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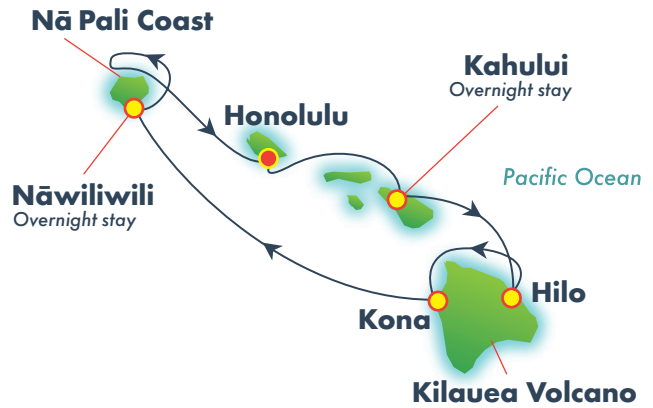
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Cruise Weekly today

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

Escape to Hawaii

NORWEGIAN Cruise Line is today reminding agents that its Mid-Winter Hawaii Sale has been extended until 31 Jul.

Until the end of the month, passengers can choose from one of five free offers from the cruise line, as well as receive US\$200 free onboard credit.

The deal is valid on the cruise line's seven-day Hawaiian round trip sailing, which visits four destinations including Honolulu on Oahu, Kahului on Maui, Nawiliwili on the island of Kauai, as well as Hilo on the Big Island.

For more information on the offer, see the **cover page**.

Sydney welcomes gangway upgrade

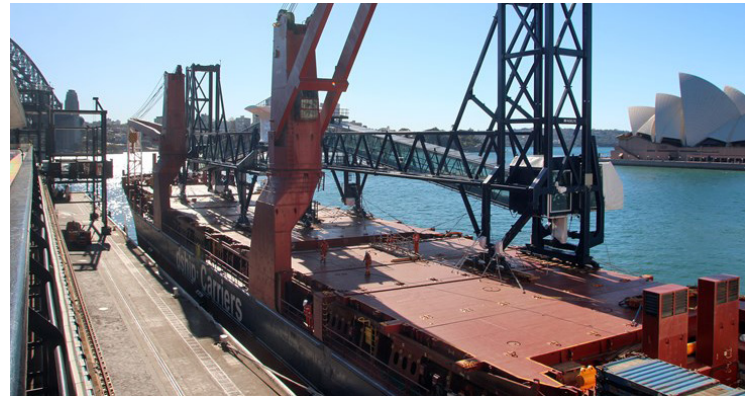
TWO new gangways have arrived at Sydney's Overseas Passenger Terminal, designed to better support visits from larger cruise ships in excess of 5,000 passengers.

Arriving fully assembled, the gangways were unloaded by crane and installed on the wharf over two days.

NSW State Minister for Transport and Roads Andrew Constance said the two new gangways aim to improve the terminal's efficiency.

"These new passenger bridges will move over 1,200 people every 30 minutes," he said.

"The great thing is they increase capacity and speed up boarding and disembarking, making it a much more enjoyable experience for the hundreds of thousands of passengers welcomed at the Overseas Passenger Terminal every year."



Following a period of testing and commissioning, the new gangways are expected to be operational in time for the 2019/20 cruise season.

The new gangways build on the NSW Government's recent investments in Sydney's cruise terminal facilities.

Over 1.6m cruise passengers transit through Sydney's Overseas Passenger Terminal and White

Bay Cruise Terminal each year.

The 300-plus cruise ships visiting New South Wales each year generate \$2.75 billion for the state's economy and support almost 10,000 jobs and generate \$800 million in wages.

Pictured is the ship delivering the two fully-constructed gangways to Sydney's Overseas Passenger Terminal in the Circular Quay precinct.

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Princess makes grand entrance in Asia

PRINCESS Cruises has announced it will homeport its 2,600-passenger *Grand Princess* in Singapore for the first time during the 2020/21 season - making it the first MedallionClass ship to arrive in Southeast Asia.

The vessel will replace *Sapphire Princess* in the popular cruise port, and boasts the line's latest Ocean Medallion technology.

The new wearable device allows guests to locate family members, open stateroom doors, order services from the crew and more.

"We are absolutely thrilled to announce *Grand Princess* homeporting in Singapore - this marks a significant milestone for Princess Cruises," said Princess Cruises Director, Southeast Asia Farriek Tawfik.

"This gives us an opportunity to deliver new enriching experiences, creating excitement and sparking interest among



guests," he added.

Grand Princess will offer four-to 21-day itineraries exploring Malaysia, Vietnam, Thailand, Cambodia and Indonesia, providing a convenient option for Australian guests to enjoy new fly cruise packages.

Dining venues on board the ship include Slice Pizzeria, The Mix, Salty Dog Grill, Coffee &

Cones and the upscale specialty restaurant Crown Grill, which offers a variety of premium beef and seafood, cooked-to-order in an open, theatre-style kitchen.

