



Explora

JOURNEYS

INTRODUCING EXPLORA JOURNEYS

Explora Journeys is the luxury *lifestyle* travel brand launched by the MSC Group with the ambition to redefine the luxury cruise category.

The concept: Vibrant, cosmopolitan, relaxed European luxury at sea. Instead of cruises, we create *journeys* – of the mind, and across the oceans of the world, to destinations on and off the beaten track.

On board: Spaces that offer guests relaxed luxury, creating a *home at sea*. Restoring life's essential balance with a combination of discovery and appreciation for wellbeing and nature.



SAIL UNIQUE
AT [EXPLORAJOURNEYS.COM](https://explorajourneys.com)



SAIL UNIQUE

DESIGNED TO FEEL LIKE YOUR OWN PRIVATE YACHT

Explora Journeys offers guests unparalleled comfort and space,
for the first time ever a genuine home-away-from-home at sea.

DISCOVER THE

OCEAN STATE OF MIND

An emotional, powerful, transformative connection that makes the Explora Journeys experience unique.

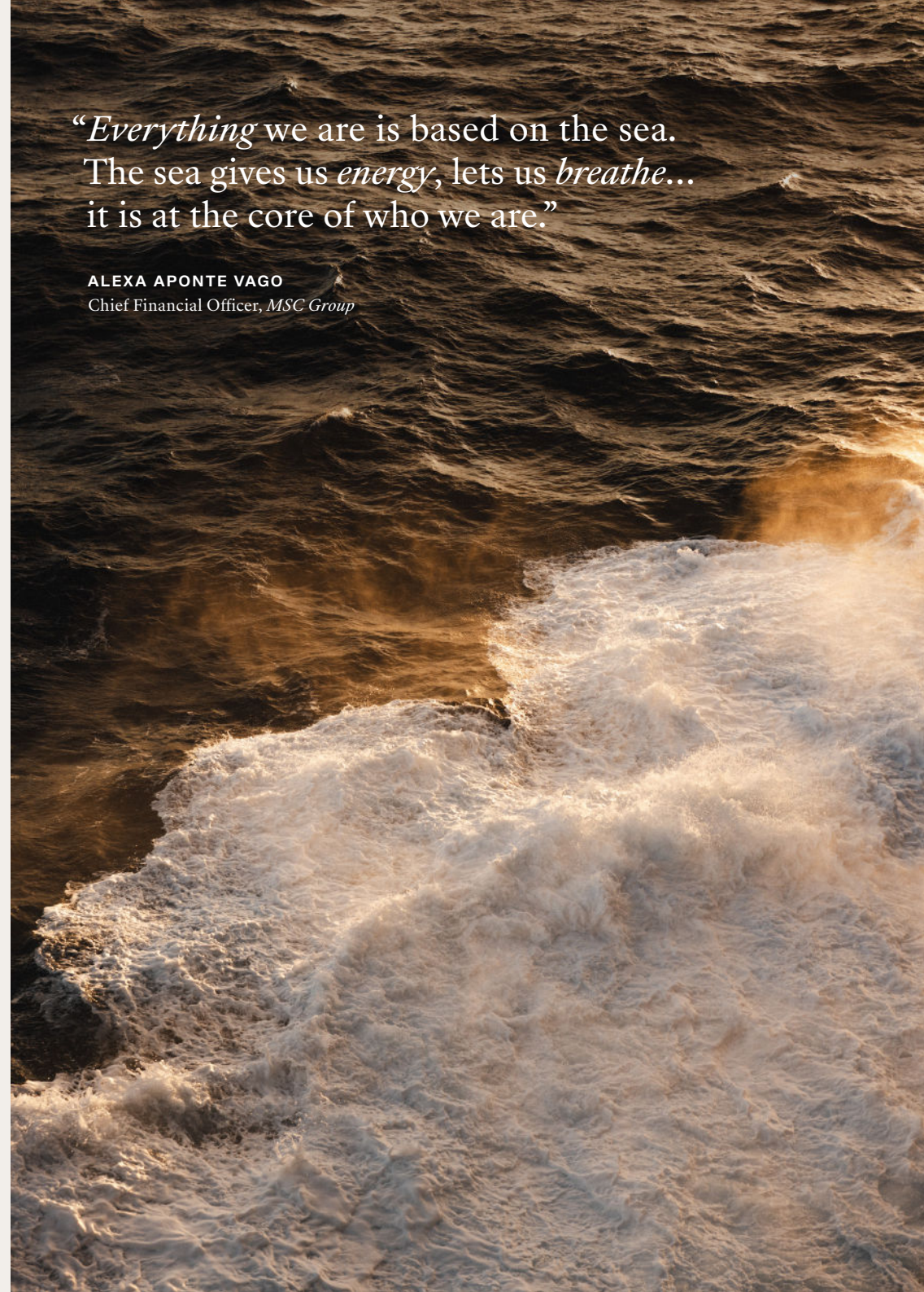
Rooted in a deep understanding of what today's discerning travellers seek – space, stillness, and meaningful connection – each journey becomes a sanctuary at sea, inspiring inner and outer exploration.

