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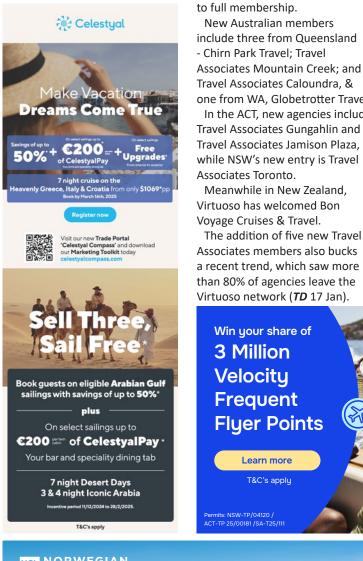


# First with the news

### Love in New York

**NEW** York City has a story on every corner waiting to be explored, and is ready for Aussie guests to make their own mark.

Viva Holidays is demonstrating this love in New York with a range of new land-only packages which can be explored on page 10.



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Travel Associates Caloundra, & one from WA, Globetrotter Travel. In the ACT, new agencies include

Travel Associates Gungahlin and Travel Associates Jamison Plaza, while NSW's new entry is Travel Associates Toronto.

VIRTUOSO has added 30 new

member agencies over the past

Among the local contingent.

three are brand new members.

transitioned from associate status

year, eight of which hail from

Australia and New Zealand.

while another five have

Meanwhile in New Zealand, Virtuoso has welcomed Bon Voyage Cruises & Travel.

The addition of five new Travel Associates members also bucks a recent trend. which saw more than 80% of agencies leave the Virtuoso network (TD 17 Jan).

Elsewhere, the Virtuoso network has swelled with seven new members in Greater China, six in the United States, four in the United Kingdom, three in continental Europe, and three in Latin America and the Caribbean.

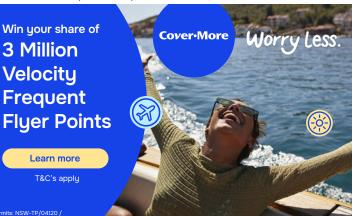
Virtuoso members swell

"Each new member agency brings valuable local market insights and an outstanding industry reputation that extends far beyond their region," said Virtuoso Senior Vice President, Global Member & Partner Sales, Cory Hagopian.

Virtuoso's network now extends across 58 countries, with 40% located outside of the US, and teams in nine global regions. JM

### Today's issue of TD

Travel Daily today features nine pages of the latest news, plus a cover wrap from Home Ex, a photo page from VisitBritain, and a full page from Viva Holidays.

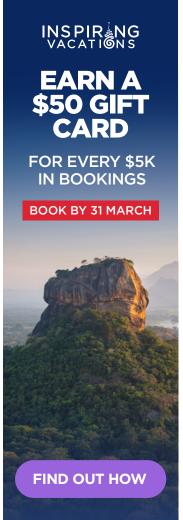


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#### Disney on demand?

**DISNEY** may be looking to expand its dynamic ticket pricing structure to its US theme parks later this year, according to Wall Street market analysts.

The new structure will mirror airfares and will see entry prices fluctuate based on demand.



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### JQ endures outage

JETSTAR passengers were unable to check into flights on Sat after a nationwide IT outage shut down the carrier's systems.

The issue lasted for several hours and impacted all boarding systems, and followed a recent system upgrade carried out only last week (TD 18 Feb).



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### **CLIA rebuffs tax remarks**

**CLAIMS** made by a new Donald Trump appointee that major US cruise lines do not pay any taxes has been rebuked by the Cruise Lines International Association's (CLIA) American chapter.

In a response to comments made by the newly sworn in US **Commerce Secretary Howard** Lutnick on Fox News, CLIA defended the tax record of its USheadquartered members, which include Carnival Corporation, Royal Caribbean Group, and Norwegian Cruise Line Holdings.

"Cruise lines pay substantial taxes and fees in the US to the tune of nearly US\$2.5 billion, which represents 65% of the total taxes that cruise lines pay worldwide," a spokesperson for the industry body noted.

