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Cruise Weekly today

Cruise Weekly today features two pages of all the latest cruise industry news and a front cover wrap from Ponant

Celeb perks ending

CELEBRITY Cruises' three free perks deal is ending Mon. Offering pax booked in a stateroom a classic beverage package, unlimited internet and US\$150 to spend, the promotion also offers savings.

Those booked in an Inside or Ocean View room can save A\$300, A\$600 for Veranda, Concierge and AquaClass.

Ponant inspires

HAVE you seen the gorgeous front page yellow-eyed penguin? Better head to the front page.

Viking Mississippi '23 season open

VIKING has announced 2023 sailings of its Mississippi River cruises are now open for sale, with additional departures added due to strong demand.

The new America's Heartland, Heart of the Delta and Southern Celebration dates range from Jan to Sep 2023.

The new season can be booked now with Viking's risk-free guarantee (CW 12 May), which is now available until the end of the month.

The guarantee sees travellers able to change their cruise up to 24 hours prior to departure on all new bookings made before 31 Jul.

Also released today were several new renderings of Viking Mississippi (pictured), the newbuild scheduled to sail the routes - CLICK HERE to view.

"Though we can't travel overseas right now, exploring this part of America has captured



the attention of our guests and clearly Viking Mississippi is hitting all the right notes," said Managing Director ANZ Michelle

"In particular what has surprised us is the demand for the longer itinerary - America's Great River -

and we expect the newly opened sailings will fill fast."

Viking's arrival on the Mississippi River is expected to bring more than 5,800 guests to the region in 2022 and more than 17,600 during the first full sailing season in 2023.

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AFTER last month generating us a bespoke Seattle-themed Spotify playlist, the Port of Seattle is now inviting would-be travellers to virtually escape to the city's secret islands.

The experience takes virtual voyagers to the Camano and Whidbey Islands, offering visitors vistas of whales, bald eagles and wild deer, as well as gastronomic experiences such as Washington-based wines.

The experience also features Deception Pass Bridge, this year celebrating its 85th anniversary -**CLICK HERE** to view.

Maine opens to overnights



THE US state of Maine has opened to overnight cruises, although travellers will have to present a negative coronavirus

As per Centers for Disease **Control and Prevention** guidelines, only small ship cruising will be allowed (up to 250 passengers), to be operated by the Maine Windjammer Association.

Health and safety guidelines for the ships and for entering Maine have been developed with several different government agencies, including the Department of Economic Development, the **Department of Marine Resources** and the Coast Guard.

The Association warns captains might shy away from coastal towns, and may instead prioritise uninhabited islands for hikes.

However, the cruise line will still hold traditional lobster bakes (pictured).

All out-of-state visitors must have a negative coronavirus test result within 72 hours of travel.

If tourists cannot take the test before they leave their state, they must quarantine at a private property or an approved hotel in Maine for 14 days, before boarding a windjammer.

Riviera comp

RIVIERA Travel River Cruises is offering the chance to win a 2021 European river cruise, hosted by Cruise Traveller.

The luxury eight-day cruise for two will take place aboard Riviera Travel's new five-star river ship Geoffrey Chaucer, sailing on 13 Oct.

The Amsterdam, Cologne and the Best of Holland and Flanders itinerary travels from the Netherlands to Germany, with winners to travel in a Middle Deck suite with a personal French balcony.

Entries for the Riviera cruise competition are open until 30 Sep.

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Oceania upgrades

OCEANIA Cruises has launched an exclusive sale offering guests a complimentary room upgrade when booking select 2021 cruises before 11 Jul.

"Not only does this great offer provide incredible savings and value to our travel partners' clients, but it also ensures that they sail in style on their future voyage with us," said Oceania Vice President Australia & New Zealand Jason Worth.

Upgrades available include Inside Stateroom to Deluxe Ocean View, Deluxe Ocean View to Veranda, Veranda to Concierge Level Veranda and Concierge Level Veranda to Penthouse

For more information on the sale, **CLICK HERE**.

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