



**Marine Travel**  
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## The Manifest - January 2025

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### New Rules for travelling to the UK

The UK's Electronic Travel Authorisation scheme (ETA) is set to roll out to more than 80 countries over the coming months.



The scheme requires visitors to the UK who are not required to obtain a visa for short stays to apply for an ETA in advance. The UK Home Office has announced an exemption to the scheme for transiting passengers.

[Click here to find out more details and how to apply](#)

Crew will continue to be covered by different sets of legislation depending on their nationality, circumstances/purpose of travel and documentation.

[Click here to find out more details](#)

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### Airport change

Luanda (LAD) airport will be phased out with the new airport (NBJ) due to take over all domestic and international flights. At present, the only airline operating at the new airport is the national carrier, TAAG, although not with all flights. Domestic flights have already moved and during the month of February some regional and international flights will also be relocated.

The new airport is located approximately one hour from the current LAD airport and situated more inland.

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### Meet the team - Claire

Claire joined Marine Travel in 2007 as an Accounts Assistant. Over the years she has had several roles within the accounts department and is now our Finance and Administration Director.



Using her years of experience in the sector she understands the unique administrative requirements our customers have and leads the accounts team to ensure that our customers receive tailored accounting solutions. She is also responsible for finalizing the monthly and yearly management accounts for all our branches.

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**Flying Blue**, the loyalty programme of Air France-KLM has launched a new exclusive status match offer for eligible British Airways Executive Club members residing in the UK.

This offer will allow customers to upgrade for £99 to Flying Blue Silver, Gold or Platinum status and enjoy unique elite benefits for 12 months thereafter.

[To apply for Flying Blue match status click here to find out more](#)

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## AIRLINE NEWS

- Hong Kong flag carrier Cathay Pacific will resume a non-stop service between Hong Kong and Rome on 5th June 2025
  - Emirates begin A350 rollout with flights to Edinburgh
  - Eastern Airways to launch Newquay-Southend service
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