



Explora

JOURNEYS

UNIQUE  
CARIBBEAN  
ESCAPES

WINTER 2024-2025  
NOVEMBER - MARCH

# INTRODUCING EXPLORA JOURNEYS

Explora Journeys is the new **LUXURY** *lifestyle* travel brand launched by the MSC Group with the ambition to **REDEFINE** the luxury cruise category.

The concept: Vibrant, cosmopolitan, relaxed European luxury at sea. Instead of cruises, we create journeys – of the mind, and across the oceans of the world, to destinations on and off the beaten track.

On board: Spaces that offer guests relaxed luxury, creating a home at sea. Restoring life's essential balance with a combination of discovery and appreciation for wellbeing and nature. This is what our new discerning travellers have asked for and this is what they will enjoy on Explora Journeys.

SAIL UNIQUE  
AT [EXPLORAJOURNEYS.COM](https://www.explorajourneys.com)



# SAIL UNIQUE

*Designed to feel like your own private yacht*

Explora Journeys offers guests unparalleled comfort and space,  
for the first time ever a genuine home-away-from-home at sea.



## DISCOVER THE OCEAN STATE OF MIND

Its influence is at the heart of Explora Journeys.  
The ocean connects us with ourselves,  
other people, and the places around us.  
It inspires inner and outer discovery, broadening  
horizons and triggering new connections.

We call this powerful, transformative and rewarding  
emotional response the Ocean State of Mind.

“This is the guiding force for everything we do,” says  
Pierfrancesco Vago, Executive Chairman, MSC Group  
Cruise Division. “Everything we do, everything we offer,  
is for one reason alone: to ensure our guests reach  
the Ocean State of Mind. It is the ultimate benefit that  
makes the Explora Journeys experience unique.”

“*Everything* we are is **BASED** on the **SEA**.  
The sea gives us *energy*, lets us *breathe*...  
it is at the **CORE** of who we are.”

—  
**ALEXA APONTE VAGO**





## OUR JOURNEYS COLLECTION

Explora Journeys is **CREATING** a *collection* of journeys that offer the *perfect BLEND* of *celebrated* destinations and less-travelled spots, both seen from *new* and original *points of view* that will **INSPIRE** and **EXCITE** in equal measure.



## OUR DESTINATIONS

The *perfect blend* of **CELEBRATED DESTINATIONS**  
and *off-the-beaten-path* ports.

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### **SLOWER PACE AND DEEPER IMMERSION**

Most of the journeys in our collection offer overnights and longer stays (or unconventional times of arrival/departure) at destinations for in-depth exploration of the local culture and experiences, while avoiding crowds and larger ships.

### **SEAMLESS TRAVEL WITH FLEXIBLE ITINERARIES**

Experience magical journeys, starting at 7 nights, extendable to 14 or 21 nights, all from easy-to-reach ports.

### **WORRY-FREE TRAVEL WHERE EVERYTHING IS TAKEN CARE OF**

Pre- and post-journey hotels, flights, transfers and luggage handling: our Explora Experience Ambassadors ease you into your travel experience by taking care of essential arrangements before and after your journey.

### **THE ULTIMATE OCEAN ESCAPE WITH EXTENDED JOURNEYS**

Guests can combine any consecutive journeys they wish. Extended Journeys are two or more consecutive journeys that together, present deeper, longer travel with more cultural immersion, savings and the ease of remaining in the same suite throughout the whole journey.

## OUR DESTINATION EXPERIENCES

The '**OCEAN STATE OF MIND**' is not *lost* when venturing ashore. At *every destination*, Explora Journeys provides **INSPIRING** opportunities for guests to **DISCOVER** authentic *cultural, historical, and culinary delights* from an *extraordinary* perspective.

### EXPLORE WITH PEACE OF MIND

- Intimate, smaller groups with like-minded guests, for immersion to local culture – opportunities to understand the culture, connect with locals and feel the real vibe of the places visited
- Seamless and worry-free experiences with everything taken care of, no hidden fees, fully insured partners, transportation arrangements and flexibility in change of plans. If an experience is delayed, our ship will wait
- Enriching opportunities to explore destination essentials, get behind-the-scenes and experience unique locations reserved for Explora Journeys guests, led by local experts
- Crafted experiences curated in collaboration with expert partners and ambassadors such as explorer Mike Horn

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# DISCOVER OUR UNIQUE CARIBBEAN ESCAPES

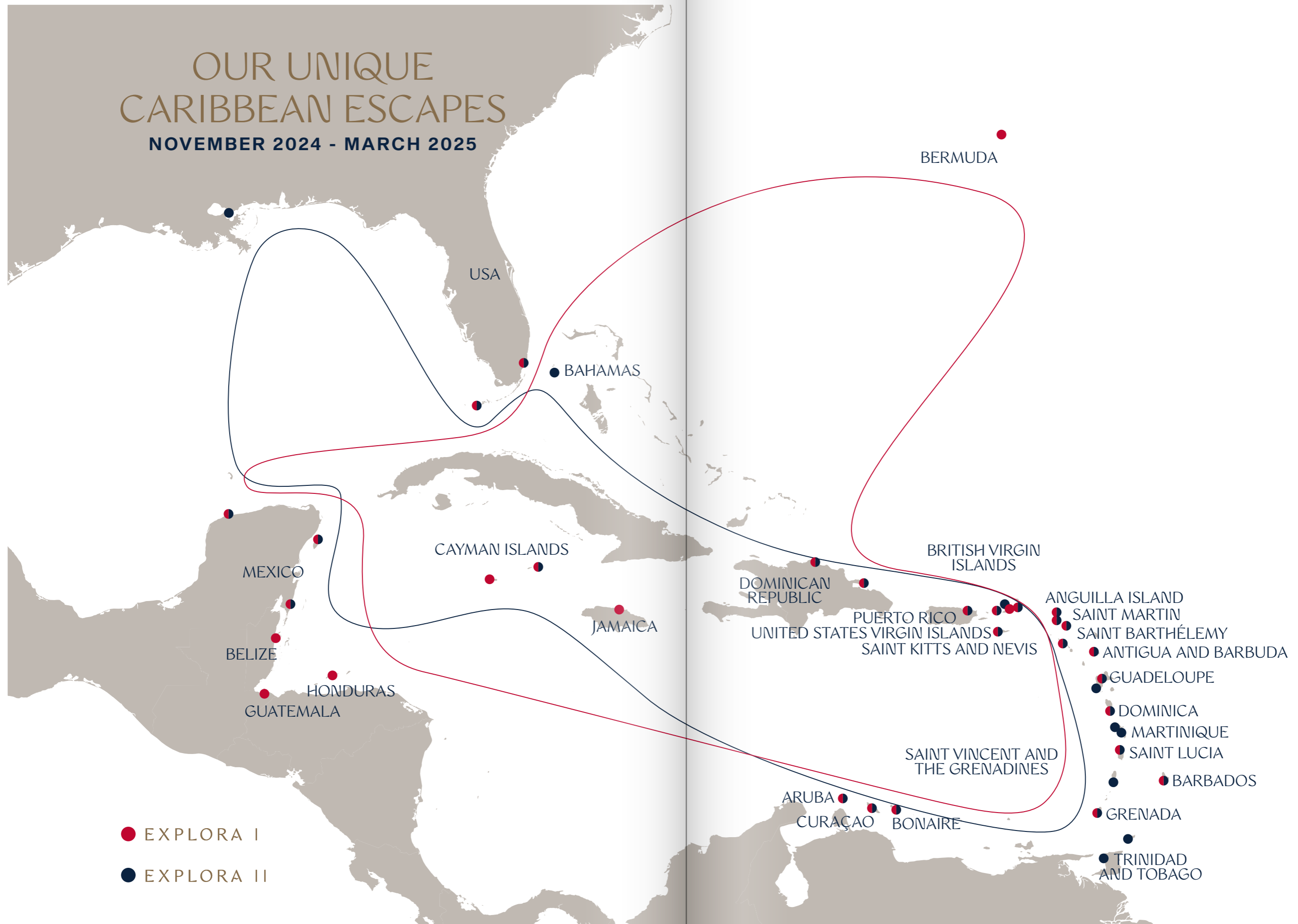
From the lush rainforests of Belize to the pristine beaches of Anguilla, the nocturnal rhythms of New Orleans and Mexico's Mayan ruins, our curated Winter 2024-2025 Journeys Collection reveals a unique facet of the fascinating tropical region.

Throughout the Eastern and Western Caribbean, sail to idyllic islands, encounter vivid cultures, and savour rich, bold cuisines on a journey through bountiful biodiversity, breathtaking sights, and relaxing retreats.



# OUR UNIQUE CARIBBEAN ESCAPES

NOVEMBER 2024 - MARCH 2025



## THE CARIBBEAN

The beauty of the Caribbean is without doubt its crystalline waters. Our ships weave a way through the more than 700 islets and islands, sometimes for months at a time.

### DELIGHTING IN THE SEDUCTIVE WARMTH OF THIS TROPICAL PARADISE

We follow the sea turtle's lead and keep the pace languid, our days sprinkled with snorkelling through caves and amidst underwater kingdoms of kaleidoscopic coral and fish.

On shore, island life is just as colourful. From the unsurpassed French chic of the volcanic Saint Barthelemy to the character of Puerto Rico, the Caribbean's vibe is joyous and free-spirited, offering escapism at its most uplifting.

### BECOME IMMERSSED IN ITS VIBRANT CULTURE AND CUISINE



Walk its sugar cane, coffee and cocoa farmland, and then just drop out beneath its swaying coconut palms. Green jungled hills and cloud-shrouded mountains offer the most majestic of backdrops, whilst the orchid-filled primordial rainforests are rich in wildlife, from monkeys and mongoose to sloths and hundreds of species of songbird, including the most vivid-green hummingbirds.

Raise the *heartbeat* with a hike amidst local flora and **SOARING** *silk cotton trees* – or lower it, **FLOATING** in the **SHALLOWS** of a white sandy beach.



