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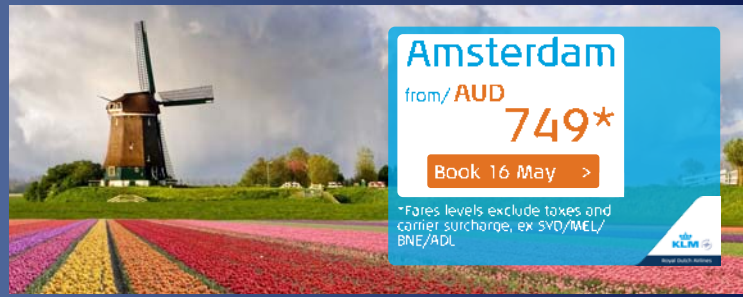
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Qantas Hols Race

QANTAS Holidays has announced this year's Race Around Incentive will head to Southern California.

The trip will see 40 leisure consultants use their specialist knowledge, team spirit and endurance to take on Southern California for six days in Sep.

Groups of 10 will take on various challenges and activities around the destination to earn points, with the winning team to be crowned at a gala dinner.

Agents can earn their spot by accruing points through to 13 Jul - **CLICK HERE** for more details.

Scenic 2019/20

SCENIC is today promoting its recently released 2019/20 *Scenic Eclipse* brochure and earlybirds.

Agents are also being invited to earn their place on *Scenic Eclipse's* South America Coastline cruise in Nov.

For more, see the **cover page**.

Air Canada MEL increase

EXCLUSIVE

AIR Canada's upcoming launch of year-round services on the Melbourne route from Vancouver has received a boost, with an extra weekly frequency set to be introduced by the end of the year.

The Canadian carrier debuted non-stop seasonal flights to the Victorian capital in Dec (running through until early Feb), ahead of the commencement of regular thrice weekly ops out of MEL (on Tue, Fri and Sun), starting 03 Jun. Air Canada gm for Australia/NZ Vic Naughton revealed to **Travel Daily** this morning that based on strong early demand the airline was ramping up Melbourne services to four times weekly.

The upgauge takes effect from 05 Nov and will see the MEL-YVR schedule adjusted to Mon, Wed, Fri & Sun departures, currently loaded in the GDS until Mar.

While not quite the desired daily frequencies to MEL (**TD** 06 Dec),

Naughton remains optimistic of future capacity increases.

"The intention is to keep going beyond Mar and hopefully to go to daily by then," he said.

Naughton lauded the local trade for its support of the route, telling **TD** "our Australian trade performance has been amazing and they are really backing it".

"On our sales calls, every shop we visit is aware of the route and were excited about it."

He said sales from Melbourne were particularly strong beyond Vancouver to New York.

"There's obviously more carriers and choice out of Sydney to New York than Melbourne, so for that reason we're luring lots of traffic to Newark," Naughton remarked.

MEANWHILE, Air Canada has begun placing its code on core Virgin Australia routes to MEL to gain additional feed for its flight to YVR from destinations, including Hobart, Adelaide and Perth.

787 engine turmoil

THE US Federal Aviation Administration has issued a new directive requiring Boeing 787-8 and -9 planes powered by certain Rolls-Royce Trent engines to limit their extended operations.

The move follows info from the manufacturer that if one engine fails, prolonged operation at high thrust settings on the remaining engine may cause it to fail.

MEANWHILE, Air New Zealand has rescheduled a number of int'l services and cancelled some services through to mid next week to allow for earlier than usual maintenance on its Boeing 787-9 *Dreamliner* fleet.

Today's issue of TD

Travel Daily today has nine pages of news and photos, a front cover wrap for *Scenic* plus full pages from:

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Air NZ SIN boost

AIR New Zealand's frequency boost on the Auckland-Singapore route under its jv with Singapore Airlines (TD 07 Dec) has been loaded into GDS, from 31 Mar.

The move sees Air NZ take over SQ's second daily AKL-SIN service using Boeing 787-9 Dreamliners.



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Costsaver set to expand

EXCLUSIVE

THE Travel Corporation's value touring brand Costsaver has been earmarked for expansion beyond Europe/UK, USA & Canada and Latin America and could become a standalone entity, Trafalgar's global boss has flagged.

