



Windstar Cruises Announces Deployment through Summer 2025



***Cruises take place on Windstar’s six, intimate yachts:
three sailing, three all-suite***

MIAMI, FL, May 9, 2023 – Small ship cruise line [Windstar Cruises](#) has released its sailing schedule through summer of 2025, with several key deployment moves for its fleet of six ships including three all-suite motor yachts and three classic sailing yachts.

“People are spending more and traveling longer, and they are taking notice of the ‘tremendous value that a Windstar cruise provides,” says Windstar President Christopher Prelog. “Our new deployment works towards responding to those trends with longer and even more remote options in Tahiti, as well as more connections between different itineraries to extend trips in new and exciting ways.”

Key developments by region include:

South Pacific

Windstar will go beyond its usual Tahitian cruise stops (where the line has sailed for more than 35 years and is considered to be the small ship expert in Tahiti) to the extremely remote Marquesas Islands on the brand-new, 14-day [Tahitian Treasures & Magnificent Marquesas](#) in 2024 and 2025 aboard all-suite, 312-guest *Star Breeze*. The cruise accesses the Tuamotu Islands of Fakarava and Rangiroa en route to and from the Marquesas, where the yacht spends time in Omoa, Fatu Hiva; Atuona, Hiva Oa; and Taiohae, Nuku Hiva, ending with the Society Islands of Tahaa, Bora Bora (an overnight), Moorea, and Papeete. Prelog says, “We’ve been hearing from travel advisors and guests that they want us to offer different cruises in Tahiti, and we’re pleased to be able to take them beyond the more expected locales to far-flung islands that have fewer than 1,000 residents.”

Canary Islands

Windstar will launch new cruises in the Canary Islands beginning in 2024 on all-suite, 312-guest *Star Pride*. The eight-day [Captivating Canary Islands](#) from Lisbon to Las Palmas includes time on Madeira, as well as overnights in Funchal and Santa Cruz de Tenerife.

In 2025, two new itineraries in the region include the 10-day [Canary Island Idyll](#) and 8-day [Colorful Canary Islands](#) with overnights or late nights to take in the renowned nightlife.

Mediterranean

Debuting in July of 2024, [Adriatic Icons & Venetian Treasures](#) is a nine-day roundtrip cruise from Venice on board 148-guest motorized sailing yacht *Wind Spirit*.

Central and South America

Starting winter 2024, a new seven-day [Naturally Costa Rica](#) cruise includes inaugural calls to enjoy the unspoiled Pacific coastline in San Juan del Sur and Corinto, Nicaragua. The new option, on 148-passenger motorized sailing yacht *Wind Star*, easily combines with a Panama Canal itinerary for a 14-day adventure in the region.

Middle East

Windstar is excited to introduce its guests to the Middle East with first-ever itineraries beginning November 2023 on all-suite, 312-passenger *Star Legend*, taking guests to sites from world religions to Egyptian temples, Bedouin villages, and oil-rich cities that have risen from the desert over the past few decades.

Sail dates are now listed into spring of 2025, with 12 different itineraries to choose from. Indicative options include:

- (10 days) from Dubai, UAE to Muscat, Oman and the reverse (with ports in UAE, Bahrain, Qatar, and Oman).
 - Note November 23 will feature optional tickets to the Formula 1 Abu Dhabi Grand Prix (a Windstar exclusive)
 - A New James Beard Foundation cruise has been added to the 2/1/24 sail date, guest chef TBD
- (9 days) from Jeddah, Saudi Arabia to Aqaba, (Petra) Jordan and the reverse (with ports in Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Jordan)
- (18 days) from Athens, Greece to Dubai, UAE (with ports in Egypt, Jordan, Oman, and UAE)

Timed with the announcement is a new limited-time offer where travel advisors and guests booking 2025 cruises in Europe, Tahiti, and Canada/New England receive a \$100 per guest shipboard credit and a free upgrade to All-Inclusive Fares, which means unlimited beer, wine, and cocktails; Wi-Fi; and gratuities. The offer expires July 5, 2023.

For more details on Windstar Cruises, visit www.windstarcruises.com.

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About Windstar Cruises Windstar Cruises operates a fleet of six boutique all-suite and sailing yachts carrying 148-342 guests. Small ship cruises sail throughout Europe; the Caribbean; Costa Rica and the Panama Canal; Asia; Alaska and British Columbia; New England and Eastern Canada; the U.S. West Coast and Mexico; the Middle East, and the South Pacific, including a ship year-round in Tahiti. Windstar launched the \$250 Million Star Plus Initiative to transform the three all-suite Star Plus Class yachts with new suites, restaurants, and a world-class spa and fitness center. The award-winning line is known for immersive experiences, destination authenticity, port-intensive itineraries, exceptional service, and an innovative culinary program. Windstar Cruises is part of the Xanterra Travel Collection®, a group of global hospitality and travel companies, one of which traces its history back over a hundred years of operating our country's iconic national parks, including Grand Canyon, Yellowstone, Glacier, Death Valley, and many others. Xanterra Travel Collection®, is owned by The Anschutz Corporation, the ultimate owner of the Broadmoor, Sea Island, and entertainment giant AEG, Anschutz Entertainment Group.