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Thailand alert upgraded

THE Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade this morning reissued its travel advice for Thailand, raising it to the second-highest "Reconsider your need to travel" level.

The advice cites the "recent deterioration in the security environment caused by widening political unrest and civil disorder occurring in Bangkok and other parts of the country".

Australians already in Thailand are being warned to avoid any protest sites or demonstrations,

with clashes possibly involving the use of "lethal force".

The anti-government 'Red Shirt' demonstrators are currently occupying some of Bangkok's main commercial and tourist districts incl Ratchaprasong and Silom Rd.

DFAT said that "at this stage" there are no reports of civil disturbances affecting the operations of Suvarnabhumi International Airport, with the Thai government's state of emergency in various regions including the airport now entering its third week.

Explore Holidays has today issued a waiver under which it will not apply any wholesaler fees for date or destination changes.

Vote for NTIA

TODAY'S *TD* includes full pages from Club Med (p9) and Oman Tourism (p10) welcoming votes in the National Travel Industry Awards - exclusively sponsored by *Travel Daily* and *travelBulletin*.

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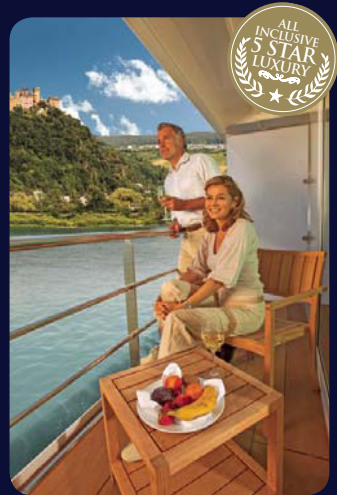
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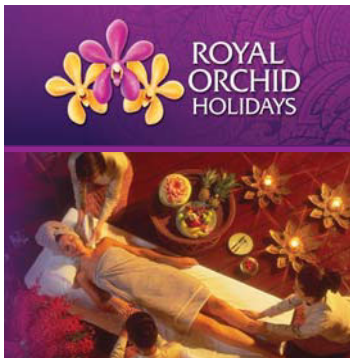
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Premium focus for QF

QANTAS is working towards becoming a "next generation premium airline" with a number of world first initiatives set for rollout this year.

Speaking yesterday in Hobart at the ATEC conference, QF manager Australia Steve Limbrick said the carrier had a strong belief in the resilience of both corporate and premium leisure markets.

"There's a big opportunity to invigorate premium flying," he said, with QF focusing on re-engineering how its products are delivered.

A key aspect of this is the "permanent boarding pass" set to be issued to all Qantas frequent flyers (silver and above) which has an embedded chip in the card, along with an associated electronic bag tag (TD 12 Nov 09).

Limbrick said Qantas aims to halve check-in time using the world-leading technology which will be trialled in Perth from Jul and rolled out in Sydney later this year, with implementation in Melbourne planned for 2011.

He also confirmed that QF was running a separate project which uses innovative technology to improve baggage pickup and reduce the time lag between landing and bags being delivered to passengers.

Limbrick also reiterated QF's commitment to the Australian tourism industry.

"Promoting Australian tourism both nationally and internationally is a core business objective of Qantas," he said, with the carrier this year spending close to \$90m on tourism marketing campaigns and in support state and national tourism organisations.

ATEC to make review submission

THE Australian Tourism Export Council will shortly lodge its submission to the review of consumer protection in the travel industry in Australia currently being conducted by consulting firm Pricewaterhouse Coopers.

At the ATEC Symposium in Hobart yesterday afternoon md Matt Hingerty convened a closed session for members only to discuss the submission, which included a presentation of the AFTA position paper by AFTA chief Jayson Westbury.

ATEC members are affected by the review because of envisaged changes for registration of tourism industry participants, as well as the AFTA proposal that a registration board would also have responsibility for quality accreditation of tourism product.



Window Seat

HERE'S an idea for a fun holiday in the USA - visit the towns with the funniest names.

A company called SmarterTravel has released its top ten list of funny-sounding towns which include Boring, Oregon, Hell in Michigan, Accident in Maryland and Intercourse, Pennsylvania.

