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The first 10 retail agents to confirm a suite on any of the sailings in the new Wild Expeditions brochure between 6 and 24 of August 2018 will win a double pass to 'Symphony Of Our World' at the Sydney International Convention Centre on 31 August 2018. Email your confirmed booking numbers to SalesAP@silversea.com. TC's Apply

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Taiwan roadshows

TAIWAN Tourism is inviting travel agents to attend a series of upcoming roadshows taking place early next month.

Events showcasing the destination will take place in Brisbane, Melbourne and Sydney - for details see **page nine**.

Lombok earthquake

ANOTHER earthquake on the Indonesian island of Lombok overnight has led to a death toll of 82 at this stage, with the quake also felt in Bali but no reports of any Australian injuries.

The earthquake took place at about 10pm last night, a week after an earlier incident (**TD 30 Jul**) which killed 10 people.

A tsunami alert was issued after the quake, but the warning was later cancelled.

Most airlines have advised that flights to and from Bali and Lombok are operating normally following the earthquake.

Int'l mobile check-in OK

THE Federal Government is now allowing international travellers departing from Australia to check in for their flights using electronic boarding passes on their mobile phones, with the new option available to airlines from today.

Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs, Alan Tudge, who is leading the government's seamless travel initiatives, said increasing automation at Australia's borders was a key focus.

"Last financial year more than 21.4 million travellers were cleared through the border departing Australian international airports," he said.

"This number will continue to rise...these increasing volumes mean we are always looking for ways to clear legitimate travellers efficiently and seek out those of interest to law enforcement."

He said the change would cut out the need to visit the check-in desk and show a passport to

collect a paper boarding pass.

"Australia is a world leader in seamless travel and this move will allow travellers to move across our border smoothly," he said.

The rollout of the new capability follows several successful trials of international mobile boarding passes, with travellers advised to contact individual airlines for more information on the change and its implementation.

The initiative complements departure SmartGates which currently process more than 73% of travellers departing Australia.

Silversea incentive

SILVERSEA Cruises is today highlighting its new Wild Expeditions brochure, with the first 10 retail consultants to confirm a suite on any sailing to win a double pass to "Symphony Of Our World" at the Sydney International Convention Centre.

The 31 Aug ICC event features a full orchestra and choir performing an original symphony paired with natural history footage from 130 years of National Geographic history and storytelling.

For more details see the **cover page** of today's **Travel Daily**.

Today's issue of TD

Travel Daily today has eight pages of news and photos, including a front cover page for **Silversea Cruises**, plus full pages from:

- Taiwan Tourism
- AA Appointments jobs
- Gate1 Travel

Demetriou to News

HELEN Demetriou has been appointed as general manager Travel for News Corp Australia.

The former **My Kitchen Rules** contestant was most recently head of account management at TravelEdge, with her career also including senior roles at Wotif and travel.com.au.



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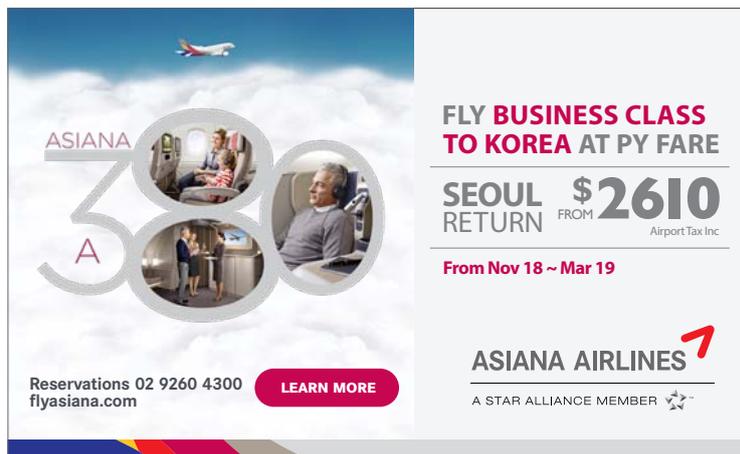
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Crystal Webinar two

THE second of Crystal Cruises' popular webinar series in partnership with **Travel Daily** and **Cruise Weekly** will go live on Wed this week.

The session will see **TD** editor Jasmine O'Donoghue continue her conversation with Crystal md Australia and NZ, Karen Christensen, this time delving into the Crystal River Cruises offering.

