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It's America's Year, So Discover It

This is the 'year of red, white and blue' so agents should make sure they grab the chance to upskill on what the USA has to offer at the upcoming Discover America events, says Brand USA.

Registration opened today for the events, which are on in Christchurch on 22 Feb and Auckland on 23 Feb, and organisers are expecting a big turn-out, says local Brand USA rep Wayne Mitcham.

"We're expecting a record number of trade attendees in what will be the year of red, white and blue, given the significant increase in capacity and investment from airlines," Mitcham says.

There's also a record number of US

exhibitors heading to both events this year, which isn't surprising as suppliers increasingly recognise the value of the New Zealand market, says Mitcham.

"US suppliers are aware that for the New Zealand market, it's more about the quality of the traveller as opposed to the quantity," he says. "Kiwis in general spend the longest time in the US and visit more than one state."

The events are the only solely US-focused event for Kiwi agents, and it's a great opportunity to be brought up to speed on the latest and greatest products in the US, including some first-time exhibitors, says Mitcham.

... Win A Trip To SFO

Agents are encouraged to get into the spirit of the night and wear their best USA-inspired fancy dress for the chance to win a trip for two to San Francisco, with a trip to be given away in both Auckland and Christchurch.

There will also be other USA prizes up for grabs at both events.

For agents who live outside of Christchurch and Auckland, Brand USA is offering free coach services from Whangarei, Hamilton, Tauranga, Timaru and Ashburton (depending on demand).

Registration is open until 11 Feb, for details and to RSVP see t-mail sent earlier today or [CLICK HERE](#)

Less Time On Tarmac?

Engineers in the US have reportedly come up with a formula that would prevent passengers being stuck on the tarmac, by taking into account weather, runway traffic, and flight schedules to predict how long a plane will have to wait until takeoff. Air traffic controllers would be able to use the information to direct departures better, including possibly holding planes at the gate—meaning less time waiting on the tarmac. Tests of the model showed taxi time was decreased by as much as 20%, and also saved airlines on fuel. Further testing is underway.



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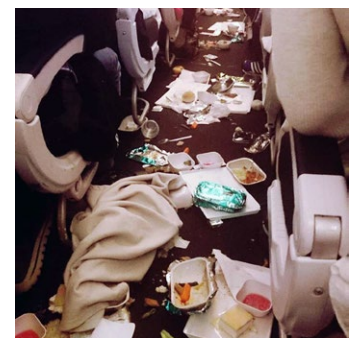
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Air Emergency Solution?

After working on the technology for the past three years, a Russian inventor has designed a detachable plane cabin that would see passengers, and their luggage, land safely in the event of a mid-air emergency.

The design allows the cabin, in which luggage would be stowed at the bottom, to be ejected from the plane at any time during take-off, flight or landing, and with the help of parachutes, it would land safely, according to a *Fairfax* report.

However, critics have questioned how plausible the concept would actually be, so we're not sure if we'll be seeing this design come to life any time soon.



Turbulent Ride

Passengers on an Air New Zealand flight from Tokyo to Auckland have said their cabin crew deserve medals after severe turbulence just after dinner service left the plane covered in food. A picture shared on Reddit shows the aisles covered in food after the turbulence hit just an hour into the flight. Passengers on the 10-hour flight have praised the actions of cabin crew for their handling of the situation.

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Gareth's CHC Move

Christchurch Airport has appointed Gareth Williamson as its new trade development manager—New Zealand.

Williamson will lead the airport's focus on passenger growth in domestic and outbound international travel, and is tasked with developing strong partnerships with the trade, airlines and tourism bodies. He's also responsible for outbound international freight business development. Williamson is well known to the local industry, including in his current role as sales and marketing manager for the Walshe Group, overseeing a portfolio of airlines including China Airlines, Delta, Etihad and South African Airways.



Airbus Trumps Boeing In Orders

Both Boeing and Airbus delivered record numbers of new aircraft last year—but Airbus trumped Boeing by bringing in some 268 more new orders.

Boeing delivered 762 commercial airplanes in 2015, 39 more than in 2014, while Airbus delivered 635—also a new record for the manufacturer. However while Boeing made and delivered more aircraft, the 768 net orders it brought in last year (valued at USD112.4 billion at list prices) compares to Airbus' 1036. Boeing's backlog now stands at 5795 unfulfilled orders, while Airbus is claiming a new industry record of 6787 aircraft, valued at USD996.3 billion at list prices.