Also in the list is Uncertain, Texas and the quintessentially Cool in California.

HOW about this for a duty free purchase?

A retailer at Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport this week reported a record sale of €29,700 (about \$45,000) - for three bottles of wine.

Terminal 2E's Pure and Rare store said a woman flying to Abidjan in Ivory Coast purchased a 1986 Romanée Conti Jeroboam, priced at €25,000, as well as a 2001 Montrachet Grand Cru and a 2004 La Tache Grand Cru.

"The woman was talking on the phone," said the shop's manager Serge Chiron.

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Effective immediately, the CO airline code appears on Air New Zealand metal between Auckland-Sydney, Brisbane, Cairns, Perth, Melbourne and Adelaide.

The expanded pact also covers NZ services between Auckland - Hong Kong and Nadi.

Birse joins Walshe

JANAYA Birse has been named as the new PR Account Manager for the Walshe Group, after she moved on earlier this year from South African Tourism (TD 15 Jan).

Le Lagon renamed

THE Le Lagon Resort in Port Vila, Vanuatu has been renamed Warwick Le Lagon Resort & Spa, following an upgrade including the renovation of the three Lagoon Villas which directly overlook Erakor Lagoon.

The property has 140 guest rooms, suites, villas and bungalows as well as a 12 hole golf course and the Oasis Spa which opened in Jan with five treatment rooms.

SYD profit up 13%

MACQUARIE Airports today announced that Sydney Airport has made a \$187.1m profit for the three months to 31 Mar, up 13% on the same period last year.

Total revenue was \$228.6m, up about 12% - outstripping traffic growth of 9.4% for the quarter.

And charges to airlines rose even more, up 17.8% driven by the rebound in demand for both leisure and business travel "and the recovery of significant investment under the commercial charging agreements with the airlines," said Macquarie Airports ceo Kerrie Mather.

"Particularly pleasing was international traffic, up 11.8% on the pcp, reflecting the increase in demand from both leisure and business passengers," she said.

QF industry fares

QANTAS has released new travel industry special fares which are valid to Jun 2011.

The QF industry rates include the ability to book at any time, one way options and the option for eligible family members to travel without the employee.

The fares lead in at \$679 plus taxes to Singapore return ex SYD/MEL/ADL/BNE.

It's time...and we're ready!



TODAY marks 48 days until the kick-off of the biggest soccer spectacle - the 2010 FIFA World Cup to be held in South Africa.

To celebrate, an excited team from South African Tourism (SAT) office in Sydney hosted a media group for lunch yesterday.

SAT gm - Australasia, Bangu Masisi told *Travel Daily* "It's time...and never could we have been more ready for this".

Masisi said the World Cup was a pleasant surprise for the country and with the event "just around the corner", it's exciting Australians (fourth largest international visitors to the country) to go to South Africa.

Thousands of Aussie fans will celebrate and soak up the atmosphere at 'CampDurban', a tent village that's been created at Kingsmead Cricket Ground, promising to offer fanatics an

Mariner redeployed

ROYAL Caribbean International has announced it will redeploy *Mariner of the Seas* from Los Angeles to South America and the Mediterranean for the 2011 summer season, effective 16 Jan.

RCI says that guests affected by the change will be offered a full refund or alternative vacation.

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Masisi said the SAT office in Sydney is currently planning activities to also celebrate with soccer fans here in Australia during the tournament.

"We want to show Australians what the World Cup means to South Africa", Masisi added.

Pictured above at Hilton Hotel's Glass Brasserie in Sydney yesterday is the South African Tourism team - Rob Gurr, Tommy Linblad, Bangu Masisi and Eric Lewanavanua.

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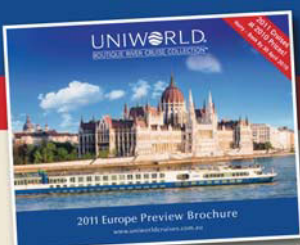


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Latin America focus

TOURISM Australia will next week host a group of about 60 travel agents and sellers from Brazil and Argentina, who will be visiting Australia as part of TA's emerging markets focus on the Latin American region.

