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Hotel Cipriani & Palazzo Vendramin, is located in the extraordinary city of Venice, Italy. Four minutes by private launch from San Marco this iconic hotel commands glorious views of the lagoon and Doge's Palace and exudes the ultimate in Venetian style. The interiors are decorated with local artefacts, restaurants offering classic Italian cuisine and with an innovative twist the hotel also has the most spectacular swimming pool in the city. Book now with MP Travel and you will also receive **Exclusive Virtuoso Benefits** which include: Upgrade on arrival (subject to availability), full American breakfast daily in the restaurant or via room service, one US100 resort credit per room per stay, complimentary broadband internet access, fresh flowers, fruit and personalised note in your room upon arrival. Book your European summer holiday now! Call your MP Consultant on 02 9993 9000 for more information. Terms & conditions apply.

QANTAS INTRODUCES PLATINUM ONE FREQUENT FLYER

Qantas has announced the introduction of a brand new category of Frequent Flyer recognition - Platinum One. Platinum One will only be available for a select group of the airline's most loyal customers. Benefits include:

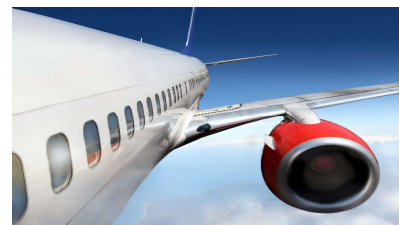
- A dedicated contact number to link members to the Platinum One Special Service Team, which will offer support and enhance traveller's travel experience.
- Assistance with access to additional Qantas Classic Awards and Flight Upgrade Awards, on Qantas operated flights.
- Confirmation of successful upgrade requests as early as seven days prior to departure for Qantas operated services.
- Personalised gifts and experiences, from a ticket to a Qantas sponsored event to an experience inside a Qantas flight simulator and more.



VIRGIN AUSTRALIA Velocity Rewards Family Benefits!

- **Family Pooling**— Family Points pooling benefit allows you to pool your family member's points into one account, giving you the opportunity to be rewarded sooner. You can also pool Status Credits to help you quickly upgrade to the next level of membership.
- **Parental Leave**- If you're expecting a new addition to the family, you'll be able to pause your Silver, Gold or Platinum membership for 6 months. Simply pick up where you left off with your membership level intact.
- **Points Transfers**— You can continue to transfer your Velocity Points from your membership account to the account of an eligible family member up to four times per year.





QANTAS TO COMMENCE A380 SERVICES TO HONG KONG

Qantas has announced it will extend its A380 network to now include Hong Kong from January 2012. Qantas will receive its eleventh and twelfth A380s later this year, providing capacity for four return services per week to Hong Kong. It will also mean A380 services between Melbourne and London (via Singapore) will increase from six flights per week to daily and services between Melbourne and Los Angeles will increase from four flights per week to daily. The Qantas A380 schedule now includes:

- Daily services between Sydney and London (via Singapore)
- Daily services between Melbourne and London (via Singapore) from early December
- Daily services between Sydney and Los Angeles
- Daily services between Melbourne and Los Angeles (from 17 January)
- Four flights per week between Sydney and Hong Kong (from 15 January)



VIRGIN AUSTRALIA BUSINESS CLASS ACROSS AUSTRALIA

Virgin Australia has commenced sales for Business Class on most of its Australian domestic routes across the airline's fleet of Airbus A330; Boeing 737-700 and 800s; and Embraer aircraft for travel from 18 January 2012. For the first time in almost a decade, travellers will have a choice in Business Class within the Australian domestic market. Travellers will also have complimentary access to Virgin Australia's lounges and priority check-in and boarding.



BRITISH AIRWAYS—WORLD TRAVELLER PLUS

Travellers on British Airways in World Traveller Plus can now enjoy an upgraded experience with the introduction of new product and service enhancements. The improvements include a choice of two Club World Business class main courses, new look and feel cutlery and napkins plus the offer of hot towels after take-off. These enhancements complement the existing offering to make sure that those looking for more privacy and space receive value for money.



PACIFIC BLUE UPDATE

Virgin Australia group of airlines officially launched its international airlines V Australia and Pacific Blue under the new brand, *Virgin Australia*. Virgin Australia's alliance with Air New Zealand on the Tasman route means travellers who purchase a Virgin Australia ticket may now travel on flights operated by either Air New Zealand or Virgin Australia. Travellers have three times as many flights to choose from when they buy a Virgin Australia ticket. Eligible travellers will also have access to Air New Zealand lounges on both sides of the Tasman.



QANTAS GROWS CAPACITY IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Qantas has increased capacity from Perth to a number of Western Australian destinations. The changes are:

- Three new Perth-Karratha return services and the upgrade of four return services from a B717 to a B737 adding 1,120 seats on the route each week
- Four additional Perth-Newman return services adding 1,132 seats on the route each week
- Three new Perth-Paraburdoo return services adding 690 seats on the route each week
- The upgrade of three Perth-Port Hedland return services from a B717 to a B737 adding 318 seats per week
- The upgrade of one Perth-Broome return service from a B717 to a B737 adding 106 seats per week

QantasLink also launched its commercial service between Perth and Geraldton and enhanced its Perth-Exmouth services by introducing Q400 aircraft in addition to B717s on the route. QantasLink also confirmed that flight frequencies on its Perth-Exmouth route will increase in January from 2 to 11 return services per week.

ETIHAD AIRWAYS—5KG EXTRA!

All Etihad Guest members will now be allowed up to 5kg of excess baggage free of charge (on top of any additional baggage allocation). Etihad Guest Silver, Gold and Gold Elite members will continue to enjoy the same excess baggage benefits as before.



