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Aussies flock to Japan

THE Japan National Tourism Organization (JNTO) is aiming for more growth in visitor numbers in 2019, on the back of a record half a million in 2018, representing a 11.6% rise on 2017 (**TD** 25 Jan).

Speaking with *Travel Daily* in Sydney last night, JNTO Sydney Office Executive Director Kana Wakabayashi said the office was hoping for "the same or more growth this year", especially given the Rugby World Cup will land in Japan later this year.

Wakabayashi said other global events set to head to Japan, including the Tokyo Olympics and Paralympics and the World Masters, would drive visitor numbers, along with more direct flights, such as Qantas' Sydney-Sapporo seasonal service set to commence in Dec (TD 18 Apr).

The office is working to promote travel to areas outside of the traditional "Golden Route", which covers Tokyo, Mt Fuji, Kyoto,

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Osaka area and Hiroshima. "We want to promote more regional Japan in addition to these main areas and we also really want to push the green [summer] season," she explained. "The peak travel times for

Australians is the winter for skiing and spring for cherry blossoms, so we want to show that Japan has so much to offer year-round."

JNTO will also introduce a third level to its travel agent e-learning platform in mid to late 2019, accompanied by an incentive and famil opportunities.

Last night marked JNTO's largest roadshow event, see page four.

Today's issue of TD

Travel Daily today has eight pages of news and photos, a front cover wrap for Virgin Australia, plus full pages from: Albatross Tours

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viva! holidays



ALBATROSS Tours is reminding agents they can score a \$250 Coles gift card when booking customers on an eligible Italian Lakes & Tuscany tour by 31 May.

The 16-day tour departs Milan on 12 Aug, for more information see page nine.





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Serko eyes growth up north







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CORPORATE travel and expense manager Serko has reported a 28% rise in total operating revenue to NZ\$23.4 million for the full year to 31 Mar, laying the foundation for further expansion in the northern hemisphere.

Operating revenue was up from the NZ\$18.3 million reported in the corresponding period last year, with recurring product revenue also up by 26% to NZ\$20.7 million, and total income increasing by a similar 28% to NZ\$24.6 million.

"Serko has delivered another successful year, benefitting from growing transactions and increasing average revenue per booking," Serko Chairman Simon Botherway said.

Serko has invested resources into pursuing growth opportunities in the northern hemisphere, recently rolling out a research and delivery strategy which involved cultivating relationships with Travel Management Companies (TMCs) and corporates in the region. "In the new North American and

UK markets, it is very pleasing

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to note the number, and market presence, of those TMCs who have signed agreements to roll out Zeno," Botherway said.

"We are in an exciting transitionary phase as we invest in the development of our global travel and expense management platform for the future...we expect northern hemisphere revenues to ramp up particularly in the second half," he added.

These agreements included Carlson Wagonlit Travel in the US.

However it was not all positive news for Serko, posting a 23% drop in net profit after tax of NZ\$1.63m, down from NZ\$1.83m.

Natural Norway

AGENTS are being encouraged to discover more about the natural wonders of Norway with Bentours' range of products.

Offering daily departures via ships well as city tours through Bergen, Alesund, Trondheim, and Svalbard, the tour company offers plenty of options for travellers.

For more information, see **page 11** of today's issue.

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Today's issue of *TD* is coming to you courtesy of Tourism Fiji, which tonight kicks off its annual Fijian Tourism Expo.

2019 marks the sixth consecutive vear for the Fijian Tourism Expo. which aims to provide a platform for the country's tourism sector to engage directly with international buyers and media.

Denarau Island Convention Centre at the Sheraton Fiji Resort is playing host, with hundreds of delegates set to gather this evening for the official opening.

It's then straight into the action, with two full days of pre-scheduled appointments, networking events and updates from suppliers and government. Key supporters of the event

include Fiji Airways, which flew many delegates to Nadi today.

THE Travel Corporation (TTC) is today reprising last year's inaugural National Agent Appreciation Day, which aims to "celebrate the incredible work that agent partners do to connect travellers to their travel dreams".

