



### Cruise Weekly today

Cruise Weekly today features two pages of all the latest cruise industry news.

### Give me the World

WHILE she cannot explore the world, Dream Cruises is bringing the world to *World Dream*, with its Markets of the World immersive activity available on the cruise line's 19 Sep to 06 Nov sailings.

The exclusive series of thematic events will include Dream Markets at Sea, which will feature famous festivals and international cultures.

Travellers will also be able to experience the Mid-Autumn Festival, Oktoberfest, Halloween celebrations, and Western Australia staterooms, which will see 10 Balcony staterooms recreated to "travel" to the state.

Experiences include a Western Australia Amazing Race game with a range of prizes, a Western Australia Trivia Wall offering the chance to win a WA hamper, and a photo contest, providing an all-expenses paid trip to the state.

Also featured will be an array of Asian and international street food stalls, including a Western Australian Lobster Fever cooking show, and food stalls from France, Germany, Hong Kong, Japan, South Korea, Spain, and Taiwan.

## Eclipse changes revealed

SCENIC Luxury Cruises & Tours has elevated *Scenic Eclipse's* cruising experience with new ship enhancements, including a new entertainment partnership with Belinda King Creative Productions (BKCP).

The cruise entertainment company has created a collection of unique immersive experiences, designed exclusively for *Eclipse*.

Each performance has been developed with bespoke musical arrangements and projection backdrops for the theatre on board *Eclipse*, said BKCP owner Belinda King.

"Showcasing our team's abilities and individual skill sets, we will be performing a diverse range of styles, from musical theatre and opera, to more contemporary pop and modern jazz," she said.

"We'll also be introducing guest speakers, multi-instrumentalists and dancers."

Over the past 12 months, a number of *Eclipse's* culinary experiences and venues have also been refined.

The Yacht Club has been significantly reimaged to create a casual and refreshing dining environment through an extension of its dining area, and a new multi-purpose food island.

House-made gelato will be served from a new cooler, while new large sofas will replace the traditional tables and chairs, to encourage a social ambience.

Guests can also relax in the

new wicker swinging egg chairs, positioned to provide sweeping views over the ocean.

The new Night Market @ Koko's takes its inspiration from night markets and street food dishes from all around Asia, India and the Middle East, while Sushi @ Koko's has been expanded to include window seating for more guests to enjoy traditional Japanese cuisine, while gazing out at sea.

The menu has also been revamped at the exclusive 550m<sup>2</sup> Senses Spa, with the addition of a new manicure and pedicure area and wellness selection.

Scenic has partnered with ESPA, which has curated a broad menu of spa services, including facials, massages and body treatments.

*Eclipse* is now the only ship in its class to offer a yoga and pilates studio at PURE: Yoga & Pilates.

Included classes and one-to-one sessions feature a range of holistic therapy sessions, from aerial yoga, TRX, mindfulness meditation and unique Tibetan sound bowl healing classes.

Special offers currently available with Scenic is air credit of up to \$2,000 per person, in addition to earlybird savings of up to 10% on the cruise fare.

This limited time offer is available for select 2022/23 Arctic, Central America, Japan, Russian Far East, and Western Europe cruises onboard *Eclipse* booked by 31 Oct.

### APT canx int'l 2021

ALL of APT's international cruises for Australians have been suspended until the end of the year, except for NZ.

APT is offering a Future Holiday Credit to all suspended tours, equal to the full amount paid for the booking.

The credit is valid for travel on any APT Travel Group tour or cruise up until the end of 2023, including APT, Botanica, TravelGlo or Travelmarvel.

It will also be applicable for multiple bookings for the same client if desired, and can be transferred to another person, however, it is not redeemable for cash.

APT will be also contacting all guests via email and phone, and will be offering a range of temporary flexible booking covers for new and rebooked tours and cruises (CW 03 Aug).

### Another RSSC record

FOR the second year in a row, Regent Seven Seas Cruises (RSSC) has set the record for its largest booking day in its history with the launch of its 2023-2024 Voyage Collection (CW 18 Aug).

Sales for the season opened at 10:30pm on 18 Aug, with reservations surpassing RSSC's previous-largest day (CW 29 Oct 2020) by 15%.

Trends identified included a desire for longer, more exclusive experiences.



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## MRPS to Koondrook

**MURRAY** River Paddlesteamers (MRPS) is visiting Koondrook next month for a one-time-only, seven-night expedition cruise for the first time in more than 20 years.

The round-trip can also be segmented into a three- or four-night cruise, with the call to Koondrook only available now due to the high river levels.

*Emmylou* will explore parts of the Murray River rarely seen downstream from Torrumbarry Weir as she travels through Lock 26.

Travellers will enjoy secluded Victorian bush moorings only available to *Emmylou*, while visiting the border township.

## Inaugural Venture



**SEABOURN** Cruise Line has announced *Seabourn Venture's* (render **pictured**) new inaugural itineraries, a Wild & Ancient British Isles Voyage, and a

Scottish and Norse Legends Expedition.

On sale since last Fri, the cruises set sail from next Apr aboard the first of Seabourn's two new luxury expedition vessels.

The inaugural 12-day Wild & Ancient British Isles voyage from Greenwich to Leith will precede the 12-day Scottish and Norse Legends Expedition from Leith to Tromso, from where *Venture* will embark on her previously announced deployment for her first northern summer in the Arctic, starting 04 May 2022.

*Venture* will explore many of the region's far-flung destinations in Svalbard, the North Cape and other locations in Norway, as well as Iceland, Greenland, and the Arctic Archipelago.

Guests can also combine the two new itineraries into a 24-day British Isles & Norse Legend Expedition voyage, which can then be amalgamated with the 11-day Svalbard Exploration sailing for an epic 35-day expedition voyage.



**MINAMISANRIKU** Winery's concept of ocean-aged wine is showing the promise of a more mild vintage.

The winery makes its wines from grapes grown in Minamisanriku, and uses an oyster-farming facility to keep its product at a constant temperature in the sea.

Vibrations are transmitted through the water, resulting in a milder flavour.

A cluster of bottles retrieved in Apr had been submerged at a depth of about 10 metres for six months - about three times shorter than in a cellar.

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## European brox

**EUROPEAN** Waterways' 2022 hotel barge brochure is now available.

The guide features more wine tastings, more private tours, and more opportunities for a "deep dive" into the history, culture and cuisine of the destinations.

The line has also ramped up its offerings of private, exclusive and experiential tours, to meet travellers' demands for unique activities.

"Many of our guests tell us that they've been there, done that aboard the larger river and ocean vessels, and they yearn for the truly unique activities that our smaller, more intimate barges provide," said MD Derek Banks.