



Cruise Weekly today

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

Drinks on Celestyal

CELESTYAL Cruises has launched an Arabian-inspired drinks menu to celebrate its maiden season in the region. The new destination-specific cocktail menu will be available during evening hours on *Celestyal Journey*, and features a range of beverages inspired by the enchanting stories of '1001 Nights', a collection of Middle Eastern folk tales. The selection of 13 new signature cocktails and mocktails will be on offer from €16 (A\$26), and will include the gin-based 'Arabian Jewel', the rum-themed 'Desert Mirage', and the alcohol-free 'The Storyteller'.

CLIA LIVE surfs into the Gold Coast

CRUISE Lines International Association's CLIA LIVE is expanding to the Gold Coast next year, its sixth Australian city.

The agent training will head to the GC on 06 and 07 May, hosted at QT Gold Coast (pictured).

The program will also include Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, and Sydney, with dates now confirmed for each city.

The event will also head to Christchurch, which, including Auckland, will see CLIA travel to eight cities next year.

Tickets will be available exclusively to CLIA members from 02 Dec.

The two-day seminar format sees representatives from the world's ocean, river and expedition cruise lines gather to explain their latest initiatives and share product developments.

The events suit both new-to-cruise advisors, as well as more



experienced cruise specialists updating their knowledge.

Director of Membership & Events Marita Nasic said next year's CLIA LIVE series will be themed 'Connecting Travellers to their Perfect Cruise Holiday'.

"CLIA LIVE allows agents to hear from multiple cruise lines in the one place at the one time, helping them to learn more about each operator and stay up-to-date on their latest initiatives," Nasic said.

"This year's CLIA LIVE will give

agents a deeper understanding of how to match clients with their ideal cruise, based on their personal preferences, budget and travelling style.

"It will also provide strategies for highlighting the value and unique experiences each cruise line offers, helping agents to build excitement and trust with clients," she added.

Attendees can join one or both days, and will receive 30 CLIA points per day - **CLICK HERE** for full details, including dates. *MS*

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NZ seeking extra powers over cruise

THE New Zealand Government is proposing to create additional powers to allow a biosecurity inspectors to question cruise ship passengers about the goods they are carrying, and issue infringements for non-compliance, for each time someone disembarks a vessel.

New Zealand's Ministry for Primary Industries is inviting public consultation on changes to the *Biosecurity Act 1993*.

Inspector powers currently tied to arrivals can only be used the first time a passenger reaches land, which the Ministry contends is unfit for purpose, as cruise guests disembark at multiple stops.

This means inspectors are unable to fully process passengers and carry out their duties at all points in a cruise ship's itinerary.

The use of these additional powers would be limited to biosecurity control areas to provide additional safeguards for human rights and privacy.

The Ministry would also need to make sure each port where cruise ships arrive has a biosecurity control area, and the correct infrastructure to process passengers.

The law has remain largely unchanged since its establishment, with Ministry officials now engaging with stakeholders to identify potential improvements.

Public consultation is open until 13 Dec - **CLICK HERE** for more information.

Oceania unveils 2026



OCEANIA Cruises has unveiled new 2026 voyages in the Caribbean, Asia, Africa, and Europe aboard three of its ships.

More than 60 global sailings, available to book later this week, have been unveiled aboard *Nautica* (pictured), and *Sirena*, as well as *Regatta*, which will later in the year depart on My Cruises' exclusive year-long charter.

Highlights will include 17 Grand Voyages, with visits to destinations such as Mumbai, Cape Town, Rome, and Singapore.

Guests will also visit lesser-known destinations such as Tortola, Tenedos, Maputo, and Karlskrona, among others.

Other highlights include a 'Reefs of the Maya' seven-day sailing round trip from Miami, departing 10 Mar 2026 aboard *Nautica* to Cozumel and Costa Maya; an 'Exotic Odyssey' 54-day sailing from Singapore to Lisbon, departing 01 May 2026 aboard *Regatta* to Langkawi, Male, and Mindela; plus an overnight stay in Phuket, and a two-night stay in Cape Town.