The initiative is being led by Trafalgar, which is calling on the larger travel and tourism industry to "make this an industrywide celebration of agents as recognition of the amazing work that they do".

A range of industry specials is being launched as part of the celebrations, including 50% off selected Trafalgar holidays in Jun, Jul, Aug and Sep 2019 for agents and a companion, 50% off AAT Kings Guided Holidays and Day Tours, 50% off Inspiring Journeys, up to 50% off Luxury Gold and a huge 60% off 2019 Uniworld Boutique River Cruise Collection. Adventure World Travel is also

offering 50% savings on Explore

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TTC marks agents' day

Worldwide small group journeys for travel consultants, while Contiki has also joined the fun with 30-50% off for agents on select New Zealand trips.

Trafalgar's sales team is delivering surprise goodies to agents across the day, with recipients invited to share a photo using the #AusAgentsDay hashtag, and the brand's Global CEO, Gavin Tollman, will commission 100 trees to be planted to commemorate the occasion with long-term sustainability partner One Tree Planted.

Trafalgar MD Jason Wolff said "we are still determined to make #AusAgentsDay an annual celebration on the second last Wed of each May," inviting the industry to mark the date in next year's calendar to see what 2020 celebrations will bring.

See how Travel Daily celebrated the day in Window Seat (right).



MILESTONES should always be celebrated with a bang, right? AAT Kings certainly thinks so, which is why The Travel Corporation brand sent the Travel Daily team a smash cake to mark the second annual

Led by its Trafalgar brand, the day encourages the travel industry to recognise the hard work of travel agents around the country.

Agents Day today (see left).

Cheers guys, as you can see we had a smashing good time.





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Virgin Voy @ C360

CRUISE360 Australasia will welcome Virgin Voyages President & Chief Executive Officer Tom McAlpin as a speaker at the event which is set to take place in Sydney on 30 Aug.

McAlpin's appearance will mark the debut of Richard Branson's cruise brand at Cruise Lines International Association (CLIA) Australasia's annual forum, where he will present details of how the cruise line is preparing for an "epic sea change" in cruising.

"Tom's appearance at Cruise360 #NextGeneration will provide the Australasian travel community with an opportunity to hear about the new cruising demographic Virgin Voyages has identified," said CLIA Australasia Managing Director Joel Katz.

"This will be a chance to hear about how new cruisers can be discovered and enticed."

Virgin Voyages' Scarlet Lady debuts in 2020.

Venture on sale

ITINERARIES are now on sale for the inaugural sailing of Seabourn Venture in 2021/22.

Seabourn's expedition ship will debut in Jul 2021 with a 10-day pre-inaugural Highlights of the English Channel cruise, departing Lisbon on 05 Jul.

In its first full season Seabourn Venture will visit destinations in the Arctic, Antarctic, the Amazon, Caribbean, Central and South America.

For more details of Seabourn Venture's itineraries CLICK HERE.

TD comp winners

TWO lucky agents will be visiting South Africa after winning the Acacia Africa and Travel Daily monthly competition.

FBI Travel's Maxine Barron and Best4Travel's Melinda Leenman will be going on the Southern African Magic open age Small Group Safari.

JNTO's biggest roadshow



JAPAN National Tourism Organization (JNTO) held its largest roadshow event in Sydney last night, with 56 suppliers in attendance as part of its 2019 Japan Roadshow series.

JNTO is expecting a turnout of 600 attendees across the threecity roadshow, which started in Melbourne on Mon and will wrap up in Auckland on Thu.

"Australians have the number one spend in Japan of any other source market around the world and the Japanese inbound tourism suppliers are aware of that," JNTO Sydney Office Executive Director Kana Wakabayashi told Travel Daily.

"They see the potential that Australia and NZ have to continue growing so that's why they are continuing to come in droves."

Last night's event saw attendees updated by Wakabayashi before Business Development & Marketing Assistant Manager Sally Miles offered insight and tips for organising travel to Japan.

