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**ROYAL CARIBBEAN ANNOUNCES 2018 EUROPEAN ODYSSEYS,  
FEATURING NEW PORTS OF CALL**

*Symphony of the Seas to Make Her World Debut Sailing the Mediterranean*

**MIAMI, March 22, 2017** – Royal Caribbean International invites travelers to come seek Europe like never before with its 2018 European deployment, headlined by the fleet’s newest ship [\*Symphony of the Seas\*](#) – the world’s largest and most adventure-filled cruise ship. The global cruise line also will introduce a brand new port-of-call for the 2018 summer season: Holyhead on the Isle of Anglesey, Wales, where the combination of peaks, lakes and waterfalls will capture guests’ adventurous spirit. Destinations returning to European itineraries in 2018 after a brief hiatus include: Flam, Molde, and Skjolden in Norway and Isafjordur, Iceland. Across the continent, adventure awaits guests onboard eight of the world’s most innovative ships, with Spanish landmarks, Italian landscapes, French icons, Greek legends and Nordic Castles, comprising an unbelievable collection of more than 110 European odysseys. All itineraries are available to book as of March 23, 2017; Crown & Anchor Society loyalty members are invited to book one day early by calling their travel agent or (800) ROYAL-CARIBBEAN.

Making her debut in Barcelona, Spain in April 2018, *Symphony of the Seas*, the fourth sister ship in the Oasis-class, will spend her inaugural summer season sailing the striking blue waters of the Western Mediterranean. Starting April 21, she will offer seven-night itineraries from Barcelona to Palma de Mallorca, Spain; Provence, France; Florence/Pisa, Rome and Naples/Capri, Italy, where travelers can discover the breathtaking views from atop Barcelona’s La Sagrada Familia Cathedral, and revel in the artwork of the old masters housed within the museums of Florence. For those wishing to start and end their trip in Italy, round-trip sailings from Rome are also available.

New in 2018, *Vision of the Seas* will join *Symphony* for the season offering 12-night sailings from Barcelona with ports-of-call in Rome, Italy; Nice, France; Santorini and Athens, Greece. In Northern Europe, *Brilliance of the Seas* will sail new 12-night itineraries from Amsterdam visiting countries throughout the Baltics, Norway and the British Isles, including Holyhead, Wales.

Barcelona Offers Mediterranean Adventures

- Oasis-class returns to Barcelona with *Symphony of the Seas*, which will headline Europe’s summer season exploring the Western Mediterranean on seven-night sailings, round-trip from Barcelona, Spain or Rome, Italy.

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- ***Vision of the Seas*** will embark on new 12-night Greek Isles itineraries from Barcelona, plus 12-night Mediterranean adventures to France and Italy, including stops in Rome and Florence/Pisa, the Amalfi Coast and an overnight in Venice.

#### British and Scandinavian Cruises

- ***Brilliance of the Seas*** will call Northern Europe home for the first time, sailing 12-night itineraries from Amsterdam, The Netherlands, exploring the Baltics and British Isles, featuring new port-of-call Holyhead, Wales.
- British favorite ***Independence of the Seas*** returns to Southampton, offering three- to 14-night voyages to the Mediterranean and a 14-night adventure to the Canary Islands all from Southampton. ***Navigator of the Seas*** will join *Independence*, sailing five- to 14- night itineraries.
- ***Serenade of the Seas*** will offer seven-night sailings to the Norwegian Fjords, plus the ultimate Scandinavia and Russian adventure with departures from Copenhagen, Denmark and Stockholm, Sweden.

#### Italian Adventures from Venice and Rome

- Following a \$30 million makeover in 2016, ***Jewel of the Seas*** will sail seven- and nine-night sailings through the Greek Isles and Western Mediterranean.
- ***Rhapsody of the Seas*** will return to Venice, Italy with seven-night excursions to the Greek Isles, and Greece & Croatia.

[Royal Caribbean International](#) is an award-winning global cruise brand with a 48-year legacy of innovation and introducing industry “firsts” never before seen at sea. The cruise line features an expansive and unmatched array of features and amenities only found on Royal Caribbean including, jaw-dropping, Broadway-style entertainment and industry-acclaimed programming that appeals to families and adventurous vacationers alike. Onboard, guests are catered to with the cruise line’s world-renowned friendly and engaging Gold Anchor Service by every staff and crew member. Royal Caribbean has been voted “Best Cruise Line Overall” for 14 consecutive years in the Travel Weekly Readers Choice Awards.

The cruise line sails 24 of the world’s most innovative cruise ships to the most popular destinations in Bermuda and the Caribbean, Europe, Canada and New England, Alaska, South America, Asia, and Australia and New Zealand. Media can stay up-to-date by following [@RoyalCaribPR](#) on Twitter, and visiting [RoyalCaribbeanPressCenter.com](#). For additional information or to make reservations, vacationers should call their travel agent; visit [RoyalCaribbean.com](#); or call (800) ROYAL-CARIBBEAN.