Everything we do, everything we offer, is for one reason alone: to ensure our guests reach the *Ocean State of Mind*.

*“Everything we are is based on the sea. The sea gives us *energy*, lets us *breathe*... it is at the core of who we are.”*

ALEXA APONTE VAGO

Chief Financial Officer, *MSC Group*





From *unforgettable dining* and immersive cultural experiences to intuitive, personalised service and refined entertainment — each journey offers a seamless blend of privacy, sophistication, and *peace of mind*, where every detail is thoughtfully taken care of.

ALL OUR JOURNEYS INCLUDE



Nine distinct culinary experiences, including In-Suite Dining



Unlimited beverages including fine wines, premium spirits, speciality coffees, teas and soft drinks available anytime and in-suite*



Access to the Ocean Wellness – The Spa thermal area



Complimentary high-speed Wi-Fi throughout the ship



Group wellness, fitness and mindfulness activities and rituals



All on-board gratuities



Shuttle services from port to city centre**



In-suite welcome bottle of champagne and wine on arrival



Authentic and intuitive service from our team of hospitality experts

YOUR HOME AT SEA

INTIMATE, SERENE SANCTUARIES AT SEA THAT BLEND EUROPEAN ELEGANCE WITH TRUE COMFORT

Elegant, spacious and *serene*, our ocean-front suites, penthouses and residences are bathed in natural light offering *effortless* comfort and a true sense of *home at sea*.

Every Home at Sea immerses guests in the ever-changing seascape. An open-plan layout, soft lighting and natural colour palette encourage the outdoors in, fostering a deep connection with the ship's ocean home.

Our suites range from 35 sqm (377 sq ft) to 280 sqm (3,014 sq ft), making them among the most spacious in the category.

ALL SUITES FEATURE:

- Floor-to-ceiling windows
- Private sun terraces with a dining area and a sunbed or sun loungers
- Arriving to find luggage delivered and a chilled bottle of champagne waiting for you
- Walk-in wardrobe with seated vanity area and Dyson Supersonic™ hair dryer
- Heated bathroom floors
- Individual climate and lighting control in each suite
- Gentle motion-activated bedroom night lights
- Infotainment system with on-demand TV options
- Wireless bedside device charging stations
- Mini-bar replenished according to each guest's preferences
- Espresso machine with biodegradable pods; a kettle and teapot
- Complimentary personal refillable water bottle for each guest
- Mandala Blue custom bath toiletries and amenities for Explora Journeys
- Pair of binoculars for guests' use during their journey



PENTHOUSE

A CULINARY JOURNEY

DINING ABOARD OUR SHIPS IS AN EXPERIENCE IN ITSELF – DIVERSE, SOULFUL, AND DEEPLY MEMORABLE

Each venue has its own *personality* — where flavours are refined, ingredients are *honoured*, and every dish is crafted to surprise and *delight*.



SIX RESTAURANTS

ANTHOLOGY*

An Italian fine dining experience celebrating a rich tapestry of authentic flavours.

SAKURA

Immersive Pan-Asian dining.

MARBLE & CO. GRILL

A redefined European steakhouse experience.

EMPORIUM MARKETPLACE

Effortless all-day dining restaurant.

MED YACHT CLUB

Celebrating the flavours of the Mediterranean.

FIL ROUGE

French-inspired international cuisine.

MORE CULINARY EXPERIENCES

EXPLORA LOUNGE

A luminous lounge offering stunning 270-degree views, a spectacular backdrop to informal drinking and dining.

CREMA CAFÉ

Bustling European all-day café with infinite sea views.

GELATERIA & CRÊPERIE AT THE CONSERVATORY

Authentic French and Italian indulgences.

