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**SUPERSTAR GEMINI -- DRY-DOCKED FOR A "NEW"**  
**AND MORE LUXURIOUS AND EXCITING CRUISE EXPERIENCE**

Star Cruises, "The Leading Cruise Line in Asia-Pacific" is pleased to announce that the **SuperStar Gemini** which cruises on the Straits of Malacca has completed its dry-dock on **November 15<sup>th</sup>, 1999**. During her dry-dock, **SuperStar Gemini** underwent a refit and refurbishment exercise costing more than US\$8 million.

The "new" **SuperStar Gemini** will feature new and more luxurious **upholstery, furniture and fittings, interiors, décor, toilets, floorings, carpets, new colour themes and a new sports bar**. All her reupholstered cabins will enjoy new carpets and an enhanced bathroom. With these, her overall ambience will be enhanced and passengers will experience a new level of luxury on board. **SuperStar Gemini's** safety and navigational control systems has also been upgraded. New bridge equipment is used and as in all of Star Cruises' ships, it will conform to International Maritime Organisation's standards.

**Deck 4**

**Ocean Palace** – the all-inclusive main dining restaurant is thoroughly refurbished and will sport a subtly elegant new colour theme. Cabins will enjoy plush new carpets, upholstery and an enhanced bathroom.

**Deck 5**

The **Star Bar** will feature completely new furniture with a new ambience while the **Star Club**-venue for Games of Chance will boast new carpets. **Bar Gemini** will showcase a new look while the **Galaxy of Stars** offers plush comfort with brand new upholstery. The breezy **Star Track**, on the same deck, will be refitted with new floorings.

## **Deck 6**

The **Mariners Buffet** – the international buffet restaurant is completely redesigned with new interiors and ambience while the decks on the outdoor Mariners Patio Bar will have new elegant teak floorings.

## **Deck 7**

Safety and navigational control systems has been upgraded to replace the old systems installed during the last dry-docking exercise two and a half years ago. They will all meet International Maritime Organisation's requirements.

The **Starship Disco and Karaoke** will incorporate a new sports bar. Passengers will be able to enjoy live international sports on a variety of channels while the disco will be upgraded.

## **Deck 8**

The **Universe Fitness Centre and Oscar's Hair Saloon** have been redecorated and upgraded while sunbathers will just love the new floors on the sun decks.

"With all these refurbishment, both first-time cruisers and seasoned cruisers will enjoy a new level of luxury in comfort, elegance, and sophistication on board the "new" **SuperStar Gemini**," says Mr. Colin Au, President and Chief Executive Officer of Star Cruises.

Star Cruises, "*The Leading Cruise Line in Asia-Pacific*", is one of the five largest cruise lines in the world. By 2005, Star Cruises will have a fleet of 12 vessels with lower berth capacity of about 18,000 and an annual growth of 25% per year for the corresponding period.

Star Cruises has also one of the youngest and most modern cruise fleets in the world with the highest safety standards. Its ships are based throughout Asia-Pacific with Singapore, Port Klang, Phuket, Bangkok, Hong Kong, Taipei and Osaka/Kobe (early 2000) as ports of embarkation. Star Cruises' award-winning fleet has the best services afloat with the highest crew-to-passenger ratio reflecting the high standards of the hospitality industry in Asia-Pacific.

Star Cruises has offices in Asia (China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan and Thailand); Australia (Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Perth), Europe (Austria, Germany, Sweden and United Kingdom) and the United States of America. New offices will be established in the Philippines and Korea by the end of this year.

Star Cruises' completely new web-site is at [www.starcruises.com](http://www.starcruises.com) or [www.starcruises.com.my](http://www.starcruises.com.my) which provides more information on the cruise line and the itineraries.

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