Speaking at the ATEC Symposium in Hobart yesterday, Tourism Australia's Rick Matkowski said that the QF direct flights to Buenos Aires meant the region is once again on the radar as a tourism market for Australia.

Education is also providing a strong link, with significant numbers of students from Brazil and Colombia in Australia, and this is providing boosts to VFR traffic as well as dispersing visitors into Qld and Vic.

Matkowski said the famil and workshop would operate 25 Apr-01 May, in the lead up to a new cooperative marketing campaign in Latin America with Qantas, Tourism Queensland and Tourism NSW next month.

ATE is also coordinating the attendance of buyers from the region at its ATE conference in Adelaide in late May.

Matkowski said TA was particularly focusing on Argentina because of the non-stop QF flights as well as Brazil due to its powerful economy.

Australia.com is already available in Latin American Spanish, and will this year also be translated into Brazilian Portuguese, he added.

Hawaii comp winner

CONGRATS to Karen Lazaric of Travelworld Richmond, who was the major prize winner of the Hawaii competition which featured exclusively in *TD* last week.

Karen (pictured) has won a seven-day trip to Hawaii including economy class flights with Hawaiian Airlines and accom at

the Miramar Waikiki staying in an Ocean View Room, plus two pieces of Dakine luggage.



Tok Tok dates

THE Vanuatu Tourism Office has announced that its annual Tok Tok trade show will this year be extended to four days, being held 24-27 Aug on both Espiritu Santo and Efate (*TD* 28 Aug).

It's the ninth Tok Tok, and will kick off with two days at Espiritu Santo's The Beachfront Resort 24-25 Aug, with delegates flying to Efate on the afternoon of Wed 25 Aug for two further days of appointments, site inspections and tours, staying at Le Lagon Resort & Spa in Port Vila.

Tok Tok 2010 will also feature an optional afternoon tour to Tanna Island, with the VTO saying it's an "important step towards increasing the promotion of Vanuatu's outer islands as they become more accessible to visitors".

BIG resignation

BIG4 ceo Terry Goodall has announced his resignation after seven year in the position.

Murray bargain

CAPTAIN Cook Cruises is offering a Murray River Winter Wonderland special of 25% off regular cruise prices.

The three-nights Discovery Cruise is now priced from \$583 per person, and the four nights Outback Heritage Cruise leads in at \$779pp - captaincook.com.au.

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RM logo change

CANADA's Rocky Mountaineer has this week celebrated its 20th Anniversary (*TD* Mon) which has also seen the official unveiling of its new train design and logo.

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For some inspiration, staff from Lufthansa and Austrian Airlines tried their creativity and created their own 'Bier & Schnitzel' combination (picture above).



SYD parking move

SYDNEY Airport has followed an initiative first announced by BNE (TD yesterday) and says it will be refunding any extra car parking charges incurred by international passengers as a result of disruption due to the volcanic eruption in Iceland.

The airport has asked passengers facing larger than expected parking bills to retain their receipts and other documents and make contact on park@syd.com.au to arrange a refund of the extra fees.

Outgoing international passengers who had prebooked their parking and need to reschedule can also get a refund.

Any additional parking charges incurred by airline staff as they manage the recovery process will also be waived, the airport said.

TT to Tiruchirappalli

TIGER Airways has announced it plans to commence a four times weekly service between Singapore and Tiruchirappalli (Trichy) from 01 Nov - the no frills carrier's 34th destination in Asia Pacific.

Tiger already operates flights to Bangalore and Chennai in India.

Caribbean Celebs

CELEBRITY Cruises will operate all four of its new Solstice-class ships in the Caribbean for the Northern Summer of 2011 and into early 2012.

In a Celebrity first, a Solstice class ship - *Celebrity Silhouette* - will operate 14 voyages of 12-nts duration to the region from Cape Liberty (Bayonne), New Jersey.

Celebrity Equinox, *Celebrity Solstice* & *Celebrity Constellation* will cruise the Caribbean ex Fort Lauderdale, offering guests seven, 10, 11 and 14 night voyages.

Celebrity Century will offer 12 night sailings from Baltimore, while *Celebrity Summit* will be based out of San Juan, running regular seven-night cruises.

