



Two Holland America Line Ships Offer a Premium Cruise Experience in Mexico and Hawaii From Fall 2015 Through Spring 2016

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Seattle, Wash., July 9, 2015 — From fall 2015 through spring 2016, Holland America Line heads to the tropics of Hawaii and explores the spirit of Mexico with itineraries ranging in length from seven to 18 days.

Two ships will travel throughout the regions, with ms Veendam offering cruises to both Hawaii and Mexico, and ms Zaandam weaving among the stunning Hawaiian Islands.

"Holland America Line's Mexico and Hawaii cruises are a fantastic compilation of the must-see ports and highlights in each region," said Orlando Ashford, president of Holland America Line. "The destination experience for guests is enriched with unique onboard activities that bring the local culture and cuisine on board while sailing through these two beautiful parts of the world."

Veendam's cruises to Mexico conveniently sail roundtrip San Diego, Calif., and visit three ports in the country. Departing Nov. 5 and 19, 2015, and Dec. 13, 20 and 27, 2015, the seven-day Mexican Riviera itineraries call at Mazatlan, Cabo San Lucas and Puerto Vallarta, with scenic cruising in Bahia Magdalena.

Cruise fares for the seven-day Mexican Riviera cruises begin at \$549 per person, double occupancy.

The three sailings to Hawaii from fall 2015 through spring 2016 aboard ms Zaandam and ms Veendam feature relaxing days at sea and calls at Hilo, Honolulu, Nawiliwili, Lahaina and Kona, Hawaii. A 17-day departure on ms Zaandam sails from Vancouver, British Columbia, to San Diego, departing Sept. 20, 2015. Guests enjoy several days at sea to relax on the ship as well as time in Hawaii to enjoy the warm breezes and culture of the islands.

Later in fall, a 17-day cruise on ms Veendam departs Nov. 26, 2015, and sails roundtrip from San Diego; and a 18-day voyage on ms Zaandam departing April 26, 2016, sails roundtrip from Vancouver and adds a call at Victoria, British Columbia.

Cruise fares for the 17-day Hawaii cruises begin at \$1,599 and fares for the 18-day voyage begin at \$2,199, all per person, double occupancy.

Go "On Location" in Mexico and Hawaii

On each of these cruises guests take part in cultural activities as part of Holland America Line's "On Location" program. The itinerary sets the theme for guests to indulge in localized experiences that make time onboard as enriching as visiting the ports of call through lectures, demonstrations, performances and cuisine.

The Hawaii cruises feature activities such as lei making, ukulele lessons, hula dancing classes, Hawaiian language classes, a poolside Hawaiian Luau and Hawaiian beer tastings. Guests on the Mexico cruises enjoy live mariachi band concerts, a poolside Mexican barbecue, tequila tastings, fresh Mexican flowers around the ship and more.

For more information about Holland America Line, contact a travel professional, call 1-877-SAIL-HAL (1-877-724-5425) or visit www.hollandamerica.com.

Editor's note: Photos and detailed PDF fact sheets of cruise itineraries are available at: <https://www.cruiseimagelibrary.com/c/i7dfalie>.

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About Holland America Line [a division of Carnival Corporation and plc (NYSE: CCL and CUK)]

Holland America Line's fleet of 15 ships offers more than 500 cruises to 415 ports in 98 countries, territories or dependencies. One- to 110-day itineraries visit all seven continents and highlights include Antarctica, South America, Australia/New Zealand and Asia voyages; four annual Grand Voyages; and popular sailings to ports in the Caribbean, Alaska, Mexico, Canada/New England, Europe and the Panama Canal. The line currently has a new 2,650-guest ship, ms Koningsdam, on order for delivery in spring 2016 from Fincantieri shipyard, as well as a second Pinnacle Class ship due for delivery in November 2018.

Fleetwide, the company features Signature of Excellence enhancements, a commitment totaling more than \$500 million, that showcase the Culinary Arts Center presented by Food & Wine magazine — a state-of-the-art onboard show kitchen where more than 60 celebrated guest chefs and culinary

experts provide cooking demonstrations and classes — Explorations Café powered by The New York Times, Digital Workshop powered by Windows, teens-only activity areas and all new stateroom amenities highlighted by flat-panel TVs and plush Euro-top Mariner's Dream Beds.