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## EMERALD CRUISES INTRODUCES NEW CARIBBEAN ITINERARIES FOR WINTER 2024/2025

With its luxury yacht voyages, Emerald Cruises provides access to undiscovered Caribbean gems, offering guests an intimate yachting experience

Hollywood, FL (June 3, 2024) — Emerald Cruises, recognized for its award-winning luxury yacht experiences, today unveiled new Caribbean itineraries for the winter 2024/2025 season aboard the acclaimed *Emerald Azzurra*. These new routes will explore captivating, less-traveled Caribbean locales including Jost van Dyke and Norman Island in the British Virgin Islands, Montserrat and Antigua. *Emerald Azzurra* will sail between St. Thomas or San Juan and St. John's, Antigua, allowing for convenient air travel for US guests. Highlighted by overnight stays in the glamorous St. Barths and visits to the serene islands of Guadeloupe and Barbuda in the Leeward Islands, these itineraries are tailored for discerning travelers seeking unique destinations.

This expansion comes in response to strong demand for the Caribbean sailings aboard sister yacht *Emerald Sakara*, which have nearly reached full capacity for the upcoming season. Emerald Cruises has thoughtfully realigned its offerings, increasing its Caribbean presence while strategically adjusting its 2024/2025 Safari and Seychelles operations to prioritize guest safety and satisfaction amid evolving regional dynamics.

"Our decision to increase our Caribbean presence reflects the strong guest interest in this region and aligns with changes in the Red Sea conditions," said Ken Muskat, Managing Director of Scenic Group USA. "This adjustment not only enhances our offerings in highly sought-after destinations but ensures guests' safety and satisfaction. *Emerald Azzurra's* new schedule has been meticulously crafted to access unique ports that larger vessels simply cannot reach, providing exclusive and intimate exploration for all onboard."

The new Caribbean itineraries will sail from December 7, 2024 until February 22, 2025. In addition, travelers who seek longer cruises may combine cruises with minimal overlapping of ports:

- The 8-day "<u>Caribbean Yachting Hideaways</u>" sailings offer an intimate glimpse into the vibrant life of the Caribbean's smaller ports, showcasing the unique culture and relaxed pace of island life.
- The 8-day "<u>Caribbean Yachting Discovery</u>" sailings provide an authentic beach-hopping adventure, with most days spent at anchor, allowing guests to explore secluded beaches and serene swimming spots across the Caribbean. There is a special New Year's sailing departing December 28 that will include a festive New Year's Eve party and New Year's Day brunch while anchored off St. Barths.

To celebrate the launch of these new sailings, Emerald Cruises is offering 2-for-1 fares and up to \$3,000 in FlexCredit per suite for bookings made through July 7. As a bonus, guests can save an additional \$1,000 per suite on select 2024 dates. The sailings are included in Emerald Cruises' latest Cruise Planner.

To book the new itineraries, please visit <u>www.emeraldcruises.com</u>, call us at 844-428-8389 or contact your Professional Travel Advisor. For more information, please visit Scenic Group's <u>Media Center</u>.

## **About Scenic Group**

Over 38 years, Scenic Group has redefined luxury travel, embodying exploration and elegance across its esteemed brands: Scenic Luxury Cruises & Tours, Emerald Cruises, Mayflower Cruises & Tours, and Evergreen Tours. Offering award-winning river and ocean cruises, along with handcrafted land journeys, Scenic Group transports guests to the world's most captivating destinations on all seven continents. Since its inception, Scenic has revolutionized the river cruise market in Europe and Southeast Asia, offering all-inclusive, five-star journeys, and extending its luxury cruises to Egypt's Nile. In 2019, the launch of *Scenic Eclipse*, The World's First Discovery Yacht<sup>TM</sup>, marked a new benchmark in ultra-luxury cruising, a legacy continued by its sister, *Scenic Eclipse II*, in 2023.

Emerald Cruises, celebrating its 10th anniversary in 2024, excels with nine Star-Ships that navigate the rivers of Europe and the Mekong. 2022 saw the advent of *Emerald Azzurra*, the first luxury yacht under the Emerald Cruises banner, sailing the Mediterranean, Adriatic, Caribbean, and Central America, followed by *Emerald Sakara* in 2023. The fleet will be further enhanced with the introduction of *Emerald Kaia*, promising a new era of luxury yacht cruising.

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