



Cruise Weekly today

CRUISE Weekly today features two pages of all the latest cruise industry news.

An ace for Seabourn

SEABOURN Cruise Line is set to host tennis legends Tommy Haas and Sue Barker on its 'The Collection' tennis voyages on board *Seabourn Venture* next year.

The two former top-three players will sail as part of the cruise line's Seabourn Conversations program during the Monte-Carlo Masters and Barcelona Open voyages.

Barker will sail on the eight-day 'Mediterranean Marvels & Matches: Monte Carlo Masters' cruise from 05-13 Apr, while Haas will join the seven-day 'Mediterranean Marvels & Matches: Barcelona Open' from 13-20 Apr.

P&O to repatriate stranded Aussies

AUSTRALIANS students stranded overseas following the administration of Air Vanuatu are being brought home on a P&O Cruises Australia ship.

The line has answered a plea for help from a group of young Australian Rotary volunteers (pictured), who became stranded earlier this month when NF entered voluntary administration.

The students, many of them teenagers from Albury, were volunteering for a youth project run by the Hive Rotary Club, when Air Vanuatu abruptly cancelled all flights, leaving them with no way to get home.

P&O Australia has now come to the rescue by offering to bring them home on *Pacific Adventure*, which they boarded in Port Vila on Fri.

The 16 students and their chaperones will now get to enjoy a relaxing holiday at sea,



including a visit to beautiful Mystery Island, which is a well-deserved reward after their work in Vanuatu running health clinics and providing medical assistance and training.

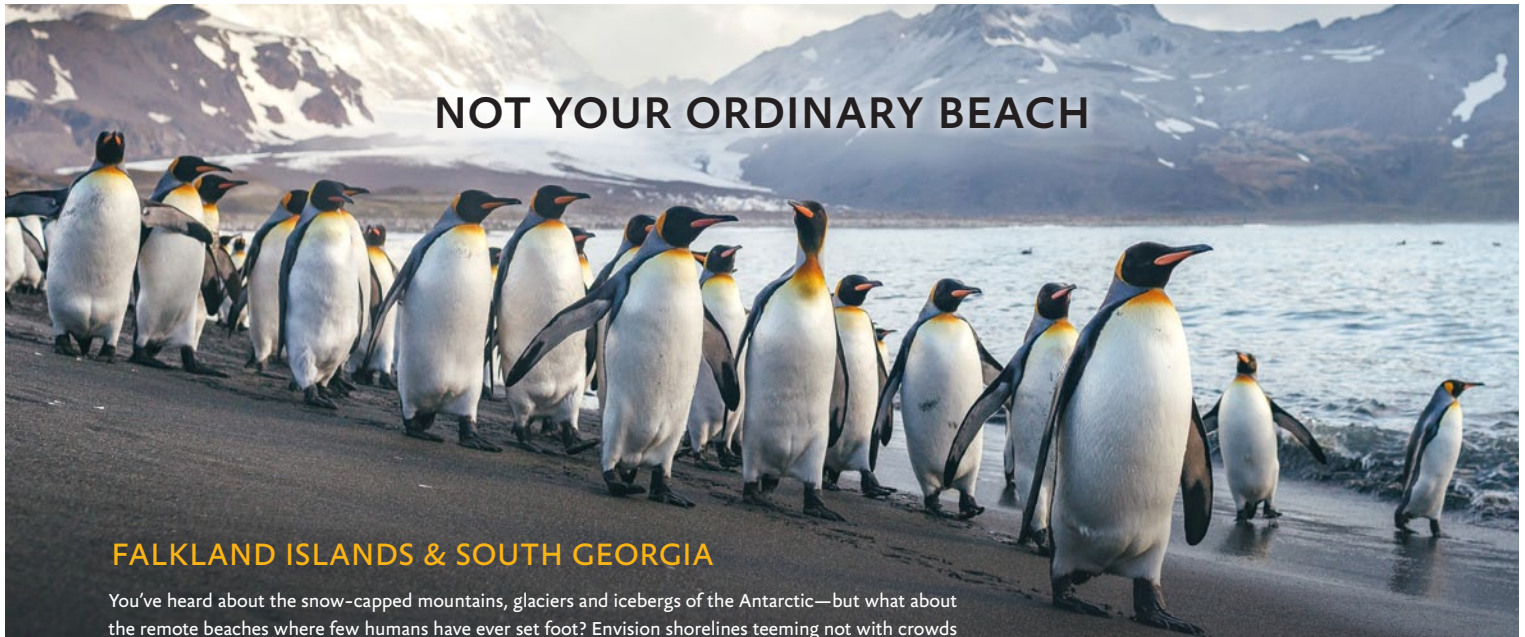
They have been in Vanuatu since 05 May, participating in a program called 'Paying It Forward', run by the Rotary Club. *Adventure* will arrive back in

