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## CRUISE SHIPS APPROVED TO RETURN TO THE CAYMAN ISLANDS FROM 21<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 2022

*Disney Magic is the First of Twenty-One Ships  
To Call on Grand Cayman During Phase 1*

**George Town, Cayman Islands (1 March, 2022)** Cruise ships have been given the go-ahead by Government to resume calling on The Cayman Islands from 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2022.

The resumption of the Islands cruise industry has been approved to proceed in two-phases, with Phase I anticipated to continue for four weeks. During Phase I, a total of twenty one ships have been approved to call on Grand Cayman, commencing with the Disney Magic which is scheduled to arrive on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March. The complete schedule of cruise calls during Phase I is listed below and will also be posted on the [Gov.ky](http://Gov.ky) and [Ministry of Tourism and Transport](http://Ministry of Tourism and Transport) websites; as well as the Port Authority’s online [shipping schedule](#).

CRUISE SHIP SCHEDULE – PHASE I		
Cruise Ship	Date	Maximum Passenger Capacity
Disney Magic	21 March 2022	2700
Carnival Paradise	23 March 2022	2697
Carnival Sunrise	23 March 2022	3920
Celebrity Apex	24 March 2022	3385
Carnival Glory	24 March 2022	3806
Emerald Princess	25 March 2022	3092
Disney Fantasy	29 March 2022	4000
MSC Seashore	29 March 2022	4560
Celebrity Reflection	30 March 2022	3480
Rotterdam	31 March 2022	2650
Celebrity Edge	1 April 2022	3385
Carnival Vista	6 April 2022	4977
Carnival Paradise	6 April 2022	2697
Carnival Sunrise	6 April 2022	3920
Celebrity Apex	7 April 2022	3385
Carnival Pride	8 April 2022	2680
MSC Seashore	12 April 2022	4560
Carnival Pride	12 April 2022	2680
Carnival Horizon	13 April 2022	5101
Celebrity Edge	13 April 2022	3385
Celebrity Equinox	17 April 2022	3148
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>74,208</b>



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The Minister for Tourism and Transport, Hon. Kenneth Bryan stated that “The reason we are releasing the information as soon as it becomes available is to provide our industry partners and stakeholders with as much time as possible to plan for the return of cruise passengers and prepare their operations accordingly.” Notwithstanding, the Minister noted that once Regulations are finalised, a press conference will be held to provide the public with more detailed information.

Cabinet’s approval of the return of cruise ships and the associated schedule for Phase I, has paved the way for the regulatory amendments specific to the cruise industry, to be drafted. These are expected to be approved next week, well ahead of the arrival of the first cruise call.

“Cruise tourism makes up a significant portion of our tourism industry and the return of cruise passengers will bring welcomed relief to many Caymanians who depend on this industry for their livelihoods,” said Minister Bryan. “Every cruise call that brings passengers to our shores is helping to support Caymanian employees and business owners that have been hard hit by the COVID-19 pandemic.”

The public is reminded to check government channels to remain up-to-date on the latest news government news and information.

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