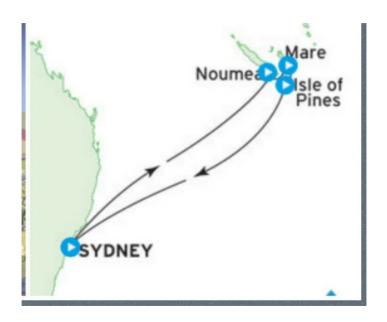
# Auslan Mates Carnival Cruise 2016 8 Nights

25th September —3rd October 2016





# **NEWSLETTER**





Hello Friends,

# Welcome to the Auslan Mates Carnival Cruise 2016!

Many Deaf and Hearing people that went on the P & O Pacific Dawn Cruise June 2013 and enjoyed it so much that they would like us to organise another holiday for them!

For those people that didn't come on the cruise, a group of about 170 Deaf and Hearing people had a wonderful time on a one week long South Pacific Cruise.

We had six very busy interpreters with us so that everyone could participate in all the tours and on board events and entertainment.

So that we can get the best price for you and organise interpreters etc, we will need to start planning early. Naturally, the more people we get, the cheaper it will be!

#### WHERE WILL THE SHIP LEAVE FROM?

As there will be people travelling from interstate and overseas, Sydney has been chosen as the port of departure – leaving on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2016

# WHEN DO I NEED TO ARRIVE IN SYDNEY?

To make sure that you don't miss the ship, we strongly recommend that you arrive AT LEAST one day before the ship leaves.

# HOW LONG IS THE CRUISE?

The cruise is for 8 nights, so you will be BACK in Sydney on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016

#### WHERE WILL WE GO

The cruise departs from Sydney, then travels to three South Pacific Islands – Noumea, Isle of Pines and Mare, returning to Sydney

#### HOW MANY PEOPLE SHARE A CABIN?

The cheapest way to travel (and most common) is for FOUR people to share one cabin.

You can choose to have less people in your cabin but the price per person will be more expensive

#### WHO CAN COME

Every one is welcome – even if you can't use sign language! Many people who are just learning sign language or want to learn – the cruise is a great opportunity to mix with both Deaf and Hearing!

#### WILL THERE BE INTERPRETERS

Yes – as part of our negotiations with Carnival Cruise Lines, we are able to supply qualified AUSLAN Interpreters - the larger the group, the more Interpreters we bring!

Interpreters will be available to help you check in on the day of departure, help you through immigration with the forms and passports etc, plus be available for entertainment, tours, and general day to day queries with money, shopping, medical etc.

#### HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

The price will vary depending on how many people in your cabin, if your cabin is inside (no view) or outside (with a window) and also how many people book on the cruise. As a rough guide, from \$1,000 to \$1,200 per person.

# WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE PRICE

Six meals each day, Accommodation, taxes and island transfers, entertainment, tea/coffee

# WHAT IS EXTRA

You will need to pay for your own Travel Insurance, any island tours, drinks, photographs taken by the ships photographers, souvenirs like postcards, t shirts, etc.

#### WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS

Children are welcome on the cruise and the ship has excellent kids clubs and activities to give parents a break. (The cruise is during the Australian School Holidays)

#### THE FIRST STEP

Nicole Whyte (Deaf) has arranged for Cruiseabout Travel Agents to handle all of the booking arrangements. It is very important that you ONLY book through this Travel Agent or you will miss out on the discounts, and also special services for the deaf like professional interpreters to help you from the start to the end of the cruise.

\*\* EMAIL the following information to Jess Spain at Cruiseabout

jess.spain@cruiseabout.com.au

**Contact Name (you)** 

**How many Adults** 

How many children

**Email / Phone contact** 

Deaf / Hearing and any special needs (e.g. wheelchair)

If you have any problems with emails, sms Jess Spain 0421 907197

(+61421 907197 if you live outside Australia)

#### THE SECOND STEP

Once you have made contact with Jess, she will then let you know how to book, how much deposit for each person, and send you more information about the cruise, what additional information you need to send (Like passport numbers, travel insurance etc.)

Looking forward to hearing from you soon!

The Auslan Mates Cruise team