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**GENTING CRUISE LINES REAFFIRMS COMMITMENT TO MALAYSIA  
WITH HOMEPORT OF STAR CRUISES IN NOVEMBER 2018**

*SuperStar Gemini to be deployed to Port Klang, Penang and Langkawi, along with Phuket, to service the Southeast Asia region*



**Hong Kong – 27 September 2018** – Genting Cruise Lines is pleased to announce the deployment of Star Cruises to Malaysia from 5 November 2018 until 28 April 2019, with SuperStar Gemini to homeport in Port Klang, Penang and Langkawi, along with Phuket in Thailand, focusing on destinations around the calm and tranquil waters of the Straits of Malacca. SuperStar Gemini’s Malaysia deployment further reinforces Genting Cruise Lines’ ongoing commitment in growing Malaysia’s cruise industry and also builds on the Genting Group’s long and fruitful history spanning over 50 years in the country.

“Genting Cruise Lines has a long history in this part of Southeast Asia and we are excited to be making Malaysia SuperStar Gemini’s new home in November 2018 to carry on the legacy of SuperStar Libra which recently retired from active duty from the Star Cruises fleet,” said Mr. Kent Zhu, President, Genting Cruise Lines. “As a home-grown cruise company with deep roots in the region, Genting Cruise Lines continues to be committed in promoting the growth of the cruise industry in Asia and we are looking forward to strengthening our relationships with the countries and destinations that will be part of our exciting new itineraries.”

For the upcoming deployment, Star Cruises will introduce a series of enticing round-trip voyages from its homeports in Port Klang, Penang, and Langkawi in Malaysia, and Phuket, Thailand, aboard SuperStar Gemini that will explore the scenic destinations throughout the region later this year. Strategically located within Southeast Asia, these homeports will also benefit from close



transportation links Port Klang and its proximity to Kuala Lumpur provides to attract international travellers from across Asia Pacific.

Guests will be able to choose from a selection of carefully curated itineraries designed to maximize ports of call and shore time for the enjoyment of passengers. With a series of popular 3-night journeys, as well as a special 4-night (departing 6 Feb) and 2-night (departing 10 Feb) cruise, passengers will be able to take in both cosmopolitan centres and tropical paradises including Port Klang, Penang and Langkawi in Malaysia, Phuket and Krabi in Thailand, as well as to Singapore.

“Star Cruises is excited to be back home in Malaysia and to offer local and international guests a fresh, unique and exciting experience with another one of our cruise ships, SuperStar Gemini. With multiple homeports, including Port Klang, Penang, Langkawi and Phuket, we want to make it more convenient for more guests to join us,” said Mr Ang Moo Lim, President of Star Cruises. “Various travel options, including Fly-Cruise packages, make it easy to discover the hassle-free joy of cruising to multiple destinations, which is an affordable, value for money and truly a-one-of-a-kind experience. So, as we say in the maritime world – Welcome Aboard SuperStar Gemini!”

In addition to these exciting new destinations, guests on board SuperStar Gemini will be able to enjoy a memorable all-encompassing cruise experience featuring a variety of accommodations to suit every taste and budget, inclusive daily meals with a wide array of Asian and international cuisines, spectacular entertainment, a range of recreational facilities and much more – all part of Star Cruises’ promise to deliver exceptional cruise holidays highlighted by its signature, heartfelt Asian hospitality.

On Star Cruises, every journey is a voyage of discovery and surprise.

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### **About Genting Cruise Lines**

Genting Cruise Lines is a division of Genting Hong Kong comprising of three distinct cruise brands – Star Cruises, Dream Cruises and Crystal Cruises – providing a range of products from contemporary cruises to ultra-luxurious vacation experiences spanning the sea to air.



Founded in 1993, Star Cruises established the Asia-Pacific as a popular, world-wide cruise destination and, with its current fleet of five vessels (SuperStar Virgo, SuperStar Aquarius, SuperStar Gemini, Star Pisces and The Taipan), continues to pioneer the contemporary cruise market in the region.

Launched in 2015, Dream Cruises has delivered the highest level of guest service and spacious comfort in the region via its fleet of two ships: Genting Dream which debuted in November 2016 and World Dream, in November 2017. Developed specifically for the China and Asia market, Dream Cruises provides passengers with inspirational journeys at sea that are Asian at heart and international in spirit.

By sea, river, land or air, Crystal has redefined the way the world views luxury travel. The world-renowned Crystal Experience – featuring global journeys with Crystal Cruises, Crystal River Cruises, Crystal Yacht Expedition Cruises, Crystal AirCruises and Crystal Air – continues to entice the world's most discerning travelers with incomparable luxury and unparalleled personal service.

Through its family of brands, Genting Cruise Lines offers the widest and most imaginative spectrum of cruise products for the modern traveller, catering to all segments, geographies, life stages and travel styles.

### **About Star Cruises**

Star Cruises is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Genting Hong Kong, a leading global leisure, entertainment and hospitality corporation. A pioneer in the Asia Pacific cruise industry, Star Cruises has been operating its fleet since 1993, taking on the bold initiative to grow the region as an international cruise destination with a fleet of five vessels including SuperStar Virgo, SuperStar Gemini, SuperStar Aquarius, Star Pisces and The Taipan.

Star Cruises' commitment in offering best-in-class services and facilities is reflected in a host of recognitions and accolades received over the years. These include being inducted into the prestigious Travel Trade Gazette's "Travel Hall of Fame" for the tenth consecutive year in 2017 in recognition of winning "Best Cruise Operator in the Asia-Pacific" for 10 consecutive years. Star Cruises was also recently voted "Asia's Leading Cruise Line" at the World Travel Awards for the sixth year in a row in 2017.

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