



EXPLORA JOURNEYS UNVEILS SUMMER 2028 COLLECTION REALISING ITS AMBITIOUS SIX-SHIP FLEET VISION

Marking the inaugural season of EXPLORA VI, the brand opens its most expansive collection to date with all six ships now available for reservation

GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, 18 May 2026 – Explora Journeys has opened sales for its Summer 2028 Journeys Collection, a milestone season defined by the arrival of EXPLORA VI. Her debut in August 2028 brings the fleet to its full six-ship scale, realising the brand's original vision on time and exactly as planned at its inception. Spanning 178 destinations across 27 countries, the new collection represents a significant expansion of the brand's global presence, with all six ships sailing the world's oceans together for the first time.

The new collection captures the Mediterranean's timeless allure alongside the elemental landscapes of Northern Europe, Iceland and Greenland. From the pristine Alaskan wilderness to the historic waterways of the North American East Coast during the height of the autumnal shift, every itinerary is shaped by the philosophy of unhurried discovery. Iconic overnights in cities like New York, Reykjavik and Istanbul are balanced with maiden calls to remote island

retreats such as Korčula and the Faroe Islands. In many ports, late departures allow guests to experience the evolving energy from day to night, offering a more soulful connection to each destination.

“This new Journeys Collection is a true celebration of all that Explora Journeys stands for, fulfilling our long-held vision of six ships sailing the world’s oceans by 2028,” said **Anna Nash, President of Explora Journeys**. *“By opening sales today, we are inviting our guests to secure their place in what will be a landmark year. The completion of our fleet allows us to offer even greater geographic breadth and deeper immersion into each region, providing our guests with an unparalleled choice of transformative ocean Journeys and an even richer expression of the Ocean State of Mind.”*

Summer 2028 Overview

- **EXPLORA I:** From April through October, the ship visits six countries and 25 destinations in the Mediterranean, meandering through the island constellations of the Aegean to the sculpted shores of the Adriatic. Guests can uncover the Cyclades, the Dodecanese and the Turkish Coast, experiencing the nightlife of Mykonos with a late departure and the cultural vibrancy of Istanbul with an overnight stay.
- **EXPLORA II:** Exploring the sun-drenched Western Mediterranean, North Africa and the French and Italian Rivas, the ship visits 36 destinations across Iberia and the Atlantic edge from April through October. Itineraries weave from the vibrant Balearic Islands to the lush landscapes of Madeira, featuring an overnight stay in Lisbon and late departures from eight ports including Ibiza, Capri and Casablanca.
- **EXPLORA III:** Returning to the pristine wilderness of Alaska from May through September, the ship navigates 20 destinations across the USA and Canada. Itineraries feature scenic sailings through the Inside Passage and the Gulf of Alaska, providing an unparalleled vantage point for the Hubbard Glacier alongside calls to Juneau, Skagway and smaller communities such as Wrangell and Klawock.
- **EXPLORA IV:** From May through October, the ship traverses Northern Europe and the Baltic Sea, uncovering 51 destinations across 15 countries. Guests can cycle along the historic canals of Amsterdam or stroll the royal parks of Stockholm during immersive overnight stays, while 11 maiden calls, including Runavík in the Faroe Islands and Djúpvogur in Iceland, reveal the region's more remote shores.
- **EXPLORA V:** Between May and September, the ship explores the Baltic Sea, the Norwegian fjords and the North Atlantic before reaching the volcanic coastlines of Iceland and Greenland. The season then transitions to the North American Eastern Seaboard to witness the autumn foliage, with overnights in New York City and Quebec City and late departures from Halifax and Boston.
- **EXPLORA VI:** From August to November 2028, the newest ship in the fleet illuminates a softer perspective on the Mediterranean across 13 Journeys. Starting with her Maiden Journey from Rome to Barcelona, itineraries weave through Sicily, Sardinia and the French Riviera. As the season mellows into October and November, the ship ventures into the Adriatic to discover the historic ports of Trogir and Dubrovnik and the UNESCO-protected Bay of Kotor.

To celebrate the launch of the new Summer 2028 Journeys Collection, Explora Journeys continues to offer its Early Booking Benefit. This initiative rewards guests who choose to plan their future Journeys well in advance, providing preferred rates and the first opportunity to secure specific suites on the Inaugural Journeys Collection of EXPLORA VI.

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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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