



Carnival Launches Biggest Ever Australian Program for 2018-19

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Carnival Cruise Line has launched its 2018-19 Program, offering Australian holidaymakers the largest number of cruises and more fun at sea than ever before.

The cruise line's new program, on sale on June 15, 2017, features more than 70 sailings from Sydney and Melbourne, including a record 19 short cruises with weekend samplers and short local itineraries proving to be a popular, easy getaway option.

Fares on the four-night cruise to Moreton Island in Queensland on Carnival Spirit sailing from Sydney on November 21, 2019 start from \$699* per person twin share.

With 43 longer cruises to the idyllic islands of the South Pacific and New Zealand included, the new program represents an increase of 13 per cent on the 2018 sailings.

Carnival Legend sails from Sydney on an eight-day cruise to the South Pacific on November 24, 2019 with calls to Mare, Isle of Pines, Lifou and Noumea. Fares on the cruise start from \$1149* per person twin share.

Increased demand from the southern states has put Melbourne back on the map, with Carnival offering a series of roundtrip itineraries from the port city to New Zealand over 13 nights, the South Pacific over 10 and 11 nights as well as a popular four-night hop south to Tasmania.

Fares on the cruise to Tasmania sailing roundtrip from Melbourne on Carnival Legend on February 27, 2019 start at \$699* per person twin share.

On the calendar for May 2018 is Carnival Spirit's cruise from Sydney to Singapore over 19 nights, with calls to Darwin and Bali and maiden visits to Koh Samui and Phuket in Thailand and Ho Chi Minh City in Vietnam. On the way to Singapore, Carnival Spirit will also stay overnight in Ho Chi Minh City, giving Aussie guests the chance to explore the vibrant sights, sounds and flavours of South East Asia before cruising on to Singapore. Fares on the cruise start at \$2549* per person twin share.

Both Carnival's Australia-based ships, Carnival Spirit and Carnival Legend, will enter dry-dock in May 2018 and emerge with exciting new features in time for the bumper 2018-19 season.

Carnival Vice President Australia Jennifer Vandekreeke said she was excited to deliver so many fun holiday options for Australians in the 2018-19 season.

"From Hobart to Ho Chi Minh City, Carnival will be dialing up the fun in 2018-19. We've got a record number of options on offer and with cruises from Asia to New Zealand, the Pacific and more short breaks than ever before - there will be something for every fun seeker in this program," Ms Vandekreeke said.

"We're thrilled that so many Australians are choosing to holiday with Carnival and that we can offer enticing new destinations to our new and repeat guests."

Carnival Cruise Line is on the move around the world, with four new ships set to launch over the next five years, including Carnival Horizon in April 2018, featuring the first-ever Dr Seuss waterpark, a Skyride and offering European itineraries; a soon-to-be-named third Vista Class ship planned for 2019; and two new LNG-powered ships launching in 2020 and 2022 as part of Carnival's next-generation 'green cruising' initiative.

*Subject to availability, conditions apply.

For more information and bookings call 13 31 94 or visit www.carnival.com.au

About Carnival Cruise Line

Carnival Cruise Line is the largest cruise line in the world with more than four and a half million guests travelling every year. The cruise line has two ships deployed in Australia, Carnival Spirit – the largest and newest cruise ship to be based in Sydney year round – and sister ship Carnival Legend, sailing from Sydney each summer. With 45 activities to enjoy each day, both ships offer fun-loving families and couples memorable and great value holidays.

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