Speaking exclusively with TD from New York today, Trafalgar ceo Gavin Tollman confirmed the business had strategically moved to heighten the positioning of the Costsaver program over the past three to four years, "turning it into a very, very robust brand".

"Costsaver offers the best of guided but with the flexibility of do what you would like as well," Tollman said of the product.

He explained to *Travel Daily* that Costsaver wasn't a subsidiary of Trafalgar, saying "it is its own unique distinctive brand & provides an unbelievable offering for travel agents to offer their customers".

"Since we actively began

promoting it in a different way, the fascinating thing we've noticed is that we've attracted a very different, young audience".

"Our age demographic has been extremely young," Tollman said.

The Trafalgar boss revealed Costsaver was "seeing a distinctive trend" for its age demographic in the mid 30s to early 40s bracket.

"We are talking to a whole new audience and it's been unbelievably exciting to have been on that journey, particularly now when we are only just scratching the surface."

"You will see growth into future destinations and greater expansion of Costsaver, as long as our agent partners continue to support us and continue to sell it."

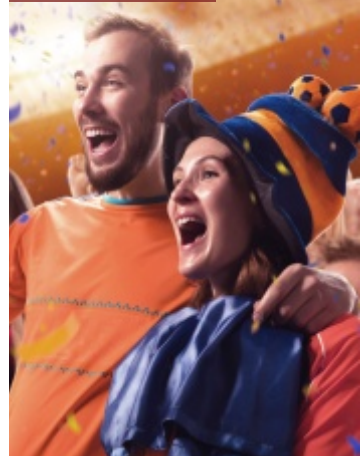
MEANWHILE, Tollman said travel agents were now embracing Costsaver's dynamic pricing move seven months ago (TD 13 Sep) after some initial hesitation.

Albatross Fairytale

ALBATROSS Tours is getting into the festive spirit early with its product page today, which outlines a 10-day Bavarian Christmas Fairytale Tour.

The itinerary travels between Frankfurt and Munich - see page 10 for full details.

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SQ links with Fiji Airways

FIJI Airways has signed a new codeshare agreement with Singapore Airlines and SilkAir, offering connections for customers travelling to Fiji from 10 destinations in Asia and Europe via SQ's Singapore hub.

The deal will see SQ and MI codeshare on Fiji Airways' non-stop flights between Singapore and Nadi, which recently added a third weekly frequency on a seasonal basis.

The Singaporean carriers will also codeshare on Fiji Airways flights from Nadi to Suva, Labasa and Savusavu.

Fiji Airways customers will be able to access Singapore Airlines and SilkAir operated flights to destinations in China, Germany, Japan, South Korea, Thailand and the United Kingdom.

FJ ceo Andre Viljoen said the new pact "significantly grows our footprint across Asia and Europe, with some of these cities

appearing on the Fiji Airways network for the very first time".

Singapore Airlines senior vp of marketing planning Tan Kai Ping said the agreement was "another example of how we are continuously looking to expand our reach to provide our customers more travel options".

Fitzroy expansion

QUEENSLAND'S Fitzroy Island Resort, off the coast of Cairns, has announced a \$2.5 million refurbishment, along with the addition of diving and sunset cruises on the Great Barrier Reef.

The 12-month upgrade will be undertaken with minimal guest disruption, with md Doug Gamble also confirming the purchase of a 50% stake in the Cairns Dive Centre operations on the island.

He said Cairns was undergoing solid growth "so the timing is right for our company to invest in the future".

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IATA TIP rollout

IATA has announced the implementation of its new Transparency in Payments (TIP) platform in Finland, Norway and Sweden, ahead of a wider rollout across the globe.

TIP is being introduced in conjunction with NewGen ISS.

It aims to provide airlines with increased transparency and control in collection of sales generated via travel agents.

No form of remittance is barred by TIP but agents can only use those forms to which an airline has previously given consent.

More specifically, TIP explicitly allows agencies to use their own credit cards but only if individual airlines approve of the method.

TIP also allows providers of Alternative Transfer Methods to participate in agency direct remittances of BSP sales.

The new platform will be implemented in Iceland, Denmark, Canada and Singapore next month, with rollout to be completed in all BSP markets by the first quarter of 2020.



