



Cruise Weekly today

Cruise Weekly today features two pages of all the latest cruise industry news plus a full page from **Cruiseeco**.

Cruiseeco + RCI

CRUISECO is today highlighting a number of its Royal Caribbean International (RCI) sailings in Australia and New Zealand in 2021.

Some of the key itineraries on show include the seven-night Tasmania & Melbourne voyage, the eight-night Tasmania voyage, the nine-night Queensland voyage and the 11-night New Zealand voyage.

With prices leading in from \$1,340 per person, head to the **back page** of today's issue of **Cruise Weekly** for further information.

Overhaul at Carnival Corporation

CARNIVAL Corporation has announced Jan Swartz (**pictured**) as Group President of Holland America Group, amid a mass of changes overnight.

Swartz, who had been Carnival Australia & Princess Cruises Group President since 2016, will now be responsible for Holland America Line, P&O Cruises Australia, Princess and Seabourn Cruise Line, as well as Holland America Princess Alaska Tours, and inter-group operations.

Carnival Corporation President & CEO Arnold Donald praised Swartz as a "highly respected executive and role model", a "champion of innovation", and a "proven leader".

Aside from Swartz's P&O Australia portfolio, her promotion will not affect Carnival Corporation's operations in the region, with Carnival stating Sture



Myrmell would retain his roles as Carnival Aus & P&O President.

Swartz will effectively replace Stein Kruse, previously Holland America Group & Carnival UK Group CEO, who has been named Senior Advisor to Carnival Corporation Chairman & CEO Arnold Donald.

"Stein's knowledge and experience have been invaluable to the corporation during the

course of his career," said Donald. "This new role provides us an opportunity to further leverage his expertise and skills, providing widespread benefits."

Other changes to Carnival Corporation's North American operations include two new Cunard regional appointments, with Nicole Knox taking up the Director of Marketing role, and Jamie Paiko appointed Vice President Sales.

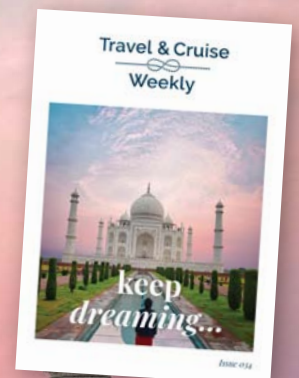
Cunard North America Director of Pricing & Demand Jeriel Lubaton has also had Customer Service added to his role.

"We plan on growing this ever more, including through our return to sailing in Alaska, and these three appointments will further strengthen our presence in the North American market," said Cunard President Simon Palethorpe.

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THERE are two types of people in the world: those who relish preparing for Christmas and those who don't.

It seems Sea Life Centre London Aquarium's gentoo penguins are the former, as they have been watching Christmas films this week to prepare for the return of visitors after lockdown.

The penguins have lost a bit of familiarity with people, after the human population of London joined the birds in not being able to leave the house the past few weeks, and as a result, the Aquarium has been showing Elf to re-familiarise the creatures with us.



P&O pause to Apr

P&O Cruises has extended its pause in operations into Apr due to "uncertainty around European ports of call".

"As the final payments are due for these cruises very soon, we felt it was the right thing to do for our guests," said President Paul Ludlow.

All affected guests will be notified, and will have a choice between a 125% future cruise credit or a 100% refund.

New #WeAreCruise drops



THE shutdown of Illawarra business Kollaras & Co (**pictured**) shows the impact of the ongoing suspension of domestic cruise operations on the local economy.

Kollaras & Co has joined a number of businesses in voicing support for the revival of the cruise industry, with the beverage solutions specialist having had to cut staff and rationalise operations since cruise ships stopped sailing in Mar.

In the latest instalment of the #WeAreCruise video series, Managing Director John Kollaras explains how businesses along the cruise industry supply chain have been impacted, and their need for certainty in the future.

"I think clarity is what everybody requires – a plan, a framework, so that everyone can collaborate, from government through to the downstream suppliers like us, to make sure we can restart this industry and get people cruising again," Kollaras says in the video.

Cruise Lines International Association Managing Director

Australasia Joel Katz said cruise lines had committed to extensive new health measures to support future operations, and that it was now vital to plan for a phased and carefully controlled resumption of local cruising.

