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**PAUL GAUGUIN CRUISES HONORED IN THE *CONDÉ NAST TRAVELER* 2016 READERS’ CHOICE AWARDS**

**IN THE CATEGORY OF TOP SMALL CRUISE LINES**

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**BELLEVUE, WASH. – October 18, 2016** – **Paul Gauguin Cruises** ([www.pgcruises.com](http://www.pgcruises.com)), operator of the highest-rated and longest continually sailing luxury cruise ship in the South Pacific, the m/s *Paul Gauguin*, is pleased to announce that the line was honored in the *Condé Nast Traveler* 2016 Readers’ Choice Awards, ranking #2 in the category of “Top Small Cruise Lines.”

“Thank you to the readers of *Condé Nast Traveler* who voted Paul Gauguin Cruises to the prestigious ‘Top Small Cruise Lines’ list,” said Diane Moore, President of Paul Gauguin Cruises. “Every day our talented and dedicated staff delivers exceptional experiences aboard our voyages, and we are thrilled to be recognized again this year.”

Paul Gauguin Cruises was voted #2 in the category of “Top Small Cruise Lines” by readers in 2015 and was also recognized on *Condé Nast Traveler’s* 2016 Gold List.

In the annual poll, more than 300,000 readers ranked the best hotels, resorts, cities, islands, airlines, and cruise lines in the world. The full list of winners can be found on the magazine's website at [www.cntraveler.com/rca](http://www.cntraveler.com/rca) and are also featured in the November 2016 issue of *Condé Nast Traveler*.

In addition to the *Condé Nast Traveler* Readers’ Choice Awards accolades, Paul Gauguin Cruises was recently voted “#1 Midsize-Ship Ocean Cruise Line” by readers in the *Travel + Leisure* 2016 World’s Best Awards\*.

For more information or reservations for Paul Gauguin Cruises, contact a professional travel agent, call 1-800-848-6172, or visit [www.pgcruises.com](http://www.pgcruises.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.

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