# WINTER ESCAPE JOURNEYS

14-24 January 2025

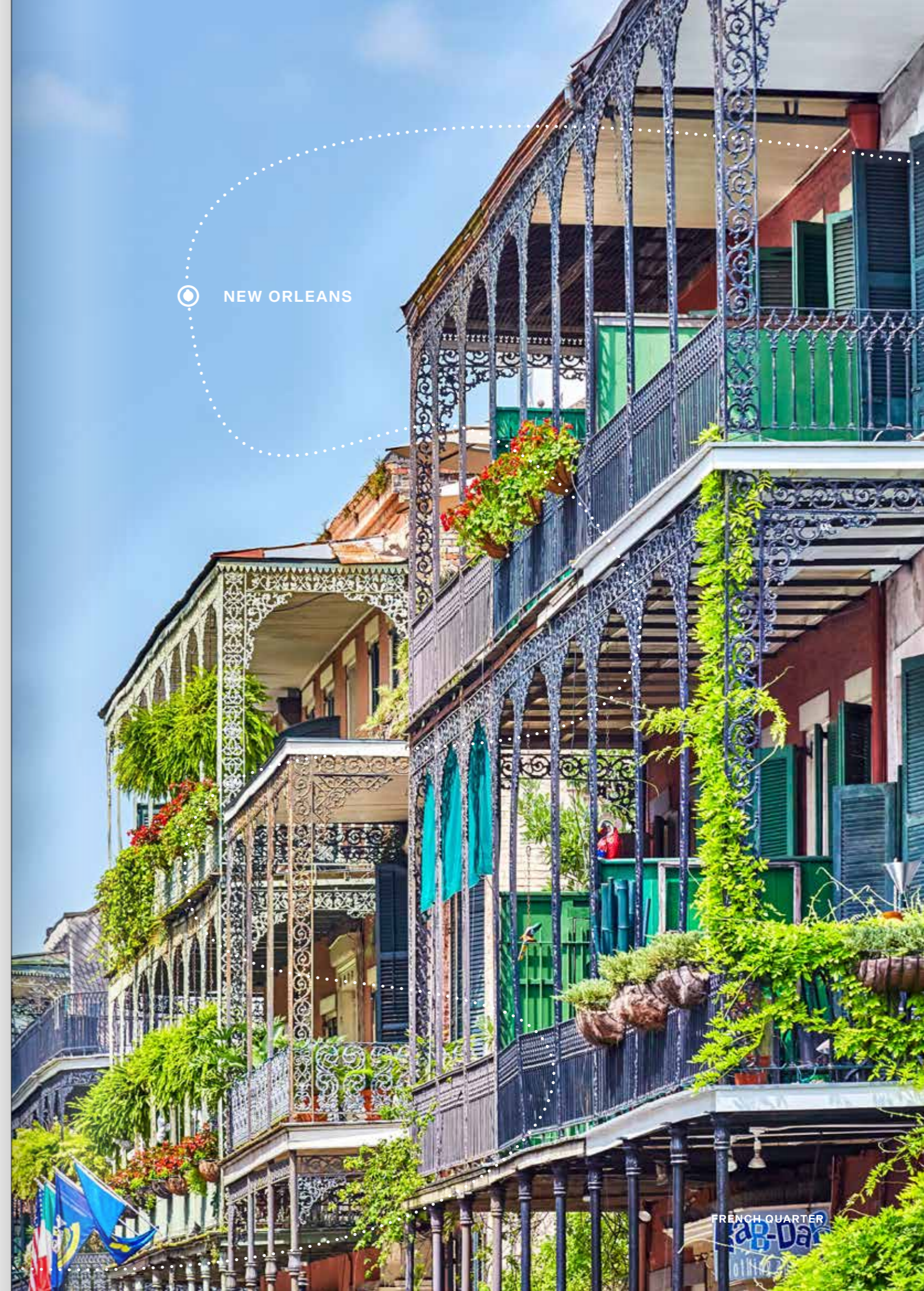


## A JOURNEY TO NEW ORLEANS JAZZ & MEXICO'S YUCATAN

10 Nights | *EXPLORA II*

We segue to America's South where the Big Easy brings revelry of live jazz, jambalaya and French Quarter gallantry. Crisscrossing the Gulf of Mexico, we plunge into the Yucatan Peninsula for Mayan civilisations and surreal cenotes then effortlessly drift to our private island paradise before Miami pulls us into her orbit once more.

To view all other Caribbean departures please go to page 83, or visit [explorajourneys.com](http://explorajourneys.com)





## A JOURNEY TO NEW ORLEANS JAZZ & MEXICO'S YUCATAN

**MIAMI TO MIAMI**

*14-24 January 2025*

DATE		ARR	DEPT
14.01	<b>MIAMI</b>	07:00	17:00
15.01	At Sea		
16.01	New Orleans (C)	18:00	
17.01	New Orleans		16:00
18.01	At sea		
19.01	Cozumel	09:00	19:00
20.01	Progreso (Merida) (C)	11:00	
21.01	Progreso (Merida)		18:00
22.01	At sea		
23.01	Ocean Cay	09:00	23:00
24.01	<b>MIAMI</b>	07:00	



# WINTER ESCAPE DESTINATION EXPERIENCES

20-21 January 2025



COZUMEL



CHICHÉN ITZÁ



TEMPLE OF KUKULCÁN

## JOURNEY THROUGH THE YUCATAN: A MESMERISING TWO-DAY MAYAN IMMERSION

*From Cozumel to Progreso (Merida)*

We time-travel to pre-Columbian society as we tread among majestic Mayan ruins secreted within a lush Yucatan landscape, swim in famed cenotes and meet welcoming communities who bring customs alive. We'll visit Chichén Itzá by day and return at night for a glorious music and light show that illuminates El Castillo. To restore, we overnight at the Oriundo Hotel in luxurious villas surrounded by the chirruping jungle.

To discover more of our experiences in Progreso (Merida) and in the Caribbean please visit [explorajourneys.com](https://explorajourneys.com)

**DAY 1**

By boat, we leave behind the beautiful Caribbean beaches of Isla Cozumel and travel to Playa del Carmen on the Riviera Maya. From here we head inland to Chichén Itzá, the pre-Columbian city that was once the epicentre of Mayan civilisation and is now considered one of the Seven Wonders of the Modern World. With a guide, we'll learn the significance of this sacred site and explore El Castillo, the looming stepped pyramid dedicated to the feathered serpent god Kukulcan.

**EXPERIENCE  
MESOAMERICAN CULTURE,  
TRADITIONS AND SACRED  
ANCESTRAL WISDOM**

Next we journey to the village of Yokdzonot, where a large cenote, or “sacred well”, forms part of the Yucatan’s labyrinth of underground rivers and pools. Cloaked in jungle, ancient vines hanging like ropes down its steep, high walls, this once-forgotten cenote is now managed by a co-operative of Mayan women, who invite us to swim in the clear water, its colour changing from electric green to deepest blue with the dappled sunlight, and to receive a ritual Mayan blessing from a Shaman. Afterwards, we will take part in a culinary workshop and enjoy a late lunch at the cenote’s small restaurant. After resting at the hotel, we return to Chichén Itzá – this time



EL CASTILLO

under the cover of nightfall – the history of the spectacular ruins brought to vivid life through dazzling light projections on the temple walls in the unique Noches de Kukulcan.



YOKDZONOT CENOTE

**DAY 2**

After breakfast, we seek the tiny village of Yaxunah, where the local community invites us to visit their handicraft workshops, museum and botanical gardens. These Mayan men and women preserve their ancestral wisdom, heritage, language, spirit and beliefs, which they share with us as we witness their way of life. We'll also enjoy a traditional pozole tasting and take a jungle trail to uncover more pyramid ruins and visit lol-ha – meaning water flower in Mayan – another quiet, much smaller cenote tendrilled in vines, where we can swim. In nearby Xbatun, we spend two hours preparing a three-course meal with a Mayan family, the recipes for tamales and banana-leaf-baked pibils passed down from their forebears. Appetites deliciously satisfied, we return to the ship anchored in Progreso, arriving late afternoon.



YAXUNAH



VENUS PLATFORM

# WINTER ESCAPE JOURNEYS

21 February – 7 March 2025



ARUBA

## AN EXTENDED JOURNEY OF CARIBBEAN CULTURE

14 Nights | *EXPLORA II*

Snorkel the shallows of beautiful beaches and scuba world-renowned marine reserves in Aruba. Sunset stroll Dutch-Carib culture in colour-cute Curaçao. Meander miles of protected desert-like national parks in Bonaire. Indulgence awaits on the journey from Barbados to Puerto Rico via the golden sands of sweet Saint Lucia, tropical trails in Martinique and drowsy palms in beautiful Bequia. Learn the art of limin' in Trinidad and Tobago and pad barefoot across castaway shores beyond compare in Grenada.

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SCARBOROUGH (TOBAGO)

PIGEON POINT



# AN EXTENDED JOURNEY OF CARIBBEAN CULTURE

## SAN JUAN TO BRIDGETOWN

21 - 28 February 2025

DATE		ARR	DEPT
21.02	<b>SAN JUAN</b>	07:00	19:00
22.02	At Sea		
23.02	Oranjestad	08:00	21:00
24.02	Willemstad	08:00	23:00
25.02	Kralendijk	08:00	21:00
26.02	At Sea		
27.02	Scarborough (Tobago)	08:00	18:00
28.02	<b>BRIDGETOWN</b>	07:00	

## BRIDGETOWN TO SAN JUAN

28 February - 7 March 2025

DATE		ARR	DEPT
28.02	<b>BRIDGETOWN</b>		19:00
01.03	Castries	08:00	18:00
02.03	Saint-Pierre	08:00	18:00
03.03	Bequia	08:00	18:00
04.03	Port of Spain (Trinidad)	08:00	23:00
05.03	St. George's (Grenada)	09:00	18:00
06.03	At Sea		
07.03	<b>SAN JUAN</b>	07:00	



ORANJESTAD



..... JOURNEY 1  
 ..... JOURNEY 2

# WINTER ESCAPE DESTINATION EXPERIENCES

24 February 2025



WILLEMSTAD

CURAÇAO



BONAIRE

## WITHIN CURAÇAO'S NATURAL WONDERS, A VOYAGE OF LEARNING

*From Willemstad*

Treat yourself to an edifying journey into Curaçao's underwater treasures aboard the sleek yacht, Pura Vida, led by experienced marine biologist Max. Learn about his vital coral restoration programme and snorkel on the vivid reefs of Director's Bay. Then, sail to a secluded mangrove reservoir, a tranquil oasis only reachable by boat. Hike the spectacular coastline, swim amongst starfish, and tune in to the harmonious balance of this delicate ecosystem.

