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American Glory Christened in Key West, Florida



GUILFORD, CT—January 22, 2024—American Glory, the second Coastal Cat in American Cruise Lines' groundbreaking new series of 100-passenger ships, was christened in Key West, Florida yesterday. The momentous celebration took place at Mallory Square where the ship docks when visiting Key West along the company's newest U.S. itinerary—*Florida Gulf Coast & Keys* cruises, operating roundtrip from St. Petersburg.

The festive celebration included local dignitaries, community members, cruise guests, and port and marina officials. Charles B. Robertson, President & CEO of American Cruise Lines, gave remarks and introduced *American Glory's* Godmother, the Honorable Teri Johnston, Mayor of Key West. At the ceremony, remarks were also given by Arlo Haskell of *Safer Cleaner Ships*, and Albert Childress, Key

West City Manager. The Victory Belles entertained guests with patriotic music, and everyone gathered for the ship's official blessing and ceremonial bottle smash.

"Docking in Mallory Square is a privilege, and we are honored to be a new small piece of the Key West community. We are grateful to Mayor Johnston and proud to have her as godmother of *American Glory*. We look forward to continuing to build on our partnership with Key West and other Florida coastal towns," said Charles B. Robertson, President & CEO of American Cruise Lines.

American Glory's christening follows the christening of series flagship, American Eagle this past August 2023, on Buzzards Bay, in Massachusetts.



Key West Mayor, Teri Johnston (left), and Charles B. Robertson, President & CEO of American Cruise Lines (right)

American Glory will continue sailing the company's Florida Gulf Coast & Keys cruises throughout March 2024 and again in November and December. Later this year, American Glory will be joined by another sister ship, American Legend, which also begins sailing the company's Florida Gulf Coast & Keys cruises this November. Demand for the company's small new ships and exclusive array of 100% U.S. itineraries continues to grow all over the country. American Cruise Lines has introduced 18 of the 21 U.S.-built cruise ships launched in the past two decades. American Glory and sister ships will operate a selection of itineraries exploring the East Coast from Maine to Florida throughout 2024 and 2025.



Accommodating just 100 guests, American Glory features 4 decks and a unique catamaran bow. The new Coastal Cat offers elegant interior design and private balcony accommodations. American Glory also offers a beautiful top deck for amazing views, comfortable lounges both inside and out, a main restaurant, casual café, and fitness center.

A virtual 360-degree tour of *American Glory* and the company's new Coastal Cats is available here: <u>American Cruise Lines Virtual Coastal Cat Tour</u>. Ship photos and more information are available at all times on the company's main website under the "ships" tab.



The Victory Belles perform at American Glory christening, Mallory Square, Key West, Florida



American Glory docked at Mallory Square, Key West, Florida

About American Cruise Lines:

American Cruise Lines offers river cruising and small ship coastal cruising in the U.S.A. American continues to launch the newest U.S. built ships for *Cruising Close to Home*®. On all American's cruises, guests discover the history, spirit, and culture of the United States aboard a sophisticated fleet of American riverboats and small cruise ships. In 2024, American will operate 19 ships, each accommodating just 90-180 passengers, which cruise more than 50 domestic itineraries in 35 states. American offers domestic *Flat-Rate Airfare* for all its U.S. cruises and *Complimentary Pre-Cruise Hotel Stays* in cities across the country.

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