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THE FIRST CLASS DIFFERENCE

Making your holiday dreams a reality starts with understanding what really matters to you. Whether you're a beach lover or adventurer, a lover of history and culture or the great outdoors, at one with nature or the big city; prefer luxury or authentic, being independent or part of a group. Our travel specialists will get to know what you desire and then create a holiday to match. You will experience superb service all along the way and we will use our wealth of experience to create your holiday as if we were creating our own. And you can be sure that before you go, whilst you are away and even when you come home, we will be with you every step of the way.

AWARD WINNING SERVICE

We were founded in 1996 with a desire to provide outstanding levels of service and customer satisfaction and this is still the case today. With thousands of satisfied customers and a raft of awards for exceptional service, your holiday is in the best possible hands. We are very proud that our personal, friendly service and attention to detail has led to us becoming an industry leader in providing personalised holidays. We have been recognised through the years by winning a number of prestigious awards from within and outside of the travel industry. Some of our awards include Best Long-Haul Operator, Outstanding Service Award and Best Specialist Destination Operator.

EXPERT ADVICE

With a team of over 50 people all sharing a great passion for travelling we have a wealth of knowledge and experience. Many of us have taken the holidays showcased throughout this brochure, and we know that there is nothing more important than firsthand knowledge when planning your dream adventure. We understand that no two people are the same, and that everyone's dream holiday is different, that's why we curate individual holidays to individual requirements with the emphasis on what you want to see and do. We can create itineraries for all budgets, applying the same first-class level of service to all.

TRULY PERSONAL

Our itineraries are meant to inspire you and we have crafted a fantastic range of holidays but if you find that none include everything you want to do, then our personalised travel service is just for you. We have been involved in the planning and preparation of detailed holidays for many years and would be delighted to share our knowledge to help you plan your perfect holiday. Simply visit your local travel agent, call us on **0161 888 5608** or email **enquiries@fcholidays.com** and one of our expert and friendly team will plan your ideal holiday from start to finish.

OUR PRICES

Hotel and transport prices change frequently, and we are in constant contact with our suppliers to ensure that we offer the very best prices that are available. We do not show prices in this brochure as rates do vary and fluctuate quite considerably both due to demand but also due to seasonal special offers that are frequently introduced. When creating your ideal holiday, our team will choose the best rate for the services you have selected and apply any seasonal offers that may be available.

PRICE MATCH PROMISE

We work very hard in sourcing competitive prices and have great relationships with our airlines and suppliers to ensure you get the best value for money. We regularly check prices against our competitors, however if you find a better price elsewhere sold with the same service conditions, we will happily lower our price to match. Please see terms and conditions on our website www.fcholidays.com for more details on our policy.

PEACE OF MIND

We are here whenever you need us, before you go, whilst you're away and when you come home. We are fully bonded with the Civil Aviation Authority ATOL scheme (Licence Number 5421) and with the Association of British Travel Agents (Licence Number W3550). You can book your travel arrangements with the peace of mind that your money is safe.



OUR FRIENDLY TEAM

Our team of Australian experts are passionate about Australia and there is nothing more important than speaking to someone who has been there, and we have! We are able to provide first-hand knowledge on everything, from flights and hotels to sightseeing and excursions. We are also happy to share those smaller elements that help create your perfect holiday from finding the best coffee spots to that hidden gem in your favourite city; we want to share our experiences with you.

HOLIDAYS YOU CAN TRUST

We are committed to making your holiday as incredible as possible, but don't take our word for it. We have thousands upon thousands of satisfied customers who would highly recommend our services to make your dream holiday become a reality. Why not have a look at the customer reviews on our website www.fcholidays.com and check out our FEEFO rating.



Sustainable Travel

We believe that the pursuit of extraordinary holidays should not compromise the well-being of our planet. Our sustainable program is a testament to our dedication to creating unforgettable experiences while respecting and preserving the environment. We meticulously choose eco-friendly hotels and services that share the same goals, offer carbon offset options, and promote ethical tourism, ensuring every adventure leaves a positive impact.

KEY PILLARS OF FIRST CLASS HOLIDAYS' SUSTAINABLE PROGRAM

Our commitment to sustainability extends beyond a tangible and impactful program that transforms the way we travel. Experience the epitome of sustainable travel with First Class Holidays.

CARBON OFFSET OFFERING

Our clients can neutralise their carbon footprint by contributing to verified carbon reduction projects. We offer the chance to plant new trees across the globe through reforestation and to simultaneously invest into clean renewable energy projects. That means a traveller's climate contribution will remove CO₂e emissions now and invest in the planet for the future. Trees are one of the most powerful absorbers of carbon emissions - by growing trees in developing countries as our clients travel, we can help to restore eco-systems, biodiversity, and support local communities.

PARTNERSHIPS WITH ECO-FRIENDLY SUPPLIERS

We are dedicated to forging relationships with hotels and services that share our unwavering commitment to sustainability. Our selection process involves stringent criteria, assessing factors such as energy efficiency, waste management practices, and sustainable sourcing. By aligning with like-minded partners, we ensure that every aspect of our travellers' experience reflects our shared ethos of environmental responsibility. Through these partnerships, we aim to create a network of destinations that serve as exemplars of eco-conscious hospitality.

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

Our commitment to sustainability extends beyond travel experiences—it encompasses a dedication to educating and empowering our staff and travellers. Through our Educational Initiatives, we aim to foster a deeper understanding of sustainable practices and the environmental impact of their choices; to inspire a sense of responsibility amongst them. These initiatives are seamlessly integrated into our travel packages, offering information on local ecosystems, wildlife conservation, and responsible behaviour while traveling.

SUPPORT LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND ECONOMIES

Our dedication to sustainability extends beyond environmental conservation to embrace a holistic approach that actively supports local communities and economies. Recognising that responsible travel involves more than minimising environmental impact, we place a strong emphasis on fostering positive social and economic contributions to Australia:

- We recognise the intrinsic value of preserving cultural heritage. We actively engage with communities to understand their traditions, ensuring that our activities are respectful and promote cultural exchange without compromising the integrity of local practices, allowing us to create authentic travel experiences.

- We prioritise collaborations with local businesses. By sourcing goods and services locally, we minimise transportation-related emissions and support regional economies. This approach not only strengthens community ties but also promotes the use of sustainable and locally produced materials.

THERE'S NOTHING LIKE AUSTRALIA





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Ways to Explore

Australia appeals to visitors of all ages, and no matter how you want to explore, this vast country awaits your arrival. Each state offers a very different experience, a holiday destination in its own right. Perhaps the first question to ask yourself is just how you want to discover this country of diversity. We are passionate about Australia and know it inside and out and with this knowledge we have carefully selected escorted tours, suggested and planned much-loved self-drive itineraries and even recommended “off the beaten track” routes you may never have considered. Your plans might see you making an iconic rail journey or indulging in a stay at one of the celebrated luxury lodges. Maybe immersing yourself in the Aboriginal culture with a camping safari or spending time in a magical marine environment. Or perhaps you want to take to the high seas on a cruise, meeting new people with a new port of call every day, or join an expedition cruise and sail off into the wilderness. However you choose to explore Australia, the opportunities are endless.





Escorted Tours

Ideal if you are looking to travel as part of a group with like-minded guests from around the world. With the reassurance of a Tour Director, you can be sure everything will be taken care of from the “Welcome” to the time you bid “Farewell” to new friends. From your seat you have a high advantage point to view undulating landscapes whether the red desert or sleepy seaside towns. Tours vary from luxury where most excursions are included or more bespoke allowing you to choose your day tours and how fast or slow you pace your personal holiday.



Self Drive Tours

Driving in Australia is a great way to personalise your perfect route. We have selected some of our favourite pre-arranged journeys, carefully planned with mileage considered. Our itineraries include car hire, full insurance and a selection of hotels, self-catering apartments for those fish and chip suppers on a seaside balcony or unique bed and breakfasts where you will wake up with the native wildlife. We also include or suggest experiences not to be missed. No two routes will be the same, our suggestions are for your guidance, we have personal experience to customise a route to suit you.



Luxury Stays

Luxury in Australia is not just about the cool fresh crisp linen or luxurious toiletries you will find in opulent bathrooms, luxury is also about the location and environment you will wake up to. We have carefully selected some of our favourite Luxury Lodges of Australia throughout the brochure, there are over 20+ in total from high-end lodges to exquisite camps. Signature experiences are included during your stay engaging in the local land you are privileged to experience.



Cruising

We have handpicked cruises from our preferred cruise lines that you can combine with any land-based tour, sail further into Australia and beyond. Explorers are exhilarated by Coral Expedition Cruises in the far north of Australia, where history, nature and geology combine. Guests who have a passion for marine life will be delighted with a cruise to the Great Barrier Reef from Sydney. Time to leave Australia behind, New Zealand and Fiji are also within touching distance.



Rail Journeys

Travel onboard the Indian Pacific and The Ghan, two of the world’s most prestigious train journeys. Take the stress away of driving and relax in the lounge or your cabin and listen to the steady chugging from the train on the tracks as you venture from north to south, east to west, stepping off to enjoy Off Train Experiences. Journeys are easily combined with independent touring, escorted tours and cruising.



Adventure

Visitors to Australia typically think of the Great Barrier Reef and Uluru, we have included a live aboard cruise to the Great Barrier Reef for divers and short walks around the base of Uluru. Wildlife is on most guests bucket list, Kangaroo Island is home to an array of native wildlife, join a guided walk to seek out the “locals”. Western Australia is another aquatic playground, swimming or watching for whale sharks on the Coral Coast is simply spine tingling. Hikers may wish to pack their walking boots and embark on the Twelve Apostles hike in Victoria. Adventure in Australia is endless, we have picked just a small selection to whet your appetite.

Escorted Tours

An escorted tour is the perfect way to explore the incredible continent of Australia. The distances covered can be extensive and letting someone else take care of the itinerary and planning ensures that you can concentrate on enjoying the most incredible experience.

At First Class Holidays we work with two superb, escorted touring companies, AAT Kings and Australian Pacific Touring (APT) . Both operators are Australian specialists so you can be assured of their expertise and attention to detail. There are a range of different touring options and itineraries to choose from, depending on the length of time you have available and how much ground you want to cover. Choosing an escorted tour means that you can sit back and relax. With highly knowledgeable tour guides and exclusive experiences, you will really get beneath the skin of this remarkable country. Luxury coaches, 4WD vehicles, quality hotels, a wide range of itineraries to choose from and all the little details being taken care of makes an escorted tour an excellent way to see Australia.





*An escorted tour is the ideal way to explore
a new destination.*
Michelle, Destination Specialist

Our Favourites

Discover one of the world's final frontiers on a 4WD journey through the magnificent Kimberley in Western Australia.

If you want to see a lot but are short on time, then a tour such as our Australian Highlights will showcase the icons but leave you with the desire to return and explore further.

Shorter duration tours are an ideal snapshot of a destination.

State-specific tours such as the Western Wonderland really delve under the skin of a place in greater detail.

Our Tailor-Made Service

We love to create unique itineraries designed around everything you like to do. A selection of hotels, attractions and sightseeing tours are showcased throughout this brochure but these are just a snapshot of what we can offer.

Simply tell us your interests, your dates and your budget and we will work with you to create your perfect trip.

Australian Highlights

13 days

Visit the iconic sites of Sydney, wander through the cosmopolitan city of Melbourne, where foodies and sporting fans mingle. Stand in awe at the ancient wonders of Uluru as you learn about the importance of this fascinating rock form, close to the heart and soul of its indigenous owners. Whether by sunrise or sunset watch as a kaleidoscope of colour lights up the desert, nature at her best. Cruise over the turquoise sea as you explore the Great Barrier Reef, chose to snorkel or keep your feet dry by heading to the underwater observatory, either way the colourful marine life will not disappoint.

Highlights

Melbourne - Alice Springs - Uluru
Cairns - Sydney

Tour Includes

- 12 nights' accommodation with breakfast
- 2 lunches, 4 dinners
- Local guides
- 3 sightseeing tours as described
- Internal flights
- Return airport transfers

Departure Dates

Departs: August to June
Regular departures

Day 1: Welcome to Melbourne

Arrive pre midday before meeting your fellow adventure-seekers and Tour Director.

Hotel: Crowne Plaza Hotel Melbourne, 3 nights

Day 2: Melbourne

Melbourne is known for its cool cafés – grab a coffee to fuel you through a walking tour exploring the city's laneways. This afternoon, you decide. Perhaps a nature-based tour to Phillip Island to see penguins waddle from the ocean to the sand. Sport lovers, you may choose to visit venues that host Melbourne's renowned international sporting events.

Day 3: Melbourne

It's possibly time to venture outside of the city. You might want to sign up to discover the Great Ocean Road, a stretch of coastline that deserves its reputation as one of the most scenic touring routes in the world.

Day 4: Alice Springs

Next stop is the birthplace of the Alice Springs township, the historic Telegraph Station. Being this far flung also means there's no light pollution from cars or skyscrapers, offering unrivalled stargazing. Dine on a sumptuous outback BBQ at an eco-oriented Earth Sanctuary World Nature Centre.

Hotel: Mercure Alice Springs Resort

Day 5: Uluru

Spiritual, sacred and spectacular, the world's largest rock monolith will give you goosebumps. In Australia's Red Centre, Uluru has been home to the Anangu people for millennia. Their connection is palpable, as you'll discover when you arrive at Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. At sunset watch the shifting colours transform the desert with every last ray.

Hotel: Desert Gardens, 2 nights

Day 6: Uluru and Kata Tjuta

If there's one thing worth getting out of bed early for, it's sunrise over Uluru. Incredibly, the rock's base caves are home to First Nations art that dates back tens of thousands of years. What an honour to glimpse it. The ochres and silvery greens of the Northern Territory outback follow you to Kata Tjuta, where Walpa Gorge humbles with its soaring cliffs.

Day 7: Cairns

One more reason to get up early is to view artist Bruce Munro's installation Field of Light at dawn – 50,000 glowing spindles of light blanketing the desert. Clamber to the top of a sand dune to marvel in the morning unfolding over this very special part of the world. An Anangu artist will explain just what makes it so spiritual over an introduction to Western Desert art. Head to your next stop in sunny Cairns.

Hotel: Hilton Hotel Cairns, 3 nights



Field of Light, Uluru

Day 8: Cairns

Today take it at your own pace. Your Tour Director will be on hand to offer guidance on booking local excursions. Feel like stretching your legs, sign up for a guided walk through the Daintree Rainforest, or surround yourself with nature riding the Scenic Railway to Kuranda returning on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway. Tonight, dinner is served on Cairns' waterfront at Salt House for regional seafood plucked straight from the ocean, highlighting fresh, local ingredients, and prepared on their custom-built Argentinian wood fired grill.

Day 9: Great Barrier Reef

The world's largest living organism, the Great Barrier Reef, never fails to dazzle. Set out on a catamaran to explore a kaleidoscope of colour: over 1,500 species of fish, 6 of the world's 7 marine turtle species, and 30 species of dolphins and whales are residents. Pop on a snorkel or visit an underwater observatory and semi-submersible craft to take in the menagerie without getting your hair wet.

Day 10: Sydney

Touch down in Australia's largest city, spend time at leisure in the buzzing metropolis of Sydney. Take a stroll along the iconic harbour, visit one of the city's many bars, pubs, or restaurants, or simply while away the day at the beach.

You decide how best to enjoy this bustling city of delights.

Hotel: Intercontinental Hotel Sydney, 3 nights

Day 11: Sydney

Today is all about visiting iconic sites. Go behind the scenes at the Sydney Opera House, discovering its architectural and performance secrets. Then see the city from the water on a Sydney Harbour Highlight Lunch Cruise enjoying a menu focusing on local food and wine. The world's most famous beach beckons this afternoon, with your chance to pad along the sand at Bondi with the locals known as Sydneysiders.

Day 12: Sydney

Your day to explore the city at your own leisure. Now you have found your bearings in Sydney, why not linger around the harbour – perhaps it's time to glimpse it from above on a Sydney BridgeClimb. Back at ground level, perhaps a ferry ride to Manly for fish and chips on the beach? Or take a stroll through the Royal Botanic Garden, which offers so many lookouts for sparkling harbour views. This evening, celebrate your holiday at a Farewell Dinner at Midden Restaurant at the Sydney Opera House.

Day 13: Farewell from Sydney

What an epic journey, with so many destinations explored in less than 2 weeks.



Sydney



Earth Sanctuary, Alice Springs

East Coast Islands & Rainforest

12 days

Queensland is the only place in the world where two World Heritage Sites meet. You will get to see their convergence on this east coast Australia trip, which travels north from Sydney to Cairns. From a Great Barrier Reef tour to the Wet Tropics rainforest, from K'gari to the Gold and Coffs Coasts tour, get set for a parade of postcard-worthy attractions.

Highlights

Coffs Harbour – K'Gari – Rockhampton
Airlie Beach – Cairns

Tour Includes

- 11 nights' accommodation with breakfast
- 3 lunches, 2 dinners
- Travel Director and Driver
- K'Gari
- Great Barrier Reef
- Wet Tropics of Queensland
- Cape Byron Lighthouse
- Crater Lake National Park

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Occasional departures

Day 1: Coffs Harbour

Time to say goodbye to Sydney, Australia's largest city, Coffs Harbour is calling. This pocket of paradise has some of the state's most impressive beaches, not to mention the glorious national parkland that surround it. Follow the breeze to the beach for a dazzling end of day stroll or drink, before meeting your fellow adventure-seekers and Travel Director over dinner.

Hotel: BreakFree Aanuka Beach Resort

Day 2: Gold Coast

Fittingly, your east coast tour takes you to the country's most easterly point. It's the stuff that postcards were made for, as you'll discover when you reach the Cape Byron Lighthouse, standing proud over the Pacific Ocean. Dolphins are a common sight year-round. Your director will point you in the direction of a tasty Byron Bay fish and chip shop to enjoy with your feet in the sand.

Hotel: Novotel Surfers Paradise, 2 nights

Day 3: Gold Coast

Your base in Surfers Paradise is the heart of the Gold Coast, a city that really does sparkle. Today you might choose to explore beaches, or take a seat in a café and watch the surfers catch a wave. For something completely different see another side of the 'Goldie' in the Mt. Tamborine hinterland – a hub for creatives and foodies.

The city also breaks records for its extensive network of canals, which you might opt to explore on a leisurely cruise.

Day 4: K'Gari

Follow the waves north to Hervey Bay, the gateway to World Heritage-Listed K'gari. The ferry ride across the strait is a highlight, particularly during whale migration when these gentle giants come to the calm, protected waters to calve. Landing on K'gari, expect to see a lot of sand. This is, after all, the world's largest sand island, and the only place in the world where rainforest grows from the sand.

Hotel: Kingfisher Bay Resort, 2 nights

Day 5: K'Gari

The island also has a long sand highway, which you'll get to zip along on a 4WD Fraser Island tour across 75 Mile Beach, all the way up the east coast to the Pinnacles Coloured Sands, calm Eli Creek and the Maheno shipwreck, which offers quite the photo opportunity. Just when you thought the island couldn't get any prettier, Lake McKenzie appears on the horizon, this dazzling patch of blue formed only with rainwater. It's a hard act to follow, but the ancient rainforest at Central Station and Wanggoolba Creek lives up to the challenge with its huge satiny, scribbly gum and kauri trees.



Milla Milla Falls

Day 6: Rockhampton

Back on the mainland you're in Queensland's cattle country. The Creed family will welcome you with afternoon tea and a tour of the immense and historic cattle property, Langmorn Station – the original family homestead was built in 1873. The Creeds will regale you with stories about life on the land. The theme continues as you cross the Tropic of Capricorn to arrive in Rockhampton, the beef capital of Australia. See if it deserves its title sampling some of the town's restaurants. Ask your Travel Director for tips.

Hotel: Quality Regent

Day 7: Airlie Beach

Another town with an impressive title is Sarina, Australia's sugar capital. If you've ever wanted to know how sugar cane is processed and distilled, you'll find the guided tour at the Sarina Sugar Shed a sweet addition to the itinerary. And yes, you get to sample the wares. Continue, on a high, along the east coast to Airlie Beach, the gateway to the Whitsundays. Life moves at a leisurely pace here. Fall into step and take things slow tonight.

Hotel: Mantra Club Croc, 2 nights

Day 8: The Whitsundays

The Whitsunday Islands need little introduction, the 74 tropical drops of land a beguiling union of powdery beaches and rainforest, all ringed by the Coral Sea. There are endless ways to explore this part of the Great Barrier Reef – today, we're letting you choose. Perhaps rise early for an optional helicopter ride over Heart Reef. Or catch a catamaran to Whitehaven Beach.

Day 9: Cairns

Today it's time to relax and enjoy the scenery – more sugar cane fields and rolling green paddocks, all framed by the ocean and rainforest-clad mountains. Stretch your legs en route to Cairns and soak up this steamy part of the state.

Hotel: DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Cairns, 3 nights

Day 10: Cairns

The Cairns Esplanade is a hive of activity in the morning, keep pace, before cooling off in the Atherton Tablelands, a high tropical plateau of rainforest, including the heritage-listed Curtain Tree. Visit waterfalls, like Millaa Millaa Falls, where enormous iridescent Ulysses butterflies like to dance. Explore Kuranda before getting some perspective on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway, high above the canopy of the Barron Gorge National Park.

Day 11: Cairns

Just when you thought your outlook couldn't get any better, your Cairns tour sees you zipping over the Great Barrier Reef on a high-speed catamaran. Snorkel with 6 of the world's sea turtles bobbing over fans of coral, as well as so many fish. If you prefer to keep your head above water, the marine world can also be glimpsed from an underwater observatory and glass-bottom boat.

Day 12: Farewell from Cairns

A ridiculous number of beaches, world-record breaking rainforest, shimmering ocean and a kaleidoscope of marine life... it's going to be hard to say goodbye to this east coast Australia tour.

Due to an early departure from Sydney on day 1, please ask us about a pre night hotel.



Tastes of South Australia

5,7, or 11 days

From the culture-filled capital Canberra, to the metropolitan café lifestyle of Melbourne you will easily slip into the Australian way of life on this tour. Sample some of South Australia's produce, craft beers, cheese platters and sip fine wines in the Barossa Valley. View some of the region's most awe-inspiring landscapes, from the Great Ocean Road to sparkling coves of Kangaroo Island. This tour can be enjoyed in full or shorter durations of 5 or 7 days for those short on time.

Highlights

Canberra - Melbourne - Great Ocean Road
Kangaroo Island - Adelaide
Barossa Valley

Tour Includes

- 10 nights' accommodation with breakfast based on 11-day tour
- 3 lunches, 5 dinners based on 11-day tour
- Return private airport transfers
- National Park fees
- Local guides

Departure Dates

Departs: August - May
Regular Departures

Day 1: Canberra

Say goodbye to Sydney and hello to the Southern Highlands. Further on, you're welcomed to Gold Creek Station for a BBQ lunch and tales about life on the land. Onward to the country's cool little capital, home to Parliament House, where you will go behind the political scenes. Tonight, join your Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner.

Hotel: Crowne Plaza, Canberra

Day 2: Wangaratta

Get some Canberra perspective from the summit of Mt. Ainslie. Cross the Murray River en route to Beechworth, Victoria's best-preserved gold rush town. Your Tour Director will give you the Beechworth lowdown, then set you on your way to explore character-filled antiques stores, galleries and museums at your leisure. There are plenty of charming places to refuel, as well, before Wangaratta's cathedrals beckon.

Hotel: Quality Hotel, Wangaratta

Day 3: Melbourne

Meandering south toward historic Glenrowan, you're well and truly in Ned Kelly country. Listen to local tales, then a few more about Melbourne, the home of Aussie rules football, some of the country's best arts institutions, and an abundance of stellar restaurants, cafés and bars.

Explore at your leisure.

Hotel: Crowne Plaza Hotel, Melbourne, 2 nights

Day 4: Melbourne

Today is at your own speed with the guidance from your Travel Director to help arrange optional sightseeing experiences. You may prefer to enjoy a strong coffee in one of Melbourne's atmospheric laneways and "live like a local". Gain a bird's-eye view of the city from the Melbourne Skydeck. Wildlife lovers may choose to venture to Phillip Island to see hundreds of little penguins pad along the sand or chug through the lush Dandenong Ranges on the Puffing Billy Steam Train. The choice is yours.

Day 5: Great Ocean Road - Warrnambool

The Great Ocean Road is one of the world's most epic journeys. A dramatic 149 mile union of limestone stacks the Twelve Apostles, World Heritage listed rainforest, untouched coastal coves and sleepy towns, like Lorne and Apollo Bay. It's hard to know where to point your camera. We recommend having it poised to snap shots of the Loch Ard Gorge and London Bridge rock formations. It doesn't get any better than this.

Hotel: Lady Bay Resort



Kangaroo Island

Day 6: Narracoote

Emus, kangaroos, koalas, echidnas... These are just some of the animals you'll likely spot as you drive through Tower Hill Wildlife Reserve. Continue across the South Australia border in Mt. Gambier, home to the crater-filling Blue Lake.

By now you'll be thirsty, so it's a good thing the Coonawarra wine region is close by. Your tour continues to Naracoorte's Alexandra Cave, a maze of delicate needle-like stalactites and massive twisting columns.

Hotel: William MacIntosh Motor Lodge, Naracoorte

Day 7: Kangaroo Island

The Fleurieu Peninsula is a natural adventure playground, all rolling hills, rugged clifftops and sandy beaches. Seaside Victor Harbor turns on the charms – there are steam locomotives – before your ferry blasts its horn. All aboard for Kangaroo Island. A well-deserved tasting of craft beer awaits at a boutique brewery.

Hotel: Aurora Ozone Hotel, 2 nights

Day 8: Kangaroo Island

First stops are Remarkable Rocks and Admirals Arch, home to an immense colony of raucous fur seals. Hanson Bay Wildlife Sanctuary was badly damaged by the 2019 bushfires.

Through your MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, you'll assist with their bushfire recovery plan and wildlife rehabilitation program. Learn from one of their experienced guides about the delicate ecosystem and Australian native animals. More wildlife greets you at Seal Bay Conservation Park, where enormous sea lions barrel down the sand to the water.

Day 9: Adelaide

You've arrived in the South Australian capital, known for its well-preserved churches and well-admired cuisine. After a cultural walking tour through the city's Botanic Gardens with an Aboriginal Guide, and an Adelaide city tour, the afternoon is free to visit the Central Market.

Hotel: Crowne Plaza Adelaide, 2 nights

Day 10: Adelaide

Today is one of indulgences through the Adelaide Hills and the Barossa. A Barossa and Hahndorf tour reveals the bountiful food and wine this pocket of the state is known for. Enjoy a tasting from small batch wine makers from across the valley as well as discovering local flavours over lunch at Lambert Estate enveloped by vines.

Day 11: Farewell to Adelaide

Time to say goodbye with a camera full of fond memories.

All tour options have an early start on day 1 and will require a pre-night hotel stay which we will be pleased to reserve for you.



Outback Safari

11 days

World Heritage Sites like Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park are just a glimpse into the Northern Territory. Your journey includes Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge tours, Kings Canyon hikes, Earth Sanctuary stargazing, sunrise at Uluru and a Yellow Water Billabong cruise. Wherever you venture, Aboriginal Songlines are strong, permitting you the privilege to glimpse millennia-old rock art, meet Elders, go-to-the artistic source and sample bush tucker.

Highlights

Uluru - Kata Tjuta - Kings Canyon
Alice Springs - Tennant Creek - Katherine
Kakadu - Darwin - Litchfield National Park

Tour Includes

- 10 nights' accommodation with breakfast daily
- 6 dinners
- Tour Director and Driver
- Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park entrance fees
- Kakadu National Park fees
- Return airport transfers

Departure Dates

Departs: April - September
Regular Departures

Day 1: Uluru

Today is one of colours. The ochre soil spiked with cycads as you come into land. The endless blue sky. The russet hues of Uluru. Approaching sunset, the landscape changes with every click of your camera. Have a glass of bubbles and some nibbles with your fellow adventurers.

Hotel: Desert Gardens, 2 nights

Day 2: Uluru & Kata Tjuta

Experience firsthand Australia's wilderness through a visit to Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park. You'll encounter the iconic Uluru, or 'the Rock,' half a billion years old, standing 348 meters high and taller than the Eiffel Tower. This morning set the alarm clock and be sure not to miss an Uluru sunrise, quite a different experience to last night's sunset. Rising with the birds certainly has benefits as you will feel much cooler whilst you tour the base of the world's biggest monolith. A circumnavigation is 7 miles. Or you can join a guided walk to Mutitjulu Waterhole, a sacred spot decorated with millennia-old Aboriginal rock paintings. Dive even deeper into First Nations traditions at the Uluru-Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre. Then wander through Kata Tjuta and Walpa Gorge, with more bubbles to serenade the day's end.

Day 3: Kings Canyon

An early morning rise won't disappoint, glimpse the Uluru Field of Light, a dazzling installation by British artist Bruce Munro that sees 50,000 stem-like globes blanket the Uluru soil. It's optional so for those comfortable in their accommodation you will join your fellow travellers later. Did you know Australia has the largest population of wild camels in the world? Kings Creek Station, your next stop, is the largest exporter of these doe-eyed creatures. From here, the land eases into Kings Canyon, part of the immense Watarrka National Park. Views over the Red Centre put into perspective this vast and dramatic landscape.

Hotel: Kings Canyon Resort

Day 4: Alice Springs

Cattle stations are the size of small nations in the Northern Territory outback, as you'll discover on your journey toward Alice. Nature will also show her enormity as you view the MacDonnell Ranges. Back in 1872, Alice Springs was a hive of activity, when the Telegraph Station was built to connect Adelaide and Darwin as part of the Overland Telegraph Line.

Hotel: Doubletree by Hilton Alice Springs, 2 nights



Wangi Falls

Day 5: Alice Springs

Visit Alice Springs Desert Park, home to a vast range of plants and wildlife native to the area. In remote parts of Australia, community is everything. The passionate Royal Flying Doctor Service health workers commute hundreds of kilometres to provide aid. End the day on a high at Earth Sanctuary World Nature Centre, where a local family will host a BBQ dinner under the stars.

Day 6: Tennant Creek

Go back to your school days where you will be invited by "School of the Air" to watch a live lesson being broadcast to children in some of Australia's most remote reaches. Not on the curriculum, aliens, although you will learn all about them passing through Wycliffe Well, also known as Australia's 'UFO capital'. Undeniably otherworldly are the precariously balanced boulders that characterise Karlu Karlu (Devils Marbles) and the landscapes surrounding gold-rich Tennant Creek.

Hotel: Bluestone Motor Inn

Day 7: Katherine

When locals are not working hard in the Australian outback, they are having a lot of fun. Visitors are welcome in the Daly Waters Historic Pub, where the food, schnitzels, burgers come second to the atmosphere. This might be your opportunity to go hopping mad as you order the "kangaroo loin". Without a doubt this will be one of the most unforgettable pub visits you have ever made!

Hotel: Contour Hotel Katherine

Day 8: Kakadu

Explore the natural beauty of Nitmiluk National Park and cruise along Katherine Gorge. You will wind through this gorge carved through ancient sandstone alongside steep cliff walls, watching for lush rainforest gullies in giant cracks. A sprinkling of freshwater crocodiles and a flutter of rare birds will take your breath away. More wildlife lurks in Kakadu's Yellow Water Billabong, which is a mecca for sea eagles, brolgas and little kingfishers.

Hotel: Mercure Kakadu Crocodile Hotel

Day 9: Darwin

The best way to grasp the immensity of Kakadu and Arnhem Land is from the air, should you wish to take an optional flight. Ubirr's Aboriginal rock art dates back an eye-watering 20,000+ years. If it looks familiar, that's because it starred in the classic Australian movie, Crocodile Dundee. Get your Darwin bearings on a quick tour brush shoulders with the locals as you enjoy a bite to eat at the Mindil Beach Sunset Market.

Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn Darwin, 2 nights

Day 10: Litchfield National Park

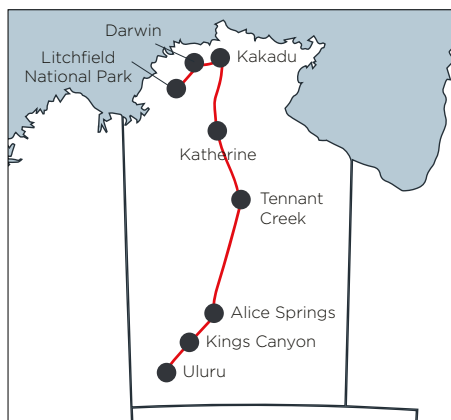
Travel deep into Litchfield National Park on the last day of exploring this fascinating region, packed with 100-year-old, 2-metre-high magnetic termite mounds. Florence and Wangi Falls await your next stop. Change into your swimming costume and take a dip in the gem like waterholes or just dip your toe in. With fond memories and new friendships formed cruise the harbour at sunset, enjoying one last toast to your Northern Territory trip.

Day 11: Farewell from Darwin

"Ma Muk" ('See you later'), as the Larrakia people would say. This Dreamtime adventure is over for now, however your memories will last forever.



Uluru



Kings Canyon

Western Wonderland

15 days

Western Australia is a country within its own state, whilst this tour will give you a snippet of what there is to see in 2 weeks, you may wish to extend your stay. Whether you are a beach lover and enjoy a stroll on powdery white beaches or a wildlife seeker, looking to take photos of the friendly, smiley quokkas on Rottnest Island there is a new experience every day. You will also have time to visit world-class wineries in the Margaret River.

Highlights

Perth - Wave Rock - Kalgoorlie
Margaret River - Monkey Mia - Kalbarri

Tour Includes

- 14 nights accommodation with daily breakfast
- 1 lunch, 10 dinners
- Tour Director and Driver

Departure Dates

Departs: May - October
Occasional dates

Day 1: Perth

Spend the day exploring the capital city of Perth. Explore inner-city Kings Park, perhaps a stroll amongst the Botanic Gardens, overlooking the Swan River. If you are feeling jet lagged, head to the beach at nearby Scarborough. In the evening meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers over dinner.

Hotel: Rendezvous Hotel Studio Perth Central

Day 2: Wave Rock

Wave Rock, known as Katter Kich by the local indigenous people resembles an enormous surf wave above the bush, hence the very appropriate name. The rainbow-hued granite swell is a short walk from another imaginatively named rock formation: Hippo's Yawn. Wave Rock has a small community, meet a local who will proudly give you a tour of the farm. You will hear stories of life on the land with passion and gain an insight into life in the outback. You may be asked to roll your sleeves up and help.

Hotel: Wave Rock Hotel, Hyden

Day 3: Kalgoorlie

Start the day on a Kalgoorlie town tour, with vistas over the staggering 'Super Pit' open-cut gold mine. Today's outings continue to gleam as you visit Hannans North Mine.

Hotel: Rydges Kalgoorlie

Day 4: Esperance

Cape Le Grand National Park is voted among the most alluring of its kind in Australia, expect to travel through and gaze over 30,000 hectares of seeping headlands, rugged coastlines and white sandy beaches. Just when you thought you couldn't take any more photos, you arrive at Thistle Cove, sun, sand, sea and sculpted rock formations that 'whistle' with the sounds of the wind and waves. If you fancy sunbathing with kangaroos then Lucky Bay is the place to be!

Hotel: Comfort Inn Bay of Isles

Day 5: Albany

Today's journey takes you through Fitzgerald River National Park then Stirling Range National Park, blanketed with 1,500 species of wildflowers, some of which are found nowhere else on earth. Enjoy the view from the Bluff Knoll Lookout.

Hotel: Dog Rock Motel, 2 nights

Day 6: Albany

Time to stop and take a breather. Albany is a mecca of nature, history, fine food and wine. Why not take a culinary excursion or maybe explore Torndirrup National Park, where steep cliffs give way to dramatic rock formations and whales are a common sight. The choice is yours.



Lucky Bay

Day 7: Margaret River

Head for heights? Blow away the cobwebs as you venture on a Tree Top Walk suspended 40 metres above the forest floor, get a bird's-eye view of the soaring tingle trees that stand large through the Valley of the Giants. More lofty attractions await at the Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse, located at the tip of a peninsula where the Indian and Southern Oceans meet.

Hotel: Stay Margaret River, 2 nights

Day 8: Margaret River

Today is a gastronomic extravaganza as you are immersed amongst 200 vineyards and gourmet providers. Vasse Virgin makes olive oil that's sweet enough to drink. Lunch is leisurely, at a vineyard with plenty of time to sip and savour local wines, many of which have won global awards.

Day 9: Fremantle

The Margaret River is one of the only wine regions in the world where grapes are grown just metres from the sand. The coastal backdrop follows you all the way to Busselton, home to the longest wooden jetty in the Southern Hemisphere. The afternoon is all yours in "Freo", renowned for its thriving arts and music scene as well as a bohemian vibe.

Hotel: Esplanade Hotel Fremantle – by Rydges, 2 nights

Day 10: Fremantle

Day of leisure and time to lose yourself lingering over lunch or a cool ale, Freo's Little Creatures Brewery is legendary. Wildlife lovers will not want to miss catching the ferry, glide across turquoise waters for a Rottne Island tour. Make sure you have your phone ready to capture selfies with the island's smiley quokkas. If you feel like working off the good food you have enjoyed, bicycles are an easy way to explore the island.

Day 11: Geraldton

Time to set off again through the Yanchep National Park. As well as the spectacular scenery. It's also incredibly spiritual, as you'll discover on an Aboriginal cultural experience revealing First Nations history through Dreamtime stories and didgeridoo sessions. Continue your journey and enter Nambung National Park where you are greeted by an ethereal moonscape. This afternoon, Geraldton's moving HMAS Sydney Memorial beckons.

Hotel: Mantra Geraldton

Day 12: Monkey Mia

The colours of UNESCO World Heritage-listed Shark Bay are so vivid, a colour palette of blues fading into powdery white sand. This is what awaits in Monkey Mia. Kick those shoes off and wander barefoot along the beach.

You may choose to take a cruise to spot the marine life or take to the skies on a scenic flight over Shark Bay Marine Park.

Hotel: Monkey Mia Dolphin Resort

Day 13: Kalbarri

Set your alarm for an early start, you won't be disappointed, Monkey Mia's wild dolphins swim close to the shore each morning to greet visitors. Next stop Shell Beach which stretches for more than 62 miles, one of only a handful of places on earth where shells replace sand. Heading on to Kalbarri National Park you'll take in the Murchison River Gorge from the Hawks Head Lookout.

Hotel: Kalbarri Edge Resort

Day 14: Perth

Western Australia has another colourful surprise for you as Hutt Lagoon appears on the horizon, just one of the state's bubblegum pink lakes. Arriving back in Perth you have a Farewell Dinner with new friends as you reminisce about the last 2 weeks.

Hotel: Travelodge Perth

Day 15: Farewell from Perth

It's time to say goodbye to your fellow travellers over breakfast.



Busselton Jetty



Wave Rock

Essence of the Kimberley

9 days

Be prepared to set off for a 9-day 4WD small group tour taking in some of Western Australia's iconic geographical wonders, spectacular scenery and landscapes so diverse you will find your camera snapping nearly as much as the local wildlife. Visit the outback towns of Fitzroy Crossing and El Questro.

Highlights

Broome - Gibb River Road - Tunnel Creek
Emma Gorge - Lake Argyle
Bungle Bungle - Fitzroy Crossing
Windjana Gorge

Tour Includes

- 8 nights accommodation with breakfast daily
- 9 lunches, 8 dinners
- Cruise the Ord River
- Stay at privately owned Wilderness Lodges
- Soak at Zebedee Springs
- A knowledgeable guide driver

Departure Dates

Departs: May - September
Regular departures

Tour also operates in reverse

Day 1: Gibb River Road, Tunnel Creek, Windjana Gorge

Your tour starts with a visit to the Boab Prison Tree. Continue your journey along the iconic Gibb River Road which traverses the wild heart of the Kimberley. Tunnel Creek is your next stop then on to Windjana Gorge. Travel into the Wunaamin Miliwundi Range National Park, which features seven rugged ranges.

Hotel: Bell Gorge Wilderness Lodge, 2 nights

Day 2: Bell Gorge

Setting off today you will travel to Bell Gorge, stunning cliffs surround a series of tiered waterholes, an idyllic natural spot for photography.

Day 3: Galvans Gorge, Manning Creek

Head out through the heart of Kimberley cattle country to discover some of the region's most secluded gorges. At Galvans Gorge, a short walk leads to a picturesque waterhole. Look out for the region's bird life and enjoy a refreshing swim in the pristine water.

Hotel: Home Valley Station

Day 4: Home Valley, El Questro

Today is a unique experience, don't forget your swimwear as you head to Zebedee Springs. Cross the Pentecost River into El Questro.

Hotel: El Questro, Emma Gorge Resort or Home Valley Station

Day 5: El Questro, Emma Gorge, Ord River, Lake Argyle, Kununurra

Your journey today takes you through Fitzgerald River and Stirling Range National Parks. A highlight will be a wildlife cruise on Ord River.

Hotel: Kununurra Country Club Resort

Day 6: Purnululu National Park, Echidna Chasm

Head on to Purnululu National Park, the park is home to the famed black and orange striped domes of the Bungle Bungle Range. Join a hike along a Livistona palm-fringed trail into Echidna Chasm, a spectacular natural cleft in the rock.

Hotel: Bungle Bungle Wilderness Lodge, 2 nights

Day 7: Piccaninny Creek, Cathedral Gorge

Explore the magic of Purnululu for yourself and discover the depth of the Bungle Bungle Range. Your next stop is the natural amphitheatre of Cathedral Gorge, a spacious cavern where the acoustics are astounding.

Day 8: Halls Creek, Fitzroy Crossing

Venture on to Halls Creek and admire the unusual China Wall.

Hotel: Fitzroy River Lodge

Day 9: Farewell from Broome

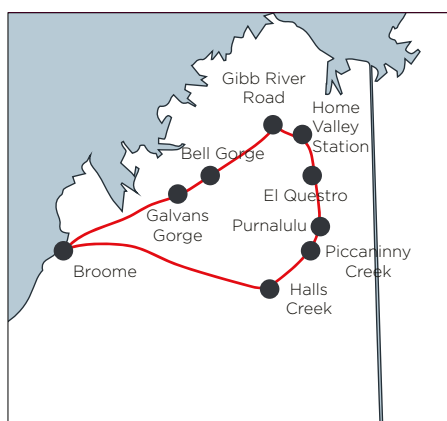
Your drive back to Broome takes you via Danggu Geikie Gorge National Park where you will board a unique cruise. Return to Broome where your tour concludes.



Gwion Gwion rock art



Cathedral Gorge



Bungle Bungle Range

Tasmania Wonders

10 days

Set yourself up for 10 days of amazement as you circle the largest island of Australia. Visit Tasmania Wilderness World Heritage Areas and Port Arthur Historic Site. Embrace diverse and natural landscapes with Cradle Mountain tours and Freycinet adventures.

Highlights

Hobart - Strahan - Cradle Mountain
Burnie - Launceston - Bicheno
Port Arthur

Tour Includes

- 9 nights accommodation with breakfast daily
- 2 lunches, 6 dinners
- Tour Director
- Entrance to 2 UNESCO Heritage Sites

Departure Dates

Departs: September - May
Regular departures

Day 1: Hobart

Guests to arrive before midday. Tonight, you will meet your fellow guests and Tour Director for a welcome dinner.

Hotel: Best Western Hobart

Day 2: Strahan

As soon as your tour commences it will become apparent that wilderness and nature surround you. Today you will stand in awe at some of the tallest eucalyptus and flowering plants on Earth. Move on to Lake St. Clair, the deepest freshwater Lake in Australia.

Hotel: Strahan Village, 2 nights

Day 3: Strahan

Glide across the inky waters of the Gordon Rover before cruising through Hells Gates returning to Sarah Island. It's hard to reconcile the beauty of this part of the state with its grim history.

Day 4: Cradle Mountain - Burnie

Quite possibly one of the most talked about "must visits" on the island, Cradle Mountain, your backdrop as you explore Dove Lake, home to the Tasmanian Devil. Join a keeper who will lead you through a local sanctuary where you will learn about the conservation project.

Hotel: Beachfront Voyager Motor Inn

Day 5: Launceston

Your drive today will take you to the top of the remains of a 12-million-year-old volcano.

Time to enjoy award winning cheeses at a local farm including the creamy Tasmanian blue.

Hotel: Best Western Plus Launceston, 2 nights

Day 6: Launceston

There are few places in the world where you can leave the city behind. Blink and you're at Cataract Gorge, a yawning chasm carved by ancient rivers. This rare natural phenomenon unites bushland with neat Victorian gardens.

