

## Holland America Line to Call Next Pinnacle Class Ship Ryndam

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Seattle, Wash., April 7, 2019 — In a nod to its long line of historic ships that helped build the foundation for cruising as we know it today, Holland America Line announced that its next Pinnacle Class ship will be called *Ryndam*. The newbuild, due for delivery in May 2021, will be the fourth ship in the company's history to carry the name.

Ryndam will be similar to sister ships Koningsdam and Nieuw Statendam, weighing 99,500 tons and carrying 2,666 guests. As the third in the series, Ryndam will feature enhanced Pinnacle Class amenities and innovations, along with Holland America Line hallmarks that drive one of the highest guest repeat rates in the industry.

"Holland America Line honors the timeless tradition of cruising while also embracing new innovations for today's travelers, and the name *Ryndam* reflects the unique history of this company while honoring previous ships that were progressive in their time as this last Ryndam will be," said Orland Ashford, Holland America Line's president. "From the first *Ryndam* more than 100 years ago to the most recent, the namesake ships have been beloved by our guests. The next *Ryndam* will bring new life to one of the most notable series of vessels in our history."

The steel cutting for *Ryndam*, signifying the official beginning of the building process, was held March 13, 2019 at Fincantieri's shipyard in Marghera, Italy. This will be the 17th ship constructed for Holland America Line by the Italian shipbuilder, which most recently delivered *Nieuw Statendam*.

## Holland America Line's Historic Ships Named Ryndam

The first *Ryndam* was part of the Holland America Line fleet from 1901 to 1929, starting as *Rijndam* before receiving the English spelling in 1923. In 1927 *Ryndam I* became the first Holland America Line ship to sail a world cruise, although it was chartered as a floating school at sea for that voyage. The second *Ryndam* served from 1951 to 1973, and the third sailed in the fleet from 1993 through 2015, when it was transferred to sister brand P&O Australia and now cruises as *Pacific Aria*.

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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 more than 400 ports in 98 countries, territories or dependencies around the world. From shorter getaways to 128-day itineraries, the company's cruises visit all seven continents, with highlights including Antarctica explorations, South America circumnavigations, EXC In-Depth Voyages, Cuba cruises and exotic Australia & New Zealand and Asia voyages; two annual Grand Voyages; and popular sailings to the Caribbean, Alaska, Mexico, Canada & New England, Europe and the Panama Canal. The line welcomed *Nieuw Statendam* in December 2018, and the third Pinnacle Class ship, *Ryndam*, will be delivered in 2021.

The company's brand evolution in recent years secured its position as the leader in premium cruising. Fleetwide, the ships feature innovative initiatives and a diverse range of enriching experiences focused on destination immersion and personalized travel. Guests can expand their knowledge through exclusive partnerships with O, The Oprah Magazine and America's Test Kitchen and at unique BBC Earth live music and on-screen experiences. Outstanding entertainment fills each evening at venues including Lincoln Center Stage, B.B. King's Blues Club, Rolling Stone Rock Room and Billboard Onboard. The dining experience can be savored at a variety of restaurants with menus that feature selections from Holland America Line's esteemed Culinary Council, comprising world-famous chefs who design dishes exclusively for guests.

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