QANTAS INTRODUCES DOMESTIC PREMIUM BOARDING

Qantas has announced the introduction of a new premium boarding lane for premium customers across its major domestic ports. The premium boarding lane has been implemented in response to feedback from premium and top tier frequent fliers. Qantas already offers a premium boarding service for premium customers and top tier Frequent Flyers on international services.



Beijing and Shanghai

"I travelled to Beijing and Shanghai in September 2011 which is a perfect time to be there, weather wise. I experienced Singapore Airlines' business class via Singapore in both directions with its extra wide seats and 1-2-1 configuration on the A380. I couldn't fault the service and with the extra space and comfort, can now appreciate the popularity of their business class.



In Beijing I experienced the Aman at Summer Palace. An amazing feature of this hotel is the meet and greet service at Beijing Airport! An Aman representative meets you as soon as you deplane (yes, AIR side) and escorts you (like royalty) through immigration, customs and right through to the VIP section of the car park to your waiting limousine. They also greeted us on departure, curb-side, took charge of the luggage and escorted us right through to the VIP lounge.

The Aman at Summer Palace (awarded Hideaway of the Year 2010) is a wonderful alternative to downtown Beijing, 30 minutes away from the smog and noise. It directly adjoins the grounds of the Summer Palace which guests can access through a private gate, perfect for early morning walks before work. Typical of Aman Hotels, the hotel is built in the traditional, low-rise, Chinese "courtyard" style. The popular courtyard rooms have tranquil, leafy outlooks, polished clay tile floors, exposed beamed ceilings and tasteful mix of modern & Ming Dynasty furnishings. The rooms are more like junior suites with sitting areas and huge bathrooms. The facilities are outstanding for such a small hotel: Gym, spa, Pilates studio, huge private theatre, pool and even a squash court (I couldn't resist picking up a squash racquet again and having a hit by myself). The restaurants were superb – and the degustation we had at the French/Japanese Naoki, was better than 2 & 3-star Michelins I experienced in France & Italy!

In Shanghai, the elegant, art deco style Peninsula Hotel located right on the Bund is hard to beat. The rooms are spacious and elegant with separate, luxurious dressing rooms and the unique Peninsula bathrooms with his and hers vanities, TV and an amazing spa "environment" at the touch of a button. The hotel would have to be the most technologically advanced for the business traveller with your own "business centre" in the room including wi-fi, printer, scanner, fax and VOIP with unlimited (free) worldwide calls! A personal espresso machine was another fabulous touch. A truly outstanding hotel."



THE WORLD'S BEST AIRPORT BAR

Grey Goose vodka and Virgin Atlantic have announced the opening of the world's best airport bar – the Grey Goose Loft at the Virgin Atlantic Clubhouse at London



Heathrow. World renowned DJ Pete Tong opened the Grey Goose Loft playing a set to Upper Class passengers and paving the way for future guest DJs to play in the lounge. It's the perfect partnership, with Grey Goose, the World's Best Tasting Vodka, and the Virgin Atlantic Clubhouse acclaimed as the world's best airport lounge. This luxurious bar located on the upper deck of the Clubhouse will offer Virgin Atlantic Upper Class passengers a bespoke experience and a level of service which until now could only be enjoyed in the top cocktail bars in the world.

FULL BODY SCANNERS



Full body scanners will be introduced at Australia's eight major gateway airports after receiving the green light from the Federal Government. The decision comes after trials of the scanners in Melbourne & Sydney and has a target date of 1 July, 2012.

CHRISTMAS PARTY SNAP SHOTS



Below: Alan Berry, Jacky Anderton



Above: Marnie Punch, Sheila Eschler, Shwetha Mohan

Below: Ashleigh Hillier, Gina Wei, Cheryl Smith



Above: Maria Ieronimides, Kristina Kulchar, Kimberly Meyer, Vanessa Moothoo

Below: Helen Smith, Candice Carter, Leah Cotte, Cassandra Ryan



Right: Natalie Cooper, Melissa Borgo, Sarah Manns

Below: Toni Pellizzari, Nick Haines



Above: Eduardo Aparicio, Angela Psilos, Susan Woods
Left: Julie King, Rosa Parretta, Justine Martin





Free Qantas or Virgin Australia annual lounge memberships

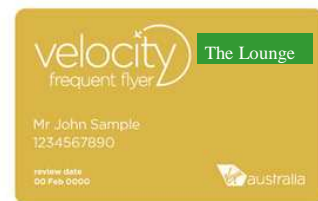
MP Travel is launching a great campaign which offers you the chance to claim up to 5 free Qantas Club or Virgin Australia lounge memberships for your company. All you need to do to qualify is refer any organisation to MP Travel that meets the qualifying criteria below.

WHY MP TRAVEL?

- ✓ An advanced online tool tailored to your policy;
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- ✓ 24/7 emergency assistance;
- ✓ MIS reports to manage & control your business;
- ✓ Reports to assist with reconciliation;
- ✓ Robotics to enforce compliance;
- ✓ Technology to book unused e-tickets online;
- ✓ Reports & assistance with supplier negotiation;
- ✓ Reporting to support your insurance;
- ✓ Account management to identify further savings; Benchmarking & analysis;
- ✓ Traveller Tracking Reports;
- ✓ Global presence via RADIUS; and
- ✓ More value-added benefits than any other TMC.

QUALIFYING CRITERIA

- Organisation must spend over \$200,000 per year on travel (airfares, vehicles, accommodation, travel insurance, etc);
- Offer to new clients only;
- Business must set up account with MP Travel and book travel through this account;
- Offer available to 100 memberships only;
- Each business is entitled to a maximum of 5 memberships;
- Offer not available to gold or platinum members;
- Offer ends 31 March 2012;



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