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JANUARY NEWSLETTER...WAVE SEASON

Winter is in full force. Cold mornings, snowy afternoons, rainy days, and gray skies make this time of year feel long and a bit uninspiring. It's also when we dream of sunshine, new destinations, and experiences that give us something exciting to look forward too. This makes January one of the best times to pause, reflect, and start planning what's next.

So, in this issue you will find 1. Virtual Cruise Nights and 2. Featured Sailings.

OCEANIA CRUISES VIRTUAL CRUISE NIGHT

Tuesday, January 27, 2026
7pm EST

www.tinyurl.com/oceaniavirtualcruise





Oceania Cruises

Oceania Cruises has officially announced its transition to an **adults-only** cruise line, effective January 7, 2026, welcoming guests 18 and older for all new reservations. This evolution builds on what Oceania does best, delivering what is widely known as the best cuisine at sea while creating itineraries designed for meaningful travel. Guests can look forward to thoughtfully crafted menus, destination-focused dining, and sailings that emphasize cultural immersion and deeper connections in every port of call.

Some Featured Sailings

Singapore to Doha



Miami to Miami Thanksgiving 2027



Seoul to Toyko



Venice to Istanbul



Miami to Miami Christmas 2027



Rome to Barcelona



REGENT SEVEN SEA'S VIRTUAL CRUISE NIGHT

**FEBRUARY 10, 2026
7PM EST**

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**Lisbon to Miami
Transatlantic**



**Nights of Samba & Tango
Rio de Janeiro to Buenos Aires**



**Mystical Maya
Valentines, Galentines, Palentines**



Explora Journeys Virtual Cruise Night

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2026 7PM EST

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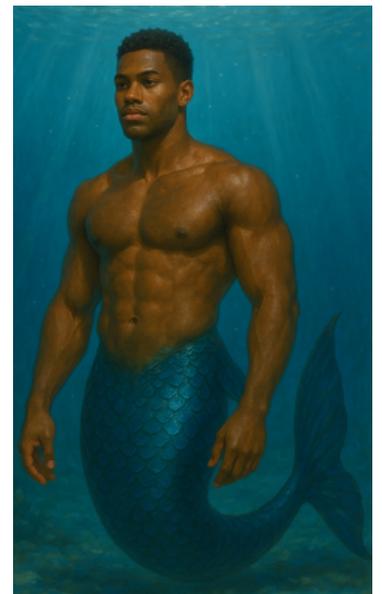
BRAND NEW SHIP!!!

MERMAIDEN SAILING!!!

Special Guests! New Restaurants & More.

Book exclusively with The Connected Traveler and snag Onboard Credit to spend on cocktails, spa moments, shore things, or whatever floats your fantasy. Don't wait — this takeover is going to be legendary. Call us today at 865-973-9744 or dive right in at www.tinyurl.com/virginwithsean. Let's make waves, babes — Brilliant Lady is calling!

Justice for Mermen Cruise



World Pride 2026!

PRIDE



Winner best cruise river cruise line! USA Top 10 list winner!

The Connected Traveler is excited to host a special **ship takeover** you won't want to miss. This roundtrip Düsseldorf river cruise sails through Northern Europe with stops in Rotterdam, Antwerp, Nijmegen, and includes two overnight stays in Amsterdam, giving you extra time to fully experience one of Europe's most vibrant cities & World Pride.

Viva Cruises' **all-inclusive** experience makes travel easy and seamless, with gourmet dining, wine, beer, spirits, and non-alcoholic beverages throughout the day, Wi-Fi, gratuities, **and shore excursions** all included. Combined with The Connected Traveler's hosted sailing, this is a fun, immersive river cruise designed for connection and discovery—and it's absolutely one you'll want to join with the **SmokyMtnBears**.

LGBTQ FRIENDS & ALLIES
WORLD PRIDE CRUISE JULY 29-AUG 5, 2026



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Azamara Cruises is ushering in a bold new chapter with its most extensive fleet enhancement program in the company’s history. Called Azamara Forward, this ambitious initiative will invest around **\$80 million** to refresh and elevate nearly every aspect of the onboard experience across all four ships. The transformation includes redesigned public spaces, updated staterooms and suites, and exciting new culinary and social venues that reflect Azamara’s commitment to immersive travel and destination-driven experiences.

One of the highlights of Azamara Forward is the addition of a new Penthouse Deck exclusively aboard Azamara Quest, introducing 12 premier suite accommodations, including expansive Panorama Suites with sweeping ocean views and elegant Grandview Suites designed for comfort and style. The fleetwide refresh will also introduce a newly dedicated **Chef’s Table** restaurant and an **enhanced Atlas Bar** concept, along with **refreshed public lounges** like the Cabaret Lounge and updated spa facilities. These enhancements are designed to deepen destination immersion and create more meaningful moments at sea while preserving the intimate, small-ship vibe that Azamara guests love.

Some Featured Sailings

Southern Caribbean Cruise

Nov 21-28, 2026

San Juan to Bridgetown

Pricing starts at \$1149 pp

New Zealand & Australia

Jan 20-Feb 5, 2027

Auckland to Sydney

Pricing starts at \$5019 pp

Japan Intensive

April 22-May 3, 2027

Tokyo to Kobe

Pricing starts at \$4599pp

Baltic Intensive

July 29-Aug 13, 2027

Copenhagen to Portsmouth

Pricing starts at \$6699pp

Halloween Cruise

Oct 28-Nov 6, 2027

New York City to San Juan

Pricing starts at \$1139pp

New Zealand Intensive Cruise

Jan 21-Feb 2, 2028

Auckland to Auckland

Pricing starts at \$3529pp

Best of the Med & Carlo

Feb 15-26, 2028

Athens to Athens

Pricing starts at \$3669pp

Americana Coast Cruise

March 22-April 2, 2028

Miami to Miami

Pricing starts at \$1199pp