Window Seat

INNOVATION in aircraft premium cabins has seen the introduction of Virgin Australia's ladies-only bathrooms and even showers aboard Emirates A380s - but exhibitors at the Aircraft Interiors Expo in Hamburg last week are offering options to take things further.

Zodiac Aerospace previewed a new in-flight bidet, which promises to ensure passengers wash more than just their hands.

The gadget features an "adjustable and retracting waterspout" with optional "front and back spritzer washing," reports *Travel+Leisure*.

Zodiac says passengers will be able to control the operation via a remote control on the lavatory wall, with a UV LED option to disinfect the dunny between customers.

MEANWHILE down the other end of the aircraft, Italian seat maker AvioInteriors has unveiled a new "Skyrider 2.0" seat which basically supports "stand-up"



Economy class passengers.

The innovation allows for an "ultra high density" of travellers, with a seat pitch of just 23 inches (58cm).

Insight countdown

INSIGHT Vacations is reminding agents there are just two weeks left in its competition to win a Christmas Markets trip through Vienna, Budapest and Prague.

Every guest booked 09-30 Apr gives the consultant an entry into the incentive prize draw, with a minimum of four pax required, while top sellers in each state will also win a \$500 e-gift voucher.

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Samoa Airways GDS

SAMOA Airways is now available through the Amadeus global distribution system, six months after the airline's launch.

The carrier is also planning to distribute via Travelport and Sabre once integration is complete by the end of May.

Samoa Airways is now a member of the IATA BSP for the Samoa and New Zealand markets, and expects to be activated by BSP Australia in coming weeks.

One&Only Urban

KERZNER Int'l Holdings will introduce its new One&Only Urban Resorts concept (**TD 26** Apr) in 2020 with the opening of a twin-tower project in Dubai.

One&Only One Za'abeel will be part of a development involving luxury residences, serviced apartments and retail spaces.

AC Signature service

AIR Canada has developed a new premium "Signature Service" for passengers flying up the front on wide-body international and North American flights.

Offered on international routes with immediate effect, Air Canada Signature Service aims to provide a seamless experience, spanning airport concierge services, expedited check-in and security clearance, priority baggage handling & preferential boarding.

The soft product features a bed mattress, upgraded amenity kits and food and wine menus, including a new signature cocktail made with Canadian maple syrup.

It'll be available on Boeing 787, 777, 767 and Airbus A330s, all of which are equipped with lie-flat suites in Business cabins.

The service will be deployed on select transcontinental flights within North America from 01 Jun.



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AC gains traction in Melb



AWARENESS of the impending commencement of Air Canada's year-round flights to Melbourne has been elevated in the public eye, with the roll out this week of a new vehicle to generate interest for the service.

The carrier has taken over one of Melbourne's iconic trams for an eight-week promotion of the service as part of a sales blitz.

The tram's display features the distinctive Air Canada maple leaf logo along with a route map that showcases some of the 60

destinations in the United States that are accessible ex Vancouver, and images of its 787 Dreamliner used to operate the MEL route.

The tram will operate on routes in Melbourne CBD, St Kilda Beach, Swanston St, Southbank, Prahan and Chapel Street.

Pictured in the workshop with the people-mover are some of Air Canada's local team, from left: Neil Westaway, David McNabb, Rick Pomery, Neil Ford, Sarah Constable and gm Australia and New Zealand, Vic Naughton.

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Macao & Fujian make a splash



MACAO has teamed up with the Chinese province of Fujian to mount a joint promotion in the Australian market, beginning with a watery launch event in Melbourne's Sea Life aquarium on Mon night.

About 100 Victorian travel agents were wined and dined in a virtual fish bowl surrounded by the aquarium's resident sharks, sting rays and colourful fish, hosted by the Macao Government Tourism Office (MGTO), Fujian Tourism and Xiamen Airlines.

The event marked the launch of "The Maritime Silk Road", a co-operative marketing initiative linking the two destinations.

Before dinner, guests were presented with theatre-style workshops and updates on each of the destinations.

MGTO director Maria Helena de Senna Fernandes spoke of Australia's importance in promoting the twin destinations. "We encourage more Australians to holiday in our

region, to see and experience its traditions and cultures," she said.

