



Cruise Weekly today

CRUISE Weekly today features three pages of all the latest cruise industry news, plus a full page from **Windstar Cruises**.

A grand godmother

REGENT Seven Seas Cruises has announced the godmother of *Seven Seas Grandeur*, founding member of The Faberge Heritage Council, Sarah Faberge.

Grandeur's new godmother, the great-granddaughter of Peter Carl Faberge, will christen the ship at an exclusive gala event in Miami on 10 Dec, which will feature entertainment from Kristin Chenoweth.

Travelmarvel to Kimberley



TRAVELMARVEL has launched its first Kimberley cruises for next year, offering a 10-day sailing in the region from \$8,945 per person.

The Kimberley Coast Adventure cruises between Broome and Darwin, sailing aboard Heritage Expeditions' *Heritage Adventure*, which is currently in the midst of her first season in the region (**CW** 03 Jun 2022).

Cruising between Jul and Aug 2024, sailings visit key attractions including Montgomery Reef, Bigge Island, Horizontal Falls, King George Falls, and Freshwater Cove, where a local indigenous guide will showcase the millennia-old Wandjina rock art site.

The sailings will be accompanied by a Travelmarvel Cruise Director and a full expedition team, offering daily zodiac adventures, which are included, as are beers, wines, and soft drinks served with lunch and dinner.

An early booking saving of up to \$3,500 per couple on cruises is also available.

Head of Product Cher Lontok said offering this brand-new cruising destination to Travelmarvel's portfolio is exciting.

"We are so pleased to be offering Travelmarvel guests the chance to see the Kimberley at

a great price point and aboard a lovely ship, the *Heritage Adventure*," she said.

Cruisers can also combine the sailing with a four-wheel drive land journey, the 18-day Kimberley Coast and 4WD *Adventure*, which is priced from \$14,240 per person twin share, including savings of up to \$3,900 per couple when paying in full 10 months prior to departure.

"Customer demand for the Kimberley is high and we know there is nothing quite like exploring the Kimberley from both the coast and from the land," Lontok added.

"That is why we have ensured the cruise matches up with our land touring so guests can have the full Kimberley experience, which is something only Travelmarvel and APT can provide."

The Tahiti experts

WINDSTAR Cruises knows the way to Tahiti, with its 148-guest small ship *Wind Spirit* encapsulating the true wonder of the island.

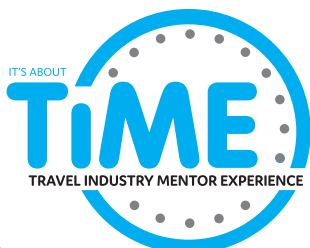
The ship's last voyage in Tahiti is scheduled for Feb, which is the perfect chance to experience Windstar's friendly, casual, and fun-loving spirit - more on **page 4**.

ACA speakers

AN EXCITING line-up of keynote speakers has been announced for the Australian Cruise Association's (ACA) 25th anniversary conference in Aug, including Princess Cruises Senior Vice President Global Port Operations & Development Stefano Borzone, Earthcheck Principal Consultant Destinations, Strategy & Insight Natasha Montesalvo, and Ponant Director of Expeditions & Destination Development, Asia Pacific Mick Fogg.

The two-week countdown until earlybird registrations close has also begun.

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Seabourn's Pursuit of happiness

SEABOURN Cruise Line wants guests to be offered a "home away from home" feel in its ultra-luxury suites aboard its new expedition vessel *Seabourn Pursuit*.

The second of two purpose-built expedition ships in Seabourn's fleet, *Pursuit* is set to launch in this year's northern summer.

She will welcome travellers with 132 luxurious oceanfront Veranda suites (pictured) in 12 categories, available in an array of layouts and dimensions.

Accommodations feature a comfortable living area, a queen-size bed or two twin beds, a walk-in closet, an interactive television, a fully stocked bar & refrigerator, a writing desk with personalised stationery, and a makeup vanity.

Spacious marble guest bathrooms have a full tub, a separate shower, and luxury beauty products.



Tihany Design has fashioned *Pursuit's* sumptuous interiors to create a modern ambiance which combines "incomparable comfort, relaxed elegance and sophisticated ruggedness".

The colour palettes, elemental materials, and tactile textures aim to resonate Seabourn's signature luxury, with custom design

evident in every detail.

"Tihany Design's latest undertaking for Seabourn is among its most thoughtfully conceived and executed, creating an ultra-luxury atmosphere that pairs well with the expedition feel guests experience throughout *Seabourn Pursuit*," President Natalya Leahy said.

