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Modernized M/S Gabriella is returning to service

Viking Line's M/S Gabriella is returning to service on April 21 after an extensive modernization. The Gabriella now offers eight new restaurants, about 100 upgraded cabins, expanded shopping opportunities and new spaces for children and teenagers. The other Viking Line vessel serving the Helsinki–Stockholm route, the M/S Mariella, was dry-docked a year ago. The task of modernization on this route has thus been completed.

The restaurants on board the Gabriella underwent especially ambitious upgrading during three weeks of dry-docking. The vessel now has eight new restaurants, among them No Name, which offers an innovative meal concept that features tasting menus consisting of seven or nine courses.

“Our vessels still offer timeless favourites such as well-known entertainers, playroom ball pools and buffet meals, but we would also like to offer new experiences. This is why both of our vessels on the Helsinki–Stockholm route have undergone extensive modernizations,” says Lauri Orpana, Viking Line's Route Manager.

The vessel's nightclub has been totally renovated, including new technology, and its name has been changed to Club Mar. The nightclub leads directly to the Upstairs Pub, which serves as a karaoke and troubadour venue early in the evening and as a club during the wee hours. Also new are the Bistrotek restaurant – with a menu including the bounty of the sea – and the Grill restaurant, where chefs prepare the food in an open kitchen. Coffee & Joy, in turn, specializes in all varieties of coffee and baked goods freshly prepared on board.

The youngest family members will enjoy the new Kids playroom, and teenagers have also gained new spaces for games and socializing.

New cabins and shopping opportunities

The Gabriella's entrance foyer, corridors and cabins were also renovated. About a hundred cabins received a facelift, and 26 four-person Comfort Class cabins were added. At the same time, all cabin classes from Comfort upward were equipped with new top-quality mattresses.

The Gabriella now provides more multi-faceted shopping opportunities. The duty- and tax-free shop is more spacious and offers a wider range of beauty and fashion products and brands. On the entrance deck there is also a pop-up shop featuring brands that will vary from season to season. The first brand to be offered is Calvin Klein.

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