Day 7: Bicheno

Today the aroma of an enormous lavender farm will awaken you before you arrive in Bridestowe. Little penguins come out to play in Bicheno; ask your Tour Director if you would like to watch these cute little guys after dark as they waddle to shore from the water.

Hotel: Beachfront at Bicheno

Day 8: Hobart

The colours at Freycinet National Park are likened to a patchwork of ocean blues that lap Coles and Wineglass Bays'.

Hotel: Best Western, 2 nights

Day 9: Port Arthur Historic Site

An historical visit to the attractions at and around Port Arthur, the Isle of the Dead, Devil's Kitchen, Blowhole to name a few gruesome sites. This is the best-preserved convict site in Australia.

Day 10: Farewell from Hobart

Your tour ends today.



Cradle Mountain



Bridestowe Lavender Estate



Richmond

Self Drive Tours

For those who crave the freedom of the open road and the luxury of travelling at their own pace then a self-drive is an excellent option. Once outside the main cities, the roads in Australia are free-flowing and easy to navigate and the options for adventure are endless. Whether you want to drive the iconic Great Ocean Road, one of the world's finest coastal drives then extend this to explore the Great Southern Touring Route. See what lies in wait as you make the drive between Sydney and Melbourne, discover the Pacific coast between Sydney and Brisbane or take a meander through the vineyards of the beautiful Barossa Valley in South Australia or Western Australia's Margaret River, planning a self-drive has never been easier. You can mix and match where you stay, intersperse boutique hotels with self-catering apartments and even a luxury lodge or two if that takes your fancy. A self-drive holiday in Australia is an easy and relaxed way to explore and here at First Class Holidays we have the experience to plan the perfect itinerary.





*The coastal drive between Palm Cove and Port Douglas is stunning, make sure you stop at the Rex Lookout for a photo.
Linda, Destination Specialist*

Our Favourites

The Great Ocean Road is legendary for a reason, it is truly spectacular. It can get busy so take your time.

If you're following the coastal drive from Sydney to Melbourne, make sure you stop at Pebbly Beach. There are usually mobs of kangaroos playing in the surf!

In the Margaret River, follow Caves Road through the Boranup Forest, the groves of karri trees lining the road are spectacular.

Driving over the Sydney Harbour Bridge as you leave the city on the drive to Brisbane is an experience you are unlikely to forget.

Our Tailor-Made Service

We love to create unique itineraries designed around everything you like to do. A selection of hotels, attractions and sightseeing tours are showcased throughout this brochure but these are just a snapshot of what we can offer.

Simply tell us your interests, your dates and your budget and we will work with you to create your perfect trip.

Sydney, Hunter Valley & Blue Mountains

8 days

Welcome to Sydney, brush shoulders with Sydneysiders at bustling restaurants and cruise around the harbour. Time to leave the city behind as you drive along the stunning Pacific Coast to the town of Port Stephens. A dolphin watch cruise is sure to be a highlight of your trip. Next stop is the Hunter Valley, renowned for its fine wines and a gourmet extravaganza. Your final stop will be in the Blue Mountains, walk amongst stunning landscapes, waterfalls and eucalyptus forests.

Highlights

Sydney - Port Stephens - Hunter Valley
Blue Mountains

Tour Includes

- 7 nights accommodation
- On arrival private transfer
- Sydney Sightseeing tour
- Sydney Opera House tour behind the scenes
- Dolphin Watch Cruise (April to November)
- 5 days intermediate car hire with fully inclusive insurance and unlimited mileage

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Daily

Day 1: Sydney

On arrival in Sydney, a private transfer will take you from the airport to your hotel.

Day 2: Sydney

There's nowhere in the world quite like Sydney. This morning you'll enjoy a behind the scenes tour of the Sydney Opera House before joining an afternoon city tour to include the harbour.

Day 3: Port Stephens (130 miles)

Collect your car and head north over the Sydney Harbour Bridge heading towards the sun-kissed Pacific Coast and the resort of Port Stephens, famous for its dolphin and whale watching.

Day 4: Hunter Valley (70 miles)

Today will prove to be a highlight with an included 90-minute dolphin watch cruise. Take time for lunch in Port Stephens before making the short journey inland to the famous Hunter Valley where cellar doors will entice you in for tastings.

Day 5: Hunter Valley

The Hunter Valley is home to more than 130 wineries and recognised as a world leader in dry white wines made from Semillon. This region is also a must for fine dining and lazy vineyard lunch platters, you have all day to find your perfect wine and food match!

Day 6: Blue Mountains (165 miles)

Maybe an early walk amongst the vineyards or a relaxed breakfast before you continue your journey south across the Wollemi National Park to the Blue Mountains. Give yourself plenty of time for endless look out stops and photo opportunities.

Day 7: Sydney (63 miles)

Spend time this morning exploring the Blue Mountains, this World Heritage-listed National Park is filled with lookouts, bushwalks, wildflowers and wildlife. Later, travel back to Sydney, return your rental vehicle depot before 5pm.

Day 8: Departure

Perhaps you've time for some boutique shopping before saying goodbye to Sydney.



Sydney to Melbourne Coastal Drive

8 days

The coastal drive from Sydney to Melbourne is simply spectacular. From the pristine sands of Jervis Bay where dolphins reside year-round, to a stay on Phillip Island and a 2 night stay in the cosmopolitan city of Melbourne. Your drive is diverse with rugged coastlines, charming coastal towns and wildlife.

Highlights

Jervis Bay - Batemans Bay - Merimbula
Phillip Island - Melbourne

Tour Includes

- 7 nights accommodation
- 3 breakfasts
- 7 days intermediate car hire with fully inclusive insurance and unlimited mileage
- Airport transfer on final day

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Daily

Day 1: Jervis Bay (125 miles)

Collect your rental car in Sydney and head south towards Jervis Bay, make time to stop at Hyams Beach, deemed to be the whitest sandy beach in the world. Arrive at Jervis Bay in time for a swim or feel the sand between your toes as you spot for playful dolphins.

Day 2: Batemans Bay (75 miles)

Continue south, your journey will open to a patchwork of farmland and forests. North of Batemans is where you will find walking tracks and a popular stop, Pretty Beach. Make sure you have your camera ready as kangaroos tend to sunbathe here.

Day 3: Merimbula (110 miles)

Your drive today will take you through Narooma, take a 20 minute boat ride over to Montague Island, home to a colony of fur seals, little penguins and Aboriginal history. This natural treasure is one of the highlights of this road trip. Arrive at Merimbula, situated in the heart of the Sapphire Coast, a coastal town where surf breaks over a sandbank and the boardwalk surrounds the lake.

Day 4: Lakes Entrance (170 miles)

The Sapphire Coastal drive from Merimbula will find you in the township of Eden known for its intriguing whale history. You will soon cross the border into the state of Victoria and on to Lakes Entrance. Take a stroll to Ninety Mile Beach, home to kangaroos, pelicans and dolphins.

Day 5: Phillip Island (190 miles)

You'll take an inland route today, passing through the country towns of Sale and Moe before heading south towards the coast. Phillip Island is popular with visitors at the daily penguin parade on Summerland beach. Be sure to get there before the sun sets and see the penguins waddle up the beach after a day's fishing.

Day 6: Melbourne (88 miles)

This morning make your way to Melbourne. After checking in to your hotel, drop your car off and the rest of the day is free explore the laneways and sporting venues.

Day 7: Melbourne

Today the choice is yours, maybe visit the Yarra Valley on a vineyard tour or join a city tour on foot or by e-bike.

Day 8: Departure

Time to say goodbye to Melbourne.



Melbourne



Phillip Island



Sydney Harbour Bridge

Pacific Coastal Drive, Sydney to Brisbane

10 days

One of the iconic drives in Australia is from Sydney along the sun-drenched Pacific Coast to Brisbane. Experience some of Australia's most picturesque seaside locations and Lamington National Park on this journey of discovery. You're sure to love the glorious beaches in laid-back Byron Bay, the koalas of Port Stephens, rocky headlands of Port Macquarie and Coffs Harbour marina.

Highlights

Port Stephens – Port Macquarie
Coffs Harbour – Byron Bay – Hinterland

Tour Includes

- 9 nights accommodation
- 10 days intermediate car hire with fully inclusive insurance and unlimited mileage
- Morning Cultural Tour

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Daily

Day 1: Port Stephens (122 miles)

Collect your rental car in Sydney and join the Pacific Coast Highway to tonight's overnight stay in Port Stephens. This might be your first opportunity to spot a koala. Your seaside getaway is surrounded by stunning beaches, and an aquatic playground for dolphins.

Day 2: Port Macquarie (150 miles)

Your journey continues north, follow the coastline as you make your way to Port Macquarie. This afternoon you may choose to take a coastal walk from the town centre to the lighthouse with stunning views to spot whales (seasonal) and dolphins.

Day 3: Port Macquarie

A free day in Port Macquarie. Port Macquarie is a seaside resort with extensive beaches, hidden coves and bays with rocky headlands. It's also well known for its native koala population and home to the Billabong Koala Park and the Koala hospital.

Day 4: Coffs Harbour (101 miles)

Depart Port Macquarie and rejoin the Pacific Highway. Travel via Kempsey and Nambucca Heads to arrive at Coffs Harbour.

Day 5: Coffs Harbour

Join a local Aboriginal guide on your morning tour as they invite you to their homelands, "Gumbaynggirr" country. Hear traditional stories that are written in the land and seascape, stand in awe at Sealy Lookout with truly stunning 360 views. This afternoon at leisure.

Day 6: Byron Bay (154 miles)

Depart Coffs Harbour via South Grafton and Maclean. Travel along the coast road through the pretty resort town of Lennox Head, to reach Byron Bay.

Day 7: Byron Bay

Explore Byron Bay, whether you are looking for national parks or beach life you will be spoilt for choice. From kayaking with dolphins, guided walks or even a surf lesson.

Day 8: Hinterland (95 miles)

Welcome to your overnight stay where birdsong will greet you and waterfalls flow. Embrace the native bushland in Lamington National Park with views across the McPherson Ranges.

Day 9: Hinterland

A free day to enjoy the many activities at your accommodation.

Day 10: Brisbane Departure (65 miles)

It's a short drive to Brisbane airport where you will drop off your car.



Coffs Harbour



Byron Bay



Brisbane

Queensland Coastal Drive, Brisbane to Cairns

10 days

This iconic road trip showcases some of the best that the Queensland coast has to offer. Overnight on K'gari, home to the largest sand island in the world, further north Airlie Beach is gateway to the stunning Whitsunday Islands and Whitehaven Beach. A cruise on the Great Barrier Reef will undoubtedly be a highlight of your trip.

Highlights

Noosa – K'gari - Whitsundays
Whitehaven Beach - Cairns

Tour Includes

- 9 nights accommodation
- 10 days intermediate car rental with fully inclusive insurance and unlimited mileage
- Full day K'gari Island Beauty Spot Tour
- Full day cruise of the Whitsundays and Whitehaven Beach

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Daily

Day 1: Noosa (100 miles)

Collect your car from Brisbane downtown and head north following the coastline. An easy, relaxed drive will see you arrive for your overnight stay on the Sunshine Coast.

Day 2: K'gari (125 miles)

This morning you will continue your drive towards Hervey Bay where you will park at Urangan Harbour. Board the 50 minute ferry ride to K'gari, for a stay at Kingfisher Bay Resort.

Day 3: K'gari

Today you will explore K'gari with a ranger-guided 4WD bus tour, make sure you pack your swimming costume as you will have the opportunity to cool off in the crystal-clear blue waters of Lake McKenzie and Eli Creek. A highlight will be a stop at Maheno shipwreck and Seventy Five Mile beach.

Day 4: Agnes Water (155 miles)

Take the morning ferry back to Urangan Harbour and travel north towards Bundaberg. Perhaps you'll take a late afternoon cruise at Agnes Water.

Day 5: Rockhampton (140 miles)

Continue to Rockhampton, a city straddling the Fitzroy River.

Day 6: Mackay (210 miles)

Bid farewell to Rockhampton and continue your journey towards Mackay. En-route take a break at Clairview where you will find viewing platforms to spot platypus in their natural habitat at Broken River.

Day 7: Airlie Beach (100 miles)

Airlie Beach is the perfect launching pad for activities on the water and in the lush, green rainforest of the Whitsunday Coast.

Day 8: Whitsundays

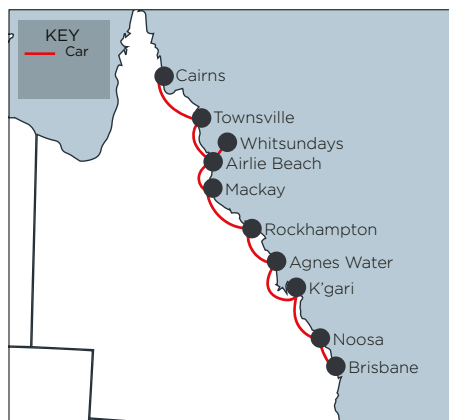
Sail through the Whitsundays and on to the tropical paradise that is Whitehaven Beach. Deemed to be the most photographed beach in Australia, this uninhabited island is one of Australia's little gems.

Day 9: Townsville (173 miles)

Head north via Bowen to Townsville, gateway to Tropical North Queensland.

Day 10: Cairns (220 miles)

Heading further north on the final part of your Queensland coastal drive, return your car in Cairns. Or continue your journey out to the Great Barrier Reef and Tropical North Queensland. We would be delighted to share our recommendations.



Tropical North Queensland

8 days

Far North Queensland is waiting to be explored. Home to hidden treasures from diverse landscapes, abundant native wildlife, tropical waterfalls and rainforest which come to life with birdsong. Finally, not forgetting the Great Barrier Reef. Unique accommodation en-route will prove to be a highlight.

Highlights

Port Douglas – Cape Tribulation
Great Barrier Reef – Atherton Tablelands
Mission Beach

Tour Includes

- 7 nights accommodation
- 1 breakfast
- 8 days intermediate car rental with fully inclusive insurance and unlimited mileage
- 4WD Cape Tribulation, Mossman and Bloomfield Track
- Great Barrier Reef Cruise
- Rainforest Wildlife Tour

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Daily

Day 1: Port Douglas (45 miles)

On arrival into Cairns airport, collect your rental car and drive north to Port Douglas, gateway to 2 World-Heritage listed natural wonders, the Great Barrier Reef and the Daintree Rainforest. Check in to your accommodation for 3 nights, the rest of the day is for you to explore at your leisure.

Day 2: Full Day Daintree, Cape Tribulation & Bloomfield Track

Your guided tour today takes you further north via Mossman to Cape Tribulation. Travel to the majestic Daintree River, where you'll join a river cruise. Ascend the Alexandra Range and experience the rainforest on an elevated boardwalk. Continue your journey along the 4WD Bloomfield Track to Emmagen Creek with time for a refreshing swim. Enjoy a short stroll along the beach at Cape Tribulation where the "Rainforest meets the Reef".

Day 3: Great Barrier Reef

Set sail on a 30-metre luxury sailing catamaran, just an hour's sailing brings you to the Low Isles. Set like a precious gem in a Great Barrier Reef lagoon, the island is an idyllic spot for swimmers and snorkellers alike who prefer calm waters. Slip into the water directly from the beach and drift over coral gardens alive with turtles and brilliantly coloured marine life.

Day 4: Atherton Tablelands (100 miles)

Time to head south for this evening's unique stay. Take in the quaint village of Yunggaburra, the landscape here is spectacular. For the next 2 nights you will be staying in a private treehouse, complete with a veranda with stunning mountain views. This tropical mountain retreat offers peace and relaxation.

Day 5: Atherton Tablelands

Enjoy breakfast provisions provided on the veranda. This afternoon you will join a small group tour to see rare Australian wildlife by day and night. You will also hear how the Aboriginal people use native flora and fauna. Following dinner your guide will spot for platypus, possum and tree kangaroos.

Day 6: Mission Beach (90 miles)

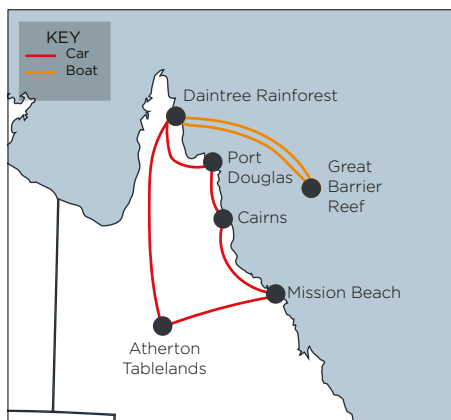
Make your way down towards the coast, stopping at Milla Milla Falls for a swim or just dip your toe, you may also like to check out MaMu Rainforest Canopy Boardwalk. This evening will find you beachside in Mission Beach for 2 nights.

Day 7: Mission Beach

Simply relax by the pool or take a walk along 8 miles of beautiful white sandy beach.

Day 8: Cairns (90 miles)

Today start to make your way north towards Cairns. Drop your rental car and move on to your next destination.



Western Discovery

9 days

Travel the sunniest coastline in Australia as you make your way from Perth through the eerie scenery of the Pinnacles. See the magical underwater gardens of Ningaloo Reef, and at Monkey Mia meet the dolphins who swim to shore each day to be fed. Continue past fringing reefs, dolphins, sharks and the striking red terrain of Australia's ancient landscapes.

Highlights

Pinnacles – Kalbarri – Monkey Mia
Coral Bay – Ningaloo Reef – Exmouth

Tour Includes

- 8 nights accommodation
- 9 days intermediate car hire including full insurance and unlimited mileage (a local drop off fee in Exmouth is applicable)
- Morning 3 hour Turtle Eco Tour

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Daily

Day 1: Cervantes (124 miles)

Head north from Perth along the Indian Ocean coast road to the Pinnacles Desert and see the striking limestone spires before continuing to Cervantes.

Day 2: Geraldton (140 miles)

Maybe see the Pinnacles at sunrise then head to Geraldton, the "Sun City" with its great sunshine record and white sandy beaches.

Day 3: Kalbarri (100 miles)

Continue north today and call into the Kalbarri National Park with its stunning coastline, spectacular gorges and wildflowers during July and November.

Day 4: Monkey Mia (248 miles)

Travel north to Monkey Mia, famous for its dolphins, sparkling blue sea and beautiful scenery.

Day 5: Monkey Mia (140 miles)

Spend the day enjoying all that Monkey Mia has to offer, watch dolphins swim in to shore to be fed. The friendly pod of wild bottlenose dolphins regularly swim to Monkey Mia's shore to interact with humans up to 3 times a day. Or visit Shell Beach, a beautiful snow-white beach made up of millions of tiny shells stretching for over 40 miles.

Day 6: Carnavon (220 miles)

Today your journey takes you further north heading towards Coral Bay.

Day 7: Coral Bay (150 miles)

This afternoon Ningaloo Reef awaits your arrival. Pristine white sand beaches, and turquoise waters home to the world's largest fringing coral reef. Here you will find a marine sanctuary of whale sharks, manta rays, turtles and over 500 species of fish.

Day 8: Ningaloo Reef

There really is no better way to view this natural aqua park than on the water. This morning join a glass bottom boat tour where your crew will share their knowledge of local turtles feeding in their natural environment. For visitors who wish to snorkel there are 2 carefully selected sites or sit on board and view the coral below your feet.

Day 9: Departure Exmouth (95 miles)

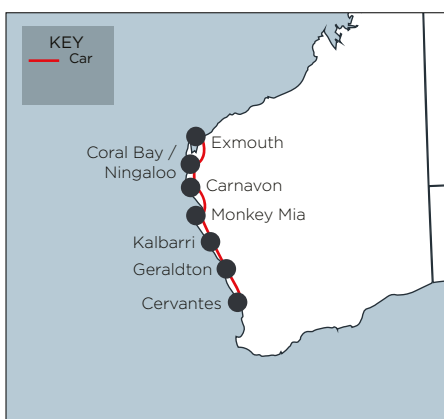
Continue your journey to Exmouth where you will drop off your rental car and fly on to your next destination.



Monkey Mia



Geraldton



Nambung National Park

Coral Coast, Dolphins & Pinnacles

8 days

The west coast of Australia is a marine playground, rich in sea life, and home to dolphins, turtles, manta rays and hump back whales. World Heritage listed Shark Bay is stunning and home to a whole host of marine life. Monkey Mia Resort is famous for its dolphins, who swim into shore each day to be fed. Relax on the white-sand beaches and paddle in the turquoise waters of Cervantes.

Highlights

Geraldton - Monkey Mia - Kalbarri Cervantes

Tour Includes

- 7 nights accommodation
- 8 days intermediate car rental with inclusive insurance and unlimited mileage
- Full day 4WD Eco Tour with a local Aboriginal guide

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Regular departures

Day 1: Geraldton (267 miles)

Collect your car in Perth and drive the Indian Ocean coast road north to Geraldton, known as, the "Sun City" with an average of 8 hours sunshine per day.

Day 2: Monkey Mia (268 miles)

Continue north to Monkey Mia, famous for its dolphins, beautiful scenery and sparkling blue waters.

Day 3: Monkey Mia

Start your day early and watch the wild bottlenose dolphins swim ashore and interact with humans. Visit Shell Beach, a beautiful snow-white beach made up of millions of tiny shells up to 10 metres deep.

Day 4: Monkey Mia

This morning drive a short distance to Shark Bay where you will join a full day 4WD cultural tour. With an experienced local guide, immerse yourself in nature and culture as red sands meet shimmering turquoise waters of the Indian Ocean. Your guide will be on the lookout for local wildlife.

Day 5: Kalbarri

Depart Monkey Mia and travel south to Kalbarri, located on the Midwest coast. With its pristine beaches and towering coastal cliffs. Once you arrive in Kalbarri let the experiences unwind.

Day 6: Kalbarri

Today you choose whether you relax or explore Kalbarri National Park where you will find a landscape of spectacular gorges and coastline. For a different perspective you may chose to take to the skies on a 45 minute flight over Pink Lake at Hutt Lagoon, a truly unique experience, this strange spectacle that stands out dramatically from its surrounds. Looking for something more hands on, hire a kayak or stand-up paddleboard, you can even take a camel trek.

Day 7: Cervantes (234 miles)

Leaving Kalbarri continue south today to Cervantes. This laid back fishing village boasts white sandy beaches and turquoise waters teeming with marine life. It's also the gateway to the Nambung National Park, home to the limestone pillars of the Pinnacles. These amazing natural limestone structures, some standing as high as 5 metres, were formed approximately 25,000 to 30,000 years ago, after the sea receded and left deposits of sea shells.

Day 8: Perth Departure (124 miles)

It's worth getting up early to visit the Pinnacles at sunrise before heading south down the Indian Ocean drive to Perth. Return your rental vehicle to the downtown depot on arrival, where your tour ends.



Kalbarri National Park



Monkey Mia



Perth

The Great Ocean Road

11 days

One of the world's most spectacular drives, the Great Ocean Road winds its way along the wild and windswept coast. Experience a seascape like no other; deserted beaches, historic ports and the famous Twelve Apostles. Melbourne is a cosmopolitan city with street art filled alleyways waiting to be explored, contrasting Adelaide has more of a laid-back feel, be sure to visit Central Market.

Highlights

Melbourne – Apollo Bay – Great Ocean Road – Port Fairy – Robe – Adelaide

Tour Includes

- 10 nights accommodation
- 9 days intermediate car rental with inclusive insurance and unlimited mileage
- On arrival private transfer
- Melbourne city tour
- Adelaide city tour

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Daily

Day 1: Melbourne

On arrival in Melbourne you will be transferred by private car to your hotel. The remainder of the day is free for you to explore.

Day 2: Melbourne

Join a small group guided 3hr tour. Melbourne is a city of contrasts, world famous sporting arenas and historic gardens where you can take a stroll. The afternoon is free for you to explore.

Day 3: Apollo Bay (125 miles)

Collect your car and head for the Great Ocean Road. This magnificent drive offers some of the most spectacular coastal views in Australia. Travel past famous Bells Beach passing wide beaches, dramatic cliffs and idyllic coves.

Day 4: Apollo Bay

The day is free for you to explore Apollo Bay. Set on the coast with excellent surfing and swimming beaches and the Otway Ranges as a backdrop.

Day 5: Port Fairy (118 miles)

After crossing the spectacular Otway Ranges you'll arrive at Port Campbell National Park. See the power of the ocean at work at the Twelve Apostles and the remains of London Bridge, before arriving at the historic fishing village of Port Fairy.

Day 6: Port Fairy

The day is free to explore this former whaling port located at the estuary of the Moyne River.

Day 7: Robe (180 miles)

Leave the Shipwreck Coast behind and join the Limestone Coast. Your journey will take you via the crater lakes of Mount Gambier and the Naracoorte Caves

Day 8: Robe

Today is free day to discover Robe. This quaint old-world charm port town was one of South Australia's first settlements and well known for its rich history. Towards the end of the day, head to Robe Lighthouse for dramatic sunset views.

Day 9: Adelaide (240 miles)

After breakfast head towards Adelaide, initially hugging the coastline. You may look twice at Cape Jaffa lighthouse, now decommissioned and moved inland. Another stopping point might be Jack Point Observation Deck for glimpses of the Coorong National Park. Arrive in Adelaide and return your car.

Day 10: Adelaide

Adelaide is a city of cathedrals plus the food and wine capital of Australia. This morning you will be met at your hotel for a 2 hour tour starting with Adelaide's cultural precinct, lined with museums and art galleries. Continue past Adelaide Oval before choosing from more than 120 wines available for tasting at the National Wine Centre of Australia.

Day 11: Departure

Time to say goodbye to Adelaide.

This tour is also available in reverse.



Yarra Valley, Mornington & Great Ocean Road

8 days

Take to the road on this self-drive which will wind you through Victoria's first wine growing region, the Yarra Valley, with a history stretching back over 180 years. Vines were first planted in 1838 by the Ryrie brothers on their property known today as Château Yering. The Mornington Peninsula is home to quaint coastal villages, acclaimed wineries and luxurious spas. Your final part of your tour will take you on one of the world's most scenic coastal drives, the Great Ocean Road.

Highlights

Yarra Valley - Mornington Peninsula
Flinders - Anglesea - Great Ocean Road

Tour Includes

- 7 nights accommodation
- 8 days intermediate car rental with inclusive insurance cover and unlimited mileage
- 1 breakfast
- Morning Behind the Scenes tasting tour at De Bertoli vineyard and winery
- Healesville Sanctuary admission

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Daily

Day 1: Yarra Valley (38 miles)

Time to say goodbye to cosmopolitan Melbourne, collect your rental car and make the short drive to the Yarra Valley and your hotel for the next 3 nights, the superb Chateau Yering. Spend the rest of the day enjoying your surroundings.

Day 2: Yarra Valley (45 miles)

This morning you will be treated with a Behind the Scenes tour of the De Bertoli Winery. Your knowledgeable guide will lead you on a decadent cheese and wine tasting before you turn your hand to "winemaker" at the blending table, an interactive experience. Make, bottle, label and personalise your own tittle to take away with you.

Day 3: Yarra Valley

Today includes admission to Healesville Sanctuary where you will view Australia's native wildlife in a stunning bushland setting with wombats and wallabies to name a few. The rest of the day is yours to relax.

Day 4: Flinders (85 miles)

Spend the day taking a leisurely drive down the Mornington Peninsula to the quaint village of Flinders. On the way you can explore some of the many vineyards for which the peninsula is famous.

Day 5: Flinders

A day to relax, have a coffee and stroll to the beach, or perhaps you'll explore the seaside towns and villages.

Day 6: Anglesea (230 miles)

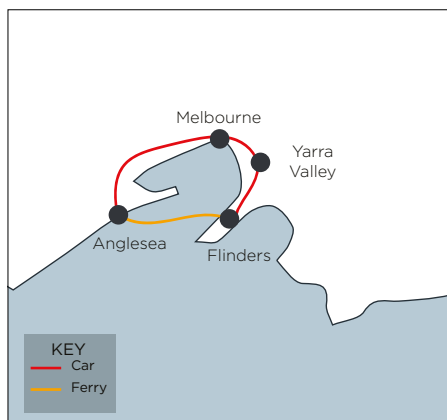
Drive to Sorrento and take the ferry to Queenscliff. Then drive along the Great Ocean Road to the Twelve Apostles, carved out of the headland by the fierce waves of the Southern Ocean. Head inland to return to the Great Ocean Road Resort in Anglesea.

Day 7: Anglesea

A day to explore this quaint town, amble along one of the nature trails or watch the surfers catch a wave.

Day 8: Melbourne Departure (80 miles)

A short drive will take you back to Melbourne where you will return your rental car.



Vines to Mountains

6 days

Explore the magnificent outback and world-class wineries of South Australia. The Barossa Valley is home to vineyards and wineries sitting amongst rolling hills. A vineyard lunch, locally sourced fresh produce is the perfect match for even the most discerning guest. Wander through quaint villages where you will find local arts and crafts. Your journey continues to the outback of the Flinders Ranges, home to dramatic landscapes and a vast array of wildlife, with walking trails and 4WD guided tours, visitors can expect a remarkable adventure.

Highlights

Adelaide – Barossa Valley – Flinders Ranges

Tour Includes

- 5 nights superior accommodation
- 6 days intermediate car rental with inclusive insurance cover and unlimited mileage
- 5 breakfast provision hampers
- Morning vineyard tour including lunch
- Sunset 4WD Tour

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Daily

Day 1: Barossa Valley (45 miles)

Collect your car in Adelaide and make the short drive to the Barossa Valley. You will stay for 2 nights in a private cottage nestled amongst the vineyards on the Barossa Shiraz Estate. Each cottage has a full kitchen with luxurious furnishings. Visit one of the local cellar doors for lunch and take your preferred bottle “home” to enjoy on your veranda.

Day 2: Barossa Valley

Enjoy breakfast at your own pace from the local provisions delivered to your door before embarking on a wine journey which starts at the Yalumba Cellar Door. Your host will explain the history surrounding The Signature Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz. Enjoy spectacular views of the Barossa Valley whilst you walk amongst the vineyards and experience a tasting. A 2-course lunch is included. The rest of the day is at leisure.

Day 3: Flinders Ranges (235 miles)

Following breakfast, it is time to leave the vineyards behind and drive the RM Williams Way to a working sheep station, Rawnsley Park Station. This is home for the next 3 nights, situated in the Flinders Ranges. Enjoy a sundowner on the deck of your villa before dining at the on-site restaurant. Tonight, star gaze from the bed via skylights. Welcome to the outback.

Day 4: Flinders Ranges

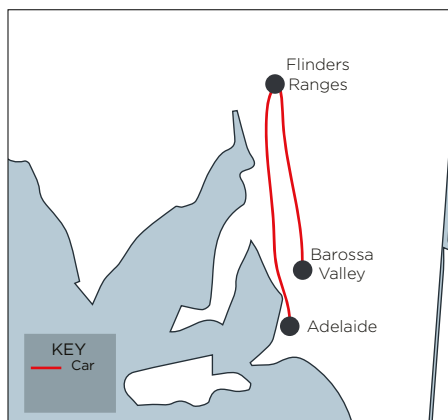
Breakfast is taken in your private accommodation, delivered daily for you to prepare at leisure. Today is your choice, explore the Flinders Ranges on a 4WD day tour with an experience guide or take a scenic flight over this vast and diverse landscape.

Day 5: Flinders

Wake up to the sounds of the “outback” and enjoy a leisurely breakfast to start the day. Your hosts will be happy to point out self-guided walking tracks. Later, after a short 4WD journey, perch on a hill and celebrate the end of a glorious day in the Flinders Ranges. Sip on sparkling wine or a beer and enjoy delicious canapés as the sun sets.

Day 6: Adelaide (260 miles)

After breakfast drive back to Adelaide, where you will return your rental car.



Spirit of Tasmania

8 days

From the heritage of Hobart's quaint cobbled streets that are just brimming with history, to Cradle Mountain's solitary rainforests, waterfalls and rugged beauty; the World Heritage listed wilderness to the ocean beaches of the Freycinet National Park, a nature lover's paradise, this is an island just waiting to be discovered. Launceston has an abundance of Victorian architecture that is sure to please any history buff.

Highlights

Hobart – Cradle Mountain
Freycinet National Park – Launceston

Tour Includes

- 7 nights accommodation
- 8 days intermediate car rental with cover and unlimited mileage

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Daily

Day 1: Arrive Hobart

On arrival at Hobart Airport, make your own way to your hotel. After checking in, the remainder of the day is free for you to explore. Salamanca Place has some of the city's best pubs, café's and restaurants.

Day 2: Cradle Mountain (195 miles)

Collect your rental car and begin your journey west through the Derwent Valley via New Norfolk and Derwent Bridge. Continue through the mining town of Queenstown to Cradle Valley.

Day 3: Cradle Mountain National Park

A day to relax and enjoy this remote area; experience the wilderness with waterfalls cascading down mountainsides, ancient pine covered slopes reflected in still glacial lakes, rainforest, wildlife and the unsurpassed natural beauty of this National Park. Cradle Mountain–Lake St Clair National Park is home to the world-famous Overland Track and iconic Cradle Mountain. Discover marked trails and walks through the forest, looking out for the native wildlife, you'll catch your breath at your first glimpse of jagged Cradle Mountain.

Day 4: Launceston (92 miles)

Leave Cradle Mountain behind and in the riverside village of Deloraine see its historic streetscape alive with craft shops and galleries before you arrive in Launceston, Tasmania's second city with Victorian architecture and the Cataract Gorge.

Day 5: Freycinet (130 miles)

On your drive today towards Freycinet take a stop at Ross where you will find the finest 19th century village in Australia; cobblestone paths and old elm trees line the main street and the Ross Bridge is the third oldest still standing in Australia.

Day 6: Freycinet

A day to explore this stunning park, crowded with forests, wildflowers, orchids and native wildlife. With its sapphire seas lapping pristine beaches, secluded coves and pink granite outcrops. Wineglass Bay is a perfect curve of white sand washed by sparkling sea under a blue sky – making for a stunning photo.

Day 7: Hobart (190 miles)

Travel today via the seaside town of Swansea on the shores of Great Oyster Bay, with its many examples of buildings and relics from the mid-1800's. Enjoy some of the local delicacies, before continuing through the historic Richmond village with Australia's oldest preserved colonial convict gaol, bridge and Catholic church.

Day 8: Departure

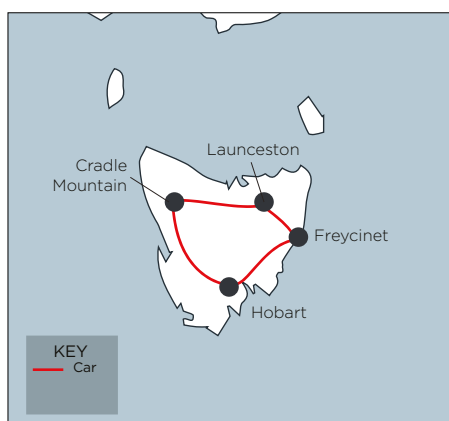
Check out from your hotel and return your vehicle to the airport before your onward journey.



Cradle Mountain National Park



Launceston



Freycinet

Essence of Tasmania

10 days

A curious island at the edge of the world, Tasmania has a rich and varied landscape with World Heritage listed national parks displaying flora over 2000 years old, wildlife unique to the island, pristine lakes reflecting clear blue skies and verdant vegetation and gushing waterfalls. Add stunning beaches, amazing farm to table produce, and a rich and somewhat questionable history and you've an ideal land to explore.

Highlights

Hobart - Strahan - Smithton
Launceston - Freycinet National Park

Tour Includes

- 9 nights accommodation
- 10 days intermediate car rental full comprehensive insurance and unlimited mileage
- Gordon River cruise with lunch
- Wineglass Bay cruise
- 5 breakfasts

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Daily

Day 1: Hobart

On arrival in Hobart make your own way to your hotel. Enjoy the rest of the day.

Day 2: Strahan (195 miles)

Following breakfast collect your car and begin your journey. Enjoy the pristine wilderness on the shores of Lake St Clair before continuing to Strahan.

Day 3: Strahan Gordon River Cruise

Cruise up the mighty Gordon River, with its ancient Huon pines and magnificent mirrored reflections. Step ashore at Heritage Landing to walk in the rainforest to see trees 2000 years old. See Hells Gate and Tasmania's salmon farms; enjoy lunch while cruising to Sarah Island, then walk amongst the ruins of this notorious convict island.

Day 4: Smithton (165 miles)

Take in the serenity of Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park where breathtaking landscapes are covered with alpine flora; marvel at the views from the shores of Dove Lake. Then travel via Stanley, set in the shadow of The Nut, on your way to Smithton.

Day 5: Launceston (150 miles)

Tasmania's North West combines stunning scenery with great produce. You've a chance to experience it today if you follow The Cradle to Coast Tasting Trail, designed to help you discover the best artisanal producers this special region has to offer, as you make your way to Launceston.

Day 6: Launceston

One of Australia's oldest cities, Launceston has elegant colonial and Victorian architecture and century-old parks. A short walk from the city centre, Cataract Gorge is a slice of wilderness right in the heart of town.

Day 7: Freycinet National Park (125 miles)

Drive through the scenic wine-producing area of northern Tasmania, cross the Weldborough Pass and on to stunning Coles Bay.

Day 8: Freycinet National Park

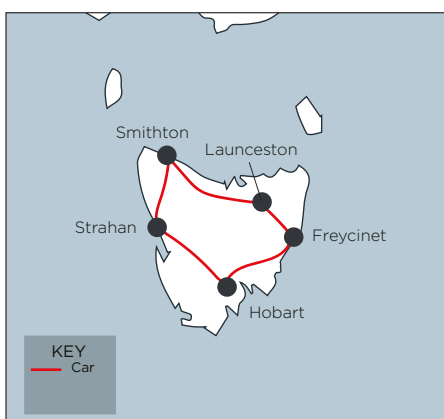
A day to explore this stunning park, with its sapphire seas lapping pristine beaches, secluded coves and pink granite outcrops it is a true delight; and nowhere more so than Wineglass Bay, where the perfect curve of white sand washed by sparkling sea under a blue sky makes a mesmerising spectacle and stunning photo. Enjoy an included morning cruise.

Day 9: Hobart (145 miles)

A short drive to Hobart to enjoy one of Australia's oldest cities, be sure to visit the waterfront and Salamanca Place.

Day 10: Departure

Return your car at the airport and take your onward flight.



Independent Touring

There is no getting away from the fact that Australia is a big place, and it can be overwhelming when you are trying to decide exactly what to do and what to see, in the time you have available. Independent touring is an excellent way to plan the itinerary you want, as it is tailored to your own requirements. These holidays are designed around you and this style of travel enables you to be a free spirit but travel safe in the knowledge that everything is planned in advance. For travellers who prefer not to travel with a group this is a great choice. These itineraries are just a suggestion of what can be planned and there are a multitude of options available from simple point to point itinerary to ones which include Australia's iconic rail journeys on the Ghan or the Indian Pacific. Use these as a guide to plan your own spectacular adventures across Australia.





Independent touring gives you the flexibility to be spontaneous, but also ensures you have all your tick-list items already in place.
Karen, Destination Specialist

Our Favourites

The sunrise and sunset experiences at Uluru are incredible, but you should do both as they are very different.

Plan a journey using the Ghan or the Indian Pacific or both. These trains are iconic experiences in their own right.

For a first time visit to Australia our First Time Essentials itinerary is hard to beat, and it can be tailored to suit your own requirements.

The itineraries included in the brochure are just a suggestion of what we can plan as an independent tour.

Our Tailor-Made Service

We love to create unique itineraries designed around everything you like to do. A selection of hotels, attractions and sightseeing tours are showcased throughout this brochure but these are just a snapshot of what we can offer.

Simply tell us your interests, your dates and your budget and we will work with you to create your perfect trip.

First Time Essentials

11 days

Welcome to one of the most iconic cities in the world, Sydney. Set on the shores of the harbour, Sydney Opera House and Sydney Harbour Bridge, fondly named by locals as the “Coathanger” because of its arched design welcomes your arrival. Next stop Uluru, indigenous story-telling and a palette full of rainbow colours from dawn till dusk. The secret is to take a photo every five minutes as that is how often the colours will change. Final stop Port Douglas, whether you prefer to be on top or underneath the ocean, the Great Barrier Reef, the world’s largest coral reef system will not disappoint, home to a myriad of marine life. Back on dry land and the rainforest beckons guests whether you prefer to take a guided walk, ride the sky rail or take the scenic railway.

Highlights

Sydney – Uluru – Port Douglas
Great Barrier Reef Cruise – Kuranda

Tour Includes

- 10 nights accommodation
- 6 sightseeing activities

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Regular departures

Day 1: Sydney

On arrival in Sydney, you will be transferred to your hotel.

Day 2: Sydney

Enjoy a morning tour of the major sights including the chance to take the iconic photo of the Sydney Opera House and Sydney Harbour Bridge before heading out to Bondi Beach. Return in time to join a cruise on Sydney harbour then the rest of the day is free.

Day 3 & 4: Sydney

Now that you have your bearings you choose how to spend your time. For those with a head for heights, you may decide to join a guided climb of Sydney Harbour Bridge and get a different perspective of the city or take to the skies on a scenic sea plane, what a way to arrive for lunch. Seeking culture, an opera house performance and dinner will make for a romantic, classical evening. Something simpler take a stroll amongst the botanical gardens, with views across the harbour there are few places in the world than can provide such a picnic spot.

Day 5: Uluru

Make your own way to the airport for your flight to Uluru, the remainder of the day is free to enjoy. You may wish to join an afternoon “Dot Painting” workshop, learn about the symbols and painting styles used to create beautiful works of art. Or simply embrace the desert lifestyle with laid back dining and a swimming pool to cool off in.

Day 6: Uluru

Set your alarm for an early start as you set off to visit 2 major landmarks in the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. Start with an amazing sunrise over Uluru as the Red Centre awakens in a magical array of colour. Continue your journey and hear of the local history as your guide and driver take you to Kata Tjuta and Waipa Gorge. The sandstone domes are believed to be over 500 million years old. You will be taken back to your accommodation to rest and relax before this evening’s tour. Once collected you will be driven to a viewing platform where a glass of wine is served as the sun sets over Uluru. After sunset, transfer to an exclusive barbecue site to enjoy dinner. Your guide will conduct a tour of the night sky. Return to your hotel.



Great Barrier Reef

Day 7: Port Douglas

You will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Cairns where you will be met and driven to Port Douglas, the gateway to 2 UNESCO World Heritage listed natural wonders, the Great Barrier Reef and the vast Daintree Rainforest. Stretch your legs on Four Mile beach and work up an appetite before heading to Macrossan Street which is lined with boutique shops and restaurants.

Day 8: Great Barrier Reef

This morning board your 30 metre luxury sailing catamaran, Wavedancer. Your cruise is to Low Isle, an idyllic, unspoilt coral island that is a secluded tropical paradise! The wide, sandy beach and clear, calm lagoon waters are ideal for swimming and snorkelling. If you prefer to not get your hair wet you can join a glass bottom boat for coral viewing.

Day 9: Kuranda

Your full day tour starts with a spectacular journey onboard Kuranda Scenic Railway up to the village of Kuranda. Your guide will meet you on the platform and show you around the village where you can enjoy free time meandering amongst colourful markets, shops, galleries and cafés. Mid-afternoon you return on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway, glide over the rainforest with 2 stations to disembark at should you wish.

Your transfer will head up the coast to Palm Cove where you can discover the palm fringed esplanade before a sundowner (at own expense) overlooking the picturesque beach. Return transfers from your Port Douglas accommodation are included.

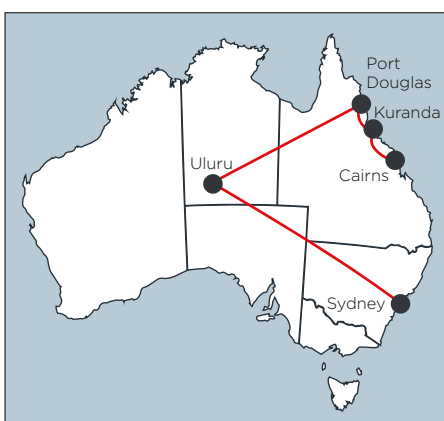
Day 10: Port Douglas

A free day. Port Douglas is the only place on earth where 2 World Heritage listed jewels exist; the Great Barrier Reef and the Daintree Rainforest and Cape Tribulation. Refresh and revitalise in the aquamarine reef waters of the Coral Sea, the crystal creeks of Mossman Gorge and the palm fringed golden sands of Port Douglas' Four Mile Beach.

Day 11: Departure

Your tour ends with a shuttle transfer from your hotel to Cairns Airport.

Internal flights are not included. We will be pleased to quote for them at the same time as your international flights.



