

## **Star Cruises' upcoming regional deployments SuperStar Virgo and SuperStar Libra to Hong Kong and SuperStar Aquarius to Singapore in 2007 / 2008**

**08 October 2007** - In line with its progressive development in the region, Star Cruises is hereby pleased to announce the deployment of SuperStar Virgo to Hong Kong from Singapore and SuperStar Aquarius to Singapore from Hong Kong in 2008. Meanwhile, SuperStar Libra will be based and sailing out of Hong Kong for the winter season from November 2007 to March 2008.

SuperStar Virgo's seasonal redeployment of just over six months will see her depart Singapore on 28 March 2008 and returning to her homeport in Singapore on 26 October 2008. The relocation cruise from Singapore will call at Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam and Sanya in China on 30 March and 1 April respectively prior to arriving in Hong Kong on 2 April 2008. Her inaugural cruise season in Hong Kong will comprise of a combination of destination cruises to Xiamen and Sanya in China and Halong Bay, Vietnam and one-night cruises. In addition there will also be four special cruises to Keelung, Taiwan in April, June, July and September next year.

SuperStar Aquarius which joined the Star Cruises fleet in June this year will be sailing from Hong Kong to Singapore on 24 March 2008 and will commence her cruise season in Singapore on 28 March 2008 offering a combination of 4-night exciting destination cruises to Penang, Malaysia and Phuket, Thailand and one-night as well as two-night cruises. She will depart Singapore on 24 October 2008 and will arrive back in Hong Kong on 28 October 2008.

“The forthcoming seasonal repositioning of SuperStar Virgo and SuperStar Aquarius is part of the company's itinerary planning exercise to provide greater variation and cruise options to our valued guests in this region. As each ship has a unique flavour and splendour, we feel it is only apt to make available our different cruise experiences to our guests of differing parts of the region from varied ports-of-calls. Also, these deployment plans are in line to meet the demand of the respective markets to ensure the needs of our guests are satisfied.” said Mr. Michael Goh, Star Cruises' Vice President, Sales & Marketing - Greater China.

On the SuperStar Libra, currently the largest cruise ship home-ported in Taiwan, a special 5-night cruise departing Keelung on 31 October 2007 calling at Ishigaki in Japan before proceeding for an overnight stop in Xiamen, China on 2 November, is lined up as the first special themed cruise itinerary from Taiwan to China by a Star Cruises' ship. The SuperStar Libra is then scheduled to arrive at Hong Kong on 26 November 2007 and will then depart Hong Kong on 26 March 2007 to arrive back in Taiwan two days later on 28 March. During her stint whilst based in Hong Kong, SuperStar Libra will offer exciting 2-night cruises to Haikou, China and 2-night cruises to Zhanjiang, China as well as fantastic 4-night cruises to Sanya, China and Halong Bay, Vietnam. Other special cruises include the 3-night cruise to Kaoshiung, Taiwan and the 6-night cruise to Haikou, China, Halong Bay and Danang, Vietnam in February 2008.

“It is truly an exciting time as we continue to consolidate our position as the leading cruise line in Asia-Pacific through the depth and wealth of experience gained over the past decade. The special deployments, itineraries and ship showcases are just the beginning of our efforts to

further contribute and develop the cruise industry in this region of vast and rich potential,” said Ms. Jean Teo, Star Cruises’ Senior Vice President, Sales & Marketing. “Above all, and most importantly, we take pride that with our experience and passion to continuously improve and innovate, as well as with the best know-how and expertise of our Captains, Officers and vibrant crew staff, exceptional world-class facilities and entertainment, we will continue to specially cater to the varying needs and tastes of all our guests, repeat and new, in the region,” Ms. Teo further added.

### **About Star Cruises**

Star Cruises, the third largest cruise operator in the world is a global cruise brand with a combined fleet of 22 ships with about 34,400 lower berths in service with an additional 2 ships and some 8,400 lower berths due to be delivered by 2010, cruising to destinations and islands in Asia-Pacific, 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 25 locations worldwide with offices and representatives in Australia, Cambodia, 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.

### **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.

### **More on SuperStar Aquarius**

The 51,039-gross tonnage and 13-storey high SuperStar Aquarius is presently the largest cruise ship home-ported in Hong Kong. She has a lower berth passenger capacity of 1,529 and 765 spacious cabins of different categories ranging from suites to balcony cabins. Measuring 230 meters long and 28.5 meters wide, the trendy design of SuperStar Aquarius is able to cater the tastes and demands of a wide spectrum of HK and China customers. She also has a wide range of restaurants featuring a selection of cuisine from around the world, bars and lounges, meeting rooms and swimming pool. All the restaurants, bars and lounges and gym facilities on SuperStar Aquarius provide an excellent sea view for the cruisers.

### **More on SuperStar Libra**

SuperStar Libra is a 42,000 gross-tonnage ship with 740 well-appointed cabins with a passenger capacity of 1,480 lower berths. Measuring 216m long and 28m wide, she has 8 restaurants and bars, 7 entertainment outlets, meeting facilities and a host of sports, health and recreational facilities.