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Scenic Group Sweeps Cruise Critic Award for Best New Luxury Ship, Among Others

Emerald Waterways wins Best Value for Money for the 5th straight year

Boston, MA & Vancouver, B.C., December 2019 -- Scenic Luxury Cruises and Tours took home a number of top awards and has been named as one of the world's top cruise lines in Cruise Critic's annual Editors' Pick awards in USA & Canada, Australia and the United Kingdom. The Scenic Group was also recognized globally as one of the best cruise lines in the world, winning the **Best New Luxury Ship** award across all three geographic locations.

Cruise Critic®, the world's largest cruise reviews site and online cruise community, began their award program 12 years ago and, instead of following the pattern of many award programs (what amounts to popularity contest), use a global panel of impartial cruise experts from Cruise Critic. These experts, with hundreds of cruises under their collective belts, highlight the best ocean, river and luxury cruise lines for USA & Canada travelers, across dozens of categories.

2019 USA & Canada Cruise Critic Editors' Picks Awards

Best Value for Money: Emerald Waterways (5th year in a row)

Best Enrichment: Scenic

Best New Luxury Ship: *Scenic Eclipse*

2019 Cruise Critic Australia Editors' Picks Awards

Best New Luxury Ship: *Scenic Eclipse*

2019 Cruise Critic UK Editors' Picks Awards

Best for Enrichment: Scenic

Best Shore Excursions: Scenic

Best Value for Money: Emerald Waterways

Best New Luxury Ship: *Scenic Eclipse*

Jayne O'Brien, Managing Director, Scenic USA offered, "We work every year to deliver to our guests the best experiences and lifetime memories – and always strive to keep improving on the prior year's results. Recognition on this forum at a global level is a testament not only to the strength of our brand across the world but that our attention to the quality of our product and the delivery of excellence is paying off for our guests and us."

Comments from the judges in awarding *Scenic Eclipse* the top prize included the following, "Cruisers might book *Scenic Eclipse* because it's equipped with two helicopters and a six-person submarine, but they'll come back because of the 228-passenger ship's chic design, generously sized suites and incredible dining offerings. Australian company Scenic pulled out all the stops with its first ocean ship, which seamlessly combines luxury and soft-adventure travel to exotic destinations, including the Arctic and Antarctica."

The 5-star Scenic Space Ships sail many of Europe's most interesting rivers as well as the Mekong in SE Asia and the Volga in Russia. These luxury ships offer truly all-inclusive fares where everything except massages and the hair dresser is included: private butler service, unlimited complimentary beverages, gratuities, transfers, cultural entertainment, regional cuisine as well as Western dining in customized settings: poolside to cabin, al fresco to fine dining. And Scenic Freechoice activities help create remarkable memories from the regions' kaleidoscope of customs and cuisine.

Scenic Luxury Cruises & Tours has grown over its 33-year history to include award-winning, all-inclusive river cruises and handcrafted land tours that take participants to many of the world's most fascinating destinations. Since 2008, Scenic has offered river cruises in Europe, SE Asia, Russia and Egypt on its 15 Space-Ships. Sister brand Emerald Waterways has eight Star-Ships offering European river sailings and, new this year, Southeast Asia's Mekong River.

Additional information on these and other cruises, brochures and reservations can be obtained via travel agents; or in the US: www.scenicusa.com; phone 844-788-7985; or email: info@scenicusa.com; and in Canada: www.scenic.ca; phone (866) 689-8611; or email: info@scenic.ca. Brochures can also be downloaded directly from the website.

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