Consultants who register for the event will go into the running to win a luxury Crystal cruise for two - to sign up **CLICK HERE**.

Gate1 earlybirds

GATE1 Travel is offering savings of up to \$3,000 for earlybird bookings on its 13-day Deluxe Spain & Portugal tour.

Savings are also on offer for the company's 16-day Classic European River Cruise and 12-day Kaleidoscope of Peru itineraries - for more details see **page eleven**.

QF Amadeus hackathon win

A **TEAM** of Qantas technology experts have taken out the grand prize in the inaugural Amadeus "Airlines Digital Experience Hackathon" in Nice, France.

The three-day event attracted airline developers from across the globe, competing with each other to deliver the "most innovative e-commerce experience" using Amadeus technology.

The Qantas group developed an

"intelligence platform" called *The Wallaby* which included a mobile web application able to anticipate future travel and pre-determine a complete itinerary.

The system showed how Amadeus tech could integrate with a chatbot/personal assistant via the Amazon Alexa gadget, with *The Wallaby* acting as a hub which understood a client's travel patterns and also recognised when it was appropriate to engage them with a flight offer and the best channel to use.

Hawai'i Mega-Famil

HAWAI'I Tourism Oceania has today announced an upcoming Experience Aloha Hawai'i Mega Famil, taking place in partnership with Hawaiian Airlines 27-31 Oct.

To qualify, consultants must complete the e-learning module at agents.gohawaii.com and sell at least four HA international return tickets to HNL ex Australia between 23 Jul and 30 Sep.

QBR membership

QANTAS is offering free membership of its Qantas Business Rewards scheme for travel agency clients who sign up by 30 Aug, along with 5,000 bonus points with a \$500 minimum spend.

See qantas.com/agencyconnect.

Costsaver ramps up



THE Travel Corporation's Costsaver brand has announced it will operate a new "Costsaver Clique" incentive program, including its first ever exclusive trip for top achievers.

Top-selling Costsaver consultants will be flown to a mystery destination, with one spot available to each of the top 20 agencies, plus five wildcards.

The incentive applies to sales of 2018 departures from 01 Jul, as well as all 2019 trips booked up until 28 Feb next year.

Costsaver Clique complements TTC's long-running Acclaim trip for top-selling Trafalgar consultants.



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Radisson set for sale

CHINA'S HNA Group is considering a US\$2 billion offer for its Radisson Hotel Group as it offloads assets worldwide.

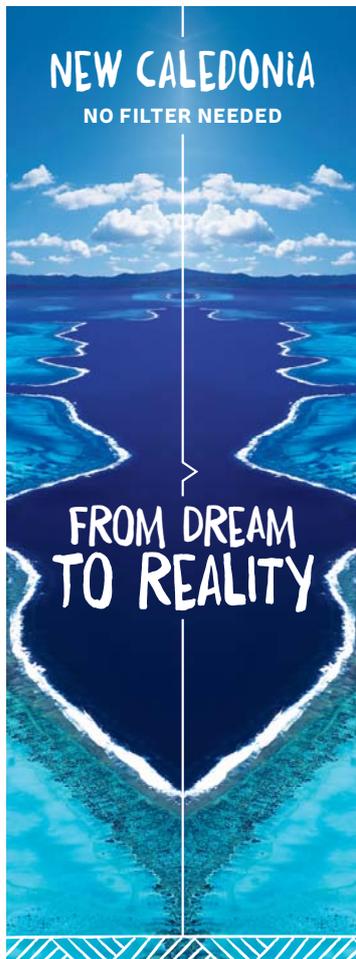
Bloomberg reports that Chinese hospitality firm Jin Jiang International Holidays is in the early stages of a potential offer.

Jin Jiang already owns a 12.3% stake in Accor SA as well as India's Sarovar Hotels and the European hospitality firm Groupe du Louvre.

New Sth Bank ceo

THE Queensland Government has named Bill Delves as the ceo of South Bank Corporation, the operator of Brisbane's riverside tourism and leisure precinct.

Delves has served as interim ceo since the death of predecessor Jemina Dunn in Oct.



Snow demand on the rise

THE number of Australians planning a domestic snow holiday has risen, according to new Roy Morgan research, with the NSW ski fields top of the wish list.

Data released yesterday shows 47% of Australian skiers and snowboarders say they would like to visit at least one domestic snow destination within the next two years, up one percentage point on research from 2014.

