

CRUISE COMPASS

Independence of the Seas

DAY 1

Saturday, May 17, 2014 Southampton, U.K.

EXPERIENCE THE NEWNESS OF IT ALL

If this is your first time on Royal Caribbean, or even on a cruise ship, you're in for a real treat. Cruising is like no other kind of vacation you've ever been on. Where else can you go rock climbing in the middle of the ocean? Or watch a Broadway-style production one night and a Vegas-inspired show the next? This ship is jam-packed with excitement and today is the perfect day to check it all out. Even if you're a veteran cruiser, you'll find there's always some new adventure onboard just waiting to be discovered. Go explore all the new offerings, or try something you didn't get a chance to do last time.

FEATURED EVENTS

Boarding Day Spa Tours

Spa Tours Starting at 11:30 am today. Get to the Day Spa on Deck 12 for a tour, so that you can plan your indulgences for your vacation. Ask about the 10-20-30 program and see how to save up to 30% on Spa treatments this voyage. Also get your raffle ticket for your chance to win in today's \$500 Spa Give Away Raffle Draw at 5:30 pm in the Fitness Center on Deck 11 Forward. You must be present to win. Call 6982, Day Spa, Deck 12.

2. Art gallery Open for Viewing

The Art Gallery will be open all day to preview some of the amazing artworks available for Live bidding at our exciting art auction tomorrow, Tarkay, Kinkade, Max, Krasnyansky and many more will be featured. Don't forget to ask for your complimentary raffle tickets just for stopping by.

Art gallery, Deck 3 Midship. 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm & 5:00 pm - 10:30 pm.

3. Watch It

Watch the video clip and pay attention because once it has finished, we are going to be asking you questions about what you have just seen! Did you manage to take it all in? Fun for everyone.

9:45 pm, Pyramid Lounge, Deck 5.

4. Olympus Rocks Parade

Here's your welcoming Parade, Olympus Rocks, and you won't want to miss it. In fact, you'll want to bring your camera and catch this amazing production, which strolls down the Royal Promenade. 10:45 pm, Royal Promenade, Deck 5.

5. 15% Off Liquor & Tobacco

Shops Onboard First Day Special; all Cigarettes and Tobacco and spirits with an additional 15% off the incredibly low tax and duty free prices. Ask our friendly sales assistants for more information.

SHORE EXCURSIONS STAFF WELCOMES YOU ONBOARD

Today is all about finding your way around onboard. But when we arrive in next port of call, you'll want to explore beyond the ship. To purchase tickets for shore excursions in upcoming port, use the RCTV interactive television system in your stateroom or stop by the Shore Excursions Desk. All tickets ordered through RCTV or the drop-off order form will be delivered to your stateroom the same evening.

PREMIUM BEVERAGE PACKAGE

Enjoy the convenience of one of our all-inclusive beverage packages to keep you refreshed this cruise vacation! The Premium Package is available for \$55 per person, per day, for the duration of your cruise vacation. It's the ultimate in convenience and value. Ask any of our Bar Servers for more information.

TODAY'S FORECAST

Sunny with Cloudy Periods

High Temperature: 72°F (22°C)

Sunrise: 5:14 am

Sunset: 8:52 pm



IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW TODAY

Tonight's Dinner Dress Suggestion

Casual

All Aboard

All guests must be aboard by 3:45 pm.

Luggage Delivery

We understand the urgency of getting your bags, and we're doing everything possible to get them delivered quickly, however luggage delivery can be a lengthy process and may take until 9:00 pm. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

Safety & Security

Familiarize yourself with the safety routine onboard and your Assembly Station, which is your assigned meeting place in case of an emergency. View our safety video on your stateroom television on channel 27.

Guest Assembly Drill

There will be a mandatory Guest Assembly Drill today at 4:00 pm.

Tins

A \$12 tip will be automatically added to each guest's SeaPass® account on a daily basis to be shared among dining services, Stateroom Attendants and other housekeeping services crew who work to enhance the cruise. Suite guests will see a \$14.25 daily tip. Guests who prepaid tip prior to boarding the cruise will not have a daily charge onboard. In the unlikely event that a guest onboard being charged the daily automatic tip did not receive satisfactory service, the guest may request to modify the daily amount at their discretion by visiting the Guest Services Desk prior to departure morning.

