

## A DECADE OF FUN! CARNIVAL CRUISE LINE CELEBRATES 10 YEARS IN AUSTRALIA



**SYDNEY, OCTOBER 18, 2022 –** It's been just over two weeks after returning to Australian shores and yesterday Carnival Cruise Line celebrated an incredible 10 years of providing Australians with fun-filled holidays at great value.

Kicking off celebrations at Tangalooma, Moreton Island, passengers aboard Carnival Splendor were treated to the party of a lifetime with beach games on the sand, Carnival cupcakes and a giant '10 Years in Aus' sandcastle before returning to the ship for her journey home to Sydney.

Carnival Fun-bassador Beau Ryan joined in the festivities and said the party was the most fun you could have on dry land: "The energy at Tangalooma was incredible. Everyone is just so excited for Carnival to be back in Australia, and to have this celebration so soon after their return shows that fun cruising is well and truly home."

As thanks for their ongoing support over the past decade, Carnival also hosted a special lunch for key trade partners. Bringing the best of Carnival Splendor to the shore, guests were treated to 'Green Lightning' cocktails, elements of Carnival's famous theme nights including '80s RocknGlow', 'Island night' and all-new 'Outback Country Night', music, games, and prizes. Carnival Cruise Line also donated a seven-night, South Pacific cruise onboard Carnival Luminosa to the Children's Hospital Foundation in Queensland to gift to a family in need of a holiday. Carnival Cruise Line has supported the Sydney

Children's Hospital Foundation since 2016 and have raised over \$250,000 through their Wiggle for Westmead initiative. Carnival are extending this partnership into Queensland, raising funds for the Children's Hospital Foundation with the Conga for Kids program on sailings departing from Brisbane.

First arriving down under in October 2012, over one million guests have since experienced the fun of a Carnival cruise. In 10 years, Carnival has welcomed three ships to Australia, with a fourth ship to follow very soon – Carnival Luminosa.

The latest in the Carnival Cruise Line fleet, Australia will be the first market to experience Carnival Luminosa as she departs on her first passenger cruise in November 2022. Luminosa's arrival will also kick-start Carnival's first-ever Queensland program with 28 sailings departing from Brisbane from November 2022 to April 2023.

On the momentous occasion, Carnival Cruise Line Vice President, Kara Glamore said: "The saying 'time flies when you're having fun' comes to mind when I think of our time in Australia. Although it has been a challenging few years, today's celebration and the reception we've had for our return has been truly incredible. We can't thank our guests, partners, and crew enough for all their support, and we can't wait to offer our signature style of fun cruising for many years to come."

For more information and bookings call 13 31 94, see your travel agent or visit https://www.carnival.com.au/

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## About Carnival Cruise Line:

Carnival Cruise Line is the World's Most Popular Cruise Line<sup>®</sup>. Carnival currently has one ship deployed in Australia with a second to arrive in late 2022. Sailing year-round from her Sydney homeport, Carnival Splendor joined the Carnival fleet in late 2020 and returned to Sydney in September 2022 after a pause in operations. The latest addition to the Carnival Cruise Line fleet, Carnival Luminosa, will commence cruising from Brisbane starting November 2022. Designed with fun in mind and featuring over 45 activities to enjoy each day, Carnival offers families and couples fun, memorable holidays at great value.

The health and safety of Carnival's guests is the utmost priority. As such, the actual cruise offerings may vary from the descriptions and images displayed, while Carnival assesses the enhancements of its onboard health and safety protocols in light of COVID-19.

To learn more about Carnival Cruise Line, visit http://carnival.com.au/

For reservations, contact any travel agent or call 13 31 94. Carnival can also be found on: Facebook: @CarnivalOz Instagram: @Carnivalcruiselineau YouTube: <u>www.youtube.com/user/CarnivalOz</u>

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