



## Costa Restarts Cruises With New Program From March 27 With Costa Smeralda And From May 2 With Costa Luminosa

February 17, 2021

GENOA, Italy, Feb. 17, 2021 /PRNewswire/ -- The cruise ships of **Costa Cruises**, the Italian company of Carnival Corporation & plc (NYSE/LSE: CCL; NYSE: CUK), are ready to set sail again and offer guests holidays filled with leisure and relaxation, along with enhanced health and safety protocols.

The restart begins with the departure of the flagship **Costa Smeralda**, scheduled for **March 27** with an unchanged itinerary, sailing guests to beautiful Italian locations, with 3- and 4-day mini-cruises or alternatively a 7-day cruise, calling at Savona, La Spezia, Civitavecchia, Naples, Messina and Cagliari.

From May 1, Costa Smeralda will return to sailing one-week cruises in the western Mediterranean, with visits to Italy (Savona, Civitavecchia and Palermo), France (Marseille) and Spain (Barcelona and Palma de Mallorca).

A second ship, **Costa Luminosa**, will also be back in service, departing from Trieste from May 2, and the following day from Bari, confirming its program of one-week cruises in Greece and Croatia.

Costa is working with national and local authorities of the countries included in the itineraries of its ships outside Italy to define the details of the restart of cruise operations, with enhanced health and safety measures through the implementation of the Costa Safety Protocol.

The protocol contains operational measures related to all aspects of the cruise experience, both on board and ashore, which were implemented in the past months of cruise operations. Such measures include limited capacity, swab tests for all guests and crew, temperature checks when disembarking and re-embarking the ship, protected shore excursions, physical distancing on board and at the cruise terminals, new ways of using on-board services, enhanced sanitation and medical services, and use of protective face masks when necessary.

Details of the itineraries, with related booking options, will soon be available on the website [www.costacruises.eu](http://www.costacruises.eu) and at travel agencies.

All other cruises scheduled until the end of May, and not included in the program updated today, will be cancelled. Costa is in the process of informing travel agents and customers affected by changes.

 View original content: <http://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/costa-restarts-cruises-with-new-program-from-march-27-with-costa-smeralda-and-from-may-2-with-costa-luminosa-301229629.html>

SOURCE Costa Cruises

Costa Cruises Press Office - Tel. +39 010 5483523 / 010 5483068 - [costapressoffice@costa.it](mailto:costapressoffice@costa.it), Gabriele Baroni - Corporate Communication & Media Relations Director - cell. +39 3497668013 - [baroni@costa.it](mailto:baroni@costa.it), Rossella Carrara - V. P. Corporate Relations & Sustainability Costa Group - [rossella.carrara@costa.it](mailto:rossella.carrara@costa.it), Davide Barbano - Media Relations manager - cell. 334 6525216 - [barbano@costa.it](mailto:barbano@costa.it)