Smoking

For the comfort and enjoyment of our guests, our ships are designated as non-smoking; however, we recognize that some of our guests smoke. Therefore, to provide an onboard environment that also satisfies smokers, we have designated certain areas of the ship as "smoking areas." Generally, smoking is not permitted except in designated areas. (Contact Guest Services for additional details.) Smoking is not permitted inside any guest stateroom, this includes the balcony area. Smoking is permitted in some of our lounges and on deck 4 & 11 on the port side of the ship. Royal Caribbean International® kindly asks all guests to please observe the non-smoking areas and to refrain from smoking pipes or cigars in any of the public areas. These requests are made to provide a comfortable shipboard environment for everyone. Where permitted, cigarettes, cigars and pipe tobacco must always be properly disposed of and never thrown overboard.

Food Advisory

Animal Food such as beef, eggs, lamb, milk, pork or shelfish that is raw or undercooked significantly increases risk to vulnerable and immunodeficient guests.





EVENTS AND OFFERS NOT TO MISS TODAY!

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ACTIVITIES AND ENTERTAINMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- \$1,000 GIVEAWAY -

This incredible special offer is not to be missed. With every purchase over \$50 in the Shops Onboard this cruise, you'll be entered into the prize draw to win a \$1,000 gift voucher to shop till you drop at the Shops Onboard.

-WINE & DINE PACKAGES -

Save up to 25% on our extensive list of wines from around the world.

Wine	Value	Package Price	Wine	Value	Package Price
5 Bottles	\$200	\$165	7 Bottles	\$280	\$220
10 Bottles		\$300	12 Bottles	\$480	\$335

Available in all dining rooms and Windjammer Cafe.

- SOPHIA FIOR! WELCOME ABOARD RAFFLE

Welcome aboard raffle at 10:15 pm. Win a 6 ct. Brazilian Gemstone plus a mystery prize up for grabs. Meet Luke Moloney Stylist and design consultant for SOPHIA FIORI Diamonds. Jewellery Boutique, Royal Promenade, Deck 5.

MY TIME DINING™ -

It's like your favorite restaurant at home. With My Time Dining you have the flexibility to dine whenever you want from day to day. So, if there's a show you want to catch, or your excursion runs a little late, My Time Dining lets you play it by ear. And, just like home, making a reservation ensures that you won't have to wait to be seated, especially on Days 1 and 2, our busiest days. Sign up at the Dining Reservation Desk on Deck 5.

- COMPLIMENTARY GAMING LESSONS -

Join us in the Casino between 5:00 pm and 5:30 pm today and we will teach you to play any table game available in the Casino.

- PRICE PROMISE -

Shop onboard with confidence as we will not be beaten on price! If you can beat our prices in any store visited, simply obtain proof and we'll gladly match it or refund the difference.

Did you know acupuncture can help treat many conditions including, back pain, sea sickness, digestive problems, stress and many more. Visit the Spa to meet your onboard acupuncturist and schedule a complimentary consultation to start improving your health today.

Poin us tonight inside the Gifts and Jewelry store for our welcome aboard draw, where you can meet Carolina, your Sophia Fiori representative. You could be the one to win a piece of fine Jewelry. Draw takes place at 10:15 pm.

- VALUE FOR MONEY BEVERAGE PACKAGES

Packages on sale today from dedicated locations. On Deck 4 aft by Boleros, Deck 5 on the Royal Promenade next to the Dog and Badger Pub and on Deck 11, directly outside of the Windjammer Café. From boarding until 8:00 pm.

CRUISE DIRECTOR'S PICK OF THE DAY

- SPA TOURS TODAY -

Get to the Day Spa on Deck 12 from 11:30 am, for a tour, so that you can plan your indulgences for this voyage. Book and receive a spa treatment for this evening and we will give you a free complimentary add on worth up to \$49. Choose either hot stones add on, Bamboo add on, eye rejuvenation treatment, additional 15 minutes of massage or foot reflex. Book now spaces limited.

