

A voyage of a lifetime...

from your doorstep



Amazing views on a Saga Pearl II cruise



Dining, left, and relaxing on the Marco Polo

You could board a luxurious cruise ship in Portsmouth and sail off on an exotic adventure...

Majestic cruise ships have become a familiar sight in our harbour, as Portsmouth pursues its ambition to become a major UK cruise port.

Established cruise operators such as Saga, Fred Olsen, Viking, CMV and Ponant have been visiting the city as a destination in itself – thanks to our world-class attractions – and also as a port where passengers can start and finish their voyage.

Next year travellers will be leaving Portsmouth and heading to locations such as South Africa, the Mediterranean, the Norwegian fjords and Iceland, as well as touring the British Isles.

Thanks to our closeness to main shipping channels, passengers reach their destination much quicker than they would departing from other ports.

Arriving at Portsmouth International Port couldn't be easier for local people. Only a minute from the M27, it's also close to the main city centre roads and convenient for buses.

Once parked in the port's multi-storey, the modern new terminal allows guests to drop off their luggage and head straight on to their ship in no time, and luggage arrives directly to their cabins.

Mike Sellers, the port's director said: "We welcome passengers from across the UK, but it's important the city's residents know about the benefits too.

"We've been building a reputation in the cruise industry through our first-class facilities, service level and passenger experience, which is why we've been successful welcoming international lines regularly to Portsmouth.

"As a successful cruise and ferry port we provide a wide benefit to the city including a significant contribution to the council's budget, employment and increased sales for tourist attractions, not to mention an opportunity for residents to experience convenient travel abroad.

"We have exciting plans for the future and look forward to continuing to become a major player in the cruise industry."

Mike Hall, head of marketing at Cruise and Maritime Voyages, said: "As Britain's leading independent cruise line, CMV introduced four cruise departures from Portsmouth this year. Such has been the success that this has been increased to nine cruises in 2019. We're pleased to be working in partnership with Portsmouth International Port."

From luxury liners on Antarctic expeditions, to laid back, comfortable cruises visiting sun-drenched locations, Portsmouth offers plenty of choice as a cruise port.

So when you're thinking about where to head for your holiday next year, just click on **cruise** at www.portsmouth-port.co.uk



Dramatic scenery on a Ponant cruise

Why cruise?

Going abroad or travelling round the coast of the UK couldn't be easier – and cruising is becoming one of the fastest-growing holidays in the travel sector. As a cruise passenger you can:

reach exotic and hard-to-reach locations without the hassle of flying

forget about baggage allowance worries – cruise lines are relaxed when it comes to luggage

choose from a variety of cruise operators to suit your needs and budget

visit multiple destinations and only unpack once