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### Cruise Weekly today

CRUISE Weekly today features four pages of all the latest cruise industry news plus a front cover wrap from **Dream Cruises**.

### Carnival's new cco

CARNIVAL Cruise Line has appointed Chris Chiames to the newly created role of vice president and chief communications officer.

Reporting directly to CCL president Christine Duffy, Chiames is responsible for corporate reputation management, internal and external comms, issues management, executive comms and other comms that enhance the brand and reputation of the line.

Chiames was most recently svp of corporate comms at Sabre and brings over 30 years' experience to the role.

## Celebrity Edge's big culinary reveal

DETAILS have been revealed on the 29 culinary venues to be on board Celebrity Cruises' new ship, *Celebrity Edge*.

Four main dining venues, two exclusive Suite and AquaClass restaurants, new specialty restaurants, five complimentary dining venues and 11 bars and lounges will be introduced when the ship debuts on 21 Nov.

"We are known for our world-class culinary offerings – our guests tell us this is what sets us apart and the prestigious awards we win affirm that – and on *Celebrity Edge*, we've combined unique concepts, expansive menus and incredible design to serve a platter of exciting new dining experiences never before seen at sea," said Celebrity Cruises vice president hotel operations Brian Abel.

*Edge* will feature a redesigned main dining experience, with four



complimentary restaurants, each inspired by a specific region of the world.

Guests will be able to get their Italian fix at Tuscan Restaurant, tuck into French cuisine at Normandie Restaurant (**pictured**), devour Mediterranean fare at Cyprus Restaurant and enjoy modern-American cuisine at Cosmopolitan Restaurant.

Passengers will have a choice of two ways to dine, with Celebrity

Traditional Dining providing an early or late seating at the same table in one of the four restaurants and the option to experience the other venues upon request.

The second option - Celebrity Select Dining Plus - allows guests to eat when and where they'd like each evening and they can make reservations in any of the four restaurants at the time they wish.

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## HAL's foodie focus

**THE** Holland America Line Culinary Council has taken on a new focus, with the company giving each of its seven members a dining experience to "enhance and elevate".

The Council embarks on its new task with a fresh face, following the addition of sushi chef Andy Matsuda (**pictured**).

Matsuda will lead sushi offerings in Lido Market as well as the sushi menu available in Tamarind on select ships.

Chair of the council Rudi Sodamin will oversee all aspects of onboard dining and lend his expertise to Rudi's Sel de Mer.

Other members of the council include Jonnie Boer who will bring his restaurant, De Librije, on board select sailings through Taste of De Librije evenings in Pinnacle Grill.

David Burke will enhance the



menu at Pinnacle Grill while Elizabeth Falkner will introduce lighter fare to venues across the fleet.

Ethan Stowell will introduce several of his recipes at New York Pizza and select Lido Market stations and Jacques Torres will guide HAL's chocolate desserts.

HAL has also recruited wine critic James Suckling to review and curate a new wine list to be rolled out across the fleet by the end of 2018.

## L'Austral swings by Syd



**THERE** is a rare sight in Sydney Harbour today, with Ponant's *L'Austral* docked at White Bay Cruise Terminal.

The vessel is visiting the city having just completed a circumnavigation of Australia.

Ponant took advantage of the day in port by inviting members of the travel industry on board this morning for a ship inspection.

Craig Farrell, bdm Vic, told attendees Ponant was in exciting times, with the line set to have a fleet of 10 following the addition of four new expedition ships and an icebreaker.

Two Ponant Explorers will be launched this year and two in 2019 and will be smaller than *L'Austral*, *Le Boreal*, *Le Lyrial* and *Le Soleal*.

They will all be about 10m

shorter and have a shallower draft by about one metre, allowing them to enter areas previously inaccessible, such as further up the Amazon.

"A lot of other cruise lines are getting bigger and bigger with their newbuilds but we're actually getting a little bit smaller".

The vessels will also have a submersible mini-port to make boarding the Zodiacs easier.

Zodiacs will drive onto the platform, which may then be raised out of the water so passengers can board on a stationary platform, no matter what the weather conditions are.

**Pictured** are: Michael Corbett; PR manager; Deb Corbett, commercial director Asia-Pacific and Craig Farrell, business development manager Vic.



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## Seabourn temptation



**SEABOURN** is tempting potential guests with the promise of fresh gelato which will be made daily and served on board *Seabourn Ovation*.

The artisan gelato is among the culinary delights which will debut on *Ovation* when she launches in May.

The creamy treat will also be available on *Seabourn Encore* from Apr and go fleetwide by

early 2019.

When stomachs grumble, guests on board *Seabourn Ovation* will have a choice of The Grill by Thomas Keller (**pictured**), Sushi, The Restaurant, The Colonnade, The Patio and Seabourn Square.

Guests can also take advantage of Cocktail Hour in seven lounges and bars, afternoon tea served daily in The Observation Bar and in-suite dining.

## Princess & Fathom extend partnership

**PRINCESS** Cruises and Fathom Travel have revealed four additional impact cruises in the Caribbean for 2018, which will now be called "Travel Deep" sailings.

The voyages follow a successful inaugural departure in Jan on board *Crown Princess* where more than 150 guests took part in the Fathom opportunities.

The six dates are on the following seven-day Princess Cruises Caribbean cruises: *Caribbean Princess* departing 30 Jun, 28 Jul and 18 Aug and on *Royal Princess* leaving 17 Nov.

This is in addition to the previously announced cruise on *Regal Princess* on 18 Mar and *Caribbean Princess* on 26 May.

**MEANWHILE**, Princess Cruises has premiered its newest show, *The Secret Silk*, created in partnership with composer Stephen Swartz.

