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Cruise Weekly today

Cruise Weekly today features two pages of all the latest cruise industry news plus a cover page from Regent Seven Seas Cruises.

Away in Wonder

REGENT Seven Seas' 2025 World Cruise 'Away in Wonder' will sail from Miami to San Francisco from 07 Jan 2025.

Departing aboard *Seven Seas* Mariner, the 150-night cruise visits five continents, 25 countries, and 97 ports, including 16 overnights.

Guests will be able to take almost 400 free shore excursions and three exclusive shoreside events across the course of their 36,000+ nautical mile trip.

Reservations open tomorrow - to find out more information, head to the **cover page** of today's *Cruise Weekly*.

Briggs awarded an OAM

CORAL Expeditions has congratulated its founder Tony Briggs (**pictured**) on being awarded an Order of Australia medal for service to the cruising tourism industry.

Currently Expedition Cruise Specialists Chair, Briggs founded Coral Princess Cruises in 1984, the company which preceded Coral Expeditions.

Briggs served as Coral Princess' Managing Director for 30 years, from its formation until 2014, when a 90% stake was sold to Singapore-based Kallang Capital (*CW* 16 Dec 2014).

In his career in Australian tourism, Briggs has been a board member of the Association of Marine Park Tour Operators, and formerly served as a President of the Skal International Cairns chapter, of which he has been a member since 1995.

"The team at Coral Expeditions



would like to congratulate Tony for his award - a great honour that is richly deserved for his lifetime of work as a pioneer in Australian tourism," enthused Group General Manager & director Mark Fifield.

Briggs' new OAM medal will take pride of place among other accolades he has accumulated throughout his career, just a few of which include the Australian Tourism Award, the Australian Small Business Award, and the Tropical North Queensland Tourism Award.

Viking tests gone

VIKING has updated its health & safety program, discontinuing all onboard COVID testing for passengers fleetwide.

The announcement was made shortly after the United States this weekend declared it is eliminating COVID testing requirements for air travellers to enter the country.

Although Viking will also no longer require a pre-departure COVID test, the cruise line will continue to provide testing capabilities if a guest reports symptoms, requests a test, or if the onboard medical team deems it necessary.

Likewise, Viking's vaccine requirement for all guests and crews remains in place, and for the time being, crew members will keep testing as needed, and will wear masks at all times- full guidelines available HERE.





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Viking Explorer Sessions

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PRINCESS Cruises is offering the chance to win a brand-new Porsche (pictured).

The one-of-one custom Porsche Taycan is being offered as part of Princess' partnership with the Porsche Club of

The high-performance electric vehicle is emblazoned with Princess' "sea witch" logo, which adorns the bow of each of the cruise line's ships.

Americans can win the contest just by sailing with Princess between Jun and Nov 2022.

However, cruisers can score an extra entry into the contest between Jun and Nov 2022 by buying a MedallionClass accessory pre-cruise, making a MedallionPay Shoreside purchase, buying a Princess Premier add-on or upgrading from Princess Plus to Princess Premier, or registering at any Porsche Club of America event.



NCL returns to the Canaries



NORWEGIAN Cruise Line (NCL) will offer year-round Europe sailings with the introduction of Canary Island voyages.

NCL will return to the Spanish region for the first time in five years, following a grand 22-day voyage from Miami to Lisbon aboard Norwegian Sun (pictured).

The six-month season begins 21 Nov, with a range of 10- to 14day itineraries which combines the Canary Islands with visits to Portugal, Spain, and Morocco.

Guests can choose between embarkations in Lisbon, Malaga, and Santa Cruz de Tenerife.

Sun's debut in the region will also call on various new ports for NCL, including Puerto del Rosario, San Sebastian de la Gomera, Cueta, Agadir, and Horta.

Port-intensive cruises include

no more than two days at sea and an average of 12 hours in port time, with late night stays in Lisbon, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Las Palmas, and Casablanca.

Select sailings will also include overnight calls in locations where nightlife abounds, including Santa Cruz de Tenerife and Funchal.

"The Canaries have always been a draw for travellers from all over the globe and no more so when seeking some much-needed sun," said Chief Executive Officer & President Harry Sommer.

"Sun's new itineraries provide for a unique combination of the Canary Islands with ports in Portugal, mainland Spain as well as Morocco, offering our guests an all-year Europe season with nine ships to make the most of their travel this year."

MSC Sustainability

MSC Cruises has published its 2021 Sustainability Report, which lays the foundation for achieving zero impact operations.

The cruise line has achieved significant progress in every area of its Sustainability Action Plan, with a highlight cutting emissions by 8% aboard MSC Grandiosa during advanced trials of energy efficiency measures.

MSC is also limiting its sulphur oxides, nitrogen oxides, and particulates, having thus far fitted 14 of its 19 ships with hybrid exhaust gas cleaning systems, reducing SOx by 98%.

By the end of last year, seven of MSC's ships had been fitted with shore power capability.

To view the 2021 Report, CLICK HERE.

More Fiordland

ISLAND Escape Cruises' Fiordland season for this coming summer has been extended.

Commencing in Dec in Queenstown, all guests are flown to *Island Escape* by helicopter, to its anchorage deep inside Fiordland.

CLICK HERE to view the season.







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