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## **CARNIVAL CRUISE LINE ANNOUNCES THAT CARNIVAL SPIRIT WILL SAIL YEAR-ROUND FROM BRISBANE**

*Arriving in 2020, Carnival Spirit will be the newest and largest ship ever based out of Queensland*

**Tuesday 6 June, Brisbane.** Carnival Cruise Line, the world's largest cruise line, announced Carnival Spirit will become the brand's first ever ship to home port in Brisbane.

The announcement follows the ACCC's approval of a new cruise ship terminal in Brisbane.

Rated as Australia's favourite year-round cruise ship by members of Cruise Critic, Carnival Spirit will arrive into her new home in 2020. She will sail year-round from Brisbane to the stunning tropical archipelagos of Vanuatu and New Caledonia, as well as offer shorter cruises to well-loved destinations in North Queensland.

Jennifer Vandekreeke, Carnival Cruise Line Vice-President, Australia, says, "Queenslanders have embraced Carnival's free-spirited, family-friendly fun since our arrival in 2012. Since then, we have welcomed nearly 75,000 Queenslanders on Carnival cruises from Sydney and Melbourne. We're delighted to announce that with the new cruise terminal we'll be able to offer Queenslanders the opportunity to sail on Carnival right from their doorstep."

With more than 45 activities over 12 decks of fun, Carnival Spirit provides the ultimate fun at sea, offering Green Thunder, the fastest and steepest waterslide at sea, as well as three swimming pools, the childfree Serenity Retreat and more than 20 bars, lounges and dining options.

Itineraries for Carnival Spirit's 2020 Brisbane sailings will be announced mid-June 2018 with bookings opening in early July 2018.

Carnival Australia's arrangements with the Port of Brisbane remain subject to approval by the Foreign Investment Review Board.



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### **About Carnival Cruise Line:**

Carnival Cruise Line is the largest cruise line in the world with almost five million guests travelling every year. The cruise line has two ships deployed in Australia, including Carnival Spirit – currently the largest and newest cruise ship home ported year-round in Australia. Sister ship Carnival Legend will return to Australia in October 2018 following her Northern Hemisphere summer season cruising Alaska. Carnival Splendor will join the Australian Carnival fleet in December 2019 and become the newest and largest ship home ported year-round in Australia. With 45 activities to enjoy each day, Carnival's ships offer fun-loving families and couples fun, memorable holidays at great value.



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