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THE RITZ-CARLTON YACHT COLLECTION

## THE RITZ-CARLTON YACHT COLLECTION DEBUTS SUMMER 2026 ITINERARIES, SHOWCASING SUNLIT MEDITERRANEAN COASTS AND CULTURAL GEMS OF NORTHERN EUROPE ABOARD EVRIMA AND ILMA

*A new breadth of immersive voyages invites guests to enjoy an unparalleled yachting experience while exploring exclusive coastal escapes and charming destinations across Europe, complemented by sleek design, exceptional amenities, and personalized service, with access to extraordinary venues through a series of exclusive onshore events*



**Fort Lauderdale, FL – November 21, 2024 –** The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection unveils its summer 2026 itineraries aboard its two ultra-luxury superyachts, *Evrima* and *Ilma*. Offering 44 new voyages from April through October 2026, travelers can venture to over 20 countries and more than 90 distinct ports, with highlights including culturally rich destinations such as Estonia, Croatia, and Denmark, as well as six new ports: Naxos, Greece; Opatija, Croatia; A Coruña, Spain; London (Greenwich), England, UK; Waterford, Ireland; and Turku, Finland. The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection continues to redefine luxury at sea, creating unforgettable experiences that immerse guests in the beauty and culture of each destination.

A variety of thoughtfully designed voyages cater to specific passions, including a wine-centered journey from Lisbon to Portsmouth. Along the way, wine enthusiasts can explore the celebrated wine regions of Portugal, Spain, France, and the United Kingdom, with tastings and vineyard visits in iconic locales like

Bordeaux and Porto. For golf lovers, a dedicated voyage offers the chance to tee off at some of Scotland's legendary courses, while history enthusiasts can immerse themselves in the storied castles of Edinburgh.

On select 2026 sailings, guests aboard both *Evrima* and *Ilma* will have the opportunity to partake in a series of exclusive onshore events, such as beach soirées at Europe's most prestigious beach clubs in Ibiza, Mykonos, Santorini, and Saint-Tropez. A limited number of guests will also enjoy enchanting private evenings, as The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection provides privileged access to extraordinary venues across Europe. From a sumptuous Spanish dinner at a secluded villa in Marbella to a Scottish feast in a historic Edinburgh castle, or a wine tasting at one of Bordeaux's premier vineyards, The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection uncovers hidden gems across its destinations.

"Our new summer 2026 itineraries aboard *Evrima* and *Ilma* further our unwavering commitment to delivering world-class experiences, both on board and ashore," said **Jim Murren, Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection**. "With demand for the Mediterranean remaining strong, we are excited to offer even more opportunities to explore these iconic destinations while also inviting guests to soak in the breathtaking beauty and rich history of Northern Europe."

The 2026 summer season presents voyages calling on unique destinations throughout Greece, Croatia, Spain, Portugal, the UK, Ireland, the French and Italian Rivieras, Norway, Finland, Denmark, Iceland, and more, with itineraries ranging from 5 to 11 nights. A selection of shorter itineraries provides an ideal entry point for those new to cruising who wish to indulge in the refined experience curated by The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection. Balanced with extended time in port and a selection of overnights in destinations like Seville, Livorno, Palma de Mallorca, Saint-Tropez, Edinburgh, and Bordeaux, travelers will appreciate intimate and relaxed yacht-style itineraries as they journey through the Mediterranean and Northern Europe. They can discover the historic old town of A Coruña, Spain, unearth the coastal beauty of Invergorden, Scotland, and journey into the fjords in Norway to take in the breathtaking scenery.

"The Ritz-Carlton continues to set new benchmarks in luxury travel with thoughtful and transformative travel experiences guiding our mission," said **Jenni Benzaquen, Senior Vice President of The Ritz-Carlton, St. Regis, and Bvlgari Hotels & Resorts**. "Both *Evrima* and *Ilma* bring the exceptional luxury accommodations and finest personalized service for which The Ritz-Carlton brand is renowned to the sea. The expansion of our summer 2026 itineraries provides our guests with the opportunity to explore more of the Mediterranean's most exciting destinations."