“This commercial and industrial performance unequivocally proves that global demand for our aircraft has remained resilient,” says Airbus boss Fabrice Bregier.

Boeing head Ray Conner meanwhile

says its focus is on ‘getting our products to our customers as quickly and efficiently as possible’, and that it has maintained a ‘strong, balanced backlog’.

FCM's New Logo

Flight Centre's corporate TMC, FCM Travel Solutions, has released a refreshed brand and new logo to ‘reflect the evolution in the organisation’ since FCM was started in 2004. The new logo is designed to be ‘relevant, contemporary and represents the direction in which FCM is heading’.



“The refresh reflects our focus to redefine travel management and communicates to our existing and prospective customers that we are industry leaders,” says FCM's New Zealand general manager Andy Jack.



Flighties Handover

Flight Centre yesterday confirmed the return of David Coombes (pictured right) to replace outgoing managing director Chris Greive, as reported by *Travel Today* last Oct. Greive is set to hand over the reins to Coombes (as he's affectionately known to the local industry) at the end of Feb. Coombes has been with Flight Centre for 15 years, including as general manager product for Flight Centre in New Zealand 2011-2013. His most recent role was senior vice president product in the US.

QF Deals Extended

Qantas has extended its current special fares to Australia from \$209 one-way, South East Asia from \$1049, London from \$2070, Middle East from \$2279 and North Africa from \$2625, for sales to 25 Jan.

EK Hello 2016

Emirates has extended sales of its Hello 2016 special fares for sales to 25 Jan. Fares include Sydney from \$479, Bangkok from \$1049, Mumbai from \$1499, Bologna from \$1899, Dubai from \$2279 and New York from \$1999. Business class fares are also available.

NZ Australia Sale

Air New Zealand has extended sales of its shortlife Australia fares through to 25 Jan, with one-way Seat + Bag flights priced from \$189 to Sydney/Melbourne/Brisbane, and \$409 to Perth. Business premier flights are also available.

New Cal Incentive

New Caledonia Tourism is offering monthly and yearly incentives for agents who book the destination. Monthly prizes include champagne, show tickets and gift cards, and there's also the chance to win a place on the ‘ultimate famil’ in Apr. To be in to win, log your New Cal bookings at learnnewcal.com.au/log-bookings/

Thai Boosts Auckland

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The Kimberley: Close To Home But Remote

Clients looking to head off on a luxury cruise close to home, to explore a remote region, will be happy to hear Silversea Expeditions is offering six sailings through the Kimberley region this year.

Departing from Mar-May, clients can travel between Darwin and Broome on a 10-day voyage where they will uncover the Indigenous history, waterfalls and wildlife of Western Australia's remote North West corner. Plus, this season, Silver Discoverer is the only ship in the Kimberley with a pool onboard, which Silversea believes will be a popular addition. "Sailing through the remote Kimberley region is a once-in-a-lifetime



experience... Guests can uncover an unmatched depth of history and knowledge of this precious region, and discover its true beauty," says general manager and director sales/marketing Australasia Karen Christensen.

Additionally, clients will be able to make the most of shore and Zodiac explorations, such as nature walks and hikes, accompanied by Silversea's naturalists, geologists and photographers.

Prices start from USD9850pp d/o, with many inclusions.

Fun Onboard Explorer

For the third consecutive year, Royal Caribbean has helped organise a fun day for children from Camp Quality—an organisation that supports families and children who are living with cancer—onboard its ships in ports around New Zealand. This year, 10 children from Camp Quality boarded Explorer of the Seas for a fun filled day, trying their hand at surfing on the FlowRider surf simulator and rock climbing, followed by a buffet-lunch with an ice cream competition at the Windjammer restaurant onboard.

Regent: Free Wi-Fi

Cruise Holidays advises agents that Regent Seven Seas Cruises' newest inclusion of free unlimited Wi-Fi for all suite categories will launch sooner than previously announced. It will launch first on Seven Seas Navigator 17 Mar; Seven Seas Voyager 02 May; Seven Seas Mariner 08 May; and Seven Seas Explorer 20 Jul.

