

THE WAIT IS OVER! ADVENTURE'S BACK, ROYAL CARIBBEAN TO MAKE LONG-AWAITED RETURN

Cruise Line Celebrates the Relaunch of Cruising in Australia



Ovation of the Seas in Sydney Harbour, sporting the North Star all-glass observation capsule, the RipCord by iFly skydiving simulator and more.

SYDNEY, 16 March 2022 – Royal Caribbean International is celebrating a milestone more than two years in the making with the cruise industry's highly anticipated return to Australia. This year finally sees Australians taking to the seas again, and what better way to fulfill their wanderlust this summer than sailing with Royal Caribbean. Starting in October, the leading cruise line will make a bold return Down Under with two award-winning ships, *Quantum* and *Ovation of the Seas*, sailing from Brisbane and Sydney. The much-anticipated news marks a celebratory moment for adventurers, families, Royal Caribbean's team and partners, and local communities, who have waited for this moment for more than 24 months; it's only possible with their unwavering support.

"We are delighted that cruising has the green light to resume in Australia, and we can't wait for even more guests to create a lifetime of memories on their holidays with Royal Caribbean as soon as October. Around the world, more than a million guests have sailed with us since 2020, marking a successful cruise comeback. Now, we look forward to bringing the magic back to Australia," says Gavin Smith, managing director of Australia and New Zealand, Royal Caribbean International.

"What a way to kick off cruising's return, with two game-changing ships, *Quantum* and *Ovation of the Seas*. I know that so many Australian families have waited a long time for this moment, and we can finally start creating special memories together again."

To celebrate the return of cruising, travellers setting their sights on a summer full of long-awaited cruise adventures can enjoy a special offer when they book from 17 to 22 March:

- Savings up to 30% per guest
- Instant savings of up to \$600 per booking

Sale Highlights*:

- Savings of up to \$1,550 per booking at \$1,899 per person on a 6-night Queensland Highlights cruise from Brisbane on *Quantum*.
 - *Based on double occupancy for a Junior Suite on a cruise departing 18 Nov. 2022
- Savings of up to \$850 per booking at \$1,149 per person on a 7-night Tasmania cruise from Sydney on Ovation.
 - *Based on double occupancy for balcony stateroom on cruise departing 7 Dec. 2022
- Savings of up to \$350 per booking at \$399 per person on a 2-night Sydney Weekender cruise from Sydney on Ovation.
 - *Based on double occupancy for a balcony stateroom on a cruise departing 13 Jan. 2023

For the full details on the celebratory offer, travellers can visit Royal Caribbean website.

Australians will have their pick of memorable holiday experiences with both *Ovation* and Quantum delivering unparalleled, signature adventures against the picturesque beauty of Australia's spectacular coastline this summer. Holidaymakers can take in the breathtaking sights from **North Star** – a world-recordholder as the highest viewing deck on a cruise ship – or the **RipCord by iFly** skydiving experience, both taking adventure to new heights.

From catching a wave on the **FlowRider** surf simulator to scaling the rock-climbing wall or enjoying bumper cars, a full-size basketball court, roller-skating rink and more at **SeaPlex** – the largest indoor activity complex at sea – holidaymakers of all ages can get their adrenaline pumping. To wind things down after an action-packed day, travellers are able to kick back at the Vitality Spa or enjoy quality family time at the **Splashaway Bay** kids aqua park. Guests can also delight their palates with a world of flavours at a variety of restaurants, like American steakhouse **Chops Grille**, the Asian-inspired **Izumi** and family-style favourites at **Jamie's Italian**, before catching the cruise line's showstopping original entertainment.

To find out more and book, holidaymakers can visit www.royalcaribbean.com or speak to their local travel agent.

*Terms and conditions: Conditions apply, credit level and savings vary by ship, date and stateroom type. Prices correct as of 15/3/2022. For full terms and conditions, visit: www.royalcaribbean.com/aus/en.

Health and Safety

Globally, all Royal Caribbean guests aged 12 and older must present proof of COVID-19 vaccination. These requirements will be continually reviewed, and updates will be made in line with Australian government regulations. In line with its Royal Promise and regulations stipulated by the Australian government, Royal Caribbean continues to implement health and safety measures for the well-being of its guests and crew members, and the destinations it visits. The comprehensive, multilayered set of measures include pre-departure wellness screenings and testing, contactless embarkation and debarkation, enhanced ventilation and sanitization on board, as well as sailing with fully vaccinated crew members and guests. The cruise line will continue to evaluate and update its measures as circumstances evolve with various government and health authorities.

About Royal Caribbean International

Royal Caribbean International, owned by Royal Caribbean Group (NYSE: RCL), has been delivering innovation at sea for more than 50 years. Each successive class of ships is an architectural marvel that features the latest technology and guest experiences for today's adventurous traveller. The cruise line continues to revolutionize vacations with itineraries to 240 destinations in 61 countries on six continents, including Royal Caribbean's private island destination in The Bahamas, Perfect Day at CocoCay, the first in the Perfect Day Island Collection. Royal Caribbean has also been voted "Best Cruise Line Overall" for 19 consecutive years in the Travel Weekly Readers Choice Awards.

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