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## **TRIO OF ROYAL CARIBBEAN SHIPS TO SAIL FROM FOUR NORTHEAST U.S. PORTS IN 2010**

***Five- to 13-night itineraries sail to Bermuda, the Caribbean, and Canada/New England***

**MIAMI, March 25, 2009** – From the pastel pink beaches of Bermuda, to the balmy breezes and crystalline waters of the Caribbean, to Canada and New England’s palate of multi-colored fall foliage, Royal Caribbean International’s 2010 sailings from the Northeast will offer a wide array of itineraries suited to virtually any vacationer. *Explorer of the Seas*, *Jewel of the Seas* and *Enchantment of the Seas* will sail from Baltimore; Boston; Norfolk, Va.; and Cape Liberty in Bayonne, N.J. In total, the ships will offer 84 sailings – 16 more than last year – on 14 itineraries, calling at 22 ports on five- to nine-night cruises. Bookings for cruises opened today.

Unveiled to an audience of more than 400 travel professionals at a special Royal Caribbean agent appreciation event at the Port of Baltimore, *Enchantment of the Seas*’ debut in the Northeast will mark the cruise line’s first year-round deployment in the Maryland port. The 2,252-guest *Enchantment of the Seas* will replace the 1,950-guest *Grandeur of the Seas* and increase Royal Caribbean’s capacity in the region by 302 berths, comprising an additional 36 balcony and 87 oceanview staterooms. The ship also will offer more family-friendly onboard amenities, including expanded youth programming spaces, and Royal Caribbean’s signature steakhouse, Chops Grille.

*Enchantment of the Seas*’ initial Baltimore deployment will include a five-night Bermuda and nine-night Eastern Caribbean roundtrip itinerary in the summer and autumn seasons. The ship will first sail the same itineraries in May and June from the Port of Norfolk, exclusively offering Bermuda cruises from the Virginian port. The winter and spring season itineraries will be announced at a later date.

*Explorer of the Seas* will continue its year-round service from Cape Liberty in April 2010. The ship’s fourth consecutive year of service in the New York metropolitan area will feature a five-night Bermuda cruise and two alternating nine-night “Bermuda and Caribbean” and “Bermuda and Bahamas” itineraries. In addition, *Explorer of the Seas*’ season will kick off with a special 13-night Southern Caribbean sailing departing March 28.

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Both *Explorer of the Seas* and *Enchantment of the Seas*' short Bermuda cruises will feature a two-day call at Kings Wharf, from where guests can explore the island's pink beaches, quaint shops and night life at their leisure. Guests on *Explorer of the Seas*' Bermuda and Bahamas itineraries will enjoy a day at CocoCay, Royal Caribbean's private island paradise in the Bahamas, while guests on *Enchantment of the Seas*' Eastern Caribbean itinerary will call at Labadee, the cruise line's private beach destination on the northern coast of Haiti.

Royal Caribbean also will return to Canada and New England in autumn 2010 with convenient sailings from Baltimore, Boston, and Cape Liberty, offering 14 itineraries ranging from seven to nine nights, including ports of call at Portland and Bar Harbor, Maine; and Canada's Saint John, New Brunswick, and Halifax, Nova Scotia. *Jewel of the Seas* will sail seven-night roundtrip voyages from Boston, while *Explorer of the Seas* and *Enchantment of the Seas* will each offer four nine-night cruises from Cape Liberty and Baltimore, respectively. *Enchantment of the Seas* also will offer a special eight-night roundtrip itinerary on June 18, which will add extended port time in Halifax and Bar Harbor.

Guests will have a multitude of shore excursion options designed to provide guests one-of-a-kind experiences. They can test the trade winds on Labadee's Dragon's Breath Flight Line, the longest flight line in the world over water, zipping over the bay at speeds of up to 50 miles an hour. In Bermuda, travelers can snorkel at night, viewing sea creatures rarely seen during the day. During a call in Bar Harbor, guests can embark on a bike tour that crisscrosses some of the most scenic areas of Acadia National Park.

Voyager-class *Explorer of the Seas* boasts innovative onboard amenities, such as a full-size basketball court, in-line skating track, ice-skating rink, and the Royal Promenade, a boulevard that spans nearly the length of the ship, lined with shops, restaurants, bars and lounges. *Jewel of the Seas* features a 10-story glass Centrum, glass elevators facing the sea and the highest percentage of outside staterooms of any Royal Caribbean ship. Onboard every Royal Caribbean ship, guests enjoy award-winning Broadway-style musical revues from Royal Caribbean Productions, top-rated Adventure Ocean and teen programming, and Royal Caribbean's renowned friendly and engaging Gold Anchor Service from every staff and crew member.

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Royal Caribbean International is a global cruise brand with 20 ships currently in service and three under construction. The line also offers unique cruisetour vacations in Alaska, Asia, Australia, Canada, Europe, South America and New Zealand. For additional information or to make reservations, call your travel agent, visit [www.royalcaribbean.com](http://www.royalcaribbean.com) or call (800) ROYAL-CARIBBEAN. For travel professionals, go to [www.cruisingpower.com](http://www.cruisingpower.com) or call (800) 327-2056.

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