Closer to home, Princess Cruises' new Ocean Medallion technology will arrive on local shores when *Ruby Princess* homeports in Australia in 2020.

Pictured: *Grand Princess*.

Register to win

AGENTS are being encouraged to register their attendance for the final episode of the *Travel Daily* and *Cruise Weekly* webinar series, filmed in conjunction with Crystal Cruises.

Agents who register will go in the draw to win a nine-night Caribbean cruise.

Episode three, which airs today at 2pm AEST, sees *Travel Daily's* Editor, Jasmine O'Donoghue, take a closer look at the onshore experiences offered by the cruise line's *Crystal Endeavor* ship.

She is joined by MD and Senior Vice President for Crystal Cruises, Karen Christensen and the brand's recently appointed Expedition Leader, David Sinclair.

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Discover all RCI's new *Spectrum of the Seas* has to offer in the July issue of *travelBulletin*.

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Crystal's new face

CRYSTAL Cruises has announced the appointment of Harry Te Horst as Hotel Director for the cruise line's *Crystal Endeavor* ship, set to launch in Aug 2020.

Te Horst brings more than 30 years' experience working on board a number of cruise ships, including as Hotel Director onboard *Crystal Esprit* in 2015.

"His blend of management and shipboard experience across the expedition and luxury sectors and natural gift of genuine service and hospitality make him uniquely and perfectly suited for *Crystal Endeavor*," said Crystal's SVP of Hotel Operations, Toni Neumeister.



A Legend in the Antarctic



AUSTRALIAN polar expedition company, iExpedition, is prepping to send its luxury private superyacht *Legend*, back to the polar caps of the Antarctic, with the cruise line confirming the ship will return to the region for a series of cruises in Dec 2019.

The luxury ship, which boasts just 22 passengers, is scheduled to set sail from Puerto Williams, Chile on 06 Dec and 13 Dec, taking passengers on an eight-day Exclusive Antarctica voyage.

"The *Legend* brings a new level of luxury and exclusivity

to Antarctica," said iExpedition Founder, Ben Alexander.

"For today's sophisticated modern traveller this is the ultimate way to experience the White Continent," he added.

Built-in 1973 in the Netherlands, the *Legend* began life as an icebreaker in the service of the former Soviet Union, before being completely rebuilt and renovated in 2016.

For more information on the ship and its range of itineraries, [CLICK HERE](#).

Pictured: iExpeditions' *Legend*.

Louvre to Ponant

THREE Louvre Museum curators are set to join two of Ponant's sailings in 2020, where they will deliver a series of presentations and lectures to passengers on board the cruise line's *Le Lyrial* and *Le Jacques-Cartier* ships.

The nine-night Cultural Jewels of the Adriatic journey, departing Aug 2020, will see Director of the Department of Decorative Arts, Jannic Durand, and Curator for the Department of Greek, Etruscan and Roman Antiquities, Ludovic Laugier, host a range of lectures and conferences with guests, highlighting the destinations & cultural sights.

The eight-night Treasures of the Persian Gulf itinerary, departing Nov 2020, will welcome Yannick Lintz, Director of the Department of Islamic Art at the Louvre, who will share her expertise with ship guests.

For more information about the cruises and their highlights, [CLICK HERE](#).

Uniwold showcases EU with new deals

UNIWORLD Boutique River Cruises is offering a new range of pre-sailing deals to passengers looking to travel on 22 of the brand's popular European voyages.

Passengers booking before 16 Aug can choose from three different offers, including the chance to fly free in Economy class; the opportunity to upgrade to Business class from \$2,999 including air taxes; as well as the chance to save \$2,000 on cruises of 10 days or less, or \$2,500 on cruises of 11 days or more.

The deal is valid for travel between 01 Mar and 15 Nov 2020, for more information phone 1300 780 231.

Local Alaskan fun with Princess Cruises

TO CELEBRATE Princess Cruises' 50th year of sailing into Alaska, the cruise line has partnered with a team of Alaskan experts to offer guests a new series of "authentic" experiences as part of its popular Local Connections program.

Guests can choose from 15 shore excursions, including cooking with Alaskan wilderness Chef, Dodie Lunda; the opportunity to go on a photography trip with one of three local photographers, as well as take a "Ghosts and Goodtime Girls" tour with Red Onion Saloon owner and "head madam", Jan Wrentmore - more info is available [HERE](#).

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Star Clippers to Cambodia



TALL ship operator, Star Clippers, has released its 2020 brochure, with highlights including a brand new 10- and 11-night trip to Cambodia's Koh Rong Island and Sihanoukville.

Also new to the 2020 program is the addition of three new ports, including Stintino, Zadar and Vis Island, with guests also able to return to Borneo

following a successful first season in the Asian island.

Prices for the new Cambodian itinerary start from \$4,810 per person for the 10-night journey, and \$5,290 per person for the 11-night option.

For more information on the new program, visit the website at starclippers.com/au.

Pictured: The *Star Clipper*.



