



## **CARNIVAL CRUISE LINES TO LAUNCH NEW AUSTRALIAN DINING EXPERIENCES**

### ***Bespoke menu offerings exclusive to Carnival Spirit and Carnival Legend guests***

**Sydney, 20 November 2013** – Carnival Cruise Lines is set to raise the bar for quality cuisine at sea, today announcing major enhancements to its Australian dining offering in time for the 2013/2014 summer cruising season.

In a Carnival Cruise Lines world first, Carnival Spirit and Carnival Legend will offer guests a “Long Lunch at Sea” hosted in the elegant Nouveau Restaurant, in response to Australian guests’ appreciation of fine dining and quality produce.

The new Long Lunch at Sea will offer three delicious courses, including lobster, for only \$30. Based on Aussie guests’ appetite for seafood, the new menu will include items such as grilled cold water lobster tail, fresh seafood platters (at an added cost of \$20), blue crab salad as well as grilled duck breast and coconut flan. The Long Lunch at Sea will operate on sea days and will be available to all guests. Bespoke wine pairing for each course will also be available for an additional \$20.

Carnival Spirit and Carnival Legend’s main restaurant will offer fine dining delicacies at introductory prices as part of “A Taste of Nouveau”. Guests can have the option of upgrading their dining experience with items such as filet mignon and lobster, from \$20. Empire Restaurant will also continue to serve breakfast, lunch and dinner as included in guests’ cruise fare.

Additionally, knowing there’s nothing better than a seaside summer snack, Carnival Spirit and Carnival Legend will host a new destination onboard, “Freshie’s Corner.” Freshies Corner will give guests a taste of the ocean with a range of tasty morsels and light meals including pots of fresh prawns or mussels, classic fish n’ chips, kumera fries, fresh grilled chicken focaccias and the new bespoke Spirit Burger.

Freshie’s Corner will be open from 4pm until late every day, offering the perfect solution for hungry holiday makers after a full day of fun in the sun. A nominal surcharge will apply for these items.

Jennifer Vandekreeke, Director Carnival Cruise Lines Australia and New Zealand said: “Since arriving in Australia last year, we’ve learnt so much about our Aussie guests – in particular, their appreciation for quality produce and diverse dining options.

“Delicious food is ingrained in Australian culture, and whether enjoying a long lunch with friends, or grabbing a quick bite on the go, high standard, varied dishes are a must, and always taste even better when enjoyed with good company. These new dining experiences will give our guests more of what they expect from a top quality holiday – fresh, flavoursome dishes to be shared with loved ones.”



The new dining experiences will be available to guests sailing on Carnival Spirit from 13 December 2013, and complement the existing 16 restaurants, bars and lounges. These dining experiences will also be offered on Carnival Legend when she begins sailing from Australia in September 2014.

For more information and bookings, contact Carnival Cruise Lines on 13 31 94, or visit [www.carnival.com.au](http://www.carnival.com.au)

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**About Carnival Cruise Lines**

Carnival Cruise Lines is the largest cruise line in the world with over four and a half million guests travelling every year. Carnival Spirit is the largest and newest cruise ship to call Australia home and she will be joined by her sister ship, Carnival Legend in September 2014. With 45 daily activities from Zen to adrenalin to enjoy, Carnival Spirit offers fun-loving couples and families memorable holidays at great value.