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## Cruise Weekly today

Cruise Weekly today features two pages of all the latest cruise industry news, plus a front cover from **Oceania Cruises**.

## Canada cruise rules

**THE** Government of Canada has unveiled a new set of guidelines for cruise ships, requiring a 100% vaccination rate for all vessels.

The condition may potentially complicate this year's Alaska season, as many United States-based cruise lines do not require 100% of passengers to be vaccinated, such as Carnival Cruise Line, Celebrity Cruises and Disney Cruise Line.

Transport Canada said more announcements will be coming soon, while Alaskan lawmakers continue to work to allow ships to bypass Canada.

## Brazil to restart cruise

**BRAZIL** (pictured) is the latest country to announce a cruise restart, with restrictions on foreign passenger shipping to be dropped effective from Sat.

Sailing is currently scheduled until 18 Apr, with the 2022/2023 season to begin in Oct.

There will be 19 itineraries visiting eight destinations in the states of Santa Catarina, Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro, including Balneario Camboriu, Itajai, Porto Belo, Santos, Ilhabela, Rio de Janeiro, Angra dos Reis/ Ilha Grande, and Buzios.

Protocols in force in Brazil include mandatory full vaccination for guests and crew members; pre-embarkation testing; and frequent testing of at least 10% of passengers and crew.

Other protocols include reduced capacity on board to help facilitate the social distancing of 1.5 metres between groups,



and to allow the distribution of cabins reserved to isolate potential cases; the mandatory use of masks; the completion of a personal health form; fresh air without constant recirculation, disinfection and sanitisation; a contingency plan with specially trained medical staff; and traceability measures & daily communication with ANVISA, as well as Brazil's municipalities and states.

In Brazil, the most recent cruise season (2019/2020) brought an impact of R\$2.24 billion to the economy, and generated around 34,000 jobs.

## Regent Seven Seas expands sales team

**REGENT** Seven Seas Cruises has strengthened its Australian sales team with four new hires.

Scott Graham and Christine Yatridis both join as new Business Development Managers, Lauren Bevan comes on board as a new Sales Coordinator, while Suzette Yu has recently joined as a Business Development Executive, supporting the sales team.

Graham will serve as Business Development Manager for NSW, ACT, QLD & NT; Yatridis, will act as Business Development Manager for VIC/SA/TAS/WA; Bevan's role is Sales Coordinator (Trade); and Yu is tasked as Business Development Manager, Executive Support.

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**WE ALL** want to play a part in saving our oceans, and a coalition of scientists from six universities want to help out with...whale poo?

Through experiments, the researchers will explore ways to emulate the fertilising effect of whale waste, which fuels blooms of algae that feed fish and lock away carbon.

Taking place over the next two months, the project will investigate whether or not humans can artificially emulate the benefits of the whale faeces for ocean ecosystems off Western India.

The hope is the technique will simultaneously boost fish populations and tackle climate change.



## Viking Russia canx

**VIKING** has cancelled both its Russian and Ukrainian river seasons for this year, the cruise line told *Cruise Weekly*.

The company is looking at scheduling alternate ports to St. Petersburg, it said.

## Aurora 2023 season



**AURORA** Expeditions has launched its 2023 Arctic & Global season, with new itineraries and destinations.

Featuring seven new and innovative routes, the season marks Aurora's first expeditions to the Islands of the Atlantic, including Cape Verde, the Canary Islands, and the Azores.

Other new highlight itineraries include the Northern Lights Explorer, offering superb opportunities to witness the natural phenomenon of the aurora borealis; Across the Arctic Circle, which travels from Scotland to Norway (pictured); and the Jewels of Coastal UK, which discovers some of the destination's most historically significant and wildlife-rich destinations, such as Lundy, Cornwall and Pembrokeshire in Wales.

Other remote experiences featured in the new brochure include voyages to Alaska, Raja Ampat & West Papua, Baja California, Scotland & Ireland, Costa Rica & the Panama Canal, the Arctic, the Northwest Passage, and Aurora's 2022-23 season in Antarctica.

"We are thrilled to launch our 2023 Arctic & Global season, featuring many returning favourites, as well as fantastic new itineraries and destinations that demonstrate our continued

dedication to exploring the wildest and most remote reaches of the planet," said Chief Marketing Officer Hayley Peacock-Gower.

"We are especially delighted to add the Islands of the Atlantic to our expeditions for the new season, a region known for its exceptional biodiversity, wildlife encounters and rich culture and history."

To view the digital brochure and to request a copy, **CLICK HERE**.

## AIDAcosma debut

**AIDA** Cruises' new ship *AIDAcosma* has started sailing on her first voyage.

The seven-day cruise will sail round trip from Hamburg to Southampton, Cherbourg, Zeebrugge and Rotterdam.

*AIDAcosma* will be powered by low-emission liquefied natural gas, while guests can expect a huge variety of offerings, such as the Ocean Deck, which extends over four storeys, and offers a panoramic view of the sea and the ship's infinity pool.

Also on board is the new Fun Park, with a large indoor playground and the new bouldering wall.

*AIDAcosma* also introduces a wider epicurean range.

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