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Saturday, March 3, 2018

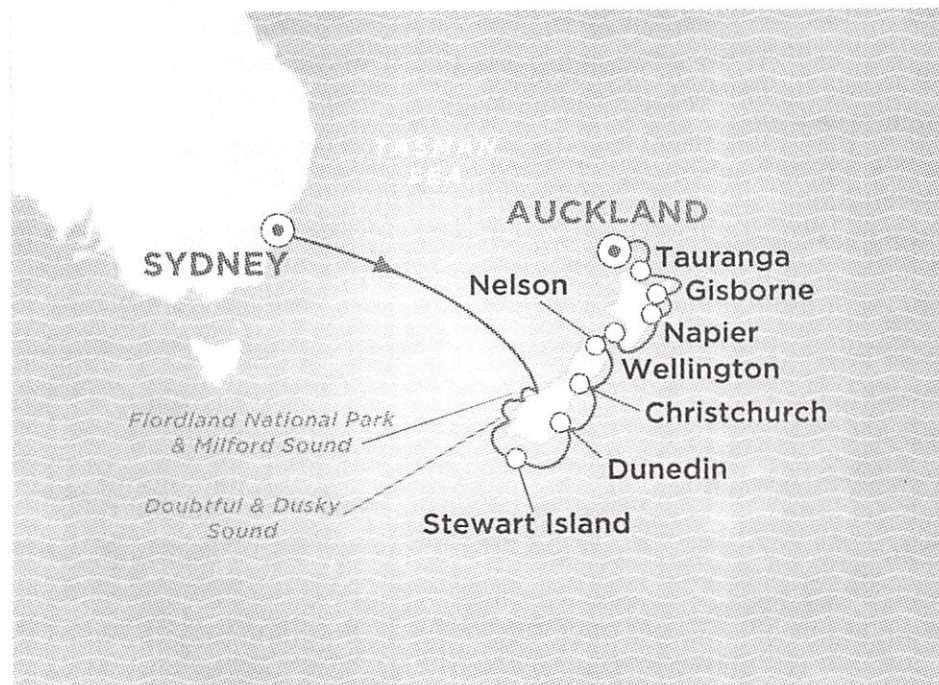
Auckland, New Zealand

Sunrise: 7:07am

Forecast: Partly cloudy; 75°F / 24°C

Disembarkation Issue

Crystal Symphony Concludes Her
"NEW ZEALAND EXPLORER" Cruise
Sydney, Australia – Auckland, New Zealand
February 17 – March 3, 2018



Distances Sailed This Cruise

Sydney, Australia to

Milford Sound, New Zealand

1076.9 nautical miles

Milford Sound, New Zealand to

Stewart Island, New Zealand

114 nautical miles

Stewart Island, New Zealand to

Dunedin, New Zealand

143 nautical miles

Dunedin, New Zealand to

Christchurch, New Zealand

190 nautical miles

Christchurch, New Zealand to

Nelson, New Zealand

260 nautical miles

Nelson, New Zealand to

Wellington, New Zealand

116 nautical miles

Wellington, New Zealand to

Napier, New Zealand

222 nautical miles

Napier, New Zealand to

Tauranga, New Zealand

292 nautical miles

Tauranga, New Zealand to

Auckland, New Zealand

141 nautical miles

Pilot Distance 260.3 nautical miles

Total Distance Sailed 2815.2 nautical miles

*To convert to statute miles, multiply
nautical miles by 1.15 = 3237.48 land miles*

Forward Elevators. Please note that due to luggage handling, only one of the Forward elevators is available for use on the evening of **Friday, March 2, after 9:30pm**. We apologize for any inconvenience.

When disembarking Crystal Symphony at Auckland, please be reminded to have your Guest Identification Key/Card readily available for scanning at the gangway prior to proceeding ashore. Thank you.

Disembarkation information for Auckland, March 3.

Your Baggage

All guests disembarking in Auckland are kindly requested to place their luggage, tagged with the appropriate color and number-coded luggage tags outside their stateroom anytime after dinner, but no later than **11:00pm, Friday, March 2, 2018**. In addition, we kindly ask all guests to also place the appropriate color and number-coded luggage tags on their hand carry luggage. If you have completed your packing by 8:00pm, and would like to have some of your bags out of your stateroom early, you are more than welcome to put them outside your stateroom door at this time.

Please lock your luggage before placing it outside your stateroom. You may need to unlock it for airport security, but we suggest you re-lock it after these procedures.

Please do not include any valuables, passport, airline tickets, medication, open bags or bottles of liquor with this luggage.

