

CELEBRITY EDGE® RETURNS FOR A SECOND SEASON OF ELEVATED CRUISING DOWN UNDER

With its signature outward facing design, the transformational Edge Series® ship will bring guests closer to the natural beauty of Australia and New Zealand

MIAMI (October 22, 2024) - Celebrity Edge, Australia's first cruise ship to be recommended by the prestigious Forbes Travel Guide, has returned today to the region for a much anticipated second season. Guests can look forward to 17 unmatched itineraries sailing from Sydney with Celebrity Edge calling on new ports this season across Samoa, Fiji, American Samoa and Tonga, making it easier than ever to experience an array of rich cultures and swim in some of the world's most crystal-clear waters. From now through April 2025, guests will be transported to an impressive collection of 26 ports, showcasing the best of Australia, New Zealand, and the South Pacific – from iconic wine regions to world-class coral reefs.

Guests can indulge in the region's natural beauty from the comfort of an *Edge Series* ship. The iconic Magic Carpet® – the world's first cantilevered, floating platform at sea – offers a unique way to dine, drink and connect with the destination, or take in the dramatic landscapes of Dunedin, New Zealand or Australia's East Coast from bed, as you wake up in Infinite Veranda® staterooms, which erase the boundaries between inside and outside.

"We're thrilled *Celebrity Edge* will be returning to Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific for a second season, providing guests an unmatched cruise experience designed to connect them closer to the destination," said Laura Hodges Bethge, president of Celebrity Cruises. "Celebrity's elevated vacation options are redefining travel, especially in this region where guests can enjoy the *Edge Series* difference."

Joining *Celebrity Edge, Celebrity Solstice* will also return Down Under for two turns departing from Sydney on October 19, 2024, travelling up to Asia, and April 9, 2025, transporting guests through Fiji and onto Hawaii.

Elevated experiences enjoyed on Celebrity Edge include:

- Transformational accommodations, from modern two-story Edge Villas with plunge pools to the ship's signature Infinite Veranda staterooms, which blur the boundaries between indoor and outdoor living. The Infinite Veranda takes you right to the water's edge, giving guests open air access to the sea with the touch of a button.
- The Retreat®, exclusive to all suite guests, with its private restaurant, Luminae, and exclusive lounge and sundeck. In addition, guests of The Retreat enjoy a dedicated team of butlers and concierges on-hand 24/7 to ensure everything is perfect while on holiday.



- An unrivaled culinary repertoire of 29 distinct restaurants, bars, and lounges connecting guests
 to the flavors of the destinations they visit like never before. Globally inspired menus bring the
 tastes of the world straight to the plate, providing an epicurean journey unmatched at sea.
- Unique spaces unlike anything else at sea, including <u>The Magic Carpet</u> the world's first cantilevered, floating platform, soaring above the sea; and <u>Eden</u> three levels of sensory experiences wrapped in glass offering a mix of culinary and entertainment experiences with sweeping views.
- Engaging, visionary performances and award-winning productions blend seamlessly with innovative design throughout *Celebrity Edge* to bring guests the best entertainment at sea and beyond.
- The Spa, a sprawling 22,000 sq. ft. wellness destination offering a large array of treatments; the SEA Thermal Suite featuring eight distinct rooms including a steam room, float room, salt room, and heated tile loungers, among others; a range of beauty and fitness experiences including a Kerastase Salon group Spin classes and Yoga.

Highlights of the 2024 –25 season include:

- A 4-night getaway sailing to Tasmania to experience the region's stunning scenery, wildlife and rich history.
- 13- and 11-night sailings to experience the allure of New Zealand, with every itinerary visiting the splendours of both the North and South islands, offering a captivating journey through picturesque landscapes.
- A 13-night round-trip voyage from Auckland, experiencing the breathtaking beauty of Suva, the
 capital of Fiji, the bustling seafood markets and vibrant nightlife of Apia, Samoa as well as New
 Zealand's awe-inspiring Bay of Islands.
- The 9-night Australian Wine cruise takes in Australia's most iconic wine regions, where guests can sample rich reds in the Barossa Valley, cool-climate Chardonnay in the Yarra Valley, and delicious sparkling wines across the Bass strait in Tasmania.
- A special 13-night sailing over Christmas and New Year's, taking in the epic beauty of New Zealand's world-class coastlines, majestic fjords and cosmopolitan cities. Highlights include wine tasting in the vineyards near Napier, the pastoral beauty of Dunedin and the breath-taking Dusky, Doubtful, and Milford Sounds in New Zealand's South Island. The festive atmosphere is brought to life with dazzling holiday decorations, delicious delicacies, and live holiday performances and activities, all creating a magical setting for celebrating with loved ones.
- A sun-filled 14-night South Pacific itinerary, transporting guests to some of the world's most beautiful islands, including Fiji, Vanuatu, and Loyalty Island.

For more information and to book a sailing on *Celebrity Edge*, visit www.celebrity.com, contact a trusted travel advisor, or call Celebrity Cruises on 1-800-CELEBRITY.



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About Celebrity Cruises

Celebrity Cruises delivers an elevated premium holiday experience across their fleet of ships traveling to nearly 300 destinations across more than 70 countries spanning all seven continents. Uniquely offering the intimate feel and thoughtful service of small ships, with the variety and excitement of bigger ones – guests can explore the world or get away from it for a little while. With every detail elevated beyond expectations, guests will never want to holiday any other way. An industry pioneer for more than 35 years, each Celebrity holiday offers experiences you won't find anywhere else aboard ships which continue to shatter industry expectations with the highly anticipated *Celebrity Xcel* arriving Autumn 2025.

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