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## Vantage Deluxe World Travel Celebrates Christening of its First Ocean-going Ship, Ocean Explorer

First luxury expedition small-ship ocean cruising vessel will circumnavigate the globe

Boston, MA – October 26, 2021 – Vantage Deluxe World Travel celebrated the christening of Ocean Explorer, Vantage's first ocean-going small-ship, at the Raymond L. Flynn Cruiseport Boston Terminal in Boston on Monday. Along with Vantage Founder & Chairman, Henry R. Lewis and local dignitaries, the ship's Godmothers, Patricia Lewis, wife of Mr. Lewis, and Vice President of Worldwide Operations Deirdre Dirkman, performed the ceremony.

Ocean Explorer will navigate worldwide with 15 exciting itineraries that include Europe, a transatlantic passage to North America, Central and South America, and Antarctica. Itineraries include: Boston: Autumn in New England & Canada: Montreal to Boston; Final Frontiers: Antarctica, South Georgia & the Falkland Islands; Deep into the Amazon: Brazil, Colombia & Peru; and Arctic Adventure: Iceland, Greenland, and Beyond. information For more or to book an itinerary, please visit https://www.vantagetravel.com/WhyVantage/OceanShipExperience and experience Ocean Explorer's sister ship, Ocean Odyssey, set to launch in 2022.

"At Vantage, our goal is to provide the ultimate in small-ship luxury experience," said Henry R. Lewis, Founder & Owner, Vantage Deluxe World Travel. "*Ocean Explorer* will offer a completely unique experience for travelers who want to immerse themselves in the culture of faraway lands and truly experience a once-in-a-lifetime adventure, while enjoying the incredible service and amenities of an intimate small ship environment."

The five-star, intimately-scaled Ocean Explorer synergizes luxury travel and expedition cruising. Accommodating up to 162 guests with 77 cabins and a landmark 15 solo cabins, breathtaking views abound on the ship's soaring multilevel observation lounge and lobby. Multiple stateroom and suite options are available, walk-out balconies offer private panoramic observation opportunities, and select categories offer triple accommodations to enhance family and group experiences.

Fine dining, small passenger-to-crew ratio, and spa amenities and services await on board — along with adventures like small-group wildlife viewing, kayaking and paddleboarding offshore (on select itineraries). Travelers can relax by the swimming pool, or be enraptured during curated lectures, programs, musical performances, and cultural events. Vantage's onboard Concierge caters to guests' every need, both pre-trip and during the cruise.

Ocean Explorer also features the latest satellite and navigation technology, including ULSTEIN X-BOW<sup>®</sup> technology, allowing for smoother sailing and enhanced comfort as the ship traverses the world's seas; state-of-the-art safety technology; is Polar Code 6 compliant, and fully compliant with the latest SOLAS requirements in expedition cruising in Antarctica and the Arctic. Environmentally friendly standards included reduced emissions into air and sea and lower energy consumption.

Additional amenities include:

- Culinary program offering gourmet dining incorporating region fare with beer and wine included with dinner
- Hot rock-cooking restaurant, three bars, and various lounges
- Complimentary unlimited WiFi (WiFi on certain segments of trips may not be available)
- Top deck observation deck for gatherings, lecturers, performances, and more
- Spa, massage, and hair services available at the onboard spa
- Raised infinity pool
- Sauna
- Two hot tubs
- Fitness center
- Curated lectures, programs, musical performances, and cultural events
- Low passenger-to-crew ratio
- On expeditions, enjoy the services and curated lectures of a 5- or 17-person Expedition Team, comprised of experts in their field
- Knowledgeable expedition staff by region
- Onboard medical doctor
- Gift Shop
- Library with over 200 titles
- Separate, intimate dining space for groups or special events (available upon request)
- Entertainment programming with 100 movie titles

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## About Vantage Deluxe World Travel:

Vantage Deluxe World Travel, is an award-winning, world-renowned deluxe river cruising tour operator named by Travel + Leisure as 'One of the Best River Cruise Lines in the World' in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021, recognized by Conde Nast Traveler's 2018 Readers' Choice Award for the sixth consecutive year as one of the top river cruise lines in the world, and voted by Solo Traveler with the Solo Travelers Choice Award, the Best Solo Cruise for River Travelers, and Best Tours for Solo Travelers. The Vantage family of brands also includes Vantage Cruise Line and Vantage Adventures. The company owns and operates its own fleet of luxurious river cruise ships that sail the Rhine, Danube, Main, Moselle, and Seine rivers; and also charters ships in Portugal, the Mediterranean, Russia, Asia, North America, Central America, and South America. New, in 2021, Ocean Explorer the company's first oceangoing luxury expedition vessel will be cruising to some of the most remote and exciting destinations on the planet. In 2022, sister ship, the Odyssey, will also join the fleet.

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