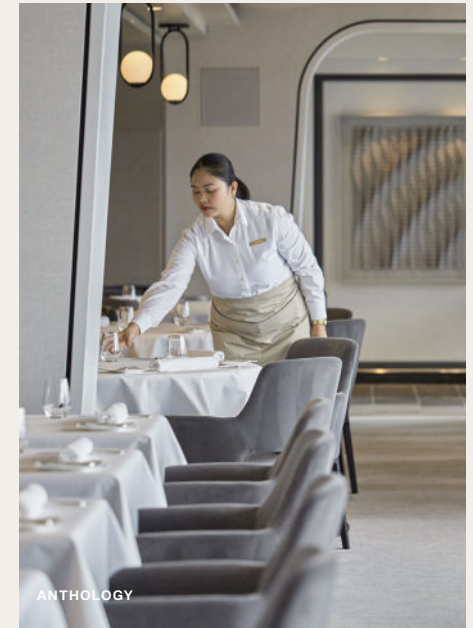
CHEF'S KITCHEN*

An immersive experience offering culinary classes.

IN-SUITE DINING

Refined dining in the comfort of your suite or private terrace, available 24 hours.

*An exclusive experience fee applies



ANTHOLOGY



LOUNGES & ENTERTAINMENT

REIMAGINING ENTERTAINMENT WITH THE RIGHT VIBE FOR THE RIGHT TIME

Diverse entertainment choices with the perfect blend of *vibrancy* and *privacy* across several indoor and outdoor bars and lounges. An *effortless*, cosmopolitan atmosphere in which to discover, enjoy and appreciate diverse talent, performances and *enriching* luminaries from around the world.



JOURNEYS LOUNGE



MALT WHISKY BAR

LOBBY BAR

A centrally-located social bar and lounge.

EXPLORA LOUNGE

Luminous lounge offering spectacular 270-degree views of the ocean and informal drinking and dining.

MALT WHISKY BAR

A refined tour of the global whisky regions.

JOURNEYS LOUNGE

Mixology, enrichment and entertainment continuously evolving throughout the day.

ASTERN LOUNGE

All-day lounge for a seaside escape opening up to the Astern Pool.

SKY BAR ON 14

A panoramic lounge setting, ideal for soothing cocktails and infinite views.

CREMA CAFÉ

Bustling café lounge with sea views.

ASTERN POOL & BAR

An all-day pool and lounge setting for a seaside escape on deck 5.

ATOLL POOL & BAR

An intimate pool on deck 10 with a chilled vibe throughout the day.

HELIOS POOL & BAR

A panoramic adults-only pool and lounge experience.

THE CONSERVATORY POOL & BAR

A weather-protected all-day poolside lounge.

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OCEAN WELLNESS

OCEAN-INSPIRED INNER AND OUTER WELLBEING

A sanctuary for body and mind, Ocean Wellness - The Spa offers a serene thermal area with a hydrotherapy pool, a tranquil salt cave, and an outdoor relaxation deck. The state-of-the-art *Fitness Centre* and *Fitness Studio*, created in partnership with Technogym, feature the latest innovations for effective training.

Completing the experience is the unique *Open Air Fitness* space on Deck 14 and a panoramic running track, offering room to move and breathe in the ocean air.



700+ ^{SQM}

(7,500+ sq ft)

of space dedicated to relaxation and rejuvenation

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SERENE TREATMENT ROOMS

including private spa suites with dedicated outdoor relaxation areas and the Medi-Luxe treatment room by Dr Levy Switzerland

MULTISENSORIAL EXPERIENCE AREAS

like a regenerative hydrotherapy pool; contrast therapy (Finnish Sauna, Steam Room, ice fall); salt cave

270 ^{SQM}

(2,906 sq ft)

Fitness Centre and Fitness Studio, as well as Open Air Fitness area designed in partnership with Technogym

