



## **Cunard Reveals New Flavors and Elevated Entertainment for Queen Elizabeth's Maiden Caribbean Season**

*A Season of World-Class Theater, Star Talent, and Elevated Dining in the Caribbean Awaits*



**VALENCIA, CA – September 16, 2025** – Reflecting its commitment to providing entertainment and gastronomy experiences as grand as the voyage itself, luxury cruise line Cunard is unveiling a new program of exclusive offerings aboard Queen Elizabeth during select 2025-2026 Caribbean voyages. These include a spectacular lineup of culinary experiences that continue to raise the standard of dining at sea, alongside nearly 120 limited-time theatrical performances, ensuring that every voyage is as much a feast of the senses as it is a luxury journey across oceans.

“At Cunard, we’re proud of our collaborations with iconic Broadway and West End theater companies, award-winning performers and world-class chefs skilled at blending cultural connection with culinary artistry,” said Katie McAlister, President of Cunard. “Queen Elizabeth will introduce new extraordinary performances, while culinary offerings and a collection of shore excursions authentically connect our guests to the incredible array of different destinations on our voyages.”

### **Culinary and Cocktail Innovation at Sea**

Curated menus crafted in collaboration with world-class chefs will complement the ship’s itinerary, incorporating Caribbean flavors across Queen Elizabeth’s many dining venues, including a poolside

street food-style menu and signature cocktails using locally sourced ingredients. Passengers can also expect:

- Karibe, a new dining experience paying homage to the diverse cultures of the Caribbean islands with dishes rooted in coastal freshness and bold spices with a modern twist (e.g., jerk chicken, tiger prawns, goat curry).
- “The Whispering Hour,” vibrantly elegant happy hours co-presented by Whispering Angel wines at the Lido Pool Club and the Grill suites Terrace, featuring live music, bountiful fruits, ice carving and enviable photo opportunities.
- Pre-dinner Sunset Celebrations and post-dinner Deck Parties, a complement to Cunard’s hugely popular Gala evenings, complete with Caribbean-inspired cocktails and local entertainment which will give guests even more opportunities to gather in style surrounded by glistening ocean.

### **A New Era of Entertainment**

Accompanying the gastronomic experiences is a new program of onboard entertainment. Cunard’s theaters will host an extraordinary spectrum of performances, while guest lectures and a new sound salon elevate offerings off-stage. Queen Elizabeth’s entertainment highlights include:

- The first at-sea production of the multi-Oliver and Tony Award-winning musical *Come From Away*, with books, music and lyrics by Irene Sankoff and David Hein. This uplifting display of resilience and understanding now celebrating its 10th anniversary, will be available to watch on each sailing. Broadway and West End performers will also feature on Caribbean voyages from Tony Award-winner Sutton Foster, who will perform onboard the Caribbean voyage departing from Miami on January 20, to alumni from acclaimed productions such as *Wicked*, *Chicago*, *Phantom of the Opera*, *The Lion King* and more, as part of Cunard’s Artists in Residence program.
- The Commodore Club has been transformed into the Abbey Road Listening Lounge, a journey through the studio’s legendary music catalog featuring recordings from artists such as Ed Sheeran, Fela Kuti, Little Simz and The Beatles, alongside famous film scores from the *Harry Potter* and *Lord of the Ring* series, *Barbie*, *Wonka*, *Black Panther* and more. Cunard has curated beverage offerings specially designed to complement the listening experience as well as a display of replica recording equipment.
- A roster of fascinating Insight Speakers hosting guest lectures from Olympic medalists to astronauts and notably, actor Hugh Bonneville, famed for his role as Lord Grantham in “*Downton Abbey*,” who will join Queen Elizabeth as part of her 12-night roundtrip Eastern Caribbean voyage, which departs Miami on November 27.

### **A Reimagined Queen Elizabeth**

Providing the backdrop for new offerings is a reimagined Queen Elizabeth with refreshed venues and revitalized spaces that elevate every aspect of life onboard. Guests will enjoy performances in an enhanced Royal Court Theatre; dancing in a redesigned Queens Room perfect for Gala Evenings; swimming at the new Lido Pool Club; stays in finessed Grills Suites; and dining in new venues, showcasing both modern elegance and timeless Cunard tradition.

Queen Elizabeth’s inaugural Caribbean voyage from Miami departs on October 16, 2025. Following her Caribbean sailing season concluding in April, she will return to Seattle for Alaskan voyages during summer 2026. Prices for Caribbean sailings currently start from \$1,079 per person based on two sharing a Britannia Balcony stateroom.

For more information about Cunard or to book a voyage, travelers can contact their Travel Advisor, call Cunard at 1-800-728-6273, or visit [www.cunard.com](http://www.cunard.com).