Spirit of Australia

15 days

Experience the true Spirit of Australia as you explore the great cities of Melbourne and Sydney. Melbourne has an eclectic European vibe with a strong café culture and great sporting heritage. Sydney has a wealth of history going back to the days of European invasion as well as the famous Sydney Opera House, Sydney Harbour Bridge and Rocks area. See the ancient rock of Uluru light up in hues of orange and red at sunrise and sunset, explore Alice Springs and dine under a thousand stars before you head to the magnificent Great Barrier Reef and ancient rainforest.

Highlights

Melbourne – Alice Springs – Uluru
Kuranda – Great Barrier Reef – Sydney

Tour Includes

- 14 nights accommodation
- Melbourne city tour
- 9 sightseeing tours
- Airport transfers

Departure Dates

Departs: December to February
Daily, except Saturdays

Day 1: Melbourne

Arrive into Melbourne where your private transfer will take you to your hotel. The remainder of the day is at your leisure. Many of Melbourne's highlights are hidden from the main streets amongst arcades, lanes and alleyways.

Day 2: Melbourne

This morning's city tour is customised. Let your local guide know what your interests are, whether it be history, architecture, people, sports, shops or sit back and relax while your expert shows you the best Melbourne has to offer. This afternoon is free.

Day 3: Melbourne

Today is free for you explore further afield. Perhaps join a day tour on one of the most scenic coastal roads in the world, the Great Ocean Road and visit the dramatic rock formations of the Twelve Apostles, we recommend a small group tour to avoid the crowds. Don't forget your camera as at every turn you will find beaches, lookouts and stunning views. You may prefer to visit cellar doors in the Yarra Valley, with over 200 vineyards there are plenty to choose from. Time for one last evening in this cosmopolitan city before you move on.

Day 4: Alice Springs

You will be transferred by shuttle from your hotel to Melbourne airport for your flight to Alice Springs (not included). Arrive in Alice Springs and transfer to your hotel. The rest of the day is free to discover this outback town.

Day 5: Alice Springs

An early rise today as your tour commences with a visit to the Desert Park, this is where the desert comes alive with the wildlife. Learn how animals and the local flora and fauna adapt in their environment. After a short break at your accommodation this afternoon join a sightseeing tour of this outback town. You will see the Telegraph Station and the Royal Flying Doctor Service and visit the School of the Air, which educates children in remote areas by radio. *Please note: tour details may be subject to change.*

Day 6: Uluru

Depart Alice Springs to Uluru Resort. You will travel through the MacDonnell ranges; your driver guide will point out places of interest and share stories. This evening's tour will take you to one of the most awe-inspiring sunsets in the world at Uluru. Sip on a glass of bubbles as the sun sinks over the horizon lighting up the rock with a kaleidoscope of colour.



Day 7: Uluru Sites & Sunset BBQ Dinner

Relax this morning as the sun casts its first rays on Uluru. This afternoon a tour will take you to Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park for an afternoon and evening of discovery. Visit the Cultural Centre where you will have time to explore galleries, you may meet local Aboriginal Artists at work. Travel to the Uluru sunset viewing area where you can relax with a sparkling wine or two while you enjoy a famous Uluru sunset. Witness the incredible changing colours as the sun sets below the horizon. After sunset, transfer to an exclusive barbecue for dinner. Your guide will conduct a tour of the night sky (weather permitting).

Day 8: Cairns

Set off before sunrise to view the Field of Light display, with 50,000 globes of light in the desert, before watching the sun rise behind Uluru and Kata Tjuta. Transfer to the airport and fly to Cairns (not included) where you will be transferred to your hotel.

Day 9: Great Barrier Reef Cruise

This morning set sail on a full day tour onboard a 30-metre luxury sailing catamaran to the Low Isles just an hour from Port Douglas, set like a jewel in a Great Barrier Reef lagoon, this perfect spot is suitable for guests wishing to swim and snorkel in calm waters.

Marine biologists conduct a beach and heritage trail walk. If you prefer to keep your feet dry venture below the surface on a glass bottom boat. Relax on this beautiful palm fringed island under a thatched umbrella. Lunch, morning and afternoon tea are served.

Day 10: Grand Kuranda

Start with a journey onboard the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway where you will glide over the canopy of pristine World Heritage Rainforest. In Kuranda Village wander through the picturesque village, marvel at the largest butterfly aviary in the country with a guided tour through the landscaped gardens. Transfer to the award-winning Rainforestation Nature Park attraction and experience an Army Duck Rainforest Tour. It's now time to board the Kuranda Scenic Railway. Wind your way back through tunnels and over bridges on this magnificent journey, passing Stoney Creek and Barron Falls. Your tour includes a dedicated host service with quality Australian wine, beer and hot and cold beverages.

Day 11: Sydney

Enjoy a final glimpse of the sparkling blue seas and verdant jungle landscapes on a shuttle transfer to Cairns Airport this morning. Fly south to Sydney (not included), on arrival you will be transferred by shuttle service to your hotel, where the remainder of the day is at your leisure.

Day 12: Sydney

There's nowhere in the world quite like Sydney and on today's included sightseeing, you will understand why. Enjoy a cruise over the main harbour attractions such as the Sydney Opera House, the Sydney Harbour Bridge and Fort Denison before cruising the magnificent upper reaches of Middle Harbour where palatial waterfront homes, parks, beaches and marinas show Sydney life at its best. The cruise includes afternoon tea. Following your cruise why not find a harbour side bar for a sundowner.

Day 13 & 14: Sydney

You have 2 days to explore the city at your leisure. Why not take a ferry to Bondi Beach and enjoy one of Sydney's most iconic walks to Coogee. Further afield head out to the Blue Mountains on a guided tour, where waterfalls, eucalyptus forests and the famous sandstone rock formation of the Three Sisters awaits. If wine tasting is the order of the day, join a small group tour to the Hunter Valley.

Day 15: Departure

Time to say goodbye to Sydney.

Internal flights are not included. We will be pleased to quote for them at the same time as your international flights.



Australian Odyssey

13 days

On this journey experience some of Australia's most popular and exciting regions. Explore the sporting sights and historic gardens of Melbourne and spend a day in Adelaide the 'city of churches'. Marvel at the wildlife of Kangaroo Island. Stop in the Barossa Valley and get the inside story on winemaking behind the scenes at Richmond Grove Wines. Head north to Port Douglas and feel the sand between your toes on Four Mile Beach. Be entranced by the underwater world of the Great Barrier Reef and explore pretty Kuranda and its beautiful rainforest surrounds. Your tour ends in the magnificent city of Sydney. See iconic sights including the Sydney Opera House and the Sydney Harbour Bridge. Venture out to Bondi Beach or stroll Darling Harbour before your memorable Australian Odyssey tour comes to an end.

Highlights

Melbourne – Adelaide – Kangaroo Island
Barossa Valley – Port Douglas
Great Barrier Reef – Kuranda – Sydney

Tour Includes

- 12 nights accommodation
- 7 sightseeing tours
- Airport transfers

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Daily

Day 1: Melbourne

On arrival, a private transfer will take you to your hotel. After checking in, the remainder of the day is free. This afternoon get your bearings and take a stroll through meandering lanes and alleyways. Melbourne is a cosmopolitan city so you can be sure to find a wide selection of restaurants and rooftop bars.

Day 2: Melbourne

Discover Melbourne on this guided morning tour including world famous sporting arenas and historic gardens. Be dazzled by the wondrous sights of Australia's most vibrant city and learn about Melbourne's fascinating history with your expert guide. Visit world famous Albert Park, home of the Formula One, Australian Grand Prix as well as the famous MCG and Melbourne Park where the Australian Tennis Open takes place. Rest of the day is yours to explore. This evening perhaps head to the Southbank where restaurants and bars line the bank of the Yarra River.

Day 3: Melbourne

Today is a free day and the choices are endless. Wildlife enthusiasts may wish to join a tour to Philip Island where you will be witness to the evening ritual of the Penguin Parade. Watch from the viewing platform as these cheeky chaps arrive home after dark from the ocean.

Wine connoisseurs may prefer a trip to the Yarra Valley where you will be taken to some of the top wineries to taste some of the finest wines.

Day 4: Adelaide

Take an included transfer to Melbourne airport for your flight to Adelaide (flight not included). On arrival you will be transferred to your hotel and then the rest of the day is free to explore.

Day 5: Kangaroo Island

Discover the highlights of Kangaroo Island on this full day coach tour. From Remarkable Rocks to playful fur seals, the tour will take you to Kangaroo Island's natural highlights. Walk on the beach among a colony of rare and wild Australian sea lions with a National Parks Ranger. Head to Vivonne Bay for a 2 course lunch and spend the afternoon at Flinders Chase National Park. **This tour is available by air in one or both directions - price on request.*

Day 6: Barossa Valley

On today's excursion you will be part of a small group tour to the Barossa Valley where you will discover boutique family-owned wineries. As you smell, taste and learn the differences between the wine varieties such as Shiraz and Grenache or different styles of Riesling, you will awaken your palate.



Kangaroo Island

A vineyard lunch is served selected by the chef from the ever-changing seasonal menu.

Day 7: Port Douglas

A transfer will take you to Adelaide airport for your flight to Cairns (flight not included). On arrival you will be transferred along the scenic coastal road to Port Douglas. Port Douglas is the home of Four Mile Beach, an immense strip of soft white sand backed by tropical forest and lapped by sparkling azure blue waters.

Day 8: Great Barrier Reef

Today you will board your 30 metre luxury sailing catamaran, Wavedancer. Enjoy morning coffee, afternoon tea and a sumptuous buffet lunch onboard. An hour sailing time from Port Douglas, Low Isles is set like a jewel in a Great Barrier Reef lagoon, an idyllic unspoilt tropical paradise that appeals to everyone. Take your mask and snorkel and swim gently around the coral gardens where you will see curious clownfish and graceful turtles. Non snorkellers may choose to take a viewing of the marine life from the Glass Bottom Boat or join a guided beach walk with a Marine Biologist.

Day 9: Kuranda

First stop today is the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway where you will enjoy a world heritage listed rainforest experience and take in some of the most spectacular views on earth. Your guide will meet you on the platform in Kuranda and show you around the village and then leave you for free time to enjoy the colourful markets, shops, galleries and cafés before boarding the Kuranda Scenic Railway. On arrival at Freshwater station, you will head up the coast to stunning Palm Cove and watch the sunset with a cocktail or cool beer (own expense). Lunch is included in your tour.

Day 10: Sydney

Enjoy a final glimpse of the sparkling blue seas from your hotel to Cairns Airport this morning. Fly south to Sydney (not included), on arrival you will be transferred by shuttle service from the airport to your hotel where the remainder of the day is at your leisure.

Day 11: Sydney

This morning enjoy a city tour that will introduce you to some of Sydney's many highlights. Stop at Mrs Macquarie's Chair before heading out to Bondi Beach through the affluent eastern suburbs.

This afternoon take a cruise to see the main harbour attractions such as the Sydney Opera House, the Sydney Harbour Bridge and Fort Denison before cruising into the magnificent upper reaches of Middle Harbour. Your cruise includes afternoon tea served onboard.

Day 12: Sydney

Today is your day to continue your Sydney experience. Guests wishing to view the harbour from a different perspective may choose to climb the Sydney Harbour Bridge, for a special occasion book a scenic seaplane flight and view the iconic sights below. Visitors more active may prefer to join a guided e-bike tour or a walking tour of the historic Rocks area, there is even time to stop for a beer in one of Sydney's oldest pubs. Heading out of the city, the Blue Mountains offers waterfalls, steep cliffs and eucalyptus forests to explore, the seemingly blue haze gives the region its name.

Day 13: Departure

Time to say goodbye to Sydney.

Internal flights are not included. We will be pleased to quote for them at the same time as your international flights.



Australia in Depth

23 days

On this journey of discovery succumb to the beauty of Queensland and explore the marine life of the Great Barrier Reef. Spend time in Sydney where Sydney Harbour Bridge and Sydney Opera House will be the backdrop to your photos. Cosmopolitan Melbourne is where you will find cafés and restaurants tucked away in tiny laneways, wine connoisseurs will be spoilt for choice with both the Yarra Valley and Mornington Peninsula within easy reach. Adelaide brings the beauty Barossa Valley and wildlife of Kangaroo Island to the fore before boarding The Ghan and travelling through the very heart of Australia to Darwin.

Highlights

Port Douglas – Great Barrier Reef – Whitsunday's – Sydney – Melbourne – Adelaide – The Ghan – Darwin

Tour Includes

- 20 nights accommodation
- 2 nights onboard The Ghan Adelaide – Darwin will all meals and off Train Experiences
- Spirit of Queensland Cairns to Whitsundays
- 5 sightseeing tours as described
- Transfers where specified.

Departure Dates

Departs: March to November
Regular Dates

Day 1: Port Douglas

On arrival in Cairns, you will be transferred to Port Douglas. Once you have checked in to your hotel, take a stroll along Four Mile Beach.

Day 2: Great Barrier Reef

Today pack your swimwear as you are heading out to the Agincourt Reef, on the very edge of the Great Barrier Reef. Clear water provides the best possible underwater visibility, encourages rich coral growth and supports spectacular marine life. Snorkelling equipment is provided, coral viewing can also be taken from a semi-submersible with a marine biologist on hand to answer questions and share their knowledge.

Day 3 & 4: Port Douglas

For the next 2 days the choice is yours. Options include taking a 4WD tour into the Daintree Forest and flying high on the Skyrail and Scenic Railway at Kuranda.

Day 5: Airlie Beach

Transfer to Cairns to board the Spirit of Queensland for your train journey south to Airlie Beach for an overnight stay.

Day 6 - 9: Hamilton Island

Take a ferry to Hamilton Island for 4 night stay. Perfectly situated on the edge of the Great Barrier Reef, amongst Queensland's 74 Whitsunday Islands, Hamilton Island offers an experience like no other.

Enjoy complimentary use of catamarans, paddle skis, windsurfers and snorkelling equipment.

Day 10: Sydney

Fly to Sydney (not included) on arrival you'll be transferred to your hotel for 3 nights stay. Enjoy the rest of your day exploring. Take a walk between Darling Harbour and Circular Quay where the foreshore curves around the harbour offering stunning views of Sydney Harbour Bridge.

Day 11: Sydney

Join a morning sightseeing tour. Visit the historic Rocks area, travel through elegant Paddington arriving at famous Bondi Beach. Return to the city via Mrs Macquarie's Point for a final magical viewpoint over the harbour. Your tour concludes at either Circular Quay or Darling Harbour/King St Wharf precinct.

Day 12: Sydney

Your choice today perhaps take a small group tour out to the Blue Mountains or the Hunter Valley

Day 13: Melbourne

Make your own way back to the airport for your flight to Melbourne (not included). On arrival you will be transferred to your Melbourne hotel. After you have checked in, take time to explore.



Litchfield National Park

Day 14: Melbourne

Discover this metropolis on a guided tour. Depending on your personal interests' sites visited may include Collins Street, Docklands, Chinatown, Queen Victoria Market, the Sports Precinct (Tennis Centre, MCG), Southbank, St Kilda Road, South Yarra, Albert Park, St Kilda and more.

Day 15: Melbourne

Another "your choice" day. Foodies may join a discovery walk sampling some of Australia's national dishes. Wine connoisseurs may prefer a day sipping the finest wines in the Yarra Valley. Philip Island will offer a unique experience as little penguins return home at sunset.

Day 16: Adelaide

Make your own way to the airport for your onward flight to Adelaide where you will be transferred to your hotel. Spend the rest of the day exploring.

Day 17: Adelaide

This morning enjoy a gourmet experience. Taste foods that represent the premium food grown in the region. Meet locals, enjoy their hospitality and savour the real South Australia. Time this afternoon to relax.

Day 18: The Ghan

Step aboard the legendary Ghan this afternoon. Relax in your cabin or mingle with fellow travellers as you enjoy the passing scenery as South Australia disappears into the horizon. Lunch and dinner are served on board.

Day 19: Alice Springs

Witness an unforgettable outback sunrise at an early morning stop in Marla and enjoy the incredible outback scenery as the journey continues towards Alice Spring. Choose your off-train experience which include a tour of the town's highlights, a visit the School of the and the Telegraph Station, or stretch your legs on a guided walk to Standley Chasm.

Day 20: Darwin

Wake up in the tropical north where the pristine wilderness of Katherine can be explored on an off-train experience. As evening falls, arrive in Darwin where you will be transferred to your hotel for a 2 night stay.

Day 21: Darwin

Today is yours to enjoy the sights of Darwin at your own pace.

Day 22: Litchfield National Park

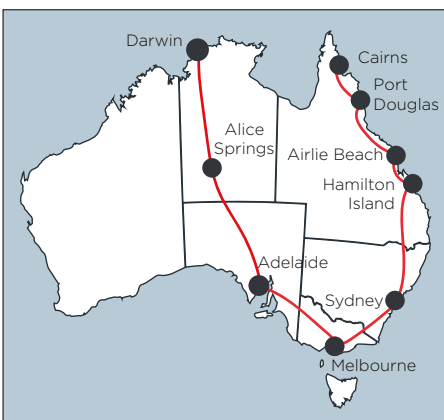
Your full day tour takes you to Litchfield National Park, to explore Top End habitats including lush monsoon forests, termite mounds, unusual rock formations and cascading waterfalls.

Day 23: Departure

Make your own way to the airport as you say goodbye to the capital of the Northern Territory.



Melbourne



The Ghan

Trains

In a country where jumping on a plane is akin to hopping on a bus, the opportunity to travel by rail is golden, and one that should not be overlooked. Re-live the glamour of a bygone era, sit back, and relax and immerse yourself in the incredible Australian landscape as it glides past your window. The iconic Indian Pacific traverses the continent from Sydney on the east coast to sunny Perth on the west and includes exceptional off-train experiences in the Blue Mountains, the Nullarbor and Kalgoorlie. The legendary Ghan follows the route of the early Afghan explorers, snaking from Adelaide, via Alice Springs to the lush tropics of the Tropical Top End and Darwin. This is train travel at its best with comfortable accommodation, world-class dining and immersive experiences all included. A more recent newcomer to the Australian rail adventures is the Great Southern. A spectacular journey taking passengers between Adelaide and Brisbane via the coast and rugged inland landscapes.





Seeing the colours of the outback from the Ghan is something that you will never forget.
Elaine, Destination Specialist

Our Favourites

The Ghan is iconic, it follows the route of the original Afghan camel traders but in comfort and style with not a swag in sight.

Travelling across the Nullabor Plain, the longest stretch of straight railway track in world, reminds you just how vast Australia is.

The range of included Off Train Experiences ensures that a trip aboard the Ghan, or the Indian Pacific is much more than simply a rail journey.

Taking the Indian Pacific train between Perth and Sydney, rather than flying, reveals Australia in all its spectacular glory.

Our Tailor-Made Service

We love to create unique itineraries designed around everything you like to do. A selection of hotels, attractions and sightseeing tours are showcased throughout this brochure but these are just a snapshot of what we can offer.

Simply tell us your interests, your dates and your budget and we will work with you to create your perfect trip.

Journey Beyond



The Ghan

The scarlet red carriages of the Ghan are synonymous with the outback and this is one of the best ways to enjoy an up-close and personal experience with the stark and remote desert landscapes. The Ghan travels between Adelaide and Darwin, via Alice Springs.



The Indian Pacific

Most people choose to fly between Sydney and Perth; however, the Indian Pacific offers the perfect alternative. A slower pace of journey, travelling through some of the most remarkable parts of Australia. The Indian Pacific operates between Sydney and Perth via Adelaide.



The Great Southern

The Great Southern gives another dimension to travel along Australia's east coast. Depending on the direction of travel the journey takes 3 or 4 days and takes in the rural scenery of Victoria and New South Wales, as well as the beautiful coastline. The Great Southern runs between Adelaide and Brisbane via Canberra or Melbourne.



Gold Service

The most popular choice of accommodation on The Ghan and Indian Pacific, Gold Service cabins have everything you need to make you feel right at home for the amazing experience that lies ahead. This is your private oasis, a superbly comfortable overnight room to recline and let the rhythm of the tracks sway you to sleep ahead of your next adventure.

During the day, relax on the three-seater lounge that converts to your upper and lower sleeping berth at night. Enjoy the high quality linen, pillows, duvets and toiletries.

Gold Service cabins have a compact en suite with toilet, washbasin and shower giving you all the comfort, privacy and amenities you require. Choose from 6 in-cabin music and journey commentary channels to add ambience to your travels.



Gold Premium Service

Guests looking for a little more space to move around in, the Gold Premium Suite is newly designed. Each Suite has a $\frac{3}{4}$ size double bed plus a fold-down upper berth and a lounge area, giving guests room to relax.

The Gold Premium lounge oozes an elegant ambience with mood lighting which epitomises the romance of train travel. Sit back and watch the wonders of the Australian outback vast farming stations and bustling cities pass you by with a drink in hand.

Gold Premium dining is a feast in multiple ways, with a contemporary Art Deco design. Carefully curated meals are served from hearty breakfasts to 4 course dinners, featuring the finest ingredients from local suppliers.

Gold Premium guests will enjoy premium amenities and luxuriously soft linen, exclusive access to the Gold Premium Lounge & Gold Premium Dining carriage. In cabin music channels and audio commentary of your journey are included for your enjoyment. Each suite also features a compact en-suite offering privacy and comfort.



Platinum

For the discerning traveller, Platinum Service adds an enhanced level of sophistication to your journey. Stylishly appointed, spacious suites complemented by discreet, personalised service and world-class food and wine make this a very special travel experience.

Platinum guests enjoy premium extras like a full-size en suite, expansive window views from both sides of the train, and exclusive use of the Platinum Club carriage. You'll also notice the Bollinger champagne, toiletries, chocolates, a nightcap at turndown, luxuriously soft linen, and more ... it's this attention to detail that you'll recall long after your journey's end.

By day, your cabin is configured as a private lounge with deluxe seating, a table and two ottomans. By night, you'll enjoy a deep, comfortable sleep as the lounges convert into a comfortable bedroom with either one double or twin beds. It's the perfect place to relax and take in the amazing views passing by your panoramic windows but, for a more social experience, head to the Platinum Club offering a daytime lounge setting with adaptable dining options.

As you'd expect from a first class service, the food and wine included in the Platinum Service is of the highest standard. And, as a Platinum guest, the premium service level begins before you even board with private transfers included at the start and end of your journey in Adelaide, Sydney, Alice Springs and Perth within a 40 mile radius of the terminal.





Journey Includes

- 4 days/3 nights aboard the Indian Pacific
- All-inclusive meals, fine wines, and beverages
- A regionally-inspired menu paired with a selection of local wines
- Off Train Experiences

Departure Dates

2024 – Sundays, year round
 2025 – Saturday, year round (5 day/4 night journey from Perth to Sydney)



Journey Includes

- 4 days/3 nights aboard the Indian Pacific
- All-inclusive meals, fine wines, and beverages
- A regionally-inspired menu paired with a selection of local wines
- Off Train Experiences

Departure Dates

Year round, Wednesdays

Coast to Coast on the Indian Pacific

4 days

This journey aboard the iconic Indian Pacific will whisk you between Perth, Adelaide and Sydney in comfort and style. This remarkable transcontinental crossing between the Indian and Pacific oceans, step onboard for an all-inclusive rail holiday you'll never forget. Follow the path of bush pioneers, gold rush prospectors, and legendary adventurers as you make an epic transcontinental journey.

Day 1: Depart Perth

Settle into your comfortable cabin and get to know the creature comforts of life onboard. Enjoy the scenery as you glide through the picturesque Avon Valley and onwards for late evening arrival in the wild west township of Kalgoorlie.

Day 2: Nullarbor Plain

Awake to the spectacular expanse of the Nullarbor Plain to watch the sunrise. Be captivated by the big blue skies and ancient stillness of the desert landscape, broken only by a mob of friendly kangaroos. Waiting ahead is the charm of the once-thriving Nullarbor railway community – now ghost town – of Cook. Sit back and relax as the train continues its trek across the longest single stretch of railway in the world. Another mouthwatering dinner is followed by relaxed conversation in the lounge before a restful night's sleep.

Day 3: Adelaide

On arrival in elegant Adelaide this morning you have a choice activities.

Day 4: Blue Mountains & Sydney

Wake in the picturesque Blue Mountains where you have a choice of options. See the majestic Three Sisters at Echo Point and the views at Jamison Valley before completing your journey on a chartered NSW rail service (fully hosted by Indian Pacific staff) into Sydney or stay on board the Indian Pacific to travel directly to Sydney.

A Journey on the Indian Pacific

4 days

Prepare for a journey of contrasts. From lush vineyards to vast goldmines, majestic mountains to the barren expanse of the Nullarbor, cities of four million to ghost towns of four. Follow in the footsteps of those who dared to venture beyond city limits – the legendary adventurers, goldrush prospectors and bush pioneers who forged their lives in Australia's spectacular yet unforgiving interior.

Day 1: Depart Sydney

Your transcontinental adventure begins in Sydney where you board the Indian Pacific. As the train winds through the breathtaking Blue Mountains, explore the comforts of life onboard, get acquainted with your fellow travellers. After settling in, savour your first meal – a regionally-inspired dinner paired with all-inclusive fine wines and beverages. After dinner, join fellow guests for a late night drink or head back to your cabin for your first night onboard.

Day 2: Broken Hill & Adelaide

You arrive in the 'Silver City' of Broken Hill as the day begins. A choice of included tours awaits you. Arriving in Adelaide in the afternoon, you again have a choice of sightseeing that includes 2 wine regions, the South Australia Museum or the village of Hahndorf. Whichever you choose an exciting off-train dinner is included.

Day 3: Nullarbor Plain

Awake to the seemingly endless expanse of the Nullarbor Plain. Breakfast is served as you travel along the longest stretch of straight railway track in the world. This evening, your sense of wonder will be ignited as you enjoy the tranquillity of dinner under the brilliant desert stars in the remote and beautiful Rawlinna (seasonal).

Day 4: Perth

Breakfast is served as you glide through the mild skies and cool green vales of the Avon Valley on your way to Perth, arriving after an onboard lunch.



From Adelaide to Darwin on the Ghan

3 days

Travelling through the heart of Australia, between Adelaide in the south and the northern tropical city of Darwin, you'll be enthralled by the landscape that makes this one of the great train journeys of the world. For 3 days and 2 nights you will be mesmerised by an unforgettable vista of red earth, glimpses of Australia's unique wildlife and outback splendour.

Day 1: Depart Adelaide

Departing Adelaide, what lies ahead is rugged, beautiful and spectacular through the Red Centre to the tropical north of Australia. Settle into your cabin and watch the rolling pastoral lands of South Australia from your window or meet your fellow travellers in the lounge car. Before long some of the oldest rock formations in the world, the Flinders Ranges, come into view. As darkness envelops the rugged outback, it's time to enjoy dinner.

Day 2: Nullarbor Plain

The day dawns at Marla, an outback outpost in the remote reaches of South Australia. Enjoy a one of a kind experience as you watch the desert come to life at sunrise. The train travels through the MacDonnell Ranges to Alice Springs where a choice of Off Train Experiences await. Alice is an iconic Red Centre outpost; it may be remote, but it offers plenty to explore. Home to doctors who fly, rivers that run dry, and a cast of colourful characters.

Day 3: Katherine & Darwin

Your day dawns in the tropical north. The pristine wilderness of Katherine is stirring and powerful, and you'll have the chance to explore it from the water or land with your choice of Off Train Experiences. Cruise the jaw-dropping Nitmiluk Gorge, learn more about its ancient Indigenous rock paintings and gain insight into the culture of the traditional owners of Nitmiluk, the Jawoyn people, or discover authentic outback life on a cattle station. As evening falls, arrive in Darwin to complete your epic Australian journey

**The Southbound journey differs from itinerary shown.*



Journey Includes

- 3 days/2 nights aboard The Ghan
- All-inclusive meals, fine wines, and beverages
- Immersive Off Train Experiences

Departure Dates

From Adelaide: Sunday – Mar–Nov,
Wednesday – Apr–Oct

From Darwin: Wednesday – Nov & Mar



The Ghan Expedition

4 days

Explore the wonders of Australia's vast interior with one of the world's most renowned rail journeys, The Ghan Expedition from Darwin to Adelaide. This 4 day journey will take you to some of the most remote and captivating parts of Australia in style and comfort.

Day 1: Katherine

Board the train in Darwin and enjoy lunch as your journey south begins. At Katherine enjoy your first included experience as you head for a leisurely cruise on Nitmiluk Gorge, gaze awestruck at the towering sandstone cliffs and learn of the aboriginal history and culture from your experienced guide. Back on board enjoy dinner as the train heads south.

Day 2: Alice Springs

You'll be just finished with breakfast as the train pulls into "the Alice", and there's a full day for you to explore the gateway to the Red Centre. Here there is opportunity to embark on one of the included Off Train Excursions, taking in the delights of this famous outback town. Come the evening you'll dine beneath a canopy of stars at an authentic Outback Pioneer Dinner.

Day 3: Coober Pedy

You'll wake up and rub your eyes with disbelief as you pull into the middle-of-nowhere stop at Manguri. Your destination is the sun-scorched opal mining capital of world, Coober Pedy, where more than half of the residents live underground. Venture into the tunnels and caves of this underground town and take a glimpse of Umoona Opal Mine. Below the earth's surface, you'll enjoy a gourmet lunch in the most unique of locations before setting off to the stunning outback moonscape that is the Breakaways. Tonight enjoy a final dinner on board.

Day 4: Adelaide

After breakfast you'll have time to reflect on your journey before The Ghan rolls into Adelaide.



Journey Includes

- 4 days/3 nights aboard The Ghan Expedition
- All-inclusive meals, fine wines, and beverages
- Off Train Experiences

Departure Dates

April – October, Wednesdays

June – August, Saturdays

An Indian Pacific Odyssey

9 days

Experience the wildlife delights of Kangaroo Island, sea lions, koalas, the local “roo” as well as diverse birdlife all protected on this island, with the Flinders Chase National Park to explore this really is a nature lovers paradise. Vineyards of the Barossa Valley are a must visit for even the most discerning wine connoisseur. With history and Central Market to explore in Adelaide and Perth adding in white sandy beaches your voyage on board the iconic Indian Pacific will take you on a diverse journey.

Highlights

Adelaide – Kangaroo Island
Barossa Valley – Indian Pacific – Perth
Fremantle

Tour Includes

- 6 nights accommodation
- 2 nights on board the Indian Pacific in your choice of cabin
- 9 meals – 2 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 3 dinners
- Flight to / from Kangaroo Island
- 3 sightseeing tours
- Rail station and airport transfers

Departure Dates

Thursday, year round from Adelaide
Sundays, year round from Perth
(itinerary may differ)

Day 1: Adelaide

Arrive into Adelaide and take your private transfer to your hotel. The remainder of your day is at leisure.

Day 2: Kangaroo Island

Take a private transfer for your flight to Kangaroo Island. Travel through eucalyptus groves and farmland to Latham Conservation Park. Enjoy lunch with wine before visiting the Seal Bay Conservation Park for stunning views of a sea-lion colony, then check into your hotel.

Day 3: Adelaide

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast before returning to the airport for your flight and transfer back to your hotel.

Day 4: Barossa Valley

Today’s excursion takes you to the Barossa Valley, one of Australia’s premier wine producing regions. Your first winery is Chateau Yaldara, one of the most photographed historic buildings in South Australia. Cross the world-famous Jacobs Creek on your way to Peter Lehmann winery for a lunch platter and enjoy some of the Barossa’s most internationally acclaimed wines. Continue on to Lambert Estate Wines before your final stop at Wolf Blass Wines, one of the world’s most iconic award winning wine brands. There is time to explore before returning to Adelaide.

Day 5: Adelaide – Indian Pacific

Enjoy a morning at leisure before your private transfer for the evening departure onboard the Indian Pacific. Relax with fellow travellers before dinner is served.

Day 6: Indian Pacific

Wake up to the wonders of the Nullarbor Plain as your journey continues towards Perth. Arrive at Cook with a population of just 4, for a quick leg stretch. Gourmet dining completes your day with a regionally inspired menu paired with a selections of local wines.

Day 7: Perth

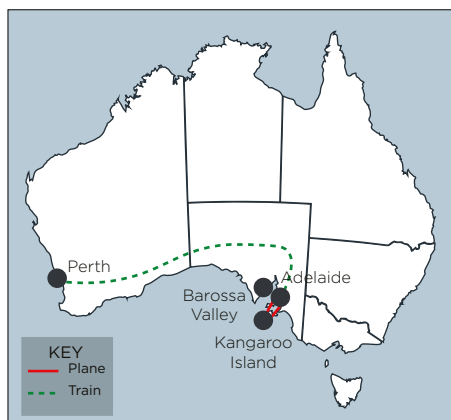
Breakfast is served as the rolling hills of the Avon Valley passes you by. Arrive in to Perth mid-afternoon where you will be transferred to your hotel.

Day 8: Perth & Fremantle

Discover the best of Perth and Fremantle this morning. Then join a cruise back along the Swan River to Perth, pass the homes of some of Australia’s rich and famous, the Royal Perth Yacht Club and the University of Western Australia. The rest of the day is free to explore on your own.

Day 9: Departure

Your iconic journey is now complete. It may be time to depart Perth or continue your Western Australia adventure.



The Ghan & Red Centre Discovery

8 days

The verdant Barossa Valley contrasts with the arid Red Centre, with iconic Uluru, Kings Canyon and the ‘real outback’ of Alice Springs. Learn about Aboriginal culture and history and see one of the world’s most spectacular sunrises at Uluru. Combine all of this with a journey on one of the world’s iconic trains, The Ghan, and you’re sure to have an unforgettable holiday.

Highlights

Adelaide – Barossa Valley – The Ghan
Alice Springs – Uluru

Tour Includes

- 6 nights accommodation
- 1 night on board The Ghan in your choice of cabin
- All meals, fine wines and beverages on board the The Ghan
- Off Train Experiences
- 4 sightseeing tours as described

Departure Dates

Sundays, March – October from Adelaide
Thursdays, March & November from Alice Springs to Adelaide (*itinerary may differ*)

Day 1: Adelaide

Arrive into Adelaide and take your private transfer to your chosen hotel. Remainder of the day is free to explore the “City of Churches”.

Day 2: Barossa Valley

Today spend a day in the vineyards, tasting some of the worlds’ most famous grapes. Your first winery is Chateau Yaldara, before crossing the world-famous Jacobs Creek on your way to Peter Lehmann winery for a lunch platter and wine tastings. Visit Lambert Estate Wines before a final stop at Wolf Bless Wines, before returning to Adelaide.

Day 3: The Ghan

Enjoy a morning at leisure before a private transfer for the lunchtime departure of the Ghan. Indulge in a pre-dinner drink as you make new friends with fellow guests and enjoy a multicourse dinner this evening.

Day 4: Alice Springs

An early morning sunrise in the heart of the Australian outback is simply one of life’s most memorable experiences. Brunch is served before your arrival into Alice Springs where you will be met and transferred to your hotel for a 2 night stay. The rest of your day is at leisure.

Day 5: Alice Springs

Your full day tour starts with a visit Desert Park where the local Arrente people connect with flora, fauna and animals they are proud to share with visitors.

Today also includes visits to The School of the Air, the historic Telegraph Station, the Royal Flying Doctors Service and the Alice Springs Reptile Centre. The tour concludes with a panoramic view of the township of Alice Springs.

Day 6: Uluru

Leave Alice Springs on a transfer to Uluru. Take in the rugged desert landscapes of the region. This evening, capture the magic of the desert sunset. Enjoy nibbles and a complimentary glass of wine as the sun sets, the evening sky brings out the many shades of colour for which Uluru is famous. After a BBQ dinner a stargazer will point out constellations and tell tales of aboriginal stories of the night sky before you return to your hotel.

Day 7: Uluru

This morning set your alarm early as you join a tour to the Field of Light. Arrive in complete darkness, in the stillness you will be able to enjoy the 50,000 globes of light in the desert, before the sun creeps through the sky, rising in the distance behind Uluru. Enjoy amazing photos from this unique raised location that allows you to view both Kata Tjuta and Uluru in all their natural glory. The rest of the day is at leisure.

Day 8: Departure

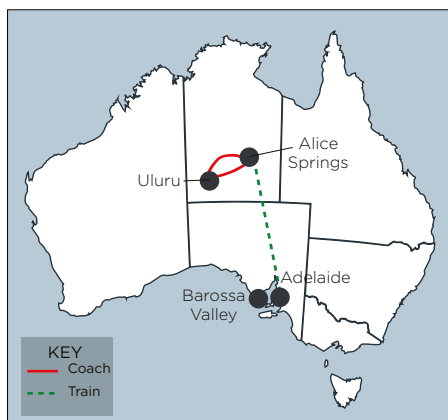
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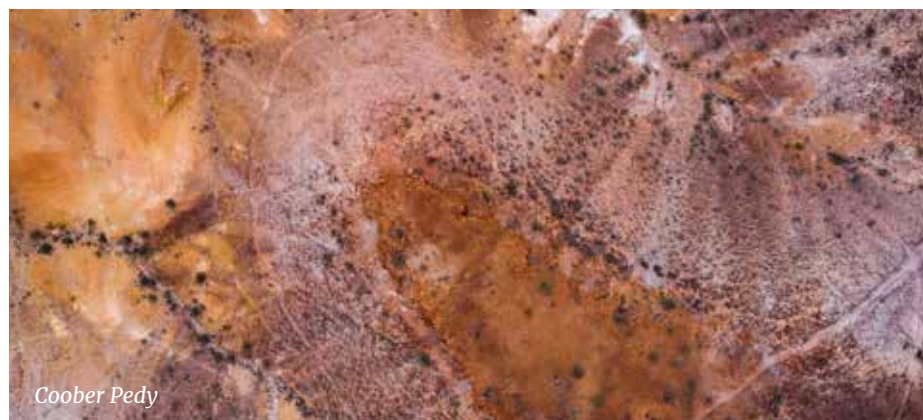
The Ghan



Off Train Experiences



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Coober Pedy

Croc's to 'Roos A Ghan Expedition

9 days

Experience Australia's "Top End", the magnificent Ghan train journey south to Adelaide, and explore the delights of Kangaroo Island. Discover the true outback, explore "The Alice" and be amazed at the nighttime sky-scape as you journey across Australia. See crocodiles, kangaroos and the unique town of Coober Pedy as you experience the 'real' Australia.

Highlights

Darwin – The Ghan – Nitmiluk Gorge Alice Springs – Coober Pedy – Adelaide Kangaroo Island

Tour Includes

- 5 nights accommodation
- 3 nights on board The Ghan in your choice of cabin
- All meals, fine wines and beverages on board the The Ghan
- Off Train Experiences
- Darwin City Tour including "Jumping Crocs"
- Train station transfers
- Kangaroo Island Guided Tour
- Morning Adelaide City Tour

Departure Dates

Wednesday & Saturday, April to October from Darwin

Sundays, March to October Wednesdays April – November from Adelaide (*itinerary may differ*)

Day 1: Arrive Darwin

Arrive into Darwin and make your way to your hotel. The rest of the day is free to explore Australia's most northerly city.

Day 2: Darwin

Join a city sights tour to see the lush Botanic Gardens and Chinese Temple plus historic sites including the East Point Military Precinct. Visit Stokes Hill Wharf area, the Mooring Basin and Darwin Aviation Museum before continuing to The Adelaide River, the location of the famous Jumping Crocodile. Enjoy a river cruise to see these fearsome reptiles before moving on to Fogg Dam Nature Reserve and the Wetland View Top to see uninterrupted panoramic views.

Day 3: The Ghan

Transfer to the station for your departure aboard The Ghan. The first stop is at Katherine for an included excursion to Nitmiluk Gorge. Dinner is served onboard as the sun sets over the outback. Fall asleep as the train rolls onwards to your next stop.

Day 4: The Ghan

A full day of tours are available to explore "The Alice" or take an optional upgrade to a scenic flight over Uluru. Dine this evening under a million stars at the historic Alice Springs Telegraph Station

Day 5: The Ghan

A full day to explore the unique town of Coober Pedy, where more than half of the residents live underground.

Re-board the Ghan early evening for your final night as you head to Adelaide

Day 6: Adelaide

Arrive into Adelaide mid-morning after a final sumptuous breakfast on board. Transfer to your hotel then the rest of your day is free to explore. Soak up Adelaide's colonial elegance in the spacious green parklands, bustling Adelaide Central Markets.

Day 7: Kangaroo Island

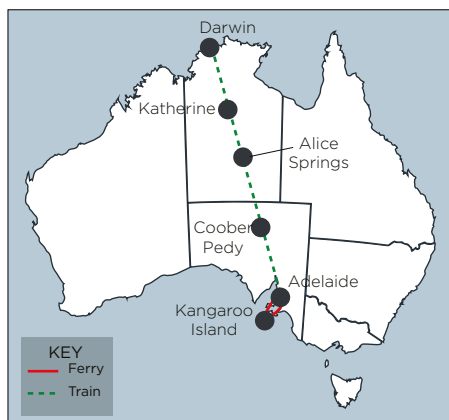
Explore Flinders Chase National Park, one of the oldest national parks in South Australia. At Admirals Arch see where the powerful forces of nature have cut through the headland to create this natural geological formation. Watch some of the 10,000 Long-nosed Fur Seals and stand in wonder at the picturesque formations of Remarkable Rocks. A picnic lunch with wine will be served in a secluded scenic location. Enjoy the opportunity to search for kangaroos, wallabies and a variety of birdlife before your return journey back to Adelaide.

Day 8: Adelaide

Join a morning walking tour of the city where you will gain an insight into the hidden secrets of Adelaide with a knowledgeable guide. Rest of your day is at your leisure.

Day 9: Departure

Make your way to the airport for your onward journey or continue along the Great Ocean Road, one of the most scenic drives in the world.



Rail & Cruise

For the ultimate Australia experience sit back and relax as soothing train tracks roll through magnificent landscapes, lush valleys abundant with vineyards, cosmopolitan cities, deep red deserts and iconic sites before embarking on a cruise for a different perspective. Let the waves lap against your cabin and ease you to sleep as you sail to your next location. You may choose to sail north to the Great Barrier Reef where a kaleidoscope of vibrant coral gardens and marine life are in abundance. Time to leave Australia behind and sail from Sydney to “Aotearoa”, New Zealand, sail through the Fiordland National Park where mountains rise majestically above your ship. Explorers may prefer to start on an expedition cruise from Broome to Darwin before joining The Ghan. Further afield, be assured of a warm welcome, “Bula” as you set sail in Fiji on board MS Caledonian Sky. Warm sheltered bays are perfect for taking a dip and snorkel, local villagers’ welcome visitors to their shores and share this magical South Pacific treasure chest of islands.



Cruise

A cruise may not necessarily be the first thing that springs to mind when you think of Australia but it's a fantastic way to see the country and gives access to remote, hard to reach regions. If you like the idea of a traditional cruise experience, on larger ships with a full raft of facilities, and multiple ports of call, then world-class cruise lines such as Celebrity and Holland America offer a range of cruises that include Australia. This is however a country that also lends itself perfectly to smaller expedition style cruising experiences. The vessels are smaller, with fewer passengers and offer a more personalised style of cruising. These cruise ships operate in areas such as the Kimberley, where many places are only accessible by water, Tasmania and out to the Great Barrier Reef. Small cruise experiences can also be found in Fiji and are the perfect way to discover the stunning Fiji islands at a leisurely and relaxed pace.





Cruising allows visitors a relaxing way to visit many different ports of call, whilst travelling in comfort and style.

Jo, Destination Specialist

Our Favourites

The Great Barrier Reef is vast, to view the reef in both the north and south will ensure varied viewings of the coral and marine life spotted.

The enormity and beauty of New Zealand's Fiordland National Park whilst on board a ship is truly spine tingling as you sail through the Milford Sound.

Combining a train journey across Australia and a cruise offers two contrasting experiences without the stress of driving or checking in for internal flights.

Expedition cruising creates a hub for like minded guests who wish to explore further. Fellow passengers will prove to be firm friends as you share the wonders of Australia's history, culture and unique wildlife.

For those visitors to Fiji who simply can't chose one island then cruising offers the perfect option, you will be taken on a journey of discovery to hidden coves you may have missed by staying at one resort.

Our Tailor-Made Service

We love to create unique itineraries designed around everything you like to do. A selection of hotels, attractions and sightseeing tours are showcased throughout this brochure but these are just a snapshot of what we can offer.

Simply tell us your interests, your dates and your budget and we will work with you to create your perfect trip.



Coral Expeditions

Coral Expeditions is an Australian expedition cruise company who have been transporting guests to some of the most beautiful regions of Australia and the Pacific for over 30 years. Coral Expeditions have made their service a step above the rest by limiting their ships to 120 guests, reducing crowding and creating a much more relaxed atmosphere onboard. With no queues or assigned seating. With regionally inspired cuisine, boutique wines and immersive itineraries Coral Expeditions cruises were made for explorers.

