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THE WORLD'S TALLEST OBSERVATION CAPSULE AT SEA ARRIVES IN THE UK

Royal Caribbean's Anthem of the Seas will set sail from Southampton from 7th July 2021



LONDON, June 29, 2021 – Today, <u>Anthem of the Seas</u> arrived in Southampton before taking UK holidaymakers to new heights on staycation cruises this summer. The first of <u>Royal Caribbean</u> <u>International's global fleet</u> to once again welcome guests in Europe, *Anthem* comes complete with the world's tallest observation capsule at sea, the **North Star** – an awe-inspiring, 360-degree observation capsule that extends 91 meters (300 feet) above sea level to offer incredible views of the UK's coastline.

The North Star is just one of the world-class features on *Anthem*, with the ship having an incredible array of activities. Adventures include **RipCord by iFly**, the world's first sky diving experience at sea; **FlowRider**, the cruise line's popular surf simulator; and **SeaPlex** the largest indoor activity space at sea, complete with bumper cars and roller skating.

What's more, the ship boasts a **Bionic Bar** where guests can enjoy watching their favourite drinks mixed by robotic bartenders before catching a show at **Two70**, a game-changing entertainment space, or taking in the West End smash hit 'We Will Rock You' in the Royal Theater, all teeing up the ship to be the most action-packed cruise sailing from the UK. *Anthem's* first cruise is set to depart on 7th July 2021.

Ben Bouldin, vice president, EMEA, Royal Caribbean commented: "Anthem of the Seas has always been a firm favourite for UK guests, and we have seen incredible demand for our sailings since announcing our return in March. With a jaw-dropping lineup of onboard activities, restaurants and entertainment, Anthem presents the perfect getaway this summer. We can't wait to welcome families back on board one of the most revolutionary ships in our fleet for a summer of adventure."

UK families can choose from a combination of 4-night Ocean Getaways and 5- to 8-night British Isles cruises that feature visits to iconic destinations around the UK, such as Liverpool, England; Kirkwall, Scotland and Belfast, Northern Ireland.

After a day of exploring the UK and adrenaline-fuelled onboard adventures, guests can choose from a culinary lineup including Wonderland, where diners will be wowed by imaginative cuisine; Chops Grille for classic American steakhouse perfection; and Izumi, where guests can sample Far East flavours and fresh sushi, plus much more.

Anthem's summer itineraries are open for bookings and are available to UK residents above the age of 18 who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and those under the age of 18 with negative test results. In addition, all crew onboard are fully vaccinated. For more information on Anthem's limited series of summer cruises, visit the Royal Caribbean website.

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