



Four Princess ships here in 2022/23

PRINCESS Cruises has unveiled plans for its 2022-23 Australian summer season of sailings, including the deployment of two Royal-class ships from Sydney, vessels homeporting in Melbourne and Brisbane and a new Round World Cruise.

The cruise line's entire Australian fleet will be MedallionClass-ready in time for the season, with *Grand Princess* to make her debut in the country, sailing out of Melbourne.

Coral Princess will return to Brisbane, from where she will sail longer voyages, including the 107-night Round World Cruise, which will visit 26 countries across six continents.

She will also sail a 28-day Australian circumnavigation, and longer itineraries taking in Hawaii, Tahiti and the South Pacific.

The entire planned program will offer 134 departures on 90



itineraries to 108 destinations in 33 countries, with the 3,560-passenger *Royal Princess* (pictured) and sister ship *Majestic Princess* to operate from Sydney.

Senior Vice President Asia Pacific Stuart Allison told **Cruise Weekly** the cruise line continues to see good demand.

"Many of our popular 2022 voyages are already waitlisted, that's why we're publishing some 2023 cruises much earlier than normal," he said.

Allison said with a vast number of clients out there that opted for a future cruise credit rather than a refund when their 2020 or 2021 holiday was cancelled, Princess has developed new CRM tools to help travel advisors identify and market to those clients who have yet to rebook.

"These are the hottest of hot leads to chase right now," he said.

The season opens for sale on 02 Mar for Princess Elite guests and the following day to the public.

Viking out again

VIKING has made the decision to extend its suspension of scheduled departures through to the end of May.

Guests on impacted itineraries for who changes are required have been notified directly by Viking Customer Relations, as have their travel advisors.

Viking said it was investigating whether their itineraries outside of its standard program can be operated also before the end of May, with information to be forthcoming if a solution is workable.

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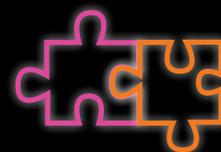
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CRUISE ships are rarely short on gifts for you to buy, but Carnival Cruise Line has not just upped their game, they may have ended it - no pun intended.

The cruise line recently added an item to its online shop - Monopoly Carnival Fun Edition.

Retailing at US\$39.95, the branded version of the famous board game features "funnel chest" and "port tax" in place of some of the traditional squares, and of course, instead of stocking up on railways, you can buy ships - *Horizon*, *Panorama*, *Mardi Gras* and *Celebration*.

What do you think the top-billing square is?



AIDA resuming



AIDA Cruises is opening its 2021 season on 20 Mar.

AIDAperla (pictured) will commence the season sailing around the Canary Islands, with all trips originally planned from 06 Mar up to and including 19 Mar unable to take place due to the German Federal

Government's extension of its lockdown - meaning only two more weeks of voyages have been lost (**CW** 11 Jan).

All guests whose trips cannot take place as originally scheduled will be informed immediately, with AIDA offering rebooking options through to summer 2022.

Cruise Traveller new package

WITH the COVID-19 pandemic seeing Australians spending more time holidaying domestically, Cruise Traveller has pioneered two new long rail & sail packages.

Featuring the iconic Indian Pacific, and the world's largest sailing ship, Tradewind Voyages' *Golden Horizon*, the two new Tradewinds and Trains of Australia Jan "slow travel" packages include a 33-night itinerary from Perth and a 34-night itinerary from Sydney.

Both feature a trans-continental voyage aboard *Golden Horizon*, set to be launched this May, and a train trip on the Indian Pacific.

The packages are available for \$19,795 per person, twin share ex-Perth, and just \$200 more ex-Sydney, with connections from other cities able to be added also.

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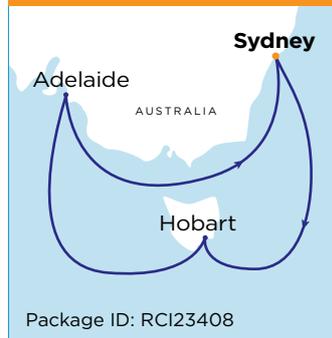
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