

## CARNIVAL CELEBRATION FLOATED OUT, MARKING MAJOR CONSTRUCTION MILESTONE

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## Latest Excel-Class, LNG-Powered Ship to Begin Sailing from Miami this Fall

MIAMI, Feb 11, 2022 – Carnival Cruise Line's next new ship Carnival Celebration was floated out at the Meyer Turku shipyard in Finland today, which signifies a major step in her construction. Watch video of Carnival Celebration float out ceremony here.

Carnival Celebration will now move alongside the shipyard's outfitting pier and into the next phase of construction, where the focus will shift to work on what all Carnival ships are known for: the fun.

"This is the exciting part, after the float out, that's when everything that everyone will love about the ship goes from blueprint to reality," said Ben Clement, senior vice president of New Builds, Refurbishment and Product Innovation for Carnival Cruise Line, who was in Finland to oversee the milestone. "When there's a new ship coming, it's always tough to pick your favorite part, but Carnival Celebration is going to make that choice tougher than ever when she makes her way to Miami."

"We are very proud to build this beautiful ship for Carnival Cruise Line," said Tim Meyer, CEO of Meyer Turku. "By the end of the summer, Carnival Celebration will be ready for her sea trial and then for delivery later in the autumn."

Carnival Celebration is the second of three revolutionary Excel-class ships. She joins Mardi Gras, already sailing from Port Canaveral, Fla., and Carnival Jubilee, set to sail from Galveston, Texas in 2023. Carnival's newest and biggest class of ships run on 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.

Following Carnival Celebration's float out, work begins outside on installing some of the Excel-class exterior features already thrilling guests on sister ship *Mardi Gras*, including the award-winning BOLT roller coaster at sea. Inside the ship, the build out will help bring out Carnival Celebration's own unique personality. The ship will feature six distinct zones, much like *Mardi Gras*, but three of those are designed specifically for Carnival Celebration. Details about the new zones will be revealed soon.

Scheduled to enter service this fall, Carnival Celebration will sail a transatlantic voyage from Southampton to her PortMiami homeport in November. Carnival's newly transformed Terminal F will welcome the new ship. Not long after, the Carnival terminal will also usher in a new era of port infrastructure as one of the first at PortMiami equipped to provide shore power to ships by fall 2023.

Carnival Celebration's first sailing from Miami to the Caribbean will take place Nov. 21, 2022. Her arrival will mark the culmination of the year-long celebration of Carnival Cruise Line's 50th birthday. Her name is a nod to one of Carnival's classic cruise ships, MS Celebration, but in every sense, Carnival Celebration is designed to lead the way to the future of cruising.

For additional information on Carnival Cruise Line and to book a cruise vacation, call 1-800-CARNIVAL, visit <a href="www.carnival.com">www.carnival.com</a>, or contact your favorite travel advisor or online travel site.

**Photo attached:** Representatives from Carnival Cruise Line and Meyer Turku hold a float out ceremony for Carnival Celebration in Turku, Finland on Friday.

## **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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