



Flying high as Britannia is ship shape for reopening!



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The charitable trust which own and run The Royal Yacht Britannia in Leith, Edinburgh, has been working hard to get everything ship shape for the reopening on Monday 27 July.

Flags are flying, decks are scrubbed and staff at Scotland's Best Attraction (VisitScotland) are looking forward to once again welcoming visitors on board to enjoy a day out exploring the Royal Yacht's five decks, from the State Apartments to the Crew's Quarters and gleaming Engine Room.

With social distancing in place and hygiene measures of a royal standard, Britannia has been granted the official 'We're Good to Go' certificate by VisitScotland and will have new procedures to ensure visitors and staff are safe on board.

Britannia's charitable trust (SC028070) reinvests all surplus funds into protecting the yacht for future generations. The Trust's responsibility is to maintain and preserve Britannia in keeping with her former role and to display her to the public as a key part of British maritime history. The Trust is a wholly self-funding, not-for-profit, charitable organisation.

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- Britannia's spacious Royal Deck Tea Room and Gift Shop will also be reopening.
- An unforgettable attraction for visitors, as well as a prestigious evening events venue, Britannia is regarded as one of Edinburgh's 'must-see' destinations. Britannia was home to Her Majesty The Queen and the Royal Family for over 40 years, sailing over one million miles around the world. Following the Yacht's decommissioning in 1997, Britannia is now berthed in Edinburgh, where visitors can follow in the footsteps of Royalty to discover the heart and soul of this most special of Royal residences. Highlights include the teak-paneled Sun Lounge and elegant State Dining Room, which contrast with the working side of the ship and the crew's quarters.
- Providing the highest standards of customer experience to every visitor, regardless of age or ability, is at the heart of Britannia's success, and recent developments have included the audio guide being available in British Sign Language, Braille and 30 languages, making it one of the most translated tours in the world.

[Exterior Britannia](#)

[State Drawing Room](#)

[Sun Lounge](#)