

# THE LIDO

## Dream Cruises introduces Halal cuisine options on board Genting Dream;

The only cruise ship in Asia currently offering JAKIM Halal Certified cuisine



Executive Chef Saifol of Genting Dream with the Halal certification by the Department of Islamic Development Malaysia (Jakim) at the Halal section at The Lido on board Genting Dream homported in Singapore.

**Singapore, 15 November 2018** – Dream Cruises is pleased to announce and introduce Halal cuisine options with Genting Dream, which is currently the only cruise ship in Asia granted Halal certification by the well-renowned Department of Islamic Development Malaysia (JAKIM). The Lido, one of Genting Dream’s most popular on board restaurants now offers a dedicated Halal buffet section for Muslim guests. The Lido provides guests with an indoor and outdoor dining experience on the open seas, serving breakfast, lunch and dinner. Muslim guests from across the region can look forward to a cruise vacation with Dream Cruises sailing from Singapore to exciting destinations across the ASEAN region and be assured of a variety of halal-friendly cuisine options on board Genting Dream.

“As an Asian homegrown brand, it gives us great pleasure to launch Dream Cruises’ first Halal certified cuisine offerings on board Genting Dream to meet the growing demand. Our award-winning Dream Cruises chefs have created a wide array of Halal cuisines for our guests, which are available at the dedicated Halal buffet section at The Lido. Our Halal certification will also

support our meetings and incentive business partners who have requested this important offering,” said Mr. Thatcher Brown, President of Dream Cruises.

As the only cruise line in the region to currently provide certified Halal cuisine options, the Meeting, Incentives, Conferences and Exhibition (MICE) groups can also further maximize their events on board Genting Dream with Halal cuisines now available for catering at dedicated function rooms – complementing the ship’s exciting range of tailor-made onboard activities, and the latest state-of-the-art MICE facilities and services.



‘Pari Asam Pedas’ (Sour & Spicy Stingray)

Dream Cruises obtained the Halal certification for the dedicated buffet section at The Lido from the Department of Islamic Development Malaysia (Jakim), which was presented by the Penang Islamic Religious Affairs Department’s Halal Management Division. In conjunction with this, the chefs on board have crafted a series of Halal inspired-dishes, including many popular favourite Asian and international delicacies, offering a wide spread of buffet choices to please the palate.



‘Tandoori Kambing’ (Mutton Tandoori)

These include popular local favourites such as ‘Ayam Madu’ (Honey chicken), ‘Pari Asam Pedas’ (Sour & Spicy Stingray), ‘Opor Ayam’ (Javanese chicken in coconut milk), ‘Tandoori Kambing’ (Mutton tandoori), ‘Gulai Daging Kawah’ (traditional Kelantanese beef), ‘Tempe Goreng Pedas’ (Spicy fried soya bean cake) and more. Muslim guests can also enjoy a wide range of pastas and a meat carving station serving the finest Roast Beef and Lamb, finished with an assortment of cakes and desserts.

With Genting Dream’s year-round homeport deployment in Singapore, Muslims guests will now have the convenience and assurance of certified Halal cuisine options during a series of enticing 2-Night, 3-Night and 5 Night cruise itineraries visiting Penang, Phuket, Langkawi, Kuala Lumpur (Port Klang), Surabaya, North Bali and Macleod Island.

Genting Dream also offers a wide array of suites, including interconnecting rooms suitable for families, as well as The Palace accommodations – “a-ship-within-a-ship” enclave with

European-style butler service, as well as private facilities including its own swimming pool, spa, gym and dining venues. Guests can also enjoy a diverse collection of recreational activities such as the six water slides with three of the water slides in the kids' water park, the Little Dreamer Club – a fun and interactive venue with activities for kids, childcare services, a rock-climbing and zip-line course, bowling alleys for the family to play, internationally acclaimed night club Zouk and Zouk Beach Club, duty-free luxury shopping or simply relaxing with a spa treatment on board. Another key highlight not to be missed is Dream Cruises' signature theme "Dream Night" with its dazzling and Asia's exclusive "Fireworks at Sea" for selected sailings, which is a great way to end a cruise a vacation with Dream Cruises.

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### **About Dream Cruises**

Genting Hong Kong brings nearly 25 years' of Asian cruise industry experience in creating its new cruise line – Dream Cruises.

Dream Cruises aims to be a pacesetter in the cruise industry in the region, meeting the needs of the 'emerging generation' of confident, independently-minded and upwardly-mobile Asian travellers. Dream Cruises offers inspirational journeys, which are Asian at heart and international in spirit.

Purpose-built for the China and Asia market, Genting Dream, the first ship of the fleet, debuted in November 2016, with her sister ship World Dream joining in November 2017, offering guests the highest levels of service and spacious comfort in the region. Further expanding the Dream Cruises family, the highly anticipated Explorer Dream will launch in 2019 and production has also started in Germany on the first new Global Class ship that will join the fleet in 2021.

Accommodations reflect both size and choice for travellers with over 70 per cent of staterooms featuring private balconies and over 100 connecting rooms catering to extended families and groups. Distinguished by its European style butler service and special all-inclusive guest privileges, The Palace, a luxurious ship within a ship concept, will indulge travellers in lavish suites and

an aura of exclusivity.

With the finest Asian and international dining, exceptional service, enthralling entertainment and inspirational experiences, Dream Cruises aims to redefine vacation travel with a transformational journey at sea.

Since its launch, Dream Cruises has been recognized by the Berlitz Cruising and Cruise Guide 2019 with Genting Dream and World Dream jointly placing 7th in the Large Resort Ship category, awarded 'Best Cruise Operator' at the Travel Trade Gazette's (TTG) Travel Awards 2018 and "Best Cruise Line – Cuisine", "Best Cruise Line – Entertainment" and "Best New Ship" for World Dream at the Travel Weekly Asia Readers' Choice Awards 2018.



This buffet venue features a variety of offerings available throughout the day. Breakfast highlights include made-to-order omelettes, waffles and pancakes, and a custom-serve congee station. Lunch and dinner choices include made-to-order pastas, freshly baked pizzas, and a variety of roast meats from the carving stations. For those with a sweet tooth, choose from a tempting array of sumptuous desserts, including sugar free options. At outdoor, we serve up sandwiches, hot dogs and other grilled snacks throughout the day.













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