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# WINTER ESCAPE JOURNEYS

21 February – 7 March 2025



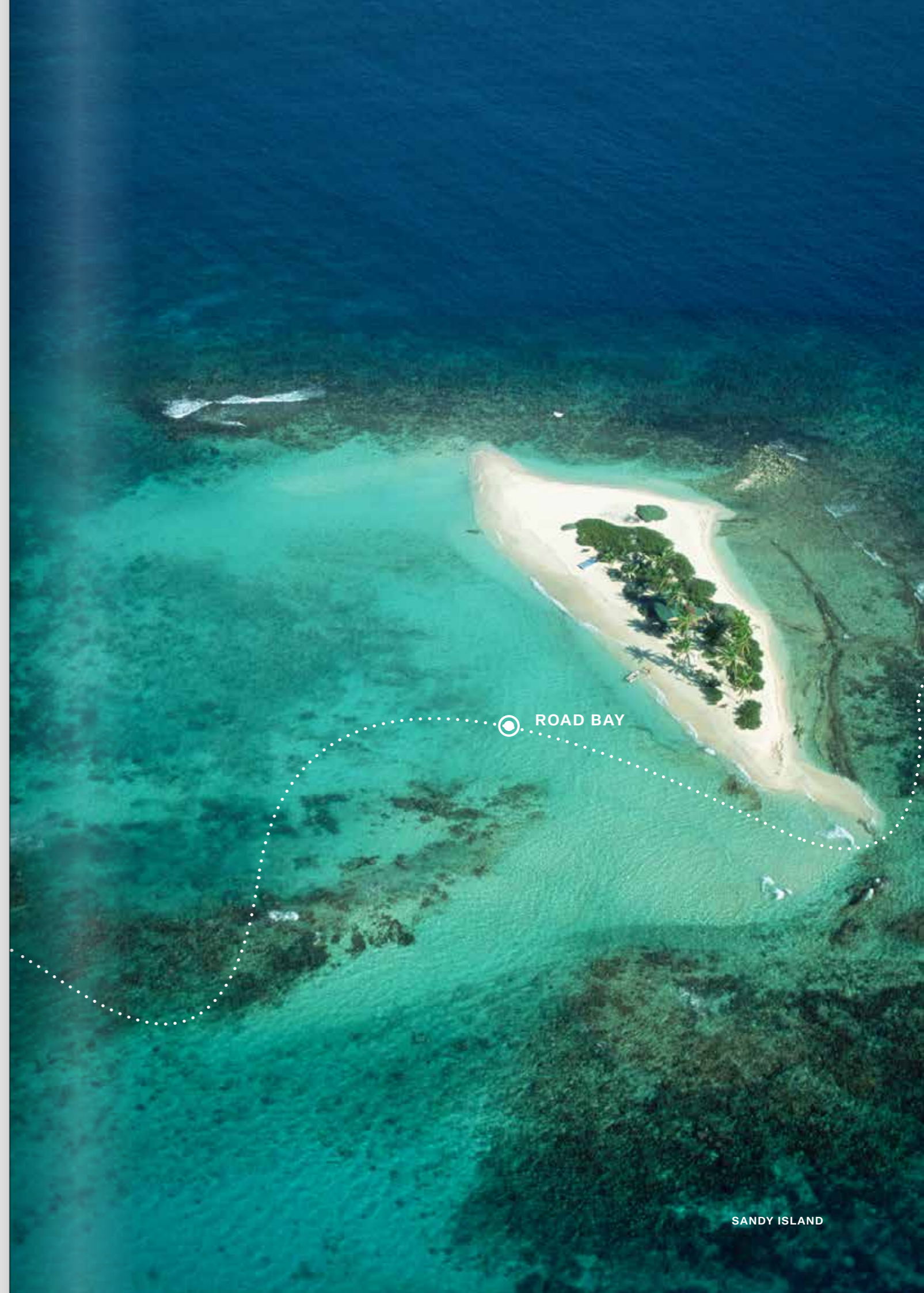
LITTLE DIX BAY

## AN EXTENDED JOURNEY OF CARIBBEAN CASTAWAYS & LEGACIES

14 Nights | *EXPLORA I*

Journey from the verdant rainforests and volcanic landscapes of the West Indies to the free-spirited energy of Puerto Rico and the historic charm in Old San Juan. The journey evolves amid the European elegance of Gustavia Harbour, mingling Saint-Tropez sophistication with Caribbean ease. Explore the pink sands of St. John's, the wildlife of Basseterre and the serene beauty of Spanish Town.

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ROAD BAY

SANDY ISLAND

# AN EXTENDED JOURNEY OF CARIBBEAN CASTAWAYS & LEGACIES

**MIAMI TO SAN JUAN**

*21 - 28 February 2025*

DATE		ARR	DEPT
21.02	<b>MIAMI</b>	07:00	17:00
22.02	At Sea		
23.02	At Sea		
24.02	Charlotte Amalie (Saint Thomas)	09:00	19:00
25.02	Road Bay	08:00	19:00
26.02	Pointe-à-Pitre	08:00	18:00
27.02	Marigot	08:00	17:00
28.02	<b>SAN JUAN</b>	07:00	

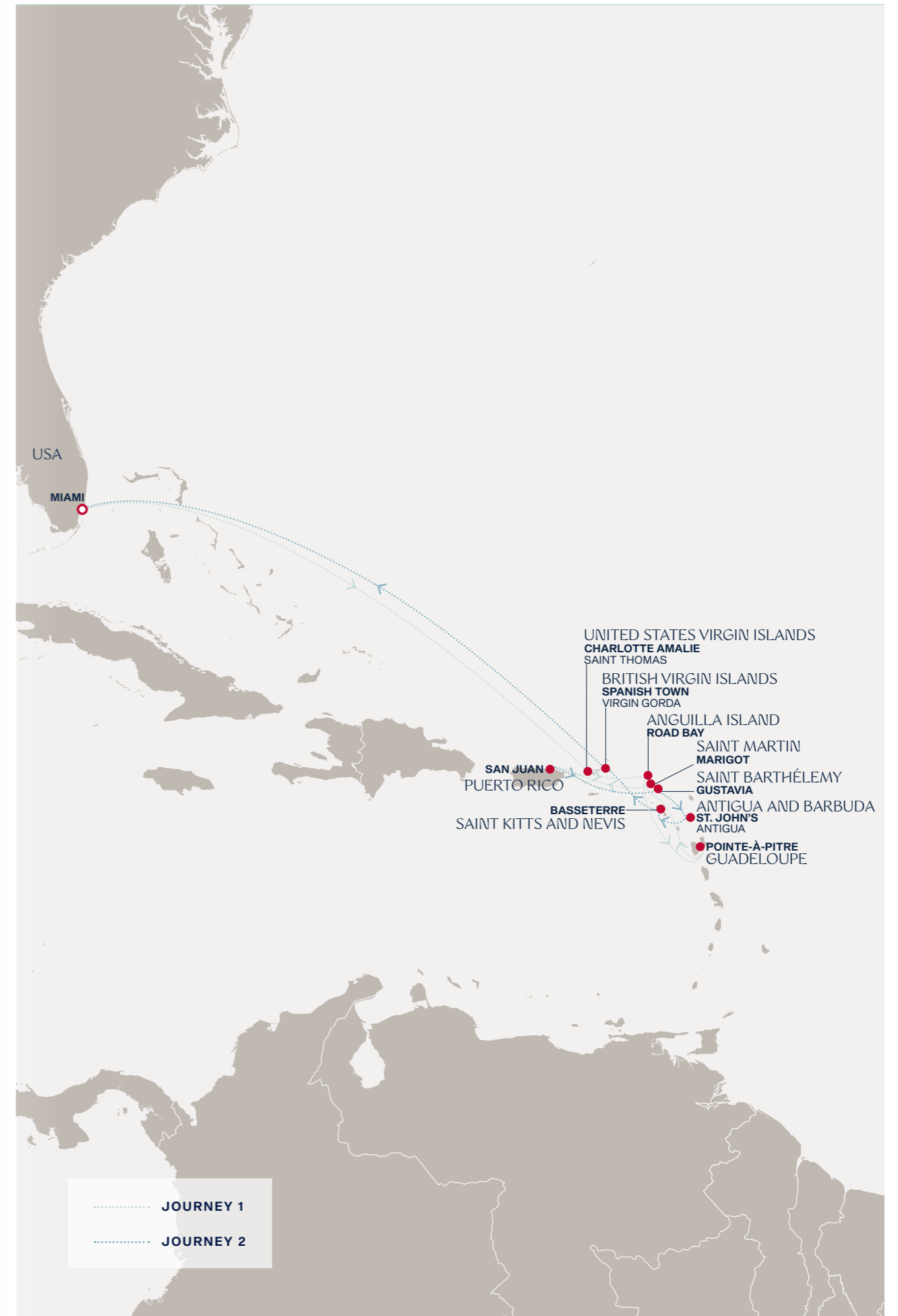
**SAN JUAN TO MIAMI**

*28 February - 7 March 2025*

DATE		ARR	DEPT
28.02	<b>SAN JUAN</b>		19:00
01.03	Gustavia	09:00	22:00
02.03	St. John's	09:00	20:00
03.03	Basseterre	08:00	17:00
04.03	Spanish Town (Virgin Gorda)	08:00	18:00
05.03	At Sea		
06.03	At Sea		
07.03	<b>MIAMI</b>	07:00	



CHARLOTTE AMALIE



# WINTER ESCAPE DESTINATION EXPERIENCES

2 March 2025



ST JOHN'S

NOBU BEACH CLUB

## HELICOPTER FLIGHT TO BARBUDA'S LUXURY NOBU BEACH CLUB

*From St. John's*

Travel in style on a luxury helicopter to Barbuda for a day of pampered privacy at Nobu's beach club and restaurant. As you fly from Antigua, enjoy stunning Caribbean views before touching down in beautiful Barbuda. Set on the pristine white sands of Princess Diana Beach, The Nobu Beach Club at Nobu Barbuda is an exclusive hideaway offering first-class service in private cabanas. A personal host will tend to your needs; all you have to do is lounge in tranquillity as waves ripple the shoreline.

