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INDEPENDENCE OF THE SEAS: WITH EXTRA EXTRAORDINARY IN 2018

Royal Caribbean announces extraordinary features on Independence of the Seas as part of multi-million pound makeover



London, UK, 26 September 2017 - [Royal Caribbean International](http://www.royalcaribbean.com) today announced new features that will make *Independence of the Seas* even more extraordinary than she already is when she sets sail in summer 2018 following a multi-million pound makeover.

Independence will boast lots of new and exciting activities like the interactive aqua park Splashaway Bay, which will be bigger and better than ever before and feature waterslides, water cannons, fountains, pools and the child-favourite drench bucket.

Extending the speciality dining options onboard, Izumi, the exotic Asian-inspired dining experience, will be introduced to *Independence*, giving guests the chance to enjoy fresh sushi and experience skilled hibachi chefs cooking tableside on Teppanyaki grills.

Breathtakingly beautiful new lounges and Panoramic Ocean View staterooms will add an extra bit of extraordinary to *Independence*. With stunning wall-to-wall, floor-to-ceiling views, guests can soak up the feeling of standing on the bridge of the ship and watching the sunset over the coastline, all from the privacy of their own stateroom.

Sailing from Southampton after her incredible makeover in summer 2018, *Independence* will have an all-improved ice rink, as well as a revamped theatre ready to wow with the much-loved Broadway show, *Grease*.

This news follows the announcement that features including an escape room, a trampoline zone, and a laser tag arena, are confirmed as part of the makeover plans.

[Royal Caribbean International](#) is an award-winning global cruise brand with a 48-year legacy of innovation and introducing industry “firsts” never before seen at sea. The cruise line features an expansive and unmatched array of features and amenities only found on Royal Caribbean including, jaw-dropping, Broadway-style entertainment and industry-acclaimed programming that appeals to families and adventurous vacationers alike. On board, guests are catered to with the cruise line’s world-renowned friendly and engaging service by every staff and crew member. Royal Caribbean has been voted “Best Cruise Line Overall” for 14 consecutive years in the *Travel Weekly* Readers Choice Awards.

The cruise line sails 24 of the world’s most innovative cruise ships to the most popular destinations in Bermuda and the Caribbean, Europe, Canada and New England, Alaska, South America, Asia, and Australia and New Zealand. Media can stay up to date by following [@RoyalCaribPR](#) on Twitter, and visiting [RoyalCaribbeanPressCenter.com](#). For additional information or to make reservations, vacationers should call their travel agent; visit [RoyalCaribbean.com](#); or call (800) ROYAL-CARIBBEAN.

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