



QUICK TRIPS

Living on *THE EDGE*

The Celebrity Edge embodies a new, HIGH-DESIGN generation of big-ship cruising

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Four years and one billion dollars in the making, the just-launched *Celebrity Edge* consummates Celebrity's futuristic vision for revolutionizing large-scale cruising. The game changer here? The design.

This ship—the first in a new class for the brand—is an unapologetic ambush of the senses, rife with wow factor, personality-driven spaces, and curated on-board experiences that surprise and impress.

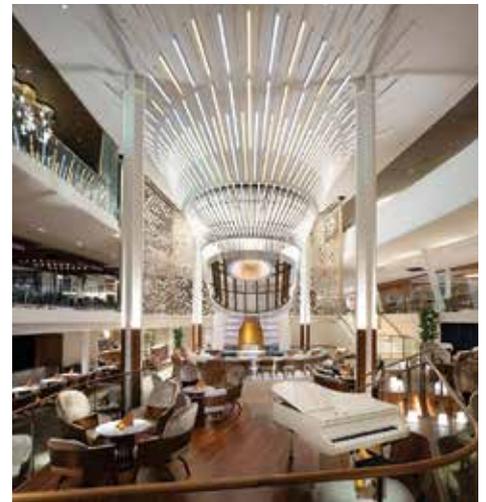
It's the world's first ship completely imagined in 3-D, resulting in unparalleled transitions between indoor and outdoor areas. Standard guest rooms feature an Infinite Veranda, a boundary-free division between the interior and balcony, where electronic windows reshape the space at the touch of a button. The open-air Magic Carpet lounge is a cantilevered venue that can slide along the edge of the ship



and reposition itself off a different deck daily. At 2,500 square feet each, the Iconic Suites, located above the captain's bridge, reveal the most extraordinary of sea-and-land vistas through 82 linear feet of panoramic glass.

To perfect the interiors of these state-of-the-art creations, Celebrity commissioned big industry names like Kelly Hoppen, Patricia Urquiola, and Tom Wright. Together, the *Edge* team has conceived 1,467 glamorous staterooms, a stunning terraced pool deck (with suspended pathways and towering martini glass-shaped hot tubs, no less), a colossal spa, and more than a dozen food and beverage outlets each with its own bold character. For example, the Patricia Urquiola-designed Edén restaurant is a trippy, *Avatar*-inspired,

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tri-level lounge, bejeweled in palm fronds, hanging gardens, and Art Deco chandeliers. To complement the decor, molecular gastronomy and funky cocktails headline the menu and transformative, Burning Man-style performances take place nightly.

With the new *Celebrity Edge*, the brand brings a floating, five-star micro-city to life, fostering destination status for the ship itself. Combined with preferred ports of call on itineraries through the Caribbean and Mediterranean, big-ship cruising never looked so chic—or exclusive. (celebritycruises.com/edge) ◀◀



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