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# MEYER WERFT to build Disney Wish-Class Cruise Ship for Oriental Land Company to operate in Japan

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It is an important signal for Papenburg as a shipbuilding location: the Oriental Land Company (OLC) has commissioned MEYER WERFT to build a Disney Wish-class cruise ship for the Japanese market. Bernard Meyer has signed the shipbuilding contract today in Tokyo. The new ship is scheduled to be delivered in 2028. OLC, which operates the Disney theme parks in Japan, is expected to commence operation of the ship by early 2029.

The Oriental Land Company reached a decision to enter into the cruise business in Japan, and has concluded an agreement with Disney. to bring the magic of Disney cruise to the Japanese market for the first time.

“I am very happy to sign this contract today and win OLC as a new customer from Japan. This order contributes to the long term development of shipbuilding in Papenburg”, says Bernard Meyer.

“With this new order, we look forward to continuing our relationship with Disney and working with Oriental Land Company, which also has a long-standing relationship with Disney, as a new customer. This is a strong signal for shipbuilding in Papenburg and shows that companies from all over the world rely on the quality of MEYER WERFT,” says Bernd Eikens, CEO of the MEYER Group.

“We have long-term relationships with both Meyer Werft and the Oriental Land Company. We are delighted to be working with both of them to create a Disney cruise experience for the Japanese market,” said Thomas Mazloun, president, Disney Signature Experiences.

MEYER WERFT has already delivered the Disney Wish, the first ship in the Wish class, to Disney Cruise Line in 2022. The two sister ships Disney Treasure and Disney Destiny are already under construction in Papenburg and will be delivered in 2024 and 2025.

About Oriental Land Co., Ltd.

Established in 1960, Oriental Land Co., Ltd. owns and operates the Disney theme parks in Japan based on its agreement with Disney. It opened Tokyo Disneyland in 1983, Tokyo DisneySea, the first ever ocean-themed Disney theme park, in 2001, and operates Tokyo Disney Resort which includes hotels, a monorail, and a retail-dining-entertainment complex. More recently, in June 2024, it opened Tokyo DisneySea’s eighth themed port Fantasy Springs, bringing further evolution to Tokyo Disney Resort. Please visit <https://www.olc.co.jp/en> for details.



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