Cruise the Kimberley

11 days

This Kimberley cruise takes you on an unforgettable journey between Broome and Darwin. Expert guides interpret 40,000-year-old rock art and retrace the history of Phillip Parker King who first charted this spectacular coastline almost 200 years ago. Marvel at the Horizontal Falls and experience the magnificent King George River. Later in the season, watch humpback whales calf in the surrounding waters.

Highlights

Broome – Lacepede Islands
Horizontal Falls – Doubtful Bay
Montgomery Reef – Prince Regent River
Prince Dederick Harbour – Mitchell Falls
Vansittart Bay – King George River
Darwin

Cruise Includes

- 10 nights accommodation
- Expert Expedition Team, including marine biologists
- Daily guided excursions
- All meals, wines and beer with lunch and dinner
- Use of all onboard facilities
- Tips and gratuities

Departure Dates

Departs: April – September
Regular departures

Day 1: Embark Broome

Board at 4pm settle into your stateroom before you set sail at 5pm.

Day 2: Lacepede Islands

Explore Pender Bay and visit the Lacepede Islands. Board a Zodiac and explore the island's lagoon, keeping an eye out for many species of birdlife including Australian pelicans, frigate birds, egrets, gulls and terns. The islands are also renowned as Western Australia's most significant breeding grounds for the Green Turtle. *(Tide dependent)*

Day 3: Horizontal Falls (Garaanngaddim) and Buccaneer Archipelago

The Horizontal Falls (Garaanngaddim) are one of the Kimberley's biggest attractions and are a result of the mammoth 11m tides the Kimberley is renowned for. This natural phenomenon has been created as the ocean thunders through a narrow gorge in the McLarty Ranges. Water builds up on one side and is forcibly pushed through the bottleneck, creating a rushing horizontal waterfall of swiftly flowing seawater. Talbot Bay is at the heart of the Buccaneer Archipelago, where rocks on the 800 or so islands are estimated at over 2 billion years old. At Cyclone Creek, you will see evidence of massive geological forces in the impressive rock formations and cruise through the Iron Islands, past Koolan Island, before enjoying sunset drinks at Nares Point.

Day 4: Doubtful Bay and Raft Point (Ngumbree)

Raft Point guards the entrance to Doubtful Bay, a vast body of sheltered water that harbours significant sites such as the ancient Wandjina rock art galleries. Doubtful Bay is the traditional country of the Worrora people who follow the Wandjina, their god, law-maker, and creator. Images of Wandjina are found throughout the Kimberley, recording their stories, knowledge and culture in stone. Red Cone Creek is carved through rock formations stacked atop each other like building blocks. These rock walls are great for climbing and clambering over before reaching a series of freshwater swimming holes and waterfalls. The falls may be a gurgling torrent or a gentle trickle, depending on the time of the year.

Day 5: Montgomery Reef (Yowjab)

Montgomery Reef is a biologically diverse area covering over 300 sq km and was named by Phillip Parker King. Twice daily, as the sea recedes in mammoth 11m tides, Montgomery Reef rises from the Indian Ocean in a cascade of rushing water revealing a flat-topped reef pockmarked with rock pools and rivulets. As the reef emerges, get up close in Explorer and Zodiac inflatable tenders to witness the spectacle as the Expedition Team share their knowledge on the formation of the reef and the myriad wildlife.



Hunter River



Clerke Reef



Sunset cruise



Lacepede Islands

Opportunistic birds take advantage of the emerging reef, feeding on marine life left exposed in rock pools. Turtles, dolphins, dugongs and sawfish too are also attracted to feeding opportunities as the ocean recedes.

Day 6: Prince Regent River and Careening Bay (Wunbung-Gu)

King Cascade is a classically beautiful, terraced waterfall and is one of the most photographed waterfalls in the Kimberley. Falling from a considerable height and around 50m across, water tumbles down a staggered terrace of Kimberley sandstone. Layer upon layer of ochre-hued and blackened rock sprouts grasses, mosses and ferns in a sort of lushly vegetated hanging garden.

Day 7: Prince Frederick Harbour and Bigge Island (Wuuyuru)

Prince Frederick Harbour is one of the Kimberley's most spectacular locations at the southern end of York Sound. The harbour is dotted with islands lined with mangroves and monsoon rainforests, set against a backdrop of ochre-hued escarpment. White-bellied sea eagles and other birds of prey are often seen here, and at low tide, expansive mudflats reveal large populations of mudskippers and mangrove crabs.

Day 8: Mitchell Falls, Winyalkan & Swift Bay

Tumbling down the Mitchell Plateau in a series of tiered waterfalls and emerald green rock pools, the Mitchell Falls are the photogenic poster child for the Mitchell River National Park. Take a scenic helicopter flight (additional cost) to multi-tiered Mitchell Falls where emerald-hued rock pools cascade down the escarpment and ancient rock art galleries are concealed in caves behind curtains of water. An alternative option to Mitchell Falls is exploring the sandstone caves of Wollaston Bay or Wollaston Creek. This mass of weathered tunnels, arches and columns form a labyrinth-like maze and was once an Aboriginal midden. Another option while anchored at Winyalkan Bay is a visit to a series Wandjina and Gwion Gwion rock art galleries at Swift Bay. In the evening enjoy watching the sunset over the Indian Ocean while indulging in a gourmet BBQ.

Day 9: Vansittart Bay (Banjal)

Vansittart Bay is home to many cultural and historically significant sites like the remarkable Gwion Gwion (Bradshaw) Aboriginal rock art galleries estimated to be up to 20,000 years old. Jar Island is so-named after the pot shards found here, brought to the island by Makassan fishermen harvesting sea cucumbers.

Day 10: King George River and Falls (Oomari Falls)

Visit secluded Tranquil Bay, discover the mighty King George River, explore scenic gorges then take to inflatable Zodiacs and cruise close to the base of magnificent King George Falls.

Day 11: Darwin

Your incredible adventure along the Kimberley Coast concludes in Darwin this morning.

This cruise also operates in reverse. On some departures there may be slight itinerary variations. We will advise the itinerary at the time of booking.



Celebrity Cruises

Celebrity Cruises is an award-winning cruise line where guests can visit up to 8 destinations in one sailing, dine in a new restaurant at every meal, rest in spaces thoughtfully designed to the last detail for comfort, find your well-being miles away at sea, all with the world at your service. 16 award-winning ships offer unique experiences in more than 300 destinations on all seven continents.

Great Barrier Reef

13 days

Say farewell to one of the most iconic harbours in the world and set sail to explore one of nature's greatest gifts, the Great Barrier Reef. En-route lounge on the white sandy beaches of Airlie Beach. Spend a night in Cairns and embark on a "bucket list" excursion to the Great Barrier Reef, the largest living reef in the world. Continue your exploration of Tropical North Queensland in Port Douglas, where you can also spot kangaroos and koalas at an animal sanctuary. Cruise past Willis Island and spy exotic wildlife in the distance, while in Brisbane, make your way around its wealth of restaurants and go on a shopping spree.

Highlights

Highlights Sydney – Brisbane
Airlie Beach – Cairns – Port Douglas
Willis Island

Cruise Includes

- 2 nights superior hotel in Sydney
- 10 nights onboard Celebrity Edge, all meals from embarkation on day 2 to breakfast on day 11
- Cruise taxes and port charges

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Selected dates

Day 1: Sydney

Check in to your pre cruise hotel. Wander down to Darling Harbour where you will find an array of restaurants and bars.

Day 2: Embark Ship

This morning join a city tour or take a wander through the botanical gardens. Make your way to the ship this afternoon and settle into your cabin or suite. As you set sail, wave goodbye to the Sydney Opera House and Sydney Harbour Bridge from the deck.

Day 3: At Sea

While at sea, take time to recharge before the next adventure. Lounge by the pool, be spoiled at the spa, taste the delicacies or explore the shopping plaza on board.

Day 4: Brisbane

Meet Australia's best-known natives, koalas and kangaroos at Lone Pine Sanctuary or browse an endless array of art galleries. For something further out of the city, take a ride down to the Gold Coast and swim, surf, or build sandcastles on one of the Pacific's most famous beaches.

Day 5: At Sea

A day to relax at the cabanas or meet new friends over a cocktail in the Sunset Bar.

Day 6: Airlie Beach

On your cruise to the Great Barrier Reef, this is the perfect departure point for local excursions. A UNESCO World Heritage site, the reef supports a vast diversity of marine life, with 600 types of soft and hard corals, 1,625 types of fish, and 30 species of whales and dolphins. The snorkelling and diving here are unmatched. Sail among the calm, protected waters of the Whitsunday Islands.

Day 7: Cairns (Yorkey's Knob)

Further north explore the rainforest by cable car and scenic railway, soaring above treetops, peering into gorges, and observing jungle waterfalls. Stop at a rainforest village to see kangaroos, birds, butterflies, and reptiles. Hold a koala in your arms and feed a wallaby. Watch traditional Aboriginal dancers perform and artisans create their pottery, paintings, glass works and jewellery.

Day 8: Port Douglas

The once-sleepy, now-bustling seaside village of Port Douglas will be your hub to the Great Barrier Reef, home to some 1,500 species of fish, 5,000 species of mollusk and 400 species of coral for your exploration. During your day tour, you'll enjoy a full day of marine adventure with opportunities to swim, snorkel, dive or view the reef from an underwater observatory.



Sydney



Sydney



Brisbane



Great Barrier Reef

Day 9: Willis Island (Cruising)

The only humans that make their home on this tiny island—just 1,600 feet long and 490 feet wide—are meteorologists manning a weather monitoring station. From the ship’s deck you’ll see thousands of seabirds such as Boobies, wedge-tailed shearwaters and sooty terns. Other highlights include a nearby coral reef and turtle nesting ground.

Days 10 & 11: At Sea

Time to head south with a camera full of memories. Relax and enjoy the ship’s facilities.

Day 12: Disembark Sydney

An early morning arrival into Sydney. Make your own way to your hotel for a 1 night stay. You may choose to listen to the acoustics in Sydney Opera House or wander through The Rocks area where you can enjoy a beer in one of the oldest pubs in the city.

Day 13: Departure

Time to leave Sydney and move on to your next stop or extend your stay and visit the Blue Mountains and Hunter Valley.

This cruise also operates in reverse. On some departures there may be slight itinerary variations. We will advise the itinerary at the time of booking.



Airlie Beach



Holland America Line

Welcome to the cruise line dedicated to explorers, foodies and music lovers! Holland America Line offers the ultimate in premium travel experiences, onboard perfectly sized ships. Elegant lounges are adorned with fine art and fresh flowers; restaurants serve gourmet cuisine and delicious snacks, while the experience is enhanced by attentive service, enrichment opportunities and destination expertise. Holland America Line's "Have It All" premium package, includes shore excursions, beverages, speciality dining and Wi-Fi in one base cruise fare, adding some incredible inclusive extra value to your holiday.

Australia & New Zealand

17 days

Powdery beaches, world-renowned wine regions and vivid reefs beckon on a Sydney to Auckland cruise featuring visits to Melbourne, Milford Sound and Lyttelton (Christchurch).

Highlights

Melbourne – Hobart – Milford Sound
Dunedin – Christchurch – Picton
Wellington – Napier – Tauranga
(Rotorua) – Auckland

Cruise Includes

- 14 nights accommodation on ms Westerdam.
- All meals on board from embarkation on day 1 until breakfast on day 15
- 2 nights superior hotel in Auckland

Departure Dates

Departs: January–March
Selected embarkation dates

Day 1: Embark Ship

Check out of your Sydney hotel and enjoy a final morning in this wonderful city. Make your way this afternoon to the cruise terminal to board your ship. Once you settle into your suite or stateroom be sure to be out on deck to wave farewell to the Sydney Harbour Bridge and Sydney Opera House as they disappear into the distance.

Day 2: Day at Sea

Spend today acquainting yourself with life on board your ship, whether that is meeting fellow guests in the lounge or bars, trying your luck in the casino or watching a world class show.

Day 3: Melbourne

Melbourne is consistently voted one of the world's most cosmopolitan cities with cutting-edge art and architecture, historic galleries, attractions and museums, plus a vast array of restaurants and cafés tucked away in laneways. The city is a melting pot of cultures offering gourmet delights from Australian locally sourced ingredients to Asian fusion. You have all day to explore some of Australia's key sporting venues such as Albert Park, home to the F1 circuit or the MCG for cricket fans, alternatively this is a city where you can go on an indulgent shopping spree.

Day 4: Day at Sea

Sit back and relax today as the waves lap against the ship and the chefs prepare delicious dining options.

Day 5: Hobart

This little Australian island is home to stunning landscapes. Hobart has one of the world's best museums of contemporary art and vibrant markets. The city is compact enough to easily explore on foot. Start at the sandstone area of Salamanca Place with its hip galleries, artist studios and bustling cafés and bars. Wander through the quaint streets of Battery Point, one of Hobart's oldest neighbourhoods and immerse yourself in nature at the gorgeous Botanical Gardens.

Days 6 & 7: Day at Sea

Time to say goodbye to Australia and enjoy onboard facilities as you sail for New Zealand.

Day 8: Milford Sound, Fiordland National Park

Milford Sound, or Piopiotahi (its name in Maori), sits on the west coast of New Zealand's South Island and was first called the Eighth Wonder of the World by none other than Rudyard Kipling. As you sail up the 9-mile-long sound, with soaring snow-topped peaks looming above, you will feel his enthusiasm.



Hobart from Mount Wellington



Wellington



Port Arthur



Milford Sound

While many walking trails cross the park, the most breathtaking views are arguably those from the water, with the sheer rock faces looming above your ship as you sail through this majestic landscape. This stunning park encompasses mountains, lakes, fjords and rainforests, be sure to lookout for seals, dolphins and whales who frequent these waters.

Day 9: Port Chalmers (Dunedin)

Welcome to the distinctly Scottish city of Dunedin, named after the Scottish Gaelic name for Edinburgh. Dunedin's prominence during the gold rush in the late 19th century resulted in many grand Victorian and Edwardian buildings. Thanks to the beautiful University of Otago (the country's oldest), there's a large student population to keep the city vibrant and modern. Dunedin's heritage is always proudly on display, the magnificent Dunedin Railway Station and Larnach Castle have been restored to their full glory.

Day 10: Lyttleton (Christchurch)

The city has shown resilience and ingenuity by erecting new projects since devastating earthquakes in 2010 and 2011. Deserted buildings and gaping holes left by the quakes have been replaced by pop-up restaurants, art installations and even a cardboard cathedral.

Despite the many original buildings lost, Christchurch maintains its classic English feel, with lush botanical gardens and Edwardian punting boats cruising along the Avon River.

Day 11: Picton

Tucked into the north-eastern end of the South Island, the petite and picturesque port of Picton is your starting point for exploring the region of Marlborough. This seaside gateway connects the majestic beauty known as Queen Charlotte Sound to the luscious wine country of Marlborough, heaven for Sauvignon Blanc lovers.

Day 12: Wellington

New Zealand's "coolest little capital" proudly sits on a stunning waterfront. Learn about Maori history known as Kiwiana at Te Papa, the national museum, go behind the scenes of the Lord of the Rings movies at Weta Workshop and head up to Kelburn lookout on Wellington's funicular railway for stunning views across the city.

Day 13: Napier

Art Deco is the distinctive feature of Napier. Surrounded by the rolling vineyards of the Hawkes Bay wine region and edged by pristine waters.

Day 14: Tauranga (Rotorua)

The curved shoreline of the Bay of Plenty, known in Maori as Te Moana-a-Toi, is home to incredible surfing, white-sand beaches and New Zealand's only active marine volcano. Tauranga is a great jumping off point to visit the world-famous geothermal wonderland of Rotorua, from leaping geysers, bubbling hot pools and hangi concerts, this is where Maori culture and nature entwine.

Day 15: Disembark Auckland

Welcome to the "City of Sails", time to disembark and make your way to your Auckland Hotel for 2 nights stay.

Day 16: Auckland

Today is left free for you to explore at your own pace.

Day 17: Departure

Time to say "haere ra" to Auckland.

This cruise also operates in reverse. On some departures there may be slight itinerary variations. We will advise the itinerary at the time of booking.



Captain Cook Cruises

Captain Cook Cruises are the cruise experts in Fiji offering you a chance to explore the unexplored onboard the MS Caledonian Sky. This small, luxury expedition ship is perfect for navigating remote islands, reefs and shallow bays, showcasing authentic Fiji, and giving passengers a true cultural experience. Comprising 57 exceptionally spacious, well-designed suites with ocean views arranged over 4 decks. Stylish social spaces provide the perfect place to unwind and watch the impressive views as you sail alongside the beautiful Fiji Islands.

Mamanuca & Yasawa Islands

8 days

Bula! Welcome to Fiji. Embark on MS Caledonian Sky and discover Fiji's best kept secrets, idyllic white sand beaches, glistening lagoons, pristine coral reefs, off the beaten track villages and remote schools, enjoy traditional ceremonies and stunning scenery. The unmatched expedition team of marine biologists and cultural experts will guide and inform you with their extensive knowledge about the islands.

Highlights

Mamanuca Islands – Monuriki Sacred Island – Wayu Island – Tivua Blue Lagoon – Yasawa Island

Cruise Includes

- All meals
- House beer, wine, juice and soft drinks at lunch and dinner, 24 hr tea, coffee, and water
- Use of snorkelling equipment
- Stand up paddle board and kayaks
- Daily guided snorkelling and glass bottom boats
- Kava (Yaqona) ceremony and tropical lovo feast in the villages
- Guided island tours

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
One Saturday per month

Day 1: Set sail from Port Denarau Marina

Welcome Aboard! Set sail over lunch through the beautiful Mamanuca islands past several resorts collecting additional shipmates, before arriving for a snorkel from a sand cay and discovering the vista of a South Pacific sunset. Enjoy the stunning scenery as you enjoy your first onboard a-la-carte dinner. Meals are offered in a leisurely single seating where you can reminisce about the day's discoveries with new found friends.

Day 2: Monuriki Island and Monu Bay

Your ship sets sail to idyllic Monuriki where Tom Hanks' movie Castaway was filmed. Explore this natural film set on a guided kayak tour and explore idyllic Monu Island for snorkelling before a special village choral service. The beautiful harmonies of the village choir will simply delight you. This evening, enjoy the entertainment of our Sunday Show.

Day 3: Sacred Island and Waya Island

The Sacred Island is a place beautiful beyond belief. On arrival the ship's crew pay tribute to the forefathers of Fijian culture and perform the Sevusevu (gift giving) ceremony. Spend a magical morning swimming in the aquamarine lagoons, snorkelling in spectacular coral gardens, beach combing or coral viewing from the glass bottom boat. Over lunch cruise to the Southern Yasawa islands.

Enclosed by towering volcanic peaks and palm fringed beaches, Waya Island is a tropical paradise. Visit a local school this afternoon and a village and shell market. For those who want a little more exercise there will be a chance to climb to the peak of Waya for amazing views. Don your favourite island attire for Pacific Island night tonight!

Day 4: Tivua Private Island

After breakfast your journey continues to Denarau Marina for a 9:00am disembarkation. Between departures you can enjoy a choice of complimentary tours including the Garden of the Sleeping Giant, a visit to the Sabeto hot springs and mud pool or a tall ship excursion before heading back onboard Caledonian Sky for your next island adventure. Our first stop will be at Captain Cook Cruises' private Island of Tivua, surrounded by 500 acres of coral reef this is a great opportunity to practice your snorkelling skills straight off the beach. There is also a volleyball court, kayaks and stand-up paddle boards and the opportunity for a leisurely walk around the island. Tonight, join the captain and his crew for the Gala Captain's Dinner.

Day 5: Brothers Island and Naviti Island

Start the day naturally with a morning swim and snorkel in an idyllic bay at Brothers Island. Savour the bounty of a gourmet buffet lunch as you journey on to spectacular Naviti Island.



Deck



Rabi Dancer



Scuba Diving



Fiji

Here is beauty in its original state where you can bask in aquamarine waters alongside white sandy beaches. Volleyball, snorkel, swim or explore the island. This evening join the festivities and entertainment of a Fijian Village at Gunu for a traditional Fijian Feast - Lovo and Cultural performance - Meke.

Days 6: Sawa-I-Lau, Blue Lagoon and Yasawa Island

Discover the legendary grandeur of Sawa-i-lau and the famous limestone caves at your own pace. Swimming in the cave lagoon is a wondrous experience. Visit a local school for a memorable experience you will never forget. Snorkel over spectacular coral gardens, swim in fabled lagoons or test your fitness with a climb to the peak of Mt Tamasua behind the school on Yasawa Island. Later try your luck at crab racing.

Day 7: Yaqeta and Drawaqa

Cruise the soaring volcanic peaks of the Yasawas, discover the myriad of fish in the coral reef and laze on the warm sands of idyllic Yaqeta. During lunch, cruise the spectacular channels to Drawaqa. The snorkelling here is amazing and you may even see a Manta-ray (seasonal). Later get your dancing shoes on for the famous Captain Cook Cruises music quiz.

Day 8: Time to disembark in Port Denarau Marina

MS Calendonian sets sail and returns to Denarau Marina for a 9:00am disembarkation. After breakfast, meet the crew on the pool deck as they bid you farewell in song including their traditional Fijian 'Isa Lei' as they say 'sototale' or 'see you again'.

This cruise also operates in reverse. On some departures there may be slight itinerary variations. We will advise the itinerary at the time of booking.

Optional extras & packages:

Most activities are included, however a small selection of optional tours may be offered onboard.

5-Star Padi scuba diving -

Can be booked in advance, or onboard subject to availability – prices available on application.

Spa Treatments -

Prices available on application. Pre purchase packages available.

Private Deck Dining, Beach Cocktails, Romance, Vow Renewal, Proposal and Wedding.

Adventure Holidays

Australia is a land that has adventure running through its veins and the opportunities for visitors to experience this are endless. Adventure doesn't necessarily have to mean adrenalin-filled activities though, it comes in all shapes and sizes to suit all kinds of adventurers. Whether you are a thrill seeker, looking for something family-friendly, or maybe just want to step outside your comfort zone, just a little. For water babies the rich oceans that surround Australia ensure that marine-based experiences are in abundance. In Western Australia, Ningaloo Reef is the place for swimming with whale sharks and humpback whales or discovering the wild dolphins of Monkey Mia. On the east coast, the Great Barrier Reef is where scuba diving and snorkelling take centre stage. Land based adventures come in the form of Australia's truly unique wildlife with a myriad of opportunities to get up close and personal and world-class hiking trails. Whether you want gentle walk or a multi-day experience, there is something to suit all abilities.





Swimming with the whale sharks on Ningaloo Reef was a truly once-in-a-lifetime experience.
Ali, Destination Specialist

Our Favourites

To discover the Cobourg Peninsula and Arnhem Land with just a small group of people, is a real privilege.

Kangaroo Island is known as Australia's 'Galapagos' for a reason, the wildlife and coastal scenery is off the scale.

Ningaloo Reef takes a little effort to get to but the opportunity to see the incredible marine life including whale sharks and humpback whales makes it worthwhile.

Pull on your hiking boots and hit the trail on one of Australia's great walks, there is no better way to get up close and personal to the landscapes and the wildlife.

Our Tailor-Made Service

We love to create unique itineraries designed around everything you like to do. A selection of hotels, attractions and sightseeing tours are showcased throughout this brochure but these are just a snapshot of what we can offer.

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Cruise Includes

- All snorkel or dive equipment
- Private cabin, shared facilities
- All meals onboard
- Return transfers
- Dive insurance

Departs: Wednesday - Sunday year round

Live Aboard Dive & Snorkel

3 days

One day diving on The Great Barrier Reef is never enough, join a liveaboard dive trip and spend 3 days and 2 nights exploring one of the seven Natural Wonders of the World. You will visit a variety of outer Great Barrier Reef locations where you will enjoy 9 dives, as well as the opportunity to experience 2 night dives. Diving at different times throughout the day will ensure you encounter an amazing variety of marine life.

Day 1: Depart Cairns

You will be collected early morning from Cairns or your Northern Beaches hotels and transferred to the Pro Dive shop in Cairns to arrange your equipment. Then board 1 of 3 premium purpose-built liveaboard dive vessels. All feature spacious dive and sun decks, 14 twin and 2 double shared cabins, freshly prepared meals and WIFI. Your first dive is before lunch to acclimatise before moving on to the next site, an afternoon dive to discover more underwater delights. After a relaxing afternoon and dinner, you will experience a night dive!

Day 2: Outer Great Barrier Reef

An early start where your crew will cruise to a new site for an early morning dive before breakfast. Once again you are on the move for a second and third dive of the day. If you are still eager to explore further a night dive is also included after dinner.

Day 3: Return to Cairns

There is no better way to start the day than with a dive as the sun rises. A final dive today before enjoying lunch on board as you return to your accommodation mid-afternoon. In the evening join fellow guests and crew at a local restaurant for a farewell dinner, relive the memories and experiences that you have all just made.



Cruise Includes

- 3 private cabins with ensuite bathroom
- 1 private cabin with shared facilities
- All meals onboard
- All snorkel equipment and basic tuition

Departs: Tuesday and Saturday year round

Small Group Whitsundays Explorer Cruise

4 days

See the world-famous Whitehaven Beach, snorkel in pristine blue waters over fringing reefs and maybe spot a turtle. Enjoy the use of stand-up paddleboards to view tropical marine life from another perspective. Whitsunday Blue is a beautiful sailing catamaran with a spacious, open foredeck, shaded decks and plenty of indoor seating, host to a maximum of 8 guests. Enjoy a glass of bubbles as your crew welcome you onboard.

Day 1: Embark Whitsunday Blue

Check in for a 3pm departure, you are most welcome to bring your own alcoholic and soft drinks, soft drinks may also be purchased on board. Sail to an overnight anchorage, enjoy sunset nibbles with a glass of your favourite wine and meet your fellow guests. Dinner is served under the stars before tucking in for the night in your private cabin.

Day 3: Blue Pearl Bay

After breakfast it's time to pop your mask on and snorkel amongst the magical marine life, an optional scuba dive is available on the fringing coral reefs. These reefs are the home to a kaleidoscope of fish and coral. Lunch is served before sailing off to another snorkel setting or grab a book and relax on the beach. This evening will be spent at Blue Pearl Bay off Hayman Island or in the Langford Reef Area. Both locations offer spectacular sunset photo opportunities as the Whitsunday Blue is silhouetted against the sunset over the water.

Day 2: Whitehaven Beach

Wake up in the morning to the stunning island scenery surrounding the boat and enjoy a leisurely breakfast on board. Sail down to Tongue Bay, make your way up to Hill Inlet Lookout where you will catch your first glimpse of the stunning vista before you, Whitehaven Beach. Spend time exploring the beach before boarding for lunch, watch the beautiful scenery change as you sail north. Overnight anchor in one of the many bays on Hook Island.

Day 4: Disembark

After breakfast enjoy a snorkel or swim before setting sail across the Whitsunday Passage arriving back to the marina around midday for your onward adventures.



Package Includes

- 4 nights accommodation
- Return airport transfers
- Whale shark swim or observer day tour
- Cape Range 4WD Safari

Departs: Daily, March to August

Whale Shark & Ningaloo Marine Park Aquatic Adventure 5 days

This 5 day adventure showcases the very best of Ningaloo Reef and the Cape Range National Park. Embark on a once-in-a-life-time swim with the whale sharks and discover a pristine reef, thought by many to rival the Great Barrier Reef for its sheer abundance of marine life.

Day 1: Exmouth

On arrival into Exmouth airport, you will be met and transferred to your accommodation for 4 nights. Exmouth is a small resort town on Western Australia's North West Cape. From here visitors are able to explore Ningaloo Marine Park with its coral reefs, colourful fish and migratory whale sharks.

Day 2: Whaleshark Swim/Spectator

Discover the Ningaloo Reef and join this once in a lifetime experience as you swim alongside whale sharks. Learn how to interact with the whale sharks, the biggest fish in the sea, and snorkel around the reef. Spotter planes help locate the whale sharks so you will be in a prime location to swim with them or observe from the boat. Along the way, an onboard marine biologist will teach you about the sharks and reef ecology. In addition, you will have the chance to spot manta rays, humpbacks, dugongs, and dolphins.

Day 3: Ningaloo Coast & Cape Range 4WD Safari

Today your 4WD safari tour takes you to the wonders of the Ningaloo Coast World Heritage Area and the rugged diversity of the Cape Range National Park encompassing rugged canyon country. Swim or snorkel the crystal-clear waters of Ningaloo Reef. Enjoy a picnic lunch at one of the lagoons before getting on board a Ningaloo Safari boat for an exclusive cruise up Yardie Creek in search of the black-flanked rock wallaby and majestic osprey.

Day 4: Exmouth

Today take a day to reflect on your adventure, or head to the beach for a stroll on the white sands, there is always time to take one more swim in this aquatic playground.

Day 5: Departure

Transfer to the airport and head off to your next destination.



Tour Includes

- 2 nights "your choice" accommodation
- 2 full days small group touring
- Knowledgeable guide
- Return transfers from Kingscote Airport
- National Parks admission fees
- 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners

Departs: Daily, year round

Kangaroo Island in Style

2 days

Kangaroo Island is best discovered by staying overnight and joining a guided tour. There is flexibility to choose where you stay including hotels, B&Bs and farm stays. Kangaroo Island provides a fantastic habitat for a range of wildlife species from koalas, short-beaked echidnas, seals and of course the Kangaroo Island Kangaroo! Photographers will spend their day adjusting their lens as you tread gently in to the heart of this wildlife hotspot.

Day 1: Kangaroo Island

You will be collected by your guide from your island accommodation or Kingscote airport. First, a cuppa and home-made treats before taking a walk through tall Eucalyptus trees where koalas snooze overhead. Travel to the north coast for a bush walk in search of small wallabies whilst identifying "piles" left behind listening to a chorus of sounds from the island's residents. After lunch it's time to visit the beach where you will find Australia's sea lions before being transferred back to your overnight stay.

Day 2: Kangaroo Island

Travel into Flinders Chase National where the massive shapes of Remarkable Rocks perch impossibly on top of a granite dome plunging into the ocean. Time for lunch, (weather allowing) on the clifftop. Next stop is Admirals Arch, a coastal grotto for long-nosed fur seals frolicking through the crashing waves. Your island adventure is now complete, you will be transferred back to the airport or hotel.

Kakadu, Arnhem Land and Cobourg Peninsula Tour

5 days

This is more than a Kakadu tour, this is an adventure that will take you to the very heart of Arnhem land, the Cobourg Peninsula and Kakadu. Accessing restricted regions as a “guest” where this region comes to life in its culture, art, history and wildlife. Drive in style in 4WD vehicles and sleep under canvas in your high-end safari style tent.

Highlights

Kakadu - Arnhem Land
Cobourg Peninsula
Maguk Gorge – Ubirr
Nawalandja Lookout

Tour Includes

- Professional guide/driver
- Small tour maximum 6 guests
- Accommodation and camp fees (twin share)
- Excursions as per the itinerary
- 4 breakfast, 5 lunches, 4 dinners

Departure Dates

May to October
Monday and Thursday

Day 1: Kakadu

An early morning pick up from your Darwin accommodation to head straight out to the World Heritage-Listed Kakadu National Park. Join a morning cruise on the picturesque Corroboree Billabong where you will view a large variety of birdlife as well as saltwater crocodiles. Continue your journey arriving at Maguk. Take a short scenic walk before arriving at the base of Barramundi Falls for a swim in the large plunge pool. A short climb up the sloping sandstone will provide views of the sun setting across the Arnhem Land escarpment.

Day 2: Cobourg Peninsula

Head towards the northern region of Kakadu National Park and enter Arnhem Land. Upon arrival at Gunbalanya visit the Injalak Arts and Craft Centre to meet local artists. Spend the morning experiencing some of the best Aboriginal rock art in Australia. Arrive at camp and be greeted by the resident caretakers.

Day 3: Cobourg Peninsula

Awake to the sound of birds. This morning you will set off to explore Cobourg, the Northern Territory’s largest Marine Park by boat. Your cruise will stop and visit the Victoria Settlement ruins. Return to camp this afternoon, explore nearby beaches and creek systems, try your luck at fishing or simply enjoy the solitude while reading a book from a hammock.

Day 4: Cobourg Peninsula

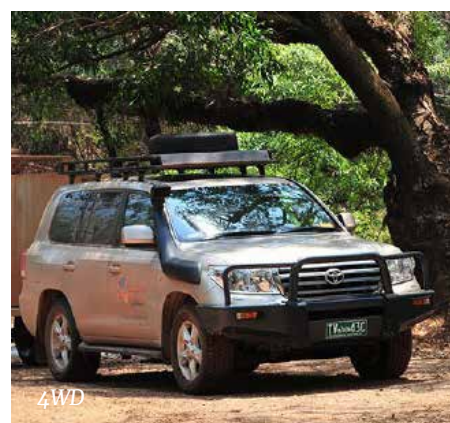
Discover the eastern side of the park by 4WD. Cobourg is home to freshwater paperbark swamps and billabongs 100m from the coastline. Low tide provides opportunities to explore exposed coral reefs and rock pools. After lunch you will have an opportunity to go hunting for mud crabs using traditional Aboriginal methods.

Day 5: Return to Darwin

Early morning depart Cobourg, sit back and enjoy the bush scenery of Arnhem Land as you head to Kakadu National Park. This afternoon spend time viewing Ubirr Rock, some of Kakadu’s best Aboriginal rock art. A short walk to the top of Ubirr offers spectacular views of the surrounding wetlands and stone country. Arrive into Darwin at approximately 7:00pm.



Kakadu National Park



4WD



Kakadu National Park



Kakadu National Park

Twelve Apostles Walk

4 days

It doesn't take long for the city sounds to fade as you join this 4-day Twelve Apostles walk. In no time, find yourself sipping tea in a private eco-lodge and walking to spectacular views on the iconic Great Ocean Walk. Each evening retreat for chatter around the fire and sumptuous meals. Take in the coastal vistas of Cape Otway, the most challenging; Milanesia Track to Moonlight Head. Raw and wild, venture through remote areas of the Great Ocean Walk, knowing a foot spa awaits at the day's end. By day 3, you'll know the shipwrecks by name. The final day is all about those glorious Apostles – walk beneath them and take in the view. You've made it!

Highlights

Great Otway National Park
Milanesia Track – Moonlight Head
Twelve Apostles

Package Includes

- Return transfers from Melbourne airport or city centre hotels
- 3 nights lodge accommodation
- 3 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 3 dinners
- National Park pass
- 2 qualified guides

Departure Dates

September to November
Regular departures

Day 1: Cape Otway to Blanket Bay (6 miles – easy)

An early morning meeting point in Melbourne is where your guide will introduce you to fellow walkers before departing for Blanket Bay. Be dressed and ready to walk, with your daypack fully packed for the days' walk ahead. The walk commences at Blanket Bay, a beautifully scenic section that follows the coast of the Great Otway National Park. Stunning ocean views from cliff tops, sandy beaches and inlets are frequent along with sightings of koalas, kangaroos, and echidnas. Cape Otway Lighthouse makes for a great end to the walk. From the lighthouse, you will be transferred to a private lodge in Johanna where a glass of local sparkling wine and a spectacular long table dinner waits to celebrate your first day of walking.

Day 2: Milanesia Track to Moonlight Head (9 miles – moderate)

This morning starts with a short drive to the most challenging day on the trail but it comes with great reward – the most visually spectacular and isolated sections of the Great Ocean Walk – known as 'the wild side.' A winding path leads from the Milanesia Track down through the forest to Milanesia Beach. After a gentle beach stroll, a short, but steep climb sets the tone for the trail ahead. The trail is dissected by gullies before a gradual climb, which delivers fabulous views back over Milanesia. Rough tree ferns and stands of remnant Eucalypts dot the path before an ascent of 138 steps.

The walk from here rises and falls many times before cutting along the ridge behind Cape Volney, providing breathtaking views to the west. A final lookout delivers a magnificent vantage point, just metres from the walk's end.

Day 3: Moonlight Head - Wreck Beach (8 miles – moderate)

Another short transfer this morning to Moonlight Head. The first 3 miles gently meander through native stringybark forest concluding with a rise to the Gables, one of mainland Australia's highest cliff top lookouts. Tide dependent, you will descend onto Wreck Beach and continue through to a lovely lunch spot overlooking the distant Apostles. Wilder days will give an insight into the cauldron-like ocean at this part of the coast. This afternoon is gentle walking that finishes at the Wreck Beach.

Day 4: Princetown to the Twelve Apostles (5 miles – easy)

Time to bid the lodge farewell before a 45 minute drive back to Princetown. These fabulous natural wonders emerge on slow reveal as the trail rises and falls along the coastline. There is a viewing lookout exclusively for walkers before your final stretch of trail into the Twelve Apostles Visitors Centre. Move on to the nearby town of Port Campbell for lunch before returning to Melbourne.

Guests will depart early from Melbourne on Day 1, please ask us for guidance on booking a pre night hotel.



Murray River Walk

4 days

Immerse yourself in 4 easy days hiking on one of Australia's greatest rivers that brings life to the outback. Rejuvenate each night on a luxurious houseboat, dine on meals paired with local wines before turning in to your room where you will watch the dark sky from your bedroom window. Encounter diverse birdlife and kangaroos along your journey.

Highlights

Renmark – Headings Cliffs
Chowilla Creek – Bunyip Reach Cliffs

Package Includes

- Luxury Houseboat accommodation
- Experienced guides
- All meals and beverages including local alcoholic drinks

Departure Dates

May to September
Monday and Tuesday

Day 1: Renmark

Your guides will meet you early morning for a pre-walk briefing before boarding a pontoon "cruiser" for a 9 miles cruise along the Murray River to the start of your walking route. Once you arrive a gentle climb through the cliffs reveals a magnificent view of the vast Murray River. Your Boat Host will welcome you aboard the houseboat where you can settle in – before a cooling foot dip in the river or a hot spa followed by dinner.

Day 2: Chowilla Creek

Rise before the sun and walk to the rim of the Murray River Valley for a spectacular sunrise before returning to the houseboat for breakfast. Time to tie those laces for today's walk discovering Aboriginal canoe trees, giant red gum forests and small islands along leafy Amazon Creek. Arriving at your floating home you'll enjoy a local tasting plate.

Day 3: Bunyip Reach Cliffs

Awake to mists on the water before you continue to your cruise to Chowilla Creek. Your route will take you along restored wetlands and visit the proposed site of the 1960's Chowilla Dam. In the afternoon celebrate completing your walking journey from Queens Bend Cliffs before cruising to the houseboat as the late afternoon sun illuminates the red cliffs.

Day 4: Return to Renmark

After breakfast take a self-guided 1 mile walk along the river, before cruising in the pontoon boat through a lock. Rejoin the houseboat and enjoy a 2 hour cruise on the houseboat to the innovative Wilkadene Woolshed Brewery, set in a 100-year-old shearing shed on the banks of the river. Enjoy a fine BBQ lunch on the Woolshed decking that overlooks the river. Time to say farewell as you are transferred back to Renmark by bus.



Kangaroo Island Walk

4 days

Journey to remote Kangaroo Island and experience this 4-day guided walk along the Kangaroo Island Wilderness Trail. Return each evening to exclusive accommodation, chef-inspired meals paired with local beer and wine, in the comfort and ambience of the newly restored Cape du Couedic Lightkeeper Cottages. You will be sharing the island with koalas, sea lions, diverse bird species and, of course, kangaroos. Immerse yourself in the unique landscape of wild and raw beauty featuring towering sea cliffs and sweeping sunsets of an evening.

Highlights

Cape du Couedic – Admirals Arch
Rocky River – Remarkable Rocks
Kelly Hill Caves – Hanson Bay

Package Includes

- Cottage accommodation with breakfast daily
- 4 lunches, 3 dinners
- 2 qualified guides
- Return transfers from Adelaide to Kangaroo Island including the ferry
- National Parks Pass

Departure Dates

September to November
Regular departures

Day 1: Adelaide to Cape Du Couedic (5 miles - moderate)

Walkers will be picked up in Adelaide, ready to travel to Kangaroo Island on the ferry. Once on the island you will start a 3-hour hike along the Black Swamp Hiking Trail connecting to the Platypus Waterholes Walking Trail. Make sure your camera is to hand in case you spot platypus in the river! Tonight, settle in your accommodation for the next 3 nights, the Cape du Couedic Cottages. Upon arrival explore the historic lighthouse, Admirals Arch and the nearby fur seal colony. Alternatively have a warm shower and put your feet up. The communal pavilion is where you'll share good wine and a barbeque featuring locally sourced produce.

Day 2: Snake Lagoon to Cape du Couedic (9 miles - moderate)

Time to lace up your boots for day 2. Your day will commence with a 1 hour shuttle to the start of your walk from Snake Lagoon, follow along the Rocky River through eucalypt forest before a walk along the beach. Learn about Loch Sloy, wrecked in 1899 along with other historic stories. Soak up the views of crashing waves and breathe in the crisp salt air before a brief climb that will take you along the edge of some spectacular limestone cliffs. With the lighthouse coming in and out of view, home for the night is within your sights.

Day 3: Remarkable Rocks to Cape du Couedic (6 miles - moderate)

Begin the day at the spectacular granite formations of the Remarkable Rocks. Follow the cliff edges with unobstructed views along 5 miles of the southern coast ending at Sanderson Bay. You will be transferred to Weirs Cove, where your guide will pop open some bubbles and serve oysters on the beach. Scarlet robin, yellow-tailed black cockatoo, striated thornbill, red and little wattlebirds, brown-headed honeyeater and grey currawong species can be spotted today if you're looking hard enough! A day of epic coastline vistas.

Day 4: Kelly Hill Caves to Hanson Bay (6 miles - moderate)

Today there is a short shuttle to the start of the walk from Kelly Hill Conservation Park, home to mesmerizing ancient caves that also serve as a habitat often for threatened and endangered animal species. Your guide will lead you on a walk through various bushland to Hanson Bay Beach where the final lunch will be enjoyed. You will be treated to a celebratory drink and nibbles before being collected for the return journey back to Adelaide.

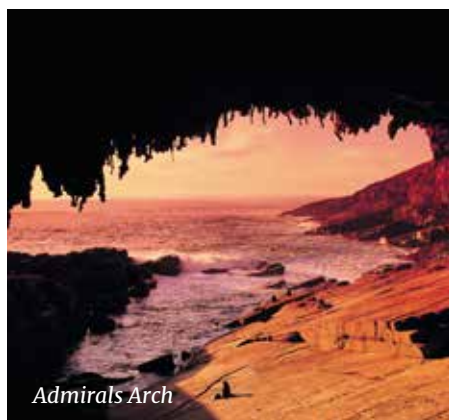
Walkers are asked to meet in Adelaide early on day 1, we would be happy to arrange a hotel booking the night before your tour commences.



Kangaroo Island



Kangaroo Island



Admirals Arch



Remarkable Rocks

Luxury Lodges

Luxury can come in many forms and here in Australia it is no exception. Whether it's an uber-luxurious city hotel or a safari-style camp, quite literally in the middle of nowhere. The Luxury Lodges of Australia collection showcases this very unique Australian style of luxury perfectly. These exceptional lodges have been created to immerse their guests into the Australian landscape. Their luxury comes in the form of the people you meet, the cultural stories that are told and the locations in which they sit. They offer unrivalled access to simply incredible experiences, world-class dining and unparalleled levels of service. These lodges are exceptional places to stay but they offer so much more than that. Enjoy the exclusivity of staying with just a few other guests and embark on included experiences that are deliberately crafted to ensure connection to place in which you stay and the people that live there.





Staying in one of the luxury lodges adds another very unique dimension to a visit to Australia.
Keir, Destination Specialist

Our Favourites

Bamurru Plains – simply breathtaking immersion in the Mary River Wetlands, a truly memorable experience

Sal Salis – remote and beautiful on Ningaloo Reef. A very privileged and unforgettable setting

Capella Lodge – flying in felt like arriving somewhere in the South Pacific. Lord Howe was a real bucket list adventure

Longitude 131 – lying in bed watching the sunrise over Uluru is the most magical of experiences, and the included touring really connects you with the Anangu, the traditional owners of the land

Carefully selected Luxury Lodges of Australia can also be found throughout the brochure identified with a:



There are over 20 to chose from.

qualia

Lizard Island

Longitude 131

Saffire Freycinet

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Sal Salis

Tucked into sheltered undulating dunes, just moments from the largest fringing World-Heritage listed coral reef in the world, Sal Salis is a luxury safari-style camp in the most remarkable of settings. Powder white sands are washed by the crystal-clear waters of the Indian Ocean and pristine Ningaloo Reef, which teems with marine life is just a snorkel from the shore. A swathe of sandy coloured wilderness tents drift along the coastline, there are just 16 of them, so this is not a crowded spot. Each tent is perched on a platform over the sand and boasts handcrafted jarrah wood beds, eco ensuite bathrooms and private decks with a gently swaying hammock, the perfect spot for an afternoon snooze or to spot kangaroos at dusk and dawn. This is next level glamping.

