

# EXPLORE THE WORLD – SAFELY!

For us, the safety of the guests and crew on board our ships always comes first – especially in these current times. In 2020, we proved that our safety and hygiene practices work when we were the first cruise operator worldwide to get our ships going again in June. Our proven measures meet national and international health standards.

**The 2G regulation has been in effect for our ocean cruises since October 27, 2021 on VASCO DA GAMA and for WORLD VOYAGER since October 29, 2021. On our river trips, the 2G regulation applies with the start of the winter season from November 29, 2021.**

This means that on our cruises from the dates mentioned, only fully vaccinated or recovered guests travel in accordance with the 2G rule. Children under the age of 12 are exempt from the 2G regulation. They must present a negative PCR test, which must not be older than 72 hours at the time of embarkation.

We have summarised the key facts for you in our 10-point plan below.

This year, we are again pursuing our passion to offer you unforgettable holiday experiences, showing you the most beautiful spots on the river and along European coasts. Come on board!

## 1. Safety right from the start...

Even before the ship departs, we focus on your health: together with your travel documents, you will receive an infection protection questionnaire, which you need to complete and sign on the day of embarkation. Additionally, the proof of a current negative antigen rapid test (not older than 24 hours upon embarkation) is also mandatory for all guests on all of our cruises. Due to the current situation, we recommend all guests to do a rapid antigen test at their place of residence one day before arrival and to use the free citizen tests for this. Only passengers with a negative test result are allowed to cast off.

On our ocean voyages, we also test all guests free of charge upon embarkation.

## 2. ... and throughout the entire cruise

Two is better than one: in addition to checking the infection protection questionnaire and the negative test result, we also check your temperature every day on board using a contactless device – and we do this both for you and our crew members. This helps us ensure that everyone on board is as well protected as possible.

## 3. Well trained and well protected

You are in the best hands on board: the crew on board our ships is optimally prepared. The COVID-19 test taken when you embark on the ship is carried out by competent, medically trained staff. We also have an on-board doctor. All crew members have been fully trained in our additional hygiene and infection protection measures. Wearing FFP2 masks and undergoing continual health checks are common practice for the crew.

## 4. Comprehensive hygiene and disinfection: this goes without saying

Hygiene is always number one priority on all nicko cruises ships. We have expanded our existing hygiene measures. All surfaces on board that are



touched on a regular basis are continually cleaned and disinfected – in both the public areas and the cabins. For this, we use highly effective cleaning products and surface disinfectants, which are also effective against viruses. We also provide additional disinfectant dispensers on all ships, so that you can disinfect your hands at all the key contact points.

## 5. Enjoy your trip whilst maintaining sufficient distance

We make sure that you can maintain sufficient distance so you can travel safely. On our small ships, you'll travel with a manageable number of like-minded people.

All procedures on board have been adapted so that the current distancing rules can be complied with. Anywhere where a minimum distance of 1.5 metres is not possible – for example in lifts, stairwells and on the jogging track – we ask all guests and crew members to protect each other by wearing an FFP2 mask.

## 6. Plenty of space in our bars and restaurants

We give you more space to enjoy yourselves: In all the restaurants and bars on board our ships, tables and seats are placed with sufficient distance from each other, which means you can continue to eat and drink without hesitation and let the evenings end with a cocktail or two.

## 7. We serve you – even at the buffet

Culinary highlights are part and parcel of every cruise. Let us spoil you! On board our ships, we'll serve you delicious dishes from our menu straight to your table. And at the buffet, our culinary delights are currently arranged on plates and served there too.

## 8. Safety first – on our shore excursions too

At nicko cruises, excursions are a key part of the cruise. So that you can also discover beautiful cultural experiences and explore nature without hesitation in these times too, our excursions will take place in small groups. With our comfortable audio system, you can still maintain a safe distance throughout the shore excursion. Effective protection is also ensured by FFP2 masks, which will be worn on the buses, which are also regularly disinfected.

## 9. Sport and spa – open for you

Whether you want to do some sport or you just want to relax: with us, you can feel completely at home, because our fitness and spa areas on board are open for you. By registering in advance, we can also guarantee sufficient space for you in the fitness area and spa.

## 10. Together: with each other and for each other

We have devised our 10-point plan to ensure your safety on board. So that you can enjoy your holiday safely and to the full, we ask that you take an active part in our safety and hygiene practices.

