



## Countdown Begins for Emerald Princess' Australian Debut

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The countdown is now on for the maiden arrival of the biggest Princess Cruises' ship to be based Down Under this summer – the spectacular 3082-guest Emerald Princess, which will sail into Sydney Harbour on November 15.

One of the largest ships in the Princess fleet, the superliner will introduce a range of exciting new dining, shopping and entertainment offerings to Australian waters.

Emerald Princess will make her Australian debut in Fremantle on November 8, before visiting Busselton, south of Perth, on November 9 and Melbourne on November 13.

She will arrive in the Emerald City two days later to begin her inaugural five-month season of cruises from Sydney, sailing on 13 roundtrip cruises to destinations in the South Pacific, New Zealand and around Australia. **Fares start from \$1199\* per person twin share for an 11-night South Pacific cruise departing Sydney on January 21, 2017 and visiting five beautiful ports in New Caledonia and Vanuatu.**

Australian travellers can get a taste of cruising on Emerald ahead of her arrival following the release of a new [video](#) from Princess as part of its #EmeraldCountdown campaign.

Stretching 290 metres, Emerald Princess' highlights include SHARE by Curtis Stone, a stunning 125-seat restaurant overlooking the aft decks and featuring delicious offerings from the award-winning internationally known chef. The restaurant is one of more than a dozen dining options on the superliner, which also features Princess' new Salty Dog pub, serving up gourmet small dishes developed with renowned US chef Ernesto Uchimura, and whiskey flights.

Emerald Princess' arrival will also set the stage for the debut of some great new entertainment offerings in Australia including the much anticipated onboard musical *Magic to Do* from Oscar and Tony award-winning Broadway composer Stephen Schwartz. Guests can also enjoy the spectacular new *Voice of the Ocean* competition, exclusive to Princess, which brings the spectacle of TV's wildly popular international singing competition to the high seas.

Emerald Princess features more than 1500 guest rooms – including nearly 900 balcony staterooms. Every room offers the cruise line's new Princess Luxury Bed, developed in collaboration with US sleep specialist Dr Michael Breus and Canadian HGTV interior designer Candice Olsen, and designed to deliver the ultimate night of sleep at sea.

Also on board are eight showrooms and lounges, two nightclubs and four swimming pools as well as signature Princess offerings such as the child-free Sanctuary, poolside Movies Under the Stars and the luxurious Lotus Spa.

Guests can enjoy fantastic shopping, with options including a stunning EFFY jewellery outlet, a first in the Australian market.