The initiative builds on the success of a MGTO and Xiamen Airlines co-operative campaign held last year which saw the creation of a "Two Cities, One Airfare" offering twin-destination fares from Sydney & Melbourne.

Pictured at the event are Shuanghong Ye, deputy general manager of Fujian Travel; Teresa Tong, general manager of Xiamen Airlines, Melbourne; Alex Lu, Vice-Consul (Economic and Commercial) Consulate-General of China; Zeming Huang, head of the Department of Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan Affairs of Fujian Tourism Development Committee; Maria Helena de Senna Fernandes, director of the MGTO; Ying Chen, deputy director H.R Secretariat Foreign Affairs Office, Fujian Provincial Government; Boqun Li, director general of Quanzhou Tourism Bureau; and Helen Wong, general manager of the MGTO (Australia and New Zealand).

Icelandair first MAX

ICELANDAIR has marked the debut of its first Boeing 737 MAX 8 aircraft with an 'Iceland by Air' flight that took a special route over some of the country's most spectacular landscapes.

The new plane has been named Jokulsarlón after a glacial lagoon, joining other Icelandair aircraft in taking the names of volcanoes and other Icelandic landmarks.

The carrier will add a total of 16 new Boeing 737 MAX 8 and 9 aircraft to its fleet over the next four years.

It plans to launch five new North American routes this year, in addition to services to Dublin.

Kauai hit by floods

HUNDREDS of people, including tourists, have been airlifted to safety after record flooding on the Hawaiian island of Kauai.

Swollen rivers and landslides have cut roads in several areas, including some leading to the airport in Lihue.

Kosciuszko plans

THE NSW Government is aiming to create one of the world's great multi-day walking tracks with \$27 million in funding for the Kosciuszko National Park.

The injection comes from the Regional Growth Environment and Tourism Fund, and will be used to develop trails for both walking and mountain biking.

A new 25km route will join existing tracks to create a 44km multi-day walk linking Thredbo with Charlotte Pass, Guthega, Perisher and Lake Crackenback.

Radisson RED Cebu

RADISSON Hotel Group has announced plans for a new property in Mandaue City on the Philippine island of Cebu.

The Radisson RED Cebu Mandaue will open in late 2021 with 146 guest rooms and tech-oriented facilities including high-speed wi-fi and televisions that allow guests to stream content from their phones or devices.



Opportunity at Vietnam Airlines Sales & Marketing Team

Vietnam Airlines is recruiting a sales professional for its AU Sales & Marketing Team based at its Sydney CBD office.

The new Sales Rep will work in collaboration with other sales team members in all sales and marketing opportunities with the aim to maximize revenues and potential for Vietnam Airlines.

Primary responsibilities include:

- Participate in the team's data analysis and evaluation;
- Process new sales leads and propose plan to secure new business;
- Coordinate and participate in sales meetings, sales presentations & other market development activities;
- Action on inquiries from the travel agents and corporate clients;
- Support and participate in agency helpdesk activities when required.

The successful applicant will have the following skills and attributes:

- Experience in the airline/travel industry with a business administration or economics background;
- Working knowledge of airline major GDS & CRS with Sabre an advantage;
- Proven analytical skills including information gathering, evaluation and interpretation;
- Proven ability to work under pressure and to deadlines, to work independently and as a team.

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Mt Hutt campaign

TOURISM New Zealand has launched an eight-week marketing campaign designed to lure Aussie ski visitors to NZ.

The 'Winter at its Peak' campaign features the snowy peaks of Mt Hutt and aims to inspire Australians to stay and play longer in the Christchurch and Canterbury region.

Tourism NZ reports the area has had a 28% increase in Australian visitors during the winter months over the last two years.

Sth America demand

DATA and analysis released by global data company STR has shown demand for Sth American hotels is growing at a quicker pace than supply for the first time since 2011.

The report stated that for 2017, demand increased by 4.9%, while supply rose by only 2.6% year-on-year, with the total number of international visitors up by 7%.

Caribbean recovery

FOLLOWING the 2017 hurricane season in the Caribbean, the World Travel & Tourism Council (WTTC) has launched a report to assess the immediate and long-term effects across the region.