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Travel Specials

WELCOME to *Travel Specials*, *Travel Daily's* Friday feature. If your firm has released a travel special you'd like to make the industry aware of send the details to specials@traveldaily.com.au.

Freestyle Holidays is offering a special 5 and 10 night stay deal called "Be Royal" at The Royal Hawai'ian hotel in Honolulu, offering USD\$1000 resort credit per room for a 5 night stay and USD\$2000 for a 10 night stay. Accom needs to be booked before 30 Sep and for travel to 03 Jan, blackout periods apply. Packages start from \$1,820ppts. For more info phone 1300 665 470.

Sheraton on the Park, Sydney has released a Mothers Day special weekend package priced from \$239 per night on Fri, Sat and Sun nights. The offer includes accom, brekkie for two access to the rooftop health club and self parking. On Sun 09 May the Botanica Brasseries is also offering a seafood buffet for Mothers Day lunch priced at \$110 per person and \$60 per child (up to 12 years). For more info or to make a booking call 1800 073 535.

The Victoria Palace Hotel in the Left Bank of Paris has lowered their prices for a Junior Suite to €290 per night for stays until 01 Sep. Deluxe Suites are also reduced to €240. Prices include buffet breakfast for two and all taxes. Blackout dates apply. For bookings email contact@victoriapalace.com.

Queenstown Park Boutique Hotel has released a new 'Autumn True Colours Package' including three nights stay for the price of two, brekkie daily, pre dinner drinks and canapes and an indulgent treatment for the senses with chocolate body therapy for two from Le Spa. The deal is priced from \$1,740 per couple. The promo is available until 01 Jun. Visit www.queenstownparkhotel.co.nz.

Mercure Hunter Valley Gardens is celebrating the Hunter Food & Wine Month throughout Jun, with a mid-week Fireside Indulgence package that includes two-nights accom with brekkie and a three course fine dining experience at a private fireside table, priced from \$399 per night. For more info call (02) 4998 2000.

Outrigger Luana Waikiki in Hawaii is offering a spring special of US\$99 per room per night until 15 Jun for single/double rooms. For more info or to book, visit www.outrigger.com.

Great Southern Rail is offering savings of up to \$400 on the Indian Pacific. The sale ends on 30 Apr for travel prior to 31 Aug, and incl six holiday packages combining accom and touring on board the Indian Pacific. For more info phone 13 21 47.



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The trip was sponsored by Qantas and Qantas Holidays, with TC md Gary Allomes saying the trip provided the group's leading members "with an opportunity to gain valuable hands-on experience of an emerging tourism destination, while also sharing ideas and knowledge with their peers".

Highlights included a visit to the Forbidden City in Tiananmen Square, where the group is pictured above *from left*: Sue Fessey, Stodarts Travel Kalgoorlie WA; Jim Cooper, Queanbeyan City

Travelzoo hits 20m

TRAVELZOO says it has reached the 20 million subscriber mark.

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Cuban insurance

THE government of Cuba has introduced new travel insurance requirements for visitors to the island which come into effect from 01 May this year.

All foreigners entering Cuba will require proof of a medical insurance policy when they arrive, showing coverage for their entire stay.

Although it's being recommended that policies be purchased before departure, insurance companies at the airport in Havana will also offer the ability to buy one on arrival.

Horizons' InStyle

NEW Horizons Holidays has added a luxury portfolio of five-star hotels worldwide to its offering, called 'InStyle'.

InStyle features a collection of upmarket properties under the GMH Luxury group, Leading Hotels of the World, Aman Resorts, Alila Hotels and Jumeriah Group.

MD Gary Hilt said the move to provide a higher classification of hotels in addition to its value three and four star options shows "we are providing agents with greater expertise and product variety than ever before."

New Horizons Holidays is also giving agents who make five InStyle bookings of \$5000 the chance to win a five-night holiday at any InStyle property.

The agent incentive is open for bookings up until 22 Jun.

QF mobile site up

QANTAS has updated its mobile-optimised website for the Apple iPhone with new facilities flagged recently (TD 13 Apr) including domestic check-in.

The site now online also allows users to view their bookings based on PNR or frequent flyer login, as well as timetables, departure and arrival times and lounge details.