CLIA added the significant tax contributions are being made to the US despite only a very small percentage of operations occurring in American waters.

Lutnick caused the furore when he took aim at cruise lines during an interview on Fri, alleging the sector is not paying its fair share of tax because many are registered in foreign countries.

"You ever see a cruise ship with an American flag on the back? They have flags of like Liberia or Panama - none of them pay taxes," Lutnick claimed.

Shortly after the comments were made, the stock prices of the major cruise companies dropped by the end of the day's trading, down by 6% for NCLH,



5.5% for Royal Caribbean, and 3.95% for Carnival.

While it's true that operating flags of convenience on their ships means big US-based cruise lines are not required to pay federal corporate income tax in America, the companies contribute a significant amount through taxes and fees incurred through port stays, passenger taxes, and levies to operate land excursions on American soil.

Cruise lines have historically relied upon sections 873 and 883 of the US Tax Code to minimise income taxes, including an exemption for 'foreign corporations' engaged in shipping, so long as their registered country provides reciprocal tax treatment to companies in the US.

This partly explains why major players like Carnival Corporation, Royal Caribbean Group, and Norwegian Cruise Line Holdings are flagged in Panama, Liberia, and Bermuda, respectively.

The criticism is not new territory for the cruise sector either, which successfully resisted moves by Senate Republicans to partially repeal Sections 873 and 883 in 2017, as well as a similar move by Democrats in 2013, with the latter seeking a 5% tax on the first and final day of US voyages. AB

### Fighter jets in action

**ITALIAN** fighter jets have shadowed an American Airlines flight to Rome after a reported bomb threat on board.

The flight was travelling from New York to Delhi when it was diverted to Rome where it landed safely amid the security scare. AA confirmed the threat is over.



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### Australia now "booming" for WWT

#### EXCLUSIVE

**DESPITE** the challenges posed by the pandemic and the delayed opening of China's borders, the value of Australian bookings for Wendy Wu Tours (WWT) is now 50% more than it was in 2019.

The tour operator's founder Wendy Wu is currently in Australia, and late last week told Travel Daily the local market was "booming" beyond expectations.

"Our team in Australia is doing a fantastic job," Wu enthused.

"The Australian market is very significant for us because that's where we started and really built our foundation as a company.

"So right now in Australia we are booming with bookings to Morocco, South Africa, Peru, Turkiye, and Jordan," she added.

WWT was hit harder than most operators by factors outside of its control in recent years, such as the military coup in Myanmar derailing bookings, and its core



destination tours in China taking a hit by the country's tough border policies blocking visitation.

While these circumstances could have spelled the end of some tour companies, WWT used its lack of market access as a platform for rapid growth.

"In the past, we used to have a plan to expand to one country per year, but right now it is the biggest and most successful expansion period ever," Wu said.

"In the past we used to think of ourselves as a niche, specialist tour operator for Asia, but now we realise we are actually a touring specialist."

Among the new product on



the market are Christmas tours to countries such as Vietnam, as well as specialist touring combined with ocean cruises.

However, it is not just new destinations WWT is exploring, with the business recently embarking on its first forav into luxury by crafting a new 15-day luxury itinerary on the Silk Road Express in China.

"This piece of news is particularly useful for travel agents who have a luxury clientele because this is the most luxurious tour we have ever embarked upon," Wu explained.

"We wanted to start our luxury expansion with the most luxurious train, which has 15 carriages and only takes 88 pax.

"Each compartment has a private en suite, [1:1] butler service, and delicacies like lobster and caviar all carefully prepared by a Michelin-starred chef." For more info, CLICK HERE. AB

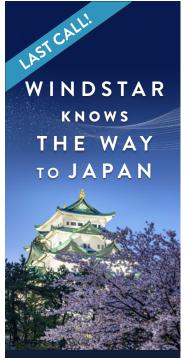
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Today's issue of TD is coming to you from Perth, where Virtuoso is about to hold its highly anticipated Australia & New Zealand Forum.

