



WITH TWO MORE EXCEL CLASS SHIPS ON THE WAY, CARNIVAL CELEBRATES SIX MONTHS OF MARDI GRAS

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More Than 110K Guests Enjoy Sailings on New Ship

MIAMI, JAN. 31, 2022 – Today marks the six-month anniversary of the ship all cruise fans were waiting for: Carnival Cruise Line's Mardi Gras, which welcomed her first guests from Port Canaveral on July 31, 2021.

The first of Carnival's all new Excel class, Mardi Gras has been wowing guests on every cruise since July, welcoming more than 110,000 guests to date. To celebrate the six-month mark, as well as looking ahead to the arrival of her two sister ships, Carnival Celebration and Carnival Jubilee, Carnival released a [video available here](#).

Mardi Gras is the first cruise ship in the Americas powered by a liquefied natural gas (LNG) technology platform. Carnival Corp. pioneered the introduction of LNG fuel in the passenger cruise sector as part of the company's ongoing commitment to sustainability and emissions reduction. Mardi Gras is also the first ship to feature a roller coaster at sea, BOLT, which earned an engineering award from Popular Science magazine. So far, guests have enjoyed more than 30,000 invigorating BOLT rides.

The ship's innovations and stunning new features have helped to earn other honors as well. USA Today's Reader's Choice 10Best Awards selected Mardi Gras as the Best New Cruise Ship of 2021 and Cruise Hive named it the Best Cruise Ship of 2021.

Mardi Gras is decked out with something fun for everyone -- and that includes delicious dining options with several new venues on board, like Emeril's Bistro 1396, Shaq's Big Chicken, Chibang! and Street Eats.

Since the restart of cruising, momentum continues to build across Carnival Cruise Line. Nearly one million guests have taken a cruise vacation with Carnival since the restart on more than 400 sailings.

This fall, more excitement arrives when Carnival Celebration arrives home to PortMiami. Carnival's next Excel-class ship will share all the fun guests are enjoying on Mardi Gras, like BOLT, plus some exclusive features as well.

A third Excel-class ship, Carnival Jubilee, will begin operations from its homeport in Galveston in the fall of 2023 and will also feature unique aspects all her own. Carnival Jubilee opened for sale last week.

For additional information on Carnival Cruise Line and to book a cruise vacation, call 1-800-CARNIVAL, visit [Carnival.com](https://www.carnival.com), or contact your favorite travel advisor or online travel site.

ABOUT CARNIVAL CRUISE LINE

Carnival Cruise Line, part of Carnival Corporation & plc (NYSE/LSE: CCL; NYSE: CUK), is proud to be known as America's Cruise Line with a total of 24 ships, sailing from 14 U.S. homeports and employing more than 40,000 team members from 120 nationalities. Carnival's newest ship, Mardi Gras, featuring the first roller coaster at sea and the first cruise ship in the Americas powered by eco-friendly Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG), sailed from Port Canaveral, Fla., July 31, 2021. As part of its 50th Birthday festivities, Carnival Celebration, sister ship to Mardi Gras, is scheduled to debut in late 2022 from PortMiami, as well as Carnival Jubilee from Galveston in 2023.

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