Australian Olympic Aerial Skier Jacqui Cooper, whose 20-year career saw her frequent the destination, also shared raving reviews of the country, and then attendees were given the chance to meet with the suppliers during a business session and networking event.

Pictured are: Kana Wakabayashi, Sydney Office Executive Director JNTO; Jacqui Cooper, guest speaker and Australian Olympic Aerial Skier and Sally Miles, Business **Development & Marketing** Assistant Manager JNTO.





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Ahoy Luxperience



LUXPERIENCE hosted an exclusive superyacht event in partnership with luxury charter yacht specialists Ahoy Club for a select group of agents on the Gold Coast this week.

The evening aboard *Sophia* was an opportunity to showcase Ahoy Club, and to update the buyers from south-east Qld on this year's "Experience is Everything" event.

"We are thrilled to have Ahoy Club join us for Luxperience this year," said the company's Event Director Michelle Papas.

"We are proud of the calibre of exhibitors this year, and Ahoy Club is taking a unique spot in our catalogue."

Pictured are The Travel Studio's MD Julie Marshall with colleagues Beth and Bob Malcolm, and Luxperience Buyer Relations Executive Arnie Lautaimi.

New Kogan Travel

KOGAN Travel kicked off its first "May-Nia" sale yesterday. The promotion marked the start of a sizeable overhaul of the

website's travel offerings, and includes an 11-day China tour with flights for \$777 per person.

"These exciting promotions are just the beginning for the Kogan Travel refresh," said Sales and Business Development Manager Nick Ashley.

"We're looking to include flight booking portals and tailored trip experiences.

"We've also got some new and exciting partnerships on the horizon," he added.

May-Nia features four other deals alongside the China offer, and runs through to 23 May 11.59pm (AEST).



O'Sullivan honoured

TOURISM Australia's Managing Director John O'Sullivan has been awarded a Tourism & Transport Forum (TTF) Australia Life Membership Award at the organisation's annual tourism conference Outlook 2019.

TTF Chief Executive Officer Margy Osmond said the honour was bestowed on O'Sullivan for his "significant contribution" to making Tourism Australia a global leader in national marketing.

"John has championed Australia as a destination and is a supporter of the Tourism and Transport Forum," Osmond said.

"It is an enormous pleasure for TTF to recognise all of O'Sullivan's hard work, innovation and commitment to the Australian tourism industry...this award is given to those who make a significant, real and lasting contribution to Australia's tourism," she added.

Skal Perth event

SKAL International Perth is hosting its "June Networking Dinner at Sunset" event on Thu 13 Jun at Straits at Rendezvous Hotel Scarborough, Wesetern Australia.

The cost is \$59 for Skal Int'l members - **CLICK HERE** to register.

Brazil DFAT update

DFAT has advised that from 17 Jun, Australians won't need a visa to travel to Brazil for tourism or business (*TD* 20 Mar).

However DFAT noted the Venezuelan Government has reopened its land border with Brazil, and there is an increased risk of violent protest and civil unrest occurring in the border region.

Brazil's travel advice has not changed, with Australians urged to exercise a high level of caution in the country overall.



Business Development Manager - Australasia

Celestyal Cruises - the preeminent cruise line serving the Greek Islands and Eastern Mediterranean, is looking for an autonomous and motivated Business Development Manager.

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> Please send applications - by 14 June 2019, to s.williams@celestyalcruises.com

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Lindblad Galapagos

LINDBLAD Expeditions has announced the launch of its 2019/20 Galapagos brochure in partnership with National Geographic, offering a range of itineraries through the region as well as trips to Peru, Tropical Andes and Colonial Quito.

The new brochure includes options for passengers to enjoy animal encounters and daily opportunities to explore, including the use of Zodiacs, kayaks and stand-up paddleboards.

To mark the launch of the new offering, Lindblad is offering a fly free to Galapagos on select departures through Nov, when booked before 31 Jul.

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One Ocean cancels

THE Russian Government has ordered that two vessels from the One Ocean Expeditions polar fleet "remain at home" only a month before the start of the Arctic season.

