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## **Carnival Vista to make Inaugural Call on Saturday. Third new cruise ship for November**

**November 11, 2016** – PORT ST. MAARTEN – The third new cruise vessel on its inaugural call for the month of November is Carnival Vista which will dock on Saturday, November 12.

Port St. Maarten will be welcoming the new vessel to its shores on Saturday with the traditional plaque exchange and words of welcome.

The Carnival Vista was handed over to Carnival Cruise Lines in April 2016 from the Fincantieri shipyard in Italy. Vista is the newest, largest and most innovative ship of Carnival.

The Vista was repositioned to Trieste, Italy, where it departed on its maiden voyage on May 1, kicking off a summer schedule in Europe that ran through October 2016. Following a 13-day trans-Atlantic crossing, Carnival Vista operated a pair of 11-day cruises from New York in November 2016 and then launched a year-round Caribbean service from Miami.

Carnival Vista offers a number of unique features, including a groundbreaking suspended cycling experience called SkyRide, the first IMAX Theatre at sea and the RedFrog Pub & Brewery offering three different kinds of beer brewed on board.

Also new onboard is Family Harbor with special family accommodations and a family concierge, along with the tropics-inspired Havana staterooms and suites featuring a dedicated pool area. The ship's outdoor spaces include a massive WaterWorks aqua park, highlighted by the 455-foot-long Kaleid-o-slide, the longest slide in the fleet.

Carnival Vista has a gross tonnage of 133,500; a length of 1,062 feet; beam of 122 feet; featuring 15 decks and can carry 3,954 passengers and 1,450 crew. The vessel was built for US\$780 million.





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