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SUPERSTAR GEMINI'S SEASON IN SOUTHEAST ASIA EXTENDED TILL END 2006
New Itineraries and More Destinations Introduced

Star Cruises, "The Leading Cruise Line in Asia-Pacific" is pleased to announce new itineraries and more destinations for **SuperStar Gemini** from this November until the end of 2006. The new itineraries for the 19,093-gross tonne luxury vessel will expand to 16 the total number of destinations **SuperStar Gemini** will visit in Malaysia, Thailand, the Khmer Republic (formerly Cambodia), Vietnam and Hong Kong within a combination of 7-night and 21-night cruises from Singapore.

The wide and varied choice of destinations cover the Andaman Sea, Straits of Malacca, Gulf of Thailand and the South China Sea with calls that range from the picture postcard beaches of Ko Samui in the Gulf of Thailand, the rugged old rainforests of Sabah and Sarawak in East Malaysia to the spectacular scenery of Halong Bay in Vietnam.

The new itineraries will include a number of maiden calls by **SuperStar Gemini** to Bangkok and Ko Samui in Thailand, Kuching and Kota Kinabalu in East Malaysia as well as Nha Trang, Danang and Halong Bay in Vietnam. It will also be the first time that a Star Cruises ship will call at Sihanoukville, capital of the Khmer Republic. The overnight call to Halong Bay will allow passengers to visit exotic Hanoi in Vietnam's north. Together with Phuket, Bangkok and Ho Chi Minh City, this brings to 4 destinations where SuperStar Gemini has overnight stops.

The new itineraries are in addition to the 7-night Southeast Asian cruises announced earlier to commence in November 2005. Longer itineraries have proved to be increasingly popular in various markets and the additional itineraries will provide more long cruise options.

The highlight of these is arguably the special **21-night South China Sea** itinerary with 2 departures (21st May and 27th August) sailing on a return journey from Singapore to Hong Kong, calling at Ko Samui and Bangkok in Thailand, Ho Chi Minh, Danang, Halong Bay and Nha Trang in Vietnam and Kota Kinabalu and Kuching in East Malaysia. Within this itinerary there are three options – a 10-night cruise from Singapore to Hong Kong; an 11-night cruise from Hong Kong to Singapore; and the ultimate

21-night South China Sea adventure combining both the forward cruise to Hong Kong and the return to Singapore.

“Overall, the extended itineraries present new cruise options in the region where both new and seasoned cruisers alike can discover all the major and emerging destinations in Southeast Asia,” added Mr Chong Chee-Tut, Star Cruises’ Chief Operating Officer. “And they can do this from the comfort of a ship that is a familiar favourite of many of them without having to pack and unpack at each port of call”.

“**SuperStar Gemini** has proved to be very popular with the Australasian and European markets and the extension of her season in Southeast Asia with the additional new itineraries are aimed at appealing to the more seasoned and loyal cruisers who prefer longer cruises”, added Mr. Chong.

The **highlights** featured in the extended season are: -

1. 7-Night Straits of Malacca (Kuala Lumpur- Penang- Krabi- Phuket- Langkawi)

The present **7-Night Straits of Malacca** itinerary that calls at Krabi will have a slight change with Penang as the second call instead of Langkawi.

Day	Port	ETA	ETD
Sun	Singapore	-	1800
Mon	Kuala Lumpur	1000	1900
Tue	Penang	1000	1800
Wed	Krabi	0800 (0700)	1700(1600)
Wed	Phuket	1900 (1800)	-
Thu	Phuket	-	1900 (1800)
Fri	Langkawi	0900	1900
Sat	At Sea	-	-
Sun	Singapore	0900	-

Departure dates: 30th April 2006, 2nd July 2006, 30th July 2006, 13th Aug 2006, & 24th September 2006.

Regular Departures: 22nd October 2006 – 31st December 2006

NB: () = Local Time in Thailand

2. 7-Night Ko Samui - Ho Chi Minh City

The three planned departures in 2006 for the **7-night Ko Samui - Ho Chi Minh City** cruises in April will see an additional three such cruises in June, August and October 2006.

Day	Port	ETA	ETD
Sun	Singapore	-	1800
Mon	At Sea	-	-
Tue	Ko Samui	1000(0900)	2000 (1900)
Wed	At Sea	-	-
Thu	Ho Chi Minh City	0900(0800)	-
Fri	Ho Chi Minh City	-	1400 (1300)
Sat	At Sea	-	-
Sun	Singapore	1000	-

Departure dates: 2nd April 2006, 9th April 2006, 16th April 2006, 18th June 2006, 6th August 2006 & 1st October 2006

NB: () = Local Time in respective countries

3. 7-Night Ho Chi Minh - Kuching

The new destination of Kuching in East Malaysia will feature as part of three departures that have been scheduled for the **7-night Ho Chi Minh- Kuching** itinerary.

