

**SET SAIL FOR FUN!
CARNIVAL SPLENDOR DEPARTS ON FIRST AUSTRALIAN PASSENGER CRUISE IN NEARLY THREE
YEARS**



SYDNEY, OCTOBER 01, 2022 – In a celebration for fun lovers and cruise fans alike, Carnival Splendor has officially departed Sydney on her first Australian passenger cruise in nearly three years.

With over 3,500 passengers onboard, the momentous occasion was celebrated with an official 'Back to Fun' event at the Overseas Passengers Terminal.

Hosted by Carnival Cruise Line President, Christine Duffy and resident Carnival fun-bassador Beau Ryan, the pair enlisted the help of avid cruise fans, Joe and Van Huddleston to be the first passengers onboard.

Cutting the ceremonial ribbon to welcome Splendor home, the Huddlestons also celebrated their 80th cruise onboard Carnival with the departure of the four-day cruise visiting the tropical paradise of Tangalooma – Moreton Island.

"Today's festivities are just a taste of what's to come for Australia. We know that Aussies have been patiently waiting for Carnival to return to their sunny shores for some time, but now we're pleased to say that fun is officially back on the water," said Christine Duffy.

"As we celebrate 10 years in Australia later this month and welcome the arrival of our newest ship, Carnival Luminosa, to Brisbane in November, there's a lot to look forward to from Carnival and even more fun to be had."

First arriving in late 2019, Carnival Splendor was only in Sydney for a matter of months before departing due to a global pause in operations. Now, Australians will again have the opportunity to discover all of the fun Splendor has to offer, from the action-packed green and gold Carnival Waterworks™ featuring the Green Lightning thrill-slide, Splashy Cove waterpark to the luxurious Cloud 9 Spa and Serenity™Retreat.

Operating year-round from her Sydney homeport, Carnival Splendor will provide Sydneysiders with a broad array of cruises across Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific.

On Splendor's return, Carnival Cruise Line Vice President Kara Glamore said: "To finally welcome Splendor home is an incredible milestone and a credit to the dedication of our amazing team. It's been a long journey to get here and we cannot thank our trade partners, our suppliers and, of course, our guests enough for their ongoing support."

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Fun facts about Carnival Splendor:

- Over 3,500 guests and 1,100 crew
- 16 bars and lounges
- 17 dining options
- Length: 952 feet
- Beam: 116 feet
- Beam at pool decks: 125 feet

About Carnival Cruise Line:

Carnival Cruise Line is the World's Most Popular Cruise Line®. 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/>

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