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Press Release

NCL Offers Freestyle Cruising Direct from Manchester

- Fly from Manchester to Join Cruises in Venice and Barcelona -

27 October 2009... NCL Freestyle Cruising is giving guests the chance to fly from Manchester direct to Barcelona and the world's most popular port* of Venice.

Thanks to a partnership with regional airline **Jet2.com** passengers in and around Manchester can now travel from the comfort of their local airport, with no regional supplement, to experience Freestyle Cruising from Venice where they can join Norwegian Gem's new seven-night '*Venice and the Greek Isles*' or '*Venice and the Aegean Sea*' sailings which depart from April 2010. The two sailings alternate and can be combined to create a back-to-back 14-night holiday.

Guests flying from Manchester can also head to Barcelona to travel on Norwegian Jade's seven-night '*Mediterranean Treasures*' sailings throughout the peak summer holiday season from May to September 2010. Passengers can explore a variety of exciting ports from the lavish Monte Carlo and the elegant Majorcan capital of Palma to the ancient city of Pompeii. With a wide range of shore excursions guests can enjoy port side activities that are just as Freestyle as their on board experiences.

Norwegian Gem and Norwegian Jade have up to 14 dining choices on board from American style steakhouse and traditional French bistro to Italian kitchen. Guests will also find speciality Martini, Champagne and Whiskey bars amongst the lounges on board.

The ships have plenty of family friendly facilities from basketball to bowling, as well as professionally supervised kids clubs where children from 2-17 can enjoy age appropriate activities including teen discos, treasure hunts and Nintendo Wii.

The following sailings can now be booked as fly-cruise packages with flights from Manchester:

- Seven-night **Venice & the Greek Isles** on board Norwegian Gem departing various dates from April to October 2010 and travelling: Fly Manchester / Venice - Split (Croatia) - Corfu (Greece) - Santorini (Greece) - Mykonos (Greece) - Iraklion (Crete) - Cruise Mediterranean Sea - Fly Venice / Manchester. **Priced from £919**pp**
- Seven-night **Venice & the Aegean Sea** on board Norwegian Gem departing various dates from May to October 2010 and travelling: Fly Manchester / Venice - Dubrovnik (Croatia) - Cruise Ionian Sea - Piraeus (Athens) - Izmir (Ephesus) - Nafplion (Greece) - Cruise Mediterranean Sea - Fly Venice / Manchester. **Priced from £889**pp**

- 14-night back-to-back **Venice, Greek Isles & the Aegean Sea** as above departing on various dates from April to October 2010. **Priced from £1279pp**
- Seven-night **Mediterranean Treasures** on board Norwegian Jade departing from 2 May to 19 September 2010 and travelling: Fly Manchester / Barcelona – Monte Carlo – Livorno (Florence / Pisa) – Civitavecchia (Rome) – Naples (Pompeii) – Cruise Mediterranean Sea – Palma (Majorca) – Fly Barcelona / Manchester. **Priced from £649**pp**

Notes to editor: The regional flights will run in addition to those from London Heathrow which can still be booked.

*According to Passenger Shipping Association poll September 2009.

**Prices based on two sharing and subject to availability and change without notice. NCL booking conditions apply.

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About NCL

NCL is the innovator in cruise travel with a 43-year history of breaking the boundaries of traditional cruising, most notably with the introduction of Freestyle Cruising which has revolutionised the industry by allowing guests more freedom and flexibility. Today, NCL has the youngest fleet in the industry with 11 purpose-built Freestyle Cruising ships, providing guests the opportunity to enjoy a relaxed cruise vacation on the newest, most contemporary ships at sea.

NCL is presently building Norwegian Epic, the company's largest and most innovative Freestyle Cruising ship to date, for delivery in summer 2010. NCL is the official cruise line of Blue Man Group, debuting for the first time at sea on Norwegian Epic.

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