

### **ROYAL CARIBBEAN'S STAR OF THE SEAS CHARTS FIRST COURSE AT SEA**

*The newest vacation in the record-setting Icon Class set sail on a series of sea trials for one of the final construction milestones*



*May 2025 – Royal Caribbean's highly anticipated Star of the Seas sets sail to the open ocean for the first time. The sea trials mark a key milestone in the construction of the ship and comes less than 100 days ahead of the new Icon Class vacation's debut in Port Canaveral (Orlando), Florida.*

**MIAMI, May 20, 2025** – Sailing one step closer to its debut, Royal Caribbean's highly anticipated [Star of the Seas](#) has taken to the open ocean for the first time. This week, the next combination of the best of every vacation embarked on a series of **sea trials**, marking a key construction milestone before the new Icon Class ship makes its way to **Port Canaveral (Orlando), Florida**, for its **August 2025** debut.

Over **11 days, more than 2,000 experts** from the naval architecture, engineering, navigation and design spaces are putting *Star* to the test across a wide range of technical examinations to ensure it's in ship shape. From testing **how the ship moves through the open water to pushing its engine performance to the limits** and more, *Star's* journey will cover hundreds of miles before the ship enters its final phase of construction at the **Meyer Turku shipyard in Turku, Finland**.

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Doubling the world's best vacation count this summer, *Star* will deliver more of the revolutionary Icon Class combination introduced by *Icon* with new twists and signature favorites. Across **eight neighborhoods that are destinations in themselves**, there are ways for families and vacationers of all ages to make memories with a lineup of **thrills like the fastest and tallest waterslides**, unrivaled chill at **seven pools for every vibe and mood**, and **more than 40+ ways to dine, drink and be entertained. Plus**, adventurers can island hop on **7-night vacations** visiting **Eastern or Western Caribbean destinations**, including the vacation brand's top-rated destination at [Perfect Day at CocoCay](#) in The Bahamas. More details about what *Star* has in store are available on Royal Caribbean's [website](#).\*

**\*NOTE TO EDITOR:**

Media assets on *Star* are available at [www.RoyalCaribbeanPressCenter.com/Star/](http://www.RoyalCaribbeanPressCenter.com/Star/).

**About Royal Caribbean**

[Royal Caribbean](#), part of Royal Caribbean Group (NYSE: RCL), has delivered memorable vacations for more than 50 years. The cruise line's game-changing ships and exclusive destinations revolutionize vacations with innovations and an all-encompassing combination of experiences, from thrills to dining and entertainment, for every type of family and vacationer. Voted "Best Cruise Line Overall" for 22 consecutive years in the *Travel Weekly* Readers Choice Awards, Royal Caribbean makes memories with adventurers across more than 300 destinations in 80 countries on all seven continents, including the line's top-rated exclusive destination, [Perfect Day at CocoCay](#) in The Bahamas.

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