According to the Vancouver Sun, the company has already been forced to rebook one large group of passengers who would have started their Arctic expedition in Spitzbergen, Norway.

"We're still trying to figure out what is going on," General Manager for OOE Catherine Lawton told the publication.

Adventure Canada has issued a note to agents advising that passengers affected by the cancellation of the 2019 Canadian Arctic and Greenland voyages can take up a replacement expedition with the same cabin category no extra cost, based on availability. The case between OOE and its contractors remains ongoing.

Agents hit the slopes



THE Leading Hotels of the World kicked off its 2019 Leading Famils program recently by inviting six lucky agents to experience an action-packed 11-night itinerary around Italy and Switzerland.

The group met Leading Famils host Craig Adamson in Courmayeur, Italy, where they checked into their accommodation at Le Massif before jumping into a helicopter for a tour over the ice-capped Mont Blanc glaciers.

The participants then moved on to Zermatt, where they spent three nights at the Mont Cervin Palace hotel, including a visit to Chez Vrony for lunch.

Next on the agenda was a trip to Gstaad Palace and Park Gstaad, and wrapping up with a visit to the Andermatt Village.

Pictured at Mont Blanc are Daniel Burger, Ski Buzz; Judy Tanner, Aurora Travel; Vivien Agosta, Port Travel; Craig Adamson, The Leading Hotels of the World; Yvonne Verstandig, Executive Edge; Belinda Layt, Savenio; Michael Nolan, Bayview Travel; & Betty Farigu, Le Massif.



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- A current driver's license

If you believe you have the drive and ambition to become part of a winning team we would love to hear from you! Please email your CV along with a covering letter to lynda@innstanttravel.com



Niki Lauda passes

CHAMPION racecar driver and aviation entrepreneur Niki Lauda passed away yesterday, aged 70. Lauda founded two airlines in his lifetime; Lauda Air in 1979, and Niki in 2003, the former being sold to OS, and the latter merging with Air Berlin in 2011. He also took over Amira Air in 2016, renaming it Laudamotion. The Austrian is considered

one of the all-time greats of motorsport, but had suffered from overall poor health related to a crash in competition in Germany in the 1970s.

WIN FLIGHTS TO THE COOK ISLANDS



This week Cook Islands Tourism and Air New Zealand are giving agents the chance to win return economy flights from Sydney to Rarotonga direct. There are 15 return tickets to be won!

A journey to the Cook Islands is the perfect island escape for rest and relaxation, romance, family fun, and adventure. From turquoise blue lagoons to craggy volcanic peaks, it's picturesque. Air New Zealand operates a return direct service weekly, departing Sydney on a Friday evening and returning from Rarotonga on a Thursday afternoon.

To win have the most creative answer to the question below. Send your answer to **cookislands@traveldaily.com.au**

What activity would you choose to do in the Cook Islands & why?



Intrepid climate + INTREPID Travel is set to

become the first "climate positive" company of its kind by the year 2020.

The Melbourne-based company will undertake a marine initiative with the University of Tasmania to help combat climate change, and donate 40% of profits from family trips to other preservation projects.

PR SYD changes

PHILIPPINE Airlines has made aircraft changes for Manila-Sydney, returning Airbus A330-300s to the route.

This aircraft replaces the previously-run Airbus A321neo. From 01 Aug, route frequency will also be updated, reducing runs from nine to six each week, although a seventh will operate from 03 Dec 2019 to 30 Jan 2020.

Beyond's bonus

BEYOND Travel is offering a bonus \$900 Discover More Travel Credit per couple on its eight-day coastal voyage "The Land of Ice & Fire" for select departures in Jun, Jul, Aug and Sep.

Agents who book and deposit by 28 Jun can secure the credit, which can be used on any Beyond Travel product such as pre- or post-cruise accommodation, transfers and optional sightseeing.

The trip is priced from \$2,455ppts - call 1300 363 554.

GC whale watching

SEA World Cruises has unveiled the *Spirit of Migaloo II* ship in time for the upcoming humpback whale migration.