A HOST of senior travel advisors have descended on Perth, where they have already enjoyed several experiences courtesy of Tourism WA. We are on the ground before the Forum kicks off, and will be touring the state's oldest wine region, the Swan Valley, today. That will be followed by welcome cocktails courtesy of Classic Vacations at Crown Towers this evening.



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### Chinese warships prompt flight changes



FLIGHTS operated by Qantas, Virgin Australia, and Emirates over the Tasman Sea were forced to change course on Fri, after receiving warnings that live fire drills from Chinese warships could pose a serious safety risk (TD breaking news Fri).

Airservices Australia issued an alert to pilots to change course, while an unnamed source told the AFR that a Qantas 787 flying to Auckland reported being

harassed by a Chinese ship. When contacted for comment on Fri, Qantas Group told Travel Daily that Qantas and Jetstar continually monitor the airspace in which aircraft operate and had temporarily adjusted some flights across the Tasman.

"We continue to work with the Australian Government and broader industry to monitor the situation," a spokesperson added. An Emirates flight from Sydney

to Christchurch was also directly warned by the Chinese military to avoid airspace.

In response to the incident, Foreign Minister Penny Wong sought answers from her Chinese counterpart Wang Yi on the sidelines of the G20 in Johannesburg, with Australia's **Defence Minister Richard Marles** stating yesterday that the answers from China have so far been "unsatisfactory". AB







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### QR kicks Munich goal

**FOOTBALL** fans can now access exclusive travel packages to the 2025 UEFA Champions League Final, which will take place in Munich on 31 May.

The deals are available from Qatar Airways in its position as the official airline partner of the European club football competition, in partnership with its Qatar Holidays division.

A limited number of packages include flights, accommodation and match tickets across various seating are now available.

Bookings for the group tickets can also earn Avios and QPoints on the total package value, while points-rich flyers can redeem balances to attend matches.

For more information on the exclusive packages, **CLICK HERE**.



VIRGIN Australia enjoyed a stellar month for on-time departures in Jan 2025, with official results showing a gap to its major rival, Qantas.

According to the latest BITRE data, Virgin Australia set a 77.7% rate in on-time departures across its network, while Qantas lagged slightly behind on 75.6%.

The difference was closer in arrival times, with VA nudging ahead of Qantas again with 76.9% versus 75.6%.

VA's results also outperformed the market as a whole, with all measured airlines averaging ontime departure and arrival rates of 75.8%.

Qantas and Jetstar also trailed VA on cancellations, with the Flying Kangaroo axing 2.8% of flights, Jetstar shelving 2.3%, while VA only scrapped 0.8% of scheduled services.

VA COO Stuart Aggs said reliability was incredibly



VA leaves QF at the gate

important to the airline, never more so than in the busy Christmas holiday period.

"We call it SPOT - safely performing on time - and it is a responsibility our team takes very seriously, so it is great their hard work is paying off," Aggs said.

"A range of measures, including additional aircraft on standby and more team members rostered on reserve, have helped us manage inevitable disruption as it arises.

"This minimises the impact on our schedule and our guests' travel plans," he added.

Among smaller airlines, regional Queensland airline Hinterland set the bar on departures with 93%, while Skytrans had the highest cancellation rate with 16.3%. *ML* 



**TOURISTS** visiting the Chengdu Snow Village in Sichuan were left rather disappointed when they discovered local authorities used fake snow to compensate for recent warmer weather.

Visitors arrived in the normally picturesque winter wonderland to find the "snow" was made up of an unconvincing combination of cotton and soapy water.

After a litany of social media complaints, the snow village attraction temporarily closed down and apologised to visitors for the uncool trickery.







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### Short breaks on the rise

AUSTRALIANS are opting to take multiple short breaks over an extended holiday, believing them to be more cost-efficient during the cost-of-living crisis.

