

# 10 Most Anticipated Luxury Cruise Ships Of 2026

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Luxury cruising will take a new direction as the world's most prestigious hotel brands trade the lobby for the lido deck. With the Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection's new [Luminara](#) (along with sister ships [Ilma](#) and [Evrima](#)) leading the charge, 2026 will see Four Seasons, Waldorf Astoria and Orient Express making their own maritime debuts.

They join heritage cruise lines such as Viking and Regent Seven Seas in efforts to offer the most exclusive experiences at sea, ranging from residential-style suites to gourmet dining. Here are the 10 luxurious liners we look forward to boarding in 2026.



## MS SERENE & MS LUMIÈRE

After celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2025, Tauck will follow it up with the addition of two new riverboats. The family-owned company will expand its presence in France with the [ms Serene](#) sailing the River Seine and the [ms Lumière](#) cruising along the Rhône.

Both custom-designed vessels are scheduled to launch in 2026. Each accommodating about 130 passengers, the riverboats will feature a deck plan that maximizes spaciousness, The Retreat – a dedicated wellness space filled with natural light and offering beautiful river views – and a sundeck with a pool, along with plenty of room for alfresco dining.

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