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#### **Note to Editors**

Additional key theatre performers and their scheduled performances:

- **Rachel Tucker**, the Broadway lead in Wicked and original cast member of Come From Away (Q529 October 22, 2025 and Q602 January 14, 2026)
- **Christine Allado**, Grammy-nominated for The Prince of Egypt soundtrack and original West End cast member of Hamilton (Q530 October 28, 2025)
- **Lauren Drew**, Oliver award-nominated actress acclaimed for roles in Les Misérables, SIX, Titanic (Q531 November 6, 2025)
- **Oliver Tompsett**, the actor who played Shakespeare in & Juliet on Broadway and the West End (Q532 November 18, 2025)
- **Anna-Jane Casey**, original cast member of Grease and Joseph (Q533 November 27, 2025)
- **David Shannon**, held leading roles in Phantom of the Opera and Les Misérables on Broadway (Q534 December 9, 2025)
- **Chanteuse**, a duo of Broadway personalities who have toured with several Broadway shows including **South Pacific** (Q535 December 18, 2025)
- **Jeri Sager**, Broadway veteran best known for her portrayal of Grizabella in the Tony award-winning CATS (Q601 December 30, 2025)
- **Kelly Mathieson**, in the West End production of Phantom of the Opera (Q603 January 20, 2026)
- **Travis Cloer**, star of the Tony award- and Grammy-winning show Jersey Boys (Q604 January 29, 2026)
- **Sutton Foster**: Two-time Tony award-winner, renowned for her extensive Broadway career, including Thoroughly Modern Millie and Anything Goes (Q604 February 4, 2026)
- **Alton Fitzgerald White**, star of six Broadway hit shows, most well known for playing Mufasa in Disney's The Lion King on Broadway (Q605 February 10, 2026)
- **Alice Fearn**: Leading West End roles in Wicked, Come From Away, and most recently Heidi Hanson in Dear Evan Hansen (UK No. 1 Tour) (Q606 February 19, 2026)
- **Jennifer DiNoia**, who has starred in Wicked as Elphaba in productions across the globe (Q607 March 3, 2025)
- **Josh Young**, Tony-nominated for his appearance as Judas in Jesus Christ Superstar (Q608 March 12, 2026)
- **Rachel Potter**, an acclaimed Broadway star and accomplished Nashville Recording artist (Q609 March 24, 2026)
- **David Shannon**: Leading roles in Phantom of the Opera and Les Misérables. (Q610 April 2, 2026)

Additional key Cunard Insight Speakers and their scheduled voyages:

- **Mykayla Skinner**, 2020 Olympic medal-winning US gymnast (Q528 September 28, 2025)
- **Greg Louganis**, US diver & Olympic gold medalist (Q529 October 16, 2025)
- **Dudley Stokes**, founding member of the Jamaican Bobsled Team (Q532 November 18, 2025)
- **Hugh Bonneville**: Actor (Q533 November 27, 2025)
- **Didi Conn**, American actress who played Frenchie in Grease (Q534 December 9, 2025)
- **Daley Thompson**, Olympic gold medalist, decathlon (Q602 January 8, 2026)
- **CDR Susan Kilrain**, astronaut (Q603 January 20, 2026)
- **Carlos Peña**, MLB first baseman (Q606 February 19, 2026)
- **Benita Mosley**, US gold medalist 100m hurdles (Q607 March 3, 2026)
- **Jim Kennedy**, former director of the Kennedy Space Center (Q608 March 12, 2026)
- **Michael Lombardi**, three-time Super Bowl-winning NFL executive (Q610 April 2, 2026)

\*High-res images of Queen Elizabeth can be downloaded [here:https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1hoKPfxFLYhGO-rCWtCPFIY\\_mEvh6rwGG](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1hoKPfxFLYhGO-rCWtCPFIY_mEvh6rwGG)

#### **About Cunard**

Cunard is a luxury British cruise line, renowned for creating unforgettable experiences around the world. Cunard has been a leading operator of passenger ships since 1840, and this year celebrates an incredible 185 years of operation. 2025 is a momentous year in Cunard's history, which will be marked with several iconic land-based events and special Event Voyages. The Cunard experience is built on fine dining, hand-selected entertainment, and outstanding White Star service. From a partnership with a two-Michelin starred chef, to inspiring guest speakers, to world class theatre productions, every detail has been meticulously crafted to make the experience unforgettable. A pioneer in transatlantic journeys and round world voyages, destinations sailed to also include Europe, the Caribbean, Alaska, the Far East and Australia.

There are currently four Cunard ships, Queen Mary 2, Queen Elizabeth, Queen Victoria and new ship, Queen Anne, which entered service in May 2024. This investment is part of the company's ambitious plans for the future of Cunard globally, with the brand now boasting four ships in simultaneous service for the first time since 1999. Cunard is based at Carnival House in Southampton and has been owned since 1998 by Carnival Corporation & plc. [www.cunard.com](https://www.cunard.com) (NYSE/LSE: CCL; NYSE:CUK).

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