According to new research from Carnival Cruise Line, two-thirds of Australians surveyed have at least one short-break planned this year, with more than half opting for more than one.

Nearly two-thirds (57%) of those polled said a shorter, local trip away helped them unwind better compared to a longer holiday.

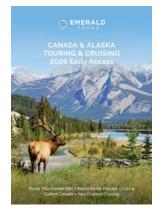
According to Carnival, the economics of the theory stack up, with big savings potential on offer for shorter travel experiences.

For example, Aussies are spending an average of \$4,745pp on a holiday of 14 nights or



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more, whereas four separate four-night Carnival cruises costs approximately \$2,400 per person.

Carnival Cruise Line Australia VP Kara Glamore said short breaks have never been more popular.

"That's why our 2026/27 program is packed with exciting shorter three-four night getaway options, giving Aussies more ways to maximise their time off while experiencing the best of what cruising has to offer," she said.

More than two in five said the appeal of a short break coincided with a desire to switch off from work and household chores, while 31% said they appreciated the time with their partner. *ML* 

### Add a spot at WSI

WESTERN Sydney International (Nancy-Bird Walton) Airport (WSI) has now opened tenders for out-of-home (OOH) advertising operators.

WSI CEO Simon Hickey said organisations that submitted a registration of interest have now been invited to tender to deliver internal and external digital advertising at WSI's precinct. "Airports are a unique

environment in which businesses and brands can connect to those passengers in various ways as they travel through the precinct, so this tender is really an exciting opportunity for an OOH operator to seize this moment and deliver innovative advertising to a highly engaged audience," Hickey said.

There will be around 80 different digital advertising assets across the airport, including large format outdoor digital signage and in-terminal advertising screens, delivering high potential passenger engagement. WSI is on track to begin operations in late 2026.



### Marketplace aimed at Sydney



**TOURISM** Portfolio has brought a taste of AIME to Sydney, hosting its interactive Destination Marketplace event at the Park Hyatt last week.

The event, which was created due to the highest-ever number of DMCs travelling to Australia to attend AIME, attracted more than 150 business event professionals, and featured the Fren family from Channel 9's *Travel Guides* series as special guests.

Mark and Cathy Fren, and their adult kids Jono and Victoria, drew prizes and shared travel stories with guests as they met Tourism Portfolio's DMC clients from New Zealand, Europe, the Americas, Africa, and the Middle East, as well as Australian venue operators.

Tourism Portfolio Director and owner, Donna Kessler, said the event was a "major hit", demonstrating that the business event sector is stronger than

### Escape cruise gong

**CRUISING** aficionados can now vote for the cruise brands and ships they love in the inaugural Readers Choice Cruise Awards by My Cruises and *Escape*.

The News Corp Australia travel masthead has partnered with the Ignite Travel Group brand to call on its 3.7 million readers to highlight what they love about cruising, and why.

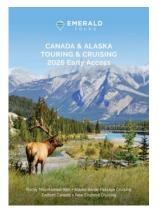
Eighteen categories will be decided by Escape's readership, including assessments on the most popular cruise line for families and the best restaurants. Voting is open until 02 Mar. ever, with more Australian groups looking at travelling abroad in coming years.

"All of our DMC partners recorded strong interest at AIME in Melbourne and Destination Marketplace in Sydney," she said.

**Pictured:** Tourism Portfolio's Donna Kessler and Sharon Levingston with the Fren family.



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### Jayride's new dream team

**TROUBLED** Australian airport transfer company Jayride has revealed a new corporate structure and funding strategy to steer future recovery ambitions.

Heading up the major changes released this morning is the appointment of new CEO Randy Prado (**pictured**), a high-profile technology entrepreneur who founded software brands Republisys and AiPayGo.

While Prado has more recently made a name

for himself running big projects in the United States, his career in Australia previously includes being the Regional Director for Nokia Internet Communications in ANZ in the late 1990s and early 2000s.

Further professional credits include holding the position of

### Jones & Co en route

**TRAVEL** rep company Jones & Co will embark on a roadshow across Australia in Apr, visiting Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane and Sydney.