Days here are spent on guided gorge walks, kayaking, snorkelling and beach strolls. As night falls and the sky goes dark, cosy up in one the finest places in the southern hemisphere to star gaze and see the Milky Way. The big drawcard here though is the opportunity to swim with the giants of the ocean; whale sharks and humpback whales, and this is one of the best places in the world to do it. After ocean-going adventures, Sal Salis is the ultimate retreat to return to. The Lodge is the hub of the resort where meals are served at a shared, long-table and as tales are shared with fellow travellers you dine on exceptional food. There might be bubbles served on the water's edge or a gin bar in the sand, or pre-dinner appetisers as the sun sets. There's also a self-service bar and a library with books and board games. A stay at Sal Salis is an opportunity to disconnect and go off-grid and discover a very special and unique part of Western Australia.

Location: Ningaloo Reef



Silky Oaks Lodge

Silky Oaks Lodge is one of the iconic Australian resorts, a rainforest hideaway that nestles sensitively into the Daintree Forest, a 180-million-year-old UNESCO World Heritage-Listed powerhouse. Regarded as the oldest living rainforest on the planet this is a very special place to stay. Lying within the cool rainforest canopy, Silky Oaks is a collection of luxury treehouse suites that embrace the sights and sounds of the rainforest. These beautiful spaces are fresh and contemporary, floor to ceiling windows, private decks and stunning rainforest views all add to the sense of place. Day beds and hammocks create cool, relaxing retreats and several offer indulgent open-air bathtubs. Plan your days around the incredible natural attractions, which include the Great Barrier Reef and Cape Tribulation. Enjoy self-guided walks through the Daintree, kayak or snorkel on the Mossman River, hop on an e-bike for a leisurely cycle through the sugarcane fields and ease into the day with an included morning yoga class.



Beyond the lodge there are 4WD safaris, guided boat and walking tours through the Daintree. Exceptional cultural experiences, reef expeditions and helicopter flights to remote waterfalls. Dining at Silky Oaks is a celebration of fresh, local ingredients that grow in abundance in this tropical location. Breakfast and evening meals are included for all guests along with signature sunset drinks and wine with dinner. Silky Oaks Lodge has always been synonymous with its exceptional Healing Waters Spa and this tranquil sanctuary is a haven of peace in the heart of the rainforest. Inspired by ancient Indigenous traditions and beliefs the treatments use natural treatments and pure botanicals to sooth mind, body and soul.

Location: Daintree Rainforest



The Louise

The Louise is the epitome of elegance and country charm, surrounded by the vineyard-clad hills of South Australia's Barossa Valley. This is one of the finest wine regions in the world home to grand estates, boutique wineries and tiny cellar doors. Intersperse your vineyard visits with wine tastings, sunrise picnics or go-behind-the-scenes with the wine maker and see how the magic happens. The Louise is something of a Barossa icon and offers guests a central Barossa location from which to explore. In addition to the wine, this is a valley filled with outstanding restaurants, farmers markets and unique art galleries.

15 villa-style lodge suites offer supreme levels of comfort with spacious living and sleeping areas, rosemary-scented courtyards and private terraces with vineyard views. Dining comes in the form of Contour bar and kitchen, a relaxed spot that is popular with locals and guests alike. The vibe here is casual and the food and wine is excellent. Appellation is regarded as one of the finest regional restaurants in Australia. The degustation menu is thoughtful and considered and a true reflection of the region's outstanding produce, with a wine pairing to match. After a day sipping and sampling your way around the Barossa Valley, the Louise is a welcome retreat where a wet-edge lap pool awaits, with glorious sun set views over the surrounding vines. There's also a fully equipped fitness centre and a cedar sauna.

Location: Barossa Valley



Capella Lodge

Lord Howe is a small but enchantingly formed South Seas island, that lies in the South Pacific Ocean approximately a 2 hour flight from Sydney. Added to the UNESCO World Heritage list in 1982, this beautiful island is surrounded by a reef-fringed lagoon and the world's southern-most coral reef. It is unlike anywhere else in Australia. The local population hovers at around 350, whilst visitor numbers are carefully limited to 400 at any one time. This is a very pure and natural environment and almost three-quarters of Lord Howe is protected as a national and marine park. Capella Lodge sits perched above the tiny beach at Lovers Bay at the foot of the twin peaks of Mount Gower and Mount Lidgbird. Taking inspiration from the quintessential Australian beach house, Capella offers 9 suites that are a beautiful reflection of the island's very natural setting. With views of the ocean and Mount Gower and Mount Lidgbird, these suites are filled with light and feature custom made furnishings, local artwork and private decks.

All suites, apart from the Capella Suite, boast a hot tub or plunge pool. Dining revolves around the wonderful local and regional produce and bounty of seafood available, whilst the Capella bar starts the morning with fresh coffee and juices and evolves throughout the day with cold beers, sparkling wines and creative cocktails. Lord Howe is truly a paradise lost with pristine, deserted beaches, lush rainforest and rugged volcanic peaks. Embark on aquatic adventures, hike to Goat House Cave or join the Mt Gower expedition, regarded as one of the best one-day hikes in the world. Enjoy leisurely bike rides, coastal walks or even play 9 holes of golf on the island golf course. Snorkel from the beautiful beaches, wander amidst giant banyan trees and Kentia palms and let the gentle rhythm of island life relax you.

Location: Lord Howe



Bamurru Plains

Boasting a spectacular location on the coastal floodplains of the Mary River Wetlands, with vast skies that stretch seemingly on forever, Bamurru Plains is a remarkable, off-the-grid Australian safari camp. This wilderness region is home to one of the largest crocodile populations in the world and a habitat which shelters an extraordinary array of wildlife and birdlife. An utterly unique and privileged setting in which guests have unparalleled access to one of the most important eco-systems in Australia.

Carefully developed to sit lightly in this precious environment, Bamurru blends seamlessly into the surroundings with little interference. Echoing the style of the famed African safari camps, experiences here include both land and based water activities, all of which are designed to immerse guests in this incredible wetland region. Just 12 safari-style lodges, each with private en-suite bathrooms and king-size beds, share their view with the water buffalo and birdlife that makes the floodplain and savannah woodland their home. Contemporary Australian dining highlights the unique Wild Bush Luxury, whilst passionate and knowledgeable guides bring Bamurru Plains to life. Twice-daily guided experiences include airboat safaris, guided wilderness walks, bird watching, open-top safari drives and river cruises to spot the estuarine crocodiles. These included activities are shared with fellow guests, however private guides and bespoke touring are also available. After a day exploring, there is time to relax by the wet-edge pool. Meals are enjoyed in the main lodge, a convivial, welcoming space where you can share highlights of the day with fellow guests. All meals, drinks and signature experiences are included, and access is via a 3-hour drive from Darwin. Transfers can be arranged if preferred, or a scenic flight.

Location: Mary River Wetlands, Northern Territory



El Questro Homestead

Sitting on 700,000 acres amidst some of the most spectacular Kimberley wilderness, El Questro displays the finest regional hospitality in a remarkable setting. The elegant and refined lines of the homestead are in stark contrast to the burnt orange cliffs on which it resides. To the front the stunning views of Chamberlain Gorge take centre stage. El Questro is a place where guests are welcomed as family and invited to discover this remote, and often difficult to access, unspoilt part of Western Australia in comfort and luxury. Spending time here enables exploration of towering gorges, dramatic, rugged ranges, and crystal-clear watering holes. Bookended between glorious sunrises and magnificent sunsets.

10 guest suites welcome a maximum of 20 guests at any one time into this wilderness oasis. Homestead rooms overlook the lush gardens, whilst the Chamberlain Gorge Rooms are perched high over the Chamberlain River with private decks and indoor/outdoor stone bathtubs. 3 Cliffside Retreats sit on the edge of the escarpment with truly breathtaking, uninterrupted views of the Kimberley wilderness, along with an indoor/outdoor shower and freestanding bath. The Chamberlain Suite is cantilevered over the gorge, with a bath for 2, a wraparound veranda and unforgettable views, this is remote luxury at its finest.

A stay at El Questro is all about the location and there is a carefully curated menu of included experiences for guests to explore. Guided walks, a Chamberlain River cruise, sunset drinks at Buddy's Point and bird watching are all hosted by knowledgeable rangers. Additional experiences such as Heli flights to remote watering holes for gourmet picnics are also available. Dining is all part of the experience at El Questro with breakfasts enjoyed on the sweeping veranda, and lunch and evening meals at the communal dining table under the shady awning.

Location: El Questro, Western Australia



Cape Lodge

This privately owned, boutique hotel is more akin to staying on a private country estate. 22 secluded rooms and a private residence make up the accommodation, all sitting within 40 acres of parkland in the beautiful Margaret River. Beautiful beaches and the turquoise hued Indian Ocean of the rugged coastline are just minutes away, but the focus here, in one of Australia's premier wine regions, is understandably the wine. Illustrious neighbours include much-lauded Vasse Felix, Mosswood, Pierro and Cullen, whilst Cape Lodge also boasts its own 8-acre vineyard. The Cape Lodge Estate Vineyard produces award-winning Shiraz and Sauvignon Blanc exclusive for Cape Lodge. The rooms and suites here have sunny terraces, garden, or lake views and some have indulgent spa baths.

Cape Lodge is a place where you can combine world-class wine touring with walks on the Cape to Cape Track, one of Australia's signature walking trails. Take scenic flights over the region and graze your way from gourmet food producer to chocolatier to cheese maker. Or delve deeper into the unique Aboriginal culture and learn about the dreamtime legends and stories that form a history

Location: Margaret River, Western Australia

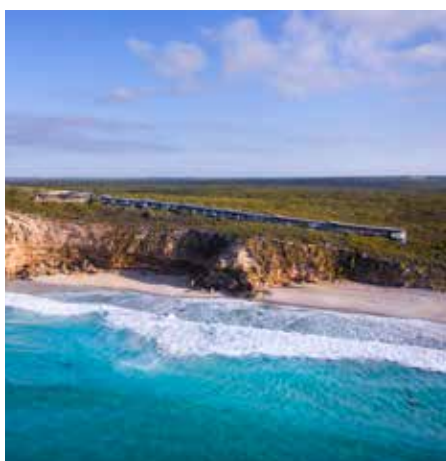


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Southern Ocean Lodge



Boasting wildly spectacular views of the mighty Southern Ocean, this breath-taking lodge stretches along a remote coastline, sitting completely at one with its pristine surroundings. Following in the footprint of the original lodge, this is a place where the pounding waves of the ocean resonate like a heartbeat and where when you stand and gaze out over the ever-rolling waves, the next land mass is Antarctica. The contemporary design sees a collection of ocean-facing clifftop suites, each offering luxurious immersion in this magnificent wilderness. Choose between the Flinders Suite, the Remarkable Suite with a fireplace and plunge pool, or the striking Osprey Suite which boasts a sunken lounge, horizon-edge pool, and oversized bathtub. For the ultimate luxury the Ocean Pavilion with its central lounge and outdoor terraces with plunge pools, can be enjoyed as a single residence, or as 2 separate suites, which would work perfectly for families and friends travelling together.



For a deeper understanding of the Kangaroo Island landscapes guests staying at Southern Ocean Lodge enjoy an array of signature guided experiences. These showcase the very best of Kangaroo Island including the Flinders Chase National Park, Seal Bay, a coastal clifftop hike as well as a sunset and nocturnal experiences. These experiences take place in small groups and with highly knowledgeable guides. A menu of bespoke and private experiences is also available. The dining at Southern Ocean Lodge is equally impressive and a proudly local affair. Breakfast is relaxed and leisurely by a light yet satisfying 3-course lunch. Dinner is served in the restaurant and enables guests to make choices to create their own Kangaroo Island menu. The Great Room open bar is a social spot where you can mingle with fellow guests, sharing tales of the day's adventures.

Location: Kangaroo Island



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New South Wales

GLORIOUS BEACHES & AUSTRALIAN ICONS

New South Wales, a state home to just a few of Australia's iconic sights proudly standing on the shores of Sydney Harbour. Feel the soft sand beneath your feet as you watch the local surfers ride the waves at Bondi Beach or Byron Bay. Lace up your walking shoes for a hike or guided day tour in the Blue Mountains, immerse yourself in this mountainous regions' natural beauty which appears to sit under a blue haze. Wine lovers will experience a real treat with an overnight stay in the Hunter Valley.



Our 5 Favourites in New South Wales

New South Wales is a holiday destination in its own right home to one of the most recognisable harbours in the world, UNESCO World Heritage listed national parks, marine life, vineyards and nature trails. We asked past travellers for their personal recommendations.



Bridge Climb

Climb Sydney Harbour Bridge for a 360 degree birds eye view of one of the most iconic harbours in the world.



Sydney Opera House

Bring music to your ears as you are entranced in a performance at the Sydney Opera House.



Blue Mountains

Stand in awe at dramatic gorges and cliffs in the region that is seemingly covered by a blue haze, giving the region its name "Blue Mountains".



Sydney Harbour

Glide across Sydney Harbour on a dinner cruise.



Wine Tasting

Escape city life and wake up amongst the vineyards in the Hunter Valley.

Sydney



Active Adventures

Discover this urban metropolis with cycle tours, guided walks and kayaking tours on the harbour.



Beautiful Beaches

Sydney's coastal walks and beaches are legendary. Bondi, Bronte and Manly to name but a few.



Harbour Discoveries

Take to the water and explore the coves and beaches of the world's most famous harbour.



Historical Precincts

Uncover Sydney's history in its historical precincts and Aboriginal heritage.



Vibrant City Living

Explore the vibrant ever-changing waterfront and neighbourhoods of one of the world's most popular cities.



Urban Gardens

Take a moment to pause in the magnificent gardens and open spaces of this beautiful city.

Our Favourite Sightseeing Tours

Sydney Bridge Climb

The original climbing adventure led by experience guides will take you along the top arch of the bridge on catwalks and ladders all the way to the summit, 134 metres above Sydney Harbour. The steady incline to the summit leaves you free to focus your attention on the surroundings and the 360 degree views of Sydney including east to the Sydney Opera House, west to the Blue Mountains and the harbour city surrounds. You will even have time for a group photo to share with your friends and family. Climb times available from dawn until dusk, for a completely different aspect as the city wakes up or the twinkling lights flicker below.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: 3 hours

Sydney Seaplane Scenic Flight

Gain a bird's eye view over Sydney Harbour. Choose whether you wish to take a 15 minute flight or a fly and lunch option, where you will land at the seaplane dock of the award winning restaurant, Cottage Point Inn for a sumptuous lunch and fine selection of Australian wines, following lunch your return flight awaits. Both flights will soar over the harbour at a 1,000ft with stunning views of the famous Harbour Bridge and Opera House. On descent back to Rose Bay see the beautiful houses of the rich and famous that punctuate the area before gently splashing back down to earth.

Departs: Wednesday to Sunday year round
Duration: Flights from 15 minutes to 4 hours to include dining.

Panoramic City Sights

Join an unforgettable Panoramic Sydney half day city sights tour, you'll visit the historic Rocks area, enjoy magnificent views of the Opera House and Harbour Bridge. See the shopping heart of the city, QVB, Sydney Tower. Travel through elegant Paddington with its terrace houses before arriving at the superb coast cliff walk around Tamarama and Bronte. Travel on to famous Bondi Beach. Return to Sydney via Double Bay, Kings Cross and Mrs Macquarie's Point.

Departs: Daily, morning or afternoon
Duration: 4 hours

Opera House

Visit the famous Sydney Opera House as a VIP where you will have backstage access. Experience the real-life dramas behind this celebrated performing arts centre. Your guide will raise the curtain on what really goes on beyond the spotlight, revealing industry secrets. You will walk in the footsteps of legends such as Ella Fitzgerald, Pavarotti, Mikhail Baryshnikov, Cate Blanchett and the Foo Fighters. You might even get to stand on the world-famous Concert Hall stage. At the conclusion of your tour, enjoy breakfast before the rest of the day is yours to explore the city.

Departs: Daily, year round (subject to close during special events)
Duration: 2½ hours

A Wine Lovers Adventure

This tour explores the Hunter Valley, Australia's oldest and best-known wine region. The first visit of the day is to Binnorie Dairy, one of Australia's premiere soft cheese producers. Move on to visit 2 premium boutique wineries where you will have an opportunity to taste a range of wine varietals and then the Hunter Distillery, where you can sample up to 6 products from the extensive range of spirits and liqueurs. Enjoy Italian delicacies for lunch at Café Enzo, before arriving at Tulloch Wines for a delightful wine and chocolate experience. Return to Sydney, where you will be transferred to your accommodation.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: 10 hours

Deluxe Blue Mountain Tour

Just 1½ hours from the city brings you to the Blue Mountains. The first stop is Echo Point for the best views of the Three Sisters. Visit Scenic World and start your adventure on Scenic Skyway where you can experience the thrill of walking on air with a see-through glass floor revealing views of the valley 200 metres below. Ride the steepest railway in the world and stroll through the ancient rainforest. On the way back to Sydney visit to Sydney Zoo for the ultimate wildlife experience and your trip to Sydney is not complete without a ride on an iconic Sydney Harbour Ferry to Circular Quay. Sail under the Harbour Bridge and past the Opera House before disembarking at Circular Quay at approximately 5.00pm where the tour concludes.

Departs: Monday to Saturday, year round
Duration: 10 hours



Sydney Accommodation

Holiday Inn Sydney Potts Point

Enjoy the cosmopolitan, vibrant suburb of Potts Point, with its village feel, home to historical architecture, famous for housing the most art deco buildings in Australia. You will be surrounded by popular street cafés and bars, just all one stop from Kings Cross station underground station to take you into the city centre. After a day exploring, relax in the hotel bar where local crafted beers are served as well as cocktails or a coffee. You may choose to dine in the restaurant, a “bistro” setting with an outdoor terrace. Guest rooms offer spectacular views towards Sydney Harbour or of vibrant Potts Point.

Location: Potts Point

Our rating: ★★★★★



Vibe Hotel Sydney Darling Harbour

This hotel boasts a Manhattan-styled theme, drawing on the vibrancy of the surrounding neighbourhood. Location suits guests who enjoy the hustle and bustle of the city on their doorstep with easy access to the main attractions. After a day exploring head to the rooftop bar, Above 319, watch the sunset or enjoy an after dinner drink under the stars. If you are looking for relaxation during the day, there is a rooftop swimming pool or an onsite gym to build up an appetite. The Sussex Store is the hotel’s casual dining restaurant, serving great coffee and a menu of modern Australian dishes with a zesty Asian-inspired twist. As nighttime falls retreat to your New York inspired guest room.

Location: Darling Harbour

Our rating: ★★★★★



Amora Hotel Jamison Sydney

A boutique and stylish stay at the Amora Hotel Jamison Sydney awaits your arrival. Elegant guest rooms and amenities are designed with rest and relaxation in mind. Conveniently located near the bustling harbour of Circular Quay, visitors can enjoy access to Sydney Harbour Bridge and the Sydney Opera House is just a few minutes away, home to artistic performances as well as a fine dining restaurant. With all this on your doorstep a stay at the Amora Hotel Jamison is one of the most desirable locations. For those guests who like a “dip”, you will find the hotel’s swimming pool the perfect spot to unwind or pamper yourself in the day spa.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★★★★★



Sydney Harbour Hotel

This heritage listed building oozes historic charm combined with elegance, and was originally part of a number of warehouses, sitting amongst undisturbed cobblestone laneways. Sydney Harbour Hotel is a landmark within the heart of the Rocks, ideally positioned between the iconic sites of the Harbour Bridge and Opera House, approximately a 15 minutes’ walk away. From the rooftop swimming pool you can gaze upon the harbour and glittering lights over the city at the end of the day. Playfair Terrace Restaurant offers diners a relaxed, atmosphere, overlooking the picturesque atrium with a menu that encompasses cuisine from around the world.

Location: The Rocks

Our rating: ★★★★★



Crowne Plaza Sydney Darling Harbour

The Crowne Plaza Sydney Darling Harbour is designed with a modern feel, featuring a brick façade and urban city tones and textures. Located at the southern end of Sydney's city centre on the city-side of Darling Harbour. 5 minutes from your hotel you will find yourself on the waterfront of Darling Harbour, take a scenic cruise and glide under the Harbour Bridge. Emphasis on the guest rooms is to create a sanctuary, home away from home feel with relaxation being the forefront of the design. Complete your day at the hotel swimming pool sipping a cocktail as the sun sets over the city's skyscrapers.

Location: Darling Harbour

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Adina Apartment Hotel Sydney Darling Harbour

Located on Kings Wharf with harbour views, you are perfectly situated to embrace Sydney's entertainment district. Visit the new Barangaroo reserve, where you will find native trees and shrubs, wide open green lawns and sweeping views across the harbour. As well as being adjacent to major attractions you will find transport links close by to further explore the city. Guests looking to relax there is an indoor/outdoor heated swimming pool. Choose from a studio, 1 or 2 bedrooms/2-bathroom apartments, ideal for couples travelling together or families. All apartments have full kitchen and laundry facilities.

Location: Darling Harbour

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

PARKROYAL Darling Harbour

PARKROYAL Darling Harbour Sydney is set on the city side of Darling Harbour. On your doorstep you will find Cockle Bay, home to an abundance of restaurants and bars. Just a 10-minute train ride brings you to the Sydney Opera House and the historic Rocks area. For in-house dining, start your day at Barkers restaurant where breakfast is served, ABODE is a bistro and bar offering Australian cuisine where you can sip local wines and taste local produce. Guest rooms and suites have a contemporary design with either a cityscape or Darling Harbour view.

Location: Darling Harbour

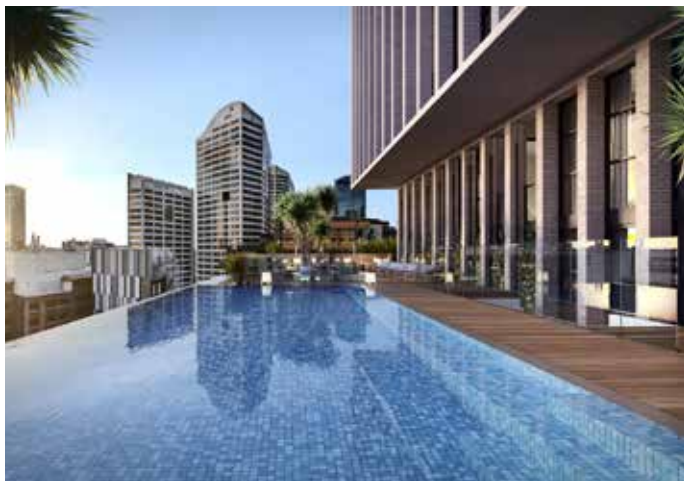
Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Radisson Blu Plaza Sydney

The elegant sandstone exterior of the Radisson Blu reveals a stylish and modern hotel, which was once home to the Fairfax newspaper empire and it's just a short walk from excellent restaurants and bars as well as Circular Quay and the Sydney Opera House. The Royal Botanic Garden, King Street Wharf and Darling Harbour are all easily accessible. Rooms and suites are sleek and elegant with high ceilings and large windows. There are 3 restaurants, and its high tea is well known in Sydney, plus a wealth of exceptional dining options are within close proximity to the hotel. Facilities include a fitness centre, indoor swimming pool and spa.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Sydney Accommodation

Four Seasons Hotel, Sydney

Location doesn't get much better than this, just a short walk from Circular Quay and the historic Rocks district. The Four Seasons Hotel Sydney is vibrant and elegant with dramatic harbour views. Rooms are inspired by the soothing blues and crisp whites of the surrounding harbour and offer city, partial and full harbour views. Mode Kitchen & Bar celebrates Australian cuisine in a casual bistro style, whilst Grain is the popular in-house bar. If you are relaxing by the heated outdoor swimming pool, the Cabana pool bar offers cocktails, gourmet sandwiches and salads. Facilities include a fitness centre and Endota Spa, a soothing day spa with treatments inspired by native Australian ingredients.

Location: The Rocks

Our rating: ★★★★★

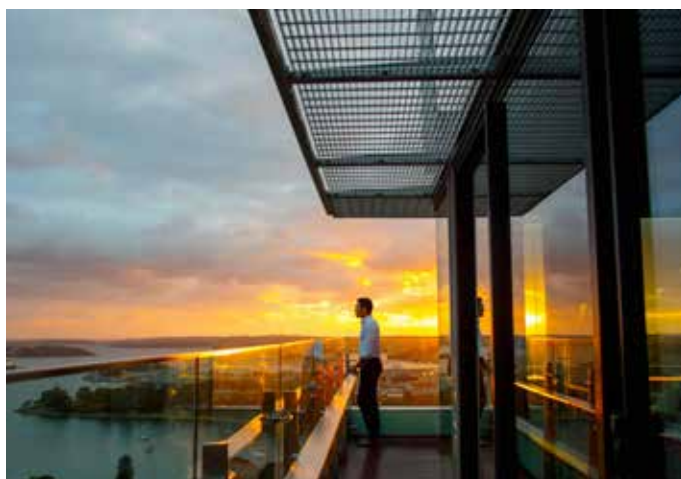


InterContinental Sydney

Centrally positioned within Circular Quay you will find the InterContinental Sydney hotel offering its breathtaking views of Sydney Harbour Bridge and the Sydney Opera House. The property is built within the beautifully resorted 1851 Treasury Building, you will be spoilt for choice in terms of exploring the iconic sites of Sydney just moments away. Reflect on your day at the hotel's restaurant Aster, sit out on the outdoor terrace and gaze over Sydney's skyline. Indulge in leisure and health facilities in the fully equipped gym, indoor heated swimming pool or a treatment in the day spa. Guest rooms are inspired by creating a connection from indoor to outdoor opulence.

Location: Circular Quay

Our rating: ★★★★★



Shangri-La Sydney

The Shangri-La Sydney, elegant and sophisticated positioned in the dress circle of the historic Rocks district. Slightly elevated in its location showcasing panoramic views of the Sydney Opera House and Sydney Harbour Bridge. Altitude, the fine dining restaurant presents "Australia on a plate", high up on level 36 stunning harbour views open before you. For something more casual you may prefer to dine in the Lobby Lounge or mix up a cocktail in Bar 36. An indoor swimming pool, fully equipped gym and day spa will keep you fit and rejuvenated while you are away from home. Rooms are bright and luxurious and offer some of the best views in the city.

Location: The Rocks

Our rating: ★★★★★



Capella Sydney

The Capella Sydney epitomises the word "luxury" blending heritage and opulence. With the hotels' golden sandstone facade against the heart of the city centre, enticing even the most discerning guest. Step inside you will sense a feeling of grandeur with soaring ceilings and lavish surroundings. Sydney Opera House, Sydney Harbour Bridge, and the Royal Botanic Gardens are a few minutes' walk away. Cocktails meet fine cuisine once back at your hotel with a choice of 2 restaurants as well as the Mc Crae bar immersing visitors in a glamorous times gone by classic lounge style. Rooms and suites are generously sized and flooded with natural light. All guests will enjoy a full breakfast.

Location: Circular Quay

Our rating: ★★★★★ plus





Adina Apartment Hotel Bondi Beach Sydney

Looking for a more laid-back stay close to the city then this apartment hotel is in the beachside suburb of Bondi. Guests have easy public transport access to Circular Quay and a short walk to the world-famous Bondi Beach where you can enjoy a sundowner on the golden sands. Situated on Hall Street “Bondi’s hip strip”, there are a myriad of restaurants, cafés and bars to discover. Stretch your legs and follow the Bondi to Coogee Walk, one of Sydney’s most iconic walks, make sure you take your swimmers to cool off en-route. This home from home apartment hotel has contemporary style accommodation including open-plan studios and fully self-contained apartments with kitchen and laundry facilities. All guest rooms have a balcony.

Location: Bondi Beach

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Crowne Plaza Coogee Beach

Commanding an idyllic location with breathtaking panoramic sea views and within easy access to Sydney’s iconic sites, a stay at Crowne Plaza Coogee Beach offers guest a beachside retreat. Coogee has a laid-back feel with pubs and bars on the beachfront. Walks are plentiful if you prefer to stay dry, through nurtured parklands or walk along to Bondi Beach for stunning ocean views. Facilities at the hotel include an outside pool and tennis court. 2 restaurants’ Shutters and Estate both embrace the essence of coastal charm from breakfast to dinner with sweeping sea views and backdrop. This property offers well-appointed guest rooms with floor to ceiling windows, ideal for that early morning sunrise.

Location: Coogee Beach

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Discover Sydney

4 days

Sydney is Australia’s largest and most famous city. Think of the World Heritage-listed Sydney Opera House and its ingenious shape, like billowing white sails, and the impressive steel arch of the Harbour Bridge. The blue waters of the harbour and the white sands and curling waves of Bondi Beach will also come to mind. This beautiful, iconic city celebrates its cultural diversity and heritage, and passion for arts and sports.

Day 1: Arrive Sydney

On arrival in Sydney a private transfer will take you to your downtown hotel and the remainder of the day is free. Enjoy Sydney’s natural beauty, from unspoilt beaches to public gardens and the sparkling harbour. With an abundance of fresh produce, great seafood and multicultural influences, Sydney’s restaurants and cafés cater for a range of tastes and budgets. Shopping is a delight, with international brands available in modern shopping malls.

Day 2: Sydney

Join a morning tour to visit the iconic sights in this famous city. Begin in the historic Rocks area and hear early convict history. Enjoy magnificent views of the Opera House and Harbour Bridge. See the shopping heart of the city, the Queen Victoria Building and visit Sydney’s trendy Oxford Street district. Travel through elegant Paddington with its terrace houses before arriving at the Pacific Ocean where you will see the superb coastal cliff walk around Tamarama and Bronte.

Travel on to famous Bondi Beach, visit the beachfront promenade and enjoy a coffee or cool drink (own expense). See bronzed Aussie lifesavers and Sydney’s best panoramic view at Dover Heights. Return to the city via Double Bay, Kings Cross and Mrs Macquarie’s Point for a final magical viewpoint over the harbour. Your tour concludes at either Circular Quay or Darling Harbour/King St Wharf precinct. This afternoon is for you to further explore at your own pace.

Day 3: Sydney

Today you choose how you want to discover Sydney and beyond. Maybe take a tour out to the Blue Mountains or take in a performance inside the Opera House. For those with a head for heights climb Sydney Harbour Bridge or take to the skies on a sea plane flight to gain a different perspective of the harbour in all its glory.

Day 4: Departure

Time to say goodbye to Sydney.



Package Includes

- 3 nights accommodation
- Private transfer on arrival
- Morning city tour

Departs: Daily, except 31 December

Mountains, Valleys & Beaches

New South Wales has an impressive natural landscape. National parks spread across the state, mountain ranges pierce the clouds and deep valleys harbour lush vineyards. Along the coast stretches an incredible expanse of beaches, washed by the indigo waters of the Pacific Ocean. Within an hour of Sydney lies the patchwork of rolling hills that forms the Hunter Valley. This is the birthplace of Australian wine and renowned for its world-class wineries and boutique producers. For dramatic scenery, visitors have long headed to the Blue Mountains, where cliffs shrouded in eucalyptus trees, pretty villages housing art galleries and cosy tearooms and rugged rock formations including the iconic Three Sisters take centre stage. For beach lovers, New South Wales is blessed with some of the best in Australia including Byron Bay, and Hyams Beach in Jervis Bay, revered for its gleaming white silica sands.



Echoes Boutique Hotel & Restaurant

Looking for a boutique stay on the very edge of the World Heritage listed Blue Mountains National Park, Echoes Boutique Hotel & Restaurant looks forward to welcoming you. Local scenic attractions are within easy reach, take a walk and experience Australia's wilderness close up whilst building up an appetite. Feast on gourmet delights, whether you are looking for a casual lunch or romantic dinner, the relaxing restaurant opens to views over the mountains, cliff edges and lush rainforest valleys. With the hotel's unique location, all rooms offer breathtaking uninterrupted panoramic views of the national park. Guests may use the facilities next door at Lilianfels Resort & Spa.

Location: Blue Mountains

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Lilianfels Resort & Spa

Escape the city, for the heart of the World Heritage listed Blue Mountains National Park and Lilianfels Resort & Spa, a 5 minute walk away from the iconic Three Sisters at Echo Point and close to Scenic World. Set amongst 2 acres of manicured gardens with views across to the escarpment of the Jamison Valley. When you are not exploring, relax in the day spa, take a dip in a choice of 2 swimming pools or challenge your travel companion to a game of tennis. Dining is an integral part of your stay with a variety of options, The Lounge to enjoy a cocktail and sharing platter, historic Darley's Restaurant, or Echoes Restaurant & Bar perched at the absolute edge of the national park.

Location: Blue Mountains

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Rydges Resort Hunter Valley

Located in the very heart of wine country, surrounded by vineyards, framed by the rugged Broken Back ranges and pristine countryside, welcome to the Rydges Resort Hunter Valley. You will be spoilt for choice with 150 cellar doors right around the corner. Indulge in wine tastings or a brewery tour. Missing your golf clubs, book a tee-off time on the 18-hole golf course, fancy a dip, head to the swimming pool, there is an adult only pool, test the cocktail menu between laps. Guests wishing to take a slower pace, book a treatment in the on site day spa, a sanctuary amongst the vines. You won't have to leave the resort for dining options, with relaxed lazy lunches to award winning restaurants.

Location: Hunter Valley

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Chateau Elan at The Vintage

Surrounded by vineyards and overlooking manicured fairways, Chateau Elan is perfectly located for guests who are looking to relax after busy sightseeing in Sydney. Meandering cellar door wine trails are on your doorstep where the flavours of the region tingle on your palate. Golfers will enjoy a round of golf on the 18-hole course designed by Greg Norman. The Spa offers an extensive menu offering beauty therapies and pure ultimate indulgence. Dine on the terrace at Spike Bar where smaller plates are on offer during the day and early evening, Legends Restaurant is open for breakfast and dinner service. You will have a choice of a Villa Studio or for extra space and a fully equipped kitchen then the 1 or 2 bedroom Villa Apartments are well suited. All have balconies or terraces with views over the Vintage fairways or the Hunter Valley. Full breakfast is included.

Location: Hunter Valley

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Blue Mountains Experience

2 days

The Blue Mountains get their name from the natural blue haze created by vast eucalypt forests in this World Heritage area. Marvel at this wilderness region from cliff top lookouts. Explore waterfalls, valleys and rugged sandstone tablelands, and learn about the region's ancient Aboriginal heritage. The view from Govetts Leap lookout is sure to be a highlight of your trip.

Day 1: Blue Mountains

Your driver will collect you from your Sydney hotel at 7am. The first stop of the day is at Calmsley Hill, a working farm also home to kangaroo, emu, wombat and koala. Enjoy morning tea and time to wander at leisure. From Calmsley Hill continue to ascend the Blue Mountains and visit one of a range of stunning outlooks over the Jamison Valley seeing beautiful vistas. At remote Eaglehawk Lookout, enjoy views of the famous Three Sisters. Here your guide will discuss the legends behind this famous rock formation and time is available for you to take some great photos. We will arrive at your hotel accommodation approximately 11-11.30am with the remainder of the day at leisure to explore at your own pace.

Day 2: Sydney

Enjoy breakfast and a leisurely morning to relax in the Blue Mountains. You will be collected at around 11am and make your way around the mountain towards the village of Blackheath and your lunch venue the Boiler House Café at the Hydro Majestic. Enjoy a 2-course lunch before visiting a selection of lookouts, including Govetts Leap. Stop briefly to enjoy a glass of sparkling wine or orange juice at your last stop, the delightful Mt Tomah Botanic Gardens, before travelling down the Bells Line of Road to arrive back in Sydney approximately 5pm.



Tour Includes

- Return small group coach travel with driver guide
- 1 night accommodation
- 1 breakfast, 1 lunch
- National Park fees
- Entry to Calmsley Hill Farm

Departs: Sunday to Thursday, year round



Wine Train to the Hunter Valley

3 days

Join this train journey to the Hunter Valley for 2 night stay. The Hunter Valley is home to one of Australia's major wine regions, well known for its Semillon and Shiraz. Wake up amongst the vines ready for a day of tasting and visit cellar doors where fine wines are matched with delicate lunch platters.

Day 1: Hunter Valley

Make your own way to Sydney Central Railway Station by 9.00am, for your train departure to Singleton Station. As you travel by rail sit back and enjoy the Hawkesbury River and Central Coast region scenery before arriving in the Hunter Valley. You will be met and transferred to the Hunter Valley Resort. This afternoon enjoy the Hunter Wine Theatre experience before the rest of the day is yours to relax and explore.

Day 3: Sydney

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast before making use of the onsite facilities, maybe relax by the pool with a book or have a game of tennis before your transfer to the Singleton Railway Station. Your train will depart early afternoon and arrive at Sydney Central Railway Station approx. 5pm where your tour finishes.



Tour Includes

- 2 nights accommodation
- 2 breakfasts
- Return train tickets from Sydney to Singleton and return station to resort transfers in the Hunter Valley
- Activities as shown

Departs: Daily, year round

Day 2: Hunter Valley

After breakfast join a vineyard inspection followed by wine-tasting with the resort Cellar Master. The rest of the day is at your own leisure. If it's more vineyards you are looking for, hire an e-bike and take to the saddle, you decide whether you pedal or not.



Crystalbrook Byron

Nestled within a stunning 45-acre subtropical rainforest, Crystalbrook Byron is just moments away from Tallow Beach and 5 minutes' drive south of Byron Bay. For guests staying between mid-June to the end of October take a whale watching trip to spot migrating humpback whales. Visit Cape Byron Lighthouse where you will find spectacular beaches and walking trails or lounge by the pool and take it slow. Head back to the resort after a day of sightseeing, pull up a chair with a cocktail in your hand on the shady veranda. Suites are dotted along raised boardwalks through the rainforest and facilities include the Forest Restaurant and Bar, and a nurturing day spa.

Location: Byron Bay

Our rating: ★★★★★



Sails Port Macquarie

Inspired by its breathtaking waterfront location on the marina, Sails Port Macquarie is just a 10 minute stroll into the vibrant town centre. Browse markets for local produce and trinkets, you will also find a wide selection of waterfront restaurants and bars to watch the world go by. The contemporary and stylish design of your hotel has been inspired by its bay side location easing guests into a coastal lifestyle. Emphasis is on a laid back and rejuvenating stay, relax in a private cabana by the pool with a refreshing cocktail from the bar. Guests who prefer to be more active meander along the coastline through native bush and beach, hire a canoe or paddleboard, fit in like a local and throw a fishing line off the private jetty.

Location: Port Macquarie

Our rating: ★★★★★



Port Stephens Koala Sanctuary

The Port Stephens Koala Sanctuary offers a unique and memorable experience, surrounded by stunning bushland and nestled on the edge of the beach, wake up to native birdsong and animal life. On a visit to the koala sanctuary, see these beautiful marsupials in their natural habitat. Accommodation options include deluxe and superior glamping tents with private en-suite facilities, kitchenette and an outdoor decking area. Deluxe studio rooms and 1 bedroom deluxe suites are also available. All room types include continental breakfast provisions, welcome hamper, unlimited entry into Koala Sanctuary, a guided "Walk n Talk" and morning koala viewing.

Location: Port Stephens

Our rating: ★★★★★



Breakfree Aanuka Beach Resort

Located on Diggers Beach, this relaxed, tropical style resort offers a comfortable coastal stay. Local attractions include the "The Big Banana" and it's just 10 minutes to Coffs Central. Stretch your legs with a walk to the top of Muttonbird Island, you will be rewarded with stunning views over Solitary Island, a perfect spot for whale watching from May to November. Facilities include a choice of swimming pools and tennis courts, 2 restaurants, Finz restaurant for breakfast and Casay on the Beach for evening dining, both restaurants have views over the beach. There is a choice of accommodation including 2-, 3- and 4-bedroom villas that are excellent for families and couples.

Location: Coffs Harbour

Our rating: ★★★★★

Queensland

COASTAL ADVENTURES & ANCIENT RAINFORESTS

Glorious, technicolour Queensland is a breathtaking state of magnificent natural wonders, vibrant cities, and spectacular surf beaches. From Brisbane in the south, the Queensland coastline weaves northwards embracing the truly remarkable Great Barrier Reef, the beautiful islands of the Whitsunday's, coastal towns, and rainforests as old as the earth itself.

Queensland is not shy about showcasing its many exceptional attractions. Delve deep into the ancient rainforest of the Daintree to discover a shady green world of rare plants and incredible wildlife. Or dive beneath the waves to uncover the incomparable, but equally fragile underwater world of the Great Barrier Reef. Thrill-seek in the theme parks of the Gold Coast and enjoy the urban thrall of buzzy Brisbane. Relax or learn to surf on the beautiful beaches of the Sunshine Coast, or venture inland to the hinterland, a charming region of quaint country towns with boutique places to stay. From Cairns, gateway to the topical north explore a pristine coastline, dotted with pretty seaside villages such as Palm Cove and Port Douglas, and Cape Tribulation, where the Daintree Rainforest and the Great Barrier Reef, two UNESCO World Heritage Sites collide in dazzling fashion. Whatever your plans Queensland is a vibrant and vivid state of many contrasts.



Our 5 Favourites in Queensland

Queensland is Australia's 'sunshine state' blessed with stunning beaches, ancient rainforests, magical islands and the natural wonder of the world that is the Great Barrier Reef. We asked past travellers for their personal recommendations.

Great Barrier Reef

Snorkel amongst a rainbow of coloured reefs and spectacular marine life on the Great Barrier Reef, if you prefer to keep dry board a glass bottom boat.



Ancient Rainforests

Ride high on Kuranda's Skyrail, glide silently over the treetops, there are two stations to stop and stretch your legs with a stroll through the rainforest.

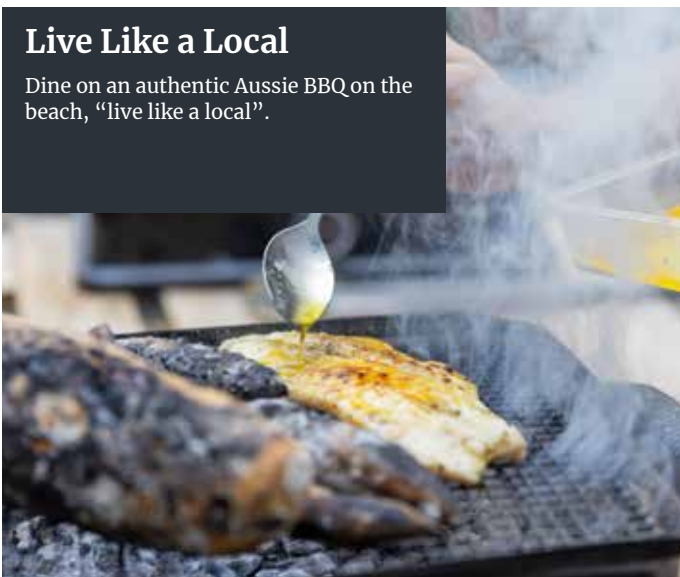


The Whitsundays

Sail around the Whitsundays, don't forget your swimming costume for a dip.

Live Like a Local

Dine on an authentic Aussie BBQ on the beach, "live like a local".



Indigenous Tour

Head inland to the Daintree Forest and Cape Tribulation, hear of indigenous tales and learn about the native wildlife living in one of the worlds oldest rainforests.

Brisbane



Donuts & Discover Walking Tour

Discover the highlights of Brisbane on a small group walking tour. Explore the iconic historic Windmill landmark with its stunning views. Learn about the Battle of Brisbane, the WWII event that shaped the city's history. Immerse yourself in the city's obscure art. Along the way, indulge in a coffee and a few donuts to keep you energised. This tour offers a perfect blend of sightseeing, fascinating stories, and tasty treats for an unforgettable Brisbane experience.

Departs: 2½ hours
Duration: Daily

Croc Express to Australia Zoo

Time to make your acquaintance with the native wildlife of Australia. This tour takes you to Australia Zoo, made famous by Steve and Terri Irwin, a living legacy to Steve and his wildlife conservation efforts. Australia Zoo is home to over 1,200 native and exotic species of wildlife, koalas, wombats, snakes and kangaroos. In addition to the "locals" come face to face with majestic tigers and hand-feed the elephants. Expect exciting wildlife shows and some up close and personal animal encounters at Australia Zoo.

