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### **MS Serenissima inaugural visit to Gibraltar**

Cruise passenger ship MS Serenissima is making its inaugural call to Gibraltar from Monday October 31st to November 3rd 2016.

The vessel belongs to the British cruise firm Noble Caledonia Ltd. It has a gross tonnage of 2,598 tonnes, a length of 87 metres, capacity for 110 passengers and a crew complement of 50.

The MS Serenissima will also be doing a turnaround in Gibraltar before departing the Rock on November 3rd.

Entertainment has been organised by the Gibraltar Tourist Board for the visiting tourists who will be attending a concert in St Michael's Cave tonight by the Gibraltar Youth Choir under the directorship of Christian Santos.

Built in 1960, the handsome 100-passenger vessel began its career as the Harald Jarl, cruising the Norwegian coastline and fjords. Extensively renovated in 2003 it was subsequently rechristened MS Andrea as a classic cruise ship, and was chartered by Noble Caledonia for a number of years.

It was renamed the MS Serenissima in 2012.

The MS Serenissima is considered as a perfect vessel for small ship cruising as it can navigate into small, remote ports which are inaccessible to the large cruise ships.

The local ship agent for the MS Serenissima is MH Bland.