



EXPLORA JOURNEYS UNVEILS FESTIVE PROGRAMME ABOARD EXPLORA I IN THE CARIBBEAN

Guests can enjoy a festive Caribbean journey, family activities, enriching onboard programmes, and star-studded entertainment. It promises an unforgettable holiday season and New Year celebration at sea.



Geneva, Switzerland, 6 December 2023 — As the holiday season approaches, Explora Journeys unveils the festive offerings on board EXPLORA I, the first of up to six ships from the MSC Group's luxury lifestyle brand. This season, guests are invited to experience the magic of the Holidays and New Year's Eve against the stunning backdrop of the Caribbean.

Over the holidays, EXPLORA I will sail from 22 December to 29 December 2023 from Miami, USA, on a 7-night journey to San Juan, Puerto Rico, exploring enchanting destinations such as Key West, St. John's, and Deshaies. Between 29 December 2023 and 5 January 2024, guests can ring in the New Year during a 7-night voyage from San Juan to Miami, stopping at Saint Martin, Saint Kitts and Nevis, and Martinique.

Family-Friendly Activities and Enrichment Programmes

EXPLORA I will be transformed into a winter wonderland adorned with festive decorations and resonating with the joyous sounds of holiday music.

From gingerbread house-making to insightful luminaries joining the sailings, dedicated activities cater to the whole family. Children can join Nautilus Club's Christmas Parade and the Santa Meet & Greet. Enrichment programmes feature insights by adventure traveller David Liman, creativity sessions with Dr Bob Bilder, and spiritual insights by David Code.

Guests will be treated to performances by the critically acclaimed musical trio Roxx, multi-instrumentalist Adam Barry, and hit comedian Andrew Grose. The ship's Steinway Spirio pianos will serenade passengers with a personalised Explora Journeys Christmas Playlist.



Christmas Celebrations

On Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, Explora Journeys will host international interdenominational services led by onboard clergy, providing moments of reflection and celebration.

Christmas Eve aboard EXPORA I will feature a sumptuous festive meal, including dishes like Maine lobster soufflé 'Plaza Athénée' and Christmas roasted Vermont turkey. Christmas Day Lunch in Fil Rouge will offer an international set menu with all the festive classics.

New Year Revelry

Passengers venturing into the New Year will enjoy inspiring insights by acclaimed luminaries Ken Schmidt and Sarah Furness. Francesco Parrino, a Steinway artist and musical influencer, will be on board, along with international recording sensation Nina Sky. The night will conclude with a New Year's Eve gala and a masked ball, promising an unforgettable start to the New Year.

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About Explora Journeys

Explora Journeys is the privately-owned luxury lifestyle brand of the MSC Group, headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland, created at the heart of Swiss luxury hospitality. The brand stems from the owners' long-held vision to redefine the ocean experience for a new generation of discerning luxury travellers, drawing on the family's 300 years of maritime heritage. The brand's aspiration is to create a unique 'Ocean State of Mind' by connecting guests with the sea, with themselves, and with like-minded others, while remarkable itineraries will blend renowned destinations with lesser-travelled ports for a journey that inspires discovery in all its forms.

A fleet of six ships, two of which are under construction, will be launched from 2023 to 2028. Equipped with the latest environmental and marine technologies, Explora Journeys will introduce a new style of transformative ocean travel. EXPORA I offers 461 oceanfront suites, penthouses and residences designed to be 'Homes at Sea' for our guests, all with sweeping ocean views, private terrace, a choice of eleven distinct culinary experiences across six vibrant restaurants, plus in-suite dining, twelve bars and lounges (eight indoor and four outdoor), Chef's Kitchen, four swimming pools, extensive outdoor decks with private cabanas, wellness facilities, and refined entertainment. Inspired by the company's European heritage, Explora Journeys will provide guests with an immersive ocean experience and respectful and intuitive hospitality.

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