The free internet access is available for the duration of the cruise and is accessible in all public spaces and suites.

Free Birthday Cruise

Due to popular demand, MSC Cruises has extended its Happy Birthday Deal, where clients who celebrate their birthday onboard an MSC ship can cruise for free.

Cruises start from AUD1089 per cabin and the offer ends 26 Jan. T&Cs apply.

Turkey Ports Replaced

Crystal Cruises is replacing its Turkish ports—Istanbul and Kusadasi—with destinations in Greece in response to 'ongoing security concerns'. Widespread reports say the changes will occur during Crystal Symphony's 24 Apr and 01 May sailings and the Apr and Nov sailings of Crystal Esprit.



Self-drive Canal Boat Savings

European self-drive canal boat operator Locaboat has released a limited time offer, where clients can save 20%, advises Europe wholesaler Eurolynx Travel. For bookings made before 29 Jan, clients will receive the 20% discount for all hires seven nights or more for travel in the Burgundy region of France during Jul. For full details e-mail info@eurolynx.co.nz

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Kiwi Hotels' Record-Breaking Year

New Zealand hotels enjoyed a record-breaking year in 2015, including their highest average occupancy level in at least five years, according to the Tourism Industry Association.

TIA's Hotel Sector members recorded a national average occupancy rate of 79%, up three points on 2014.

Returns are also improving, which is needed to encourage investment and refurbishment, says TIA boss Chris Roberts.

The average room rate (across all star

grades) was \$157 (up \$12 on 2014). Combined with the improved occupancy rate, this pushed the average revenue per available room (RevPar) up by \$14 (13%) to \$124.

"Hotel revenues in New Zealand are still below what is being achieved in Australia and high land and construction costs in New Zealand remain a barrier. But the upward trend is encouraging," Roberts says.

TIA has identified infrastructure investment as a priority and is working with the government to identify opportunities and remove roadblocks.



New Faces At Contiki

Contiki has appointed two new sales executives for the North and South Islands. Jordan Connors (left) is the new North Island exec and joins the brand from a retail travel agent role, so understands how travel agencies work, says Contiki.

Millie Amann (right) has taken up the role in the South Island, and was most recently living in Europe before returning to New Zealand. Her favourite destination is the Mediterranean.

Raffe

HOTELS & RESORTS

Raffles Is Now Raffe

The Raffles Group of Hotels and Resorts, which manages Fiji's Plantation Island Resort, Raffles Gateway Hotel and Lomani Island Resort, has rebranded to Raffe Hotels and Resorts. The hotel group was founded more than 40 years ago by the late Reginald Raffe, and his contribution to tourism in Fiji was 'immense', says Raffe chief executive Bradley Robinson. "Our founder Mr Raffe was extremely hard working and entrepreneurial; traits that we continue to value in our organisation today," he says. "It seems obvious to us that his reputation as a visionary leader of local tourism should lead us into the future."

Caesars Self Check-in

Caesars Entertainment is introducing new self check-in kiosks at its Las Vegas Resorts, beginning with The LINQ, Flamingo and Caesars Palace properties. Upon arrival, guests proceed to the kiosk where they can verify their ID, give payment information and receive a printed key if their room is ready, or set up an alert to be notified when it is.

New Hilton Fiji Venue

A new conference and events facility at the Hilton Fiji Beach Resort and Spa will be launched on the second day of the Fijian Tourism Expo (FTE), Tourism Fiji has advised. The expo is returning to Denarau Convention Centre 03-05 May.

Relaxing MEL Getaway

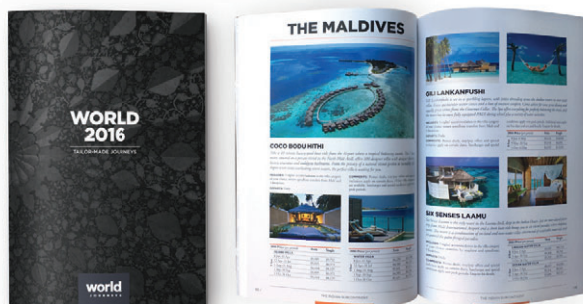
Clients looking for a chance to unwind, relax and rejuvenate after a busy festive season can spend a weekend away with yoga sensation Lola Berry at The Vibe Hotel Marysville, just 90 minutes' drive Melbourne's CBD. The weekend will feature group yoga classes, a personal nutrition talk, healthy food and more. For bookings before 31 Jan, a two-night stay is from AUD499pp, for stays 19-21 Feb. See tfehotels.com/vibe/lola