Stats from Tourism Economics said tourism contributed to 15.2% of the region's GDP, and that the hurricane caused an estimated loss of US\$7.4 billion.

The report aims to show the importance of developing strategies that minimise long term impact of natural disasters.

DoubleTree debuts

THREE new DoubleTree by Hilton properties have opened in the US cities of Helena, Mon, Phoenix, Ariz and St Paul, Minn.

Guests can use their Hilton Honors loyalty membership to collect points, discounts, free wi-fi access as well as use of the program's mobile app.

Agents get a ticket to RIDE



SPECIALIST rail travel agents and distributors from around the world headed to Montreux, Switzerland last month for the 2018 Rail Europe International Distribution Event (RIDE), which was hosted by Rail Europe.

Agents were able to meet and mingle with partners of the European rail operator at the 13-14 Mar event.

Rail Europe ceo Fabrice Morel kicked RIDE into motion with a state of the business presentation before attendees took part in a series of panel sessions and educational workshops.

The keynote speaker was Simon Lehmann from Phocuswright.

The next RIDE will be in 2020. Rail Europe reps are **pictured** gathered with travel agents from around the globe and European rail carrier partners at the 2018 RIDE Conference.

VX c'shares axed

ALASKA Airlines is terminating the codeshare arrangements of its subsidiary Virgin America with Virgin Australia, China Eastern, China Airlines and China Southern Airlines, effective 25 Apr.

The move coincides with the wind up of VX, with all services to be operated as Alaska Airlines flights on the same date.



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Intrepid's mega adventure



FIVE small groups of Intrepid's top sellers were treated to one big adventure recently as part of the company's mega famil.

The teams embarked on five small group adventures which culminated in Goa for the Adventure Summit.

In South India, one group of Flight Centre agents started out exploring Kochi's antique shops and spice bazaars before heading to Periyar - the largest wildlife sanctuary in India.

The team set out on a guided nature walk in the Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary before making their way to Varkala.

Meanwhile, other groups' itineraries saw them venture to North India, Sri Lanka, East Nepal and West Nepal.

Flight Centre agents are **pictured** at the holi party in Goa as part of the Intrepid Group Adventure Summit.

Airbnb's health kick

AIRBNB has implemented a number of initiatives to "drive local, authentic and sustainable tourism", including appointing former NSW Premier Bob Carr to a new Tourism Advisory Board.

Carr is one of four members announced on the board, which has been tasked with helping to shape Airbnb's long-term vision and activities to ensure it "is a solution to the over-tourism caused by mass travel".

The initiative is under a newly announced Office of Health Tourism, which will focus on rural regeneration by bringing the economic benefits of tourism to areas that want to attract more travellers in a locally sensitive, sustainable way.

Airbnb also released its 2017 data for its top 300 cities and 80 countries - **CLICK HERE**.



Accommodation Updates

WELCOME to Accommodation Updates, *Travel Daily's* Wed feature. If your property has undergone some recent changes you would like to make the industry aware of, send a brief description with an image to accomupdates@traveldaily.com.au.



All of the guestrooms on floors 15-18 at **Grant Hyatt Seoul** have been redone, with the hotel launching a collection of Premium guestrooms and executive suites. The layout of the rooms has been adjusted and new technology has been incorporated. The rooms are now more open and make the most of the hotel's city views.



Brisbane street art hotel **TRYP Fortitude Valley Hotel** has added two new murals by international artists to wrap up the Brisbane Street Art Festival. The new designs are by Hong Kong artist Bao Ho and Colombian artist Gris One. Each floor at the property features works by a different artist.



The former Gardens NYC has relaunched as **Gardens Suites Hotel, by Affinia**, following a multi-million dollar redesign. The hotel now offers apartment-style layouts, each with full kitchens with a stove, oven, microwave and coffee maker. The rooms are also equipped with 55" TV screens, powered recliners and sleeper sofas.

Tourism fund open

APPLICATIONS are open for round two of New Zealand's Tourism Infrastructure Fund, which provides co-funding for the development of visitor-related public infrastructure.

This round is placing particular emphasis on innovative technological solutions.

Applications close 14 May.

DriveAway turns 30

DRIVEAWAY Holidays is this month celebrating 30 years since it began operating in 1988.

