
PRESS RELEASE

Iona comes to Rotterdam

Cruise ship to go on sea trials – final equipment progresses

Papenburg, 29 May 2020 - The cruise ship Iona is coming to Rotterdam for inspection work. There, MEYER WERFT's current new build ship for P&O Cruises, which is currently undergoing final outfitting in Bremerhaven, will enter dry dock. The arrival in Rotterdam is scheduled for 2 June.

The passage from Bremerhaven to the Netherlands will also be used for technical and nautical test runs in the North Sea. For this reason, Iona will be leaving the Columbuskaje Pier as early as 30 May.

On board, everyone is working hand in hand to complete the 50th cruise ship built by MEYER WERFT. The work has been going on since the ship was transferred over the river Ems. Nevertheless, the corona crisis is causing considerable restrictions in the final fitting of Iona.

After work on board had to be temporarily interrupted due to the corona crisis in March, the Port Medical Service (German: Hafenärztlicher Dienst, HÄD), the Bremerhaven Port Authority and MEYER WERFT were able to draw up a joint concept which allows the continuation of outfitting work under corona protection conditions.

MEYER WERFT and P&O Cruises are currently in close coordination for a delivery date.