



Star Seeker Shakedown Cruise: December 21, 2025

What to know before you go

In December 2025, we will welcome our first new build for the Star Class fleet – Star Seeker. Before its maiden voyage, we'll host two shakedown cruises in Europe. Only employees and our trusted partners are invited! As a friend and VIP, you are invited to join one of these departures. Please find key information here as we start the invitation and booking process for the Shakedown cruises. We are looking forward to welcoming you aboard!

Shakedown Cruise – December 21-28, 2025

7-night cruise roundtrip Malaga, Spain

Dec 21: Malaga, Spain (Bon Voyage at 9pm!)

Dec 22: Gibraltar

Dec 23: Cartagena, Spain

Dec 24: Ibiza (overnight)

Dec 25: Ibiza

Dec 26: At sea

Dec 27: Malaga (overnight)

Dec 28: Malaga (disembark 8:00 am)

Who is going and how do I book?

This sailing will be exclusively for Windstar employees, trusted partners and friends who are helping bring our next chapter to life. The email invitation you received includes a "Book Now" button that takes you directly into our online booking system. If you want to confirm your attendance, click that button and input your contact information. You can complete the booking process as a guest without a My Windstar account.

Can I bring a guest?

Yes! You may bring one guest to sail with you in your suite. All guests must be 14 years of age or more.

When are RSVPs due?

Please click the “Book Now” button on the email invitation to confirm your attendance by August 29.

What is the cost?

As an invited VIP, cruise fare is complimentary for you and your guest sharing your suite. We ask that you pay port fees and gratuities. These have been calculated per person and will be added to your booking to be paid upon confirmation. For this cruise, the charge is \$161 per person.

Will I receive cruise documents?

Yes, once you are booked, you will receive an invoice showing confirmation and charges. Thirty days before departure, you will receive final cruise documents.

How can I tell which suite I’m booked in?

For now, everyone will be booked into a guaranteed suite; no specific suite is assigned. You’ll find out your suite number in your final documents sent to you closer to the departure date.

What is included on board?

All meals aboard the ship plus non-alcoholic drinks (except special mocktails) are included. You may purchase a beverage package or All-In package through My Windstar (online booking tool) after booking confirmation. The All-In package costs \$99/day and includes Wi-fi, gratuities and select alcohol. If you buy the All-In package, the gratuity charge you’ve already paid for the cruise will be deducted. Follow up emails will include information about how to pre-purchase shipboard amenities.

Not included: alcohol, Wi-fi, gratuities, gift shop purchases, spa. Spa appointments can be made on board.

What about travel logistics?

You are responsible for airfare and other travel costs. Please make your own flight arrangements plus transfers to/from the ship. We have a block of hotel rooms available to book in Malaga. You may book now along with your cruise.

Flying in on embarkation day? We recommend a flight arrival by 11:00 am.

Flying out on disembarkation day? Book flights after 12:00 PM.

The ship’s dock location will be listed in your cruise documents. Keep an eye on your email! Be sure to understand passport requirements prior to flying in for the cruise.

What time is embarkation and disembarkation?

Embarkation in Malaga begins at 1:00 pm. A late lunch is available on board. Please be

aboard by 4:00 pm. The ship departs at 9:00 pm. Disembarkation usually begins at 8:00 am and you should expect to be off the ship by 9:00 am.

Will there be planned shore excursions?

Yes! Our product development team has a selection of tours for purchase in each port. These are available to book now along with your cruise. We highly recommend you pre-book your tours to ensure you secure your spot. Our planned shore excursions are picked especially for you, and with all arrangements made, it's the easiest way to explore ashore.

Next step: Hit that "Book Now" button and we'll see you on the Shakedown!