Malaysia Escape

GO Holidays advises agents of its packages to Malaysia, with return economy class flights flying Malaysia Airlines ex Auckland, for sales to 31 Jan and travel 01 Feb-30 Sep. Kuala Lumpur, flights and four nights is from \$1425pp s/t; Penang, flights and seven nights is from \$1599pp s/t; Langkawi, flights and seven nights is from \$1645pp s/t; and Kota Kinabalu, flights and four nights is from \$1515pp s/t.

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COMO Best New Hotel

Perth's newest luxury hotel, COMO The Treasury, has been rated the second best new hotel in the world by international publication *Billionaire.com*, advises Business Events Australia. The hotel is housed in 140-year-old heritage state buildings and comprises 48 rooms and suites, two restaurants, a bar, wellness centre as well as a gym and 20m indoor pool. See comohotels.com/thetreasury

Viajes Pacifico Rep

GTI Tourism has been appointed the sales and marketing representative in New Zealand and Australia for Viajes Pacifico (VIPAC), a Peruvian-based inbound tour operator and DMC.

GTI is tasked with driving awareness of the company's brand and portfolio of travel experiences in Peru to the trade. VIPAC offers tours throughout Peru and is also a member of the Gray Line Worldwide group. Tours include sunrise at Machu Picchu, shopping in Lima or visiting Lake Titicaca.

"We have noted an important growth in Australian and New Zealand arrivals to Peru during the last 10 years giving us the chance to get to know them better and understand their profile is perfectly suited to Peru's offering as a destination," says VIPAC's markets development manager, Rafael Noriega.



Adventure World's Arabian Explorer

Adventure World has a nine-day private journey through Oman exploring the northernmost tip of the country, including the Musandam Peninsula where they can take a traditional dhow cruise. The Arabian Explorer trip also explores the coastal and interior areas of Oman, including mountain ranges and wadis, sand dunes and fortresses. It's now from \$6725pp including accommodation, many meals, transport by private luxury vehicles, sightseeing and some internal flights.

Argentina Food Adventure

Chimu Adventures has a new neighbourhood food tour in Argentina, where clients can experience the typical weekend family asado that the country is famous for.

On the AsadoAdventure, guests are taken to a butcher shop, veggie stand, bakery and wine store while walking the cobblestone streets of Palermo Viejo, like a local family would do. They then head back to a large private home and help prepare the asado, including learning how to prep the meat, create the salad, and build the fire with charcoal and wood, as well as hearing about local customs.



The tour runs 1000-1500 and is limited to 10 people. It costs \$260pp (minimum of two people), Chimu

is offering a special promo rate of \$175pp for bookings made by 29 Feb. See chimuadventures.com

Aspen's New Element

Starwood Hotels & Resorts has opened the Element Basalt—Aspen. The new Element is located in Basalt's new Willits Town Center, less than 30 minutes to both Aspen and Snowmass Village. Highlights include studios and one-bedroom suites, a 24-hour fitness centre, a saline pool and outdoor hot tub, meeting space and more.

Melbourne On Show

Melbourne can now show the world the best of what the city has to offer after launching Play Melbourne Live, which uses video streaming app Periscope to take viewers on a tour of the city. Play Melbourne Live will broadcast the events, stories, people and places that make Melbourne a popular destination for Kiwis. See playmelbourne.com.au

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- Excellent verbal, written and interpersonal communication skills
- Exceptional presentation skills, along with sound time management and organizational ability
- Thorough knowledge of MS office, including PowerPoint
- Flexibility with a willingness to adapt to the various requirements of the role including some after hours work and out of town travel
- Applicants must have a current drivers license and own car

Applications should be forwarded by 5 February, by email to; stephen.tanner@walshegroup.com

Amadeus Ticket Changer

Amadeus has announced the availability of the new Amadeus Ticket Changer (ATC) Shopper, now allowing customers of participating agencies to go online to rebook flights any day, any time. This latest addition to the ATC suite is the world's first self-service online re-booking solution, says Amadeus. ATC Shopper can modify all types of tickets and fares, before and after departure, and offers 24/7 online access to different routes, itineraries and schedules. It should reduce the number of calls to call centres, lower the risk of errors, and improve customer satisfaction and loyalty, says Amadeus.

