



EXPLORA JOURNEYS DEFINES LUXURY SPORTS TRAVEL

- Jannik Sinner takes centre stage with a special appearance during EXPLORA III's exclusive Prelude Journey.

- EXPLORA I will be docked at Port Hercule for the legendary FORMULA 1® LOUIS VUITTON GRAND PRIX DE MONACO 2026.

GENEVA, SWITZERLAND –19 February 2026 – As sport becomes an increasingly prominent part of the luxury travel landscape, Explora Journeys, the ultra-elegant ocean travel brand of the MSC Group, is leading the way in providing onboard and ashore sports immersion at the very highest level. With EXPLORA I set to return to the Monaco Grand Prix this June, Explora Journeys also announces that brand ambassador and World Tennis No. 2 Jannik Sinner will join EXPLORA III during her Mediterranean Prelude Journey this July, creating a rare opportunity for guests to connect with one of the most compelling figures in modern sport.



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“Sport, at its purest, is about living fully in the moment — the anticipation of the unknown, the unscripted outcome, and the quiet intensity that comes from years of dedication,” said Anna Nash, President of Explora Journeys. *“There is a particular beauty in that uncertainty — the focus, discipline and emotional connection it creates. At Explora Journeys, we see a natural alignment between the mindset of world-class athletes and our own commitment to exceptional hospitality and memorable guest experiences. By being present at iconic moments such as FORMULA 1® LOUIS VUITTON GRAND PRIX DE MONACO 2026, and welcoming Jannik Sinner onboard EXPLORA III’s Mediterranean Prelude Journey, we are adding a new dimension to the Ocean State of Mind — where the energy of performance is balanced by space, calm and a strong sense of wellbeing.”*

A Shared Pursuit: Explora Journeys & Jannik Sinner

As Global Brand Ambassador, Jannik Sinner embodies the poise and composure at the heart of Explora Journeys’ ‘Ocean State of Mind’ philosophy. This summer, his role with the brand will take on a new level of intimacy. On 24 and 25 July, he will be on board EXPLORA III during her five nights Prelude Journey, hosting an intimate Q&A session and a curated series of exclusive engagements with guests who will also have the chance to enjoy coaching sessions with both him and his performance team. The programme will also include an exclusive charity gala dinner hosted on board with proceeds going to both the Jannik Sinner Foundation and the MSC Foundation, offering guests a meaningful opportunity to engage with Jannik in an elegant and purposeful setting.

The Prelude Journey will provide a behind-the-scenes opportunity for EXPLORA III guests, as she debuts along the glittering coastlines of the French and Italian Rivièras from Genoa to Rome from 24 to 29 July. They will also have the opportunity to meet Explora Journeys’ leadership, designers and officers – the individuals whose vision and expertise have shaped every element of the ship. As guests linger in sun-drenched ports like Saint-Tropez and Villefranche-sur-Mer, they will be the very first to experience the ship’s new and original culinary and lounge concepts, as well as more generous outdoor deck space than ever before. This atmosphere of "firsts" provides a rare opportunity to connect with the visionaries and designers who brought the ship to life, creating a truly unique environment for these curated, personal encounters.

Guests onboard will also benefit from *In Balance: A Jannik Sinner Ocean Wellness Programme*, developed by Jannik and his team specifically for Explora Journeys. Guided by Jannik’s balanced approach to wellbeing, the programme unfolds through four pillars: Train, Re-centre, Restore and Renew. It begins with the ‘Jannik Sinner Method’ signature workout by Fitness Coach Umberto Ferrara focusing on precision and agility, followed by guided breathwork to support mental clarity. The experience continues with targeted muscle-release therapy to enhance mobility, before concluding with a revitalising hot and cold wellness circuit to aid recovery and restore balance.



The Epicentre of Glamour: Monaco Grand Prix 2026

Following a landmark debut that redefined race hospitality, Explora Journeys returns to the legendary Port Hercule for the FORMULA 1® LOUIS VUITTON GRAND PRIX DE MONACO 2026. From 3 to 8 June 2026, EXPLORA I will be poised against the glittering backdrop of the Riviera, serving as an ultra-elegant, private-yacht-inspired sanctuary just 150 metres from the track.

In 2026, the ship will once again be the epicentre of Monte Carlo's most anticipated weekend, offering front-row proximity to the race due to privileged vantage points. Unrivalled views of the action from the ship's decks frame the spectacle of Formula 1® in its most iconic setting, while the onboard experience will be further elevated with starlit soirées, themed cocktail celebrations and exclusive meet-and-greets with legends of the sport. Guests will also enjoy VIP Paddock Club™ access and pit lane walks, seamlessly bridging the gap between the adrenaline of the pit and the serenity of the ship.

The Shift Toward Experience-Centric Travel

As discerning travellers increasingly anchor their journeys around world class sporting moments, **Explora Journeys** is positioning its fleet as the ultimate destination for those who view sport not just as an event, but as a primary catalyst for discovery and personal growth.

Each ship is also a high-performance stage in its own right, allowing guests to pursue their athletic milestones onboard through Technogym equipment and outdoor sports courts and running track.

On **EXPLORA III**, this vision is further elevated with the introduction of the new premium Technogym Sand Stone collection, complemented by Technogym Reform Pilates equipment and a private training studio designed for personalised sessions. Fitness extends seamlessly outdoors, where an expanded Sports Court invites padel, pickleball and basketball, and an extended running track stretches along the decks with uninterrupted ocean views, while Open Air Fitness remains integral to the ship's alfresco offering. Wellbeing has been thoughtfully reimaged with Ocean Wellness spa and fitness facilities brought together on Deck 5, allowing movement, rest and renewal to coexist effortlessly in response to guest feedback and enhancing both convenience and immersion.

To book the Monaco 2026 experience or the EXPLORA III Prelude Journey, guests may visit explorajourneys.com or contact their preferred travel advisor.

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About Explora Journeys

Explora Journeys is the privately owned luxury ocean travel brand of the MSC Group, headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland.

Built on the Aponte family's 300-year maritime heritage, **Explora Journeys** redefines luxury ocean travel with its signature *Ocean State of Mind*—a philosophy that connects discerning guests with the sea, with themselves, and with one another. Immersive itineraries balance celebrated destinations with lesser-known ports, creating Journeys that inspire curiosity and discovery.

Each private-yacht-inspired ship serves as a floating luxury hotel, whose address is the ocean, with all oceanfront suites, featuring private terraces, floor-to-ceiling windows, and spacious European-designed interiors that evoke a sense of relaxed, contemporary elegance – a true Home at Sea.

Guests can choose from 11 distinct culinary experiences—including six restaurants, an experiential Chef's Kitchen, 12 bars and lounges, and 24-hour in-suite dining. 'Ocean Wellness – The Spa' is complemented by five heated indoor and outdoor pools, an extensive holistic wellness programme, generous outdoor deck spaces, and refined entertainment designed to deliver the perfect mood for every moment.

Inspired by its European roots and guided by elevated Swiss hospitality, **Explora Journeys** offers intuitive service and a modern, effortless approach to luxury.

The brand launched its first ship, **EXPLORA I**, in July 2023, followed by **EXPLORA II** in September 2024. The LNG-powered **EXPLORA III** will join the fleet in July 2026, with **EXPLORA IV** arriving in 2027. **EXPLORA V** and **EXPLORA VI** will follow in 2027 and 2028, each incorporating advanced environmental technologies as part of the brand's commitment to sustainability.

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