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**SUPERSTAR GEMINI ARRIVES IN SINGAPORE TO BEGIN NEW SEASON IN SOUTHEAST
ASIA TILL DECEMBER 2006**

500 PASSENGERS SET OFF ON SEASON'S INAUGURAL CRUISE

Star Cruises, "*The Leading Cruise Line in Asia-Pacific*", wishes to announce the arrival of **SuperStar Gemini** to Singapore yesterday to commence a brand new 7-night cruise itinerary departing weekly from Singapore. This forms part of a series of exciting itineraries which will see **SuperStar Gemini** call at 16 destinations across Southeast Asia and Hong Kong from this month until the end of 2006.

The itineraries are a combination of 7 and 21-night cruises to destinations such as Port Klang (Kuala Lumpur), Langkawi, Penang, Kota Kinabalu and Kuching in Malaysia, Krabi, Phuket, Ko Samui and Bangkok in Thailand, Sihanoukville in the Khmer Republic (formerly Cambodia), Ho Chi Minh City, Nha Trang, Halong Bay and Danang 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 in Indochina where **SuperStar Gemini** has overnight stops.

The new season will once again see **SuperStar Gemini** being home-ported in Singapore after an absence of 2 years since her seasonal deployment here in October 2003.

The introduction of longer itineraries have been designed to provide a more relaxing cruise holiday to cater to more sophisticated cruise passengers on a ship that has proved to be very popular with the Australasian and European markets.

SuperStar Gemini departed Singapore last evening on the first of the new season itineraries with about 500 passengers mostly from Australasia. A special lion dance performance courtesy of the Singapore Tourism Board greeted guests embarking at the HarbourFront Centre in the afternoon. She arrived in Port Klang this morning amidst a colourful welcome by a cultural troupe from Tourism Malaysia. Special traditional welcomes have also been planned courtesy of tourism bodies of Malaysia and Thailand and local tour agents to greet guests upon arrival in Langkawi, Krabi, Phuket and Penang.

"The active fly-cruise market into Singapore will now see an added flow of inbound tourists with the basing of a second Star Cruises ship here as we intensify our international sales and marketing efforts to promote these cruises", said Mr.Chong Chee-Tut , Star Cruises Chief Operating Officer.

"Apart from the many itineraries on offer, cruisers now have a choice of a cruise holiday on the larger SuperStar Virgo or a more intimate destination-intensive cruise experience on SuperStar Gemini", he added.

Guests can expect a new and exciting onboard experience in terms of dining and recreation facilities with the ship having undergone a two week dry-dock exercise in preparation for the new itineraries. A varied entertainment programme with new classical and contemporary acts is also among the highlights specially arranged.

The entertainment line-up will also see the return of the extremely popular award winning Colin Kerr as Cruise Director. His unique brand of witty humour, talent, spontaneity and stage presence has wowed audiences on Star Cruises ships previously before he moved to Norwegian Cruise Line (NCL) for a brief stint where he won the award for NCL's Best Cruise Director of the Year award in 2004.

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.



SuperStar Gemini



A colourful welcome for guests at the Star Cruises Terminal, Port Klang

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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