 ships reflects an exciting period of growth that continues with the addition of seven ships through 2033: two ships joining in February 2025 when P&O Cruises Australia integrates into Carnival; a fourth and fifth Excel class ship scheduled for 2027 and 2028 respectively; followed by three additional new ships from an innovative new class currently under development. Carnival's next new guest offering will be the all-new exclusive destination, Celebration Key, set to debut on Grand Bahama next summer.

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