All guests are advised not to leave any luggage containing high value items, Passport/Driver's License and/or checks/credit cards, laptops, cameras, iPods or any other items of value, including, but not limited to jewelry, laptops, cameras, iPods and medicine with any individuals at hotels, on buses/vehicles or left unattended under any circumstances. It is unsafe to do so and Crystal Cruises cannot accept responsibility for any such valuables, passports, driver's license, checks, credit cards or medicine left in bags that are left unattended. This includes, but is not limited to, leaving items on tour or transfer buses, with hotel bellmen or front office staff, at hospitality desks in hotels, or unattended hotel lobbies, holding locations, pier terminals or any other locations. Luggage containing any valuables should be in the possession of the owners at all times, without exception. Guests should not leave any such items with any individual who is not known to the guest, regardless of any assurances given to guests that it is safe to do so. Please note that Crystal Cruises cannot be responsible for any loss or theft resulting from guests leaving luggage containing valuables unattended.

Kindly note that if you need additional ship's color-coded luggage tags, please contact the Reception Desk.

Disembarkation Briefing

All guests are urged to watch the televised disembarkation presentation for important information regarding disembarkation procedures at Auckland. The disembarkation talk will be shown throughout the day and evening on your stateroom I-TV under Digital Entertainment - Crystal Media.

Settlement of Accounts

If you registered a credit card prior to boarding or during check-in procedures, you are automatically registered for Express Checkout. If you would like to settle your account in cash, kindly do so at the Reception Desk by **11:00pm, Friday, March 2, 2018**. **All shipboard accounts will be closed at 9:00am today, Saturday, March 3.**

A complete itemized statement will be delivered to your stateroom on disembarkation morning, stating your credit card number and showing a zero-balance. Your final balance will be automatically billed through your credit card company. Crystal Symphony accepts the following credit cards: Visa, American Express, Diners Club, JCB, Master Card and Discovery Card as well as traveler's checks, personal checks or cash for settlement of your shipboard accounts.

Please note:

New Zealand Biosecurity Regulations prohibit the following items from being taken ashore: Fresh fruit and vegetables, meat of any kind, prepared meals including sandwiches, dairy products, any consumable food items, flowers, seeds, or plants. Only commercially bottled drinking water is permitted to leave the vessel. You may be requested to present your hand luggage for inspection.



Disembarkation Procedures in Auckland

Crystal Symphony is docked at the port of Auckland at Queens Wharf East, Main Passenger terminal today, Saturday, March 3.

Offloading of luggage will commence at approximately 4:30am today, March 3, 2018. **We anticipate disembarkation to commence at approximately 5:00am today, Saturday, March 3, 2018.**

ALL guests are assigned a disembarkation group, which is identified by a particular color/number coded luggage tag. Each color / number coded group with a motor coach transfer will meet in the Starlite Club, Tiffany Deck 6 Midship. Please note that for the comfort and convenience of all our guests, Crystal Symphony endorses a "no disembarkation announcement policy." Please consult the enclosed departure schedule for your particular disembarkation time and departure lounge. We ask that you meet at least **15 minutes before the listed departure time**; failure to do so may cause you to miss your transfer and subsequently all further travel plans may be affected. Please make yourself comfortable in the Starlite Club and ship's staff will advise you when it is time for your group to disembark.

Please note that when disembarking Crystal Symphony at Auckland, you will need to scan your key/identification card at the gangway prior to proceeding ashore.

Crystal Cruises' YouTube Channel

If you find yourself missing the Crystal Experience once your cruise has concluded, tune in to our new YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/crystalcruises. Here, you can view, like, comment, share with others, and/or subscribe to be notified when we post new videos. Showcasing our destinations, our ships, and overall spirit, CrystalCruisesTV may be the next best thing to being back on the ship. You can also expand your multi-media Crystal fun beyond video and engage with us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/crystalcruises), Twitter (www.twitter.com/crystalcruises) and via our Storyteller Photo App available at the iTunes App Store. We hope you'll tune in often!

Time to Bid *Adieu*

Back Home can conjure up all sorts of comfortable places and experiences in our mind's eye.

As this wonderful cruise comes to an end, we must admit there is a feeling of wanting to be back to the familiar things of our homes, families and friends. But then, tucked away in our imaginations, is the idea that just maybe the cruise won't end; maybe we'd like it to go on just a bit longer. After all, we've met such beautiful people, and we've had such a good time...

Everyone on board has had that warm satisfaction of meeting new friends, sharing the cruise and establishing a camaraderie that has made this trip the best. I know we will all meet again on board our special ship.

A sage once said that "home is where the heart is," and the heart never lies. Though you are leaving, please know that your friends at Crystal Cruises are always ready to welcome you back home aboard the beautiful Crystal Symphony.