Learn to sail

GUESTS can learn to sail on a seven-day holiday around the islands of Croatia with Sail Croatia.

Passengers will explore the country's coastline on a 13-metre yacht, learning the basics from an expert skipper.

The course will get participants confidently hoisting the sails, pulling ropes, and dropping anchor in the stunning coves off Croatia's coast, ensuring they come away with both practical experience and theoretical knowledge.

Launched in partnership with Green Sail, the course also aims to educate and advise participants on how to sail sustainably and with awareness and respect for the surrounding marine environment and coastal communities - **CLICK HERE**.

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CALIFORNIA surfers have been terrorised by a board-stealing sea otter the past few weeks, according to Agence France-Presse.

The ornery marine mammal has been commandeering the boards of Santa Cruz surfers for weeks now, leading authorities to put out an all points bulletin on it.

“Due to the increasing public safety risk, a team from CDFW and the Monterey Bay Aquarium trained in the capture and handling of sea otters has been deployed to attempt to capture and rehome her,” according to a statement from the US Fish & Wildlife Service.

Although many find the otters cute, surfers are warned they are actually aggressive predators with a dangerous bite.

RCG execs board Nova



ROYAL Caribbean Group (RCG) executives have enjoyed a sneak preview of Silversea Cruises' 12th ship *Silver Nova* earlier this month.

RCG Chief Executive Officer Jason Liberty, former Chief Executive Officer Richard Fain, and Silversea President Barbara Muckermann embarked *Nova* in Eemshaven to see the ship's progress.

The executives were welcomed by Meyer Werft Managing Directors Jan and Bernard Meyer, and had the opportunity to enjoy an extensive tour of the ship and thank the Meyer Werft workers for their dedication and hard work.

“Innovation drives our mission to provide the best vacations, responsibly, and *Silver Nova* embodies this commitment in every way,” Liberty said.

“This stunning ship revolutionises ultra-luxury cruising and represents an important step on our sustainability journey.

“I would like to officially thank

and congratulate the Meyer family, and the talented teams at Meyer Werft, Royal Caribbean Group, and Silversea for pushing industry boundaries to create such a pioneering ship.”

Nova is scheduled to depart on her maiden voyage on 14 Aug sailing round-trip from Fusina over seven days.

Silversea's newest addition will cross the Atlantic to the United States, undertaking voyages in the Caribbean and Central America, before embarking upon on the 71-day Grand Voyage.

Viking weekly deal

VIKING'S deal of the week is its 21-day Passage to India voyage from Athens to Mumbai or vice versa.

Priced from \$13,995 per person with a \$2,000 flight credit per couple, the voyage traces the routes of the earliest merchants from Greece to India.

Cruisers will also explore the historic treasures of Israel, and head into the desert landscapes of Egypt and Jordan, as they unveil ancient civilizations.

Hear legends of the frankincense route of Salalah and browse some of the world's oldest souks in Muscat.

The cruise also overnights in Athens, Haifa, and Mumbai.

Meanwhile, travellers can also explore Paris, Normandy, and Provence with Viking's 15-day France's Finest voyage from Paris to Avignon or vice versa.

The cruise is on sale now and priced from \$6,995 per person, with a saving of up to \$4,600 per couple.

MSC new CCO

MSC Cruises has appointed Lucy Ellis as Chief Communications Officer.

She takes over from Luca Biondolillo who is leaving the company at the end of Aug.

Ellis will be responsible for leading MSC's global communications strategy, overseeing internal and external communications and managing corporate reputation.



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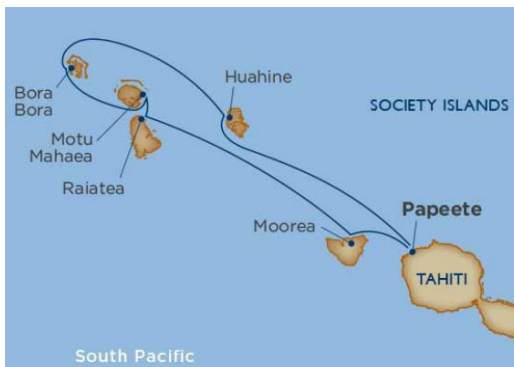
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- Return economy airfares ex Sydney, Melbourne or Brisbane to Papeete with Air Tahiti Nui
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- Two nights' post-cruise accommodation at Pearl Beach Hotel including breakfast (or similar)
- 7 nights onboard *Star Breeze*
- All beverages (including espresso coffee and speciality tea)
- Water sports platform (snorkelling, kayaking, sailing, etc.)
- All dining options onboard, including 24-hour in-room dining
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