



“Bravo Chef”, The New Show Dedicated To The Italian And International Cuisine, Debuts Onboard Costa Cruises Ships

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Starting onboard Costa Pacifica, a new cooking show will explain on every cruise how to prepare the best dishes of the Italian regional tradition and some international recipes. Guests on board will also have the possibility to compete in cooking challenges.

Genoa, 25 November 2016 – [Costa Cruises](#) launches onboard its ships "**Bravo Chef: the show**", a new cooking show starring the onboard **Executive Chefs** and some **typical Italian regional recipes and international dishes**. The atmosphere of a real kitchen will be recreated on the theatre stage, where Costa Cruises Chefs will explain how to make the tastiest **dishes of the Italian regional tradition and some international recipes**, preparing them step by step under the eyes of the guests. The demonstration will be projected on the theater screens together with the list of the ingredients, in order to ensure all spectators a perfect view of every detail.

The regional dishes are a real symbol of the Italian identity and excellence and they are offered everyday in the menus of the restaurants onboard the Costa fleet: 520 representative dishes from 18 Italian regions. Thanks to "Bravo Chef" Costa Cruises' guests will learn to cook some of these traditional recipes at home. Besides, they will see how to make international dishes which are typical of the destinations visited by Costa ships. The spaghetti with anchovies and breadcrumbs from Sicily, the veal "saltimbocca alla romana" from Rome (veal, prosciutto and sage, rolled-up and cooked in dry white wine and butter), the "bacalao pil-pil" traditional in the Basque cuisine (dried and salted cod with olive oil, chili pepper and garlic) and French bouillabaisse (fish stew) are just a few of the dishes which will be presented during the show.

"Bravo Chef: the show" won't just exhibit the preparation of the dishes, but it will also give useful tips to set up a perfect dinner: the onboard **Maitre D'** will explain the right use and positioning of dishes, cutlery and glasses, while the **sommelier** will propose the best selection of wines for each recipe. The format is that of a real TV show with the cruise director in the presenter's shoes.

At the end of the show, the spectators will be involved in an interactive activity. They will be invited to answer a question related to the recipe presented on the stage by using a remote control: the first to give the correct answer will win a dinner for two at the onboard Club Restaurant.

Besides, to test guests cooking skills, Bravo Chef will also have a "Bravo Chef: the battle" version. Guests will compete in a real challenge to gain the title of "BravoChef for a day". The contestants will grapple with the preparation of a dish using surprise ingredients, contained in special "mystery boxes", in front of a jury composed by the F&B Director, the Maitre D 'and a guest. The Cruise Director will present the competition on the open deck poolside and the winner will be awarded with a dinner for two at the Club Restaurant or at the "Burger d'Autore" (Italian gourmet burgers).

After the premiere on November 18 at the theatre of Costa Pacifica, "Bravo Chef: the show" and "Bravo Chef: the battle" will debut onboard other seven ships of the Costa fleet: Costa Fascinosa, Costa Deliziosa, Costa Magica, Costa Favolosa, Costa Diadema, Costa Luminosa and Costa Mediterranea, where it will continue to go on stage during every cruise.