

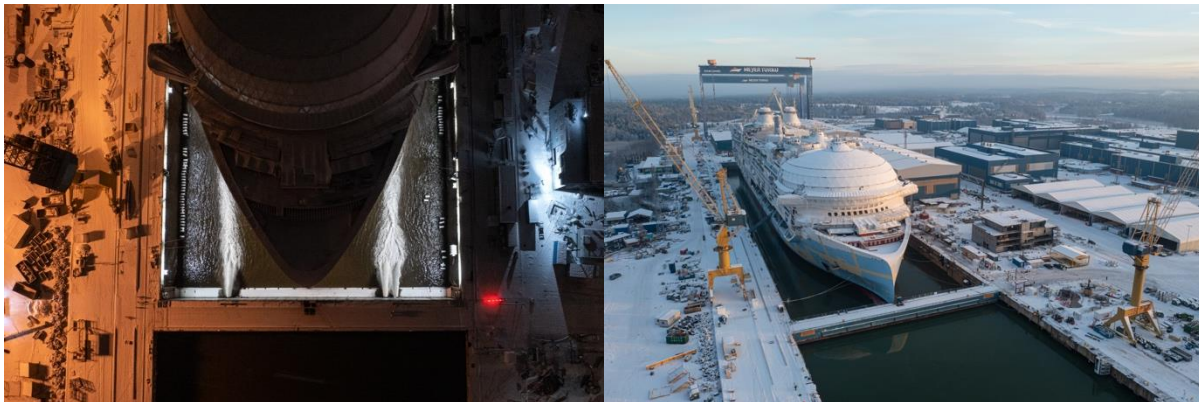


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## **ROYAL CARIBBEAN MARKS MAJOR MILESTONE FOR *ICON OF THE SEAS***

*The World's Best Family Vacation Reaches Next Phase of Construction after its Successful Float Out*



*December 2022 – The world's best family vacation is one step closer to its highly anticipated debut in January 2024. Royal Caribbean International's *Icon of the Seas* reached its next major construction milestone at the Meyer Turku shipyard in Turku, Finland, when it was floated out of the dry dock and into its outfitting dock.*

**MIAMI, Dec. 8, 2022** – Today, the world's best family vacation is one step closer to its highly anticipated debut in January 2024. Royal Caribbean International's [\*Icon of the Seas\*](#) reached its **next major construction milestone** at the Meyer Turku shipyard in Turku, Finland, when the first Icon Class ship was floated out from the dry dock where it has been under construction for more than eight months.

As part of the float out, the ship's dry dock was filled with water overnight. Once the dock was filled, *Icon* was then moved to an outfitting dock, which will be its home for the next year until construction is complete.

What's in store on *Icon* is the **first-of-its-kind combination of the best of every vacation**. From the **beach retreat** to the **resort escape** and the **theme park adventure**, the revolutionary ship delivers every kind of family and adventurer their version of the ultimate family vacation.

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The new ship features an all-encompassing lineup of firsts and next-level favorites across **eight neighborhoods**, making it the perfect getaway for adults and parents, kids and grandparents alike. Between the adrenaline-pumping thrills at the new **Thrill Island** and unrivaled ways to chill at neighborhoods like the new **Chill Island** and the luxurious four-level **Suite Neighborhood**, vacationers bonding with their families or getting away with friends will have all the ways to stay and play their way.

*Icon* will sail year-round, **7-night Eastern and Western Caribbean vacations** from **Miami**. Every cruise will visit Royal Caribbean’s top-rated private island destination, **Perfect Day at CocoCay, The Bahamas**, and a mix of destinations like Cozumel, Mexico; Philipsburg, St. Maarten; and Basseterre, St. Kitts. **More details about *Icon* are available at [www.RoyalCaribbean.com/Icon](http://www.RoyalCaribbean.com/Icon).**\*

### **About Royal Caribbean International**

[Royal Caribbean International](http://www.RoyalCaribbean.com), owned by Royal Caribbean Group (NYSE: RCL), has been delivering innovation at sea for more than 50 years. Each successive class of ships is an architectural marvel that features the latest technology and guest experiences for today’s adventurous traveler. The cruise line continues to revolutionize vacations with itineraries to 240 destinations in 61 countries on six continents, including Royal Caribbean’s private island destination in The Bahamas, [Perfect Day at CocoCay](http://www.RoyalCaribbean.com/PerfectDayatCocoCay), the first in the Perfect Day Island Collection. Royal Caribbean has also been voted “Best Cruise Line Overall” for 19 consecutive years in the *Travel Weekly* Readers' Choice Awards.

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### **\*NOTE TO EDITOR:**

More on *Icon*, including images and video, is available to media on the Royal Caribbean Press Center at [www.RoyalCaribbeanPressCenter.com/Icon](http://www.RoyalCaribbeanPressCenter.com/Icon).

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