"Australia's success in stemming the transmission of COVID-19 means we have an opportunity for a controlled reintroduction of domestic cruises - restricted to Australian residents only and with extensive testing and screening measures in place," Katz said.

"Cruising ordinarily contributes more than \$5 billion a year to the Australian economy, but thousands of jobs are now at risk while ships aren't operating.

"While the suspension of cruising has been the right response to COVID-19, it's important that we plan a pathway towards resumption with extensive health measures in place, so that we can restore economic opportunities to regional areas and other communities around our coast."

View the video **HERE**.

CLIA UPDATE



with Joel Katz
MD, CLIA Australasia

Changing the narrative around cruise

CLIA has made excellent headway this week as we work to change the narrative around cruising and open a pathway towards resumption.

The extensive new health protocols we have outlined in response to COVID-19 have not only had welcome acknowledgement from governments, but this week also resulted in extensive media coverage as we explain how the future of cruising will look.

The health measures cruise lines have developed go far beyond most other industries and include a worldwide commitment to 100% testing of guests and crew.

With these measures on the table, we are now calling on the Australian Government to replace the current ban on cruising with a conditional process that would allow cruise lines to progress towards approval for a carefully managed resumption in 2021.

Though the response to our measures has been encouraging, we know there is still some way to go before we can expect any green light, but we continue to lobby.

As part of the many television interviews and other media work CLIA has done this week, we have highlighted how important cruising is to the Australian economy and to businesses like travel agents.

We urge you to help reinforce this message, so visit **WeAreCruise.org** to find out how.

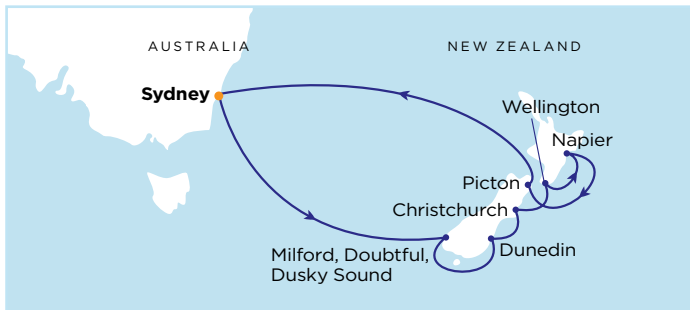


Australia & New Zealand IN 2021



NEW ZEALAND

Cruise departs 16 Oct 2021 | Sydney return
Ovation of the Seas



11 night cruise incl. all main meals* and entertainment on board

Inside from \$1,495pp*	Outside from \$1,920pp*	Balcony from \$1,995pp*
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TASMANIA & MELBOURNE

Cruise departs 22 Nov 2021 | Sydney return
Serenade of the Seas



7 night cruise incl. all main meals* and entertainment on board

Inside from \$1,340pp*	Outside from \$1,490pp*	Balcony from \$1,695pp*
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TASMANIA VOYAGE

Cruise departs 24 Nov 2021 | Brisbane return
Quantum of the Seas



8 night cruise incl. all main meals* and entertainment on board

Inside from \$1,550pp*	Outside from \$1,695pp*	Balcony from \$2,095pp*
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QUEENSLAND VOYAGE

Cruise departs 29 Dec 2021 | Brisbane return
Quantum of the Seas



9 night cruise incl. all main meals* and entertainment on board

Inside from \$1,555pp*	Outside from \$1,850pp*	Balcony from \$1,915pp*
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*Prices are per adult in AUD, based on the lowest available twin-share accommodation in each of the specified categories, port charges and government fees. (excluding onboard purchases), correct as at 1 December 2020. Prices are inclusive of gratuities. Offers are valid for a limited time only, are for new bookings only, are capacity controlled, subject to availability/change and can be withdrawn or varied at any time without notice. Any additional accommodation and transfers made necessary due to flight schedules are the sole responsibility of the passengers. Single passengers must pay a single supplement. Some staterooms may have an obstructed view. All discounts/savings have been applied. To be read in conjunction with the Terms and Conditions of Royal Caribbean Cruises, which passengers will be bound by. Agents may charge fees and/or fees for credit card payment which vary. Cancellation penalties and conditions apply.

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