

# QUEEN ANNE

**A**rchives at the University of Liverpool. Liverpool was Cunard's global headquarters for more than 50 years. When its fleet of ships, notably Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth, became too big to enter the river Mersey, operations were transferred to Southampton. Cunard maintains a close relationship with the city of Liverpool and houses an extensive business archive collection at the University of Liverpool. This collection has been a source of inspiration to Queen Anne's interior design, art collection and experience development.

**D**esign Queen Anne's interior design team brings unrivalled experience to the task of creating striking and beautiful spaces on board the new ship. The principal concept was founded on heritage, craftsmanship, storytelling, style and innovation. These five pillars ultimately became the design DNA for the ship, and accordingly, the engine of inspiration for the designers, working together in unison.

**G**olden Lion A crowned lion rampant, holding a globe, features on the Cunard Line crest and the original house flag of the Cunard Steamship Company Limited. The significance of the emblem is recognised on board each Queen in the Golden Lion pub. Queen Anne's Golden Lion creates the unmistakable ambience of a cosy British pub, serving a range of fine beers and a mouth-watering gastropub menu. The Golden Lion also hosts live entertainment, quizzes, and televised sport.

**J**oinery Many elements aboard Cunard's four ships are made by expert craftsmen. Bespoke features include the Queens Room dance floor, Queens Grill Grand and Master Suite bars.

**M**areel Mareel, meaning phosphorescence of the ocean, is taken from the ancient Norse language and speaks to the illuminating light and healing energy of the sea. Queen Anne's spa offering – Mareel Wellness & Beauty – will feature the widest selection of fitness, beauty, thermal and spa facilities so far seen on a Cunard vessel. There will also be an exclusive array of treatment rooms and a private spa suite, alongside a brand-new top-deck wellness studio.

**P**erfect Serve Cunard has three distinctive gins, each individually crafted by Pickering's to celebrate the routes most associated with each Cunard Queen – known as the Perfect Serve.

- ◆ Queen Victoria - 'A hint of the Mediterranean'
- ◆ Queen Elizabeth - 'A hint of the Orient'
- ◆ Queen Mary 2 'A hint of the Americas'

**S**uites The finest accommodation on the finest ships, Princess Grill and Queens Grill Suites are acclaimed and renowned havens of peace and luxury, cocooning guests in unrivalled levels of spacious comfort. Queen Anne's suites will represent the finest expression of Cunard luxury and elegance, and are among the most sumptuous and spacious at sea, allowing guests to enjoy their voyage in the most memorable manner. These suites and penthouses range from approximately 301 sq. ft up to 1440 sq. ft.

**V**oyages Queen Anne's specially created itineraries will chart her course to some of the most exciting destinations in the world where guests will be able to enjoy exciting, imaginative voyages creating a lifetime of memories. Her maiden voyage sets sail from Southampton on 3 May and will visit La Coruna and Lisbon. Her maiden season goes on sale for Cunard World Club members at 1pm on 6 December and then on general sale on 7 December.

**Y**our Choice Aboard a Cunard ship, enjoy the freedom to do what you want to do, when you want to do it. Escape to uncrowded spaces – Cunard ships offer more space per guest than other ships of a similar size. Dress up and dine in style, if you wish, or relax in more casual surroundings. Enjoy the views, relax with a book or learn to taste wine, mix cocktails, paint or dance. It's entirely up to the guest.

**B**ritannia One of Queen Anne's stunning restaurants – named after Cunard's first ship. The paddle-steamer Britannia made history by completing Cunard's first transatlantic crossing, departing from Liverpool for Halifax, Nova Scotia and Boston in July 1840. Today, guests sailing with Cunard enjoy levels of refinement and luxury unimaginable for those boarding the Britannia more than 180 years ago. Her namesake restaurants on each Cunard Queen feature grand staircases and signature artworks.

**E**xcursions Guests can immerse themselves in exotic locations brimming with culture, adventure and natural beauty thanks to Cunard's wide range of shore excursions and tours. There's something to suit every age, ability and wallet, from once-in-a-lifetime experiences, such as chauffeur-driven tours, to essential destination highlights, such as exploring cities on foot. The exciting range is available to book through My Cunard from one year before departure.

**H**osted experiences One of Queen Anne's brand-new entertainment venues will be a hosted experience – a first for Cunard. Bright Lights Society honours Cunard's heritage as the first to bring electric lights to the launch of a new ocean liner. A witty host will hold court, deftly weaving together the night's array of compelling acts. The venue will be a whirlwind of entertainment, with unexpected performers and dazzling musicians taking the stage and commanding the room. No two nights will be the same.