JU, AB Codeshare

Air Serbia has established one-stop connections between Belgrade and the USA following a codeshare expansion with Air Berlin. JU will place its code on 28 weekly services operated by AB between Berlin and Dusseldorf and New York, Chicago and Miami.

G's Big Incentive



G Adventures has announced the return of its Über Massive Incentive (UMI), giving agents the chance to win prizes including a trip to Antarctica for an agent and their friend.

Each week for 14 weeks, prizes such as GoPro packages will be given away, and there's monthly tour prizes including a trip to Colombia, an adventure through Tajikistan and Uzbekistan and nine days in Japan. At the end of the incentive, which runs now until 08 Apr, the major prize of a trip for two to Antarctica, including flights, will be drawn.

Agents who confirm a G Adventures tour booking between 28 Dec and 31 Mar are in to win—the more bookings confirmed, the more entries received. Agents must be registered with G sales platform Sherpa to be in the running. See sherpa.gadventures.com G is also offering a \$150 discount on all tours valued over \$1000 booked in Jan.

EY Manila Addition

Etiihad Airways will add three new weekly services between Abu Dhabi and Manila from 01 May, offering a total of 17 return flights per week.

News & Product

Best Of Fremantle

To celebrate Fremantle's status as a top 10 city in *Lonely Planet's Best in Travel for 2016*, the City of Fremantle has launched a short video capturing 'the excitement felt in the port city'. Tourism Western Australia says the video features tourists, workers, students, business owners and children who take the Lonely Planet badge on an adventure relay around the city, stopping at iconic sites such as the Dingo Flour Mill, Fremantle Markets and the world heritage listed Fremantle Prison as well as at many beaches. To watch the video, [CLICK HERE](#)

SYD Hotels Going Strong

STR Global's preliminary Nov data for Sydney indicates significant occupancy levels as there was a 0.8% increase in occupancy to 91%—the highest for any Nov in Sydney since 1995. There was also a 7.6% increase in average daily rate to AUD234.86; an 8.5% increase in revenue per available room to AUD213.77; and increases in supply (2.1%) and demand (2.9%). STR Global analysts credit a strong events calendar throughout the month for the high occupancy levels and rate growth. Included on that calendar were AC/DC and Taylor Swift concerts, as well as the Emirates Australian Open golf event.

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NSW Bravo Challenge

The Bravo Challenge is set to return to Illawarra in NSW next year. The event, to be held Sep 2016, will run over two days and provide participants with a series of physical challenges that will test strength and mental endurance. See bravochallenge.com.au for further details.

Industry Diary

JANUARY 2016

Rocky Mountaineer & Adventure World Road Show Breakfasts

Dunedin: Tue 26.

Christchurch: Wed 27.

Wellington: Thu 28

Location & times tbc.

FEBRUARY 2016

Brand USA Discover America Events

Christchurch: Mon 22, Rydges Latimer Hotel, 1700-2130.

Auckland: Tue 23, The Cloud, Queens Wharf, 1700-2130.

JAWS Roadshow

Dunedin: Mon 29, Scenic Southern Cross Hotel, 118 High Street, 1700-2000.

MARCH 2016

JAWS Roadshow

Christchurch: Tue 01, Rydges Latimer Hotel, Latimer Square, 1700-2000.

Nelson: Wed 02, Rutherford Hotel, 27 Nile Street West, 1700-2000.

Whangarei: Tue 08, Forum North, 7 Rust Ave, 1700-2000.

Napier: Mon 14, War Memorial Conference Centre, 48 Marine Parade, 1700-2000.

Wellington: Tue 15, Rydges WLG, 75 Featherston Street, 1700-2000.

Palmerston North: Wed 16, Distinction Hotel, 175 Cuba Street, 1700-2000.

New Plymouth: Thu 17, Novotel Hotel, Cnr Of Hobson and Leach Streets, 1700-2000.

Tauranga: Tue 22, Tauranga Yacht Club, 70 Keith Allen Drive, 1700-2000.

Hamilton: Wed 23, Novotel Tainui, 7 Alma Street, 1700-2000.

