

PAUL GAUGUIN CRUISES ANNOUNCES SAVINGS ON LUXURY SAILINGS IN THE CARIBBEAN AND LATIN AMERICA ON THE M/V TERE MOANA





BELLEVUE, WASH. – **August 11, 2015** – **Paul Gauguin Cruises** (www.pgcruises.com), operator of the highest-rated and longest continually sailing luxury cruise ship in the South Pacific, the m/s *Paul Gauguin*, and the 88-guest m/v *Tere Moana*, announces savings of up to \$1,450 per person off previously advertised prices on select cruises to the Caribbean and Latin America on *The Moana* during the ship's Bon Voyage season.

A 7-night voyage from *Philipsburg, St. Maarten, to Colón, Panama*, offers visits in the Caribbean islands including Les Saintes in the French West Indies, known for its serene ambiance and exceptional snorkeling, and Oranjestad, Aruba, with its Dutch Colonial architecture, sandy beaches, and shopping. The ship also calls in Cartagena, Colombia, where a blend of Spanish colonial influences and a tropical Caribbean lifestyle infuses the vibrant local culture. Cruise fares from \$2,145 per person on the December 12, 2015, voyage.

Another option is a 7-night cruise from *Colón, Panama, to Puerto Caldera, Costa Rica*. A visit to Portobelo, Panama, showcases 17th- and 18th-century fortifications that are a UNESCO World Heritage Site. One of the highlights of the voyage is a thrilling, evening transit of the Panama Canal en route to the Panamanian capital of Panama City, a sophisticated modern city steeped in history. Panama's Coiba National Park, named a UNESCO World Heritage Site for its coral reefs and unspoiled virgin rainforest, awaits the next day. Then, the natural wonders of Costa Rica arise with visits to Casa Saladero, boasting a tranquil beachfront and primary rainforest, and to Casa Orquideas, with its private botanical garden. The itinerary also includes calls at Quepos, a model of ecotourism, and the Curú Wildlife Reserve, a protected reserve with spectacular wildlife and one of the region's most beautiful beaches. Cruise fares from \$3,145 per person on the December 19, 2015, sailing.

On an 8-night voyage from *Colón, Panama, to Philipsburg, St. Maarten, The Moana* sails to charming Cartagena, Colombia, with its narrow streets, stately mansions, sprawling plazas, grand monasteries, open-air cafés, and beautiful seaside setting. Next is a visit to the glittering, multicultural capital of Oranjestad, Aruba, before *The Moana* calls at the island of Les Saintes, in the French West Indies, with its beautiful beaches, waterfront market, and 17th-century fort. The ship also visits St. Barts, in the French West Indies, with its chic shops, culture, and cuisine. Cruise fares from \$2,695 per person for the March 11, 2016, departure.

Limited space is also available on *The Moana's* 7-night *Roundtrip Puerto Caldera, Costa Rica,* holiday cruise departing December 26, 2015, with cruise fares from \$4,145 per person and on the 7-night *Roundtrip Philipsburg, St. Maarten,* spring voyage departing March 19, 2016, with cruise fares from \$3,245 per person.

The luxurious 88-guest *Tere Moana* has won awards and earned high praise from guests for her elegant décor, intimate yet convivial ambiance, gourmet cuisine, deluxe amenities, and exceptional service during her years under the Paul Gauguin Cruises banner. *The Moana* features 44 luxurious, oceanview staterooms including eight with balconies. Two dining venues incorporate regionally infused cuisine of destinations visited including menu specialties designed by celebrity chef Jean-Pierre Vigato, Chef Propriétaire of the Michelin-rated Restaurant Apicius in Paris. The ship has spacious outdoor decks with chaise lounges, a pool, pool bar, whirlpool, and Balinese sun beds. *The Moana* also offers nightly piano entertainment in its Le Salon as well as a library, spa, and fitness center. Included in the cruise fare are all shipboard meals, beverages including select wines and spirits, and onboard gratuities for room stewards and dining staff.

For information and reservations for voyages on *The Moana*, contact a professional travel agent, call 800-848-6172, or visit www.pgcruises.com.

Prices shown reflect savings and are per person based on double occupancy and in US dollars. Select sailings and new bookings only. Offer may be combined with FREE 3rd guest in stateroom offer and applicable past guest savings but is not combinable with other offers. Port, security, and handling charges of \$350-\$470 per stateroom are not included.

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About Paul Gauguin Cruises

Owned by Pacific Beachcomber S.C., French Polynesia's leading luxury hotel and cruise operator, Paul Gauguin Cruises operates the 5+-star cruise ship, the 332-guest m/s *Paul Gauguin*, providing a deluxe cruise experience tailored to the unparalleled wonders of Tahiti, French Polynesia, and the South Pacific. *The Gauguin's* accolades include recognition as one of the "Top 20 Small Cruise Ships" in 2013 for the 15th year in a row by readers of *Condé Nast Traveler*. The m/v *Tere Moana* offers voyages in the Caribbean, Latin America, and Europe, accommodating 88 guests with a staff of 62. In 2013, *The Moana* received "Best New Small Ship" and "Best Way to See the Greek Isles" in *Cruisereport.com's* Editors' Choice Awards. The cruise line also holds the distinction of "#1 Small-Ship Cruise Line" and "#1 Small-Ship Cruise Line for Families" in *Travel + Leisure's* 2014 World's Best Awards.

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