Offering guests an opportunity to delve into the essence of each destination, The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection features a carefully crafted selection of shore excursions. Guests may explore ancient ruins alongside an archeologist at Rhodes' Acropolis of Lindos, enhanced by augmented-reality technology, or tour the iconic St. John's Co-Cathedral with exclusive access in Valletta, Malta. In Palma de Mallorca, experience a 'Sky to Cellar' tour, combining a breathtaking helicopter flight with a winery visit, or enjoy a hot air balloon ride followed by a 5-star breakfast amidst the countryside. In Sorrento, Italy, guests can immerse themselves in ancient history at Pompeii before indulging in a private wine tasting paired with Roman-inspired cuisine. For culinary enthusiasts, there's a chocolate-making workshop in Tallinn, Estonia, led by a master chocolatier, and an Adriatic oyster feast in Croatia's Mali Ston Bay. Each excursion is designed to bring the destination's unique character to life, creating lasting moments for travelers.

**2026 Summer Voyage Highlights Aboard *Evrima:***

**June 20, 2026 | 9-Night Lisbon to Dublin**

Wine connoisseurs will love the opportunity to taste port wine in Porto and spend two days exploring the vineyards of Bordeaux. Beyond the esteemed wineries, this voyage offers access to the grand cathedral and

pilgrimage site of Santiago de Compostela from A Coruña and the chance to see where pilgrims set sail on the *Mayflower* from Plymouth, concluding with exploration of Ireland's famed castles and distilleries.

**August 13, 2026 | 5-Night Reykjavík Round Trip**

Iceland's diverse attractions are revealed on this voyage that sails roundtrip from the capital of Reykjavík. Akureyri offers the world's northernmost 18-hole golf course and the local museums and galleries along Art Alley. Ísafjörður and Grundarfjörður are both great places for whale watching and kayaking, as well as for birdwatching excursions to nearby islands to search for puffins, eider ducks, and Arctic terns.

**2026 Summer Itinerary Highlights Aboard *Ilma:***

**August 14, 2026 | 7-Night Barcelona to Monte Carlo**

The Balearic Islands feature an array of natural and cultural wonders, from the pristine beaches of Ibiza to the dramatic stalactites enveloping an underground lake in Mallorca's Drach Caves to the palatial Gregorian mansions in the harbor of Mahón on Menorca. Italy likewise offers beautiful beaches and grottoes on the island of Sardinia before you sail for the glamorous promenades of the French Riviera.

**September 28, 2026 | 6-Night Rome to Venice**

Culinary delights on this voyage range from unique Croatian wines to renowned Adriatic oysters, while historic sites include the remarkably preserved ruins of Pompeii outside Sorrento and the UNESCO-protected ramparts of coral-roofed Dubrovnik. The soaring cliffs embracing the Bay of Kotor and the national parks outside of Zadar add natural wonders to this journey's adventures.

The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection offers airy suites with private ocean-view terraces, expansive lounging spaces, personalized service, all thoughtfully designed to enhance the connection to the sea. Guests can indulge in innovative dining, unwind in state-of-the-art spa facilities, and enjoy the vibrant Marina experience across the fleet. With *Evrima* and *Ilma* now sailing, and *Luminara* slated to debut in 2025, the fast-growing company delivers memorable experiences at sea in the world's most coveted destinations. For more information on *Evrima, Ilma, Luminara,* and the upcoming yachting seasons of The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection, please visit www.ritzcarltonyachtcollection.com.

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**ABOUT THE RITZ-CARLTON YACHT COLLECTION**

Designed to blend the legendary service and unparalleled amenities of The Ritz-Carlton® with the casual freedom of yachting, The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection offers bespoke voyages in the Mediterranean, Northern Europe, Asia-Pacific, and the Caribbean. Enchanting itineraries provide guests with access to sought-after and unique destinations, the ease of all-inclusive onboard experiences, and curated excursions ashore.

The collection's inaugural yacht, *Evrima*, launched in October 2022, measures 624 feet and features 149 airy suites with private ocean-view terraces, accommodating up to 298 guests in an intimate and elegant

ambiance. *Ilma*, the second superyacht, debuted in September 2024, spanning 790 feet and showcasing 224 spacious, light-filled suites for up to 448 guests, delivering refined luxury at sea. The fleet will expand further with *Luminara*, slated to debut in 2025, presenting voyages to secluded harbors and iconic cities.

Each yacht reflects contemporary craftsmanship and meticulous attention to detail, with some of the highest staff-to-guest and guest-to-space ratios at sea. Guests enjoy personalized service, world-class dining, The Ritz-Carlton Spa®, and exclusive amenities. Private charter options are also available for a fully tailored journey. For more information, visit ritzcarltonyachtcollection.com

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