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Media Release

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Pacific Princess docks in the Port of Townsville

The Pacific Princess, will dock in the Port of Townsville on Monday, 7 February, with 650 passengers and 320 crew on board.

The vessel, which was built in November 2001, will stay for one day in Townsville before continuing its voyage south to Tasmania and then on to New Zealand and Fiji.

The vessel has eleven decks, is 181 metres in length, and can travel at a speed of 20 knots (about 35 kph).

Features include grand staircases with wrought-iron railings, leather-panelled walls and plush carpeting providing a feeling of a 'country club'. Over 90% of the cabins have ocean views, including 68% with a private balcony. Facilities on board include two outdoor jacuzzis, gymnasium and spa centre with a ship-top swimming pool and jogging track. There are eight bars and lounges, a casino and an internet library.

Townsville Port Authority Chairman Ron McLean said; "This will be the first time this vessel has docked in the Port of Townsville and we welcome the passengers and crew of the Pacific Princess and wish them a very enjoyable day in our city."

No public access is available to the ship during its visit.

This is the third cruise ship of the year. The next visit will be followed by the *C Columbus* on 11 February, returning on 26 February. On 27 February the *Astor* will dock in Port.

Note to chief of staff:

Access to the vessel and interviews with Port Authority Chairman, Ron McLean, will be at 9 a.m. on Monday, 7 February. To confirm attendance and arrange port access contact Lesley Giblin, Public Affairs Officer, on (07) 4781 1551 or 0400 013 622.

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