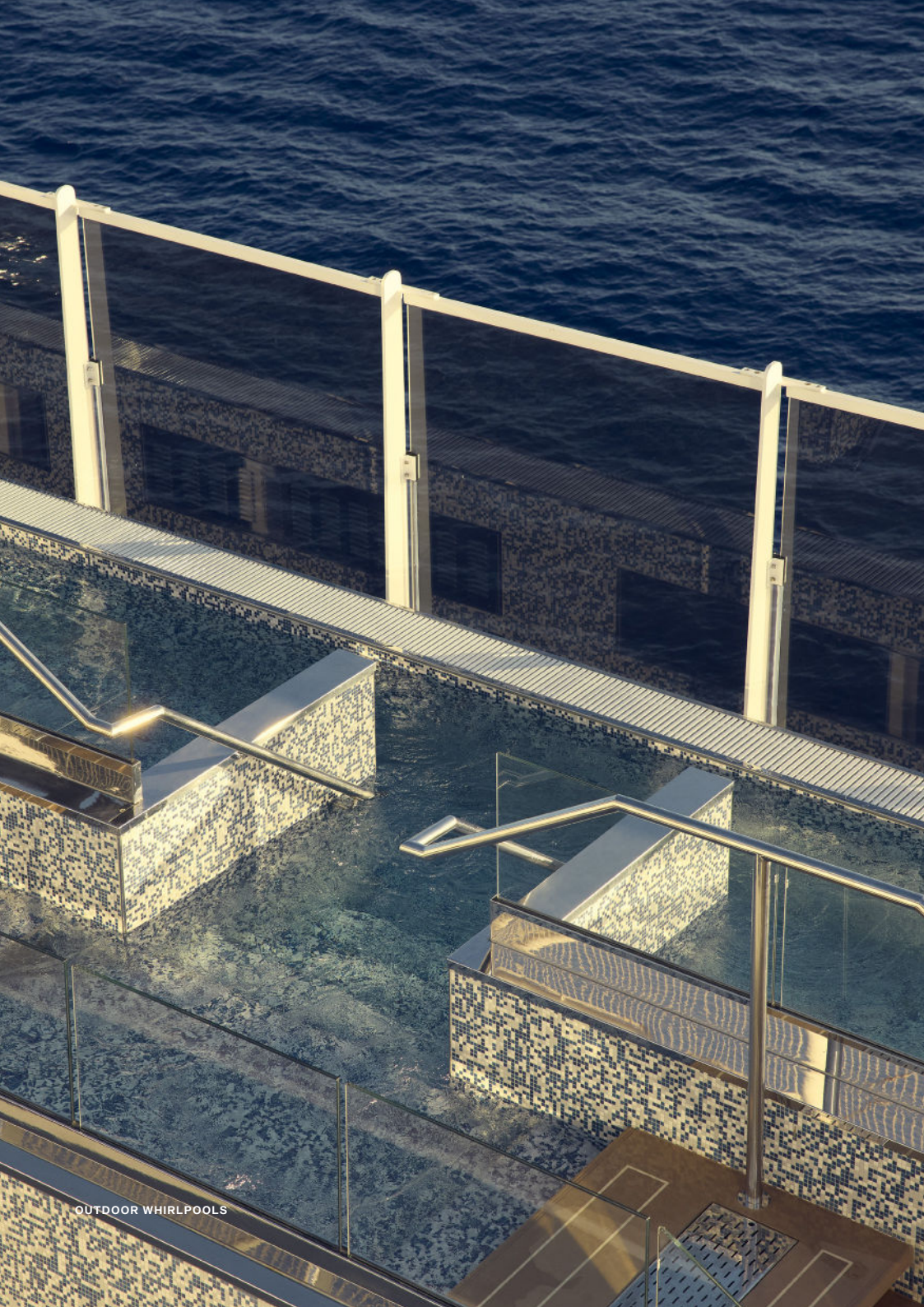
HOLISTIC WELLNESS

Pilates Reformers, outdoor cycling and rowing, Technogym Artis line equipment for functional and strength training

BESPOKE FITNESS CLASSES

Created in partnership with Technogym





POOLSIDE LEISURE

Generous outdoor decks – offering more than 6,200 sqm (66,736 sq ft) of spectacular sea views – combined with numerous indoor and outdoor pools and whirlpools on the ship's promenade deck for an experience inspired by seas and oceans.

- Three heated outdoor pools, including one for adults-only
- One heated, weather-protected indoor pool with a retractable glass roof, the largest and only in category at 1,200 sqm (12,917 sq ft)
- 64 private cabanas at no additional fee
- One indoor hydrotherapy pool
- Five indoor and outdoor whirlpools
- Several poolside and outdoor bars and lounges

OUTDOOR WHIRLPOOLS





THE JOURNEY BOUTIQUE

CURATED SHOPPING EXPERIENCES

Discover bespoke shopping experiences inspired by the Ocean State of Mind and influenced by the destinations we visit. Step into a world of opulence as you explore dedicated spaces for *Rolex* — the first-ever Rolex boutique at sea — alongside *Cartier*, *Panerai*, *Piaget*, and *Buccellati* aboard our ships.*

The Journey, an exclusively curated concept, offers a tempting collection of products from inspiring brands devoted to people and the planet, with every item a testament to the creativity and care shown by our artisanal suppliers.



ROLEX BOUTIQUE



BUCCELLATI BOUTIQUE



CARTIER WATCH STORE



PANERAI BOUTIQUE

* Rolex boutique available exclusively on EXPLORA I, Buccellati on EXPLORA II.

