



HORNBLOWER® CRUISES AND EVENTS

HORNBLOWER CRUISES AND EVENTS TO OFFER BOSTON DINING CRUISES FROM JUNE 26 *Introducing New Hygiene and Service Protocols to Ensure the Wellbeing of Everyone*

Boston, June 22, 2020 – Hornblower Cruises and Events will be restarting its **Boston** operation on Friday, **June 26**, offering a selection of dining cruise experiences. With guest spaces spread over several levels, the company's fleet of luxurious vessels offer expansive decks inside and out, providing plentiful space and fresh air. There is more than enough room on board for everyone to stay safely apart.

To provide reassurance in the current pandemic environment, Hornblower has expanded its industry defining **SafeCruise by Hornblower** program, building on already stringent sanitation processes, to incorporate further health-driven measures to guard against the spread of COVID-19 and other viruses.

Explaining the company's preparations for welcoming guests back on board, Hornblower General Manager for Boston, Kelley Yelle said: "We are proud of our excellent safety and sanitation track record and always operate and maintain a rigorous process around cleanliness and hygiene. So, while our guests can still expect the same high standards and welcoming service, we are adapting our amazing experiences to reflect the need for social distance, alongside elevated health and hygiene practices."

Hornblower has reviewed every aspect of the guest experience journey and is taking all steps necessary to ensure the wellbeing of everyone on board. These include, but are not limited to:

- Mandatory daily crew member health screening, and wearing of appropriate PPE
- Revising boarding and ticketing procedures to allow for social distancing and touchless entry
- Requiring guests to wear face masks, except while sitting at their tables
- Adapting all seating and table spacing to allow for a minimum 6-foot distance between guests while they dine
- Implementing enhanced sanitation and disinfection procedures, with hand sanitizing stations available throughout

Dining Cruise Experiences Resuming June 26

Boasting one of the city's largest outdoor roof decks, cruises aboard the sleek and modern *Odyssey* explore Boston's historic harbor offering unobstructed views of Zakim Bunker Hill Memorial Bridge, Boston's Seaport District, the historic USS Constitution warship and more.

Departing from Rowes Wharf, a choice of signature *Odyssey* Dinner cruises will operate weekend dinner cruises alongside the ever-popular weekend Brunch experience. All feature freshly prepared multi-course menus complemented by a sophisticated selection of award-winning wines, craft beers and specialty cocktails. To reflect current requirements, some of the usual elements like dancing and walk-up bar service won't be permitted, though there will be a DJ playing music for guests to enjoy while at their tables. Cruise prices start from *\$82.90 for brunch or \$92.90 for dinner. For private groups, Hornblower Private Yachts also operates a choice of luxurious charter experiences.



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Hornblower plans to gradually increase offerings throughout the summer, resuming its full range of dining, cocktail and special events experiences in line with demand and Massachusetts guidance. Boston, will be the company's ninth location to reopen, joining Alexandria, Baltimore, Chicago, Marina del Rey, Newport Beach, Norfolk, Sacramento and San Diego.

For more information visit www.hornblower.com [https://www.hornblower.com/boston/] or call **866-307-2469**.

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Notes to Editors

- Anyone who self-reports any of the noted COVID-19 symptoms or has completed international travel in the previous 14 days, will not be able to join the cruise.
- All Crew and all Guests ages 3 and older are always required to wear face coverings while on board our vessels, except while dining or exempted by the local health authority.
- Prices quoted are per person, excl. fees and taxes and subject to availability.
- Brunch and Dinner cruises include a freshly prepared, multi-course plated menu with unlimited coffee, hot tea, iced tea and water. A choice of dates may be available at these rates.
- Hornblower's cruises and private charters depart from several Boston locations: 60 Rowes Wharf Boston, MA 02210 or Seaport World Trade Center, 200 Seaport Boulevard, Commonwealth Pier, Boston, MA 02210

About SafeCruise by Hornblower

Established over 25 years ago, SafeCruise by Hornblower delivers industry-defining standards for health, safety and security across the Hornblower Group of companies. Continuously improving, the program follows the most up to date government and industry guidelines and applies decades-long operational expertise to ensure a safe environment for guests and crew members, while maintaining Hornblower's excellent record of safety.

www.hornblower.com/safecruise

About Hornblower Cruises and Events

Hornblower Cruises and Events is North America's largest and leading provider of water-based dining, sightseeing, private charter and transportation experiences. 22 coveted destinations are offered in the US, Canada and the UK, where the company employs over 4,300 shipmates who operate a fleet of 157 vessels serving upwards of 9.8 million guests each year. Hornblower Cruises and Events is a division of Hornblower Group which operates the official ferry boat service to Alcatraz Island, the Statue of Liberty National Monument and Ellis Island Memorial Museum on behalf of the National Park Service as well as the New York NYC Ferry, American Queen Steamboat Company, Hornblower Niagara Cruises, Victory Cruises Lines and HMS Global Maritime. The expansive portfolio reflects almost a century of sector expertise and innovation – from pioneering the earliest river sightseeing tours and dining cruises to developing the revolutionary Hornblower Hybrid, a vessel powered by wind, solar and battery electricity. For more information visit www.hornblower.com