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HORNBLOWER CRUISES AND EVENTS TO RESUME PHILADELPHIA DINING CRUISES ON JULY 24 *Introducing New Hygiene and Service Protocols to Ensure the Wellbeing of Everyone*

Philadelphia, July 16, 2020 – Hornblower Cruises and Events will be restarting its [Philadelphia](#) operations on **Friday, July 24**, offering an exciting choice of al fresco experiences on the Delaware River for those craving a getaway – all without leaving the city! While guests can still expect the same high standards and welcoming service, experiences have been adapted to reflect the need for social distance, alongside elevated health and hygiene practices. And with expansive outer decks – the city’s biggest rooftop – the company’s sleek vessel also provides plentiful space and fresh air. There’s more than enough room on board for everyone to stay safely apart.

Hornblower’s General Manager, Ryan O’Connor is urging fellow residents to take a staycation and let Philadelphia surprise them all over again: “What better way to celebrate summer and rediscover the charm of our wonderful city from the spacious deck of *Spirit of Philadelphia*! Whether looking to dine under the stars, soak up a unique 360-degree perspective or simply take to the majestic Delaware for windswept, fresh-air laden experience – we are thrilled to safely welcome our Guests back aboard.”

Outdoor Dining Cruises Starting July 24

Having undergone a multi-million-dollar transformation last year, *Spirit of Philadelphia* boasts the region’s most exciting on-the-water dining cruise experience while offering unparalleled vistas of the Philadelphia and Camden skylines from its expansive roof top deck.

For those looking to set sail this summer, Hornblower offers a choice of al fresco **lunch and dinner experiences** departing from its berth at Penn’s Landing. While aboard, guests can expect DJ entertainment peppered with engaging narration about the city’s storied history and landmarks. Cruises feature freshly prepared multi-course menus complemented by a sophisticated selection of award-winning wines, craft beers and specialty cocktails. Prices start at *\$52.90 (lunch), *\$79.90 (dinner). For private groups, Hornblower Private Yachts also operates luxurious charter options.

Keeping Everyone Safe Onboard

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.

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 while cruising, except while eating and drinking
- Reducing the number of guests on board, and adapting all seating and table spacing to allow for a minimum 6-foot distance between guests while they cruise
- Implementing enhanced sanitation and disinfection procedures, with hand sanitizing stations available throughout



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For more information or to book a cruise experience, visit www.hornblower.com
[<https://www.hornblower.com/Philadelphia/>] or call 866-455-3866.

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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 required to wear face coverings while on board our vessels, except while dining or exempted by the local health authority.
- Outdoor dining experiences include a freshly prepared, multi-course plated menu with unlimited coffee, hot tea, iced tea and water. Dishes served covered with lids – removed at the table. Single-use menus will be provided and discarded (recycled) afterwards. Some entertainment and menu elements may change due to current restrictions.
- Adult prices quoted are subject to availability, per person, excl. fees and taxes. Other dates may be available at these rates.
- Cruises depart from Penn's Landing (where Columbus Boulevard meets Lombard Circle) 401 S. Columbus Blvd, Philadelphia, PA 19106.

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