JOURNEYS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

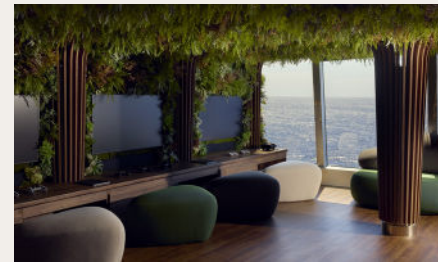
Our promise of a 'Home at Sea' is, of course, extended to your entire family. We welcome all generations and believe few things are as satisfying and enjoyable as special moments spent on holiday when you can all be together.



NAUTILUS CLUB

A space dedicated to our younger guests

Nautilus Club is a space dedicated to our younger guests, where a team of expert hosts will make sure they will be entertained and enriched in the company of other guests their own age. Nautilus Club offers the latest generation of video games and VR consoles, such as PlayStation 5 and PlayStation VR2, Xbox, Nintendo Switch, iPads and Oculus Pro. The space also offers other activities such as sports sessions, technology tournaments, paint art, and craft play, along with games in locations throughout the ship.



MULTI-GENERATION-FRIENDLY CONNECTING SUITES

Ensuring that families and larger groups can enjoy plenty of space and privacy, our ships offer multiple multi-generation-friendly connected suites across the categories of Ocean Suites, Ocean Penthouses and Ocean Residences.



CURATED FAMILY-FRIENDLY DESTINATION EXPERIENCES

A series of Destination Experiences has been curated to be enjoyed by the whole family, ensuring that you create the most unforgettable moments together. The exciting experiences feature easily accessible and fun edu-tainment activities such as a day at a farm or a visit to a space centre where children will get to meet and hear stories from a real astronaut.



ADULTS-ONLY SPACES

For a moment of stillness and serenity, guests can enjoy the Helios Pool & Bar on deck 12, a panoramic area at the forward part of the ship exclusively reserved for adults only. Most of the other public spaces, restaurants, bars, lounges and pools on all our ships welcome families and children.





OUR SHIPS

An ultra-elegant fleet of six exceptional ships,
designed to feel like your own private yacht.



THE CONSERVATORY POOL

SIX EXCEPTIONAL SHIPS

Discover *unparalleled comfort* and *space* on board our ships,
for the first time ever a genuine home-away-from-home at sea.

2023

EXPLORA I

2027

EXPLORA IV

2024

EXPLORA II

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EXPLORA V

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EXPLORA III

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EXPLORA VI



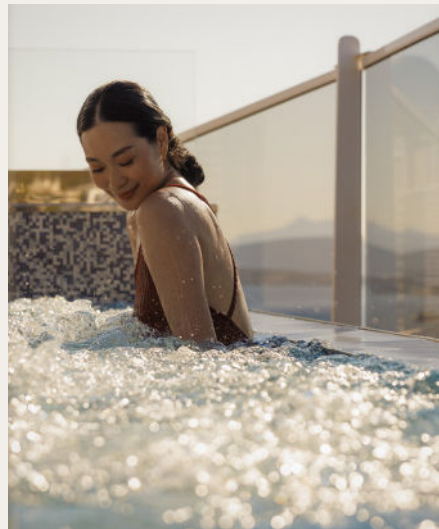
SHIPS OVERVIEW

ELEGANT, SPACIOUS AND COMFORTABLE OCEAN-FRONT SUITES, ALL FEATURING:

- Floor-to-ceiling windows and elegant interiors
- Private sun terraces with a dining area and a sunbed or sun loungers
- Walk-in wardrobe with seated vanity area
- Heated bathroom floors

DIVERSE CULINARY EXPERIENCES

- Focused on healthy, delicious food from local, sustainable sources
- Celebrating global cooking talents, provenance and flavours from around the world
- Six vibrant restaurants and numerous lounges, as well as In-Suite Dining



NUMEROUS LOUNGING AND ENTERTAINMENT EXPERIENCES

- 12 indoor and outdoor bar and lounge experiences with curated entertainment and intimate performances
- Casino, art gallery, culinary school and curated shopping experiences

GENEROUS OUTDOOR DECKS

- Three heated outdoor pools, including one adults-only, and one indoor pool with retractable glass roof
- Multiple private cabanas
- Multiple indoor and outdoor whirlpools
- Poolside dining and lounging

HOLISTIC WELLNESS AND FITNESS

- Over 700 sqm (7,500 sq ft) of indoor and outdoor wellness facilities
- Over 270 sqm (2,900 sq ft) of fitness facilities with latest equipment