There is also an 'East African Majesty' 20-day sailing from Mumbai to Cape Town, departing 11 Mar 2026 aboard *Sirena* to Nosy Be, Mayotte, and Durban, plus an overnight stay in Male.

"We are thrilled to offer this expansive collection of sailings for 2026, giving our curious guests the luxury of choice - from a seven-day round trip cruise from Miami sailing the Caribbean aboard *Nautica*, to a 69-day epic adventure spanning multiple continents sailing from Istanbul to Singapore aboard *Sirena*," President Frank Del Rio Jr said.

"Small-ship cruising with Oceania Cruises is magical, and the onboard experiences travellers will enjoy while sailing these corners of the world are just as exceptional as each destination visited.

"Thanks to their boutique size, *Nautica*, *Regatta* and *Sirena* can access ports of call which simply aren't accessible to larger vessels, giving our well-travelled guests many opportunities to discover new favourite destinations." MS

New CLIA EU head

CRUISE Lines International Association (CLIA) has named Samuel Maubanc as its new Director General in Europe.

The energy & transport leader brings deep experience in climate policy and government relations to the top job for CLIA in Brussels.

He will champion the cruise sector's energy transition in pursuit of net-zero emissions.

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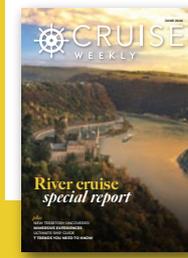
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ICONIC retired ocean liner *United States* has lost her battle against eviction from the Philadelphia pier she is moored at (**CW** 21 Jun), and is now set for a future as an artificial reef off the coast of Florida.

United States will set sail on one final journey down the coast of America, where she will serve as the world's largest artificial reef.

The decision came after numerous unsuccessful attempts to find a viable option for preserving *United States* in her current form.

The ship has been based in Philadelphia for almost 30 years, and is the largest ocean liner constructed entirely in the United States.

She is also the fastest to cross the Atlantic in either direction, retaining the coveted Blue Riband for the highest average speed since her maiden voyage in 1952 - a title she still holds.

Agents bask in the Sun



Captain's Welcome Party
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PRINCESS Cruises recently hosted a trade fam on board its newest ship *Sun Princess*.

The group of travel advisors (**pictured**) experienced the ship's inaugural cruise from the United States earlier this year.

Top advisors from Tripadeal, Clean Cruising, House of Travel, Flight Centre, Helloworld, OzCruising, eCruising, HGT, Imagine Holidays, My Cruises, Cruise Guru and Our Vacation Centre travelled on the three-

night round trip to Nassau.

Advisors experienced the best *Sun* has to offer, and joined in the festivities to celebrate her first voyage in the United States.

The fam was one of a number Princess has hosted recently, which also included a cruise on board *Discovery Princess* in North America, which saw guests explore some of the region's best drops on the seven-night 'Wine Country Cruise' from Vancouver to Los Angeles (**CW** 04 Nov). **MS**

Treasure's big find

DISNEY Cruise Line's *Disney Treasure* has aided the United States Coast Guard in its rescue of four passengers from their disabled catamaran.

The incapacitated vessel was taking on water about 400 kilometres off the coast of Bermuda, with the yet-to-debut Disney ship coming to her rescue.

Treasure was making her way to Port Canaveral ahead of her Dec maiden voyage, and was the closest ship able to help.

Captain of *Treasure* Marco Nogara oversaw the launch of a life boat, which successfully rescued all four passengers aboard the catamaran.

"We are pleased that the *Disney Treasure* was able to provide aid to the boat passengers in peril," Captain Nogara told the **ABC News** in the United States.

"Our crew members worked together on the rescue, skillfully demonstrating their training and commitment to safety," he added.

Disney Treasure remains on track to arrive tomorrow.



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