

**NOTICE TO MARINERS No 48 (T) of 2024**  
**Port of Southampton**

**Queen Anne - Flotilla Welcome Event**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** of a spectacular flotilla planned to welcome Queen Anne to Southampton.

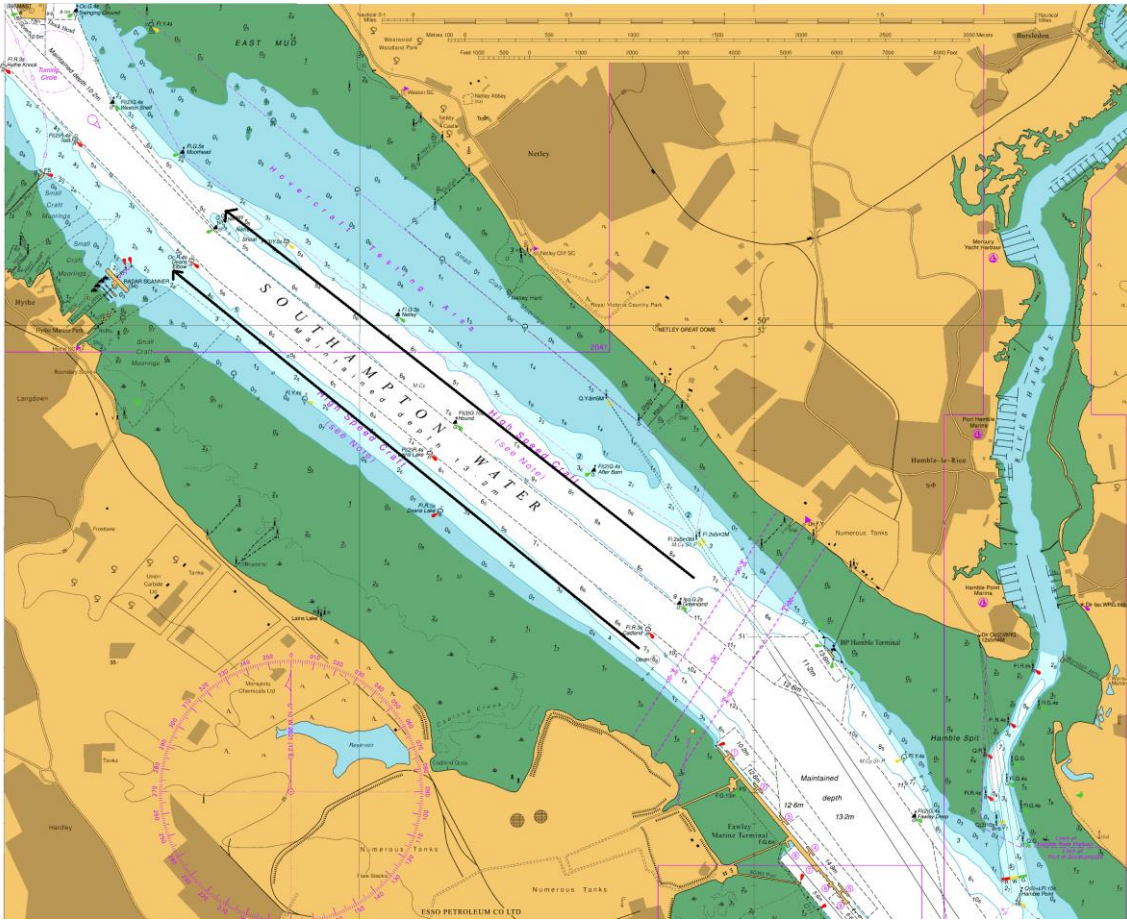


Cunard is calling all mariners to join a flotilla at 09:30 hrs on 27 April to mark its newest ship Queen Anne sailing into her homeport of Southampton for the first time. Queen Anne is the 249th ship to sail under the Cunard flag, and her arrival into the city marks a new era of luxury ocean travel.

As she first navigates Southampton Water it is hoped that thousands of spectators will watch on and vessels (both leisure and small commercial) will participate in a welcome flotilla, the luxury cruise line hopes the second-largest Cunard vessel ever built will be accompanied by 248 crafts – each symbolising a ship from the brand's rich 184-year heritage.

Ceremonial tugboats will add to the celebrations, spraying water cannons to herald the 113,000-ton, 3,000-guest Queen's arrival into the port. She will berth at the City Terminal at 10:30 hrs.

The flotilla will take place between the Cadland and Deans Elbow Buoy on the southern side of the main channel or the Greenland and NW Netley Buoy on the northern side of the main channel (see chartlet below). Vessels taking part are requested to muster outside of the main channel at either the Cadland or Greenland Buoys at 09:30 hrs on 27 April ready to greet Queen Anne as she proceeds up Southampton Water for the first time and then run with her up to the Deans Elbow or NW Netley buoy (remaining outside of the main navigation channel at all times).



Once parallel to the Deans Elbow or NW Netley buoy the flotilla should allow Queen Anne to proceed up into the docks alone and refrain from impeding or following her to enable safe maneuvering and berthing at City Cruise Terminal.

All mariners wishing to take part in the flotilla event are requested to register their craft via [Queen Anne Flotilla Event](#) to ensure that event updates and communication can be maintained with all participants.

**Vessel Traffic Services Centre  
Ocean Dock, Atlantic Way  
Southampton**

**Steve Masters  
Harbour Master**

**26th March 2024**

**Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Sailing Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.**