The NSW high country remains the most popular destination, cited as top preference by 31% of those surveyed.

In particular, the combined slopes of Thredbo, Perisher and Smiggins were named by 28% as their top option.

In Victoria, Mount Hotham is the leading destination, mentioned by 13% of skiers and boarders, ahead of Mount Buller (12%) and Falls Creek (11%).

Buller has doubled its popularity since 2014, Roy Morgan says, having overtaken Falls Creek as Victoria's second-most-preferred snow destination.

Wharves for fit-out

THE development of Brisbane's newest hospitality precinct is close to completion, with the Queensland Government announcing yesterday work had begun on the fit-out of the Howard Smith Wharves.

The \$200 million riverfront project will include a series of restaurants and bars, as well as conference and event facilities and a 164-room hotel.

The five-star hotel is due to open in Mar and is being built by the Deague Group, the developer behind the Art Series Hotels.

Howard Smith Wharves ceo Luke Fraser said the fit-out phase was a major milestone.

"We're harnessing the natural beauty of Brisbane to create experiences that will lure visitors and give locals a new way to enjoy their city," he said.

Roy Morgan ceo Michele Levine said increasing demand for overseas snow destinations was closely tied to the strength of the Australian dollar.

"However, a majority of Australians still travel within Australia for their skiing and snowboarding holidays and the popularity of the NSW and Victorian snowfields as holiday destinations has actually increased over the last four years since 2014," she said.

"Today's research shows that although overseas destinations in New Zealand, Japan, North America, Europe and elsewhere may appeal, the leading Australian snow field resorts at Thredbo/Perisher/Smiggins, Mt Hotham, Mt Buller and Falls Creek are still very popular destinations for skiers and snowboarders looking to head to the snow on their next holiday."



Window Seat

THERE'S supposed to be an app for that, as the saying goes, but in the US state of Michigan an Amish community has found a way to join the new economy without going digital.

Timothy Hochstedler has launched a service he calls "Amish Uber" in which he brings the power of horse and buggy to the ridesharing scene, US broadcaster ABC reports.

"Uber is hot right now so we have the Amish Uber, we can deliver people to their front door steps," said Hochstedler.

While users have embraced the new service with enthusiasm, don't expect to find it via the app - in keeping with Amish tradition, you'll need to put the phone to one side and flag down the driver by hand.



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Vivid packages up

SYDNEY'S annual Vivid Festival hit new levels of popularity this year, with a record number of travel packages sold to domestic and international visitors.

NSW Minister for Tourism and Major Events Adam Marshall said 185,887 travel packages were sold in 2018, a 37% increase on last year.

More than 112,700 packages were for domestic visitors, an increase of 60% on 2017, while 73,130 were sold to internationals, up 12%.

"The growing number of international and domestic visitors is testament to the enduring popularity of Vivid Sydney a decade on and a timely reminder of the work it does in injecting expenditure into the State's economy," Marshall said.

Mainland China bought the most int'l packages, at 23,600, followed by Indonesia's 6,870 and Malaysia's 6,960.

QF Tel Aviv sale

QANTAS is promoting its services to Tel Aviv, with return Economy fares currently on sale from \$2,037.

Flights are available ex Adelaide, Brisbane, Cairns, Melbourne, Sydney or Perth, with fare basis "OOLY" on sale from now until 28 Aug.

CLICK HERE for details.

Switzerland crash

TWENTY people were killed aboard a vintage aircraft which crashed in a remote and mountainous region of Switzerland on Sat.

The aircraft was a Junkers Ju-52 propeller plane operated by Ju-Air, a Zurich-based company offering tours aboard vintage and military aircraft.

Those killed were from Switzerland and Austria, and the firm has suspended operations pending investigations.



JETSTAR'S inaugural flight from Brisbane to Uluru took off last Fri morning, heralding the beginning of three times weekly services between the two destinations.

The new flights will operate on Mon, Wed and Fri and will inject over 55,000 return seats into the market.

The service also presents an opportunity to boost the European, South East Asian, Chinese, Japanese and North American markets, in addition to providing Queenslanders with a direct service to Uluru.

"Tourism in the Northern Territory continues to grow, particularly from Queensland

where tourism from the sunshine state to the Territory grew by 20%", said Jetstar executive manager, Alan McIntyre.

"We are seeing great demand for this new service with travellers, including many families, taking advantage of the new direct flight to Uluru, one of Australia's most iconic destinations."