The \$4 million vessel provides six external viewing platforms and tiered stadium-style seating from sea level to the sun deck.

The ship also features a VIP Captain's Lounge, underwater video viewing, and the ability to listen to whale songs via the onboard underwater hydrophone.

ACCOMMODATION

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.



The **JW Marriott Marco Island Beach Resort** has completed its comprehensive \$320 million transformation project, with the new Lanai Tower featuring more than 9,290m² of meeting space, a 1,114m² of events centre. The project's completion is

three years in the making.



The 12-hectare **Anam** resort on Vietnam's Cam Ranh peninsula has introduced new 267m² metre spa villas featuring their own spa facilities and a private pool. Set on a hill and commanding expansive vistas of Long Beach, the villas also offer two spacious dock with a barborup grill and cumbods The

bdrooms with ensuite, and a deck with a barbecue grill and sunbeds. The villas are conveniently located next to the Anam spa.



Park Hyatt Melbourne has completed the renovation of its guestrooms, with the upgrade including custom-designed furniture whilst preserving the iconic wood-panelling present in all rooms. Technological updates to the rooms include

Bluetooth media hubs, updated flatscreen televisions and wi-fi compatibility for up to six devices.

TTF visa calls

TOURISM and Transport Forum has released results of a survey, finding 75% of Australians believe time, cost, and difficulty of gaining a visa to Australia effects the country's competitiveness in international markets.

Australia's average process time of a visitor visa is 17 days or more, compared to an average of two in France and seven in Japan.

"Unless we begin to expedite these processes, we will lose critical visa market share," TTF CEO Margy Osmond said.

57% of Australians also believe more money is needed to promote Australia overseas.

Cunard Alaska

CUNARD kicked off its return to Alaska with *Queen Elizabeth's* maiden call to her west coast homeport of Vancouver, Canada on 21 May.

The cruise line has announced an expanded 2020 program, including a visit to Glacier Bay as well as the Hubbard Glacier in Yukon.

Cunard is the only cruise line to offer 10-, 11-, and 12-day roundtrip voyages from Vancouver in 2020, featuring stops in Ketchikan, Victoria, Juneau, and Skagway, among others.

OP space resort

SINGAPOREAN developers One Pioneer is building a spacethemed resort in Phuket worth US\$40 million.

Due in 2020, the project recognises the continued trajectory of tourism growth in the area, as well as the lack of new attractions.

"Once completed, it will comprise a 150-room hotel in a space-themed complex featuring visuals of astronauts and an indoor observatory," founder and CEO Janette Lee said.

"Our vision is to bring to life the dreams of mankind for an experience of space and Earth, targeting local and international."

Rental car rates up

AMERICAN Express Global Business Travel's report on ground transportation, the 'Ground Monitor 2019', has found car rental rates will remain stable around the world for the next 12 months.

In the United States and Canada, a 1% increase in rental rates is predicted, with Central and South America slated for a 0.75% price increase.

The report covers seven years of car rental data, local gdp, inflation, and employment rates.



DNSW secures Hamilton



THE Tony Award-winning musical, *Hamilton* will make its southern hemisphere debut at Sydney's Lyric Theatre in 2021.

The production is expected to generate more than \$84 million for the State's economy, along with hundreds of full time jobs, and attract more than 130,000 visitors, NSW Premier Gladys Berejiklian said.

Announcing that the state had secured the hit show, NSW Premier Gladys Berejiklian said it was a "great thrill to pip

Excite Indonesia

AGENTS can now download Excite Holiday's new

"Undiscovered Indonesia" guide. The custom guide, produced in conjunction with Wonderful Indonesia, highlights what attractions are on offer to see across Indonesia, such as dining in Bali to historical landmarks in Yogyakarta and beyond. Melbourne", for the rights to host *Hamilton* in 2021.

Having staved off competition from interstate and throughout Asia, Destination NSW CEO Sandra Chipchase said *Hamilton* would be a drawcard for domestic and int'l tourism, giving those who missed out on tix for Broadway and the West End shows the opportunity to attend.