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# WINTER ESCAPE JOURNEYS

24 March – 2 April 2025



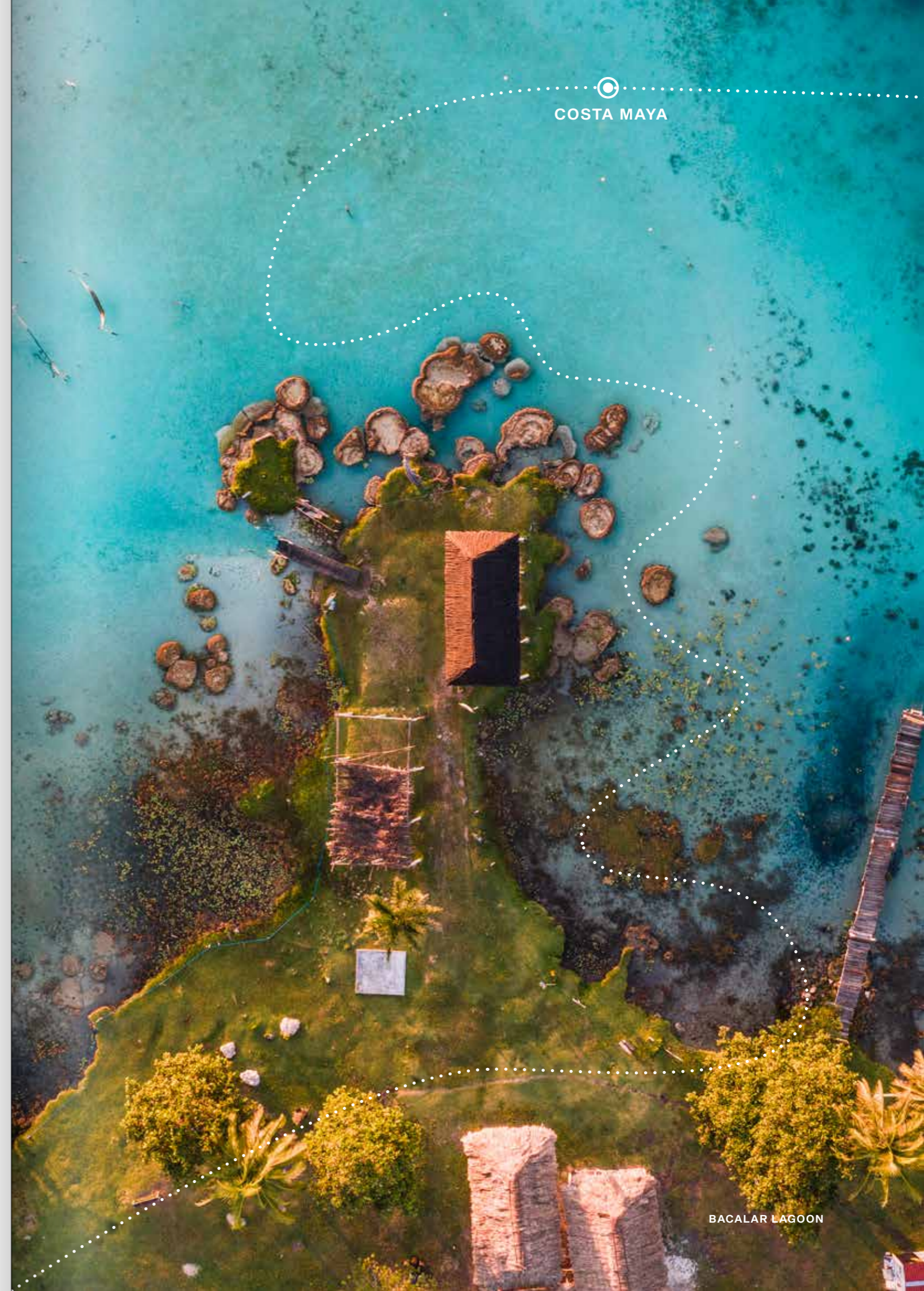
ROATÁN

## A JOURNEY TO BARRIER REEFS OF MEXICO, BELIZE & HONDURAS

9 Nights | *EXPLORA I*

Escorted by mystery and myth, we trace the Yucatán Peninsula and the Mesoamerican Barrier Reef to the famed coral island of Roatán. We lounge in lagoons with 7 hues of blue, dip into must-do snorkel sites, and trek Mayan cities that once flourished. From the UNESCO Quirigua, Xunantunich, and San Gervasio temples, this journey gives back with joy and renewal.

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COSTA MAYA

BACALAR LAGOON

# A JOURNEY TO BARRIER REEFS OF MEXICO, BELIZE & HONDURAS

**MIAMI TO MIAMI**

*24 March - 2 April 2025*

DATE		ARR	DEPT
30.09	<b>MIAMI</b>	07:00	17:00
01.10	At Sea		
02.10	At Sea		
03.10	Santo Tomás de Castilla	08:00	18:00
04.10	Roatán	08:00	17:00
05.10	Belize City	07:00	18:00
03.10	Cozumel	10:00	20:00
04.10	Costa Maya	08:00	16:00
05.10	At Sea		
06.10	<b>MIAMI</b>	07:00	



BLUE HOLE



# WINTER ESCAPE DESTINATION EXPERIENCES

3 October 2025



## TULUM MAYAN RUINS AND SWIMMING IN AN UNDERGROUND LAKE

*From Cozumel*

Visit the breathtaking ruins of Tulum, perched on a limestone cliff overhanging the sparkling Caribbean. Discover vivid, centuries-old murals depicting Mayan life and culture. Follow the thick city walls to find the mighty El Castillo ruins, once a bustling centre of the turquoise and jade trade. Venture to Casa Tortuga, a sacred cenote sinkhole set in the dense jungle, and take a refreshing swim in its cool, crystalline waters.

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# JOURNEYS PLANNER

## CARIBBEAN & CENTRAL AMERICA

2024

DATE	NIGHTS	SHIP	DESTINATIONS
22.11.2024	7	EXPLORA II	EP20241122MIASJU ● MIAMI · Road Bay · Roseau · Basse-Terre · Marigot · <b>SAN JUAN</b>
29.11.2024	7	EXPLORA II	EP20241129SJUMIA ● SAN JUAN · Gustavia · St. John's (Antigua) · Basseterre · Spanish Town (Virgin Gorda) · <b>MIAMI</b>
06.12.2024	7	EXPLORA II	EP20241206MIABGI MIAMI · Charlotte Amalie (Saint Thomas) · Road Bay · Roseau · Saint-Pierre · <b>BRIDGETOWN</b>
13.12.2024	7	EXPLORA II	EP20241213BGIMIA <b>BRIDGETOWN</b> · Bequia · Castries · Basseterre · Spanish Town (Virgin Gorda) · <b>MIAMI</b>
16.12.2024	7	EXPLORA I	EX20241216MIAMIA ● MIAMI · Ocho Rios · George Town (Grand Cayman) · Cozumel · Progreso (Merida) · <b>MIAMI</b>
20.12.2024	7	EXPLORA II	EP20241220MIASJU MIAMI · Road Bay · Pointe-à-Pitre · Jost Van Dyke · Marigot · <b>SAN JUAN</b>
23.12.2024	7	EXPLORA I	EX20241223MIABGI MIAMI · San Juan · Road Bay · Roseau · Castries · <b>BRIDGETOWN</b>
27.12.2024	9	EXPLORA II	EP20241227SJUMIA SAN JUAN · Charlotte Amalie (Saint Thomas) · St. John's (Antigua) · Basseterre · Spanish Town (Virgin Gorda) · At Sea - Fireworks · Cayo Levantado (Samaná Bay) · Puerto Plata · <b>MIAMI</b>
30.12.2024	8	EXPLORA I	EX20241230BGIMIA <b>BRIDGETOWN</b> · St. George's (Grenada) · At Sea - Fireworks · Kralendijk · Willemstad · Oranjestad · <b>MIAMI</b>

2025

05.01.2025	9	EXPLORA II	EP20250105MIAMIA MIAMI · Road Bay · Pointe-à-Pitre · Marigot · San Juan · <b>MIAMI</b>
07.01.2025	7	EXPLORA I	EX20250107MIAMIA ● MIAMI · Ocho Rios · George Town (Grand Cayman) · Cozumel · Progreso (Merida) · <b>MIAMI</b>
14.01.2025	7	EXPLORA I	EX20250114MIASJU MIAMI · Charlotte Amalie (Saint Thomas) · Gustavia · Pointe-à-Pitre · Marigot · <b>SAN JUAN</b>
14.01.2025	10	EXPLORA II	EP20250114MIAMIA MIAMI · New Orleans ☾ · Cozumel · Progreso (Merida) ☾ · Ocean Cay · <b>MIAMI</b>
21.01.2025	7	EXPLORA I	EX20250121SJUMIA SAN JUAN · Road Bay · St. John's (Antigua) · Basseterre · Spanish Town (Virgin Gorda) · <b>MIAMI</b>
24.01.2025	11	EXPLORA II	EP20250124MIAMIA MIAMI · Gustavia · Pointe-à-Pitre · Bequia · Castries · St. John's (Antigua) · Spanish Town (Virgin Gorda) · <b>MIAMI</b>
28.01.2025	8	EXPLORA I	EX20250128MIAMIA MIAMI · Key West · Costa Maya · Belize City · Cozumel · Progreso (Merida) · <b>MIAMI</b>

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EXPLORA JOURNEYS

● ● ● Repeated journeys ☾ Overnight

CARIBBEAN & CENTRAL AMERICA

2024

DATE	NIGHTS	SHIP	DESTINATIONS
04.02.2025	10	EXPLORA II	EP20250204MIAMIA <b>MIAMI</b> · Key West · Cayman Brac · Cozumel ☾ · Costa Maya · Progreso (Merida) · <b>MIAMI</b>
05.02.2025	9	EXPLORA I	EX20250205MIAMIA <b>MIAMI</b> · Puerto Plata · Cayo Levantado (Samaná Bay) · San Juan · St. John's (Antigua) < · Spanish Town (Virgin Gorda) · <b>MIAMI</b>
14.02.2025	7	EXPLORA I	EX20250214MIAMIA <b>MIAMI</b> · Costa Maya · Belize City · Cozumel · Key West · <b>MIAMI</b>
14.02.2025	7	EXPLORA II	EP20250214MIASJU ● <b>MIAMI</b> · Road Bay · Roseau · Basse-Terre · Marigot · <b>SAN JUAN</b>
21.02.2025	7	EXPLORA I	EX20250221MIASJU <b>MIAMI</b> · Charlotte Amalie (Saint Thomas) · Road Bay · Pointe-à-Pitre · Marigot · <b>SAN JUAN</b>
21.02.2025	7	EXPLORA II	EP20250221SJBGI <b>SAN JUAN</b> · Oranjestad · Willemstad · Kralendijk · Scarborough (Tobago) · <b>BRIDGETOWN</b>
28.02.2025	7	EXPLORA I	EX20250228SJUMIA ● <b>SAN JUAN</b> · Gustavia · St. John's (Antigua) · Basseterre · Spanish Town (Virgin Gorda) · <b>MIAMI</b>
28.02.2025	7	EXPLORA II	EP20250228BGISJU <b>BRIDGETOWN</b> · Castries · Saint-Pierre · Bequia · Port of Spain (Trinidad) · St. George's (Grenada) · <b>SAN JUAN</b>
07.03.2025	8	EXPLORA I	EX20250307MIAMIA <b>MIAMI</b> · Cozumel · Belize City · Cayman Brac · Key West · <b>MIAMI</b>
07.03.2025	7	EXPLORA II	EP20250307SJUMIA ● <b>SAN JUAN</b> · Gustavia · St. John's (Antigua) · Basseterre · Spanish Town (Virgin Gorda) · <b>MIAMI</b>
15.03.2025	9	EXPLORA I	EX20250315MIAMIA <b>MIAMI</b> · Puerto Plata · Cayo Levantado (Samaná Bay) · San Juan · Gustavia · Road Town (Tortola) · <b>MIAMI</b>
24.03.2025	9	EXPLORA I	EX20250324MIAMIA <b>MIAMI</b> · Santo Tomás de Castilla · Roatán · Belize City · Cozumel · Costa Maya · <b>MIAMI</b>