Pictured with JQ staff at the inauguration are Jetstar executive manager, Alan McIntyre; NT Minister for Corporate & Information Services, Lauren Moss; and general manager airline & retail management, Andrew Brodie.

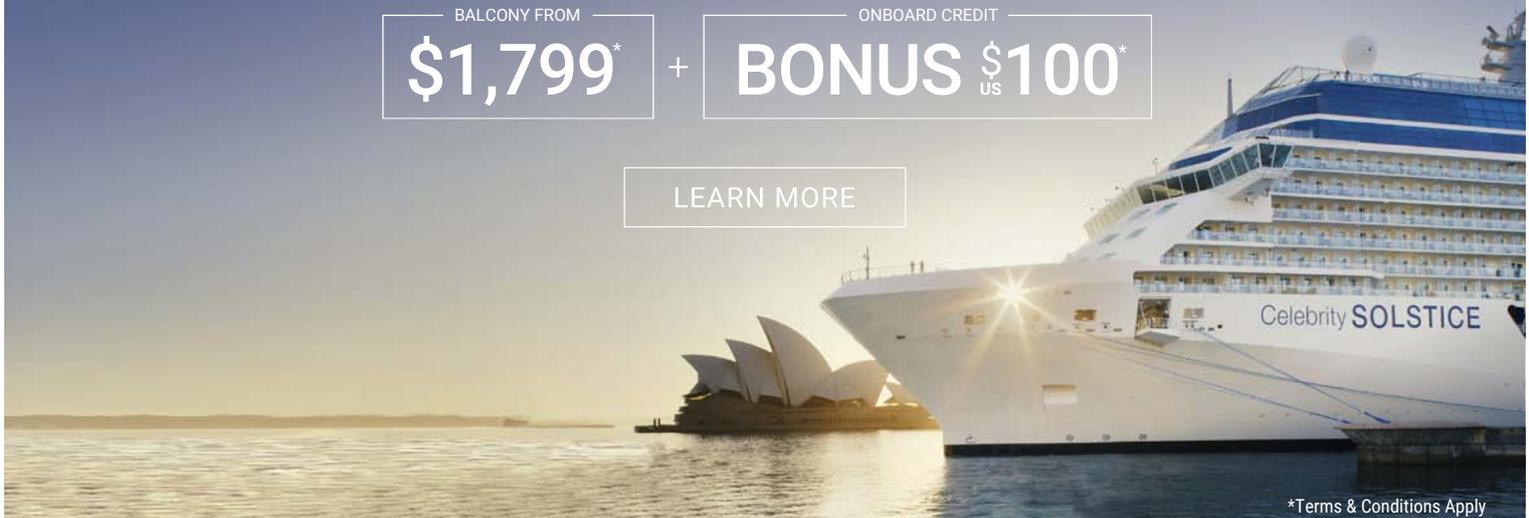
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Intrepid opens NZ office



INTREPID Group recently held an office warming celebration with 65 industry partners in attendance to mark the opening of its new office in Auckland.

The operator has experienced a strong 25% growth rate in New Zealand so far in 2018, and the new physical presence in the country is intended to reaffirm its commitment to the market.

"We are very proud to be investing in New Zealand and we want to thank all our Kiwi friends for believing in our style of travel," said Intrepid Group APAC regional director Brett Mitchell.

"Performance has been beyond expectations, with our trade partners taking us from strength to strength," he added.

Prior to the opening, Intrepid previously operated from an Intrepid Travel retail front in Newmarket.

Pictured: The new Auckland Intrepid team (back row) Leah Johnson, Casey Morris, Rod Griffith, Tom Svensen, Tracy Patching and Katey Rayner.

Front: Charlotte Randell, Kylie Isaacson & Nicole Middleton.

Dollywood expands

THE Dollywood by Dolly Parton theme park has announced plans for a major US\$37 million expansion by opening Wildwood Grove in 2019, a new land featuring 11 entertainment experiences.

Wildwood Grove will boast six rides, live entertainment, family play areas, and a restaurant.

"I've told you before about how I'd let my imagination roam free...it's a place where families can spend more time together," owner & singer Dolly Parton said.

Rail and bus link deal

AMTRAK has signed an agreement with bus carrier Trailways of New York to enable its passengers to travel to destinations not accessible by rail.

Connected cities include Ithaca, Cortland and Glens Falls.