Bon voyage; have a safe trip home.

– Captain Thomas Larsen

Catch up with Crystal's Blog

You have probably read about many of our milestones on the Crystal Blog as we continue to expand our experiences throughout the world. As growth and development are flourishing with the entire Crystal brand, our blog is too. We are thrilled to unveil the Crystal Insider™, our blog focusing on luxury travel and adventure, designed to keep you fully informed about the most acclaimed travel experiences.

The Crystal Insider blog is dedicated to taking you, the most discerning world-travelers, on an exclusive journey into every aspect of Crystal — The World's Most Luxurious Hospitality and Lifestyle Brand Portfolio™. The Crystal Insider is where you'll get your first look into all things Crystal, as well as the travel world at large. Discover new, uncharted destinations to inspire you and reasons to relish your next Crystal Experience®.

We encourage you to nurture your wanderlust with insights from our global experts, highlights of upcoming adventures and the most current Crystal news. Let us take you "inside" Crystal, where well-appointed high adventure wrapped in luxury await you.

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Some Fascinating Trivial Observations

1. Barbie's full name is Barbara Milicent Roberts.
 2. It is impossible to lick your elbow.
 3. A crocodile cannot stick its tongue out.
 4. A shrimp's heart is in its head.
 5. People say "Bless you" when you sneeze, because when you sneeze, your heart stops for a mili-second.
 6. In a study of 200,000 ostriches over a period of 80 years, no one reported a single case where an ostrich buried its head in the sand (or even attempted to).
 7. It is physically impossible for pigs to look up to the sky.
 8. A pregnant goldfish is called a "twit."
 9. Between 1937 and 1945 Heinz produced a version of Alphabetti Spaghetti especially for the German market that consisted solely of little pasta swastikas. (SCARY!)
 10. By law, every child in Belgium must take harmonica lessons in Primary School.
 11. On average, in their lifetimes, human beings will have sex more than 3,000 times and spend at least two weeks kissing.
 12. More than 50% of the people in the world have never made or received a telephone call.
 13. Rats and horses can't vomit.
 14. The "sixth sick sheik's sixth sheep's sick" is said to be the toughest tongue twister in the English language.
 15. If you sneeze too hard, you can fracture a rib. If you try to suppress a sneeze, you can rupture a blood vessel in your head or neck and die. If you keep your eyes open by force, they will pop out.
 16. Rats multiply so quickly that in 18 months, two rats could have over million descendants.
 17. Wearing headphones for just an hour will increase the bacteria in your ear by 700 times.
 18. If the government has no knowledge of aliens, then why does Title 14, Section 1211 of the Code of Federal Regulations, implemented on July 16, 1969, make it illegal for U.S. citizens to have any contact with extraterrestrials or their vehicles?
 19. In every episode of Seinfeld there is a Superman somewhere.
 20. The cigarette lighter was invented before the match.
 21. Thirty-five percent of the people who use personal ads for dating are already married.
 22. A duck's quack doesn't echo anywhere, and no one knows why.
 23. Almost 25% of all photocopier faults worldwide are caused by people sitting on them and photocopying their buttocks.
 24. In the course of an average lifetime you will, while sleeping, eat 70 assorted insects and 10 spiders.
 25. Most lipstick contains fish scales.
 26. Cat's urine glows under a black light.
 27. Like fingerprints, everyone's tongue print is different.
- Now, how many of you tried to lick your elbow ?

Saturday's Dining Hours

Breakfast

Marketplace, Lido Deck 11 Aft
Early-Bird Coffee (Port Side)
5:30am – 6:00am

Early-Risers Buffet (Continental)
6:00am – 6:30am

Breakfast Buffet 6:30am – 10:00am

Waterside, Crystal Deck 5 Midship
Breakfast (Open Seating)
7:00am – 9:00am

The Bistro, Tiffany Deck 6 Midship
Go-to Coffee Bar with Freshly Baked Pastries
6:30am – 9:00am

Late-Risers Coffee with Danish Pastries
9:00am – 11:30am

No Smoking Please

Crystal Symphony is scheduled for bunkering (fuel storage) during our call at Auckland today, March 3. Guests are asked to refrain from smoking on those outside decks that face the bunkering barge. Thank you.

Lost and Found

All inquiries about lost or found items should be directed to the Reception Desk, Crystal Deck 5.

Captain Thomas Larsen and the Crystal Family wish a...

Happy Birthday to:

Dr. Donald Levene
Mr. Sung Won Oh

Happy Birthday to:

Dr. Albert & Mrs. Lorraine Pearlman
Mr. Victor Gonzalez & Mrs. Garcia Maggie

Best Wishes & Congratulations!