The company started out with Britain as its original focus but said more recently countries such as Japan, Iceland, Croatia and Norway were becoming increasingly popular.

Anndore Toronto

THE Anndore House in Toronto has officially opened, offering 113 rooms and suites across 11 floors.

The boutique property was built in 1955 as a residence hotel and pays homage to its history through details like record players in each room, with a vinyl library available at the front desk.

Rooms range from 21m² through to 47m² in size.

Sikh heritage trail

THE Australian Sikh Heritage Trail at Adenia Park in Riverton, Western Australia, was officially opened yesterday.

The trail recognises the contributions of Sikhs to the state and underwent upgrades to provide visitors with information about the history of the Australian Sikh community.

It includes new interpretation facilities with signage, seating and features depicting heritage values.

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Data key to safety

THE International Air Transport Association (IATA) has suggested greater global use of operational data will assist with maintaining the current high level of aviation safety standards.

Speaking at the Safety and Flight Operations Conference, IATA's ceo Alexandre de Juniac said the association anticipated a near doubling of passengers over the next 20 years, and "managing this growth, while making aviation even safer than it already is, will be a massive undertaking."

There were no fatal accidents for jet passenger aircraft in 2017.

SQ pax growing

THE latest traffic figures from Singapore Airlines have shown a total group load increase of 3.2%, bringing the total to 82.9% for the month of Mar.

Pax carriage increased by 8.4% compared to 2017, with load factors improving 2.1% to 82.2%.

Virtuoso Incubator

FIVE emerging travel tech companies have been selected to participate in the Virtuoso Incubator program for 2018.

eRoam, HelloGbye, Jrrny, PlanitEasy and ZoomandGo will all have the opportunity to have their products tested and refined in real time by a dedicated panel of Virtuoso advisors.

The program is designed to provide positive enhancements to better meet the needs of travel agencies, consultants and clients.

Monaco F1 cruise

PASSENGERS aboard the *SeaDream 1* yacht departing Rome's Civitavecchia port on 18 May 2019 will have the chance to experience the Monaco Grand Prix, with nine extra days added to the cruise.

The vessel will visit several locations along the way including Sardinia, Corsica, Portofino and the Ligurian Coast.

AA taps local culinary talent



AMERICAN Airlines has added an Aussie touch on flights from Sydney to the US with the appointment of celebrity chef Sean Connolly (**pictured**).

The English-born, Australian-raised chef is one of Australia and New Zealand's most respected cuisine stars, with restaurants in both countries.

Sean brings his extensive knowledge of local Australian produce to American Airlines' premium cabins, where passengers can enjoy meals featuring local protein where possible, including Queensland prawns & blue eyed cod, as well as his own branded products.

Also complementing the menu is an extensive range of beer, wine and spirits sourced by master sommelier Bobby Stuckey.

Laura Evans, American Airlines marketing manager ANZ, said the appointment fitted with the brand's commitment to delivering "healthy, delicious and customised" food in Business and Premium Economy classes.

"A focus for American Airlines is providing expanded menus and a personalised service," she added.

Connolly joins other prominent chefs Maneet Chauhan and Jun Kuogi, whose cuisine will feature on flights from the US to Europe, South America and Japan.

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Tempo makes Latin noise



PERU was placed in the spotlight at a recent trade event in Melbourne, when PromPeru and Tempo Holidays came together to showcase the best of the Latin American country.

Attendees were given the opportunity to learn more about Peru's history, culture, attractions and distinct food, as well as take part in a Pisco Sour cocktail making masterclass.

There were also prizes to be won, with one agent taking home a four-day Cusco & Machu Picchu program for two.

Tempo Holidays representative Rod Vargas said the event was a chance to celebrate the

brand's biggest South American destination.

"We have been selling Latin America for over 18 years now, something most agents didn't know, so we wanted to make some noise again in the industry with great partners like PromPeru who do a lot to increase awareness and educate Australians about this amazing country," he said.

Pictured is Bree Fuller, Tempo Holidays; Svet Monastyrsky, PromPeru; Rod Vargas, Tempo Holidays; Hasanti Perera, Tempo Holidays; prize winner Diane Rawlings, Where2travel Malvern, & Joshua Hore, Tempo Holidays.



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