



**PAUL GAUGUIN CRUISES ANNOUNCES 2016 VOYAGES FEATURING NEW ITINERARIES
IN FRENCH POLYNESIA, EUROPE, AND THE CARIBBEAN PLUS POPULAR FAVORITES**



BELLEVUE, Wash. – February 23, 2015 – Paul Gauguin Cruises (www.pgcruiises.com), operator of the highest-rated and longest continually sailing luxury cruise ship in the South Pacific, m/s *Paul Gauguin*, and the 88-guest m/v *Tere Moana*, announces 2016 voyages that feature popular favorites along with a new 7-night ***Tahiti, the Society Islands & Tuamotus*** itinerary and an 11-night ***Society Islands & Tuamotus*** voyage on *The Gauguin*, as well as a new 7-night ***Roundtrip Athens, Greece***, sailing and 7-night ***Roundtrip Philipsburg, St. Maarten***, voyage on *The Moana*.

Paul Gauguin Cruises is offering savings of 50% off standard cruise fares on all 2016 voyages of both ships, *plus* included airfare from Los Angeles on m/s *Paul Gauguin* itineraries.

The Gauguin

New for 2016 on *The Gauguin* is a 7-night ***Tahiti, the Society Islands & Tuamotus*** voyage that adds the Tuamotus archipelago to the line's most popular Polynesian itinerary with visits to Papeete, Tahiti; Huahine, Society Islands; Fakarava, Tuamotus; Rangiroa, Tuamotus; Taha'a (Motu Mahana), Society Islands; Bora Bora, Society Islands; Moorea, Society Islands; and Papeete, Tahiti. The sailing departs February 6, 2016, with cruise fares from \$5,345 per person, including airfare from Los Angeles.

The Gauguin is also offering a new 11-night ***Society Islands & Tuamotus*** sailing featuring a second full day on the line's private island paradise of Motu Mahana. Ports include: Papeete, Tahiti; Huahine, Society Islands; Taha'a (Motu Mahana), Society Islands; Bora Bora, Society Islands (overnight); Rangiroa, Tuamotus; Fakarava, Tuamotus; Taha'a (Motu Mahana), Society Islands; Moorea, Society Islands (overnight); and Papeete, Tahiti (overnight). The December 3, 2016, voyage offers cruise fares from \$5,845 per person, including airfare from Los Angeles.

The Gauguin will also be featuring its most sought-after itineraries in 2016: the 7-night ***Tahiti & the Society Islands***; 10-night ***Society Islands & Tuamotus***; 11-night ***Cook Islands & Society Islands***; and 14-night ***Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands***, which all feature complimentary access to Paul Gauguin Cruises' two exclusive retreats—Motu Mahana and a private beach in Bora Bora. At Motu Mahana, guests enjoy a day of watersports, Polynesian activities, a sumptuous barbecue feast, and cocktails from full-service and floating bars. In Bora Bora, guests can relax on a white-sand beach and enjoy refreshments, a game of volleyball, and snorkeling in crystal-clear waters.

The Moana

The Moana will again offer sailings in Europe during spring, summer, and fall, along with cruises in the Caribbean and Latin America during the fall and winter.

Two 14-night transatlantic crossings are available between Philipsburg, St. Maarten, and Lisbon, Portugal, departing March 26 and November 12, 2016, with cruise fares from \$2,145 per person.

European voyages showcase the best of southern Europe, from the Atlantic Ocean to the Sea of Marmara. New for 2016 is a 7-night ***Roundtrip Athens, Greece***, voyage which visits: Santorini, Rhodes, Symi, Patmos, and Mykonos, Greece, along with Kusadasi, Turkey, departing June 4, 2016, with cruise fares from \$4,295 per person.

The Moana's 7-night **Barcelona, Spain, to Lisbon, Portugal**, itinerary also features several new ports including Valencia, Cartagena, and Malaga, Spain. The ship also visits Cádiz, Spain; Gibraltar, United Kingdom; and Portimão and Lisbon, Portugal, departing November 5, 2016, with cruise fares from \$4,295 per person.

The Moana offers a new highlight on its 7-night **Rome, Italy, to Barcelona, Spain**, itinerary—a port call at Livorno for excursions to Florence, Italy. The voyage, which departs August 27, 2016, also visits Monte Carlo, Monaco; Nice, France; Cannes, France; Cassis, France; Sète, France; and Barcelona, Spain. Cruise fares are from \$4,095 per person.

The Moana's 7-night **Athens, Greece, to Istanbul, Turkey**, voyage features Athens (Piraeus), Delos, Mykonos, Santorini, Rhodes, and Patmos, Greece, as well as Çanakkale and Istanbul, Turkey, departing June 11, 2016, with cruise fares from \$4,295 per person.