Day	Port	ETA	ETD
Sun	Singapore	-	1800
Mon	At Sea	-	-
Tue	Ho Chi Minh City	1600 (1500)	-
Wed	Ho Chi Minh City	-	1400 (1300)
Thu	At Sea	-	-
Fri	Kuching	1000	2000
Sat	At Sea	-	-
Sun	Singapore	1000	-

Departure dates: 7th May 2006, 9th July 2006 & 8th October 2006

NB: () = Local Time in Vietnam

4. 7-Night Kota Kinabalu – Kuching

An East Malaysian special, which is a 7-night Kota Kinabalu – Kuching, cruise with two planned departures from Singapore to Kota Kinabalu, Sabah and Kuching, Sarawak.

Day	Port	ETA	ETD
Sun	Singapore	-	1600
Mon	At Sea	-	-
Tue	At Sea	-	-
Wed	Kota Kinabalu	0800	2200
Thu	At Sea	-	-
Fri	Kuching	0800	1800
Sat	At Sea	-	-
Sun	Singapore	1000	-

Departure Dates: 25th June 2006 & 23rd July 2006.

5. 7-Night Ko Samui – Bangkok - Sihanoukville

Sihanoukville will be the added attraction in the popular Ko Samui- Bangkok itinerary. 7 departures have been planned.

Day	Port	ETA	ETD
Sun	Singapore	-	1800
Mon	At Sea	-	-
Tue	Ko Samui	1000 (0900)	1800 (1700)
Wed	Bangkok	0900 (0800)	-
Thu	Bangkok	-	1600 (1500)
Fri	Sihanoukville	1000 (0900)	2200 (2100)
Sat	At Sea	-	-
Sun	Singapore	1300	-

Departure dates: 23rd April 2006, 14th May 2006, 11th June 2006, 16th July 2006, 20th August 2006, 17th September 2006 & 15th October 2006

NB: () = Local Time in respective countries.

6. 21-Night South China Sea Cruises

This special **21-night South China Sea** itinerary covers 9 destinations including maiden calls for SuperStar Gemini at Danang, Nha Trang and Halong Bay in Vietnam across four countries. This would be the first time that a three-week itinerary is being offered on a Star Cruises ship.

Day	Port	ETA	ETD
Sun	Singapore	-	1800
Mon	At Sea	-	-
Tue	Ko Samui	0900 (0800)	1800 (1700)
Wed	Bangkok	1000 (0900)	2300 (2200)
Thu	At Sea	-	-
Fri	Ho Chi Minh City	1600 (1500)	-
Sat	Ho Chi Minh City	-	1600 (1500)
Sun	At Sea	-	-
Mon	Danang	0900(0800)	2100 (2000)
Tue	At Sea	-	-
Wed	Hong Kong	0900	2100
Thu	At Sea	-	-
Fri	Halong Bay,Hanoi	0800 (0700)	-
Sat	Halong Bay	-	1600 (1500)
Sun	At Sea	-	-
Mon	Nha Trang	0900 (0800)	1700 (1600)
Tue	At Sea	-	-
Wed	Kota Kinabalu	1000	2000
Thu	At Sea	-	-
Fri	Kuching	0800	1800
Sat	At Sea	-	-
Sun	Singapore	1200	-

Departure dates: 21st May 2006 & 27th August 2006.

NB: () = Local Time in respective countries

SUPERSTAR VIRGO CONTINUES TO OFFER MORE CRUISE OPTIONS AND ITINERARIES FROM SINGAPORE

Also sailing from Singapore is the **SuperStar Virgo** whose itineraries from 31st March to 1st April 2007 will include alternating calls at Port Klang (Kuala Lumpur) and Pulau Redang, Malaysia on Thursdays and Penang and Phuket on the 3-Night itinerary departing on Sundays.

Special 5-night itineraries are also available on selected departures that call at Kota Kinabalu, Bangkok, Hua Hin and the popular Ko Samui

With SuperStar Virgo's expanded itinerary, Star Cruises is offering cruisers more options in terms of cruise length and destinations in addition to having a choice of vessels.

1. 3-Night, 2-Night & 5-Night Penang-Phuket-Singapore-Malacca-Port Klang Cruise

Day	Port	ETA	ETD
Sunday	Singapore	-	1600
Monday	Penang	1200	2000
Tuesday	Phuket	0800 (0700)	1800 (1700)
Wednesday	Singapore*	1900	2359
Thursday	Malacca	0700	0900
Thursday	Port Klang (Kuala Lumpur)	1400	2300
Friday	Singapore	1400	-

Departure dates: 31st March 2006 – 1st April 2007

NB: () = Local Time in Thailand

* Brief stop in Singapore between 1900 and 2359 hours.