Pictured, NSW Premier Gladys Berejiklian, announcing that Sydney would host the awardwinning show, *Hamiltion* in 2021.

Raffles new hotels

ACCOR has added the Raffles Shenzhen to its collection.

The 168-room hotel is housed in the top floors of a 72-storey tower in China's One Shenzhen Bay complex, offering views over Shenzhen Bay and the bustling streets of Hong Kong. The hotel also features a

selection of serviced residences.

WIN A TRIP TO THAILAND

This month Centara and *Travel Daily* are teaming up to offer readers the chance to win a seven-night stay for two in a Deluxe Room at Thailand's Centara Grand Beach Resort & Villas Hua Hin with daily breakfast.

Centara Grand Beach Resort & Villas Hua Hin is one of Thailand's most famous hotels – originally built as the King's guesthouse in the 1920's it has been lovingly restored and extended over the years to a luxurious five-star resort. It is a short walk to the famous markets of Hua Hin with fabulous seafood, shopping and entertainment.

To be in the running, correctly answer each of the weekly questions across the month and have the most creative answer to the final question. Send your responses to centara@traveldaily.com.au

Q3: Name one restaurant or bar you would like to experience at the Centara Grand Beach Resort Villas Hua Hin.

No agent no cry

BUSINESS travellers from the Asia Pacific region are abandoning traditional agents when booking hotels and flights, research released by Carlson Wagonlit Travel (CWT) reveals.

CWT found 84% of Asia Pacific business travellers preferred to book hotels online rather than going through an agent, compared with 70% of Europeans.

The research found 69% of business travellers prefer to book their flights digitally, rather than have human interactions, with Asia Pacific travellers again the most likely to use technology.

However, when it comes to checking in and out of hotels travellers are more receptive to the human touch, CWT reported.

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AUTOCAMP'S new outdoor hotel will officially open its full facilities, including its clubhouse and pool, on 10 Jun.

The new location features 102-Airstream suites, luxury canvas tents and accessible suites, 45 minutes from the centre of Yosemite National Park.

Sth Sea Mantra

SOUTH Sea Cruises has launched its new day cruise, The Manta Ray Experience, with rates from FJD\$335 per adult, and child fares from FJD\$299 inc taxes.

The package includes return hotel transfers, snorkelling equipment, lunch and a 75-minute guided manta ray or reef snorkelling experience.

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Sydney, to \$60k + Super, Ref: 33828PE1

You will be responsible for handling supplier communications & confirmations for specific tours, through to finalising documentation including detailed tour notes and itinerary. Some communication with travellers and booking of pre-and post-travel arrangements is involved. On occasion there will be the opportunity to accompany a group assisting the tour leader as a tour manager, This is a niche tour provider and a love of the arts, history, music, drama, theatre would be of high advantage.

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Do you want to work in an award winning travel agency, with very specialised, luxury products? Our client is located in an affluent area in Melbourne and looking for an experienced travel consultant to join their exclusive ranks. Our client offer bespoke and unique luxury itineraries and products ranging from short breaks to multi city destinations. A love and passion for travel is essential, must have at least 3 years' experience. A HIGH BASE SALARY of up \$65k + bonuses is on offer!

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Our client is seeking an experienced Travel Consultant for their office in South Brisbane. You will ideally have worked in a retail travel agency, have strong experience using a GDS, ability to organise and book worldwide travel arrangements and must be able to work autonomously. There is competitive salary plus uncapped earning potential and you should have a passion to succeed and be keen to continue your career as this role evolves. APPLY NOW this is a very rare opportunity!

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This leading travel company is currently recruiting for a Digital Marketing Executive to join their busy office. As a Digital Marketing Executive you will be proficient in SEO and have a passion for social media to help grow their online presence through the creation of unique, engaging, informative and authoritative content. This is a fantastic opportunity to really develop and grow your career with reputable travel company paying up to \$60k + Super. Lots of potential to grow and develop!

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