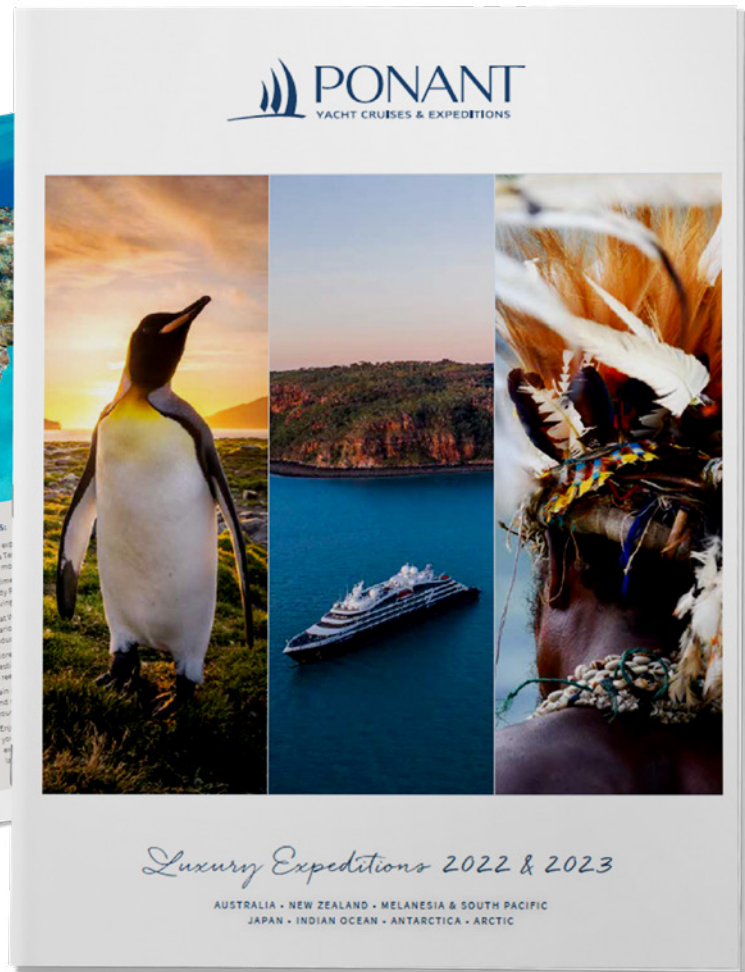


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### Cruise Weekly today

Cruise Weekly today features two pages of all the latest cruise industry news plus a front cover page from Ponant.

### Ponant new brox

PONANT'S new brochure is out now, highlighting the cruise line's luxury expeditions in 2022 and 2023.

The brochure can be viewed or ordered now, and features a wide range of itineraries in Australia.

International markets visited include Antarctica, the Arctic, the Indian Ocean, Japan, Melanesia & the South Pacific, and more - head to the **front page** for further information.

## Carnival Corp COVID testing deal

CARNIVAL Corporation will provide access to pre-boarding testing (pictured), allowing American guests to schedule an appointment for a COVID-19 test from Quest Diagnostics locations across the United States.

Guests of Carnival Cruise Line, Holland America Line, Princess Cruises and Seabourn Cruise Line will be able to access a COVID-19 test at more than 1,500 patient service centres and retail pharmacy testing locations, including Walmart, throughout the United States.

Appointments are required and may be scheduled online via a secure link provided by the guest's cruise line.

Results are typically available within 48 hours via email or a



mobile application.

The program helps streamline pre-cruise preparation for Carnival Corp's guests, who beginning today must all present a negative COVID-19 test taken no more than three days before their embarkation, among additional

health & safety requirements.

Testing is one of the measures recently implemented by Carnival Corp's lines, which have been operating with enhanced health and safety protocols designed to change as needed to adapt to the public health environment.

### Regent Seven Seas teases its *Grandeur*

REGENT Seven Seas Cruises' (RSSC) *Seven Seas Grandeur's* suites and first sailings have been announced (CW 23 Jun).

Interiors including the one-of-a-kind Regent Suite, with the reimagined 'The Parlor', new designs of restaurants Prime 7 and Chartreuse, and a rejuvenated Observation Lounge, have all been teased.

*Seven Seas Grandeur* will commence her inaugural season in Nov 2023, cruising 17 voyages in the Caribbean and the Mediterranean, plus

two trans-Atlantic crossings, all ranging from seven to 16 nights in length.

Reservations for *Seven Seas Grandeur's* inaugural season go on sale 23 Sep, with fares starting from \$4,620.

The accommodation, and public spaces unveiled today are featured on Cruise Weekly's Facebook page **HERE**.

**MEANWHILE**, RSSC returned to service yesterday, with *Seven Seas Splendor* resuming her inaugural season in Southampton after 18 months.



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## Coastal Express is hot



**AN ISLAND** in the Summer Isles in the West of Scotland is on sale for barely the value of a down payment on a house in Sydney.

The Isle of Carn Deas is listed at a guide price of £50,000 (A\$93,957).

For that price you can get just over nine hectares of untouched land, which is stated to possess "stunning scenic views in an area of exceptional natural beauty".

The island also apparently hosts "outstanding birdlife and wildlife" and "superb sailing, scuba diving and sea fishing".

**HURTIGRUTEN'S** Norwegian Coastal Express division is starting to book more strongly the closer Australia moves to international travel, Managing Director, APAC

Damian Perry told *Cruise Weekly*.

After periods during the pandemic when the local MD can remember days of "no bookings at all" for Hurtigruten's legacy product, Perry said interest in Norwegian Coastal Express is now beginning to resurrect, which harks back to a return to normality for travel bookings.

"During this whole period of lockdown, what we noticed is clients were really choosing that big bucket list item, the Antarctica trip, to Greenland, or something really unique and special.

"All of a sudden, that more mainstream volume product like Norway's starting to book really well, and really quickly.

"I think we're actually starting to get more of that sort of second tier, it's not the very early adopters, the next level."

Perry said he was confident next year would see the more general tourist market return - great news for Norwegian Expedition division, given the upcoming christening of *Fridtjof Nansen* (pictured) (CW 06 Sep).

## Embark episode 4

**NORWEGIAN** Cruise Line has premiered a new episode of *Embark - The Series*.

"Welcome Aboard", episode 4, showcases Norwegian's first guest cruise in around 500 days - it can be viewed [HERE](#).

The episode is the second-last in the series, with viewers to see and feel the emotions and excitement of the crew.

## Cordelia debut

**INDIA'S** Cordelia Cruises will debut on Sat.

The Indian Railway Catering & Tourism Corporation's (IRCTC) first home-grown luxury cruise itinerary will depart Mumbai on 18 Sep, and will initially sail to Indian ports only.

Sailings are aboard *Empress*, Royal Caribbean Group's former *Empress of the Seas* and *Nordic Empress*, which the company purchased late last year.

From May 2022, *Empress* will reposition to Chennai and sail to destinations in Sri Lanka, such as Colombo, Galle, Trincomalee and Jaffna.

"Cordelia Cruises aspires to promote and drive the cruise culture in India," the company said.

"It is a cruise liner for Indians catering to the way Indians love to holiday.

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