An August 13, 2016, **Rome, Italy, to Venice, Italy**, voyage visits Rome (Civitavecchia), Italy; Lipari, Italy; Taormina (Giardini Naxos), Italy; Corfu, Greece; Kotor, Montenegro; Dubrovnik, Croatia; Hvar, Croatia; and Venice, Italy, with a reverse itinerary departing August 20, 2016, and cruise fares from \$4,095 per person.

A 7-night **Roundtrip Rome, Italy**, voyage features the Italian ports of Rome (Civitavecchia), Amalfi, Sorrento, Lipari, Capri, Ponza, and Golfo di Aranci along with Porto-Vecchio (Corsica), France, and departs October 15, 2016, with cruise fares from \$4,295 per person.

A 7-night cruise departing October 22, 2016, on *The Moana* sails **Rome, Italy, to Nice, France**, visiting Elba, Porto Venere, Florence (Livorno), and Portofino, Italy; Monte Carlo, Monaco (overnight); Villefranche, France, and overnights in Nice, France, with cruise fares from \$4,295.

The 7-night **Nice, France, to Barcelona, Spain**, itinerary features Nice, France; Monte Carlo, Monaco; St. Tropez, France; and Sète, France, along with Palamós, Mahón, Palma de Mallorca, and Barcelona, Spain, and departs October 29, 2016, with cruise fares from \$4,295 per person.

In the Caribbean, *The Moana* introduces a new, 7-night “Yachtsman’s Paradise” voyage sailing **Roundtrip Philipsburg, St. Maarten**. The itinerary features overnights in each Caribbean port allowing guests to immerse themselves in the rich island culture. Tortola, B.V.I. (2 days); Jost Van Dyke, B.V.I. (overnight); Virgin Gorda, B.V.I. (overnight); Anguilla, U.K. (overnight); and St. Barts, F.W.I. (overnight). Departures include: March 19, 2016, with cruise fares from \$3,245 per person, and November 26, 2016, with cruise fares from \$2,945 per person.

In Latin America, *The Moana* features an 8-night **Colón, Panama, to Philipsburg, St. Maarten**, voyage visiting Colón, Panama; Cartagena, Colombia; Oranjestad, Aruba; Les Saintes, F.W.I.; and Philipsburg, St. Maarten, and departing March 11, 2016, with cruise fares from \$3,595 per person.

The 14-night **Philipsburg, St. Maarten, to Puerto, Caldero, Costa Rica**, voyage departs December 3, 2016, includes a Panama Canal evening transit and visits St. Barts, F.W.I.; St. John’s, Antigua; Les Saintes, F.W.I.; Willemstad, Curaçao; Oranjestad, Aruba; Cartagena, Columbia; Isla de Coiba, Panama; Gofito and Marengo, Costa Rica, with cruise fares from \$4,695 per person.

The Moana's 7-night **Roundtrip Puerto Caldera, Costa Rica**, voyages visits Isla Parida, Panama, along with the Costa Rican ports of Granito de Oro, Isla de Coiba, Casa Orquideas, Casa Saladero, Drake Bay, Quepos, Curú, and Puerto Caldera, with holiday departures December 23 and 30, 2016, and cruise fares from \$4,245 per person. The 6-night voyage departs December 17, 2016, and visits Isla Gamez, Panama, in lieu of Isla Parida, Panama, and Curú, Costa Rica, with cruise fares from \$2,545 per person.

For rates or more information on Paul Gauguin Cruises, please contact a Travel Professional, call 800-848-6172, or visit www.pgcruiises.com.

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About Paul Gauguin Cruises

Owned by Pacific Beachcomber S.C., French Polynesia's leading luxury hotel and cruise operator, Paul Gauguin Cruises operates the 5+-star cruise ship, the 332-guest m/s *Paul Gauguin*, providing a deluxe cruise experience tailored to the unparalleled wonders of Tahiti, French Polynesia, and the South Pacific. *The Gauguin's* accolades include recognition as one of the "Top 20 Small Cruise Ships" in 2013 for the 15th year in a row by readers of *Condé Nast Traveler*. The m/v *Tere Moana* offers voyages in the Caribbean, Latin America, and Europe, accommodating 88 guests with a staff of 62. In 2013, *The Moana* received "Best New Small Ship" and "Best Way to See the Greek Isles" in *Cruisereport.com's* Editors' Choice Awards. In 2014, Paul Gauguin Cruises was voted "#1 Small-Ship Cruise Line" and "#1 Small-Ship Cruise Line for Families" in *Travel + Leisure's* World's Best Awards.

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