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American Cruise Lines New Modern Riverboat Passes Sea Trials

GUlfORD, CT—August 31st, 2020—American Cruise Lines proudly announces that American Jazz has passed Sea Trials with flying colors. Following the successful trials, American accepted delivery of the riverboat from Chesapeake Shipbuilding in Salisbury, MD. The 190-passenger American Jazz is the latest in American’s acclaimed series of 5 new modern riverboats and will be added to the company’s fleet on the Mississippi River. American’s building plans have continued at full strength, despite this year’s pause in cruising, underscoring the Line’s confidence in domestic U.S. small ship cruising.

“American Jazz and the modern riverboats we currently have under construction demonstrate our commitment to leading the U.S. river cruise market by adding new small ships each year,” said Charles B. Robertson, President & CEO of American Cruise Lines. “The outlook for 2021 is tremendous and we look forward to American Jazz’s first full season on the Mississippi, as well as the introduction of American Melody, the next new ship to follow in our modern riverboat series.”
American’s small ship fleet has expanded year after year, as the company continues to introduce innovative small ship designs with exceptional accommodations that enhance guests’ experiences on the Mississippi River, the Columbia & Snake Rivers, and across the U.S.A. Since 2017, American Cruise Lines has debuted 5 new ships; expanding its overall fleet to 12 ships in 2020, with more new builds coming in 2021 and 2022.

Last week, with the U.S. Coast Guard aboard, American Jazz successfully underwent speed trials, an endurance run, and was thoroughly tested in all areas of safety and maneuverability. The new ship possesses the latest safety equipment, as well as the most environmentally friendly technology in the industry. American Jazz is the Line’s 3rd modern riverboat following the successful launches of American Harmony in 2019, and American Song in 2018 (1st modern riverboat in U.S. history).

The American Jazz boasts 6 decks and an elegant design which employs a stunning use of glass, allowing for unparalleled views throughout the ship. The Line’s 3rd modern riverboat will also showcase a collection of artwork by New Orleans-based artist, Greg Creason; including original oil paintings and sculptures commissioned by American.

American Jazz notably features the Line’s Modern Series hallmarks—a patented opening bow and retractable gangway, as well as a gorgeous multistory glass atrium in the center of the ship. American Jazz offers several spacious interior lounges, a grand dining room, fitness center, and a new Wellness-Yoga studio. Providing unparalleled spaces for social distancing, American Jazz and all American’s new ships are designed with numerous outdoor lounges, including casual outdoor dining cafés and expansive top sundecks.

Accommodations aboard American Jazz are the most spacious in the industry, with standard staterooms from 300 to 350 sq/ft—all with full size sliding glass doors and private furnished balconies. The new ship also offers enormous suites up to 650 sq/ft, as well as single staterooms at 250 sq/ft (available without single supplement). American Jazz is 100% private balcony, and offers independent HVAC air systems in each stateroom and all interior spaces on board (with no shared duct work).
American’s Modern Riverboats showcase gorgeous multi-story glass atriums and exciting contemporary design

Building its fleet entirely in the U.S.A., American Cruise Lines provides innovative new ships with the modern design aesthetic today’s travelers seek. All American’s ships remain well under 200 passengers. The Line only cruises domestic routes, always in sight of land, and provides the finest personalized explorations of U.S. history, culture, and geography available.

A virtual 360-degree tour of American’s modern riverboats is available here: American Cruise Lines Virtual Modern Riverboat Tour. Ship tours are also available at all times on the company’s main website under the “ships” tab.

About American Cruise Lines: Year after year, American Cruise Lines continues to launch the newest small ships and uniquely curated itineraries for exploring and Cruising Close to Home™. On all American’s cruises, guests discover the history and spirit of the United States aboard the most sophisticated fleet of riverboats and small cruise ships in the country. American operates 12 ships along more than 35 itineraries—offering the finest river cruising and coastal cruising in the U.S.A.
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