

NORWEGIAN AQUA

Make New Waves



Christening Event

April 13 – 16, 2025
Miami, FL



Welcome Aboard

We are thrilled to welcome you to the christening voyage of our newest addition to our award-winning fleet, Norwegian Aqua!

As the latest member of our Prima Class, and first of the expanded Prima Plus vessels, she is here to make a splash and steal the show. Crafted with precision and innovation, she represents what we stand for — delivering **MORE** for our guests to design their very best vacation. With **MORE** to do, **MORE** to see and **MORE** to enjoy, she offers new experiences for every guest — from thrilling attractions like the world's first-ever Aqua Slidecoaster, NCL's first specialty Thai restaurant, Sukhothai, "Revolution," the first show dedicated to the award-winning artist Prince — and so much **MORE!**

Tonight, we invite you to dive into a celebration like no other. The evening's entertainment captures the fluid grace and allure of the ocean — a perfect reflection of Norwegian Aqua's boundless energy and style.

Join us as we embrace the Norwegian Aqua way of life, where every journey inspires, every moment thrills and every guest becomes part of the story. Raise your glasses to a celebration that marks the beginning of something extraordinary, and let's make waves together!

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Christening Program

Welcome By **Julie Valeriote**

Emcee, Sr. Director of Entertainment Operations, Norwegian Cruise Line

Remarks By **David J. Herrera**

President, Norwegian Cruise Line

“**Revolution: A Celebration of Prince**” Preview

Remarks By **Captain Robert Lundberg**

Captain, Norwegian Aqua

Norwegian Aqua Blessing Ceremony

Pastor Pete Pera

Rise Community Church

Godparent Introduction

John Chernesky

Sr. Vice President of Sales, North America, Norwegian Cruise Line

Remarks By **Eric Stonestreet**

Norwegian Aqua Godparent

Bottle Break Ceremony



Let's Make New Waves

A ship's christening is more than just a tradition, it marks the start of an unforgettable journey! As Norwegian Aqua sets sail, we celebrate this milestone with a ceremony that merges time-honored customs with a bold new spirit.

Every moment is steeped in significance, from the official blessing for smooth and safe voyages ahead, to the ceremonial Champagne bottle breaking against the hull. And Norwegian Aqua's godparent, Eric Stonestreet, adds an extra spark to the celebration, bringing his signature energy and charm to this unforgettable occasion. With special performances and heartfelt dedications, this event is a true tribute to the excitement and innovation that define Norwegian Aqua.

Designed for those who crave MORE, Norwegian Aqua is ready to Make New Waves. Join us as we celebrate the beginning of something truly extraordinary!

Your Hosts and Special Guests



David J. Herrera

*President,
Norwegian Cruise Line*

As the President of Norwegian Cruise Line, Herrera and his team warmly welcome over 2.5M guests a year aboard NCL's 20-ship fleet, visiting over 450 ports all around the world. He drives the strategic vision for the brand and leads the best team in the industry that has created the highly recognized Military Appreciation Program as well as launching the brand's new positioning "Experience More at Sea."



John Chernesky

*Senior Vice President of Sales, North America,
Norwegian Cruise Line*

As the Senior Vice President of North America Sales of Norwegian Cruise Line, John Chernesky oversees the North America Sales and Trade Management teams. With a 30-year tenure in the cruise industry, Chernesky's multifaceted experience and passion for the trade community is instrumental in his role. As a part of Norwegian's Partner's First philosophy, he is dedicated to making NCL be the easiest cruise line to do business with!



Captain Robert Lundberg

*Captain,
Norwegian Aqua*

As the captain of Norwegian Aqua Lundberg is responsible for the safety and operations of the ship. He has been part of 5 Norwegian Cruise Line ship launches and has proudly held the position of captain for the past 6 years. As a seasoned seafarer with over 30 years of experience, Captain Lundberg joined NCL in 2006 after graduating as a Master Mariner in 2000. When on vacation he resides in Sweden's most southernly city, Trelleborg, where he lives with his wife and two children.



