

CHANTIERS DE L'ATLANTIQUE

MEDIA ALERT

THE RITZ-CARLTON YACHT COLLECTION TAKES DELIVERY OF ITS HIGHLY ANTICIPATED THIRD SUPERYACHT, LUMINARA





Luminara, the third ultra-luxury superyacht from The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection, has officially joined the fleet. Company officials took delivery of the new yacht at the Chantiers de l'Atlantique shipyard in Saint-Nazaire, France, on June 3, 2025, marking a major milestone in a multi-year collaboration between the brand and one of the world's most respected shipbuilders. The moment was commemorated with a traditional handover ceremony featuring the changing of flags and a celebratory toast on the yacht's open-air deck.

The delivery ceremony was attended by leaders from The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection, including **Ernesto Fara**, President, along with **Laurent Castaing**, General Manager of Chantiers de l'Atlantique. Also present to mark the occasion was **Captain Magnus Bengtsson**, who will guide *Luminara* through its inaugural season in the Mediterranean beginning July 3, 2025, when the yacht sets sail on a seven-day voyage from Monte Carlo to Rome.

"The arrival of *Luminara* marks a significant moment for The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection as we continue to shape the future of ultra-luxury travel at sea," said **Ernesto Fara, President of The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection**. "With striking architecture and thoughtfully designed interiors, *Luminara* represents the passion and shared commitment to excellence that define both our brand and our close working relationship with Chantiers de l'Atlantique."

"Just one year after *Ilma*—a multi-awarded yacht acclaimed by both the hospitality and cruise industries—we are proud to deliver *Luminara*, the culmination of our ongoing pursuit of excellence," added **Laurent Castaing, General Manager of Chantiers de l'Atlantique**. "We thank The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection for their trust and extend our appreciation to everyone whose dedication, precision, and expertise made the construction of this vessel possible."

Luminara, named after the Latin word for "light," spans 794 feet (242 meters) and accommodates up to 452 guests across 226 suites, each with a private terrace and floor-to-ceiling windows offering a seamless connection to the sea. Designed in collaboration with leading design firms, the yacht showcases public spaces

envisioned by Toronto-based **Chapi Chapo Luxury Division**, suites appointed by London-based design firm **AD Associates**, and lighting crafted by **DPA**. Sculptural lighting and curved architectural lines evoke the movement of water, creating harmony between the yacht's refined interiors and the sea beyond. The refined exterior was shaped by Helsinki-based studio **Aivan**, reflecting the elegance and fluidity of private yacht design.

Luminara offers five restaurants, seven bars, a wine vault, and collaborations with award-winning chefs **Fabio Trabocchi** and **Michael Mina**, who bring their culinary perspectives to life at sea. Other standout amenities include a panoramic pool area on Deck 10 with two jacuzzis; The Art Bar, a new onboard destination for café service and destination-inspired treats set against sweeping ocean views; and the brand's signature Marina, complete with a spacious terrace and dynamic floating platform where guests can swim, unwind, and enjoy watersports at select ports.

Further enhancing the guest experience, **The Ritz-Carlton Spa®** provides restorative treatments incorporating products from **ESPA**, **111SKIN**, and **Pisterzi**, alongside dedicated fitness spaces for rejuvenating wellness. *Luminara* also introduces a refined luxury retail experience, debuting Swiss timepieces from **Cartier** and **IWC Schaffhausen**, along with fine jewelry and watch collections from **Piaget**.

Following its inaugural season, *Luminara* will continue The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection's expansion into new regions, sailing through Africa and the Indian Ocean before beginning Asia-Pacific itineraries in December 2025. These voyages will explore captivating destinations and hidden gems, including Ha Long Bay, Osaka, and Bangkok. In May 2026, *Luminara* will journey to Alaska and Canada, offering travelers exclusive access to some of the world's most breathtaking natural wonders.

For more information about The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection, visit ritzcarltonyachtcollection.com.

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ABOUT THE RITZ-CARLTON YACHT COLLECTION

The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection redefines luxury at sea, seamlessly blending the legendary service and refined amenities of The Ritz-Carlton® with the freedom and elegance of yachting. Offering bespoke voyages across the Mediterranean, Northern Europe, the Caribbean, Asia, and Alaska, the collection provides exclusive access to sought-after and hidden destinations, paired with serene accommodations, unparalleled onboard experiences, and curated excursions ashore that ignite curiosity and discovery at every turn.

The collection's inaugural yacht, *Evrima*, launched in October 2022, measures 624 feet and features 149 airy suites with private ocean-view terraces, accommodating up to 298 guests in an intimate and elegant ambiance. *Ilma*, the second superyacht, debuted in September 2024, spanning 790 feet and showcasing 224 spacious, light-filled accommodations for up to 448 guests, cultivating an extraordinary experience on the water. *Luminara*, slated to debut in July 2025, will continue this legacy, introducing new itineraries to both iconic cities and secluded harbors.

Each yacht reflects contemporary craftsmanship and meticulous attention to detail, boasting some of the highest employee-to-guest and space-to-guest ratios at sea. Guests enjoy highly personalized service, world-class dining, The Ritz-Carlton Spa®, a signature marina connecting them directly to the ocean, and an

atmosphere of relaxed sophistication, fostering connection throughout the journey. Private charter options are also available for fully tailored and unforgettable moments. For more information, visit ritzcarltonyachtcollection.com.

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