GRAND JOURNEYS

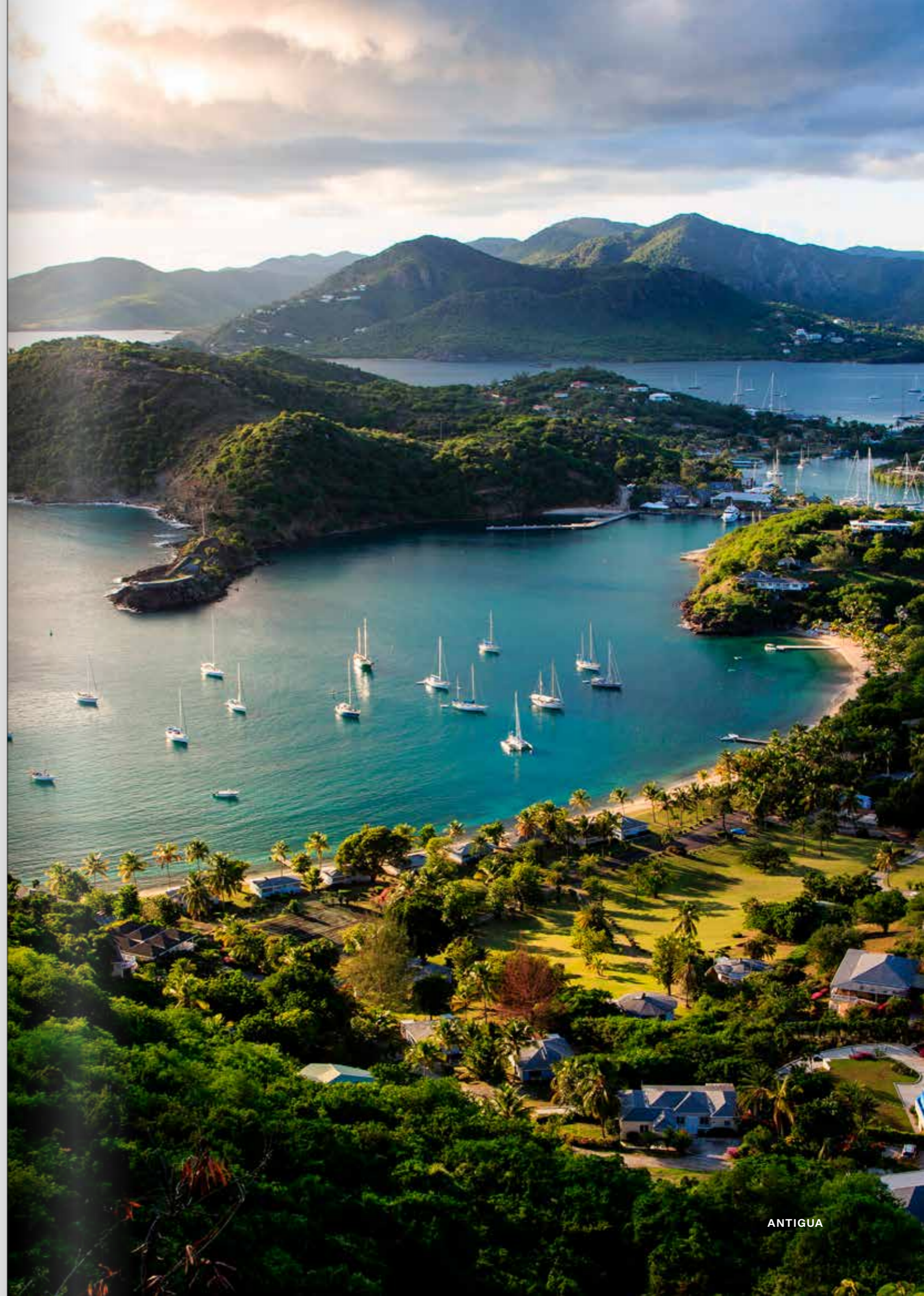
2024

05.11.2024	17	EXPLORA II	EP20241105BCNMIA <b>BARCELONA</b> · Funchal (Madeira) · Bridgetown · Fort-de-France · Castries · St. John's (Antigua) · San Juan · <b>MIAMI</b>
29.11.2024	17	EXPLORA I	EX20241129BCNMIA <b>BARCELONA</b> · Cadiz · Santa Cruz de Tenerife · Bridgetown · Pointe-à-Pitre · St. John's (Antigua) · San Juan · <b>MIAMI</b>

2025

14.03.2025	14	EXPLORA II	EP20250314MIALIS <b>MIAMI</b> · San Juan · St. John's (Antigua) · Funchal (Madeira) · Leixões (Porto) · <b>LISBON</b>
02.04.2025	16	EXPLORA I	EX20250402MIABCN <b>MIAMI</b> · King's Wharf · Horta (Faial Island) · Ponta Delgada (São Miguel) · Lisbon · Cartagena · Valencia · <b>BARCELONA</b>

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LOBBY BAR

# EXPLORA I & EXPLORA II

## OVERVIEW

### FEATURES

- Length: 248 m (~813 ft)
- Tonnage: 63,900 GT
- Guest per hosts ratio: 1.25 : 1

### 461 OCEAN FRONT SUITES

- 1 Owner's Residence
- 22 Ocean Residences
- 67 Ocean Penthouses
- 371 Ocean Terrace and Ocean Grand Terrace Suites
- 80 family-friendly connecting suites

### FEATURING

- Private terraces which are amongst the largest in the category
- Large floor-to-ceiling windows with elegant interiors
- Spacious walk-in wardrobe with a seated vanity area

### 11 DISTINCT CULINARY EXPERIENCES

- Focused on healthy, delicious food from local, sustainable sources
- Celebrating global cooking talents, provenance and flavours from around the world
- Six vibrant restaurants and numerous lounges, as well as In-Suite Dining

### NUMEROUS LOUNGING AND ENTERTAINMENT EXPERIENCES

- 12 indoor and outdoor bar and lounge experiences with curated entertainment and intimate performances
- Casino, art gallery, culinary school and curated shopping experiences

### GENEROUS OUTDOOR DECKS

- Three heated outdoor pools, including one adults-only, and one indoor pool with retractable glass roof
- 64 private cabanas
- Multiple indoor and outdoor whirlpools
- Poolside dining and lounging

### HOLISTIC WELLNESS AND FITNESS

- Over 700 sqm (7,500 sq ft) of indoor and outdoor wellness facilities
- Over 270 sqm (2,900 sq ft) of fitness facilities with latest equipment

### THE LATEST ENVIRONMENTAL-SUPPORTING TECHNOLOGIES

- Hybrid-ready energy solutions
- Waste-management and energy-saving solutions
- No single-plastic used onboard and ashore

# SIX EXCEPTIONAL SHIPS

## EXPLORA I

2023

## EXPLORA II

2024

## EXPLORA III

2026

## EXPLORA IV

2027

## EXPLORA V

2027

## EXPLORA VI

2028



SAKURA RESTAURANT

## UNIQUE COMPLIMENTARY EXPERIENCES

Every **JOURNEY** includes an *astounding* list of experiences.

### ALL JOURNEYS INCLUDE:

- Authentic, intuitive service from our team of hospitality experts, with an industry-leading guests to hosts ratio of 1.25 to 1
- Nine distinct culinary experiences, including In-Suite Dining
- Unlimited beverages, fine wines and premium spirits, speciality coffees, teas and soft drinks available at all times, including in-suite mini-bar
- Access to the Ocean Wellness – The Spa thermal area
- Group wellness, fitness and mindfulness activities and rituals
- All on-board gratuities
- High-speed complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the ship
- In-suite welcome bottle of champagne upon arrival
- A bottle of wine and a bottle of spirit of the guests' choice upon arrival
- 24-hour concierge services
- 24-hour In-Suite Dining
- Twice-daily housekeeping services, including evening turndown service
- Shoeshine service
- Shuttle services from port to city centre (where required/available)

Additional inclusions and benefits apply to guests staying in one of our Ocean Penthouses and Ocean Residences.

### HIGH-SPEED COMPLIMENTARY WI-FI THROUGHOUT THE SHIP

Our ships are equipped with enhanced onboard connectivity by Starlink, ensuring stable high-speed internet and Wi-Fi connection in all suites and public spaces.\*

\*In certain navigation areas, Wi-Fi connection may be slower or unavailable due to circumstances beyond our control.

## YOUR HOME AT SEA

*Elegant, **SPACIOUS** and comfortable*  
**OCEAN-FRONT** suites, penthouses and residences  
**DESIGNED** to create a *home at sea* for our guests.

Each of our 461 ocean-front suites, penthouses and residences – all designed with a refined, European elegance – are created to bring guests closer to the ocean itself, with floor-to-ceiling windows and private sun terraces.

Our suites range from 35 sqm (377 sq ft) to 280 sqm (3,014 sq ft), making them among the most spacious in the category.

### ALL SUITES FEATURE:

- Floor-to-ceiling windows
- Private sun terraces with a dining area and a sunbed or sun loungers
- Arriving to find luggage delivered and a chilled bottle of champagne waiting
- Walk-in wardrobe with seated vanity area and Dyson Supersonic™ hair dryer
- Heated bathroom floors
- Individual climate and lighting control in each suite
- Gentle motion-activated bedroom night lights
- Infotainment system with on-demand TV options
- Wireless bedside device charging stations
- Mini-bar replenished according to each guest's preferences
- Espresso machine with biodegradable pods; a kettle and teapot
- Complimentary personal refillable water bottle for each guest
- Mandala Blue custom bath toiletries and amenities for Explora Journeys
- Pair of binoculars for guests' use during their journey



## DINING AT SEA

*A variety of culinary experiences to discover*

The culinary riches aboard Explora Journeys take their influences from across the globe, bringing personality, sophistication and a dash of soul to dining at sea – whether in one of the elegant restaurants, by a pool or on a private terrace.



