SOUTH AUSTRALIA'S 2021-22 CRUISE SEASON EXPEDITION ITINERARIES FOR A DOMESTIC MARKET



This summer, South Australia will welcome an exciting program of new expedition cruise itineraries to some of our state's most unique and remote locations, as part of a safe and proven domestic cruising schedule.

Visiting expedition cruise ships will have all-intrastate itineraries and take domestic passengers to explore even more of South Australia, featuring destinations such as Robe, Tumby Bay, and Flinders Island, as well as our more traditional cruise destinations of Port Lincoln and Penneshaw. Expedition cruises have been successfully and COVID-safely sailing around Australia, with Australian passengers, since October 2020.

It is welcome steps towards the full return of our cruise industry, with support from the South Australian Tourism Commission, SA Health, local government, and Regional Tourism Organisations.

What can I expect?

South Australia's 2021-22 cruise season will see the continuation of expedition cruising by Australian cruise companies, such as Australian Pacific Touring (APT), Coral Expeditions, and True North. Following the successful resumption of cruising in South Australian waters in February 2021, these companies are expanding their itineraries to include even more of our state and a number of new destinations that many South Australians will have never seen.

Where are the expedition vessels from?

The cruise expedition vessels set to visit our state this summer include APT's 'Caledonian Sky', Coral Expeditions', 'Coral Adventurer', and North Star Cruises' 'True North'. All expedition vessels are managed by Australian companies. These vessels are permitted to operate in Australia, operating under the Australian Coastal Trading Act 2012, and have a capacity limit of 99 passengers per voyage. In order to enter South Australia, all crew are bound by border restrictions in place at the time of arrival.

Where are the passengers from?

All passengers will be Australian and capped at no more than 99 passengers onboard per voyage. They will need to meet entry requirements into South Australia if they are from interstate, including any border restrictions and COVID-safe measures that are in place in our state at the time

What measures are in place to ensure it is COVID-safe?

The expedition cruising sector has in place industry-leading SailSafe Plans to ensure the health and wellbeing of passengers, crew and on-shore communities. The SailSafe Plans have tested and proven systems in place to create a safe travel bubble during each voyage. As mandated by the State Government, all expedition vessels are required to hold an SA Health approved COVID Management Plan.

What will they be doing?

Expedition voyages largely focus on nature, history and culture, with small numbers of local guests and crew exploring the more unique and remote parts of South Australia. Many of the voyages will visit locations along the coast that many South Australians would never have been.



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