



COSTA CRUISES PRESENTS 'SEA DESTINATIONS', NEW DESTINATIONS FROM THE SKY TO THE SEA

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Starting in spring 2024, Costa's Mediterranean and Northern European cruises will be enriched with brand new destinations, to be experienced from the unique perspective of the sea.

Genoa, 4 March 2024 - Costa presents a great new feature that will make its cruises even more unique and unforgettable in 2024: the '**Sea Destinations**'.

Starting from next spring, the Italian company's itineraries in the Mediterranean and Northern Europe will be further enriched with brand new destinations, to be discovered on board the ship. A voyage within a voyage, where the sea is not only the means to reach the cruise calls; but it is a privileged point of view to experience evocative moments, that tell of iconic places included in the ship's route. In this way, alongside destinations 'ashore', such as Barcelona, Naples, Genoa, Istanbul, Mykonos, explored off the classic ways, Costa itineraries will take guests to new destinations between sky and sea.

For example, in the Western Mediterranean, after visiting Ibiza, once back on board the ship, guests can let themselves be carried away by the atmosphere of the sunset with a hippy chic party in the **bay of Formentera**; or, before disembarking from the ship to visit Naples, guests can enjoy a typical Caprese breakfast in front of the spectacular panorama of the Faraglioni rocks of **Capri** island illuminated by the first light of day.

Passing, instead, over the deepest point of the Eastern Mediterranean, a **feast of the abysses of the sea** will come to life; while, crossing the gateway to the East, the strait of the Dardanelles, guests on board will be able to experience a journey back in time and admire, enraptured, the mystical dance of the rotating veils of the **Dervishes**. And again, the visit through the "calli" of Venice will be followed by a "**Dolce Vita**" aperitif, on the ship, right in front of the Lido, to be captivated by the sunset over the lagoon, amidst posters of Italian films and a Film Festival soundtrack.

Sea Destinations will also be available on Northern European cruises among Norway's most beautiful fjords. For example, after being greeted by local farmers in the town of Geiranger, guests will cruise through the entire fjord listening to **Nordic stories and legends**, while from the bow of the ship they will experience the spectacle of the Seven Sisters waterfall, amidst craggy rocks and verdant mountains.

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The 'Sea Destinations' of the Western Mediterranean

Calanques National Park - French breakfast at dawn: the first rays of the sun illuminate the unique landscape of the Calanques, near Marseille, one of the most spectacular panoramas in the Mediterranean due to its sheer cliffs overlooking the sea. The perfect setting for a French breakfast on board, with music, coffee and croissants to enjoy. *Available with Costa Toscana.*

Cetacean Sanctuary - Light Show: a light show reveals the secrets of some of the most fascinating sea creatures inhabiting the Cetacean Sanctuary: whales, dolphins and humpback whales. An innovative show, from a unique point of view: that of the ship on the open sea. *Available with Costa Toscana, Costa Pacifica, Costa Smeralda.*

Bay of Formentera - Sunset Party: Formentera is transformed at sunset. This experience lets you enjoy its vibrant atmosphere also on board the ship, with a hippy chic party: cocktails in hand, the best music from the island's DJs and "chiringuito" style. *Available with Costa Toscana.*

Ibiza Bay - Jungle Party: night falls in Ibiza but the island, as we know, never sleeps. The lights of the movida reach the ship, which is transformed into the eccentric and surreal atmosphere of a Jungle party by the pool, amid giant sculptures, golden cages, dancers in shiny dresses and the music of the best DJs on the island. *Available with Costa Pacifica.*

Balearic Sea - Sea of Stars: on the open sea, immersed in the deepest darkness of the Mediterranean, you will be able to admire the sky and stars like nowhere else. Guided by an officer, you will discover the secrets of the universe, travelling with your eyes among planets and constellations.

Available with Costa Pacifica, Costa Smeralda.

