

Costa Cruises: News For The 2018 Summer Season

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Awaiting the arrival of new ships ordered for Costa Cruises and Costa Asia, the Italian company repositions

Costa Victoria to the Mediterranean and announces the sale of Costa neoClassica.

Costa Victoria will offer an itinerary dedicated to the beaches and entertainment of the Balearic Islands, originally planned for Costa neoRiviera, which will instead be positioned in Bari to replace Costa neoClassica.

Genova, 2 August 2017– Costa Crociere (<u>www.costacrociere.it</u>) announces some news relative to its 2018 summer itineraries.

As of 30 march 2018 Costa Victoria will return to regular cruises in the Mediterranean. The ship has been operating mainly in China since 2012, offering cruises dedicated to the local market that was opened by Costa as the first line in the world serving China. During the summer 2018 she will offer a one-week itinerary dedicated to the beaches and entertainment of the Balearic Islands, originally planned for Costa neoRiviera, with stops in Savona, Olbia, Minorca, Ibiza (overnight), Palma de Mallorca and Tarragona (overnight). The itinerary will offer guests the opportunity to enjoy the unique experience of PortAventura World, the largest destination resort in Europe with the Ferrari Land theme park.

The decision regarding Costa Victoria has been taken to maintain the offer in a highly popular region of the Mediterranean unchanged. Awaiting the arrival of four new ships starting from 2019, which will permit Costa Cruises to grow further in Europe and Asia (two ships are for the Costa Cruises market and two for Costa Asia), the Italian company has accelerated the renewal of its fleet, formalizing the transfer of Costa neoClassica, one of its longest-serving ships. As of March 10 2018, once its schedule of cruises between India and the Maldives is complete, Costa neoClassica will no longer be part of the Costa fleet.

From June 2018, Costa neoRiviera will then replace Costa neoClassica, offering one-week itineraries dedicated to the Greek islands, with Bari as the only home port.

The company will protect guests already booked on Costa neoRiviera and on Costa neoClassica, and has taken steps to inform guests and travel agencies over next weeks.

Before returning to operate in the Mediterranean, Costa Victoria will perform scheduled dry-dock refurbishing works at the Chantier Naval de Marseille.

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