Sydney on Thu.

"P&O Cruises Australia is delighted to help this inspiring group of students get home," SVP Peter Little enthused.

"We are proud of our Australian heritage that extends back more than 90 years, and answering a call to help young Australians stranded a long way from home, is the right thing to do." MS

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RCI Singapore 25-26

ROYAL Caribbean International has opened new 2025-26 holidays from Singapore aboard *Ovation of the Seas*.

The ship will have in store a line-up of experiences on three- to eight-night holidays between Oct '25 and Mar '26.

Ovation will visit destinations like Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand and more, which can be booked now.

Travellers will indulge in renowned street food in the heart of George Town in Penang; kick back on the beaches of Phuket; and indulge in culture and adventure while roaming the waterfalls and temples of Celukan Bawang and Lombok.

"*Ovation* is a ship packed full of adventure, and with the new season's line-up of holidays, friends and families can choose to holiday their way between short getaways to Penang and Phuket and longer sailings to Indonesia or with nights out in Phuket," the cruise line's Senior Vice President International Angie Stephen said.

SeaDream new Med season



SEADREAM Yacht Club will visit new ports in the Mediterranean this year, on 36 different itineraries exploring the French and Italian rivieras, Southern Italy, the Aegean Sea, and more.

The season, which stretches from May to the end of Oct, will include new ports such as Taranto, Tangier, Vlore, Krk, Tunis, and more.

A new 11-day Greek Odyssey voyage, departing 24 Sep, includes two brand-new ports of call in the country for SeaDream: Tinos, and Kythnos, where *SeaDream II* will anchor directly off Kolona Beach.

SeaDream also offers

overnight stays in 12 different Mediterranean ports this summer, including Amalfi, Hvar, Positano, Villefranche-sur-Mer, and Santorini, where passengers will arrive in the afternoon to avoid the daytime crowds.

MEANWHILE, SeaDream's 2024/25 Caribbean season, which starts in Nov, features three new ports for the cruise line: Boqueron, Salinas, and Deshaies.

All Caribbean voyages are seven or eight nights in length, and include SeaDream's signature Champagne & Caviar Splash beach party, flexible itineraries with no sea days, and overnight stays in exclusive destinations. *MS*

Chopra cruises

SWAN Hellenic has announced two new 'Explore & Restore' voyages in Brazil in partnership with wellness lifestyle brand Chopra, in response to accelerating demand and sold-out cruises.

The two exclusive new 'Explore & Restore' voyages will tour Brazil's natural splendours and cultural hotspots this coming Oct and Nov, and will be available in English, as well as Portuguese and Russian.

The included activities and itinerary are created for inner-exploration both on board and ashore, offering daily yoga and meditation sessions, breathwork, group connection and post-excursion reflection, as well as self-discovery workshops, self-care practices and Ayurveda-inspired meals.

"These transformative cruises with Chopra have proven a fantastic success for those wanting to share an exceptional wellbeing retreat experience but also vacation contentedly with friends and family," Swan Hellenic CCO Patrizia Iantorno said.



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