### SIX RESTAURANTS

#### **ANTHOLOGY\***

An Italian fine dining experience celebrating a rich tapestry of authentic flavours.

#### **SAKURA**

Immersive Pan-Asian dining.

#### **MARBLE & CO. GRILL**

A redefined European steakhouse experience.

#### **EMPORIUM MARKETPLACE**

Effortless all-day dining restaurant.

#### **MED YACHT CLUB**

Celebrating the flavours of the Mediterranean.

#### **FIL ROUGE**

French-inspired international cuisine.



ANTHOLOGY

### MORE CULINARY EXPERIENCES

#### **EXPLORA LOUNGE**

A luminous lounge offering stunning 270-degree views, a spectacular backdrop to informal drinking and dining.

#### **CREMA CAFÉ**

Bustling European all-day café with infinite sea views.

#### **GELATERIA & CRÊPERIE AT THE CONSERVATORY**

Authentic French and Italian indulgences.

#### **CHEF'S KITCHEN\***

An immersive experience offering culinary classes.

#### **IN-SUITE DINING**

Refined dining in the comfort of your suite or private terrace, available 24 hours.



\*An exclusive experience fee applies

# LOUNGING & ENTERTAINMENT

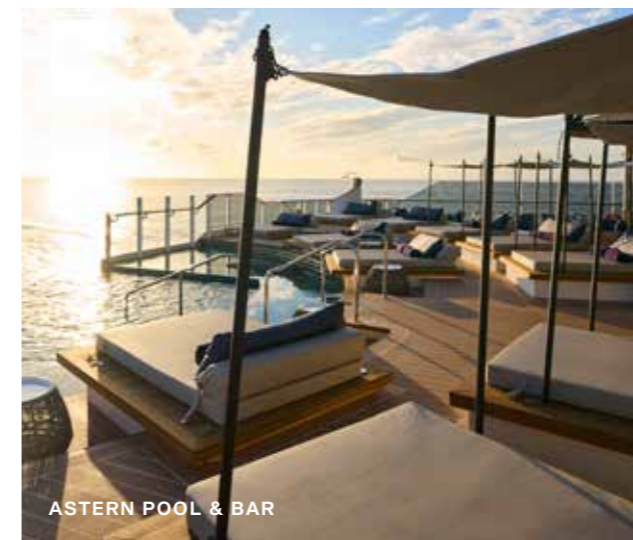
*Reimagining entertainment with the right vibe for the right time*

Diverse entertainment choices with the perfect blend of vibrancy and privacy across 12 indoor and outdoor bars and lounges.

An effortless, cosmopolitan atmosphere in which to discover, enjoy and appreciate diverse talent from around the world.



EXPLORA LOUNGE



ASTERN POOL & BAR



MALT WHISKY BAR

**LOBBY BAR**

A centrally-located social bar and lounge.

**EXPLORA LOUNGE**

Luminous lounge offering spectacular 270-degree views of the ocean and informal drinking and dining.

**MALT WHISKY BAR**

A refined tour of the global whisky regions.

**JOURNEYS LOUNGE**

Mixology, enrichment and entertainment continuously evolving throughout the day.

**ASTERN LOUNGE**

All-day lounge for a seaside escape opening up to the Astern Pool.

**SKY BAR ON 14**

A panoramic lounge setting, ideal for soothing cocktails and infinite views.

**CREMA CAFÉ**

Bustling café lounge with sea views.

**ASTERN POOL & BAR**

An all-day pool and lounge setting for a seaside escape on deck 5.

**ATOLL POOL & BAR**

An intimate pool on deck 10 with a chilled vibe throughout the day.

**HELIOS POOL & BAR**

A panoramic adults-only pool and lounge experience.

**THE CONSERVATORY POOL & BAR**

A weather-protected all-day poolside lounge.

**GELATERIA & CRÊPERIE AT THE CONSERVATORY**

Authentic French and Italian indulgences.



# OCEAN-INSPIRED WELLNESS

*Inner and outer wellbeing*

Ocean Wellness encompasses the physical, spiritual, and emotional health of our guests, ensuring their time with us is enriching and fulfilling. It is an ocean-inspired experience deeply rooted in the origins of Explora Journeys.



OCEAN WELLNESS - OPEN AIR FITNESS



OCEAN WELLNESS - THE SPA



OCEAN WELLNESS - FITNESS STUDIO

**700+ SQM**  
(7,500+ sq ft)  
of space dedicated to relaxation and rejuvenation

**11 SERENE TREATMENT ROOMS**  
including private spa suites with dedicated outdoor relaxation areas and the Medi-Luxe treatment room by Dr Levy Switzerland

**MULTISENSORIAL EXPERIENCE AREAS**  
like a regenerative hydrotherapy pool; contrast therapy (Finnish Sauna, Steam Room, ice fall); salt cave

**270 SQM**  
(2,906 sq ft)  
Fitness Centre and Fitness Studio, as well as Open Air Fitness area designed in partnership with Technogym

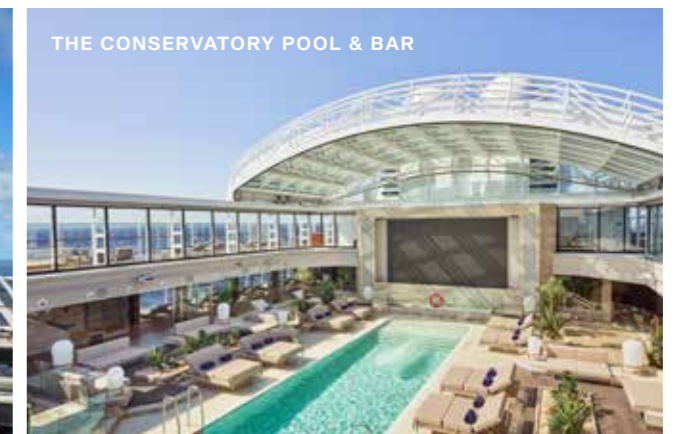
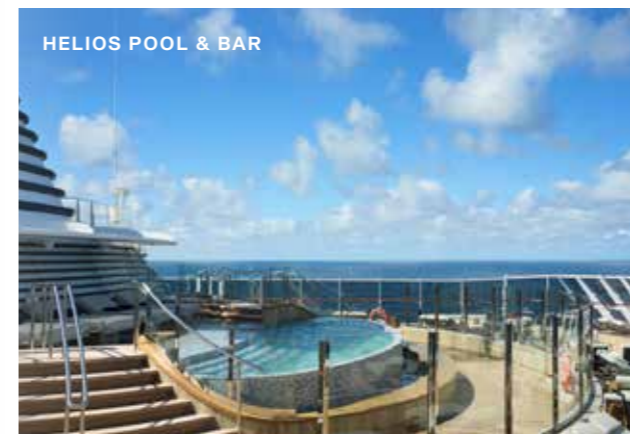
**HOLISTIC WELLNESS**  
Pilates Reformers, outdoor cycling and rowing, Technogym Artis line equipment for functional and strength training

**BESPOKE FITNESS CLASSES**  
created in partnership with Technogym

## POOLSIDE LEISURE

*Generous* outdoor decks – offering more than 6,200 sqm (66,736 sq ft) of **SPECTACULAR** sea **VIEWS** – combined with numerous *indoor* and *outdoor* pools and whirlpools on the ship's promenade deck for an **EXPERIENCE** inspired by *seas* and *oceans*.

- Three heated outdoor pools, including one for adults-only
- One heated, weather-protected indoor pool with a retractable glass roof, the largest and only in category at 1,200 sqm (12,917 sq ft)
- 64 private cabanas at no additional fee
- One indoor hydrotherapy pool
- Five indoor and outdoor whirlpools
- Several poolside and outdoor bars and lounges



ASTERN POOL & BAR

# CURATED SHOPPING EXPERIENCES

Discover bespoke shopping experiences inspired by the Ocean State of Mind and influenced by the destinations we visit. Step into a world of opulence as you explore dedicated spaces for *Rolex* — the first-ever Rolex boutique at sea — alongside *Cartier*, *Panerai*, *Piaget*, and *Buccellati* aboard our ships.\*

The *Journey*, an exclusively curated concept, offers a tempting collection of products from inspiring brands devoted to people and the planet, with every item a testament to the creativity and care shown by our artisanal suppliers.



THE JOURNEY BOUTIQUE



ROLEX BOUTIQUE



BUCELLATI BOUTIQUE



CARTIER WATCH STORE



PANERAI BOUTIQUE

\* Rolex boutique available exclusively on EXPLORA I, Buccellati on EXPLORA II.

# JOURNEYS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Our promise of a 'Home at Sea' is, of course, extended to your entire family. We welcome all generations and believe few things are as satisfying and enjoyable as special moments spent on holiday when you can all be together.



## NAUTILUS CLUB

*A space dedicated to our younger guests*

Nautilus Club is a space dedicated to our younger guests, where a team of expert hosts will make sure they will be entertained and enriched in the company of other guests their own age. Nautilus Club offers the latest generation of video games and VR consoles, such as PlayStation 5 and PlayStation VR2, Xbox, Nintendo Switch, iPads and Oculus Pro. The space also offers other activities such as sports sessions, technology tournaments, paint art, and craft play, along with games in locations throughout the ship.



## CONNECTING SUITES

*80 multi-generation-friendly connecting suites*

Ensuring that families and larger groups can enjoy plenty of space and privacy, EXPLORA I and EXPLORA II offer 80 multi-generation-friendly connected suites across the categories of Ocean Suites, Ocean Penthouses and Ocean Residences.



## CURATED FAMILY-FRIENDLY DESTINATION EXPERIENCES

A series of Destination Experiences have been curated to be enjoyed by the whole family, ensuring that you create the most unforgettable moments together. The exciting experiences feature easily accessible and fun edu-tainment activities such as a day at a farm or a visit to a space centre where children will get to meet and hear stories from a real astronaut.



## ADULTS-ONLY SPACES

For a moment of stillness and serenity, guests can enjoy the Helios Pool & Bar on deck 12, a panoramic area at the forward part of the ship exclusively reserved for adults only. Most of the other public spaces, restaurants, bars, lounges and pools on EXPLORA I and EXPLORA II welcome families and children.