TODAY'S SHOWS

Welcome Aboard Show

Presented by your Cruise Director, Joff Eaton.
Featuring Vocalists Ian LasKowski and Tamara Connor
Plus The Royal Caribbean Singers and Dancers
and The Independence of the Seas Orchestra
One show for all guests: 7:40 pm,
Alhambra Theatre *, Decks 3, 4.

Please be reminded that the saving of seats, flash photography and video taping of shows is strictly prohibited. Also, children in the first three rows of the theatre must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

*Assistive Listening System Available. Obtain receivers at Guest Services Desk.

DAYTIME ACTIVITIES

Independence Day Spa & Fitness Center Tours

The Independence Day Spa & Fitness Center invites you to join us for a tour today. You'll learn about our luxurious treatments such as seaweed wraps, hot stone massages, detox programs, facials, tooth whitening, our salon services for all your beauty needs and our excting fitness programs and seminars to keep you in shape while on holiday. Be sure the enter our free raffle for the chance to win complimentary treatments are products! 11:00 am – 3:30 pm, Fitness Center & Independence Day Spa, Decks 11 & 12.

Sail Away Party

Join in the festivities with Extra Band and the Cruise Director's Staff on the Pool Deck as we sail away. If you know a few dance moves, here's your chance to show them off! 4:45 pm, Royal Promanade, Deck 5.

Complimentary Gaming Lessons

Learn how to beat the house. Or at the very least, look confident at the table. Come and enjoy complimentary gaming lessons today on all the most popular games – Blackjack, Roulette, Caribbean Stud Poker and more. 5:00 pm and 5:30 pm, Casino Royale, Deck 4.

EVENING ACTIVITIES

Welcome Aboard Champagne Art Party

Come visit the Art Gallery located on Deck 3 and get a sneak preview of some of the works coming up to the auction block at tomorrow's auction. Meet fellow art lovers as you peruse the state-of-the-art fine Art Galler, right here onboard the Independence. Free champagne will be served. A not to be missed event!

7:30 pm, Art Gallery, Deck 3, Next to On Air.

Adult Karaoke

What will you choose to wow your audience with? A love ballad, or a popular song we all know by heart? Come join in the fun. 11:30 pm, On Air, Deck 3.

Children on the Dance Floor During Live Music Sets

We kindly request that parents make sure their children do not run around or play on the dance floors during live music sets. This is for the safety as well as the safety and enjoyment of all our guests. Thank you for your cooperation.







FlowRider and Rock Climbing Wall Notice:

Rock Climbing Wall***

For your safety and comfort, we will close the FlowRider and Rock Climbing Wall when the temperature falls below 10° C (50° F). If you have any questions, please stop by Guest Services. Thank you.

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm Waiver Sign Ups

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Open Climbing Deck 13

*For rules and restrictions and sign up requirements, please see the staff at the appropriate venue.

Shuffle Board*	3:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Deck 4
Table Tennis (open play)	24 hours (weather permitting)Deck 12	& 14 aft
Sports Pool*	3:00 pm - 6:00 pm Lap Swimming (starboard side	e)Deck 11

**Please remove all jewelery items. Ladies are advised to wear a T-Shirt. A FlowRider* waiver must be completed. Waiver desk will close approximately 45 minutes - 1 hour before closing time. Minimum height requirement; Boogie Boarding is 52", Stand Up Surfing is 58".

*** Trousers/shorts, socks, and dry clothing are required for participation. A Rock Climbing Wall waiver must be completed. Children must be 6 years of age or older to climb. Parents must be present to sign a waiver for children under the age of 18 and must stay to supervise children under the age of 13 years. Adults must be able to fit into the XXL harness to climb. Sign ups will close 15-30 minutes before closing time.

****Full length trousers, socks, and helmets are required for participation. Each session is 30 minutes in duration and based on a first come first served basis, with a maximum of 40 guests per session. Parents must be present to sign a waiver for children under the age of 18 and must stay to supervise children 12 years and under. Elbow pads and knee pads are available upon request, at the skate desk, inside Studio B.

