

Mv. "Adonia", Owned and Operated by P&O Cruises, made her maiden call in Colombo



Mv. "Adonia", Owned and Operated by P&O Cruises, made her maiden call in Colombo on Wednesday 05th February 2014. Having sailed from Fujairah, she arrived in Colombo at 0530 Hrs and was berthed at The Passenger Terminal in Colombo.

The ship was built by Chantiers de l'Atlantique at their shipyard in St. Nazaire, France. At 30,000 tonnes, Adonia is the smallest of seven ships currently in service with P&O Cruises. She officially entered service with the company in May 2011 and was named by Dame Shirley Bassey.

The Mv. "Adonia" arrived in Colombo with 664 passengers and 379 crew on board. Around 60% of the passengers traveled on excursions to Kandy, Pinnawala and on Colombo city tours.

To commemorate her maiden call in Colombo, a ceremony was held on board and the vessel exchanged Plaques with The Sri Lanka Ports Authority and their local Agents, Shipping Agency Services (Pvt) Ltd.

Carnival UK commenced their vessel calls in Sri Lanka in 2012, after a lapse of many years. "Arcadia" and "Aurora", operated by P&O Cruises and "Queen Elizabeth" and "Queen Mary 2", Operated by Cunard, are also scheduled to call in Colombo this year.

Mv. "Adonia" is also scheduled to call at the Port of Galle, in April this year.

Recommendation Letter from the Captain of Mv. "Adonia", Owned and Operated by P&O Cruises, made her maiden call in Colombo on Wednesday 05th February 2014.

I wanted to thank you for your kind assistance and your team's excellent Agency services during our maiden call in Colombo. It was a pleasure to be back after so many years and very good to see the Country and Port doing so well.

I did enjoy meeting both you and the guests at our Plaque Exchange ceremony and thank you indeed for the kind gifts, which are now proudly displayed on board. My colleagues back in Carnival House UK forwarded on the pictures which you kindly sent to the company, they are indeed a good memory of a pleasant occasion.

May I also thank you for the kind personal gifts of the one of Sri Lanka' most internationally famous products, its wonderful tea. I look forward to taking it home to enjoy with my wife back in the rather stormy UK.

And I wanted to let you know that our passengers thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Sri Lanka, and their many tours and trips. The cruise visit was very well received indeed.

Thank you once again for your hospitality and services.

Kind Regards,

David Box
Captain
Mv Adonia