INTRODUCTION TO CRUISE

Cruise Down Under Conference 2-4 September 2015 Hilton Darwin Hotel



AGENDA

- Market Overview
- Cruise Lines and their markets
- Getting your product to the Cruise Lines
- Key players
- Designing tours to suit cruise passengers
- Have you considered the crew?
- Questions and comments



MARKET OVERVIEW

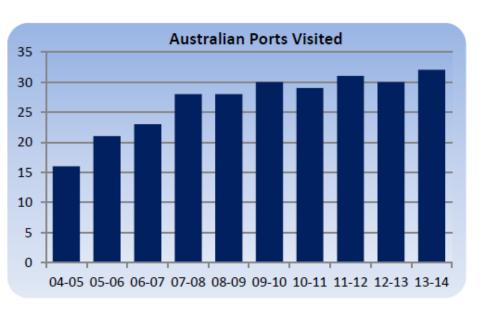


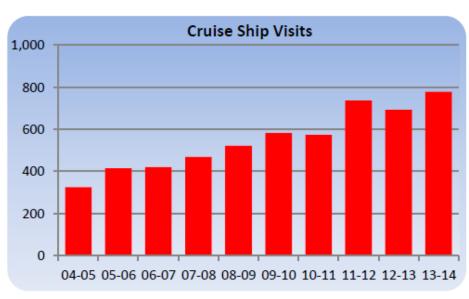
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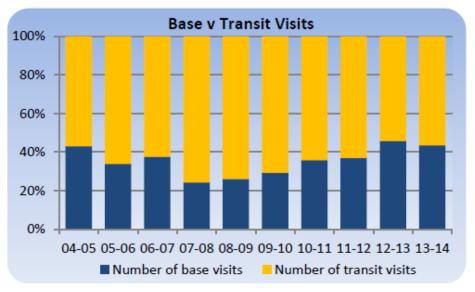
	2003-04	2013-14
Ports visited	16 ports	32 ports
No. of ships	23 ships	45 ships
Passenger capacity	24,380	63,335
Cruise Ship Visits	325 visits	773 visits
Base visits percentage	32%	85%
Passenger Days in Port	366,322 days	1,956,000 days
Total Spend	\$155,000,000	\$1,850,000,000

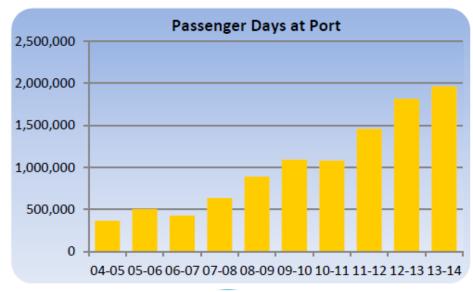


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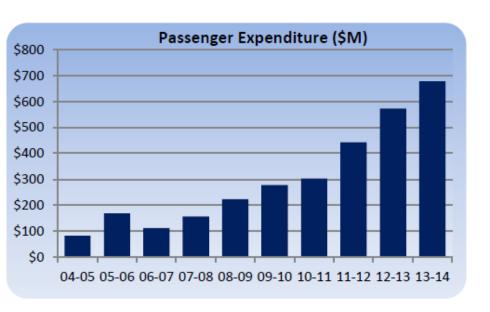


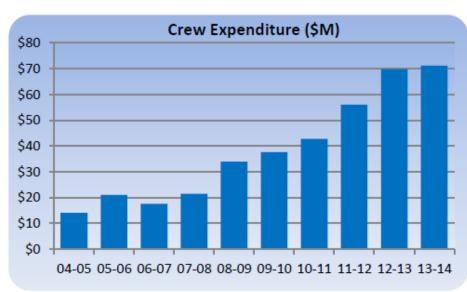


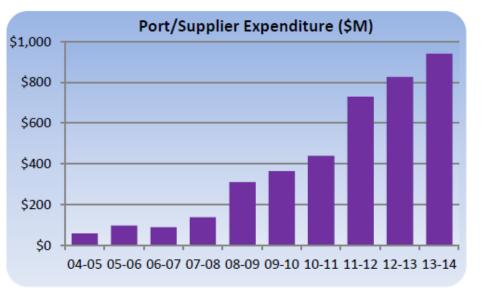


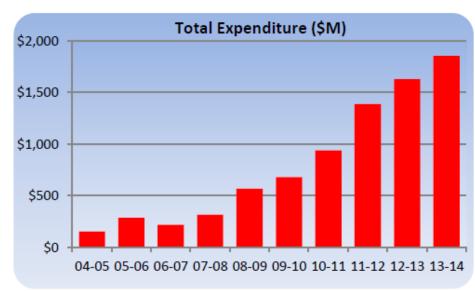


10 YEARS OF INCREASING SPEND

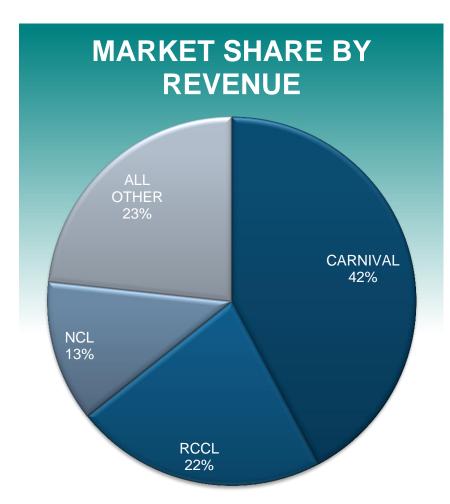


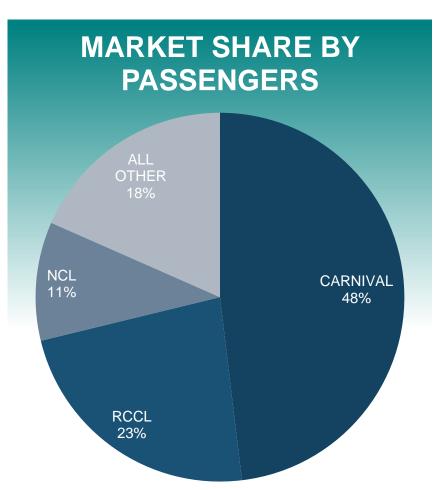






WHO ARE THE MAJOR PLAYERS GLOBALLY?