The Following Services and Venues are Open 24 Hours:

Arcade, Deck 12 / Emergency Only (Dial 911) / Operator (Dial 0) /

Guest Services (Dial 0), Deck 5 / Photo Kiosks, Deck 4 / royal caribbean onlinesm,

Deck 8 / Select Swimming Pools and Hot Tubs, Deck 11 / Independence Dunes

Golf, Deck 13 / Table Tennis, Deck 14.

NOTICES

Discharge Of All Garbage Into The Sea Is Prohibited

The MARPOL Convention and domestic law generally prohibit the discharge of most forms of garbage from ships into the sea. Violation of these requirements may result in penalties. All garbage is to be retained onboard and placed in the bins provided.

CRUISING TO NEW LEVELS OF ENJOYMENT

We're flattered and deeply appreciative. After all, you chose us. If you enjoy cruising, discover the benefits of Crown & Anchor Society membership. Enrollment is free. You'll earn one Cruise Point for every night you stay with us, plus double points when you purchase a suite. See your Loyalty & Cruise Sales Team on Deck 5.



DAILY PLANNER

Independence of the Seas®

DAY 1 Saturday, May 17, 2014
Today we will depart from Southampton U.K.
TONIGHT'S DINNER DRESS SUGGESTION: Casual

DINING SCHEDULE & AFTERNOON SNACKS

5:30 pm – 9:00 pm My Time Dining, King Lear Dining Room. Deck !

Dial 7085 or visit the Dining Reservations Desk from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
6:00 pm Main Seating, All Dining Rooms Decks 3,4
Doors Close 6:45 pm

6:30 pm – 9:00 pm Windjammer Marketplace, Casual Dinner.Deck 1 Casual dinner in the Windjammer Marketplace is buffet style.

8:30 pm Second Seating, All Dining Rooms.... Decks 3,4

Doors Close 9:15 pm Please note that bare feet, short pants, caps and tank tops are not recommended at dinner in the

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SPECIALTY DINING

SNACK

Available 24 Hours	Café Promenade	Deck!
11:00 am - 6:30 pm	Sprinkles Ice Cream, Starboard Side Poolside	The state of the s
11:00 am - 10:30 pm	Cupcake Cupboard (\$)	Deck !
11:00 am - midnight	Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream (\$)	Deck !
11:00 am - 3:00 am	Sorrento's Pizzeria	Deck !
5:30 pm - 11:30 pm	Johnny Rockets®	

Room Service (Dia1011) Available from 5:00 pm onwards Please note a \$3.95 service charge will be applied for Room Service orders between 10:00 pm and 6:00 am.

* Please note all venues and bars will be temporarily closed from 3:45 pm until the Guest Assembly Drill is completed.

Your seating arrangements are printed on the front of your SeaPass card. Our Dining Room Manager will be available today for any questions you may have regarding your table seating assignments between 11:30 am and 3:00 pm in the Macbeth Dining Room, Deck 4. The Dining Room Management will again be available in front of all dining rooms between 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm and 8:15 pm - 9:30 pm. On the second day of your cruise vacation, your Dining Room Management will be available for table seating questions in the Macbeth Dining Room, Deck 4 between 10:00 am - 1:00 pm.

BAR OPEN HOURS

A full list of all bar hours and their smoking policies are posted daily by Guest Services Desk and in front of the Pyramid Lounge on Deck 5. The Casino Bar, Boleros, Schooner Bar, The Labyrinth Nightclub and Connoisseur Cigar Club remain open later than other bars. The Champagne Bar, Olive or Twist , and The Labyrinth are over 18's venues after 10:00 pm each evening.