Bay of Capri - Caprese Breakfast: in front of the natural spectacle of the Faraglioni rocks at dawn, you can enjoy a Neapolitan coffee, freshly poured from a steaming moka pot, which awakens the senses in a whirlwind of perfume. Then admire the Capri landscape while enjoying a typical torta caprese. *Available with Costa Smeralda.*

The 'Sea Destinations' of the Eastern Mediterranean and Ionian Sea

Lido of Venice - Lido aperitivo: red like the sunset over the lagoon, red like the skyline of the rooftops of Venice, red like an Italian-style aperitivo. On board the ship, you can immerse yourself in a Dolce Vita atmosphere, sipping a typical Venetian aperitif, with a soundtrack worthy of an Oscar. *Available with Costa Deliziosa.*

Mykonos Bay - Sea party: all the energy of the Mykonos night comes on board for a sea party by the pool. Amidst lights and colours reminiscent of the island's golden beaches and white houses, DJs with music from the most glamorous clubs in the area will keep you dancing until late into the night. An immersive party of pure fun. *Available with Costa Deliziosa.*

Ionian Sea - Sea of Stars: discover the secrets of the universe as the ship moves through the deepest darkness of the Ionian Sea. Guided by an officer, you will discover the secrets of the universe, travelling with your eyes among planets and constellations. *Available with Costa Deliziosa.*

Dardanelles Strait - Dervishes show: crossing the Dardanelles Strait at sunset will be like travelling through time. You will see the gates of the Orient appear in the whirling veils of the Dervishes, authentic ritual dancers who for centuries have practised a mystical, whirling dance as a form of meditation. A unique spectacle. *Available with Costa Fortuna.*

Mykonos - Sea party: all the energy of the Mykonos night comes on board for a sea party by the pool of your ship. Amidst lights and colours reminiscent of the golden beaches and white houses of the island, DJs with music from the most glamorous clubs of the place will keep you dancing until late at night. An immersive party of pure fun. *Available with Costa Fortuna.*

Archipelago of Santorini - Sunset dreams: the sunset on Santorini is one of the most beautiful in the world and when seen from the sea is even more special. The sun slowly descends, creating incredible hues in the sky. With this special experience, you can capture the uniqueness of the panorama in a photo while sipping your favourite aperitif. A spectacle not to be missed, a moment that will leave you speechless. *Available with Costa Fortuna and Costa Fascinosa.*

Etna skyline - Wine Experience: Etna volcano, the beating heart of Sicily, is the star of this moment, together with the island's best wines. Serve yourself straight from the barriques and, with every sip, discover the rich and varied ecosystem of this land. A Wine Festival that will take you straight to the essence of Sicilian flavours and the atmosphere of local wine bars. *Available with Costa Fascinosa.*

Aegean Sea - Abyss Calypso party: the depths of the sea at your feet, the immensity of the sky above. The splendour of nymphs, the allure of mermaids and gloomy sea daimons will invade the ship for a party that loses itself in the depths of myth, following the song of legends. *Available with Costa Fascinosa.*

Mediterranean Sea - Sea of Stars: discover the secrets of the universe as the ship moves through the deepest darkness of the Mediterranean Sea. Guided by an officer, you will discover the secrets of the universe, travelling with your eyes among planets and constellations. *Available with Costa Fascinosa.*

The 'Sea Destinations' of Northern Europe

Norwegian Sea - Midnight Sun: the North Sea is crossed by the Atlantic Current, a line of energy that moves the entire ocean. On its dorsal, in the magical and intimate atmosphere of the Midnight Sun, you can experience a meditation session that will reconnect you with nature and the universe, with relaxing music and a sip of Ayurvedic tea. *Available with Costa Diadema.*

Geiranger Fjord - 'Seven Sisters': traverse the entire Geiranger Fjord accompanied by Nordic stories and legends, while from the bow of the ship one experiences the spectacle of the Seven Sisters waterfall in an immersive way, amidst craggy rocks and verdant mountains. One step away from the water plunging into the sea, you will feel at one with nature. *Available with Costa Diadema.*

Baltic Sea - Sea of Stars: let an officer guide you to discover the secrets of the universe. In the darkness of the Baltic Sea, you will travel the open sea gazing at planets and constellations. *Available with Costa Diadema.*

"Sea Destinations" could be conducted in a different manner or, at the very least, be cancelled due to adverse marine weather conditions and/or exceptional circumstances.

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