THE LATEST ENVIRONMENTAL-SUPPORTING TECHNOLOGIES

- Shore-to-ship power
- RINA Dolphin-certified for reduced underwater noise
- State of the art recycling and solid waste management
- Trim optimisation software
- Smart heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems (HVAC)
- EXPLORA III and EXPLORA IV are LNG-powered



EXPLORA I

- Length: 248 m (~813 ft)
- Guest per hosts ratio: 1.25 : 1

461 OCEAN FRONT SUITES

- 1 Owner's Residence
- 22 Ocean Residences
- 67 Ocean Penthouses
- 371 Ocean Suites
- 80 multi-gen-friendly connecting suites
- 10 accessible suites

EXPLORA III

- Length: 268 m (~879 ft)
- Guest per hosts ratio: 1.25 : 1
- LNG-powered

463 OCEAN FRONT SUITES

- 2 Owner's Residences
- 39 Ocean Residences
- 109 Ocean Penthouses
- 313 Ocean Suites
- 54 multi-gen-friendly connecting suites
- 11 accessible suites

EXPLORA II

- Length: 248 m (~813 ft)
- Guest per hosts ratio: 1.25 : 1

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- 1 Owner's Residence
- 22 Ocean Residences
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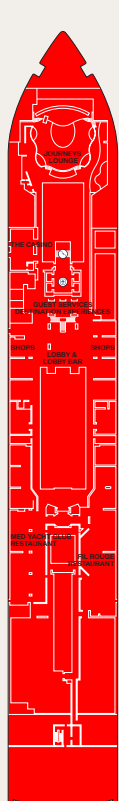
EXPLORA IV

- Length: 268 m (~879 ft)
- Guest per hosts ratio: 1.25 : 1
- LNG-powered

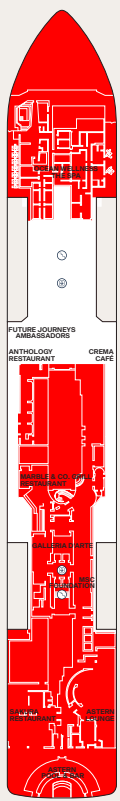
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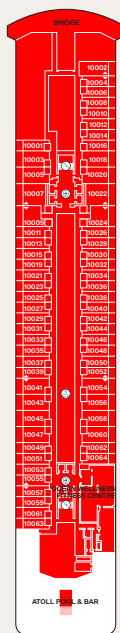
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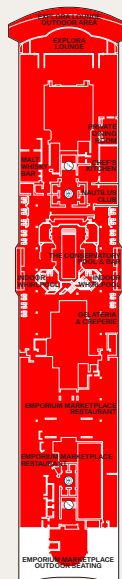
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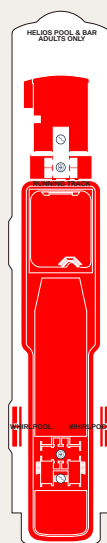
DECK 5



DECK 10



DECK 11



DECK 12



DECK 14



STAIRCASE



LIFT

The deck plans shown correspond to EXPLORA I and EXPLORA II

DISCOVER OUR FLEET
EXPLORA I, EXPLORA II,
EXPLORA III, EXPLORA IV



OUR AWARDS

We are honoured to lead the industry, distinguished by a remarkable array of prestigious awards that reflect our unwavering dedication to the pursuit of excellence.



**CONDÉ NAST TRAVELER
2025 HOT LIST**

THE BEST NEW CRUISES
IN THE WORLD



**TRAVEL + LEISURE
2025 IT LIST**

THE BEST NEW CRUISE SHIPS



**BEST NEW CRUISE LINE
IN THE WORLD (UK)**

CONDÉ NAST TRAVELER
READERS CHOICE AWARD 2024



**BEST NEW CRUISE LINE
IN THE WORLD (US)**

CONDÉ NAST TRAVELER
READERS CHOICE AWARD 2024



**FOOD & WINE
2025 GLOBAL TASTEMAKERS
AWARDS**



**BEST FOR FAMILIES
(LUXURY CATEGORY)**

CRUISE CRITIC'S 2024
BEST CRUISE AWARDS



An aerial photograph of a stunning coastal landscape. In the foreground, a massive, sheer white cliff face drops vertically into a calm, turquoise bay. The cliff is topped with sparse green vegetation. To the left of the main cliff, several smaller, rocky islets with similar white cliffs are scattered in the water. The water's color transitions from a deep blue in the distance to a lighter, milky turquoise near the shore. In the background, a range of low, hazy mountains stretches across the horizon under a soft, warm sky, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall scene is one of natural beauty and dramatic geography.