DRINK OF THE DAY - PIRATES PUNCH

An incredibly refreshing blend of orange and pineapple juices, hand shaken to combine the subtle hints of vanilla and caramelized sugar found in CAPTAIN MORGAN Original Spiced rum, with a sweet splash of grenadine and blackberry brandy...and the glass is yours to keep! \$7.50

	DAYTIME ACTIVITIES
24 hours	Friends of Bill W. & other gatherings, please refer
24 110013	to the Community Bulletin Board,
	Café Promenade
24 hours	Quiet Zone, Library
24 hours	Cards & Games Available, Seven Hearts Deck 14
24 hours	Shore Excursions Information
Continuous	Safety Video on your stateroom TV
11:30 am – 3:30 pm	Dining Room seating change requests,
11.50 um 5.50 pm	MacBeth Dining Room Deck 4
11:30 am - 3:30 pm	♣ Independence Fitness Center Tours Deck 11
11:30 am - 3:30 pm	& Independence Day Spa Tours Deck 12
1:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Adventure Ocean Youth Program Open House,
1.00 7.70	(ages 3-11), Adventure Ocean Deck 12
1:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Teens (ages 12-17), Open House, Fuel and The Living Room
4:00 pm	Assembly Drill, listen for further instructions Decks 4, 5
4:30 pm (approx.)	Independence of the Seas sets sail
4:45 pm	Sailaway Party with DJ Rob and your Cruise
,	Director's Staff, Royal PromanadeDeck 5
5:00 pm	FA Final: Arsenal vs. Hull, On AirDeck 3
5:00 pm	FA Final: Arsenal vs. Hull, Pool Side Big Screen Deck 11
5:00 pm – 5:30 pm	Complimentary Gaming Lessons, Casino RoyaleDeck 4
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Adventure Ocean Registration and Expo,
5	Adventure Ocean
5:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Complimentary Acupuncture Consultations, Day Spa
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Complimentary Medi-Spa Consultations,
	Day Spa Deck 12
5:15 pm	First Time Cruisers Q&A, Schooner BarDeck 4
5:30 pm	Spa Raffle, Fitness Center Deck 11
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Go Smile Free Consultations, Day Spa Deck 12
	EVENING ACTIVITIES
7:30 pm	Welcome Aboard Champagne Art Party, Art GalleryDeck 3
7:40 pm	Welcome Aboard Show (all guests),
	Alhambra Theatre
8:00 pm	Meet & Mingle (ages 12-17), The Living Room Deck 12
9:00 pm	Welcome Aboard Quiz, Schooner Bar Deck 4
9:45 pm	Watch It Quiz, Pyramid LoungeDeck 5
10:00 pm	Free Texas Hold'em Tournament (space is limited), Casino RoyaleDeck 4
10:00 pm - midnight	\$4 Absolut & Red Bull, The Labyrinth Decks 3, 4
10:00 pm – midnight	Double Points on the Slots (\$), Casino RoyaleDeck 4
10:15 pm	Welcome Aboard Shopping Prize Draw,
STREET, STREET	Jewelry Store
10:45 pm	Olympus Rocks Parade, Royal PromenadeDeck 5
11:00 pm	Paradise Lotto Draw (\$), Casino Royale

J MUSIC AND DANCING J

Caribbean Sounds and Flavors with Extra Band

1:30 pm - 2:15 pm Poolside, Deck 11 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm Poolside, Deck 11

Latin and Pop Dance Songs with Bamboleo

5:15 pm - 6:00 pm Boleros, Deck 4 7:45 pm - 8:30 pm Boleros, Deck 4 10:00 pm - late Boleros, Deck 4

Dining Room Music With Sounds of Life

6:00 pm - 6:45 pm All Dining Rooms, Decks 3, 4, 5 8:30 pm - 9:15 pm All Dining Rooms, Decks 3, 4, 5

Easy Listening with Sounds of Life

7:30 pm - 8:15 pm Vintages, Deck 5

Pub Entertainment with Damian Joyce

8:45 pm - 10:30 pm Dog & Badger Pub, Deck 5 11:00 pm - late Dog & Badger Pub, Deck 5

Rock The Boat Plays Classic Rock

9:15 pm - 9:40 pm Pyramid Lounge, Deck 5 11:00 pm - late Pyramid Lounge, Deck 5

Schooner Bar Piano Man Simon John

9:45 pm - late Schooner Bar, Deck 4

Night Club Open for Welcome Aboard Party with DJ Rob

10:00 pm - late The Labyrinth, Decks 3, 4

Caribbean Sounds and Flavors with Extra Band

10:30 pm - midnight Olive or Twist, Deck 14

Entertainers will take periodic breaks.

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11:30 pm















Adult Karaoke, On AirDeck 3