## PRE- & POST-JOURNEY HOTELS, FLIGHTS & TRANSFERS

Let our **EXPLORA EXPERIENCE** Ambassadors ease you into your *travel experience* by *taking care* of *essential* arrangements before and after your journey.

### LUXURY HOTEL STAYS

Our comprehensive hotel programme is the perfect option to enrich your explorations. Through our extensive partnerships with leading hoteliers around the globe, we can arrange bespoke accommodations in and around our port destination cities for any duration, room category or cultural experience.

### TRUSTED TRANSFERS

Our worry-free transfers can add that extra step of ease to your journey. Group and private transfers can be arranged between the airport and pier or between the pier and the hotel on days of either embarkation or disembarkation.

### AIR TRAVEL

Allow us to schedule and reserve your flights to ensure an effortless coordination of your travels. Excellent relationships with global airlines means we can ensure the best possible fares, schedules and choice of class to tie in with your journey.

### PRIVATE AIR CHARTERS

Privacy, flexibility and simplicity are the key reasons to choose our private flight arrangements. Our Explora Experience Ambassadors can help you choose from a significant range of aircraft solutions to fit the personalised travel needs for couples, a mid-sized family, or a larger group of friends and family. We complete our service with home-to-ship transfers and seamless luggage handling for the utmost in safe and convenient travel.

### SEAMLESS LUGGAGE HANDLING

For the ultimate ease of travel, our luggage valet programme allows you to ship your travel cases directly from your front door and have them waiting for you at your suite on board the ship and vice versa.

Please contact us for more information.

# SUSTAINABILITY COMMITMENT

Explora Journeys is committed to helping create a more positive future, not just for this generation but for the generations to come.

*“The sea is our source. We are passionate about doing what we can to protect the oceans, lands and cultures that we visit. We hold the seas and oceans that sustain our planet in the very highest regard.”*

**PIERFRANCESCO VAGO**

Executive Chairman,  
Cruise Division MSC Group



# LEAVING THINGS BETTER FOR THE NEXT GENERATIONS

The innate respect for the ocean is why Explora Journeys – in partnership with Fincantieri – is committed to building the ships of tomorrow, utilising the very latest in environmentally supportive technologies.

All six ships will be RINA Dolphin-certified, ensuring reduced underwater noise, which in turn contributes to the preservation of marine life.

EXPLORA III, IV, V and VI will be LNG-powered, with EXPLORA V and VI also being hydrogen-powered.

**MSCFOUNDATION**  
**msc**

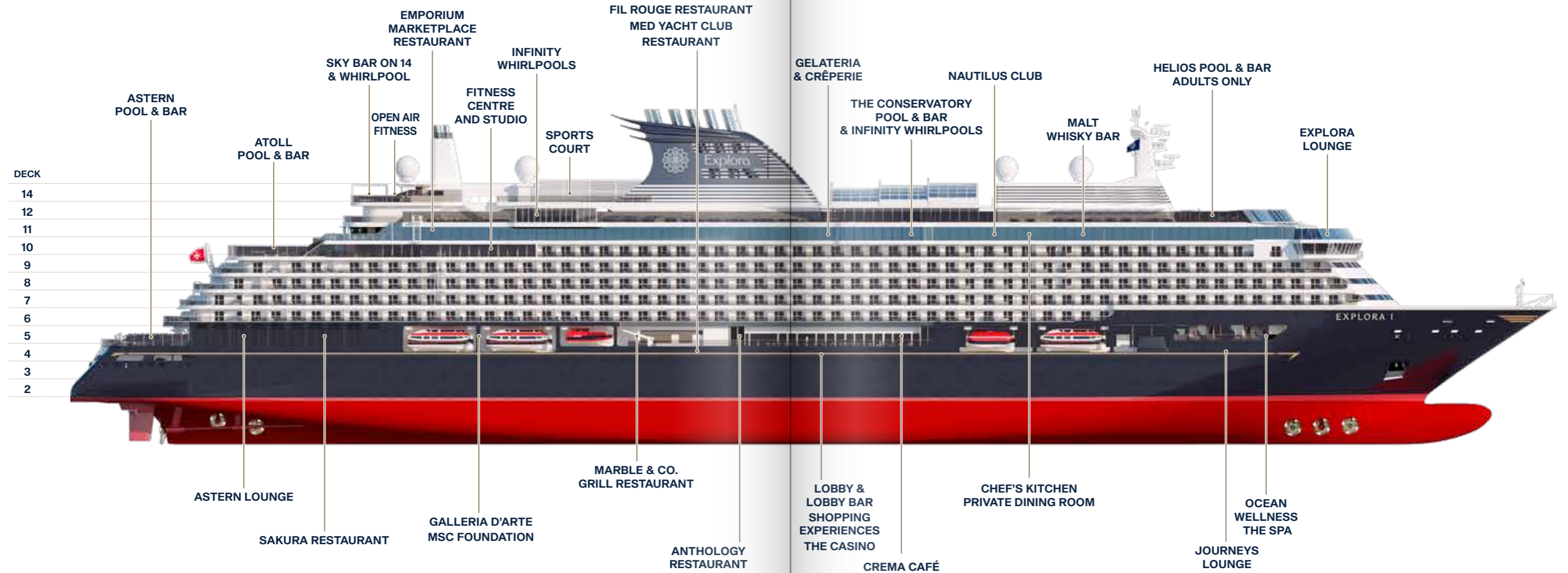
Explora Journeys is dedicated to supporting environmental, humanitarian and sustainable development commitments worldwide through the MSC Foundation, a private non-profit foundation established by the Aponte family.

Inspired by the MSC Group's values and motivated by a deep sense of responsibility for the planet and its resources, the foundation's mission is to utilise MSC's global reach and unique knowledge of the ocean to take immediate action that contributes to protecting and nurturing the blue planet.

The foundation also supports sustainable ecosystem management, empowers vulnerable communities, promotes inclusive education, and aids disaster recovery efforts.

# EXPLORA I - EXPLORA II

## SHIP OVERVIEW



DECK	
4	Fil Rouge Restaurant
4	Med Yacht Club Restaurant
4	Shopping Experiences
4	Lobby
4	Lobby Bar
4	The Casino
4	Journeys Lounge
5	Astern Pool & Bar
5	Sakura Restaurant

DECK	
5	Astern Lounge
5	Marble & Co. Grill Restaurant
5	Galleria d'Arte
5	MSC Foundation
5	Anthology Restaurant
5	Crema Café
5	Ocean Wellness - The Spa
10	Ocean Wellness - Fitness Centre
10	Ocean Wellness - Fitness Studio

DECK	
10	Atoll Pool & Bar
11	Emporium Marketplace Restaurant
11	The Conservatory Pool & Bar
11	Gelateria & Crêperie at The Conservatory
11	Infinity Whirlpools
11	Malt Whisky Bar
11	Explora Lounge
11	Chef's Kitchen
11	Nautilus Club

DECK	
12	Helios Pool & Bar - Adults only
12	Running Track
14	Infinity Whirlpools
14	Sky Bar on 14 & Whirlpool
14	Sports Court
14	Ocean Wellness - Open Air Fitness

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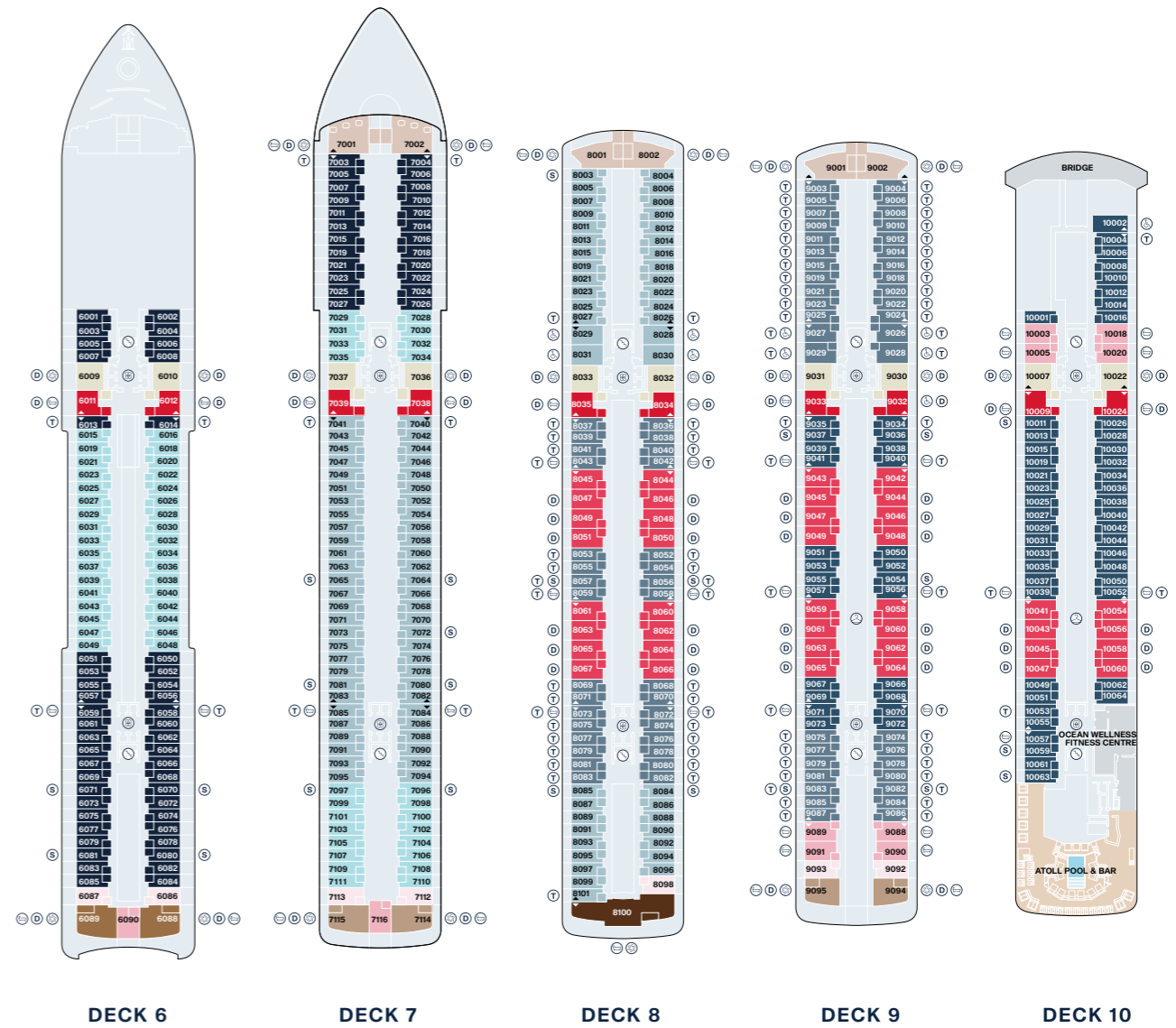
# EXPLORA I - EXPLORA II