Whitsundays art

LANGFORD Reef in the Whitsunday Islands will be home to a new underwater art installation thanks to funding provided by the Queensland and Federal Governments' \$7 million Tourism Recovery Fund.

The artworks slated to be included in the display include a fish, a nudibranch and a crab, with the nudibranch to measure 1.8 metres long and weigh in at roughly 300 kilograms.

The project was coordinated by Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority, Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service, Tourism Whitsundays, Reef Ecologic and the CSIRO.

"We propose to install the artworks in early Aug and move them from the beach to intertidal to underwater environments one month at a time," said Reef Ecologic director Adam Smith.

TC targets newbies

TRAVEL Counsellors in the UK has launched a new travel trade program which aims to help individuals with travel sector experience who haven't sold directly to customers to start their own travel businesses.

The 20-week course builds on existing travel industry knowledge for people who have previously worked in a customer or service focused role, via online modules and face-to-face inductions.

The company has not at this stage rolled the initiative out into other markets where it operates including Australia.

Fiji AS San Fran

FJI Airways (FJ) and Alaska Airlines (AS) have expanded their codeshare agreement to include an additional 19 cities in the US via FJ's San Francisco hub.

Among the new destinations added for direct travel to and from Nadi are the cities of San Diego, Austin, Indianapolis, Washington DC and Boston.

AS has also announced that members of its Mileage Plan program can earn and redeem miles for travel on Fiji Airways codeshare flights.



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Swissotel appoints

SWISSOTEL Sydney has appointed communication agency Stellar Concepts as its new public relations representative.

Other clients include Sydney's Woolwich Pier Hotel, owned by the high profile Laundry family.

La Reserve ageing

FRANCE'S La Reserve has introduced the Nescens Better Ageing Bootcamp with programs from the Anti-Ageing Centre at the Clinique de Genolier in Switzerland.

The offering includes two "better ageing programs" which feature daily meals, "personalised muscle awakening sessions" and spa treatments.

Prices start at €1,950 (A\$3,049) for three days excl accom.

MU adding LGW

CHINA Eastern Airlines is boosting capacity to London, with a new non-stop route between Shanghai Pu Dong and London Gatwick effective from 07 Dec.

The service will operate thrice weekly using A330-200 aircraft, complementing MU 777-300ERs between Shanghai and London Heathrow.

Zimbabwe alert

DFAT is advising Australian travellers in Zimbabwe to be alert at all times, avoid political rallies and protests and monitor local media following violent protests in the country following the recent elections.

The level of advice for Zimbabwe remains at "exercise a high degree of caution".

Falling for New York's Niagara



EIGHT consultants were recently treated to a week-long TravelManagers famil in New York City and New York State, run in partnership with the New York State Division of Tourism and Delta Airlines.

The agents earned their spot on the trip by being the top sellers during a TravelManagers sales initiative during Mar and Apr.

"This famil represented a fantastic reward for PTMs who were already engaged in selling New York – but now they have first-hand knowledge and experience of the destination which they can pass on to their clients," said TravelManagers egm Michael Gazal.

The group spent two nights in NYC, in that time checking out a magic show at the Lotte New York Palace as well as the Broadway production *Kinky Boots*.

Other highlights included a self-drive itinerary to experience

New York State, where the group sampled locally produced wine in the Finger Lakes wine region, and a tempestuous trek along the stunning Cave of the Winds boardwalk at Niagara Falls.

Pictured admiring the beauty of Niagara at night is New York State Division of Tourism's Ben Urquhart (centre) with TravelManagers' Cassandra Ross, Carolyn Burgmann, Dana Brown, Julianne Gazal-Rizk & Lisa Metzl.

Greek island suites

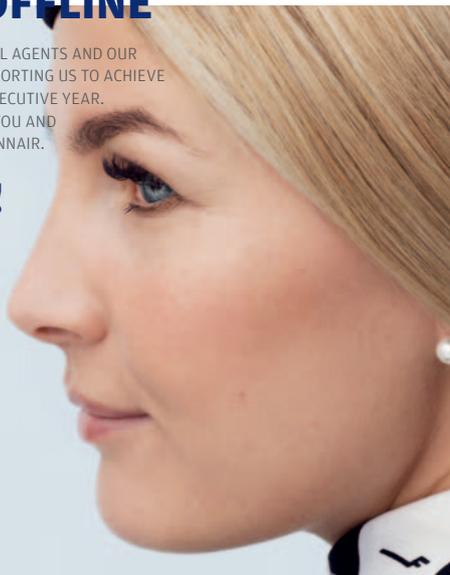
DESIGN Hotels has opened the new Olea All Suite Hotel on the Greek island of Zakynthos.