OUR JOURNEYS COLLECTION

Explora Journeys is creating a *collection* of journeys that offer the *perfect* blend of *celebrated* destinations and *less-travelled* spots, both seen from *new* and *original* points of view that will inspire and excite in equal measure.

OUR DESTINATIONS

The perfect blend of celebrated destinations and off-the-beaten-path ports.

SLOWER PACE AND DEEPER IMMERSION

Most of the journeys in our collection offer overnights and longer stays (or unconventional times of arrival/departure) at destinations for in-depth exploration of the local culture and experiences, while avoiding crowds and larger ships.

SEAMLESS TRAVEL WITH FLEXIBLE ITINERARIES

Experience magical journeys, starting at 7 nights, extendable to 14 or 21 nights, all from easy-to-reach ports.

WORRY-FREE TRAVEL WHERE EVERYTHING IS TAKEN CARE OF

Pre- and post-journey hotels, flights, transfers and luggage handling: our Explora Experience Ambassadors ease you into your travel experience by taking care of essential arrangements before and after your journey.

THE ULTIMATE OCEAN ESCAPE WITH EXTENDED JOURNEYS

Guests can combine any consecutive journeys they wish. Extended Journeys are two or more consecutive journeys that together, present deeper, longer travel with more cultural immersion, savings and the ease of remaining in the same suite throughout the whole journey.



[VIEW OUR JOURNEYS COLLECTION](#)





OUR DESTINATION EXPERIENCES

The “*Ocean State of Mind*” is not lost when venturing ashore. At every destination, Explora Journeys provides inspiring opportunities for guests to discover authentic cultural, historical, and culinary delights from an extraordinary perspective.

EXPLORE WITH PEACE OF MIND

- Intimate, smaller groups with like-minded guests, for immersion in local culture – opportunities to understand the culture, connect with locals and feel the real vibe of the places visited
- Enriching opportunities to explore destination essentials, get behind-the-scenes and experience unique locations reserved for Explora Journeys guests, led by local experts
- Seamless and worry-free experiences with everything taken care of, no hidden fees, fully insured partners, transportation arrangements and flexibility in change of plans. If an experience is delayed, our ship will wait
- Crafted experiences curated in collaboration with expert partners and ambassadors such as explorer Mike Horn



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PRE- & POST-JOURNEY HOTELS, FLIGHTS & TRANSFERS

Let our Explora Experience Ambassadors ease you into your travel experience by taking care of essential arrangements before and after your journey.

LUXURY HOTEL STAYS

Our comprehensive hotel programme is the perfect option to enrich your explorations. Through our extensive partnerships with leading hoteliers around the globe, we can arrange bespoke accommodations in and around our port destination cities for any duration, room category or cultural experience.

TRUSTED TRANSFERS

Our worry-free transfers can add that extra step of ease to your journey. Group and private transfers can be arranged between the airport and pier or between the pier and the hotel on days of either embarkation or disembarkation.

AIR TRAVEL

Allow us to schedule and reserve your flights to ensure an effortless coordination of your travels. Excellent relationships with global airlines means we can ensure the best possible fares, schedules and choice of class to tie in with your journey.

PRIVATE AIR CHARTERS

Privacy, flexibility and simplicity are the key reasons to choose our private flight arrangements. Our Explora Experience Ambassadors can help you choose from a significant range of aircraft solutions to fit the personalised travel needs for couples, a mid-sized family, or a larger group of friends and family. We complete our service with home-to-ship transfers and seamless luggage handling for the utmost in safe and convenient travel.

Please contact the Explora Experience Centre for more information.

OUR SUSTAINABILITY COMMITMENT

Explora Journeys is committed to taking meaningful, measurable actions that have a long-term positive impact on our guests, our employees and our planet.

“The sea is our *source*. We *hold* the seas and oceans that *sustain our planet* in the very highest regard.”

PIERFRANCESCO VAGO

Executive Chairman,
MSC Group Cruise Division



LEAVING THINGS BETTER FOR THE NEXT GENERATIONS

We continue to work towards achieving net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050 for our marine operations, by investing in new technology and design, improving operational efficiency and renewable fuels. All six ships will be RINA Dolphin-certified, ensuring reduced underwater noise, which in turn contributes to the preservation of marine life. EXPLORA III, IV, V and VI will be LNG-powered, with a research project underway for EXPLORA V and EXPLORA VI to have large fuel cell capacity capable of transforming renewable LNG into hydrogen and significantly reducing emissions.

