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The new Stena Baltica has debuted on Stena Line's Baltic Sea route from Ventspils to Nynäshamn

With the continued expansion of Stena Line's operations in the Baltic Sea, on 19 January the new ferry Stena Baltica has made its maiden voyage on the Ventspils–Nynäshamn route. Henceforth it will share this route with Stena Scandica, replacing Stena Flavia, which will join Stena Livia on the Liepāja– Travemünde route.

Stena Baltica is identical to the Stena Scandica, which has operated between Ventspils and Nynäshamn since the summer of 2021. It is 222 metres long and has 202 cabins. It can accommodate 970 passengers, and has freight capacity of 2875 lane metres, as well as an extra car deck. The ferry's interior has been refurbished and offers new cabin categories, spacious shops with great deals, lounge areas and several dining facilities, as well as a sundeck.

"Transporting passengers and freight in the Baltic Sea region for almost a decade now, we keep constant track of our customers' needs and demand, and are delighted to improve our customers' experience. Compared to ferries that previously operated the route, Stena Scandica and Stena Baltica provide 30% more freight capacity and 70% more cabin space, more extensive leisure options, and a more pleasant travel experience on our vessels and routes to and from Latvia. Both new ferries are outstanding additions to Stena Line's fleet of vessels for our customers, and this is just the first step on the path to our major plan to double the number of passengers on this Baltic Sea route over a three year period," says Johan Edelman, Stena Line Trade Director, Baltic Sea North.

The new ferries are fitted with several sustainable features and fuel efficiency improvements, such as hybrid scrubbers, ballast water cleaning systems and other solutions to offer more sustainable transportation across the Baltic Sea. The increased tonnage also means lower emissions per transported unit.

Ventspils–Nynäshamn is the shortest route between Latvia and Scandinavia and will now be operated by Stena Scandica and Stena Baltica, while the ferries Stena Flavia and Stena Livia will now be deployed on the Liepāja–Travemünde route.

About Stena Line in Latvia:

Stena Line is one of Europe's leading ferry companies with 37 vessels and 17 routes in Northern Europe. Stena Line is an important part of the European logistics network and develops new intermodal freight solutions by combining transport by rail, road and sea. Stena Line also plays an important role in tourism in Europe with its extensive passenger operations.

In 2012 Stena Line acquired the ferry route between Nynäshamn in Sweden and Ventspils in Latvia. The company has more than doubled its operations from one vessel and 10 departures per week, to its current fixed timetable, which sees two vessels making 24 voyages a week for passengers and freight.

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