This industry event will bring together travel experts, destination specialists, and industry leaders for evenings filled with networking, insights, and the latest travel updates.

Attendees can engage directly with DMCs and luxury hotel brands from around the world more details **HERE**. Regional Sales Director - ANZ for email software brand Epsilon. Prado will be joined by a new board, which includes: Brett Partridge as Non-Executive Director: Ram

Navaratnam as Director of Finance; Patrick Campbell as Chief Marketing Officer; Greg Woszczalski as Finance Advisor; and Rod Cuthbert, who transitions from an executive role to Non-Executive Chairmanship.

As previously flagged, the new management team also marks the end of Rod Bishop's direct involvement, who retires today.

Priorities for new leadership team will be slashing costs and a full review of all technology and manual processing.

In funding news, incoming Director Partridge has agreed to partially underwrite a previously announced entitlement offer, committing \$1 million. *AB* 

### QF slashes one mill

**QANTAS** has released one million discounted business and economy seats across 60 destinations around Australia. Economy fares start from \$109

one-way, with more than 35 routes under \$150. The discounted seats are for

travel from 29 Apr-26 Jun, 22 Jul-18 Sep, and 14 Oct-10 Dec 2025, available to book until 02 Mar. YEAR IN REVIEW TAKE A LOOK BACK AT THE BIGGEST STORIES

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### FCTG sails away with Chimu



**CHIMU** Adventures recently hosted 32 Flight Centre Travel Group (FCTG) team and area leaders on a chartered catamaran sailing around Sydney Harbour.

The company's planning afternoon included networking, collaboration, and updates on Chimu's small-ship expedition cruises to the polar regions, as well as its Signature South America itineraries.

Chimu MD Chad Carey and Relationship Manager Andrew Loving also took to the water with key Flight Centre staff.

"It was fantastic to spend quality time with incredible Flight Centre Travel Group agents and area leaders," Loving said.

"These valued relationships and our partnership with Flight Centre are stronger than ever.

They also provide a great foundation for Chimu's continued growth as we expand our fleet of expedition vessels [and] expand into new markets." JM

### **Records for Accor**

**STRONG** performance in luxury and lifestyle hotels has propelled Accor to exceed its mid-term forecast earnings for 2024, with revenue per available room increasing 5.7% year-on-year.

Group revenue for the French hospitality giant hit €5.6 billion, with the year seeing it open 293 new hotels worldwide, equating to more than 50,000 rooms.

At the end of the calendar year, Accor operated a global hotel portfolio of 850,285 rooms, with a pipeline of 233,000 - a 3.8% jump in new property signings.

Accor Chairman and CEO, Sebastien Bazin, said ambition, discipline and high standards guided Accor's results in 2024.

"On these solid foundations, and by continuing to control our destiny, we are approaching 2025 with confidence and the ambition to once again deliver excellent results," Bazin said.

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### Accessible travel

ACCORDING to the World Health Organization, 16% of the global population live with a disability, and almost half of people aged over 60 have one or more disabilities.

Together, the cohort spends an estimated US\$8 trillion a year - and the good news is they love to travel.

Accessibility expert Yann Charavel will share his insights into how to offer this community great travel experiences at the upcoming Home Ex, *Travel Daily's* first virtual event designed for home-based agents.

Charavel is the co-founder of Supported Travel eXperiences, a travel agency that supports people with disabilities and their families.

The group is also an NDIS-registered service provider, ensuring that each customer's travel plans align with their NDIS goals and personalised needs.

Charavel is also the co-founder of consultancy AccessibilityOz, which works to educate and train staff in accessibility.

During his session at Home Ex, Charavel will offer attendees advice on the various needs and desires of people with disabilities and how to create an inclusive experience that they and their loved ones will enjoy.

### THE KEY CHALLENGES FOR MOBILE AGENTS

**STRUGGLING** to find the time to learn and evolve is one of the biggest challenges home-based agents face these days, according to itravel CEO Steve Labroski.

