

ARRIVING SPRING 2012

SWAN HELLENIC'S

MINERVA

Visionary multi-million pound upgrade taking *Minerva* into the next era:

- Renowned country house ambience maintained
 - Now boasting 23% suites with balconies
 - Expansive new public areas for just 350 like-minded passengers
- Improved ship efficiency, manoeuvrability, comfort and environmental performance
- Exceptional inclusive value – a tailor-made programme of shore excursions and all gratuities on board and ashore included in your fare

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE:

Enter the competition to win £100 worth of M&S vouchers and the chance to visit the 'all-new' *Minerva* when she returns in spring 2012.

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An exciting new chapter...

Swan Hellenic, the pioneers of discovery cruising since 1954, is embarking on an exciting new chapter as small-ship *Minerva* undertakes a multi-million pound upgrade, which will be completed in spring 2012. Without increasing the number of berths or the number of passengers on board, innovative design will give added space and comfort with the introduction of new expansive public areas and an increased number of balcony cabins – now 44, representing 23% of passenger accommodation.

All 181 en-suite passenger cabin facilities will be upgraded and the ship will benefit from improved efficiency, manoeuvrability, comfort and environmental performance. Whilst maintaining *Minerva's* renowned country house ambience, expansive new public areas for just 350 like-minded passengers include:



- A wrap-around observation lounge, named The Orpheus Lounge and Bar after a former Swan Hellenic vessel
- New walk-around Promenade Deck, larger Internet Lounge and new Livingstone Lounge

- New salon centre and gymnasium
- Extended sun deck area for relaxation
- Canopy on the deck surrounding the pool area to provide shelter and alfresco dining

PRICES FROM
£1,625

The 'all-new' *Minerva* will arrive in Portsmouth in March 2012 for a series of cruises around the Atlantic Islands, Mediterranean and Black Sea before returning to Portsmouth for her programme of no-fly cruises in the Baltic, Norway, France, UK and Ireland. Autumn sees *Minerva* head back to the Mediterranean, Adriatic, Aegean, Black Sea, Red Sea and the Middle East before spending winter 2012-13 in India and the Far East.



An experience that will live with you:

- Travel in country house style comfort with around 350 like-minded passengers
- Discover the history and culture of civilisations ancient and modern
- Enjoy a tailor-made programme of inclusive escorted shore excursions worth up to £500pp*
- Travel with eminent Guest Speakers, who bring you closer to each destination
- Dine in the restaurant of your choice in the company of your friends
- Be assured of exceptional value for money, including all tips on board and ashore
- Travel with a British company, established in 1954

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