Julie Valeriote

*Senior Director of Entertainment Operations,
Norwegian Cruise Line*

As Senior Director of Entertainment Operations, Julie Valeriote plays a vital role in shaping Norwegian Cruise Line's entertainment offerings. With over 25 years at NCL, she has contributed to 13 inaugural teams, holding leadership positions ranging from Cruise Director to overseeing entertainment strategy. Honored to host the christening of Norwegian Aqua, Julie's passion and dedication make her the perfect leader for this milestone event.



Pastor Pete Pera

Rise Community Church

Pera is a South Florida-based community leader and founding pastor of Rise Community Church in Davie, Fla. Pastor Pera strongly believes in the power of serving the community, a value that is strongly reflected in his teachings. He and his lovely wife Martha have both served the Lord in ministry together for over 35 years.



Eric Stonestreet

Norwegian Aqua’s Godparent

A memorable ship deserves a godparent who’s just as iconic, and Norwegian Aqua™ hit the jackpot with Eric Stonestreet. Best known for his two-time Emmy® Award-winning role as Cameron Tucker on “Modern Family” and his recent Emmy nominated performance as Magnus Antas (aka The Mad Santa) in “The Santa Clauses.” Eric has also showcased his talent in films and voice acting, including his role as the lovable Newfoundland as Duke in “The Secret Life of Pets.”

As a charismatic and relatable celebrity figure, Stonestreet brings joy to audiences through his humor, making him the perfect fit to help us christen this incredible ship and set sail on a journey full of unforgettable moments. Having already spent time onboard, he has developed a deep appreciation for Norwegian Aqua’s innovative experiences and the dedicated crew who bring them to life. His genuine curiosity and enthusiasm for NCL shine through, making him more than just a godparent — he’s a true ambassador for the brand.

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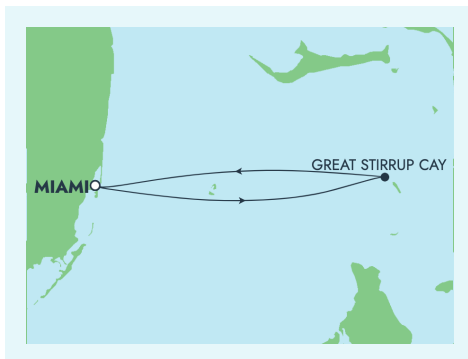
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Sailing Itinerary



SUNDAY

📍 **Miami, Florida**
Overnight

MONDAY

📍 **Miami, Florida**
3:30 am Embark

TUESDAY

📍 **Great Stirrup Cay, The Bahamas**
8:00 am – 5:00 pm (Tender Port)

WEDNESDAY

📍 **Miami, Florida**
7:00 am Disembark

Thank You

Norwegian Aqua™ marks the next evolution of our innovative Prima Class, offering even MORE — more expansive outdoor spaces, more first-of-their-kind experiences and more ways to immerse yourself in the beauty of the ocean. We are beyond thrilled with how this extraordinary ship has come to life, and we owe it all to the unwavering dedication of everyone who made it possible.

To our brilliant architects, designers and trusted partners — Fincantieri, Studio Dado, SMC Design, Rockwell Group, AD Associates, Lissoni & Partners — thank you for partnering with our vessel operations team to shape Norwegian Aqua into a masterpiece of innovation and style.

To our incredible crew, land-based employees and travel partners around the world — your passion and commitment are what drive us forward. I'm immensely proud to lead such an outstanding team and to work alongside the very best in the industry.

A special thank you goes to Norwegian Aqua's godparent, Eric Stonestreet, whose enthusiasm and energy make this celebration even more memorable. And to Allison Hueman, the visionary behind Norwegian Aqua's breathtaking hull art, "Where the Sky Meets the Sea" — your work captures the spirit of exploration and the wonder of the ocean in a way that is truly inspiring.

We look forward to embarking on this beautiful vessel, Making New Waves with you and **MORE!**

Best,

David J. Herrera
President, Norwegian Cruise Line



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