



DREAM CRUISES

EXPLORER DREAM TO RESUME CRUISES ON 31 DECEMBER IN TAIWAN

New health and safety guidelines will ensure peace of mind for all guests and crew



Taiwan, 23 December 2021 – Dream Cruises has announced the restart of cruises in Taiwan with Explorer Dream resuming operations beginning on Friday, 31 December after stopping due to the COVID-19 outbreak in May of this year. Upon resumption, Explorer Dream will once again welcome passengers on two and three night Super Seacations from Keelung to favourite domestic destinations including Hualien, Anping and Kaoshiung.

“Dream Cruises is delighted to announce the restart of cruises in Taiwan on 31 December to provide the island’s residents with the opportunity to embark on a Super Seacation and enjoy the feeling of travelling again,” said Mr. Kent Zhu, President, Genting Cruise Lines. “Since we suspended operations in May, Dream Cruises has been working with the Taiwan authorities to plan on the safe restart of cruises and to revisit our health and hygiene guidelines and protocols to ensure the safest environment for both guests and crew. We are proud to have been the first cruise company to resume cruises in Taiwan, Singapore and Hong Kong and of our stellar record of no COVID-19 related incidents in Taiwan since Explorer Dream first began operations in July 2020.”

From July 2020 to May 2021, Dream Cruises has welcomed over 90,000 guests on board Explorer Dream for worry-free Super Seacations, allowing travelers to visit some of the most iconic destinations on the main island and outlying islands without the hassle of packing and unpacking or catching connections.

And if getting there is half the fun, then Explorer Dream truly brings to life this age-old adage.

Dream Cruises’ newest family member, Explorer Dream features a broad selection of facilities on board with exciting entertainment and leisure spaces including the state-of-the-art virtual reality ESC Experience Lab, Zodiac Theatre, the Palm Court, Parthenon Pool and Gym, Spa and Salon area. Discover the world on a plate with world-class dining experiences highlighted by Seafood Grill, Mozzarella Ristorante & Pizzeria and Umi Uma Sushi & Teppanyaki and more.

To tailor further the Super Seacations to the Taiwan market, Dream Cruises will also develop immersive theming and enrichment programs on board Explorer Dream to provide a 360-degree experience for guests. With ongoing travel restrictions due to COVID-19 still affecting holiday plans,



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Dream Cruises will continue to bring the world on to Explorer Dream to deliver a real sense of “getting-away” for vacation.

Continuing the tradition of pampering and indulgence, The Palace, Dream Cruises’ signature, private “luxury ship-within-a-ship” concept provides over 40 well-appointed suites, butler service, exclusive activities and dining and beverage privileges that combine the best of “East meets West” to enrich every journey.

Providing the peace of mind for guests to enjoy the many facilities and services on board Explorer Dream, comprehensive enhanced health and hygiene procedures and guidelines will be a crucial component of her resumption plans, ensuring the ship complies with all regulations stipulated by the Taiwan authorities.

Newly implemented, all cruising guests will be required to be fully vaccinated with a government approved COVID-19 vaccine at least 14 days before their cruise departure date (some age restrictions apply) and all guests, regardless of age, will have to present a negative Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) COVID-19 test result conducted within 48 hours prior to departure at the cruise terminal on their departure date.

During the initial restart period for Explorer Dream, the ship capacity will also be reduced providing the most optimum space for social distancing during cruises and it will be mandatory for all guests to download the ‘Taiwan Social Distance’ App and to turn-on their Bluetooth at the cruise terminal and on the ship.

To safeguard the well-being of guests, thorough sanitization and disinfection and enhanced hygiene practices for guest cabins and crew member quarters, public areas and recreational facilities, along with safe food and beverage handling procedures will continued to be maintained. All crewmembers will also be fully vaccinated on board Explorer Dream.

“Dream Cruises is excited to be able to welcome guests on board Explorer Dream once again and we are looking forward to providing the residents of Taiwan with worry-free and hassle-free Super Secations that will deliver that true ‘get-away’ experience we miss from international travel,” added Mr. Zhu.

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About Dream Cruises

Carrying on Genting Hong Kong’s proud heritage of nearly 30 years of Asian cruise industry experience, Dream Cruises aims to be a pacesetter in the global cruise landscape. Featuring a complete fleet of quality, German built vessels for Asian sourced passengers, Dream Cruises is meeting the needs of the ‘emerging generation’ of confident, independently minded and upwardly mobile Asian travellers by offering inspirational journeys, which are Asian at heart and international in spirit.

Purpose-built for the Asian market, Genting Dream, the first ship of the fleet, debuted in November 2016, with her sister ship World Dream joining in November 2017, offering guests cruising from Guangzhou, Hong Kong and Singapore the highest levels of service, as measured by crew to passenger ratio, and most spacious comfort as measured by gross tons per lower berth. Further expanding the Dream Cruises family, Explorer Dream joined in 2019 with homeports in Shanghai, Dalian and Tianjin during summer and Australia and New Zealand in winter. Construction has also started in Germany on the 208,000 gross ton Global Class ship that will join the fleet in 2022.



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Dream Cruises has been recognized by the Berlitz Cruising and Cruise Guide 2020, ranking Genting Dream and World Dream once again in the world's top ten Large Resort Ships – the only two highest ships to homeport year-round in Asia. Dream Cruises' third ship, Explorer Dream, also made her debut in the Berlitz Cruising and Cruise Ships 2020 guide under the "Mid-Sized Ship" category in the Top 20 position.

Dream Cruises was also recently awarded 'Best Luxury Cruise Line' at the Annual 30th Travel Trade Gazette's (TTG) Travel Awards 2019 and 'Best Cruise Line – Cuisine', 'Best Cruise Line – Entertainment' and 'Best Cruise Line – Family' by the Travel Weekly Asia Readers' Choice Awards 2019.

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