**K**eel Laying Queen Anne's keel-laying ceremony was celebrated on 8 September 2022, acknowledging an important milestone in the life of a ship. As a symbol of stability, heritage and good fortune a newly minted Queen Anne commemorative coin and original Queen Anne half-crown from 1702 were welded into the hull by Captain Inger Thorhauge.

**N**aming Ceremony Looking forward to this important milestone in a ship's life, the naming ceremony takes place following the ship's delivery to Southampton on completion. For Queen Anne, this will be in May 2024.

**Q**uartet of Queens Queen Anne becomes the fourth Queen in the current Cunard fleet. When she joins her sisters Queen Elizabeth, Queen Victoria and our flagship Queen Mary 2, Cunard will have a contemporary fleet celebrating the names of the four Queens Regnant over the last millennium. It will be the first time since 1999 that Cunard will have four ships at sea. Queen Anne – Cunard's 249th ship – will take luxury to new levels as the very latest in a fine line.

**T**imeline Cunard announced its order for Queen Anne in September 2017. In June 2019, the world-renowned design team for the public spaces was announced. Steel cutting began at Fincantieri's Castellammare di Stabia shipyard in Italy on 11 October 2019. The ship's forward section, or Troncone, was launched and transferred to the Marghera shipyard near Venice in August 2022 and its keel-laying ceremony took place on 8 September 2022. The ship's maiden voyage will sail from Southampton in 2024.

**W**hite Star Service Cunard prides itself on standards of service that go above and beyond, exceeding the expectations of guests, who will experience White Star Service from the moment they first step aboard Queen Anne when a line-up of white-gloved Bellhops and ship's crew will greet guests with a smile and a warm welcome.

**Z**one Specially designed and created areas on board Queen Anne for younger guests to enjoy a range of tailored activities and entertainment. Queen Anne's youngest guests will be well-looked after and supervised in the safe environment of the Zone.

**C**unard Sir Samuel Cunard, that is. The visionary Canadian, who created the shipping line that now bears his name, was born in Halifax, Nova Scotia, in 1787. Even today, his ships still make regular calls to the port where he nurtured his ambitions. Cunard ships have crossed the Atlantic, linking the old world with the new, since 1840, in doing so playing a unique part in both the social history and economic development of two continents.

**F**lowers Always fresh, flowers are a huge feature on board each ship in the fleet, and Queen Anne will be no exception. Expert florists form part of her crew, creating stunning displays and arrangements for her public rooms and vast spaces such as the Grand Lobby. As well as casting their professional eyes over these striking arrangements, the on board florists can create bespoke bouquets and displays for guests to enjoy in their rooms.

**I**nger Captain Inger Klein Thorhauge was appointed Master of Queen Anne in March 2022 and is Cunard's first female Captain. Having started her career in 1997 as Second Officer onboard Cunard's Vistafjord, Inger celebrated 25 years of service this year (2022). She will be closely involved with the construction and assembly of Queen Anne at the Fincantieri shipyard in Venice, Italy, ahead of its delivery and handover to Cunard in 2024.

**L**ivery Queen Anne will be the first ship to wear the iconic lion and crest on the hull, as part of the new livery. There are now smooth lines on the laurel, a redefined St Edward's Crown and a stronger lion. The brand mark will be in white on federal grey versus red on white – a first for the brand. The Cunard name will sit next to a new larger-scaled crest to the side of the ship – another first.

**O**pulence Cunard is renowned for creating unforgettable, luxurious, experiences around the world, built on fine dining, hand-selected entertainment, and outstanding service. All of Queen Anne's rooms will reflect striking levels of comfort, detail and opulence. In creating and choosing layout, materials, fabrics, patterns and textures, no stone has been left unturned. The result is a design that has created something nostalgic yet contemporary, relaxed yet glamorous, new and exciting.

**R**oyal Court Theatre Queen Anne's luxurious, two-deck, 835-seat theatre, will provide a contemporary performance space to rival the finest facilities to be found in the West End or on Broadway. The theatre will host stunning productions, Cunard's unique Insights programme lectures and film screenings as well as a host of other performances.

**U**ppcoming talent Queen Anne will feature the largest curated collection of art at sea in celebration of Cunard's support of new talent. Around 4,000 pieces of art by painters, photographers and illustrators who are poised to become the next generation of the contemporary art scene have been carefully curated for Cunard's newest ship.

**X**mas The festive season is a momentous occasion celebrated aboard a Cunard ship. Queen Anne's first Christmas at sea will be December 2024.

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