MSCFOUNDATION


Explora Journeys is dedicated to supporting environmental, humanitarian and sustainable development commitments worldwide through the MSC Foundation, a private non-profit foundation established by the Aponte family. Inspired by the MSC Group's values and motivated by a deep sense of responsibility for the planet and its resources, the foundation's mission is to utilise MSC's global reach and unique knowledge of the ocean to take immediate action that contributes to protecting and nurturing the blue planet. The foundation also supports sustainable ecosystem management, empowers vulnerable communities, promotes inclusive education, and aids disaster recovery efforts.

START YOUR JOURNEY

For an easy and efficient booking experience

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR
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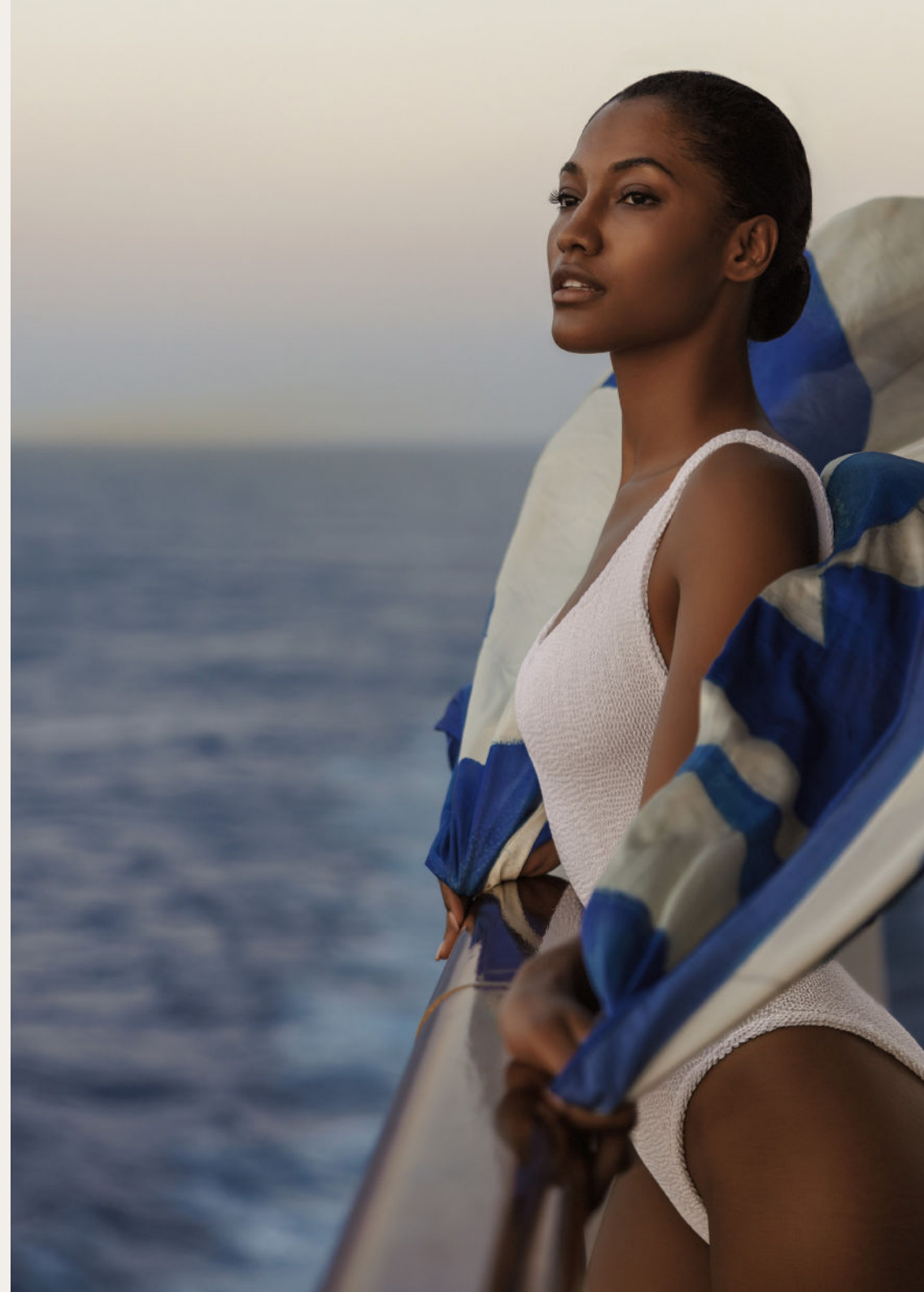
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