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**Princess Cruises Announces Pacific Princess' Return To Australia -
New 2020-21 Summer Program to Include Voyage to South America**



MS Pacific Princess (left) sailing into Sydney Harbour in 1975 and Pacific Princess (right) in 2018

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Princess Cruises has announced Pacific Princess will join its record 2020-2021 summer line-up in Australia, with the boutique ship offering local cruisers a range of unique itineraries and maiden calls during its four-month deployment.

On sale Thursday July 11 for Princess Elite guests and available for general sale on Friday July 12, Pacific Princess' program will include an epic 90-day roundtrip voyage from Sydney around South America, a 13-night cruise visiting ports on New Zealand's north and south islands and a special 21-night sailing to remote locations in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands.

Across the program, the 670-guest ship will make 15 maiden calls, including the cruise line's inaugural visits to Kaikoura and New Plymouth in New Zealand, Wewak and Gizo Island in the Soloman Islands and Madang in Papua New Guinea, as well as its first call to to New Zealand's Stewart Island on a cruise from Australia.

Revealing details of the deployment, Princess Cruises Senior Vice President Asia Pacific Stuart Allison said Pacific Princess' return to Australia reflected strong demand for Princess Cruises' holidays, with six Princess ships based Down Under for the first time ever over the 2020-21 summer, representing one-third of its global fleet.

The December arrival of Pacific Princess will coincide with the 45th anniversary of Princess Cruises' first roundtrip cruise from Australia, a voyage on the original Pacific Princess which starred in the popular TV series 'The Love Boat'.

Mr Allison said the cruise line planned to mark the anniversary on Pacific Princess' first cruise of the season, its New Zealand voyage departing December 21, 2020.

"Pacific Princess was christened in Australia and became a popular favourite amongst Australian cruisers, offering the first premium cruise experience in the region. We can't wait to welcome her back to our shores and celebrate our 45th anniversary at the same time," Mr Allison said.

The addition of Pacific Princess means Australians will have an unprecedented choice of Princess ships sailing from their doorstep over the 2020-21 summer, from the cruise line's smallest ship, the 30,277-tonne Pacific Princess, to two of its largest ships – the 143,700-tonne Majestic Princess and 142,200-tonne Regal Princess.

With Sapphire Princess, Sun Princess and Sea Princess also sailing in local waters, Princess Cruises will further cement its position as Australia's biggest cruise line, offering almost 25 per cent more beds across the summer than any other cruise line in Australia.

Mr Allison said highlights of the new Pacific Princess' program included:

- A 90-day circumnavigation of South America featuring more than 25 ports including five destinations new to Princess' cruising from Australia – Santos, Ilhabela and Natal in Brazil, Guayaquil in Ecuador and the Caribbean Island of Grenada – as well as overnight visits to Buenos Aires, Lima and two days in Rio de Janeiro at the start of Carnival. Overland options to the Galapagos Islands and Machu Picchu will also be on offer. Sailing from Sydney on January 3, 2021, the cruise is priced from \$22,499* per person twin share with an early booking benefit of up to \$2,000 onboard credit per stateroom.
- A 21-night cruise to Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands visiting remote destinations including Alotau and Conflict Islands and featuring the cruise line's maiden visits to Madang, Wewak and Gizo Island. Departing April 3, 2021, fares start from \$4299* per person twin share.
- A 13-night cruise to some of New Zealand's most beautiful ports including Princess' first cruise from Australia to Stewart Island in the south, and visits to Fiordland National Park, Dunedin, Akaroa, Kaikoura, Picton and New Plymouth. Fares for the voyage departing Sydney on December 21, 2020 start from \$3199* per person.

The program also includes a 24-night voyage from Sydney to Tokyo departing April 24, 2021 calling at ports in Papua New Guinea, the Philippines and Japan's Okinawa Island with fares from \$3499* per person.

Pacific Princess has been voted the best small-mid sized ship by Cruise Critic cruisers in 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

For more information, see a licensed travel agent; call 13 24 88 or visit www.princess.com.

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About Princess Cruises

One of the best-known names in cruising, Princess Cruises is a global premium cruise line and tour company operating a fleet of 17 modern cruise ships, carrying two million guests each year to 380 destinations around the globe, including the Caribbean, Alaska, Panama Canal, Mexican Riviera, Europe, South America, Australia/New Zealand, the South Pacific, Hawaii, Asia, Canada/New England and World Cruises. A team of professional destination experts has created more than 150 award-winning itineraries, ranging in length from three to 111 days and Princess Cruises has been continuously recognised as "Best Cruise Line for Itineraries."

Princess Cruises continues its multi-year, "Come Back New Promise" – a \$450 million-dollar product innovation and cruise ship renovation campaign that will continue to enhance the line's onboard guest experience. These enhancements result in more moments of awe, lifetime memories and meaningful stories for guests to share from their cruise holiday. The product innovations include partnerships with award-winning Chef Curtis Stone; engaging entertainment inspired shows with Broadway-legend Stephen Schwartz; immersive activities for the whole family from Discovery and Animal Planet that include exclusive shore excursions to onboard activities; the ultimate sleep at sea with the award-winning Princess Luxury Bed and much more.

Three new Royal-class ships are currently on order with the next new ship, Sky Princess, under construction scheduled for delivery in October 2019 and Enchanted Princess in 2020. Princess recently announced that two new (LNG) ships which will be the largest ships in the Princess fleet, accommodating approximately 4,300 guests with expected delivery in 2023 and 2025. Princess now has five ships arriving over the next six years between 2019 & 2025. The company is part of Carnival Corporation & plc (NYSE/LSE: CCL; NYSE:CUK).