Departs: 9½ hours
Duration: Year round, Monday, Thursday and Saturday



Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary & River Cruise

Leave the city behind on a relaxing 1½ hour cruise to Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary. Enjoy an informative commentary from your captain as you glide along Brisbane's waterfront. Arrive at Lone Pine where you will have time to explore the world's largest koala sanctuary. Cuddle a koala, take photos with the adorable marsupials (own expense), and perhaps catch a talk by the koala's keepers. Discover the Platypus House or check out the owls, kites and sea eagles at the popular Birds of Prey show. You can also feed the kangaroos and wallabies. Your cruise will return back to Brisbane city.

Departs: 5¾ hours
Duration: Year round daily

O'Reilly's & Lamington National Park

Visit the iconic O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat, which is situated in the heart of World Heritage-listed Lamington National Park. Take in the spectacular panoramic views of the Gold Coast from Tamborine Mountain, then travel onward to O'Reilly's for the tree top canopy walk, to discover historic logging tracks and hear the epic adventures of early settlers. Time to sample Queensland made wines and fresh local produce before your guide returns you back to your Brisbane accommodation.

Departs: 10 hours
Duration: Year round, Saturday and Sunday



Amora Brisbane

A modern hotel in the heart of Brisbane with recently transformed guest rooms and facilities. Location is key to the Amora Brisbane with central station being just a short stroll away as well as Queen Street Mall. Howard Street Wharves is also close by with its bustling riverside entertainment area, a foodie's haven with a wide selection of dining options to suit all palates, visitors will be gifted with dazzling views of Story Bridge and the city skyline. The Amora Hotel is home to 3 dining options from modern Australian cuisine to a casual meal or "grab and go" goodies for those guests heading out to explore the city. Maintain a healthy lifestyle in the fitness centre or take a dip in the outdoor swimming pool.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Hotel Grand Chancellor

Elevated within Brisbane's highest point in the Central Business District you will find the Hotel Grand Chancellor, overlooking the picturesque Roma Street parklands, city skyline and surrounding mountains. Guests will be welcomed with commanding views across the city skyline and Brisbane River from the rooftop swimming pool, heated all year round. After a few laps or workout in the fitness room, head down to the restaurant and bar. Order a speciality cocktail as the sun sets and the city sparkles beneath your feet. The Courtyard is the perfect al fresco spot after a busy day sightseeing for a beverage on those warm summer lazy evenings. Each room and suite blends contemporary design and modern furnishings.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Adina Apartment Hotel Brisbane

The Adina Apartment Hotel Brisbane is in a heritage-listed building, dating back to 1922. Just a stone's throw away you will be browsing Queen Street Mall, within an easy 15-minute walk you will be in the bustling Southbank with its cool bars, restaurants, and parklands. If you need to stretch your legs further there is an on-site gym and outdoor pool. Dining at your hotel is an around the world extravaganza, including Cantonese and Japanese street food. Guests have a choice of classic, spacious contemporary studios, 1, 2 and 3 bedroom apartments for those extended families or couples travelling together, perfect for a home from home stay. Apartments feature full kitchen and laundry facilities.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Emporium Hotel

Overlooking the South Bank Peninsula and the Brisbane River, experience an exquisite boutique stay at the Emporium Hotel South Bank. Centrally located you will find art galleries, theatres, bars and restaurants within easy walking distance. Guests have access to electric bikes and there is a gym, located on level 21. Soak up Brisbane's subtropical climate with a dip in the infinity edge rooftop pool or switch between the steam room and cold therapy plunge pool. Dining is an integral part of the hotel, from bistro to bars, fine dining to the library with its extensive wine menu. A Japanese style spa is also on offer. This hotel is an urban sanctuary, offering spacious and luxuriously appointed suites, some with wonderful river views.

Location: South Bank

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Whispering Valley Cottage Retreat

Whispering Valley is a countryside tranquil retreat just a 1-hour drive from the beaches of the Sunshine Coast. The small town of Maleny is a 15 minute drive away where you can browse stores selling local arts and crafts, viewpoints en-route will give you advantageous spots to take in exquisite views over the Sunshine Coast and surrounds. Local food providers, wine and breweries are also within easy reach, take your purchases back to your cottage and dine on your private secluded deck. In the evening stargaze from the hammock, enjoy the log fire in your cottage or have a spa bath. A small hamper will offer a warm cosy welcome when you arrive.

Location: Sunshine Coast Hinterland

Our rating: ★★★★★



Narrows Escape Rainforest Retreat

Narrows Escape Rainforest Retreat welcomes adults only to stay in this truly incredible setting. A romantic, boutique tropical hideaway located in a secluded region of the Sunshine Coast Hinterland. National parks are right outside your door, take a hike to waterfalls and secluded swimming holes. The village of Montville is a short drive away, set high up in the mountains with breathtaking views over the Sunshine Coast. Spend a day browsing galleries and markets before stopping at a vineyard or micro-brewery. Villas are secluded amongst the trees for maximum peace and privacy. Indulge in a couples in-villa massage before stepping into the double spa bath. A breakfast hamper is included each morning.

Location: Sunshine Coast Hinterland

Our rating: ★★★★★



O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat

Nestled in Lamington National Park in a sub-tropical rainforest, guests are invited to escape and reconnect with nature. Warm hospitality, bird song and over 100 miles of nature trails welcomes you. Tie those walking boots, pack a picnic in search of world-class waterfalls and spectacular views across some of the most significant wilderness areas of Queensland. Activities include 4WD tours, segways, wildlife encounters, infinity pool swims, and evening glow worm viewing. Feeling hungry after all that fresh air, you have a choice of the casual Rainforest Bar or the a la carte dining room serving matching wines from the local vineyard. Rooms range from cosy mountain studios to mountain rainforest villas.

Location: Lamington National Park

Our rating: ★★★★★





Tangalooma Island Resort

2 days

Island life is only a 75-minute catamaran cruise away from Brisbane. Fringed on three sides by Moreton Island National Park, the resort is nestled amongst landscaped gardens and native bushland.

For guests looking for an active understated stay, Tangalooma Island Resort is one of nature's theme parks. Your island adventure offers land and ocean-based activities including snorkelling amongst a myriad of coral formations and marine life, stay on top of the water and hire a kayak where you can explore shipwrecks, join a sunset cruise for something more romantic, time for something slower head to the massage hut. Each evening bottlenose dolphins visit the shores where guests are invited to feed these playful characters.

During your stay you will join a 90 minute morning tour on a scenic desert 4WD bus tour, try your hand at sand tobogganing before returning to your accommodation at your leisure. With activities in abundance every guest will find something to fill their day. Alternatively take a book to the pool and soak up laid back island vibes. Additional nights are available.

Price Includes

- 1 night accommodation
- Return transfers from Brisbane City
- 4WD Desert Safari

Departs: Daily, year round



Discover Brisbane

4 days

As the capital of the Sunshine State, Brisbane is blessed with year-round idyllic subtropical weather, this inevitably leads to a strong focus on the outdoors. Think alfresco dining, picnics by the river, visit islands just off the coast and national parks for bush walks. Brisbane is a city for the senses, walking under impossible blue skies you will discover myriad of opportunities to eat and drink in award-winning restaurants and cafés.

Day 1: Arrive Brisbane

Make your own way to your downtown hotel. There is no shortage of attractions to visit and explore in Brisbane. Across the river from the downtown business area, South Bank is home to the Cultural Centre with world-class galleries and entertainment. If you have not yet encountered native wildlife a visit to Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary is a must do. Join a river cruise to view the city from a different perspective or climb the Story Bridge. By night the city lights entice locals to Howard Smith Wharves where some of Brisbane's best restaurants and bars can be found, sip on a cocktail along the boardwalk under a balmy evening sky before dinner under the stars.

Day 2: Brisbane

Discover the highlights of Brisbane this morning on a fun and informative 2 1/2 hour walking tour. Get your bearings as you explore the historic Windmill landmark with stunning views.

Learn about the Battle of Brisbane, the WWII event that shaped the city's history. Immerse yourself in the city's quirky history and uncover obscure art. Along the way, indulge in a coffee and a few donuts to keep you energised. This tour offers a perfect blend of sightseeing, fascinating stories, and tasty treats. The rest of your day is yours to discover the city further.

Day 3: Brisbane

On your final day you may wish to head further afield with a full day tour out to Moreton Island, take part in an exhilarating sand boarding trip or explore shipwrecks on a snorkel or kayak tour, and don't forget to feed the playful wild dolphins who visit daily. Alternatively, head inland on a full day tour with lunch to the World Heritage-Listed Lamington National Park where treetop canopy walks, panoramic views and stories of early settlers make for a truly memorable day.

Day 4: Departure

Your short break ends on check-out today.

Price Includes

- 3 nights accommodation
- Small group walking tour of Brisbane

Departs: Daily, year round

Queensland Coastal Resorts

Queensland's coastline is remarkable in its diversity. From the dazzling high-rise buildings of Surfers Paradise and the Gold Coast to the sophisticated vibes of the Sunshine Coast. The Gold Coast is known for its theme parks and stunning beaches but turn inwards and you'll also find the lush rainforest of the Lamington National Park. On the Sunshine Coast, ever-popular Noosa Heads is a pretty coastal town surrounded by beautiful beaches and the Noosa National Park. K'gari is the largest sand island in the world. This beautifully natural island is a protected world heritage site and a place of shifting sands, pristine lakes, and untouched rainforest. Airlie Beach is the popular jumping off point for those heading for the magical Whitsunday Islands and Whitehaven Beach, deemed to be the most photographed beach in Australia.



Noosa Blue Resort

Located in the heart of Noosa Heads, within walking distance to Main Beach and the Noosa National Park the distinctive and stylish Noosa Blue Resort offers a great location. Inspired by a Mexican architect, emphasis is on relaxation. Enjoy a stroll, keep your eyes peeled for one of the local koala residents. Once you arrive at Tea Tree Bay take time to stop for a swim, a favourite spot for locals and visitors alike. Feeling the local vibe, head to Noosa's Surf Club where live music and bands regularly play whilst you enjoy a refreshing drink on the deck. Noosa Blue resort has a choice of 3 swimming pools, steam room and gym. Restaurants and cafés can be found 5 minutes away alternatively all suites feature self-catering facilities.

Location: Noosa

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Coco Mooloolaba

Your perfect beach stay on the Sunshine Coast is here. Coco Mooloolaba offers well-appointed apartment style accommodation, a few minutes stroll from the pristine beach and esplanade renowned for its cafés and restaurants. Visitors to the Sunshine Coast will be spoilt for choice in tours and exploring the region, from sampling local produce on a food and wine tour, to visiting Australia Zoo and its inhabitants. Maybe today is a rest day, relax and unwind. Grab a book and head to the beach, complimentary use of beach chairs and picnic rugs are available. A swimming pool and jacuzzi are on site for guests if you choose to stay home. All apartments feature fully equipped kitchens, laundry, and spacious balconies.

Location: Mooloolaba

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Mantra Legends Hotel

Surfers Paradise continues to be one of the most popular tourist spots in Australia, known for beautiful beaches and a vibrant atmosphere. Mantra Legends is the ideal stay for guests looking to be amongst the bustling city streets and famous nightlife, rubbing shoulders with locals. By day head down to the pristine beach before breakfast and catch a wave with a surf lesson or simply be a spectator. As the sun sets Cavill Avenue is where you will find pubs and fine dining restaurants before heading back to your accommodation or dance the night away in one of the clubs. On-site facilities include a lagoon style swimming pool with cascading waterfalls and a fully equipped gym to keep those beach bodies in trim.

Location: Surfers Paradise

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Crowne Plaza Surfers Paradise

Situated at the southern end of Surfers Paradise is where you will find the Crowne Plaza Surfers Paradise, set across 2 towers with sweeping views of the Gold Coast. Conveniently located nearby the buzzing Surfers Paradise strip and transport links to further explore this lively area. Build up an appetite by swimming a few laps in the hotel's pool or in the fully equipped gym. Dining options range from Shooeys, a modern sports bar to the Gold Coast's only revolving restaurant, Horizon Sky Dining. Wake up to the sound of the ocean and enjoy the first coffee of the day on your private balcony, choose between hotel rooms or self-contained apartments with views of the Gold Coast coastline or hinterland.

Location: Surfers Paradise

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Coral Sea Resort Hotel

Positioned on the absolute ocean front, just a short stroll along the beach pathway and you will arrive in the centre of laid-back Airlie Beach, the gateway to the Whitsundays. Coral Sea Resort Hotel commands an enviable location with views across turquoise waters, Abel Point marina is easily accessed via the boardwalk providing direct access to the aquatic playground of the Whitsunday Islands and the Great Barrier Reef. Dine in the poolside restaurant The Rocks, spot marine life from the hotel's private jetty or indulge in a spa treatment. Many of the rooms have balconies with hammocks and sea views. 2 and 3 bedroom apartments are also available for families or couples travelling together. Continental breakfast is included daily.

Location: Airlie Beach

Our rating: ★★★★★

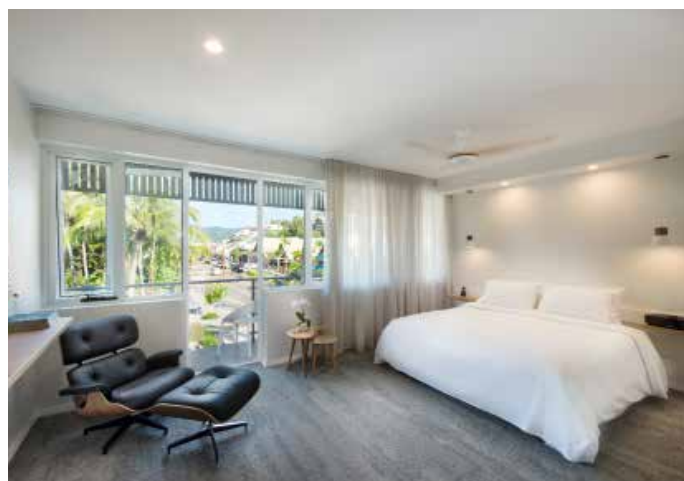


Heart Hotel and Gallery Whitsundays

Design-led and an enviable location in the heart of Airlie Beach makes the Heart Hotel and Gallery a popular choice for a stay in the beautiful Whitsundays. There's an excellent array of shopping, dining and cafés within a short stroll, and the hotel also boasts The Deck Restaurant, Pizza Café, and Lounge Bar if dining in appeals. Rooms and suites come in a range of shapes and sizes, but all offer complimentary Wi-Fi, UHD TVs and BOSE sound bars. The rooms have queen-size beds and bathrooms with rainfall showers, whilst the suites have king-size beds and jet spa baths. All offer Airlie Beach village or water views and are beautiful sanctuaries in which to relax. On the top floor there is a unique gallery space which is yours to enjoy, however you wish.

Location: Airlie Beach

Our rating: ★★★★★



K'Gari

3 days

Seventy minutes' drive north of Brisbane, the naturally refreshing Sunshine Coast has it all. Relax on sun kissed beaches, swim in azure blue seas, eat amazing food in beach side restaurants and escape to places like Australia Zoo, SEA LIFE Sunshine Coast and the Maleny Botanic Gardens. Or perhaps escape for a round of golf – there's a whole range of courses to choose from.

World Heritage-listed K'Gari is a rare and beautiful holiday destination at the start of the Great Barrier Reef. The island's untamed wilderness and rugged, natural charm entices from the first, providing 4WD adventure and excitement, but also a relaxing atmosphere from your base at the beautiful, eco-friendly Kingfisher Bay Resort. This stunning property blends seamlessly with the island's sensitive ecosystems.

Native bird and wildlife are easily spotted from the walkways, private hotel verandas or outdoor pools. Access is by ferry from Hervey Bay operating up to 6 times a day, the crossing takes 50 minutes, there is a secure car park at the harbour.

As part of your stay we have included a 4WD guided bus tour which will give you the opportunity to learn about the natural and cultural history of K'gari.

Don't forget to take your swimmers as there will be stops to cool off during the day. From the blue waters of Lake McKenzie to the Maheno shipwreck your unique tour will be a highlight.

Activities from the resort include canoeing, picnics on the beach, night walks, personalised tours, bird walks (there are 354 species of birds on the island), self guided walking trails and fishing clinics. Whale watching trips are available from August to October.

Package Includes

- Return ferry crossing from Hervey Bay
- 2 nights Kingfisher Bay Resort
- Full Day 4WD Ranger Guided Beauty Spot Tour

Departs: Daily, year round



Discover the Gold Coast

5 days

From the iconic Surfers Paradise beach to the sophisticated dining precincts of Main Beach and Broadbeach and out to the lush, green hinterland, there's a new experience waiting for you at every turn on the Gold Coast. Theme parks, world-renowned beaches and year-round sunshine are just a few of the reasons that visitors flock to this vibrant city each year.

Day 1-4: Gold Coast

Arrive into the Gold Coast and settle into your hotel in the resort of Surfers Paradise. Energetic, enthusiastic, electric, eclectic! These are just some of the words that sum up the social scene that Surfers Paradise was built on. Since the days of the original Surfers Paradise Hotel, it has always been an entertainment playground famous for its world-class nightlife venues, international events and vibrant atmosphere. Be sure to visit the Surfers Paradise Beachfront Markets operating every Wednesday, Friday and Sunday afternoon and evening. The new foreshore is bustling throughout the day with walkers taking advantage of this beachfront boulevard vista overlooking the surf and sand. Like the Surfers Paradise of yesteryear, beachside shopping, dining, bars, clubs and thrilling theme parks offer the complete holiday experience in one compact destination.

In contrast to beach life your stay includes a full day tour to Tamborine Mountain. Experience the region through the eyes of a local with a guided walk through the rainforest. Listen to stories of the local people as they share their knowledge of the flora and fauna which surrounds you, your journey continues as your guide shares favourite lookout spots where cascading waterfalls flow. After all this fresh air lunch is served completed with a wine distillery tour and tasting before your return to your accommodation.

Day 5: Departure

Your short break ends with checkout from your accommodation.



Package Includes

- 4 nights accommodation
- Full day Tamborine Mountain tour
- 1 lunch

Departs: Daily, year round



Discover the Sunshine Coast

5 days

Seventy minutes' drive north of Brisbane, the naturally refreshing Sunshine Coast has it all. Relax on sun kissed beaches, swim in azure blue seas, eat amazing food in beach side restaurants and escape to places like Australia Zoo, SEA LIFE Sunshine Coast and the Maleny Botanic Gardens. Or perhaps escape for a round of golf – there's a whole range of courses to choose from.

Day 1-4: Sunshine Coast

Arrive into the Sunshine Coast and settle into your hotel in the resort of Noosa. Noosa is surrounded by stunning beaches, lakes, national parks and the lush hinterland of Noosa National Park. If you are looking for adventure, there's plenty to do. Learn to surf or try stand-up paddle-boarding; sail the beautiful waters of Laguna Bay; kayak in the Noosa Everglades; join a sunset cruise or go swimming with humpback whales. For those wanting a more relaxed experience, Noosa is home to superb day spas, world-class golf courses, stylish shopping and delicious cuisine. Noosa National Park is ideal for walks and swimming at secluded beaches with plenty of easy to moderate walking tracks. Many native animals, such as koalas, live in the park and you can often see sea turtles and dolphins swimming along the coastline.

To show you a little of the natural side of Noosa we've included a day tour. Your safari begins with a river cruise across the magnificent wetlands of the Noosa River to the start of Australia's Everglades. Cruise upstream through ancient landscapes, mirrored waterways and sub-tropical rainforest to enjoy a delicious morning tea at iconic Harry's Hut. Then experience the magnificent wonders of the Everglades, recognised as one of the most spectacular waterways in Australia. Enjoy a leisurely river cruise with your tour group back to Habitat Noosa for lunch (at own expense). Travel back to Noosa, where you will be transferred to your accommodation.

Day 5: Departure

Your short break ends with checkout from your accommodation.



Package Includes

- 4 nights accommodation
- Full day Eco Cruise tour
- 1 lunch

Departs: Daily, year round

Islands of the Great Barrier Reef

The Great Barrier Reef is scattered along the coastline like a sprinkling of precious gems glistening in the sun and the abundance of experiences available is off the scale. There are many ways to discover the incredible marine life of this UNESCO World Heritage Site. The beautiful Whitsunday's include Hamilton Island, which offers an excellent range of accommodation to suit all budgets from self-catering homes and apartments to qualia, one of the Luxury Lodges of Australia. Along with iconic Hayman Island, one of Australia's most historic island resorts and Daydream, a fabulous family-friendly island. Heron Island is a stunning sand cay in the southern Great Barrier Reef, is simply picture perfect and offers exceptional wildlife and a research station.





Reef View Hotel

Well located a 5 minute stroll from Catseye Beach on the northern side of Hamilton Island, the Reef View makes the very best of its panoramic natural surroundings, whilst having all the resort attractions close to hand, and enjoying stunning ocean views from the upper floors. With a full service spa for a little pampering and the Pool Terrace Restaurant and Reef Lounge for light snacks and cooling drinks, it is great for families and couples alike. For the breath-taking views of the waters surrounding Hamilton Island, upgrade to one of the Coral Sea View rooms, located on the higher floors of the hotel.

Location: Hamilton Island

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Beach Club

Facing directly onto Catseye Beach, and offering superbly appointed rooms with a courtyard or balcony, this is an adult only property offering an intimate retreat for couples. Enjoy the finest service, facilities and cuisine, and be amongst a handful of pampered guests. You'll have exclusive access to an infinity pool and restaurant and can take advantage of the VIP transfers for Beach Club guests. Breakfast and non-motorized watersports are included.

Location: Hamilton Island

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Whitsunday Apartments, Hamilton Island

Boasting an impressive location on Hamilton Island, these apartments offer flexible, self-contained accommodation in a superb setting. Set close to Catseye Beach, the Whitsunday Apartments are spacious and well-appointed with separate kitchen, living and sleeping areas, plus generous balconies. All have a bedroom with a king-size bed and a single bed, plus 2 further single divans in the living area. The garden view apartments are on the lower floors, whilst the sea view and deluxe Coral Sea view apartments are on the higher levels, with glorious ocean views. Resort facilities include a lagoon-style swimming pool, spa pool and a guest laundry. Hamilton Island is renowned for its excellent dining options, and all are easily accessible via the complimentary island shuttle.

Location: Hamilton Island

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Hamilton Island Holiday Homes and Yacht Club Villas

Scattered across the island, in a variety of locations, the Hamilton Island Holiday Homes and Yacht Club Villas are the perfect choice for those in search of stylish, self-catering accommodation. The wide range of homes includes 1, 2, 3 and 4 bedroom apartments and villas, all featuring gourmet kitchens, spacious living areas and furnished balconies. Some have private swimming pools, and many boast stunning water views. The Yacht Club Villas is an exclusive enclave of 4 bedroom waterfront homes, close to the Hamilton Island Marina. These elegant retreats sit within tropical gardens surrounding a waterfront swimming pool. Use of a motorised golf buggy for the duration of your stay, and all non-motorised watersports is included.

Location: Hamilton Island

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Great Barrier Reef Accommodation

Heron Island

Heron Island is a true coral cay right on the Great Barrier Reef. Walk or swim from the white sandy beach to the reef edge where the waters are teeming with colourful marine life. The area is acknowledged as one of the best diving locations in the world, with over 20 dive sites within easy reach. The epitome of a tropical paradise, Heron Island is surrounded by pure white sands, crystal-clear waters and acres of brilliant coral gardens that are home to millions of multicoloured fish. If you ever tire of the marine life, relax in the spa or spend the day just lazing by the pool or on the beach. From November to March a colony of turtles comes ashore to lay their eggs; if you're lucky you'll see the adults, or better still the little hatchlings. Breakfast is included daily.

Location: South Great Barrier Reef

Our rating: ★★★★★



Daydream Island

Protected by the Great Barrier Reef, the warm waters around Daydream Island are safe for families and couples alike. During the day the choices are endless from taking a dip in the swimming pool, sipping a tropical cocktail at the swim up bar, snorkelling the resorts "Living Reef" teeming with over 100 different species of marine life or strolling through the rainforest. Daydream offers 3 restaurants including Graze overlooking the lagoon, Inkstone which serves traditional European and Australian bistro cuisine and Infinity, an Asian inspired dining experience. The 240 guest rooms and suites are finished in a contemporary style with 4 room types to choose from. Daily breakfast is included.

Location: Whitsundays

Our rating: ★★★★★



Intercontinental Hayman Island Resort

Surrounded by verdant cliffs, crescent-shaped white beach and celestial-blue sea, the re-imagined Intercontinental Hayman Island Resort is a luxurious island escape. You will discover an idyllic destination of privacy and pampering, where you can experience diving the Great Barrier Reef, swimming in your private pool, sailing the Coral Sea, the culinary artistry and personalised spa treatments. The resort presents an unforgettable collection of innovative new restaurants, bars, spa experiences and local activities.

Discover a haven of serene relaxation with 166 exquisite rooms, suites villas and the halo residence: the 3 Bedroom Hayman Beach House. From sophisticated sea-facing escapes to tropical garden sanctuaries, you'll be immersed in a world of unrivalled luxury. Evoking a rare sense of escapism and accessibility, the Pool Wing presents magnificent luxury retreats perched over the iconic Hayman Pool with direct swim-out access or views across the breathtaking Coral Sea.

Location: Hayman Island

Our rating: ★★★★★



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A distinctive style, secluded location and impeccable service combine to make qualia a luxurious, world class resort. Exclusive and refined, it is nestled on the island's northern tip, a perfect getaway where you can do as much or as little as you like. This idyllic resort sits in 30 acres of landscaped gardens that exude a feeling of pure elegance. qualia's 2 exclusive restaurants serve the freshest local produce that you'll find hard to resist. The resort's fine-dining eatery, the Long Pavilion, serves fine Modern Australian cuisine with dishes like Barossa Valley chicken terrine and kangaroo tail consommé served at white linen covered tables by candlelight. Pebble Beach is a more informal experience with a balcony set over the water, whilst the sunken lounge at the Long Pavilion bar offers low slung couches serving inspiring cocktails. Then there's the famous infinity edge pool and private beach as well – pure bliss!

Luxurious accommodation include the spacious 1-bedroom Leeward Pavilions, well appointed lounge area and louvre windows allow for the cool breeze to flow through, sit out on the sundeck shaded by Eucalyptus. Windward Pavilions take a stay to the next level with a stunning private plunge pool and floor to ceiling windows where guests can take in breathtaking views from the king-size bed. Sunset Pavilion is suited to discerning guests looking for extra space and independence with a full kitchen and laundry, set near the shore and the helipad so you can literally watch the world fly or sail by. Finally for larger groups or couples travelling together the Beach House offers luxurious space and an infinity edge private lap pool. Guests must be 16 years or over.

Location: Hamilton Island

Our rating: ★★★★★



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Lizard Island

Lizard Island is truly secluded from the rest of the world. With 24 powdery white beaches and 40 luxurious suites, it is the most northern resort in tropical Queensland and is located directly on the Great Barrier Reef just an hour's scenic flight from Cairns. One of Australia's most luxurious island resorts, guests will experience an unforgettable holiday like no other. Enjoy easy access to a spectacular underwater world where you can explore a garden of giant clams or swim with the unique potato cod at the famous dive site, Cod Hole. Enjoy secluded picnics and sunset beach degustation dining on private beaches, five-star cuisine in the beautiful Salt Water restaurant and indulgent spa treatments in the day spa. Relax in style in luxurious accommodation where everything has been thought of and take in the wonders of the Great Barrier Reef. If you're looking for pure indulgence in an unspoilt, untouched and uncrowded setting, look no further.

Includes all meals, drinks and motorised water sports. Accommodation ranges from rooms and suites set in the tropical gardens, to ocean view villas, some with private plunge pools. Beachfront Suites sit alongside Anchor Bay and offer direct access to the beach as well as blissful sea views. The Pavilion, the Villa and the House offer the ultimate in privacy and seclusion.

Location: Great Barrier Reef

Our rating: ★★★★★



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Cairns and Tropical Queensland

The tropical north of Queensland is a lush and verdant region. The gateway city of Cairns is the access point for one of Australia's most impressive destinations. A string of pretty seaside villages meanders north along the Coral Sea. Stay in peaceful Palm Cove or head onwards to Port Douglas, backed by the wide swathes of Four Mile Beach. Further north still brings you to Mossman Gorge, where you'll cross the mighty Daintree River, the ancient Daintree Rainforest and Cape Tribulation. Inland from the coast lies the cool reaches of the Atherton Tablelands, a beautiful highland plateau of wonderful wildlife, artisan producers, bush walks and hiking trails and a waterfall circuit self-drive that showcases many of the cascading falls scattered throughout the area.

Our Favourite Sightseeing Tours

Rainforest & Wildlife Spotting

Join this informative tour to see Australian wildlife by day and night. Departing Cairns you will be taken on a journey of discovery into the world's oldest tropical rainforest. During the daylight hours your guide will lead you to find wallaby, musky rat kangaroo and Boyd's forest dragons. At dusk venture to the viewing area by the river to search for platypus, one of the most unique mammals on earth. After dinner your nighttime spotlighting adventure begins. As you walk under the night stars, and into the World Heritage rainforest, you may be lucky enough to spot a lumholtzs tree kangaroo, northern leaf tailed gecko, ringtail possums, gliders, frogs, owls and more.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: 8 hours

Breakfast with the Koalas

With over 2,100 metres of timber boardwalks and pathways, you can see an array of wildlife including beautiful tropical birds, reptiles, insects and other native fauna. Enjoy your breakfast relaxing on the deck overlooking Hartley's Lagoon. One of the wildlife keepers will be on the deck with a koala. This is a great time to ask questions. After breakfast, enjoy all the wildlife presentations including a boat cruise on Hartley's Lagoon. Learn about sustainable use and conservation on a Crocodile Farm Tour.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: 3 hours

Daintree Dreaming

Spend the day with a local tour guide, learning about the cultural relationships the Kuku Yalanji still have with their land. Enjoy a guided walk through the Daintree Rainforest along the Mossman Gorge. Sample some bush tucker, collect shellfish and try traditional Aboriginal hunting practices, have a go at boomerang and spear throwing and if you are lucky, catch a mud crab. To complete the adventure, cool off in a pristine freshwater stream. Your tour includes morning tea and lunch.

Departs: Monday-Saturday
Duration: 8½ hours

Aboriginal Art & Culture

Visit Janbal Gallery for a painting class with an Aboriginal artist. Learn how stories are told through paintings and paint your own canvas to take home. Visit Mossman Gorge where you will be welcomed with a traditional 'smoking' ceremony conducted by Aboriginal people which will protect you whilst visiting Kuku Yalanji country. Wander into the rainforest of the Daintree National Park, enjoy an easy walk across boardwalks, tracks and bridges and view spectacular waterfalls and mountain ranges.

Departs: Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday
Duration: 9 hours

Cape Tribulation, Daintree & Bloomfield Track

Your tour commences with a scenic coastal drive alongside the azure waters of the Coral Sea before arriving at the Daintree River for morning tea. Join a guided river cruise, and walk along an elevated boardwalk where your guide will explain the local flora and fauna which envelops you. Lunch is served before continuing your adventure passing Cape Tribulation along the 4WD Bloomfield Track to Emmagen Creek. Enjoy a refreshing rainforest swim before your final stop at Cape Tribulation Beach. On the return journey sample an exotic home ice cream treat.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: 8 hours

Kuranda Premium Day Tour

Nestled in the mountaintop rainforest, Kuranda has been enchanting visitors for years. Your tour commences onboard Skyrail. Be amazed as you glide silently over the rainforest canopy. There are 2 stops enroute to explore. Upon arrival in Kuranda, you will have time to explore this fascinating village and markets. You might like to visit Birdworld, the Australian Butterfly Sanctuary or Kuranda Koala Gardens (own expense). Board the Kuranda Scenic Rail for travel in Gold Class. Enjoy breathtaking views of the tropical rainforest. You will receive dedicated host service, quality refreshments including sparkling Australian wine, beer, soft drinks, tea or coffee and appetisers.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: 11¾ hours



Tropical Queensland



Quicksilver Outer Reef Cruise

Sail to a floating platform above the outer Barrier Reef and explore the underwater wonderland of brightly coloured coral gardens and tropical fish. Guests will also have access to view the coral reef via a semi-submersible, underwater observatory where a marine biologist will be on hand. You'll enjoy an included buffet lunch, viewing platforms and swimming over the coral in a controlled environment. Your air-conditioned catamaran offers a comfortable ride with morning and afternoon tea and snorkelling gear included. Port Douglas departures also available.

Departs: 6½ hours

Duration: Daily, year round

Deluxe Great Barrier Reef Day Tour

Join a luxury 20 metre catamaran and explore two locations on the Great Barrier Reef. Join an adventure drift snorkel or experience a glass bottom boat trip with a marine biologist. While snorkelling in the crystal-clear shallow waters, look out for turtles amongst the coral "bommies", stingrays lying on the sand feeding and schools of beautiful turquoise damsel fish darting in and out from their coral hideaway. Relax on the spacious deck area or in the air-conditions comfort of the saloon. A gourmet buffet is included.

Departs: 8½ hours

Duration: Daily, year round



Snorkelling on the Great Barrier Reef

Enjoy the thrill of diving and snorkelling on the outer edge of the Great Barrier Reef. Explore 3 different stunning reef locations in style aboard Silversonic, which departs from Port Douglas, or Silverswift sailing from Cairns (different reefs). Snorkellers can explore spectacular coral formations and underwater gardens awash with vibrantly coloured marine creatures from the back of the boat. Locations vary with the conditions. For those who wish to dive there's the option to pay for up to 3 dives; novices can pay for up to 2 dives. A buffet lunch is included.

Departs: 8 hours

Duration: Daily, year round

Green Island Discovery Tour

Green Island is a stunning 6000 year old cay located on the Great Barrier Reef, located approx. 45 minutes from Cairns by catamaran. Arrive at Green Island, swim and snorkel directly from the beach. Join a snorkel excursion with a marine biologist, board a glass bottom boat for coral viewing, or take a stroll through magical rainforest. For something a little different walk underwater with "seawalker" helmet diving. You can add on a helicopter flight for that special occasion. Following lunch there is time to relax on the beach or make use of the island's visitor facilities including a swimming pool before returning to Cairns.

Departs: 8 hours

Duration: Daily, year round



Holiday Inn Harbourside Cairns

Located on the Cairns Esplanade overlooking beautiful Trinity Bay and surrounded by lush tropical gardens the Holiday Inn offers breathtaking ocean and hinterland views. Just a short stroll into town along the Esplanade and only a 5 minute drive from Cairns Airport. Enjoy a range of hotel facilities, including Teshi's Restaurant and the Blue Mango Café Wine Bar with its ocean views. Dine in the Harbourside Café & Restaurant, chefs pride themselves on a seasonal farm to table menu. Enjoy a swim in the outdoor pool located with views over the esplanade or take a shady stroll amongst the hotel's tropical gardens.

Location: Esplanade

Our rating: ★★★★★



201 Lake Street

Bright spacious hotel rooms and apartments welcome guests, set back from the main Esplanade and a short walk into the main centre. Conveniently located to join an abundance of land and water-based tours, 1 day you can be hiking in the tropical rainforest, the next diving down amongst the marine life and glimpsing the vibrant colours of the coral beneath you. There is a swimming pool to complete a few laps before using the guest BBQ area, dine like a local. There is a choice of hotel rooms and 1 or 2 bedroom apartments which all have laundry facilities, all room types feature a patio or balcony.

Location: Esplanade

Our rating: ★★★★★



Crystalbrook Riley, Cairns

Positioned on the iconic Cairns Esplanade boardwalk, this reef-inspired hotel offers a combination of tropical luxury and authentic North Queensland personality. Providing a resort-style feel the hotel has a range of lively informal areas, restaurant dining and bar spaces including a rooftop bar and a swimming lagoon with its own man-made beach. Rooms are contemporary and many have balconies with either urban, resort or ocean views. Breakfast is available to pre book.

Location: Esplanade

Our rating: ★★★★★



Shangri-La Marina, Cairns

Situated right at the doorstep of the spectacular Marina with the best waterfront view in Cairns, the hotel is just steps away from where boats depart taking guests out to explore the wonders of the Great Barrier Reef. The Shangri-La is a short stroll to the City Centre and Esplanade Lagoon which forms a part of the Pier Shopping Complex. The waterfront boardwalk offers an array of restaurants and bars to sit and watch the world go by. Many of the rooms offer marina or sea views. The Horizon Club rooms and suites enjoy additional benefits including breakfast and access to the club lounge.

Location: Marina

Our rating: ★★★★★

Tropical Queensland Accommodation

The Reef Retreat, Palm Cove

Tucked into the palm trees and Melaleucas that sway over the Palm Cove esplanade, the Reef Retreat is an utterly charming Queensland resort with a real sense of place. Blending seamlessly into its tropical location, just a short stroll from the beach and an array of dining spots and eateries, this is a delightful choice for a stay in Palm Cove. The rainforest-wreathed swimming pool is perfect for a cooling swim after a day exploring this stunning part of Queensland. Other facilities include a guest laundry, BBQ area, complimentary Wi-Fi, and parking. There are just 36 1, 2, 3 bedroom apartments ensuring the Reef Retreat has a very personal feel. Each has an open-plan design with indoor/outdoor living and furnished balconies to make the most of this beautiful, tropical setting.

Location: Palm Cove

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Reef House, Palm Cove

This beautiful, colonial style property is elegant, super-romantic and designed with couples in mind. Originally built as a personal residence, guests are still welcomed as such. As the sun sets over the Coral Sea gather in the bar for canapés and sun downers, the perfect start to your evening. There are 2 beautiful swimming pools, a boutique, guest library and complimentary use of the hotel's vintage bikes. The Reef House Restaurant is where you can dine by candlelight under the Melaleuca trees or perhaps indulge in a seafood platter in the privacy of your room. There are only 67 rooms and suites at the Reef House, cool tiled floors absorb the heat of the day, teak furniture, beautiful balconies and the understated, yet sophisticated décor adds to the style.

Location: Palm Cove

Our rating: ★★★★★



Price Includes

- 3 nights accommodation
- Full day Great Barrier Reef tour with lunch
- Full day Kuranda tour with lunch
- Arrival airport transfer

Departs: Daily, year round

Discover Cairns, Reef & Rainforest 4 days

Explore both reef and rainforest on this snapshot experience of Tropical North Queensland. Spend a day on an island on the Great Barrier Reef, where you can snorkel, swim and walk through the rainforest, before discovering the charms of Kuranda. A beautiful rainforest village surrounded by waterfalls, high above Cairns.

Day 1: Cairns

On arrival in Cairns, you will be transferred to your hotel by private car. The remainder of the day is free.

Day 2: Full Day Great Barrier Reef Cruise

Your excursion today takes you to Green Island, a beautiful coral cay on the Great Barrier Reef. Cruise in comfort aboard a 35 metre, air-conditioned catamaran. Tropical and enchanting Green Island is an idyllic coral cay and you spend 5 hours viewing the coral reef and fish life. Relax on the white sandy beach and explore the walking tracks that lead through the national park. A range of optional extras are available such as helmet diving, scuba diving, guided snorkelling tours, stroll through a magical rainforest or laze on the white sandy beach. Your day includes: return transfers from hotel to wharf, complimentary tea and coffee on board, snorkelling demonstration, choice of glass bottom boat tour or snorkelling equipment, buffet lunch, fish feeding and a self-guided island walk.

Day 3: Kuranda Day Tour

Travel on the historical rail journey to Kuranda, enjoying breathtaking views across the cane fields of Cairns. Upon arrival in Kuranda, you will have free time to explore this fascinating village. A short journey brings you to Rainforestation set in 40 hectares of gardens and rainforest. Board the unusual amphibious Army Duck for a different look at the Rainforest. An experienced guide will show you unique tropical fruits, ancient rainforest plants and point out native animals. Enjoy an Aussie BBQ lunch then visit the Koala and Wildlife Park before taking the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway to return to Cairns, gliding silently over the rainforest canopy.

Day 4: Cairns Departure

Time to make your own way back to the airport for your onward flight or perhaps extend your stay further north to explore The Daintree Forest and Cape Tribulation.



Bay Villas Resort

Set in between World Heritage Rainforest and turquoise waters home to the Great Barrier Reef you will find Bay Villas Resort situated in the centre of Port Douglas. Guests are as close to the beach as they are to the vibrant town where shops, restaurants and bars can be found. Rooms are light and airy with an edge of tasteful tropical décor. All studios and apartments have a private balcony or courtyard. A stay here makes for a comfortable and affordable base to explore.

Location: Port Douglas

Our rating: ★ ★ ★



Shantara Resort, Port Douglas

Ideal for discerning adults, Shantara Resort oozes relaxation and tranquility centrally located in Port Douglas. Macrossan Street is a short walk away with a myriad of cafés, bars and restaurant to choose from. The marina and stunning Four Mile Beach are an easy stroll away for those sunset walks before a sundowner. Lazy mornings can be spent in either one of the 2 on-site swimming pools which encircle the courtyard. Accommodation is set over 3 floors in an open tropical style, studios offer pool views and kitchenette, enjoy that first coffee on your private balcony, also available pool deck studios for direct access to the pool. Larger 1 and 2 bedroom apartments have a separate lounge, kitchen area, again poolside is available.

Location: Darling Harbour

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Meridian Port Douglas, Port Douglas

Featuring 33 studios and one-bedroom apartments, the Meridian is a peaceful, boutique resort in the heart of Port Douglas, catering solely for adults. This relaxing complex is modern and stylish with a large, lagoon style pool, sundeck, and a guest barbecue, all set amongst lush, tropical gardens. With the beautiful sands of Four Mile Beach just 200m away and the myriad array of shops and eating spots of Macrossan Street within a short stroll, it's the perfect base for a stay in the tropics. The Port Douglas Marina is also just moments away, giving easy access for trips to the Great Barrier Reef. The studios and apartments here are coolly elegant, and some of the ground floor options offer direct pool access from private teak pool decks.

Location: Port Douglas

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Mandalay Beachfront Apartments

Looking for a home from home stay then look no further, these luxury apartments are nestled amongst lush tropical gardens with access to the seemingly endless stretch of Port Douglas beach through a walkway framed by tropical beach flora. Guests looking to keep active have a choice of two swimming pools and a tennis court or lay back on a sun lounger with a good read. All apartments have full kitchen and laundry facilities as well as luxury spacious balcony areas to watch the sun set over this magical part of Tropical Queensland.

Location: Port Douglas

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Tropical Queensland Accommodation

Regal Port Douglas

Well located on Macrossan Street in the very heart of Port Douglas' restaurants and shops, and half way between Four Mile Beach and the Marina, the Regal offers a large saltwater swimming pool for relaxing days and a range of studios and apartments, making it ideal accommodation for couples or families. Guests have a choice of studios and apartments in neutral tones with a touch of tropical style and balcony or patio. For a memorable stay, unique rooftop apartments feature a large private roof top garden terrace with jacuzzi, shade umbrellas, sun loungers, barbeque and dining area.

Location: Port Douglas

Our rating: ★★★★★



Saltwater Luxury Apartments, Port Douglas

Just a short walk from Four Mile Beach and the marina puts these lovely apartments front and centre stage in Port Douglas. Their location on Macrossan Street brings everything within easy reach including a wide choice of restaurants, bars, and cafés. After a day out to the Great Barrier Reef or exploring the nearby Daintree Rainforest the pool deck with its heated pool and day beds is the perfect spot to unwind. Saltwater offers a choice of 1, 2 and 3 bedroom apartments, along with 2 bedroom spa suites and a 2 bedroom penthouse. All feature fully equipped kitchens, laundry facilities and outdoor balconies or a terrace. The spa suites feature lengthy terraces, which are ideal for al fresco dining or just wiling away an hour or two.

Location: Port Douglas

Our rating: ★★★★★



Silkari Lagoons, Port Douglas

Boasting a central location in Port Douglas, Silkari is a leisurely stroll away from the restaurants, shops, and beautiful sands of Four Mile Beach. This is a peaceful and relaxing complex of hotel rooms, studios, and apartments that will suit couples and families alike. There are 6 lagoon-style swimming pools, complimentary guest barbecue areas, and the wide choice of accommodation ensures there is something to suit every need. Hotel rooms offer either a balcony spa bath or direct swim-out access into one of the pools, whilst several of the 1 and 2 bedroom apartments have the benefit of their own plunge pool. All the apartment accommodation offers full kitchen and laundry facilities. For larger groups there is a choice of 3 bedroom apartments too.

Location: Port Douglas

Our rating: ★★★★★



Thala Beach Nature Reserve

This wildlife retreat is located 10 minutes from Port Douglas and 45 minutes from the city centre of Cairns. Thala Beach Nature Reserve is set on 145 acres of native forest on a private headland and has its own private beach. Natural swimming pools are formed by granite boulders and waterfalls. Guests are encouraged to join complimentary tours which include tree planting, stargazing at an outdoor observatory, beach discovery, wildlife walks and bird-watching tours. Ospreys Restaurant serves a seasonal menu inspired by its tropical surroundings, dine in the treetops with panoramic views looking towards Port Douglas. Bungalow style accommodation is built high on stilts and nestle in the forest canopy with décor and comfort depicting deep greens and the earthy beauty of the jungle.

