

Banana Coast Cruise Port Welcomes First Call

MIAMI (Feb. 10, 2014) -- Banana Coast, the recently completed cruise port in Trujillo, Honduras, welcomed its first call Feb. 10, 2014. The 130-passenger Yorktown made the inaugural call and will return Feb. 17, 2014.

Travel Dynamics, who operates Yorktown, features high-caliber educational cruises aboard small ships in North America, the Mediterranean, Antarctica and Africa. Banana Coast was added to Yorktown's Tropical Islands, Rain Forests & Ancient Sites of Central America itinerary.

"It was great to see Banana Coast come to life today," said Randy Jorgensen, general manager of Grande Trujillo Authority, who developed the port. "Travel Dynamics' guests are very interested in culture and history when they cruise, and we are proud to offer a destination that embraces those qualities. We look forward to Yorktown's return."

Banana Coast has diverse retail shopping and 10 acres of beachfront right in the colonial town of Trujillo, which was established in 1525. Diverse shore excursions feature the region's Spanish colonial heritage and lush tropical setting with cultural, historical, soft-adventure and eco-tour offerings.

Holland America Line was the first major cruise company to commit to a series of port calls at Banana Coast, beginning in November 2014. Luxury operator Silversea Cruises has slated calls in December 2014 and March 2015, and Oceania Cruises also is scheduled to call in March 2015.

EDITORS NOTE: Images of Banana Coast, as well as high-resolution renderings, are available upon request. Contact Shannon O'Rourke at Shannon@newmanpr.com.

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