



Cruise Weekly today

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

Uniworld to host groups forum

UNIWORLD Boutique River Cruises is hosting a virtual Groups Forum designed to support travel advisors in including groups in their recovery strategy.

Hosted on 23 Sep at 11am AEST, the virtual session is due to an increase in groups enquiries, and will offer insights, trends and tips on how to work with Uniworld groups.

The forum will be held via Microsoft Teams and will allow time for Q&A, however, advisors must register to be sent the recording - you can sign up via the link [HERE](#).

Carnival Corp releases 2050 goals

CARNIVAL Corporation has released its 11th annual sustainability report, introducing its goals for 2030 and aspirations for 2050.

Sustainable from Ship to Shore details key initiatives from Carnival Corp and its brands in six focus areas: climate action, circular economy, sustainable tourism, health & wellbeing, diversity, equity & inclusion, and biodiversity & conservation.

Aligning with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, the six focus areas emphasise Carnival's commitment to decarbonisation to further strengthen its environmental, social and governance performance.

Carnival President & Chief Executive Officer Arnold Donald said that essential to the company's sustainability performance is its actions and



pledges related to climate action.

"We are committed to decarbonisation and aspire to be carbon neutral by 2050," he said.

"As part of our strategy we are working toward transitioning our energy needs to alternative fuels, investing in new low-carbon or zero-carbon emission

technologies, and partnering with various organisations and stakeholders to support and accelerate our decarbonisation efforts.

"I am proud of how well we are weathering the storm and I am very grateful to all of those who helped make it happen."

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More Koondrook

MURRAY River

Paddlesteamers has added four new departures to its inaugural season of *Emmylou* Koondrook cruises (CW 24 Aug).

Following the successful sell-out of its first ever seven-night cruise to Koondrook which departed Sun, Murray River Paddlesteamers has scheduled four new return and one-way departures for next month.

A three-night, one-way cruise from Echuca to Koondrook will depart 10 Oct from \$1,600 per person, while a four-night one-way Koondrook to Echuca sailing will leave 14 Oct from \$2,150 per person.

Seven-night return cruises will also operate on 04 & 18 Oct from \$3,750 per person.

The cruises are open to all rural Victorians who have had at least one vaccination.

Scenic SE Asia 2022-23

SCENIC Luxury Cruises & Tours has unveiled its new 2022 and 2023 Southeast Asia program, which features a new nine-night itinerary on the Mekong River.

Operating the longest and most extensive cruising program in the region, aboard the cruise line's custom-built luxury ship *Scenic Spirit*, the company offers departures earlier and later in the season, and to more locations, for greater flexibility.

The new nine-night river cruise can be combined with a five-night land journey, which explores the flavours, traditions and culture of Vietnam and Cambodia.

After exploring Ho Chi Minh City, travellers will tour the local industries in Cai Be, revel in a city lights remorke tour around Phnom Penh, visit a private distillery on a Scenic Enrich experience, and marvel at Angkor Wat, followed by a nearby sunrise

and breakfast.

Prices for the 15-day all-inclusive itinerary start from \$8,075 per person, departing 20 Jul 2022 or 19 Jul 2023.

The cruise can also be combined with a 10-night land journey which travels the same route, with added time to enjoy a journey to Vietnam's north to explore Hanoi and Ha Long Bay.

While in the country's second-largest city, guests will participate in an authentic cooking class before exploring one of the world's most ancient capitals.

Travellers will spend two nights on Ha Long Bay on board *Au Co* before they explore Ho Chi Minh City by night with a Vespa foodie tour.

Prices for the 20-day all-inclusive itinerary start from \$10,735 per person departing 09 May 2023 - for more information, visit the e-brochure [HERE](#).

Celeb ad launch

CELEBRITY Cruises is inviting travellers to see our wonderful world again, launching its largest-ever global advertising campaign.

Unveiling its new brand look and feel, the new 'Journey Safe, Journey Wonderful', campaign showcases the fullness of a Celebrity vacation.

The global campaign spots are part of a wider initiative aimed at drawing attention to the need for greater diversity in the way the travel industry markets cruise to consumers, aiming to "tear up" cliches that exist about the sector.

The campaign soft-launched earlier this month with out-of-home executions targeting US Open fans.

Celebrity began online placements on Thu, which will be complemented by high-impact print and TV ads.

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This week's recipe:



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A taste of Tas in Geelong



TASMANIA'S natural landscapes have provided the inspiration for Spirit of Tasmania's new terminal design at GeelongPort (*CW* 24 Apr 2020).

Set to be constructed at the Corio Quay Precinct in Geelong, the state-of-the-art building (render **pictured**) will be operational next year, with construction due to begin later in 2021.

The design created by Brand Architects incorporates angled windows and sunshades over the glass facade, which evoke

images of the jagged contours of Tasmania's Cradle Mountain and the icy waters of Dove Lake.

The terminal facilities will create a comfortable and accessible environment for passengers including a cafe, a dedicated play area for children and spacious lounge areas.

Spirit of Tasmania's move to Geelong will be a great boost for Tasmanian and Victorian businesses which have been impacted by ongoing travel restrictions as a result of the pandemic, GeelongPort said.



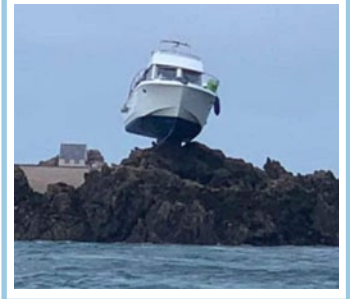
MANY ships around the world have been forced to stop sailing in the past 18 months, but this is ridiculous.

A boat has been left high and dry after becoming marooned on a rock in the Channel Islands (**pictured**) off the coast of France.

It took around 12 hours to rescue those on board, who suffered minor injuries from the impact.

The boat collided with the rocks underwater, leaving the crew members with just a few hours to get it unstuck before the tide went out.

Spoiler alert: they failed.



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