Cook Islands Roadshow

Christchurch: Tue 08, Hagley Oval, 0730-9030.

Wellington: Wed 09, Rydges Hotel, 0730-9030.

Auckland, North Shore: Wed 09, Spencer on Byron, 1730-2030.

New Abu Dhabi Appointments

The Walshe Group has made two new Abu Dhabi Tourism and Culture Authority (TCA Abu Dhabi) appointments, as the destination prepares for a big year with new developments and events.

Ola Kay (pictured on left) has been appointed as the new country manager, and has more than 20 years' experience in advertising and corporate marketing, most recently as head of



marketing at Insight Vacations.

Jamie Bunn is the travel trade and MICE executive for TCA Abu Dhabi in Australia and New Zealand. She was previously with Insight, and prior to that worked for Etihad.

"We are delighted to have two very talented and passionate individuals on the recently acquired TCA Abu Dhabi account," says Walshe Group boss Jacqui Walshe. "This year is an exciting new chapter for Abu Dhabi..."

Coming developments include the anticipated opening of the Louvre Abu Dhabi, an array of new hotels and resorts, and the development of the emirate's cruise sector. Event calendar highlights include the annual Qasr Al Hosn Festival, the return of the annual Abu Dhabi Food Festival, and the 2016 Formula 1 Etihad Airways Abu Dhabi Grand Prix.

South Auckland: Thu 10, Waipuna Suites, Highbrook, 0730-0930.

Auckland CBD: Thu 10, The Heritage Hotel, 1730-2030.

APRIL

Tourism Fiji Bula Marau Family Roadshow

Palmerston North: Mon 04, Distinction Hotel, 0700-0930.

Christchurch: Mon 04, Tait Conference Centre, 1730-2015.

Wellington: Tue 05 April, Amora Hotel, 1730-2015.

Hamilton: Wed 06, Ferrybank Reception Centre, 1730-2015.

Auckland: Thu 07, Stamford Hotel, 1730-2030.

Auckland North Shore: Fri 08, QBE Stadium, 0700-0930.

Asia Now roadshow

Dunedin: Tue 05.

Christchurch: Wed 06.

Wellington: Thu 07.

Tauranga: Mon 11.

Hamilton: Tue 12.

Auckland North: Wed 13.

Auckland East: Thu 14.

Venues, times tba.

Avalon Waterways 2017 Launch

Kerikeri: Wed 06, pm.

Petone: Wed 06, pm.

Whangarei: Thu 07, pm.

New Plymouth: Thu 07, pm.

Hamilton: Mon 11, pm.

Tauranga: Tue 12, pm.

Auckland, North Shore: Tue 12, pm.

Dunedin: Tue 12, pm.

Auckland, East: Wed 13, pm.

Timaru: Wed 13, pm.

Napier: Wed 13, pm.

Auckland, West: Thu 14, pm.

Palmerston North: Thu 14, pm.

Ashburton: Thu 14, pm.

Christchurch: Tue 19, pm.

Invercargill: Wed 20, pm.

Queenstown: Thu 21, pm.

Nelson: Wed 27 Apr, pm.

Blenheim: Thu 28, pm.

Times, venues tba.

Kangaroo Island Races

Australia's annual Kangaroo Island Gourmet Gallop is on 23 Jan at Cygnet River Racecourse, Kingscote, and SeaLink has released race-day packages to make getting there easier for everyone. The SeaLink Gourmet Gallop race-day package from Adelaide includes return coach travel to Cape Jervis, return SeaLink ferry and transport to the Kingscote Racecourse, and is priced AUD152 per adult and AUD86 per child. For those preferring to drive to Cape Jervis, the package departing Cape Jervis is AUD108 per adult and AUD62 per child and includes a return SeaLink ferry and transport to the racecourse. There's also return transfers from Penneshaw and American River available for those holidaying on Kangaroo Island.

New Yosemite Lodge

The Yosemite region will next year welcome its first new-build resort in more than 25 years, says Visit California. Located near Yosemite's Highway 120 West entrance, the Rush Creek Lodge is accepting reservations for travel 15 Jun and beyond. The 143-room resort will serve 'California mountain lodge cuisine' and amenities like hiking tours, outdoor bocce ball courts and a zip line. See rushcreeklodge.com

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