However Qantas hasn't formally announced the update.

Virgin Blue (TD yesterday) also has a new mobile device website which as well as allowing mobile check-in also enables users to book flights.

US/UA talks over

US AIRWAYS has walked away from its discussions with United Airlines about a potential merger (TD 08 Apr), US Airways chairman Doug Parker has said.

"We have held discussions with US regarding a possible combination between our airlines.

"After an extensive review and careful consideration, our Board of Directors has decided to discontinue those discussions," Parker advised.



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UA LAX-Houston

UNITED Airlines has announced the launch of daily flights between Los Angeles and Houston in Texas, with the services operating using a CR7 jet by UA affiliate SkyWest. The services debut 24 Aug.

Webjet USA opens

WEBJET today announced that its new North America operation is now in operation, with plans for "major promotional activities" next month including substantial television promotion in conjunction with Tourism NSW and V Australia.

The Los Angeles-based business is a joint venture with former DJ sales and marketing chief Mathias Friess, with Webjet md David Clarke saying that "our current booking numbers, although small, have exceeded our launch targets and our infrastructure is fully in place".

As well as flights, Webjet is offering its 'Stay then Pay' hotel product on the US site.

Extra Europe flights

A NUMBER of carriers will today operate supplementary services between Australia and Europe to help clear the backlog of passengers stranded due to the volcanic ash closures this week.

Qantas will operate QF158 ex LHR to Sydney via Singapore departing at 0020 local time on 23 Apr, QF171 Sydney to Frankfurt via Singapore departing at 2200 AEST tonight, returning as QF172 departing FRA at 1500 local time tomorrow (TD breaking news).

Emirates yesterday operated an extra two flights between London Gatwick and Dubai, while Malaysia Airlines is today adding extra services to London, Sydney and Amsterdam from Kuala Lumpur.

QLD Hyatts come to Sydney



ABOVE: Hyatt Regency Coolum and Hyatt Regency Sanctuary Cove in QLD (the only resort based Hyatt properties in the country) hosted a media get together this week in Sydney.

Pictured *from left* are Roger Baldwin, director of marketing Hyatt Regency Sanctuary Cove, Brooke Retchford, marketing communications manager and Pip Close, director of sales & mktg, both of Hyatt Regency Coolum; and Erin Millar, marketing communications manager, Hyatt Regency Sanctuary Cove.

Crowne happy again

CROWNE Plaza Terrigal has returned as first top-tier partner for Central Coast Tourism, after withdrawing its long standing support one year ago.

A new membership structure was introduced recently by the Board (TD 31 Mar) with a fresh approach to attract visitors to the regions and assist local tourism operators build their businesses, which according to David Bark, Crowne Plaza Terrigal's gm, was what he was waiting for.

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To enter, please send in your best Sydney Secret.

This can be anything from a local restaurant, walk, art exhibition or place to grab the best coffee!
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Amy Roser of Club Med has sent us the following entry:

"There is a secret in Hornsby Shire called Fagan Park. Go there to Picnic, explore and play before dark. To fully appreciate the 55 hectares of Nature, a whole day you and your family could venture. See the gardens of all nations, the lake and old family home.. This is the secret place in Sydney I love to roam."

Email your responses to: secretcomp@traveldaily.com.au

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Omniche Facebook

TRAVEL Omniche Holidays has joined the Facebook trend to fast track its presence around the globe, the firm says.

Sabre signs MTA

MOBILE Travel Agents (MTA) has signed a GDS agreement with Sabre Pacific at the request of the group's agents.

"We're looking to expand rapidly over the next two to three years, and we see that a crucial part of our success will be the ability for our agents to choose the GDS that suits them best," said MTA's co-MD Roy Merricks.

Selling Lake Eyre

AUSTRALIAN Air Holidays is again this year offering flying holidays over Lake Eyre after taking more than 800 people across the region to see the Lake filled to 50% capacity in 2009.

Tours of two, three and six days are on offer from ADL, MEL, SYD and BNE, priced from \$1995 - see www.australianairholidays.com.

Hellenic portal

HELLENIC Imperial Airways has launched an updated website at hellenicairways.com, for pax to book direct flights from Athens to points around the world.



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