## GUEST SUITES OVERVIEW

SUITE NAME	DECK	TOTAL SUITE AREA SQM (~ SQ FT)	SUITE AREA SQM (~ SQ FT)	TERRACE AREA SQM (~ SQ FT)	QUANTITY
<b>OR</b> OWNER'S RESIDENCE	8	280 (3,014)	155 (1,668)	125 (1,345)	1
<b>CR</b> COCOON RESIDENCE	6	149 (1,604)	74 (797)	75 (807)	2
<b>SR</b> SERENITY RESIDENCE	9	126 (1,356)	60 (646)	66 (710)	4
	7	113 (1,216)	60 (646)	53 (570)	
<b>RR</b> RETREAT RESIDENCE	7	81 (872)	63 (678)	18 (194)	6
	8-9	77 (829)	63 (678)	14 (151)	
<b>CO</b> COVE RESIDENCE	6	80 (861)	56 (603)	24 (258)	10
	7-8-9-10	70 (753)	56 (603)	14 (151)	
<b>GP</b> GRAND PENTHOUSE	6	68 (732)	47 (506)	21 (226)	10
	7-8-9-10	60 (646)	47 (506)	13 (140)	
<b>PP</b> PREMIER PENTHOUSE	8-9-10	52 (560)	42 (452)	10 (108)	40
	7	61 (657)	43 (463)	18 (194)	
<b>DP</b> DELUXE PENTHOUSE	6	53 (570)	43 (463)	10 (108)	10
	9-10	48 (517)	38 (409)	10 (108)	
<b>PH</b> PENTHOUSE	6	48 (517)	34 (366)	14 (151)	7
	7-8-9	43 (463)	34 (366)	9 (97)	
<b>GT</b> OCEAN GRAND TERRACE SUITE	6-7	39 (420)	28 (301)	11 (118)	70
<b>OT1 OT2 OT3 OT4</b> OCEAN TERRACE SUITE	OT1 6-7	35 (377)	28 (301)	7 (75)	301
	OT2 7-8				
	OT3 8-9				
	OT4 9-10				

TOTAL  
461

## DECK PLANS



- PRIVATE WHIRLPOOL
- TWIN BEDS
- DOUBLE SOFA BED
- GUEST LAUNDRY
- ACCESSIBLE SUITES
- BATH
- LIFT
- CONNECTING SUITES

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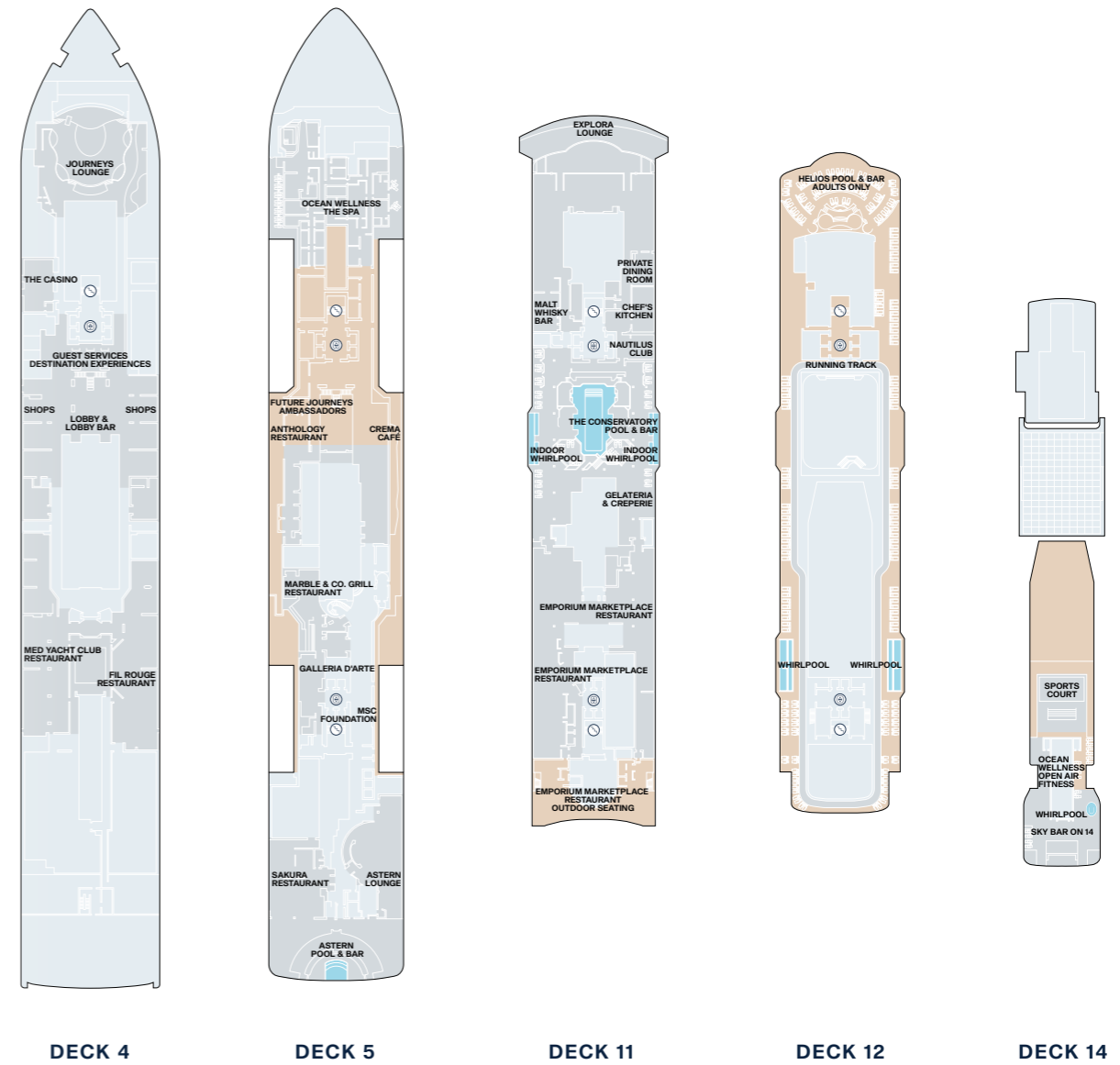






LOBBY BAR

DECK PLANS



DECK 4

DECK 5

DECK 11

DECK 12

DECK 14

-  STAIRCASE
-  LIFT

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*For an easy and efficient booking experience*

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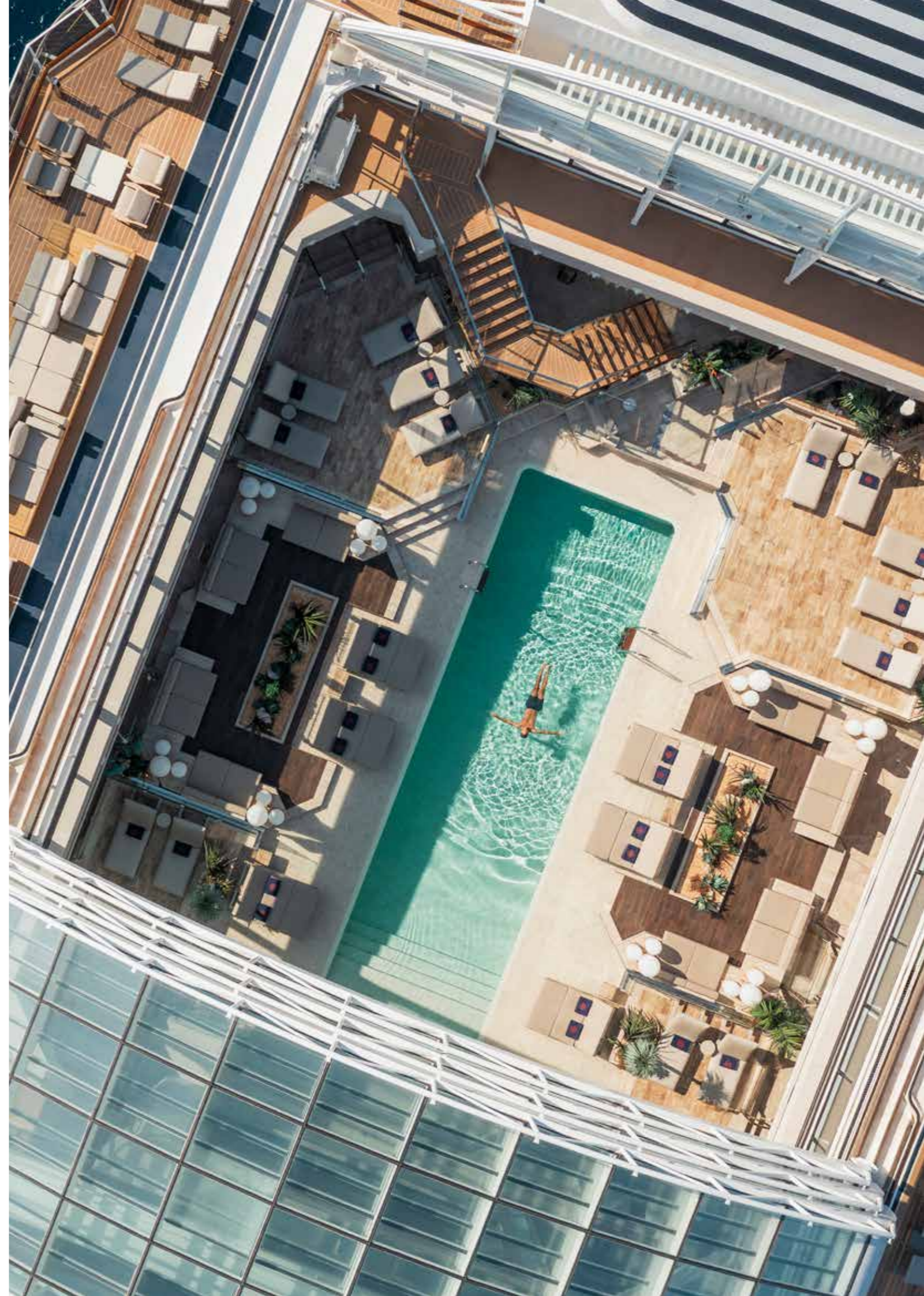
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