

Celebrity Millennium to receive \$10-million refreshment

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Known for its exceptional style and design, Celebrity Cruises is rolling out a series of new design schemes on Celebrity Millennium during a \$10-million refresh this year, beginning during its scheduled drydock period this week.

Consistently ranked among the top 10 large ships in the world since its launch in 2000, Celebrity Millennium will emerge May 22 from a 12-day drydock in Victoria, B.C., with new carpeting throughout the entire ship, and new upholstery embellishing every stylish stateroom, the Lido deck, the Celebrity Theatre, and the dramatic, sweeping main dining room. All marble and stone floors and counter areas will be renewed with a gleaming finish, and all wood hand rails on the ship's verandas and pool deck areas will be newly varnished.

Celebrity Millennium's sun worshipers are likely to take notice of the work completed in exterior areas, too, as new Bolidt -- an alternative to traditional teak decking -- is being installed across the pool deck, outdoor stage, dance floor and jogging track.

Every suite will be equipped with 32-inch LED flat-panel TVs, while every plush ConciergeClass stateroom will boast 26-inch versions of the high-tech product. Additionally, new drapes, bed skirts and bed throws in warm, natural hues will further enhance every suite and stateroom.

By October of this year, new upholstery also will adorn furnishings in the ship's retail areas, the sweeping Grand Foyer, and every lounge, including Celebrity's chic, signature Martini Bar, and all staterooms will boast 26-inch LED flat-panel TVs.

The newly-refreshed Celebrity Millennium embarks on this year's Alaska season May 22, on a 7-night cruise roundtrip from Vancouver, B.C., prior to a series of 7-night Southbound Alaska sailings to and from Vancouver and Seward, Alaska, through September.