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American Cruise Lines Announces *Queen of the Mississippi* 2013 Schedule

The Finest and most elegant riverboat on the Mississippi River

GUILFORD, CT – January 25, 2012 – Still six months away from the start of its inaugural 2012 season on the Mississippi River, American Cruise Lines (www.americancruiselines.com), the leader in small ship cruising, has announced its 2013 schedule for *Queen of the Mississippi*. The brand-new 150-passenger authentic paddlewheeler is currently under construction and nearing completion in Salisbury, MD and will begin service this August from New Orleans. Following the 2012 season, the 2013 schedule for *Queen of the Mississippi* will feature sailings beginning on February 9th. The new schedule is now available for viewing [here](#).

“We’re excited about the release of 2013 sailings aboard *Queen of the Mississippi*,” said Timothy Beebe, Vice President, American Cruise Lines. “We received a wonderful response to the 2012 inaugural season and look forward to further accommodating this demand with the 2013 schedule.”

Similar to the 2012 season, theme cruises will be featured throughout, including the Civil War and Mark Twain, with new additions such as musical and holiday-themed cruises. Details on these special cruises will be released later in the year. Entertainment will also be a key component, with various featured local and national entertainers spanning a range of music genres, including Jazz, Dixie Land and Blues. A resident onboard riverlorian (river historian) will also be aboard each cruise, while additional lecturers and experts also join guests along the cruise to educate, entertain and captivate them along the way.

The *Queen of the Mississippi* boasts 78 staterooms much larger than those on any other Mississippi riverboat, with sliding glass doors to spacious private balconies, and all of the [amenities](#) today’s travelers expect, while maintaining the elegance and traditional Victorian luxury of classic late 1800s Mississippi riverboats. American Cruise Lines will operate the authentic paddlewheeler over the entire Mississippi River System, including the Ohio and Cumberland Rivers. The *Queen of the Mississippi* will also be able to travel at significantly higher speeds than all other Mississippi riverboats, minimizing night travel and making more itineraries possible with longer visits to the river towns. A number of unique riverboat journeys are planned that take passengers as far north as St. Paul, MN on the Mississippi River and as far east as Pittsburgh, PA on the Ohio River.

About American Cruise Lines

American Cruise Lines, the largest U.S. cruise company, operates the newest fleet of small ships in the industry and offers more than 35 unique itineraries along the inland waterways and rivers of the Pacific Northwest, Alaska, the Mississippi River System and East Coast of the United States, from New England to Florida. To learn more about American Cruise Lines, visit our Website at www.americancruiselines.com or call (800) 814-6880. Also find us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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Queen of the Mississippi stateroom (artist's rendering)



American Cruise Lines' *Queen of the Mississippi*