"There are endless opportunities across every part of the industry," said Labroski (**pictured**), who frequently hears of agents claiming that they are already across everything.

"I think the biggest mistake I see is the fact that agents sit in their comfort and do what they do every day.

"The reality is that, no, they don't - things are changing every day; you need to evolve, and you need to keep learning and pushing the boundaries of who you are and what you can and can't do.

"The fact that a lot of people

**RESPECTED** travel executive

Wendy Wu has praised Travel

industry continuing to reshape

Speaking while in Sydney last

based agents face a unique set

of challenges to be successful.

the washing, cooking, looking

things while also looking after

after the kids, and all these

"These agents have to juggle

Daily's upcoming Home Ex

event as a vital forum with

following the pandemic.

week, the Wendy Wu Tours

(WWT) founder said home-

Wu acknowledges challenges at home

don't have time to take an hour out of their day to learn something new is disappointing, because you need to keep evolving. "You need to

learn something new every week." But according to Labroski,

technology is the

biggest gamechanger for timepoor home-based agents.

Itravel in particular has developed various tech tools to support agents and do things "faster, more efficiently and make more money".

"If I look at the journey where

their customers," Wu said.

learn and to be professional

and keep up, and even just

talking about WWT, in the last

few years we have expanded

our destinations so much and

how can home-based agents

"Okay, we have BDMs that

working from home is harder

agents can make full use of but

so I really think Home Ex is such

Wu will present at Home Ex.

keep up with all of that?

great idea," she added.

"It's very hard for [agents] to



we started, I used a pencil, rubber and a phone," recalled Labroski. "If you look at what we do today, I'd hate to think what the next five to 10 years will look like, but it will evolve quicker and quicker, so you need to move with the times." JHM

### Suppliers connect

**FROM** cruise and rail to touring and air, a diverse range of suppliers will be taking part at Home Ex, *Travel Daily's* first virtual event especially for homebased agents.

These include Globus family of brands, Oceania, Sundowners Overland, Tourism Western Australia, and plenty more.

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### Aussie buyers go shopping in London

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House of Travel; Adam Townson, Travel Associates Australia/NZ; Maria Marendy, Flight Centre; Jeremy Van Heerde, Bunnik Tours; Robina Frosinini, Abercrombie & Kent; Ned Curtis, Qantas Hotels and Holidays; Fiona Edgar, Helloworld Travel; Peta Evans, VisitBritain; and Kate

Moriarty, Infinity Holidays.

**EIGHT** product managers from leading retail, wholesale and tour businesses were recently hosted by VisitBritain to some of the most famous sights across the UK - and plenty of hidden gems too. Staying at The Athenaeum Hotel near Park Lane - a historic property which has remained in its owning family for over 200 years - the group explored London ahead of the major Showcase Britain business event,



where pens were pushed, deals were done, and hands were shaken to drive new business and many exciting new products, which will be enjoyed by travellers heading to the UK.

Highlights of the group's time in London included a tour in the city's famous black cabs and a trip back in time into a disused Tube station still sporting remnants from World War II.

The group also had the opportunity to inspect some of London's most vibrant and exciting new and reinvigorated hotels, boasting the spoils from renovations and investments in the tens

of millions of pounds.



**ADAM** Townson, Travel Associates (centre) networking with Janine Marshall and Alexandra Bew from One Aldwych.



**THE** group made themselves conspicuously known to London's MI6 intelligence agency.



**JEREMY** Van Heerde, Ned Curtis and Kate Moriarty were all eager to suit up for *Ted Lasso's* AFC Richmond during a tour of the town.



**KATE** Moriarty, Fleur Williams, Fiona Edgar and Peta Evans in their London black cab ready for a tour of the city's sights.



**ON THE** rooftop of One Aldwych, one of London's most envied addresses, which reopens to guests this week after a full refurbishment.

