

Alert Star Cruises Bridge Lookout Initiates Rescue Effort in Straits of Malacca.

7 July 2006 - An alert lookout on the bridge of Star Cruises' SuperStar Virgo initiated the rescue of three crew members of a sunken fishing boat in waters approximately 12 nautical miles off the coast of Malacca in the Straits of Malacca, one of the busiest waterways in the world on 5th July 2006.

The cruise ship with more than 2,000 passengers onboard was on her way to Singapore from Phuket when the three men were sighted in the water yesterday afternoon. A smoke buoy was immediately released to mark the location of the crew members while a tanker which was closest to the scene picked up the survivors.

SuperStar Virgo was also involved in similar rescue operations on more than two occasions last year.

Being watchful and alert are part and parcel of Star Cruises officer and crew training regime. "This latest rescue reflects the high standard of training and professionalism of Star Cruises' officers and crew involved in saving the lives of crew members of ill-fated vessels," said Captain Gustaf Gronberg, Senior Vice President & Fleet Captain, Star Cruises.

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.

Custom-built for cruising in Asia in the modern era, SuperStar Virgo is equipped with the latest navigational and safety systems without compromising on the comfort and enjoyment of her guests.

About Star Cruises

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