The Xenos Hotels Group property is located on a hillside on the island's north eastern coast, welcoming guests aged 12 and older with three restaurants, bars and a 4,000m² pool which meanders around the 93 suites - see designhotels.com for more.

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We are establishing an appointment pool for level 3, Familiarisations Coordinator vacancies that arise within the Famils branch of Tourism WA. Current positions available from the pool:

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For further information about the positions, please contact Jessica Cackett, Famils Supervisor on (08) 9262 1818.

HOW TO APPLY

Please visit the Jobs WA website www.jobs.wa.gov.au and enter: Pool Ref Pool 2018 into the web search box. Please follow the advertising instructions located in the advertisement. Detailed information about the role can be found here, including the Job Description Form.

CLOSING DATE: Friday, 17 August at 4.00pm (WST).

Spencer's new office



LEADING Hotels of the World (LHW) welcomed Spencer Travel to its new office in Mascot on Fri with food and champagne.

Pictured celebrating the move are: Kevin Kirby, director of sales, LHW; Penny Spencer, managing director, Spencer Travel and Kirsty and Christina, LHW.

Brisbane's elite win

THE Queensland government has secured the 2019 UCI Track World Cup for Brisbane, which will be held at Anna Meares Velodrome in Dec 2019.

Tourism Industry Development Minister Kate Jones said the event reaffirmed Queensland's position as a global sporting events hub and follows the announcement of the Brisbane Cycling Festival package of events from 2019-2021.

"The UCI Track World Cup adds to Queensland's growing events calendar, now worth \$780 million to the state's economy," she said.

The UCI Track World Cup will serve as a qualifying event for the Tokyo 2020 Olympics.

RCI stars in Netflix

ROYAL Caribbean Int'l's *Harmony of the Seas* stars in Netflix original *Like Father*, which launched over the weekend.

To celebrate, RCI hosted the "largest movie premiere at sea" by screening the film across its Oasis Class ships: *Symphony*, *Harmony*, *Allure* and *Oasis of the Seas* in the onboard amphitheatre, AquaTheatre.

The film features Kristen Bell, Kelsey Grammer and Seth Rogen.



Brochures

WELCOME to Brochures of the Week, *Travel Daily's* Monday feature. If your firm is releasing a new brochure of which you'd like to make the industry aware, send a brief description summarising its features and itineraries, including a PDF of the front cover, and contact details to brochures@traveldaily.com.au.



World Expeditions - Asia 2018/19

World Expeditions' new 84-page Active Asian Adventures brochure includes new self-guided pilgrimage hikes and e-biking itineraries in Japan and remote China. The program also features new adventures in Vietnam, Indonesia and Laos. Other new attractions include two national park experiences in Mongolia, adventure cruises around the Raja Ampat region of Indonesia aboard a trimaran, and a journey down Mekong River between Chang Rai and Luang Prabang.



Scenic - South East Asia 2019/20

Scenic Luxury Cruises & Tours has released its 2019-2020 South East Asia brochure featuring a range of all-inclusive river cruises through Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos. The program highlights include the 13-day Treasures of the Mekong from Ho Chi Minh City to Siem Reap & the new 18-day Hanoi to Siem Reap itinerary, featuring the Mekong river.



Aurora Expeditions - Latin America 2020

Aurora Expeditions has released its new Latin America brochure, featuring small ship expeditions from Chile to the Caribbean on board the *Greg Mortimer*. Guests will have the opportunity to sail through Beagle Channel in Patagonia, visit the desert landscapes of the Atacama, swim with turtles in Mexico and see the colourful birdlife above the canals of Costa Rica.

Syd Bridge security

THE NSW Government has outlined plans to increase security and up the penalty for illegally climbing the Sydney Harbour Bridge.

The fine will be increased from \$3,300 to \$22,000 and measures include raising the height of fencing, new anti-climb mesh and additional surveillance cameras.

Mozo's health study

COMPARISON site Mozo.com.au has found 51% of travel insurers do not cover incidents related to mental health, with only some allowing customers to get additional cover following a medical assessment.