Timings/Locations subject to change.

2. 3-Night, 2-Night & 5-Night Phuket-Langkawi-Singapore-Pulau Redang Cruise

Day	Port	ETA	ETD
Sunday	Singapore	-	1600
Monday	Phuket	1600 (1500)	-
Tuesday	Phuket	-	0200 (0100)
Tuesday	Langkawi	1000	1900
Wednesday	Singapore*	1500	2000
Thursday	Pulau Redang	1230	2100
Friday	Singapore	1400	-

Departure dates: 2nd & 16th April, 7th & 14th May, 11th & 18th June, 9th & 16th July, 6th & 13th August and 3rd & 17th September 2006

NB: () = Local Time in Thailand

* Brief stop in Singapore between 1500 and 2000 hours.

Timings/Locations subject to change.

3. 5-Night Pulau Redang-Kota Kinabalu Cruise

Day	Port	ETA	ETD
Sunday	Singapore	-	1600
Monday	Pulau Redang	0900	2000
Tuesday	At Sea	-	-
Wednesday	Kota Kinabalu	0800	2100
Thursday	At Sea	-	-
Friday	Singapore	1400	-

Departure Date: 4th June 2006

NB: Timings/Locations subject to change.

4. 5-Night Bangkok-Hua Hin Cruise

Day	Port	ETA	ETD
Sunday	Singapore	-	1600
Monday	At Sea	-	-
Tuesday	Bangkok	0800 (0700)	-
Wednesday	Bangkok	-	0400 (0300)
Wednesday	Hua Hin	0900 (0800)	2000 (1900)
Thursday	At Sea	-	-
Friday	Singapore	1400	-

Departure- 24th September 2006

NB() = Local Time in Thailand

Timings/Locations subject to change.

5. 5-Night Bangkok-Ko Samui Cruise

There will also be two special five-night cruises to the increasingly-popular Thai destinations of Bangkok and Ko Samui, departing Singapore in April and August, as well as a Port Klang-Phuket-Langkawi special cruise in December.

Day	Port	ETA	ETD
Sunday	Singapore	-	1600
Monday	At Sea	-	-
Tuesday	Bangkok	0800 (0700)	2359 (2300)
Wednesday	Ko Samui	1200 (1100)	2300 (2200)
Thursday	At Sea	-	-
Friday	Singapore	1400	-

Departure dates: 9th April and 20th August 2006

NB: () = Local Time in Thailand

Timings/Locations subject to change.

5. 5-Night Port Klang-Phuket-Langkawi-Port Klang Cruise

Day	Port	ETA	ETD
Sunday	Singapore	-	1600
Monday	Port Klang (Kuala Lumpur)	0800	1100
Tuesday	Phuket	0900 (0800)	-
Wednesday	Phuket	-	0200 (0100)
Wednesday	Langkawi	1000	1800
Thursday	Port Klang (Kuala Lumpur)	0900	1900
Friday	Singapore	1400	-

Departure date - 3rd December 2006

NB: () = Local Time in Thailand

Timings/Locations subject to change.

More on SuperStar Gemini

The **SuperStar Gemini** offers guests the best in comprehensive facilities, entertainment, recreation activities coupled with informality and flexibility for the discerning modern holiday-maker. Apart from its 400 cabins, the cruise vessel is also equipped with six restaurants and bars, a swimming pool, hair salon, spa, karaoke rooms, and many more that will cater to all types of passengers, young and old, singles and family makers.

More on SuperStar Virgo

SuperStar Virgo at 76,800-grt offers over 25 world-class food and beverage, entertainment and recreation facilities. She is ideal for all occasions and age groups with facilities that include restaurants and bars, swimming pools, Jacuzzis, saunas, an international showroom, video arcade, theatre, child care centre, library, beauty salon, games room and many more.



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About Star Cruises

Star Cruises, the third largest cruise line in the world is a global cruise brand with a combined fleet of 22 ships in service and due to be delivered, with about 35,000 lower berths, cruising to destinations and islands in Asia-Pacific, South Asia, North and South America, Hawaii, Caribbean, Alaska, Europe, Mediterranean, Bermuda and the Antarctica under the Star Cruises, Norwegian Cruise Line, NCL America, Orient Lines and Cruise Ferries brands.

Star Cruises is represented in more than 20 locations worldwide with offices in Australia, China, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, Sweden, Taiwan, Thailand, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and the United States of America.

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