**DO YOU** dare seek to discover the wartime secrets of this disused London Tube station?





**ROBINA** Frosinini with two of London's colourful icons - a black cab and a red phone booth.



**PETA** Evans, Adam Townson, Maria Marendy and Kate Moriarty learning the finer points of the perfect cup of tea.



**KING** Henry VII even provided some of his loyal subjects for the Showcase Britain event.

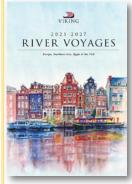


**THE** only thing missing from the grand 'Showcase Britain' gala lunch was a sorting hat.



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#### Viking - River Voyages 2025-27

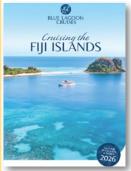
Viking released its 2025-2027 river brochure featuring destination-focused and culturally immersive journeys that explore the iconic rivers of Europe, Egypt, Southeast Asia and the USA. The 234-page brochure features a diverse selection of river voyages and includes new content, including a European Season Guide, QR codes linking to exclusive Viking content and two new eight-day river itineraries - one on the Seine in France and another on the Mississippi. The brochure can be accessed from a mobile device using adars to exclusive Viking content. It is also

QR codes that connect readers to exclusive Viking content. It is also available to view online or to order free via Coghlan in Australia, **HERE**.



Viva Holidays - Western Australia 2025/26 Viva Holidays has released its 2025/26 Western Australia brochure, in which agents and their clients will find a range of new accommodation and sightseeing options in Perth, Margaret River, the Coral Coast and Broome. The popular Pilbara has returned to the program, with accommodation and touring in Karijini National Park, Mackerel Islands, and the coastal town of Onslow. For those looking for a cruising expedition, Viva has a new Abrolhos Islands cruise and a wider

array of Kimberley cruises. The 59-page brochure is available to view online - **CLICK HERE**.



Blue Lagoon Cruises - Cruising Fiji 2025-26 Advisors can now access Blue Lagoon Cruises latest brochure, which showcases Fiji Island journeys up until Mar 2026. The 20-page guide details the operator's three-, four-, and seven-night itineraries, including the 'Escape to Paradise Cruise', which visits Modriki Island, Yalobi Bay, Blue Lagoon, and many more. Highlights include a traditional Lovo meal cooked underground for dinner under the stars, a traditional Meke performance by local villages, snorkelling with manta rays, and

much more. Readers can also learn about *M.V. Fiji Princess*, as well as all the complimentary inclusions Blue Lagoon Cruises offers - more **HERE**.



### Accessibility made paws-ible



**QANTAS** has announced a new partnership with Assistance Dogs Australia, with the aim of making flying more accessible to people with a disability.

The airline will work with Assistance Dogs Australia to boost awareness about the important role assistance dogs play in fostering connection, inclusion, and independence.

"We look forward to supporting the Assistance Dogs Australia community by connecting assistance dogs, trainers, volunteers, and people with disability," the carrier said. JM

### HX & Coral combine

AGENTS are invited to join an upcoming webinar featuring HX Expeditions and Coral Expeditions to hear about sustainability, science, and education.

Register **HERE** and attend the live session on Thu 27 Feb at 12pm AEDT and be in the running to win a \$50 gift card.

### A very Vivid sailing

JOURNEY Beyond has announced three new cruises as part of Vivid Sydney 2025, including a two-and-a-half-hour all-inclusive dinner cruise.

Guests will enjoy a welcome glass of bubbly and a threecourse dinner menu while taking in views of the city during sunset and after dark priced at \$221pp.

Journey Beyond will also operate 75-minute version of the sailings during the festival, which include a sunset option and an after-dark option, both of which are priced at \$88 per adult.

"Guests on board our luxurious vessel, *Spirit of Migloo*, will have the opportunity to experience Vivid from a whole new perspective as it turns Sydney into a breathtaking canvas of Vivid colours and mesmerising installations," said Cesar Piotto, Journey Beyond Executive GM Attractions & Dining. Find out more **HERE.** 

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