Location: Port Douglas

Our rating: ★★★★★





Intrepid Daintree Eco-Lodge

The Intrepid Daintree Ec Lodge is the perfect destination to reconnect with nature and the people you love. Believed to be over 180 million years old, and the oldest tropical lowland rainforest on earth, the Daintree Rainforest is a rare jewel in the crown of Mother Nature, where lush tropical rainforest meets sweeping white sand beaches and fringing coral reefs. This boutique property is located in the middle of the Daintree National Park, 30 minutes from Port Douglas.

Each of the contemporary Bayans has a fully screened balcony with stunning views of the rainforest surroundings and they occupy secluded positions high in the rainforest canopy. There are no televisions or Wi-Fi available in the Bayans, which enables guests to see and hear the rainforest in ways they have never had before.

Visit the private and pristine waterfall on a walk through the rainforest, rejuvenate the mind and body at the onsite wellness spa and dine on contemporary Australian cuisine in this beautiful rainforest setting. Full breakfast is included throughout your stay.

If you prefer to venture further afield activities close by include a Daintree River Cruise where a large population of crocodiles resides and an array of tree snakes, frogs and spider. River drift snorkelling is also another popular and unique experience on the crystal-clear waters of the Mossman River, drift on a personal floatation device, keep your eyes peeled, you may see a turtle.

Location: Daintree Rainforest

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Daintree Wilderness Lodge, Daintree

Daintree Wilderness Lodge offers a true rainforest experience in the incredible UNESCO World Heritage Site that is the Daintree Rainforest. Hidden within a giant fan palm gully, just 7 cabins sit elevated above the rainforest floor. Boardwalks meander through ancient ferns and soaring trees, rare birdlife flies above you and you might even be lucky enough to glimpse the elusive Southern cassowary that makes this part of the rainforest its home. Spread across the rainforest, the rustic cabins offer sustainably modern comforts including air-conditioning, mini-fridges, and beautiful en-suite bathrooms, whilst ensuring their footprint is minimal. Dining comes in the form of Cycad, a rainforest restaurant that focuses on local and seasonal produce, and it is the perfect end to a day spent in this most ancient of landscapes.

Location: Daintree Rainforest

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat

A unique nature lover's paradise with views of the spectacular rainforest and mountain scenery. Offering total privacy guests can explore the walking tracks and discover the abundant wildlife. Situated on the coastal mountain ranges on the Cairns Highlands/Atherton Tablelands adjoining World Heritage Wooroonooran National Park, Rose Gums is a 2 hour drive from Port Douglas or 90 minutes drive from Cairns. Pole and timber treehouse accommodation provide views to the spectacular rainforest and mountain scenery. Explore the walking tracks through the 230 acre property and discover platypus in the pristine rainforest creeks with the abundant wildlife including over 160 bird species. Breakfast provisions will be provided on your first morning, perfect for a leisurely start to your day on your private balcony.

Location: Atherton Tablelands

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Northern Territory

ABORIGINAL CULTURE & ASTOUNDING NATIONAL PARKS

The Northern Territory or the 'NT' as it's also known is truly remarkable both in its scale and its distinct diversity. This is a place of rich red outback, where desert trails snake across the landscape, and otherworldly rock formations millions of years in the making, stand guard. It's also a place of ancient Aboriginal culture, wildlife-rich wetlands, and pristine national parks. Forming the central and northern core of Australia, the contrast between the Red Centre and Tropical Top End could not be more evident.

The Red Centre delivers the iconic Australian landscape in abundance. The desert oasis of Alice Springs, long a resting place for weary travellers, is the main gateway either for visitors arriving by air, or aboard the Ghan train. Uluru (formerly Ayers Rock) is the instantly recognisable monolith that dominates the desertscape, along with the domed edifices of Kata Tjuta (the Olgas). The far north lies within the tropics and is where the coastal capital of Darwin can be found, along with the national parks of Kakadu and Litchfield.



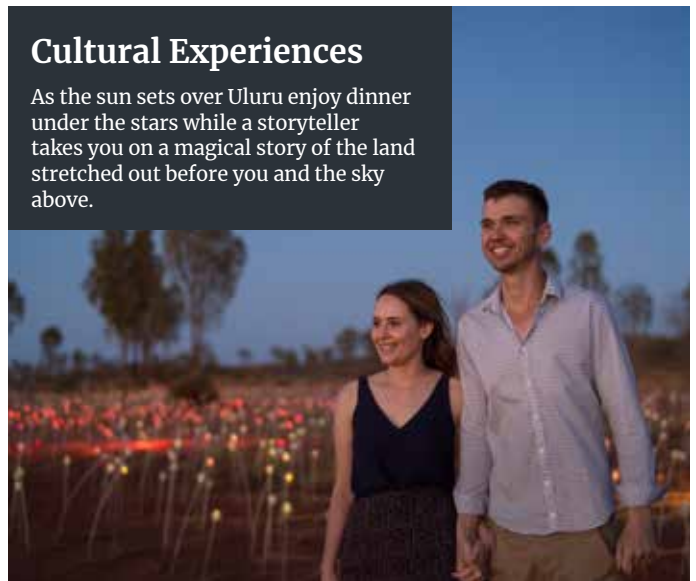
Our 5 Favourites in Northern Territory

The Northern Territory delivers a glimpse of Aboriginal storytelling, with iconic rock formations and lush wetlands to explore alongside saltwater crocodiles. Sunsets and sunrises will awaken your senses, from Uluru to sunset cruises in Darwin. We asked our Destination Specialists for their personal highlights.



Uluru

Set your alarm clock as you won't want to miss sunrise at Uluru. As the sun rises, the colours against the rock transform.



Cultural Experiences

As the sun sets over Uluru enjoy dinner under the stars while a storyteller takes you on a magical story of the land stretched out before you and the sky above.



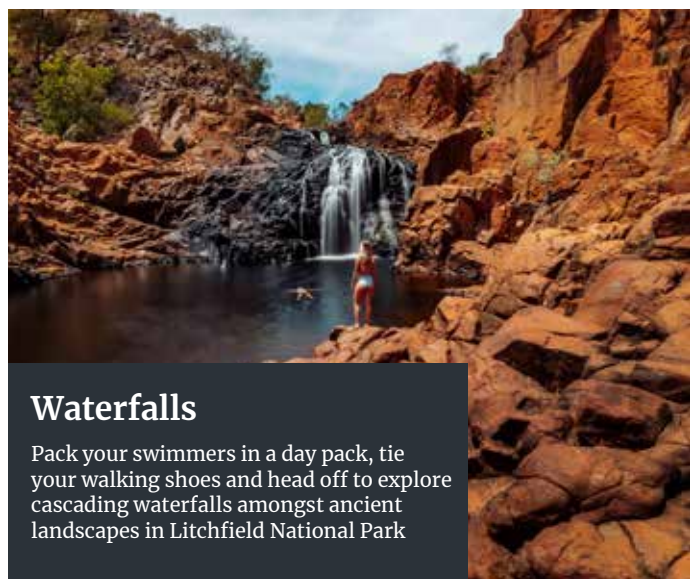
Iconic Walks

Walk the base of Uluru to grasp the size of this iconic rock formation, your path will take you through surprising, lush green grasses then on to sparse open vast sections.



Kakadu National Park

Visit Kakadu home to Aboriginal people for more than 50,000 years. View the oldest rock art sites the world.



Waterfalls

Pack your swimmers in a day pack, tie your walking shoes and head off to explore cascading waterfalls amongst ancient landscapes in Litchfield National Park

Our Favourite Sightseeing Tours

A Town Like Alice & Desert Park

Immerse yourself in the Central Australian desert at Alice Springs Desert Park, home to a vast range of plants and wildlife native to the area. The Arrernte people, traditional owners of the park, are on hand to share their local wisdom and knowledge. This afternoon join a tour to the sights of 'The Alice' including The School of the Air. Learn how children who cannot access schools are educated by radio. Stop at the Telegraph Station, the site of the first European settlement in Alice Springs. Visit the Royal Flying Doctors Service and see how medical aid reaches those who live in the remote 'outback'. Make a stop at the Alice Springs Reptile Centre. The tour concludes with a panoramic view of Alice Springs and the MacDonnell Ranges.

Departs: Year round Monday, Tuesday and Friday
Duration: 10¼ hours

Uluru Sunrise & Kata Tjuta

An early start as the sunrises over Uluru, watch the first sunlight of the day creep across the desert plains and the colours slowly change the colours of Uluru. Travel to the mystical 36 domes of Kata Tjuta. On the way enjoy panoramic views of the southern side of Kata Tjuta before arriving at the base of Walpa Gorge. Spend time exploring the gorge and the unusual conglomerate rock formations. The walking trail through Walpa Gorge follows the natural creek between two of the tallest domes of Kata Tjuta

Departs: Daily year round
Duration: 5 hours

Kings Canyon & Outback Panoramas

You will get a sense of the remoteness of outback Australia as you travel to Kings Canyon. Located in the heart of Watarrka National Park, it lies in an ancient Australian landscape that is sacred ground for the Ulpanyali and Lilla people. The Rim Walk is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. The climb up a 100-metre cliff face reveals views of sandstone walls, grottos, chasms and cliffs. Time permitting you may choose to descend in to the green oasis of the "Garden of Eden". Alternatively, you may wish to take an easier, shorter walk to explore the boulder strewn canyon floor.

Departs: April – November, Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Sunday
Duration: 13 hours

Wintjiri Wiru Sunset Dinner

Wintjiri Wiru means 'beautiful view out to the horizon'. This experience envelops the spiritual heart of Australia and is an immersion into Anangu culture. Your evening begins with a gentle stroll along an elevated walkway until you reach the open-air theatre. You will be welcomed with drinks and canapés before drones, lights, traditional music, and Pitjantjatjara language will bring to life the Mala story under the desert sky. An Australian cheese and dessert hamper with wine is served. *(Acknowledgement – As custodians of the land, Anangu hold the Mala story from Kaltukatjara to Uluru. To share their story from Kaltukatjara to Uluru, RAMUS designed and produced an artistic platform using drones, light and sound to create an immersive storytelling experience).*

Departs: Daily (not including January or April)
Duration: 1½ hours

Field of Light Sunrise Tour

The Field of Light Sunrise experience begins with a hotel pick-up and short transfer to an exclusive desert location with majestic views of Uluru. Your guide will provide commentary on the artist and installation en route. In the quiet of the predawn land, covered under a blanket of stars immerse yourself in the Field of Light where more than 50,000 slender stems with glass sphere lights lay before you. Just before the sun breaches the horizon and floods the land with warm yellow light, you're welcomed at a raised viewing area for tea and coffee.

Departs: Monday to Saturday, year round
Duration: 10 hours

Sounds of Silence Dinner

Your journey begins on a lone sand dune. A path takes you to an uninterrupted, 360-degree view of this vast landscape. In front of you is the fabled Uluru; behind you, the domes of Kata Tjuta and possibly the most spectacular sunset you have ever seen. Listen to the sounds of the didgeridoo as you enjoy sparkling wine and a selection of delectable canapés. As the sun sets, feast on a gourmet outback inspired buffet. After dinner turn your attention to the night sky, listen to the resident astronomer take you on a tour of the spectacular southern night sky.

Departs: Daily year round
Duration: 4 hours





Outback Hotel

Located approx. 1km from the main Ayers Rock Resort is where you will find the Outback Hotel. Guests are met with warm Aussie hospitality and comfortable affordable rooms, all of which feature large prints from an Indigenous artist reflecting the earthy tones of the Uluru landscape. Guests staying at the property can pick up supplies at the nearby supermarket to prepare a meal using the outback barbecue facilities or chose from the laid-back Bough House Restaurant or Outback Bar for traditional bar meals. A free shuttle to Ayers Rock Resort will help guests get around, airport transfers are also included as part of your stay.

Location: Ayers Rock

Our rating: ★ ★ ★



The Lost Camel

The Lost Camel Hotel is a contemporary and vibrant boutique style hotel located in the heart of Ayers Rock Resort. Soak up the sun by the hotel's swimming pool, browse the shops or enjoy a casual meal at one of the café's located in the adjacent resort town square. Studio-style accommodation is decorated in bright colours and crisp, clean whites. Furnished in a stylish mix of Aboriginal and urban themes, the property brings a fresh, exciting feel to the resort. This quirky hotel is the perfect place to base yourself between outback adventures for visitors to Uluru.

Location: Ayers Rock

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Desert Gardens

Wake up to a sunrise view of Uluru, blazing red under a sunny outback sky, this is the only hotel with views of Uluru in Ayers Rock resort. Desert Gardens has a relaxed atmosphere with a choice of accommodation options, from deluxe rock view rooms to shady poolside rooms all located under a canopy of towering gum trees and garden beds. Relax in the comfort of your own courtyard or balcony. The hotel is only a short walk to the numerous resort lookouts, where you can view one of Australia's best sunsets. Cafés located at the resort town square are within easy walking distance or make use of the free shuttle bus. After an early morning sunrise tour take a refreshing dip in the hotel's swimming pool in one of the most unique locations in Australia.

Location: Ayers Rock

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Sails in the Desert

Named after the soaring white sails that crown its roof, designed to shade it from the unforgiving outback summer, the Sails in the Desert provides everything the discerning guest needs. The hotel's interior decor focuses on Aboriginal heritage and culture, with a gallery in the lobby and significant artworks featured throughout the public areas and private rooms. The property also features an expansive gumtree lined swimming pool, curl up on one of the daybeds and enjoy a casual lunch by the pool, or be lulled into complete relaxation with a luxurious treatment at the Red Ochre Spa. After a day of discovery, relax in the brasserie-style Ilkari Restaurant or the Wala Lobby Bar for Indigenous inspired cuisine and cocktails. Guests staying in a Terrace Room or Deluxe Suite, breakfast is included.

Location: Ayers Rock

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Longitude 131

Longitude 131° delivers an experience that is both majestic and splendidly isolated. At its heart, The Dune House is where you'll find the restaurant and bar, with ever changing views of Uluru as a backdrop for dining, and lounge areas welcome guests to relax and exchange stories of their outback experiences. Adjacent to the Dune House, an outdoor swimming pool with terraces is an inviting welcome after a day under the sun, an oasis amongst the sand dunes. As night falls retire to your luxurious tented sanctuary, observe the stars from your bed with floor to ceiling glass, or lay down on your private balcony where a luxury swag offers warmth as you sleep under a blanket of stars. Whatever you chose you will have unparalleled Uluru views. Your stay includes return airport transfers, signature guided experiences, meals and carefully selected alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages.

Signature experiences are included during your stay, shared with like-minded guests on a small group basis. Experiences include a base walk of Uluru, exploring the history of the Mala people before entering Kantju Gorge an ideal spot for canapes and sunset drinks, or maybe you are an early "bird" and keen to photograph the ultimate sunrise on an expedition to Kata Tjuta and Walpa Gorge. Choices are endless, your hosts will also be happy to offer bespoke and private tours to suit you.

Location: Uluru

Our rating: ★★★★★



Stay at Alice Springs Hotel

This hotel is the only accommodation conveniently located on the centrally located Todd Mall. Main shopping and dining options are on your doorstep. Nearby are the magnificent East and West MacDonnell Ranges featuring Simpsons Gap, Standley Chasm, Palm Valley and Trepina Gorge. No visitor to Alice Springs can pass by the opportunity to venture to Anzac Hill, offering an ideal vantage point to view Alice Springs and the surrounding ranges. If you have time take a stroll to the Olive Pink Botanica Garden which features over 600 native plant species. Stay at Alice Springs Hotel features an outside swimming pool, BBQ area & guest laundry on site for your convenience.

Location: Alice Springs

Our rating: ★★★



Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters

Situated at the foot of the MacDonnell Ranges, just a few minutes from Alice Springs town centre and backing onto the Alice Springs Golf Course, this hotel offers contemporary and stylish accommodation. Keep your fitness regime up in the beautiful resort pool or well-equipped fitness centre. Dining is varied with Tali serving an a la carte menu blending modern Australian fare with a hint of the outback. The adjacent Lasseters Casino offers more casual dining options. Rooms have a spacious and bright aspect with each room offering a private balcony or courtyard showcasing magnificent views of Central Australia.

Location: Alice Springs

Our rating: ★★★★★



Darwin and Top End



Darwin City Sights & Jumping Crocs

Join a city sights tour of Darwin. See the lush Botanic Gardens and the Chinese Temple. Tour the historic sites including the East Point Military Precinct. See the Stokes Hill Wharf area, the Mooring Basin and Darwin Aviation Museum. There is also time available to explore the Museum and Art Gallery. You will be dropped off in the city for a break before rejoining the tour heading out of Darwin. The Adelaide River is home to over 1600 Crocodiles and the location of the famous Jumping Crocodile.

Departs: January – April and October – December
Wednesday, Friday and Sunday
Duration: 10 hours

Katherine Gorge Cruise & Edith Falls

Today will take you to Katherine Gorge, carved from billion-year-old sandstone by the Katherine River, in Nitmiluk National Park. Stop at Edith Falls, where there is time for a refreshing swim in the waterhole. Join a cruise through Katherine Gorge to see freshwater crocodiles. You will tour 2 gorges, which takes you past sheer rock walls and requires a short walk. Continue back through the township of Katherine. Travel via Pine Creek, an historic gold mining town, where you can purchase dinner.

Departs: March, April, October and November Wednesday and Saturdays
Duration: 14 hours



Litchfield National Park

Litchfield National Park contains Top End habitats including lush monsoon forests, termite mounds, unusual rock formations, waterfalls and cascades. First stop on your tour is at Florence Falls, where you have the opportunity to join a guide on an interpretive forest walk and a chance for a swim. Travel on to Tolmer Falls for a magnificent view of the water cascading down to the deep waterhole at the base of the falls. Visit Wangi Falls, with its large crystal-clear pool. On the way back to Darwin, stop at Howard Spring Nature Park where you will have the chance to feed the barramundi and turtles.

Departs: Year round, Monday, Thursday and Saturday
Duration: 10½ hours

Kakadu National Park Explorer

This full day tour journeys to Kakadu National Park, a timeless landscape of exceptional beauty and diversity. Visit the Warradjan Cultural Centre to view the informative displays, depicting the traditions of the Aboriginal people in Kakadu. Join your local guide for a cruise on the famous Yellow Water Billabong. Search for saltwater crocodiles and the colourful range of birdlife for which this region is renowned. After lunch, stop at Nourlangie, where your guide will lead a walk to view ancient Aboriginal rock art before returning to Darwin.

Departs: Year round, Tuesday, Friday and Sunday
Duration: 13 hours

Darwin Accommodation

Vibe Hotel Darwin Waterfront

This modern hotel boasts an excellent, central location in the heart of Darwin's vibrant seafront precinct. The surrounding area is filled with great shops, lively pubs, an array of wonderful cafés, restaurants and the Darwin Waterfront Lagoon. The lagoon is a wonderful spot to enjoy a whole host of water sports and outdoor activities. Keep walking along the waterfront and you'll come to Bicentennial Park, walk the other way and you'll discover Stokes Hill Wharf with its casual vibe and seaside dining. The rooms at the Vibe are slick and stylish, some offer waterfront views. The Vibe Café offers all-day dining along with room service and the range of facilities includes a bar, swimming pool and fitness centre.

Location: Waterfront

Our rating: ★★★★★



Mindi Beach Casino Resort

Set amongst the magnificent tropical beachside gardens overlooking Fannie Bay, beside a private white sandy beach Mindi Beach Casino Resort delivers an exceptional stay. Just a short drive from Darwin's city centre, spacious rooms sit in 30 acres of tropical gardens. The spacious rooms are tastefully decorated and all have private balconies. You'll find swimming pools, restaurants and bars as well as a sauna and gym and the hotels has an on-site 24-hour casino. Luxurious Superior Lagoon rooms give guests direct access to the tranquil pool lagoon from a private deck. There is even a swim up Lagoon Bar.

Location: Beach

Our rating: ★★★★★



Cicada Lodge

Indigenously owned and on the banks of the Katherine Gorge, within the beauty of the Nitmiluk National Park, Cicada Lodge is a sanctuary inspired by the ancient culture of the Jawoyn people, the traditional owners of the land. This is a place for a truly authentic experience in the most magnificent of settings. 18 rooms featuring original artwork, private decks overlooking the bush are wonderful retreats in which to relax after a day exploring the spectacular national park. There are a range of activities including gorge cruises, canoe treks and immersive arts and culture, all designed to help guests gain a deeper understanding of the region. Facilities include an outdoor pool, relaxing sundeck and exceptional dining that combines traditional elements with the best local produce.

Location: Nitmiluk National Park

Our rating: ★★★★★



Anbinik Kakadu Resort

Anbinik Kakadu Resort is situated in the largest national park in Australia, Kakadu National Park, containing one of the highest concentrated areas of aboriginal rock art sites in the world. Nature and wildlife bring guests together in this architecturally designed self-contained accommodation. Extensive lush tropical gardens and shady lawn areas provide a tranquil environment. Enjoy a swim in the resort pool. Just a short distance in the town of Jabiru restaurants, bakery and supermarkets can be found. Cook up a BBQ where tables and umbrellas are provided. The Anbinik Suites are rustic in design with air conditioning as well as featuring an ensuite indoor/outdoor shower. The 2 bedroom cabins have a kitchen/living area with a private external bathroom at the back of the cabin as well as air conditioning and ceiling fans, perfect for families who require more space.

Location: Jabiru

Our rating: ★★★★★





Discover Darwin

3 days

Situated on the edge of a harbour bigger than Sydney's, Darwin is a beautiful, fascinating tropical city – a melting pot of people and cultures that prides itself in its unique and friendly laid-back lifestyle. While a sophisticated, modern city in its own right, it is also one steeped in history. Balmy nights, outdoor adventures, sunset cruises and crocodile encounters are just a snippet of why Darwin is a city to discover.

Day 1: Arrive Darwin

A private transfer will collect you from the airport or the railway station and take you to your hotel. The rest of the day is free for you to explore. Centred at the crossroads of culture, cuisine and crocodiles, Darwin has staked its claim in Australia's must-see places. Steeped in ancient Aboriginal culture, wartime history, untouched national parks and once-in-a-lifetime experiences, this Australian metropolis has so much for you to see and do today. Your day closes with a dinner cruise (operates March to November), the perfect way to experience Darwin's world-famous sunsets. Onboard commentary and a delicious dinner featuring Australian seafood and local produce is served.

Day 2: Darwin

This morning invites you to join a city sights tour that is the perfect introduction to Darwin. See the lush Botanic Gardens and the Chinese Temple. Tour the historic sites of the city including the East Point Military Precinct. See the Stokes Hill Wharf area, the Mooring Basin and Darwin Aviation Museum. There is also time available to explore the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, whose collections encompass Aboriginal art, visual arts and Northern Territory history and natural sciences. At the completion of the tour you will be transferred to your Darwin accommodation.

Day 3: Darwin

Following check out make your own way to the airport or railway station for your onward journey.



Package Includes

- 2 nights accommodation
- Half day Darwin city tour
- Private airport transfer on arrival
- Sunset Dinner Cruise

Departs: Daily, year round



Tropical Top End

4 days

Experience the wonders of the Top End. View the highlights of Kakadu and Litchfield National Park including rock art at Nourlangie and Ubirr. Cruise Katherine Gorge and see beautiful cascading waterfalls. Aboard the famous Yellow Water Billabong, absorb entrancing scenery, watch crocodiles basking in the sun and look up to the skies to see a myriad of birdlife.

Day 1: Kakadu National Park

Join the Jumping Crocodile Cruise and travel into Kakadu National Park for lunch. See ancient Aboriginal rock art and take a guided walk to the top of Ubirr for the views.

Hotel: Mercure Kakadu Crocodile

Day 2: Katherine

Wander around the Nourlangie Rock art site, the rock evolved into a canvas that illustrates the traditional owner's deep spiritual culture. Moving on to Warradjan Cultural Centre you will be introduced to the Bininj way of life. Later, join your local guide for a cruise on Yellow Water Billabong, Kakadu's most famous wetland. This afternoon travel to Katherine, stopping at Leliyn (Edith Falls) along the way, there may be an opportunity to cool off with a swim.

Hotel: Contour Hotel Katherine

Day 3: Katherine Gorge Cruise

Enjoy a morning cruise through Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge, a stunning network of 13 gorges carved from billion-year-old sandstone. The cruise puts you at the heart of the gorge among freshwater crocodiles and wonderful birdlife. Afterwards visit the Nitmiluk Visitor Centre and Pine Creek, an historic gold mining town, before visiting the Adelaide River War Cemetery, the resting place for many of those killed in the World War II air raids on Darwin, before returning to Darwin.

Hotel: Travelodge Darwin Resort

Day 4: Litchfield National Park

Travel south to Litchfield National Park. From the Tabletop Range view Florence and Tolmer Falls. Continue to Wangi Falls, where there is time to relax and swim. Return to Darwin, arriving early evening.

Please note: There is a wet season itinerary available for travel between November & March.



Tour Includes

- 3 nights accommodation
- 3 cruises
- 3 lunches
- Informative guide
- Coach travel

Departs: Tuesday and Saturday, May to September

Western Australia

WHALE SHARKS AND WILD WILDERNESS BEACHES

Western Australia covers almost one third of the country and is larger than life. Home to world-class wine regions, a reef to rival the Great Barrier Reef and one of the world's last untouched wilderness regions, Western Australia has many strings to its bow. Perth is the state capital and a welcoming and sunny urban experience on the banks of the Swan River. Three hours south of Perth lie the lush vineyards of the Margaret River, one of the finest wine regions in the world. World-class wineries sit alongside glorious beaches and a rugged coastline. Head north from Perth along the shores of the Indian Ocean and the landscape becomes increasingly remote. Discover the stunning wilderness areas of Nambung and the Pinnacles National Park and Kalbarri. See wild dolphins in Monkey Mia and swim with whale sharks on Ningaloo Reef. The old pearling town of Broome is gateway to the spectacular Kimberley region, one of the last true frontiers. Embark on small ship expedition cruises along the coast, or head inland on 4WD adventures, into the heart of the wilderness.



Our 5 Favourites in Western Australia

Swim on the wild side with whale sharks or stand on long sandy beaches and wait for dolphins to greet you at the shore. Head south of Perth vineyards and gourmet lunch platters welcome you to the Margaret River. We asked past travellers for their personal recommendations.



Rottnest Island

Take a selfie with the happiest animal on the planet, the “quokka” on Rottnest Island.



Wineries

Visit the Margaret River, a gastronomical delight, match locally sourced food with delicate wines.



Rock Formations

A short walk will take you back 360 million years where sandstone was deposited, nature and erosion has carefully carved the striking domes of the Bungle Bungles.



Beachside Companions

Start your day early in Monkey Mia where wild dolphins playfully swim to shore every day, inquisitive about today's visitors.



Marine Adventure

Swim with whale sharks or spectate as these gentle giants cruise along the World Heritage Listed Ningaloo reef.

Our Favourite Sightseeing Tours

Perth & The Western Coast

Join this small group tour as you sip your way through the Margaret River wine region. You will not only sample wines from 3 very different vineyards but listen to the history of each cellar door and how the wine is produced. Lunch will be a highlight showcasing modern Australian style cuisine at Vasse Felix. Afterwards take a browse in the art gallery which has exhibitions of the renowned Janet Holmes à Court art collection before your return to Perth.

Departs: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday year round from Perth
Duration: 10 hours

Experience Rottnest by Bike

Take a guided cruise down the Swan River to Fremantle for the ferry to Rottnest Island and explore at your own pace, by land and by sea, on this self-guided tour. Your bike will be waiting for you at the jetty when you arrive, so you can take off right away. Explore the many secluded bays and wonderful beaches, or just find a quiet spot and take a quokka selfie. The island is 11 miles long by 2½ miles wide and takes approximately 3½ hours to ride around.

Departs: Regular, year round
Duration: 8 hours

Perth, Fremantle & Swan River

Discover the friendly charm of Perth and visit all major attractions including the Western Australian Cricket Ground (WACA), Elizabeth Quay and the Perth Mint. Visit Kings Park Botanical Gardens, where you will have time to experience a walk through the tree canopies on the Tree Top Walkway or take in the stunning views from the war memorial back over the city skyline. Travel to historic Fremantle via Millionaire's Row. Join your cruise for your return journey to Perth's Barrack Street Jetty where your tour finishes.

Departs: Regular, year round
Duration: 6 hours

Fremantle Lunch Cruise

Relax, dine and watch the stunning scenery of Perth glide by, enjoying a delicious buffet lunch as you cruise along the stunning Swan River. You will be welcomed onboard and shown to your reserved table your Captain will point out local attractions as you cruise to Fremantle. With a fully stocked bar on board, compliment your buffet lunch with an ice-cold beer or smooth shiraz.

Departs: Regular departures, year round
Duration: 3 hours

Pinnacles, Koalas, Sand Boarding 4WD Adventure

Cross over the Swan River to Caversham Wildlife Park where you can photograph koalas and feed kangaroos. Enjoy a 4WD over Lancelin sand dunes and the chance to try sand boarding. Journey along back roads where kangaroos and emus are often seen, to the Nambung National Park. Now you have worked up an appetite a fish and chip lunch is included. Later enjoy a sunset journey back to Perth, in flowering season view wildflowers en route.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: 8 hours

Margaret River Vineyard Tour & Lunch

Travel beyond the cellar door with an immersive exploration of an organic vineyard. Your experience begins with a guided walk through the estate vineyards, learning about organic farming methods. From here you will visit the winery, tasting wine straight from the barrel. Time to return to the cellar door, where you will be guided through a selection of celebrated Margaret River varietals before moving into the restaurant for a wine-paired lunch.

Departs: Wednesday-Saturday year round from Margaret River
Duration: 4 hours



Margaret River



Holiday Inn Perth City Centre

Centrally located in the heart of Perth, steps from Perth railway station and opposite a free city bus stop to further explore the city. The Holiday Inn Perth City Centre is within easy walking distance to the boutiques of Hay Street Mall, world-class restaurants, hidden laneway bars and parklands. Ivy & Jack, the hotel's restaurant is open for all day dining, whether you are starting with a hearty breakfast or a 3-course dinner.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Mantra on Hay Perth

Located just 15 minutes' walk from Perth city centre the Mantra on Hay hotel is an ideal base to enjoy the bustling markets, al fresco dining and shopping arcades. There is a choice of contemporary hotel rooms and self-contained apartments. Guests wishing to keep in shape while away from home can take advantage of the gym and a heated indoor rooftop swimming pool. There is also a restaurant and bar on site for your convenience.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Adina Apartment Hotel Perth Barrack Plaza

Centrally located the Adina Apartment Hotel Perth Barrack Plaza is within easy walking distance from Murray Street Mall, Barrack Street Jetty and Elizabeth Quay. Barrack Street Jetty precinct offers an array of cafés, bars and restaurants all with spectacular views across the Swan River. It's also the place to catch water transport to glide along the Swan River and beyond. This contemporary serviced apartment-hotel offers spacious 1, 2 and 3 bedroom self-contained apartments and studios, which all feature a balcony. There is an on-site gym and an outdoor swimming pool.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Crowne Plaza

Conveniently located close to the city's attractions, with picturesque views of Langley Park and the Swan River is where you will find the Crowne Plaza Perth. The city has a free public bus network to further explore the city. Relax at the hotel's lobby bar or dine alfresco under the palms at Gusti Restaurant sampling some of Western Australia's best local produce and Margaret River wine. Guestrooms are available with river-view balconies, where you can enjoy the panoramic views of the river and foreshore.

Location: City Centre

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Perth Accommodation

Crown Metropol Perth

This distinct contemporary hotel is located in Burswood, a 10 minute drive from the city centre, on the banks of the Swan River and overlooking the Perth city skyline. Burswood Park is perfect for an early morning stroll or maybe hire a bicycle. The Crown Metropol Perth features a large lagoon style swimming pool which will keep guests cool during the day or enjoy a sundowner in one of the hotel bars. Dining is a journey around the world in the lobby at the Atrium Buffet. A wide choice of Western and European dishes are served as well as an Asian inspired section. For something a little different and more romantic, Bistro Guillaume's abundant menu exudes classic French cuisine in chic surroundings. Guest rooms are spacious exuding natural light, feature high-tech entertainment facilities and luxurious furnishings.

Location: Burswood

Our rating: ★★★★★



Duxton, Perth

The Duxton Perth offers accommodation in the heart of the city centre, just a 5 minute walk to Swan River. The hotel lobby has a classical and elegant welcoming feel on arrival. The Bar is the place to start your evening with its outdoor area facing St. Georges Terrace, a relaxed atmosphere with a wide selection of beers wines, cocktails and casual dining. Firewater Grille is located on the lobby level of the hotel it's open all day and serving high tea on Sundays. Guests who upgrade to club rooms will be invited to use the Club Lounge located on the top floor of the hotel overlooking Swan River. Here guests will receive evening drinks and light tapas daily, the perfect place to unwind and plan the day ahead.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★★★★★



Como The Treasury

Como the Treasury entwines heritage and luxury, located in Perth's 140-year-old State Buildings, which form part of the Cathedral Square development. Barrack Street Jetty and Elizabeth Quay are on your doorstep. Elegant and contemporary styled guest rooms and suites feature original high ceilings, cornicing, oversized windows, deep-form baths, twin vanities, heated floors and towel rails and balconies. Facilities include a heated indoor pool and gym, guest lounge and library, which provide a social hub for guests and locals to mingle. Wildflower restaurant offers seasonal menus on the rooftop with sweeping views of the city and Swan River, for a more traditional ambience Post is set in the original franking room in the General Post office offering a contemporary take on Italian cuisine.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★★★★★



Esplanade Hotel Fremantle by Rydges

With a rich history dating back to 1850 this hotel is an iconic landmark located in the heart of Fremantle. Stroll to the beautiful white sandy beach just metres away from the hotel and enjoy a bite to eat. Fremantle market is a must do during your stay, rub shoulders with locals as you browse indigenous and local produce. Dining options include a buffet breakfast, the Harbour Master Bistro and one of the first bars to open in Fremantle, the Ball & Chain. Locally sourced small plates and a huge range of craft beers are on offer. If you overindulge there are 2 swimming pools and a gym on-site. This hotel offers simple, elegant and relaxed surrounding with spacious and comfortable guest rooms.

Location: Fremantle

Our rating: ★★★★★





Seashells Scarborough

Facing the beach with spectacular views over the Indian Ocean, the apartment style Seashells Scarborough is around 20 minutes from Perth and a perfect place to relax on Western Australia's Sunset coast. Within a few metres feel the white sand between your toes and paddle in crystal blue waters, there are also numerous restaurants and cafés within walking distance and a range of water sports on the beach. You may prefer to stay at home and make use of the swimming pools and relax on a sun lounger. Self-contained apartments are across 3 different buildings, all have a fully equipped kitchen, separate laundry, spacious living area and a private balcony or patio.

Location: Scarborough

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Seashells Yallingup

Yallingup is one of the Margaret River region's best kept secrets. An easy 3 hour drive from Perth, the Seashells Yallingup is set in beautiful gardens by the sea at Yallingup Beach. The resort is adjacent to the restored, heritage-listed Yallingup Cave House Hotel and complements the art-deco ambience of the property. This property is ideal for singles, couples and families with different styles of accommodation including studio spa rooms or 1 and 2 bedroom fully self-contained apartments.

Location: Yallingup

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Discover Perth

4 days

Australia's sunniest capital city, Perth effortlessly blends urban cool with raw natural beauty. Its heart is bustling with new bars, restaurants, shopping and cultural spaces, and is also home to Kings Park - one of the world's largest inner city parks. Just a short drive away are the beautiful wineries of the Swan Valley and a string of stunning beaches. Little wonder The New York Times declared Perth a 'hipster haven'.

Day 1: Arrive Perth

On arrival in Perth Airport or train station, you will take a private transfer to your hotel. The remainder of the day is free for you to explore the city. Embrace the best of both worlds in Perth, where soft sand beaches and scenic parks meet a thriving metropolis of small bars, creative restaurants and curated street art.

Day 2: City Sightseeing

An included sightseeing tour showcases the highlights of Perth and Fremantle. You'll see the Kings Park Botanic Gardens, the tree canopies on the Tree Top Walkway and the 750-year-old boab tree. In downtown Perth you'll see the WACA cricket ground, the Bell Tower, Perth town hall and St Georges Terrace. Visit the famous coastline of Cottesloe Beach on the way to Fremantle, the historical port on the mouth of the Swan River. After time in Fremantle take a cruise on the Swan River back to Perth. The rest of the afternoon is free to explore on your own.

Day 3: Perth

Today you have a full day at leisure to explore the city. Why not take a trip to Rottnest Island or maybe an extended Swan River wine cruise. Head to the King Street precinct for designer labels, opals, pearls and gold, or visit Leederville, Ingewood and Guildford for vintage and antique shopping. The city's 19 beautiful beaches, botanical gardens, bush walking trails, wine region and marine parks are bathed in sunshine for an average of 3000 hours every year and are just waiting to be explored.

Day 4: Departure

Time to say farewell to Perth.



Package Includes

- 3 nights accommodation
- 1/2 day Perth city tour with Swan river cruise
- Private airport transfer on arrival

Departs: Daily, except 31 December

Margaret River Accommodation

Margaret River Guest House

Enjoy a slice of country bliss set amongst lush gardens and green lawns, feel a million miles away from the hectic pace of daily life. Originally built in the 1920's this historical guesthouse was a convent for the settlement of Margaret River. Perfectly located in the heart of Margaret River, this bed and breakfast property is an ideal place to experience good food and great wine. Only a two-minute stroll to Margaret River town centre, cafés, restaurants, shops and just a short drive to world class wineries, beaches and other great attractions. There is space to relax in the large established gardens and veranda. Guest rooms and suites combine old world charm and modern comforts. Please note this is an adult only retreat. Full cooked breakfast is included during your stay.

Location: Margaret River

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Beach House at Bayside

This boutique Mediterranean style bed and breakfast is located midway between Middleton Beach and Emu Point on Middleton Bay, 150 metres from the historic Albany Golf Course and 4 miles from Albany. Your location offers easy access to the magnificent Southern coastline and tranquil rural landscapes; warm and friendly hosts will be happy to share their favourite hidden spots to visit. The region is renowned for delectable produce and gastronomic delights from a quick bite for lunch or long leisurely dinners, foodies will not be disappointed. An elegant property offering discerning travellers an intimate relaxed ambience, gracious service, privacy, comfort and warm hospitality. Listen to the sounds of the ocean from your hotel-style rooms all stylishly appointed. Most have a courtyard or balcony. Full breakfast is included.

Location: Albany

Our rating: ★★★★★



Package Includes

- 3 nights accommodation
- 4 days intermediate car rental with full insurance and unlimited mileage
- 1/2 day Wine & Farm to Fork Tour

Departs: Daily, year round

Explore Margaret River

4 days

Just 3 hours' drive south of Perth, Margaret River is one of Australia's most compact yet strikingly diverse holiday destinations. It's an enticing mosaic of pristine natural wonders, premium wineries, relaxed microbreweries, world-class restaurants, spectacular beaches, towering forests, inspirational artisans, warm and friendly locals, and a laid-back persona all of its own.

Day 1: Perth - Margaret River (175 miles)

Collect your rental car and drive south from Perth, through the rolling farmlands of the south west hinterland, to the world-famous vineyards of Margaret River. The Capel Vale region, on the northern fringe, makes an ideal starting point for your food and wine indulgence and offers some excellent reds and whites. The Margaret River wine region is relatively compact and very easy to navigate. Make your first stop the visitors' centre in the main street where you will find maps along with some tips on some of the local gourmet dining secrets. Nestled between farmlands and the coast, Margaret River is spoiled with top quality farm produce, fresh seafood, and the local specialty - Marron.

Day 2: Wine Tour & Lunch

Today you will be treated to a tour of Leeuwin Estate's. Fine wine, food and commitment to the arts begins with a glass of sparkling Brut and an introduction to the wine making philosophy of this family-owned estate.

Tour the Leeuwin Art Gallery and discover the compelling collection of Australian artworks that feature on the winery's iconic 'Art Series' labels. A tutored tasting of 5 Leeuwin Estate wines, with West Australian delicacies precedes a 3-course seasonal lunch in the award-winning restaurant. Make your own way to your accommodation.

Day 3: Margaret River

2 days to make the most of the region. Head for the coast to Augusta and the famous lighthouse at Cape Leeuwin where the Indian and Southern Oceans meet. Wind your way back through tree lined country roads with wineries and farms where you can see the produce and enjoy a superb lunch too.

Day 4: Perth (175 miles)

Head back to Perth today, perhaps stopping in Mandurah, a bustling year round resort where you'll find a host of bird and marine life close to the shore; dolphins are a common sight. Return your car either at the airport or downtown office.



RAC Monkey Mia Dolphin Resort

This property is located on a unique section of World Heritage coastline, only 15 miles from Denham, overlooking the famous Dolphin Beach. Over 10,000 dugongs live in the protection of the Shark Bay Marine Nature Reserve. The interactive dolphin experience is completely free and monitored by researchers. Discover breathtaking snorkelling spots, hire a kayak or simply feel the sand between your toes. Facilities include 2 swimming pools, guest laundry and a restaurant. The resort offers a wide variety of accommodation, garden view and beach view hotel style guest rooms have their own kitchenette and a patio or balcony. The 2 bedroom self-contained villas offers modern contemporary decor and a deck with outdoor furniture.

Location: Shark Bay

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Geraldton Apartment Hotel

Home to pink lakes, world-renowned diving atolls and an abundance of restaurants serving up the region's prized rock lobster, Geraldton is a laid-back coastal escape. In the centre of town is the Geraldton Apartment Hotel, offering a comfortable place to stay. Rooms are modern and spacious with opening windows, air-conditioning and rainfall showers. The roof top bar is referred to locally as 'the old man and the sea' and is an open and airy space, that is perfect for sunset drinks and alfresco dining, it also offers stunning panoramic sunset views. Bob's Boutique Bar is a place for delicious tapas and a bespoke menu of wines, spirits, and cocktails. This is the perfect base for a stay on Western Australia's Mid-West coast.

Location: Geraldton

Our rating: ★★★★★



Mantarays Ningaloo Beach Resort

Mantarays is the only resort located on Sunrise Beach and is part of Exmouth's Marina development. It's also your gateway to the World Heritage-listed Ningaloo Reef and Marine Park, 45 minutes from Cape Range National Park and the newly created Nyinggulara National Park. There is a plethora of wildlife tours available from whale sharks to humpback whales, dugongs to turtles. There is a swimming pool and restaurant on-site and the town of Exmouth is just a short drive away. All accommodation features high ceilings, contemporary furnishings and private. Guests also have direct access to Ningaloo Reef, one of the few reefs that can be accessed straight from the beach.

Location: Exmouth

Our rating: ★★★★★



Cable Beach Resort

Indian Ocean sunsets and gently swaying palm trees are the backdrop to this award-winning property which is the only resort overlooking Broome's iconic Cable Beach. Cable Beach Club Resort offers rooms which are styled to reflect the Asian and colonial cultures which shaped the identity of Broome, and the diverse choice of accommodation is complimented by the acres of landscaped gardens hosting artefacts from around the world. Dining options range from poolside light snacks to Asian infusion plus an Italian inspired restaurant "Cichetti". When you are not out exploring, being pampered in Chahoya Spa by L'Occitane, or enjoying a day off relaxing in a cabana, there are miles of white sandy beaches on your doorstep to explore.

Location: Broome

Our rating: ★★★★★

South Australia

WILDLIFE & WORLD CLASS WINERIES

South Australia is like all the best parts of Australia rolled into one glorious state. This is where huge swathes of deep red outback reveal rock formations that date back millennia. World-class wine regions sit alongside incredible wildlife, sensational, rugged coastlines, and urban treasures. All creating a state that packs an impressive punch. Adelaide, the state capital, is filled with the arts, incredible places to dine, shop and take in thrilling sporting events. Use this as a launch pad to the rest of the South Australia. Sip and slurp your way around the Barossa Valley, McLaren Vale, and the Clare Valley. Go wild on the Fleurieu Peninsula, the Eyre Peninsula and on magnificent Kangaroo Island and invoke your inner pioneer as you head deep into the outback and the ancient, otherworldly landscapes of the Flinders Ranges. Over 600 million years in the making, the Flinders offer some of the most dramatic outback panoramas to be found anywhere in Australia.