"The travel insurance industry is exhibiting a high level of discrimination against mental illness, with many insurers placing it in the 'too hard' basket," said Kirsty Lamont, Mozo director.

Lamont said it was very much up to the customer "to see whether they are covered for any mental illness related incidents".

For more info, **CLICK HERE**.

Outrigger Honua

OUTRIGGER Hotels and Resorts has announced the acquisition of the oceanfront Honua Kai Resort & Spa in Honolulu.

The condo resort located on Maui's Ka'anapali North Beach offers studio, one-, two- & three-bedroom suites alongside full-service concierge, Ho'ola Spa and Duke's Beach House restaurant.

The resort is expanding with 72 townhomes, scheduled for completion 2020.

Air Canada's record

AIR Canada (AC) set a new single-day record on Fri, as it welcomed over 178,000 customers on board.

The airline's president and coo Benjamin Smith said the result was the equivalent of transporting the population of the province of Prince Edward Is.

"We are delighted customers are choosing Air Canada in record numbers for their travel plans, where we carried more than 5.2 million customers in a record-setting Jul," Smith said.

AFL

AFL ROUND 20 WINNER

Congratulations

CORINNA STEFANI

from Atoll Travel

Corinna is the top point scorer for Round 20 of *Travel Daily's* AFL footy tipping competition. She's won \$100 travel credit courtesy of Expedia.



The major prize for the 2018 footy tipping competition is return economy class airfares to Dubai flying with **EMIRATES**.

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Automated DME

MORE than 3.3 million pax have travelled through new SITA-designed automated gates at Moscow Domodedovo Airport since the beginning of the year.

The gates boast the ability to hasten pax processing at airports.

Scout PER on sale

SINGAPORE Airlines' low-cost carrier Scout has launched its Sneak off to the Heat sale, offering cheap flights from Australia to Singapore starting from \$129 each way.

Prices vary depending on city of departure and will be available until 12 Aug and apply to travel between 07 Aug & 15 Nov 2018.

LO biz lounge WAW

LOT Polish Airlines (LO) has opened a new Business Lounge called Mazurek at Warsaw Chopin Airport (WAW).

The new space is for use by passengers on non-Schengen international departures and includes facilities such as wi-fi access, news services (Polish and international), hot and cold food options, and shower amenities.

Mazurek is open seven days with hours of operation between 6:30am and 11pm.

The area is located on the ground floor of the airport.

Silversea combos

SILVERSEA Cruises has launched new combination cruise packages, a selection of two or more cruise journeys at discounted rates.

The combo deals apply to a limited number of cruise options and include the 23-day Venice to Dubai voyage on board *Silver Spirit*, fusing visits to the Mediterranean with sailings through the Suez Canal.

For further information on the combo cruises, [CLICK HERE](#).

WIN A LUXURY RIVER CRUISE



This month, *Scenic* and *Travel Daily* are giving readers the chance to win a luxurious river cruise. Experience a 15-day cruise in a balcony suite. The prize includes:

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Q4. How many Scenic Status points does a guest need to reach Scenic Club Diamond level?

Park light event

CENTENNIAL Park in Sydney will host the Valley of Light event on Fri night, which will see hundreds of visitors view an array of artistic lighting installations across the park.

The Valley of Light has already sold out to the public.

EK drops SIN-CMB

EMIRATES has announced it will no longer operate services between Singapore (SIN) and Colombo (CMB) from 28 Oct.

The airline is advising ticketed passengers on the affected EK348 and EK349 flights to re-book on SIN-DXB-CMB or CMB-DXB-SIN services, with a full refund available for passengers who can't find a suitable travel option.

Aircalin winter sale

AIRCALIN Australia has introduced its Goodbye Winter, Bonjour New Caledonia Sale, a deal offering direct flights to Noumea leading in at \$270 one way (including taxes).

The promotion is valid until 24 Aug and applies to flights from Sydney (\$270), Melbourne (\$292) or Brisbane (\$270) for the travel period between 01 Sep 2018 and 31 May 2019.

For more info, [CLICK HERE](#).

Costa Rica plan

COSTA Rica's new Minister of Tourism Maria Amalia Revelo has revealed a plan to increase tourism to the country over the next four years.

The strategy's action points include a greater emphasis on creating new products with a focus on culture/food, and promoting SME travel companies.



NRL ROUND 21 WINNER

Congratulations

SANDRA MERLO

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