ABERCROMBIE & Kent has released a new 48-day grand Arctic voyage that departs Norway's Svalbard archipelago and explores Greenland, Iceland, the Northwest Passage, Alaska, and the Canadian Arctic.

A major highlight of the new itinerary, which will take place aboard the luxurious megayacht *Le Boreal*, are stops on the rarely visited east coast of Greenland, calling in at sites such as the Kaiser Franz Josef Fjords, Scoresby Sound and the Inuit village of Ittoqqortoormiit.

The trip culminates with a sailing across the Arctic Circle that cruises through the Northwest

Passage following in the footsteps of noted polar explorers.

Sightseeing along this leg of the voyage includes views of the Smoking Hills of Franklin Bay, the Ilulissat Icefjord on Greenland's west coast (**pictured**), and the remote Yukon Territory - Canada's westernmost province.

The A&K adventure also boasts a wide-ranging expedition team on board to help illuminate the landscapes for guests, such as conservationists, scientists and historians.

The Grand Arctic Voyage sails between 31 Jul and 16 Sep 2020, with prices starting from the earlybird rate of \$82,290pp.

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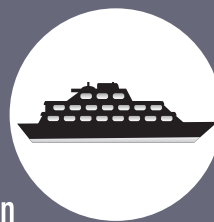
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Earlybird music tix

CRUISE Express is offering the first 100 guests 10% off the price of their cabin when booking on board Royal Caribbean's *Serenade of the Seas* "Bravo" music cruise, departing 13 Oct 2020.

The seven-night cruise is set to feature more than 45 artists performing music from a variety of genres, including opera, musical theatre, cabaret and jazz, with famous faces including Anthony Warlow, Ruthie Henshall, Teddy Tahu Rhodes and Peter Coleman-Wright.

Fares are subject to availability, phone 1300 766 537 for information.

FACE-2-FACE: Gai Tyrrell

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1. What is the favourite part of your job?

People! It's wonderful to see our guests enriching their lives through travel and to be part of a passionate team constantly creating new travel adventures.

2. What is the key to success in the cruise industry?

Innovation. Markets change, and cruise operators must also adapt by creating new travel ideas, vessel designs and product offerings and always with ongoing regard for our sustainability commitments.

3. What is the biggest challenge facing the industry?

Sustainability. In a world where we are all concerned about climate change and environmental impacts, the cruise industry is intently focused on continuous improvement and responsible operation.

4. Advice for up-and-comers?

Treasure your professional relationships. Never forget

that success is about mutual achievement of goals based on trust, flexibility and execution of your commitments.

5. How do you wind down after a busy week?

Honestly – after sport and the commitments that come with a teenager in high school, as my son Charlie says we try to "just chill at home" which is hard for me as I'm not really good at chilling.

6. The celebrity you would most like to cruise with?

Bond, James Bond...er, I mean Daniel Craig. He's a huge fan of science fiction, football, and a friend of Nicole Kidman & Kate Moss. Sean Connery, Roger Douglas and Pierce Brosnan gave him the thumbs up.

He started as a waiter and now he's Bond. And maybe to get the inside scoop on Bond 25 before it's launched!

P&O & UNICEF to help save babies' lives

GUESTS of P&O Cruises are helping to save the lives of thousands of newborn babies across Papua New Guinea, thanks to the cruise line's latest P&O Partnership program.

Working in conjunction with UNICEF, the cruise line is helping to support the introduction of the "Baby Cold Clock" bracelet, a tool that is designed to flash and alert the parent when a child's temperature drops suddenly, indicating hypothermia.

The program is aided by "one dollar contributions" made by guests.



BRITAIN'S secret service may look to stake out your next cruise adventure in order to catch spies who have been smuggling out military secrets.

According to reports out of the UK, MI6 agents will be going undercover in a bid to spot the band of spies who have been posing as happy cruise pax.

The reports also include info about a husband and wife spy couple who have been allegedly travelling on cruise ships around the world for years.



CLIA UPDATE

with Joel Katz
MD, CLIA Australasia

Cruising by river

RIVER cruising has developed into a fantastically diverse part of our industry, offering an increasing choice of experiences along some of the world's most spectacular waterways. The ease of travelling through Europe by river and the spectacular towns and villages to explore along the way have seen operators develop enviable levels of repeat business, and have inspired expansions to rivers on other continents like Asia and South America.

To celebrate this thriving sector and help travel agents develop a better understanding of what's available, CLIA will host its annual River Cruise Conference this Nov in Amsterdam.

As well as a packed schedule of conference sessions and networking opportunities, the event will also include ship inspections and a trade show.

The conference is hosted by CLIA UK and will be held on 10 & 11 Nov, with delegates able to stay overnight onboard river cruise ships berthed in Amsterdam. Tickets are limited and exclusive to CLIA travel agent members - [CLICK HERE](#) to find out more.

Closer to home, there's still time to get involved in our Cruise630 Australasia conference on 30 Aug, and if you'd like to be involved in the preceding *Sea Princess* ship inspection, registrations are due by Mon - [CLICK HERE](#).



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