Source: www.cruisemarketwatch.com



CRUISE WHO'S WHO - CCL





















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CRUISE WHO'S WHO - RCCL

Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd.











CRUISE WHO'S WHO - NCL







CRUISE WHO'S WHO - SOME OF THE OTHERS





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Above and Beyond All Expectationssm





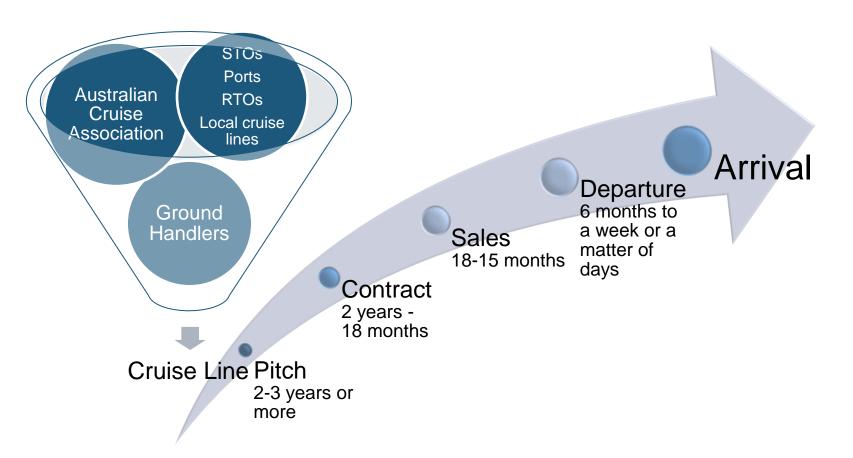








HOW DO WE INFLUENCE SHIPS TO COME HERE?





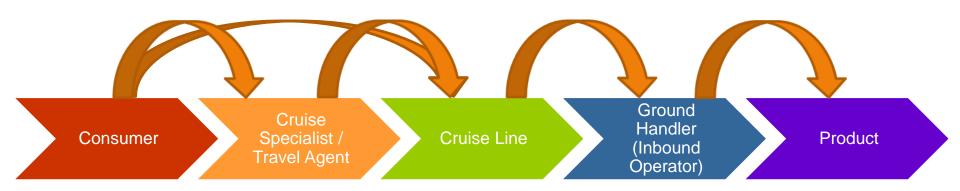
SHORE EXCURSIONS

- Official cruise line tours
- Pre-booked either at time of cruise booking, pre-departure, or onboard prior to arrival
- Cruise line has limited program to offer
- Cruise line revenue stream
- Usually on a charter basis
- Trend is in decline
- Security for you you know in advance
- Security for passengers



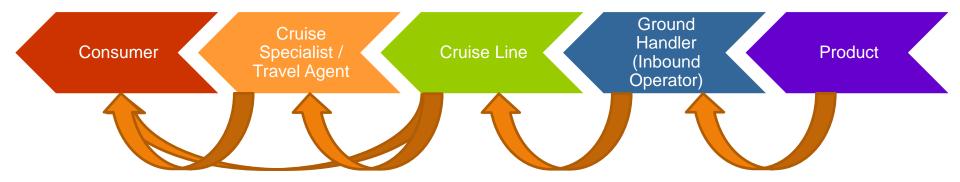
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SHORE EXCURSION TRENDS

- UNIQUE experiences
 - things they can't do in other places
- TIMELINESS
 - excursion must be back on time
- FREE TIME
 - to explore the port and get a feel for the place
- LOCAL FEEL
 - Meet the locals and experience the lifestyle
- DECLINING
 - Opting for smaller group experiences or doing their own thing



INDEPENDENT TOURS

- Internet research from planning phase right up to departure
- Bookings through various channels (agents, direct, online, RTOs, etc.)
- Might only book on day of arrival
- MUST fit into cruise schedule
- Security for passengers if you're late back, the ship will leave without them!
- Growing trend for these tours
- No marketing or sales support from ground handlers or cruise lines



YOUR PRODUCT IN MARKET

SHORE EXCURSIONS

- Need to work with Ground Handlers (ITOs)
- Long term development and commitment
- Know your target market ask your ground handler
- Rigid pricing and operations
- Safety, insurance requirements

INDEPENDENT TOURS

- Work with STO, RTO
- Highlight your options on your website
- Optimise your website with cruise keywords
- Maintain price integrity
- Be flexible with departures, but not with returning!



NEXT STEPS

- Assess your product
- Contact ground handlers
- Website updates
- Training of your guides
- Keep STO, RTOs informed
- Ask STOs, RTOs, Ports for further info



CONSIDER MEMBERSHIP

- Australian Cruise Association is the lead association representing all cruise industry stakeholders and their interests
- The face of Australia and first point of contact for international cruise line execs.
- Coordinated, sustained approach to keeping Australia top of mind
- Opens doors, supports development



USEFUL LINKS

- www.australiancruiseassociation.com
- Your STO
 - (www.tourismnt.com.au)
- Your RTO
 - (www.tourismtopend.com.au)
- Your port
- The Ground Handlers



