

FIRE UP THE FAMILY CHAT: THE ULTIMATE FAMILY HOLIDAY RETURNS TO SYDNEY TODAY Ovation of the Seas is back in Sydney to welcome more adventurers, and more multigenerational families

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SYDNEY, Nov. 1, 2024 – Royal Caribbean's <u>Ovation of the Seas</u> is back in the iconic Sydney Harbour to mark the start of a record-breaking season for the holiday brand with ships across Sydney and Brisbane. More than ever before, families from across Australia have set their sights on taking a memorable adventure in summer 2024 with *Ovation* in Sydney. The season's lineup of 22 holidays features ways for every type of family and holidaymaker to get away and make memories, from 2-night weekend getaways to 14-night holidays that visit stunning destinations around Australia, the South Pacific and New Zealand.

"The 2024 season will be one for the books, with young families and holidaymakers new to Royal Caribbean enjoying the ultimate holiday on *Ovation*. With Splashaway Bay kids aqua zone, a rock climbing wall and Vitality Spa treatments, alongside a variety of dining options, holidays on *Ovation* are made for every type of traveller, and that is exactly what so many Australians are looking for year after year," states Gavin Smith, vice president and managing director, Australia and New Zealand, Royal Caribbean International. "Our award-winning ships like *Ovation* have built a reputation as a trustworthy choice for Australian travellers. Holidaymakers know they can count on exceptional experiences when choosing a Royal Caribbean holiday, as our destinations and onboard offerings continue to be a go-to choice for those seeking to escape the everyday. Our South Pacific holidays are especially popular with multigenerational families, as families can bond over memory making experiences without the hassle of packing and unpacking multiple times."

This summer will also welcome holidaymakers looking for a short escape from the everyday. Matching the rise in the popularity of short getaways, *Ovation* is lighting up the harbour with more weekend energy across four 2- to 3-night weekend adventures with everyday ocean views. From friends looking to celebrate or unwind to families seeking to bond and go on their own adventures, making the most of every minute of the weekend with experiences on *Ovation* include skydiving with RipCord by iFly, catching waves on the FlowRider surf simulator; driving bumper cars, roller-skating and more at SeaPlex – the largest indoor activity complex at sea – and taking in views from 300 feet above the ocean in the North Star observation capsule.

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Holidaymakers looking for more time to unplug can choose from a variety of adventures across *Ovation*'s summer season.

- 7- to 10-night holidays to the South Pacific where it's all about island hopping between
 white sandy beaches, snorkelling or stand-up paddleboarding at the idyllic Mystery Island
 and exploring Vanuatu's vibrant capital, Port Vila, and spots like the famed Blue Lagoon.
- 10- to 11-night New Zealand adventures visiting destinations like Bay of Islands, Dunedin, Wellington and Picton.
- Holidaymakers can start a new family tradition over Christmas with a 10-night New Zealand getaway on Dec. 18, or bring in the New Year on a 10-night holiday departing on Dec. 28.
- Ovation will also offer two special 7-night immersive adventures in November 2024 and March 2025 to celebrate Royal Caribbean's exclusive partnership with Ponting Wines, cofounded by Australian cricket legend Ricky Ponting, with uniquely crafted holidays for wine lovers and sport aficionados.

Royal Caribbean has even more celebrations in the pipeline for holidaymakers. In time for the first day of summer, *Quantum of the Seas* will return on **Dec. 1, 2024,** with **2- to 14-night holidays** that make for the best family getaways from Brisbane to the picturesque islands of the **South Pacific, New Zealand** and the **Queensland coast**.

Holidaymakers can book their next adventure with Royal Caribbean.

About Royal Caribbean International

Royal Caribbean International, part of Royal Caribbean Group (NYSE: RCL), has delivered memorable vacations for more than 50 years. The cruise line's game-changing ships and private destinations revolutionize vacations with innovations and an all-encompassing combination of experiences, from thrills to dining and entertainment, for every type of family and vacationer. Voted "Best Cruise Line Overall" for 21 consecutive years in the Travel Weekly Readers Choice Awards, Royal Caribbean makes memories with adventurers across more than 300 destinations in 80 countries on all seven continents, including the line's top-rated private destination, Perfect Day at CocoCay in The Bahamas.

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