## Celebrity Edge plates up



**GUESTS** on Celebrity Cruises' new ship *Celebrity Edge* won't go hungry, with the line revealing the ship will have six new specialty restaurants.

The additions include Fine Cut Steakhouse (**above**), Rooftop Garden Grill, Eden Restaurant (**CW 29 Jun**), Raw on 5, Le Grand Bistro and Dinner on the Edge, which will be on the "Magic Carpet" when it is positioned at the top level (**top right**).

Suite Class guests will have even more perks, with access to a private restaurant, Luminae at The Retreat (**right**) and AquaClass passengers will be able to dine at Blu.

Five complimentary dining options will be available - including Mast Grill and Oceanview Cafe.

These will be joined by a further three new offerings Grand Plaza Cafe, The Spa Cafe & Juice Bar (**right**) as well as Eden Cafe.

*Edge* will feature a total of 11 bars and lounges.



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## Celeb Alaska up

**CELEBRITY** Cruises has seen more than a 100% growth in Australian pax cruising in Alaska with the company over the past five years.

The line will send three ships to Alaska for this nth summer.

## Cruise Calendar

This week's port calls of cruise ships at various destinations around Australia and New Zealand.

### SYDNEY

<i>Carnival Spirit</i>	06 Mar
<i>L'Austral</i>	06 Mar
<i>Azamara Journey</i>	06 Mar
<i>Pacific Jewel</i>	07 Mar
<i>Ovation of the Seas</i>	08 Mar
<i>Queen Mary 2</i>	09 Mar
<i>Diamond Princess</i>	10 Mar
<i>Seven Seas Voyager</i>	10 Mar
<i>Voyager of the Seas</i>	11 Mar
<i>Explorer of the Seas</i>	12 Mar

### MELBOURNE

<i>Carnival Legend</i>	06 Mar
<i>Diamond Princess</i>	08 Mar
<i>Radiance of the Seas</i>	08 Mar
<i>Pacific Eden</i>	09 Mar
<i>Golden Princess</i>	10 Mar
<i>Celebrity Solstice</i>	11 Mar
<i>Pacific Eden</i>	12 Mar

### BRISBANE

<i>Pacific Dawn</i>	06 Mar
<i>Costa Luminosa</i>	06 Mar
<i>Sea Princess</i>	08 Mar
<i>Pacific Aria</i>	09 Mar
<i>Azamara Journey</i>	09 Mar
<i>Pacific Dawn</i>	10 Mar
<i>Queen Mary 2</i>	11 Mar
<i>Sea Princess</i>	12 Mar

### CAIRNS

<i>Regatta</i>	09 Mar
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### DARWIN

<i>Seabourn Encore</i>	07 Mar
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### FREMANTLE

<i>Astor</i>	12 Mar
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### ADELAIDE

<i>Radiance of the Seas</i>	06 Mar
<i>Astor</i>	07 Mar
<i>Celebrity Solstice</i>	09 Mar

### HOBART

<i>Pacific Eden</i>	06 Mar
<i>Ovation of the Seas</i>	10 Mar
<i>Golden Princess</i>	12 Mar

### AUCKLAND

<i>Seven Seas Voyager</i>	06 Mar
<i>Noordam</i>	11 Mar

## New Queen on *Horizon*

**MUSICAL** artist, television and film actress, label president, author and entrepreneur Queen Latifah (**pictured**) will be godmother to Carnival Cruise Line's *Carnival Horizon*.

She will take part in the vessel's naming ceremony and in a "Lip Sync Battle: Horizon" showcase on an overnight gala onboard the shiny new *Carnival Horizon* in New York on 23 May.

"With her fun-loving spirit and positive, can-do attitude, Queen Latifah embodies our brand



and knows how to 'Choose Fun' in everything she does," said Christine Duffy, president of Carnival Cruise Line.

After the event *Horizon* will begin a northern summer schedule from New York.

## Coral Expeditions appointment

**CORAL** Expeditions has a new commercial director, following the appointment of Jeff Gillies to the role.

Gillies took up the position in Feb and will oversee the sales and marketing for the brand.

He returns to Cairns after four years as the head of partnerships Oceania & Asia for Ironman.

## American Cruise Lines' 2nd new riverboat

**AMERICAN** Cruise Lines has begun construction on its second new riverboat at Chesapeake Shipbuilding, in Salisbury, Maryland.

The new addition is part of a series of five new vessels and will be a sister ship to *American Song* (**pictured**), which will embark on its maiden cruise on the Mississippi in Oct.

Itinerary details are yet to be announced, but the ship will begin sailing in the northern summer, 2019.



## Wild Earth Expo

**WILD** Earth Travel is inviting agents and their clients to its biggest Polar Travel Expo.

The evenings will cover the offerings of Heritage Expeditions, Adventure Canada and Polar Latitude.

The expo will visit Melbourne on 19 Mar, Canberra on 20 Mar, Sydney on 21 Mar and Brisbane on 22 Mar.

For more info, [CLICK HERE](#).



**AN ORDER** to "deploy the lifeboats" took on a new meaning in the cruise hub of Miami last week, when a Canadian air force helicopter dropped an inflatable raft through the roof of a shocked resident's home.

Local woman Luce Rameau told the *Miami Herald* she was in bed talking on the phone when the 36kg six-person lifeboat came crashing through her bedroom ceiling, leaving her unscathed but covered in dust and debris.

The Royal Canadian Air Force had been on training exercises in Florida and was practicing water rescue missions when the incident occurred.

An investigation has been ordered and Canada has offered to provide assistance to the affected woman.

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