Our 5 Favourites in South Australia

South Australia really does have it all. Historical Adelaide, rolling hills home to a bountiful of vineyards and the outback is within easy reach for visitors who are packing their walking boots. You can even stay on a paddle steamer on the Murray River and visit Kangaroo Island where you can walk amongst native wildlife. We asked our Destination Specialists for their highlights.



A food lover's dream

Join a guided gourmet tour of Adelaide's Central Market where over 100 vendors offer mouthwatering tasting experience.



History and culture

Adelaide is known for its heritage and art; a walking tour will take you on a historic and colourful journey of the city.

Otherworldly outback landscapes

Explore the Flinders Ranges, the largest mountain range in South Australia. Walking tracks, wildlife and a true outback experience awaits.



Riley Lockett

Amongst the vines

Wine lovers may choose to head out of the city to the Barossa Valley, indulge on the finest shiraz. You will be spoilt for choice with vineyards.



Australia's Galapagos

Kangaroo Island is a short hop away by flight or take a ferry, an overnight stay is the best way to capture the beauty of the island and its "locals".

Our Favourite Sightseeing Tours

Adelaide Sightseeing

Get your bearings on a morning city tour. Adelaide is surrounded by parklands with a blend of historic buildings, wide streets, cafés, and restaurants. Drive past Adelaide's cultural precinct, North Terrace, Adelaide Botanic Gardens and beautiful park. Continue through historic North Adelaide, where you'll see tree-lined streets, mansions and historic buildings. Stop at the National Wine Centre of Australia, where you will have free time to explore the Wine Discovery Journey Museum. Your morning will also include a visit to the newly developed Adelaide Oval precinct.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 3 hours

Central Market Discovery Tour

Food lovers are invited to tour South Australia's culinary icon established in 1869, the Adelaide Central Market. During your tour, taste a delicious selection of foods from South Australian artisan food producers, meet the suppliers, stallholders and producers whose families have traded the market for generations. This small group tour is hosted by local guides who will invite you to join them for lunch at the market café and watch the world go by.

Departs: Year round, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday
Duration: 3 hours

Guided Dolphin Eco Kayak Tour

For something a little different away from the city, take the opportunity to paddle through a 10,000 year old mangrove forest amidst hundreds of migrating and native dolphin species. During the tour, you will come across a number of wildlife and shipwreck sighting opportunities. Your guide will share local Aboriginal stories. The mangrove forest makes the ultimate feeding grounds for dolphins due to the abundance of seagrass, saltmarsh, and the tidal flats and creeks.

Departs: Daily, October – May
Duration: 3 hours

Kangaroo Island Day Tour

An early start this morning as you join a scenic coach journey to Cape Jervis, taking in the picturesque Fleurieu Peninsula. A short ferry ride and you will arrive on Kangaroo Island. First stop is Seal Bay Conservation Park to enjoy a beach walk with an experienced guide amongst a breeding colony of wild and rare Australian sea lions. Following a 2 course Aussie pub lunch spend the afternoon in the Flinders Chase National Park. View the rugged coastline from walks around Remarkable Rocks and Admirals Arch. Your last visit of the day is to the Kangaroo Island Wildlife Park. Return to Penneshaw for the ferry and coach transfer to Adelaide. *(Overnight stays on Kangaroo Island are also available)*

Departs: Year round, Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday
Duration: 16 hours

Grand Barossa with Hahndorf

Your day commences with a City Highlights Tour. Your guide will introduce you to this delightful city, which is surrounded by parklands with a blend of historic buildings, wide streets, cafés and restaurants. Heading out of the city wind your way through the Adelaide Hills villages of Crafrers, Stirling, Aldgate and Bridgewater before arriving at Hahndorf, Australia's oldest German settlement. Visit the Beerenberg Farm Shop, where there is time to taste and purchase from their full range of products. Spend the afternoon exploring the main street of Hahndorf where you can sample local produce and browse local arts and crafts.

Departs: Year round, Tuesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday
Duration: 8 hours

Uncork the Barossa

Avoid the crowds and get off the beaten path on this small group Barossa Valley wine tour with a difference. With no more than 6 guests the experience is totally flexible and the wineries are chosen based on guests' preferences. With a focus on boutique wineries instead of the big names, this Barossa Valley wine tour will allow you to taste the best of the region and help you to discover those hidden gems. Includes up to 5 wine tastings and tasting menu lunch.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 8 hours



Kangaroo between the vines



Holiday Inn Express Adelaide City Centre

Situated in the vibrant northwest quarter of Adelaide's central business district, the Holiday Inn Express Adelaide has an ideal location. Adelaide Oval, Adelaide Casino and Rundle Mall shopping precinct are within an easy 10 minute walk. Jump on the free tram for Victoria Square and visit Central Markets for fresh produce or walk the cultural boulevard of North Terrace and enjoy the architecture of the Art Gallery Museum and State Library. The on-site fitness room is complimentary for all travellers and a self-service laundry for your convenience. Guest rooms are modern, comfortable and well-equipped with everything you need for a great stay. A buffet breakfast is included.

Location: City

Our rating: ★★☆☆



Majestic Roof Garden Hotel

This multi award winning hotel is perfectly located in Adelaide's vibrant east end of the city centre. Rundle Mall is a 5 minute walk from the property and 10 minutes' walk to the Art Gallery, Adelaide Museum, the National Wine Museum and Adelaide Zoo are 20 minutes away. The rooms are unique and luxurious throughout with modern interior design and opulent bathrooms. For spectacular views, head to the signature roof garden.

Location: City

Our rating: ★★★★★



Hotel Indigo Adelaide Market

Inspired by the local heritage of the Adelaide markets, this stylish and creatively designed hotel is a boutique property offering an oasis of calm in the heart of Adelaide. Exposed brickwork, copper details and vibrant pieces of art make this a truly unique place to stay. Located in the market precinct, the historic Central Adelaide Market is the Indigo's neighbour and is a feast for the gastronomic senses, whilst the hotel's 2 restaurants offer rustic modern Italian and refined South Australian menus. The rooms and suites here are fun and quirky. Expect vivid splashes of colour, festival inspired art and gorgeous bathrooms. The Hotel Indigo Adelaide Markets is a punchy, boutique hotel that offers contemporary take on a city hotel.

Location: City

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Mayfair Hotel

Located in the heart of Adelaide and overlooking Rundle Mall, this luxurious hotel is set within a heritage-listed, renovated building 200 metres from the Art Gallery of South Australia. After a day exploring the city enjoy sweeping views from the Rooftop Bar, with a choice of indoor and outdoor areas, a vast drinks menu ranges from premium champagne to locally sourced wines or a pre-dinner cocktail. Moving on to dining, The Den offers a contemporary bistro style menu, The Mayflower is open for breakfast, "High Tea" and A La Carte dining, make sure you leave room for a decadent treat from the legendary dessert trolley. All accommodation rooms offer luxury appointments, featuring locally made products and furnishings.

Location: City

Our rating: ★★★★★



Discover Adelaide

4 days

Adelaide is bursting with culture, flavours, events and entertainment. Taste your way through world-famous wine regions or indulge in some of Australia's most award-winning restaurants. Adelaide is also the gateway to Kangaroo Island, just a short hop by coach, ferry or flight. Home to native wildlife and the stunning Flinders Chase National Park with over a third of the island protected in nature reserves, Kangaroo Island is a photographer's paradise.



Day 1: Arrive Adelaide

On arrival in Adelaide take a private transfer to your chosen hotel. The rest of the day is free. With its vibrant culture built on world famous festivals, food and wine, cosmopolitan Adelaide is an elegant city with a rich past and a passion for fine living. Its historic buildings, gardens, wide boulevards and over 7 square kilometres of green parklands circling the city centre make it truly unique.

Day 2: City Sightseeing

This morning join a guided tour of the city. Drive past Adelaide's cultural precinct - North Terrace, Adelaide Botanic Gardens and the beautiful Botanic Park, home to the Bicentennial Conservatory and the Adelaide Zoo. Continue through historic North Adelaide, where you'll see tree-lined streets, mansions and historic buildings. Stop at the National Wine Centre of Australia, where you will have free time to explore the Wine Discovery Journey Museum. Your morning will also include a visit to the iconic St Peters Cathedral or the newly developed Adelaide Oval precinct. Rest of your day is free.

Day 3: Free Day

Today is for you to decide what you would like to do. Wine connoisseurs may wish to join a small group tour to the Barossa valley and explore some of the world's best wineries, enjoying superb food and wine pairings. Nature lovers may prefer to take a guided day trip to Kangaroo Island, an area of conservation with an abundance of native wildlife, sea lions, penguins, koalas, kangaroos and diverse birdlife. Or simply relax in the city and enjoy the coffee culture and watch the world go by.

Day 4: Departure

Make your own way to the airport for your onward journey or perhaps collect a car and explore Adelaide and beyond further. For that extra special journey board The Ghan train, one of the most iconic trains in the world and head north towards the Red Centre and Darwin.

Package Includes

- 3 nights accommodation
- ½ day Adelaide city tour
- Private airport transfer on arrival

Departs: Daily, year round

Barossa Shiraz Estate

The Barossa Shiraz Estate is a delightful collection of cottages, in the heart of the Barossa Valley. There are 6 cottages, one of which sits next to the world-famous Jacobs Creek Vineyard. All offer traditionally styled accommodation with all the modern creature comforts expected including beautiful furnishings and soft linens, in a wonderful vineyard setting. Breakfast provisions set you up for the day, and there is a veritable smorgasbord of dining options within easy reach. Lyndoch Hill is within a 5-minute walk and is a lovely spot for dining or sitting on the terrace and enjoying one of their 40 plus wines. The space and tranquillity of these charming cottages make them the idea base for a few days discovering the fabulous wines and gourmet treats of the beautiful Barossa.

Location: Barossa Valley

Our rating: ★★★★★



Rawnsley Park Station

Set on a working sheep station overlooking the awe-inspiring Wilpena Pound, the family owned Rawnsley Park Station is a perfect place from which to explore the Flinders Ranges. Discover a land rich in Aboriginal culture and enjoy some of the most stunning sunsets on earth. Have a true outback experience whilst staying in complete comfort. 1 and 2 bedroom eco-villas are tucked away in a secluded spot with breathtaking views. Each villa is fully self-contained and have spacious living and dining areas, separate bedrooms with over-bed skylights, luxurious bathrooms and well-equipped kitchens. The stunning views of Wilpena Pound and the surrounding range from your private veranda is a great place to start or finish your day. Continental breakfast provisions are provided daily. Villa guests have exclusive access to a private swimming pool during warmer months.

During your stay embrace the outback experiences on offer, join a 4WD tour with an experienced local guide, spotting wildlife and learn about the region's rich geological history. For a memorable adventure take a helicopter flight to Chace Range, watch the sunset whilst your guide sets up your "swag" for the night, dinner and breakfast provisions are all supplied, drift off to sleep under a star-filled outback sky. Following breakfast, you will fly back to the Station.

Location: Flinders Ranges

Our rating: ★★★★★



Wilpena Pound Resort

Wilpena Pound Resort is a haven of warm outback hospitality in the Flinders Ranges National Park, blending effortlessly into the landscape. Accommodation is varied, 60 resort style rooms, all of which are open plan offering space and amenities for a relaxing and enjoyable stay. If guests are looking for a more authentic outback stay then there are 15 glamping tents, spend the night under the stars, en suite facilities and amenities ensure your comfort. Outside a small seating area provides the perfect spot to enjoy a sundowner after a busy day exploring the region. Breakfast is included, a restaurant is open for lunch and dinner and mountain bikes are available to hire.

Learn about the region from the land's traditional owners by joining an Aboriginal cultural tour. Walking tours on offer may take you meandering along Wilpena Creek passing magnificent river red gums with stunning views of Wilpena Pound or join a Rock Art tour where your guide will interpret paintings taking you back to their ancestors. Perhaps watch the ever changing colours as the sun sets whilst enjoying drinks and canapés as your guide points out sites of interest and shares their knowledge of the flora and fauna surrounding you.

Location: Flinders Ranges

Our rating: ★★★★★



Adelaide and Beyond Accommodation

The Frames

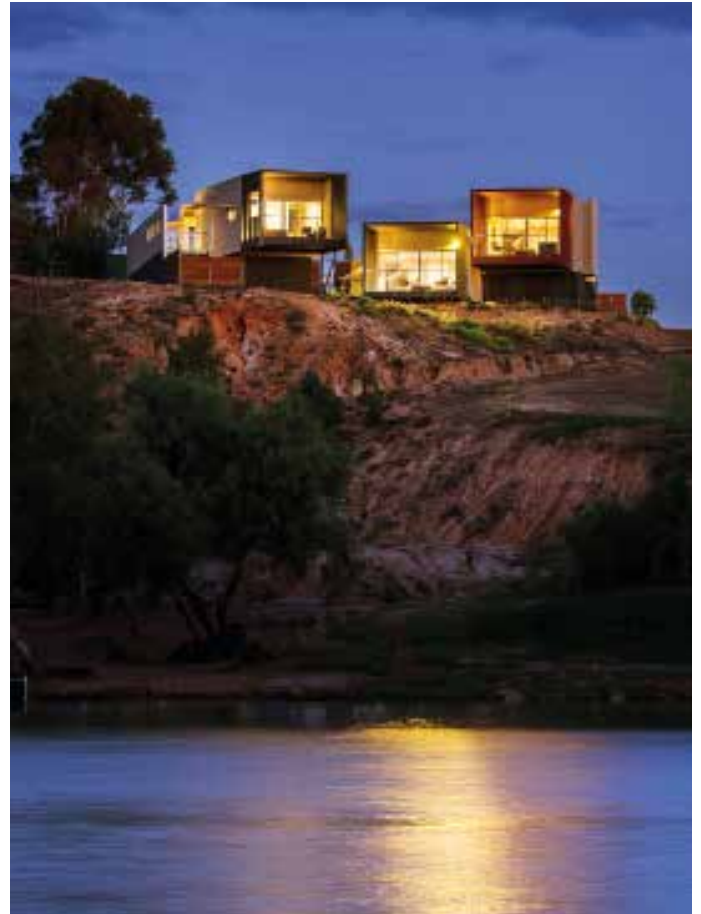
Perched above the banks of the Murray River, The Frames offers an exceptional and unique place to stay in Riverland. An abundance of space and superb levels of privacy sit side-by-side in a quintessentially Australian outback landscape. The Murray is Australia's longest river and weaves throughout 3 states, creating a natural habitat for kangaroos, koalas and a multitude of wildlife.

The 3 retreats are designed with adults in mind offering seclusion and enjoy generous terraces with outdoor kitchens and river views. Pastiche features a sunken spa bath complete with a waterfall feature, an infrared sauna and a private outdoor heated pool. Montage boasts a circular hydro-therapy spa as well as a sauna alongside the heated pool. For couples travelling together Collage is an excellent option, with 2 gorgeous bedrooms, a large indoor heated spa pool and an outdoor heated lap pool with a waterfall.

Carefully curated experiences enhance any stay here, step aboard a beautifully restored gondola for a sunset cruise, experience the river from a local's perspective with a guided tour or get down to the water level and glide through the landscape on a kayak. This really is a place where you can do as much or as little as you want. Transfers from Adelaide are available for guests who prefer not to self-drive.

Location: Murray River

Our rating: ★★★★★



Adelaide and Beyond by Luxury

6 days

Explore the beautiful Adelaide Hills before venturing into the outback of the Riverlands with this luxury experience that combines two of South Australia's finest retreats. Indulge the senses and savour exceptional food and wine along with magnificent Australian landscapes.

Day 1 & 2: Sequoia

This morning a private transfer will collect you from your Adelaide hotel to beautiful Sequoia for a 2-night stay. This outstanding adult-only lodge is tucked into the highlands of the Adelaide Hills, atop Mount Lofty, often referred to as Koala Mountain. Sequoia offers glorious suites with panoramic views and luxurious bathrooms with free standing bathtubs. Your stay includes daily breakfast and dining experiences in Hardy's Verandah Restaurant and the Sequoia Lounge. On day 2 you'll be treated to a tour of the Southern Adelaide Hills and McLaren Vale with wine tasting and a visit to the d'Arenberg Cube.

Day 3 – 5: The Frames

On the morning of day 3 depart Sequoia for the rolling hills of the Barossa Valley. At Langmell, the world's oldest shiraz vineyard enjoy a private wine tasting before heading to The Eatery at Maggie Beers Farm for a gourmet lunch.

After lunch, your private transfer continues to the Riverland and your accommodation for the next 3 nights, The Frames.

There is time to settle into your luxury retreat before a sunset cruise on a 100-year-old gondola. All stays at The Frames include gourmet breakfast provisions, an in-retreat chef prepared meal on one evening, a gourmet BBQ hamper for one evening and gourmet meal provisions for one evening. Guests are also welcome to make use of the retreats e-bikes. On day 4 explore the eco-systems of the Murray River on a Wetlands & Wildlife Safari. Day 5 includes private flavour tasting experience sampling the region's finest food and wine.

Day 6: Adelaide

Today return to Adelaide by private transfer.

Package Includes

- 5 nights Deluxe Accommodation
- Private transfers
- Touring as stated

Departs: Daily, year round

Aurora Ozone Hotel

The Aurora Ozone sits on the foreshore in Kingscote overlooking Nepean Bay and is only 15 minutes from the airport and 45 minutes from the ferry terminal, so an ideal place to stay on the island. Within a short walk guests will find shops, cafés and galleries as well as the wharf, where fur seals can often be seen lazing on the rocks. The hotel offers 77 rooms, some set within the original building which retains much of its heritage feel. It's seafront location means several of the rooms feature sea views as does Zone Restaurant & Bar, which has a wonderful outlook over Nepean Bay. After a day discovering the wonders of Kangaroo Island the outdoor pool is a lovely spot to relax during the summer months.

Location: Kingscote, Kangaroo Island

Our rating: ★ ★ ★



Mercure Kangaroo Island Lodge

This comfortable hotel offers a great base from which to explore Kangaroo Island. Overlooking the calm waters of Eastern Cove in peaceful American River, the location is perfect for wildlife lovers. 38 welcoming rooms offer pool or water views, the bay and water view rooms have private patios, where you can relax after a day exploring. Facilities include an outdoor swimming pool, tennis court and an award-winning restaurant, which showcases the fabulous food and wine of the region. There are also some lovely nature trails around the lodge. Kangaroo Island is renowned for its wildlife and rugged coastal scenery and must-see spots include Seal Bay, Admirals Arch and Remarkable Rocks in the Flinders Chase National Park.

Location: American River, Kangaroo Island

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Kangaroo Island Seafont

Set close to the ferry terminal in Penneshaw, this welcoming modern hotel is an excellent base for self-drive guests visiting Kangaroo Island. There is a choice of rooms and garden villas offering comfortable accommodation, choose the seafront rooms for a private balcony with panoramic ocean views. Facilities include an outdoor swimming pool and mini golf. The Kiosk Penneshaw is a great place to enjoy a casual meal or pick up a takeaway, whilst the Penneshaw Pub offers uninterrupted ocean views and serves up local coastal and classic meals in a welcoming atmosphere.

Location: Penneshaw, Kangaroo Island

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Ocean View Eco Villas Kangaroo Island

Nestled into pristine coastline on Kangaroo Island, often referred to as Australia's 'Galapagos', these delightful villas offer a very special place from which to explore and with just 2 villas, a stay here is a truly personal experience. This is a place where you can immerse yourself in the incredible landscapes and wildlife that the island is renowned for. Sitting on 500 acres, with magical coastal views, the property is home to a wealth of native wildlife including kangaroos, wallabies, wedge-tailed eagles, and white-bellied sea eagles. There are beach walks and trails to explore, and your hosts' Tim and Tamsin are on hand to point you in the right direction. A fully cooked breakfast and three-course evening meals are served in the comfort of your villa, accompanied by local wines.

Location: Nepean Bay, Kangaroo Island

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Victoria

NATURAL WONDERS & FAMOUS COASTAL DRIVES

Iconic coastal drives, unmissable wildlife, superb wine regions, and a city to rival any in the world. Welcome to Victoria. Whilst it may be one of Australia's smaller states, there is more than enough here to keep visitors occupied for weeks. Melbourne is a super-cool, urban experience with sporting events, art galleries, museums, edgy bars, and an eclectic dining scene. Beyond the city, visitors come for the accessible wildlife; the penguins of Phillip Island are synonymous with Victoria. Hit the open road with a road trip along Great Ocean Road, generally regarded as one of the finest coastal drives anywhere in the world. Sample the exceptional award-winning wines of the Yarra Valley, and the evocatively named cellar doors on the Mornington Peninsula and explore the pristine wilderness of Wilsons Promontory or the Grampians National Park. Whether you choose to spend three days or three weeks here, Victoria is one of Australia's most diverse and impressive destinations.



Our 5 Favourites in Victoria

Victoria is home to the cosmopolitan city of Melbourne filled with bustling laneways and sporting venues. Cellar doors are open to guests in the Yarra Valley, “Penguin Parade” is one of nature’s delightful events. Driving has never been more spectacular on the Great Ocean Road, or head to the Grampians National Park for walking trails, Aboriginal rock art and native wildlife.

Life in the Laneways

Wander through the laneways of Melbourne, brush shoulders with locals in chic shops or grab a coffee and watch the city go by.



World-class Sporting Events

Sports enthusiasts will be thrilled as Melbourne is home to a trilogy of major sporting venues. MCG cricket ground, Australia’s tennis open at Melbourne Park and the Formula 1 racetrack.

Phillip Island Penguins

Wildlife enthusiasts will not want to miss out on Phillip Island, view penguins waddle ashore at sunset



The Great Ocean Road

Drive along one of the world’s most famous scenic routes, the Great Ocean Road, where the Twelve Apostles, glorious limestone stacks emerge from the sea.



Yarra Valley

Join a small group tour to the Yarra Valley where delicious home produce and wine tasting are perfectly matched.



Our Favourite Sightseeing Tours

Lanes and Arcades

This walking tour is the ideal way to discover and learn about the enchantment of Melbourne. You will explore the Victorian Arcades and quaint laneways for which Melbourne is so famous and unveil local designers and specialty retailers that often are only found in the city. Your tour will reveal some of the quirkiest cafés, independent designers, street art, architecture, with historical tales of Melbourne along the way.

Departs: Twice daily, Monday to Saturday
Duration: 3 hours (4 hours with lunch)

Evening Degustation Walk

The best way to sample Melbourne's wonderful restaurant scene is to experience a few in one evening. With clusters of amazing venues within walking distance, this is a great way to see and taste the city in a delicious and enjoyable experience. You will visit 3 unique venues, with carefully chosen wine tastings and tantalising savoury tastes from their menus. Each venue is a different food style, with history and design as diverse as the city itself.

Departs: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
Duration: 3 hours

Yarra Valley Gourmet Tour

While the Yarra Valley is a world-renowned wine growing region, wine is only half the story of this gourmet wonderland. This tour provides a fine blend of the very best of the region's wines and other gourmet produce. Starting with an exclusive farm-to-gate visit at the Gateway Market for a truly immersive experience, touch, smell and taste your way through the edible garden. Move on to Balgownie Estate for a tasting of an extensive range of wines, and then on to Rochford Wines where lunch and wine is served with a view! Chocolate tasting is this afternoon's stop before heading back to the city.

Departs: Year round, daily
Duration: 8½ hours

Morning city tour by E-Bike

Explore Melbourne's coolest streets, parks, shops, cafés and hidden laneways on a guided electric bike tour, meaning you pedal when you want to or just sit back in the saddle and let the bike do the work. Ride along the Yarra River with its popular huge floating bars and eateries, explore the arts precinct, famous gardens and sporting icons including 170-year old fabled MCG (Melbourne Cricket Ground). Your guide will take you to view some of Melbourne's best architecture, share knowledge of the history surrounding this diverse city and point out vibrant street art. (Non-electric bikes also available).

Departs: Year round, daily
Duration: 4½ hours

Great Ocean Road

Experience this majestic coastal drive in style with a small group and enjoy time to relax and fully appreciate the wonders of this world-famous touring route. Stay on the lookout for some very special animals including whales, dolphins, echidnas and bandicoots. First stop will be at Apollo Bay, a tranquil seaside town where you will enjoy lunch. Refuelled and ready for a rainforest walk amongst towering trees in the Otway Ranges. This really is a truly unique day out, capped off by a visit to the ancient rock formations of the Twelve Apostles and Loch Ard Gorge.

Departs: Year round, daily
Duration: 11 hours

Penguins, Kangaroos and Koalas

This small group tour will commence with a visit to Moonlit Sanctuary Conservation Park where you are guaranteed close encounters with an array of Australian native animals like kangaroos, wombats and echidnas. Next, stop will take you over to the dramatic coast of Phillip Island. At the "Nebbies", you will stroll along the boardwalk where you will see magnificent views and perhaps spot a few seals. Finally, your tour is not complete without its black-tie gala event, the Penguin Parade, meander along the boardwalk to the viewing platform. Here little penguins will waddle ashore, decked out in their tuxedos as they hurry off to find their mates, and have a welcome home cuddle before settling down in their burrows.

Departs: April - September, daily
Duration: 7½ hours



Yarra Valley



Clarion Suites Gateway

The Clarion Suites Gateway offers an excellent location on the banks of the Yarra River in central Melbourne, with easy access to a multitude of city attractions. The 120 studio and apartment-style suites are comfortable and well furnished, many offer panoramic views over the river and city skyline. The 1 and 2 bedroom suites come complete with full kitchen and laundry facilities, making them an ideal choice for longer stays. After a day exploring the city or further afield, there is a heated indoor pool, and 24-hour room service is also available. The great location ensures that there is a wealth of restaurants and bars within an easy stroll, along with plenty of evening entertainment.

Location: CBD

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



The Treasury on Collins

Offering a wonderful location on tree-lined Collins Street, the Treasury is an elegant 19th-century building just a few minutes' walk from the Bourke Street Mall. First established as the Bank of Australasia in 1876 much of the original heritage has been retained and can be seen throughout the building. Featuring a choice of spacious, self-contained suites and apartments. Each one has complimentary Netflix, and kitchenettes with Nespresso coffee machines and laundry facilities. Guests enjoy access to the mezzanine level guest lounge where wine is served each evening, there is also a 24-hour fitness centre located on the ground floor of the apartments. Continental breakfast is included throughout your stay.

Location: City Centre

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Savoy on Little Collins

Set within a building that dates to 1866, the Savoy on Little Collins evokes the charm and elegance of a bygone era with a design which showcases its Art Deco heritage perfectly. 163 spacious rooms and suites offer a quiet charm with stylish décor and character features. This lovely hotel is close to Southern Cross Station and is an easy stroll from the Southbank with its wealth of dining and entertainment options. The tram route runs nearby and is a quintessentially Melbourne way of getting around the city. Facilities at the hotel include a fitness centre and the Alexander Bar, which is a welcoming place for drinks and dinner. There is a full menu plus a small plate sharing menu and a room service option too.

Location: City Centre

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Crown Promenade

This modern and stylish hotel sits within the buzz and excitement of the Southbank entertainment district and offers 465 large, contemporary rooms in a great location. The rooms at the Crown Promenade feature a calming, neutral colour scheme and huge floor to ceiling windows with memorable views of Melbourne. The hotel restaurant is Mesh, there is also a bar and an espresso bar, and the whole Southbank area boasts an exceptional array of dining options. Facilities include The Deck with a fitness centre and 25m infinity edge indoor lap pool with city skyline views. The airbridge connects guests to the Crown Entertainment Complex which has a wealth of entertainment including cinemas, mini golf and an impressive array of shopping.

Location: Southbank

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Melbourne Accommodation

Batmans Hill On Collins

Set in the heart of the city, opposite Southern Cross Rail Station is where you find the historic Batmans Hill on Collins. Melbourne's sought after attractions are within easy reach. Start your day in The Garden Room Bistro, and at the end of the day relax with a classic cocktail in The Oak Room Lounge, you may find the resident pianist playing. The open-plan kitchen is where you can watch chefs in action for The Oak Room Restaurant, so named after its classic wood panelling. Choose from stylish apartments, heritage suites or affordable rooms. Well-equipped 2-bedroom apartments, featuring a fully equipped kitchen and laundry facilities are suited to families and couples travelling together.

Location: City Centre

Our rating: ★★★★★



Crown Metropol

The Crown Metropol is a stylish hotel which forms part of the impressive Crown Entertainment Complex on Melbourne's Southbank. This district is filled with superb restaurants, lively bars, excellent shopping and a wealth of entertainment options, making it a wonderful base for a stay in the city. There are 658 beautifully, elegant rooms with a stylish and contemporary feel, modern art and panoramic city views from floor to ceiling windows. In addition to the dining available in the Crown complex, the Metropol has 2 in-house restaurants: Mr Hive Kitchen and Bar and Bistro Guillaume, along with the Pub and the 28 Skybar Lounge. Up on the 27th floor is an infinity edge lap pool with glorious views and a fitness centre.

Location: Southbank

Our rating: ★★★★★



Park Hyatt, Melbourne

With a peaceful location overlooking St Patricks Cathedral and the Fitzroy Gardens, the Park Hyatt is an elegant and sophisticated choice for a stay in Melbourne. Everything is within easy reach and one of the City Loop underground stops is just moments from the hotel. Facilities at the Park Hyatt include the Park Club health and day spa, a fitness centre with 25m indoor heated pool and a range of dining options. These include the Tea Lounge and Garden, and the radi restaurant and bar. Melbourne is known for its culinary scene, there is an abundance of excellent places to enjoy, all within a short walk. The 245 guest rooms and suites are amongst the largest in Melbourne and offer supreme levels of comfort and attention to detail. Breakfast is included daily for all guests.

Location: City Centre

Our rating: ★★★★★



QT Melbourne

This former cinema has been transformed into a super stylish boutique hotel in the heart of Melbourne, just moments from Little Collins and surrounded by the city's laneways. The QT is glamorous and bold with an industrial vibe that fits the Melbourne scene perfectly with eye catching works of art, vivid pops of colour and an edgy design that flows throughout. Melbourne offers truly world-class dining and in-house restaurant Pascale is a European style brasserie, whilst Hot Sauce and the Rooftop at QT are two popular bar choices. The 188 rooms are sleek and modern and spacious with wooden floors, polished concrete ceilings and super comfy beds. Bathrooms are equally impressive, and some rooms offer in-room bathtubs.

Location: City Centre

Our rating: ★★★★★





Captains at the Bay

This superior bed and breakfast is situated in Apollo Bay halfway along the famed Great Ocean Road. Ideally located in the heart of the town and just a short stroll to restaurants and the beach you can be sure to relax as everything is on your doorstep. With 12 rooms in total, including The Bridge Suites, perfect for couples looking for a romantic retreat featuring a private balcony, large bath and stunning views across Apollo Bay or Otway Ranges. Families or 2 couples travelling together may choose to stay in The Captain's Loft with 2 separate bedrooms, 1 ensuite and a large living area with additional bathroom downstairs.

Location: Apollo Bay

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Oak & Anchor Hotel

This boutique, heritage-listed hotel boasts a wonderful location in the heart of pretty Port Fairy and has been part of the town's history since the 1800s. Exposed stone and weathered timbers add to the sense of passing time and create a charming atmosphere that feels very much part of Port Fairy. Just 7 bedroom suites ensure a very personal stay, each one offering a unique and individual design. Custom-made headboards, spa-inspired, open-plan bathrooms and local artwork come together to create the perfect adult-only retreat. Sidro Bar and Restaurant is a cosy spot for pre-dinner drinks and aperitifs. There is a lovely array of dining options in Port Fairy, which are just a short walk from the Oak & Anchor.

Location: Port Fairy

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Drift House

Located in Port Fairy on the Great Ocean Road, the Drift House is a design-led, boutique hotel with 6 suites. Each suite is different but each one offers a beautiful bathroom, generous seating area and exceptional levels of comfort, and all except one boasts private outside space. Designed by one of the leading architects in Australia, the Drift House challenges the traditional hotel vision and offers a stunning place to stay in Port Fairy. Guests enjoy a well thought out honesty bar, featuring some of Australia's finest local wines and access to the Salon, a beautiful lounge/dining garden pavilion. An a la carte menu for evening dining is available on various days throughout the week, daily breakfast is included.

Location: Port Fairy

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Cumberland Lorne Resort

This property is located directly across from Louttit Bay, nestled between the vibrant restaurants and boutiques of Lorne. The Cumberland Lorne Resort combines breath-taking views and a friendly atmosphere. Each of the modern spacious 1-2- and 3-bedrooms apartments has a full kitchen and laundry facilities as well as a private balcony with outdoor furniture overlooking the garden or ocean view. Ideal for 2 couples travelling together or families.

Location: Lorne

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Victoria Accommodation

Chateau Yering

The Chateau Yering is a wonderful blend of Victorian architecture and award-winning dining, in a delightful setting in the Yarra Valley, one of Australia's oldest wine regions. This is a hotel filled with the elegance and charm of a bygone era. Dating back to 1854 the suites here are furnished with antique furniture and fine art gracing the walls. Dining is equally impressive with Eleanor's Restaurant offering a sophisticated experience fusing Australian and French flavours. Sweetwater Café offers breakfast and relaxed lunches. The Yarra Valley is home to some exceptional vineyards and cellar doors and there is a wealth of dining options available. Wildlife lovers should make sure they visit the nearby Healsville Sanctuary.

Location: Yarra Valley

Our rating: ★★★★★



Royal Mail Hotel

The Royal Mail Hotel lies in the small but charming township of Dunkeld at the southern end of the rugged Grampians. It's a gorgeous blend of traditional and contemporary and known for its highly regarded restaurant Wickens. Much of the produce found on the tasting menu comes from the organic kitchen garden. The Parker St Project is a more relaxed and casual dining experience. There is a choice of rooms at the hotel, all are smart and understated but the cinema-worthy views from the deluxe mountain view rooms are rather special. The hotel also offers 1 and 2 bedroom cottages at nearby Mt Sturgeon, just 5 minutes' drive away. Take self-guided bush walks to spot local wildlife or enjoy a sommelier-led tasting of the wine cellar.

Location: Dunkeld, Grampians National Park

Our rating: ★★★★★



Boroka Downs

Offering an immersive experience in the rugged, natural beauty of the Grampians, Boroka Downs is an adult only, nature-based retreat in a magical setting. Just 5 1-bedroom villas are dotted throughout the grounds along a ridgeline and all offer space and tranquillity in abundance, along with panoramic views through a front wall of floor to ceiling windows. There are fully equipped kitchens, bathrooms with a double spa bath and expansive lounge areas. Wildlife abounds here with kangaroos and wild emu plus a profusion of birdlife and the thoughtfully provided binoculars and wildlife reference books will help with your wildlife spotting experience. Halls Gap is just 5 minutes away with a choice of restaurants.

Location: Grampians National Park

Our rating: ★★★★★



Meringa Springs

Meringa Springs is a delightful boutique lodge in the Grampians National Park and the perfect place to get your fill of quintessential Australian wildlife. Accommodation options include deluxe king rooms which are set in the main lodge, and the terrace spa villas which offer plenty of space, fireplaces and spa baths. Both have private terraces where you can relax as the sun begins to set, dusk falls and the kangaroos and wallabies come out to graze. The lodge restaurant features an excellent menu, and the sunset bar is a welcoming place for pre-dinner drinks. There's also an infinity edge pool, the ideal end to a day spent exploring the walking trails and dramatic scenery of the rugged Grampians.

Location: Grampians National Park

Our rating: ★★★★★



**Package Includes**

- 3 nights accommodation
- On arrival airport transfer
- 1/2 Day City Tour

Departs: Daily, year round

Discover Melbourne

4 days

Compact and diverse, Melbourne is a perfect playground for adventurers and wildlife lovers, foodies and road trippers. Discover remote beaches and rugged coastlines, alpine outlooks and lush forests, all within easy reach of Melbourne, Australia's culinary capital. See kangaroos, koalas, seals and dolphins in the wild, explore the city and indulge in fine dining and winery wanders.

Day 1: Arrive Melbourne

You will be met and transferred to your hotel. Once you have checked in the rest of the day is free to explore hidden laneways, historic arcades and rooftop bars.

Day 2: Melbourne

Join this morning's small group city tour a perfect introduction to marvellous Melbourne. Learn about the city's fascinating history, explore its bustling art and cafe scene. Take a stroll through stunning gardens, see some of the world-famous attractions such as Albert Park home to the Australian Formula 1 Grand Prix, Melbourne Park where the Australian Tennis Open takes place, Federation Square and Eureka Tower (admission at own expense). This afternoon is free to return to your favourite location or browse through shops. This evening why not join a progressive degustation walking tour, this is the very best way to sample Melbourne's wonderful restaurant scene.

Day 3: Melbourne

Today is at leisure. The choices are endless, from the Great Ocean Road with a small group tour, a full wine journey of the Yarra Valley or a guided tour to Phillip Island where the highlight is the "penguin parade". Watch these hilarious characters return from the ocean and head to their burrows.

Day 4: Depart Melbourne

Time to say goodbye to this vibrant city, make your own way to the airport for your onward flight or collect a rental car and go beyond Melbourne.

**Package Includes**

- 5 nights accommodation
- 1/2 day city sights tour and admission to the Melbourne Skydeck
- 5 days Intermediate car hire including full insurance and unlimited mileage
- Arrival airport transfer

Departs: Daily, year round

Melbourne and Beyond

6 days

Combine the urban energy, arts and wonderful dining of Melbourne with the delightful town of Daylesford, sitting in the foothills of the Great Dividing Range and known for its natural springs. Then move onto the magnificent, rugged beauty of the Grampians National Park before returning to Melbourne.

Day 1 & 2: Melbourne

A private transfer will take you to your hotel. The rest of the day is free to explore Melbourne. On day 2 we've included a small group morning city sights tour. Covering highlights including Albert Park, home to the Australian Grand Prix it's a great way to get your bearings. The tour ends at the Melbourne Skydeck, where you can take the ride to the top for panoramic 360-degree views over the city to the Dandenong Ranges, far in the distance.

Day 3: Daylesford

Pick up your rental car this morning for the drive out to Daylesford and the beautiful Macedon Ranges. Daylesford is home to the biggest collection of natural springs in Australia, it's also known for excellent restaurants and local galleries. Visit Mount Macedon and the Macedon Ranges and explore Hanging Rock. Discover Wombat Hill Botanic Gardens, perched high above Daylesford atop and extinct volcano, they offer wonderful views over the township.

Day 4 & 5: Grampians

From Daylesford it's an easy 2-hour drive to Halls Gap in the beautiful Grampians. Perhaps take time to stop in the gold mining township of Ballarat, once one of the richest towns in the world. The Grampians National Park is rich in wildlife and ruggedly beautiful. Spend 2 days discovering the walking tracks that lead to tumbling waterfalls and magnificent lookouts. See Aboriginal rock art and enjoy excellent food and wine, there's also several popular touring routes through the park, which you can drive at your own pace.

Day 6: Melbourne

Today head back to Melbourne and return your rental car.

Tasmania

STUNNING LANDSCAPES & INCREDIBLE WILDLIFE

Beautiful Tasmania. Australia's island state may be diminutive, but it packs a huge punch and when it comes to natural attractions, was certainly at the top of Mother Nature's list. This is a state where the air seems fresher, the water seems clearer, and the natural beauty is off the scale. Begin in historic Hobart, where luxury hotels reside in wharf-side warehouses, the food and wine scene equal anything you'll find elsewhere in Australia and world class MONA (Museum of Old and New Art) questions everything you thought you knew. It's the perfect launch pad for a Tasmanian adventure. Delve into Tasmania's convict past with visits to Port Arthur Historic Site, Maria Island and Sarah Island. Explore incredible wilderness areas in Cradle Mountain–St Clair National Park, the beaches of the Freycinet National Park and on the wild west coast with cruises on the Gordon River into Tasmania's UNESCO World Heritage Area. Tramp pristine hiking trails and marvel at the sheer abundance of wildlife. Indulge in the freshest seafood and world-class wine and discover the impossibly beautiful state of Tasmania in all its glory.



Our 5 Favourites in Tasmania

Tasmania may be small, but it's perfectly formed and packed with pristine wilderness areas, incredible wildlife, world class wine and a rich, colourful history. We asked some of our past guests what their highlights were.

Natural Beauty

Tie your laces, quarter of the island is listed as a World Heritage area, with its natural beauty walking tracks are here to be explored.



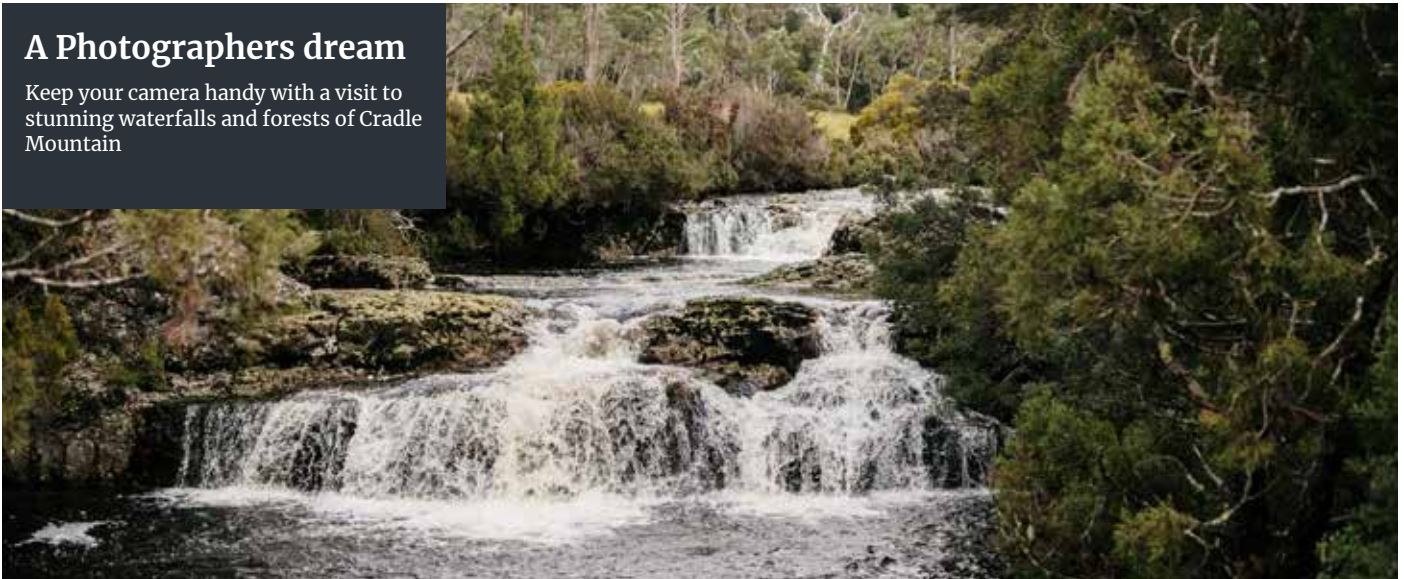
Historical Story telling

Steeped in chequered history, visit Port Arthur, hear of spine-chilling stories, "home" to Australia's first convict arrivals.



A Photographers dream

Keep your camera handy with a visit to stunning waterfalls and forests of Cradle Mountain



Unique Wildlife

Support a world class conservation project by visiting a Tasmania Devil sanctuary, where a breeding programme is working hard to preserve these iconic marsupials.



Incredible food and wine

Known for its cool climate wines and bountiful local produce, including the freshest seafood, its impossible to eat badly in Tasmania.



Our Favourite Sightseeing Tours

Hobart Grand Historic Walk

Embark on a small group walking tour with an expert guide, explore the enchanting town and be captivated by the history and hidden secrets that have shaped Hobart. This tour will also include a visit to the iconic Salamanca Place and Battery point. Your local guide will identify the heritage listed buildings and tell stories of the early characters and issues that were major influences in the early days of Hobart. This tour promises an unforgettable experience where stories of the past come alive.

Departs: May – September, Wednesday – Sunday
Duration: 3 hours

Wineglass Bay & Freycinet National Park

Head towards stunning Freycinet National Park on this guided tour. Stop at Spiky Bridge, a convict-built bridge, and picturesque Spiky Beach. Your guide will lead a walk to the Wineglass Bay Lookout, approx. 1 mile walk each way. At the top, take in the rewarding and world-famous view. From the lookout you have the option to return to the start of the walk with your guide, where you will explore other areas of the national park. Keen walkers can choose to spend the rest of their time completing the walk down to Wineglass beach (2 ½ hr return). Feel the famous sand between your toes, enjoy a lunch break or take a swim in this beautiful setting.

Departs: May – September, Tuesday and Thursday
Duration: 11 ½ hours

Bruny Island Sightseeing and Lighthouse Tour

Seeking wilderness, coast and heritage then this is the experience for you. Your day starts with a ferry journey, keep your cameras ready as your guide will point out little blue penguins and fur seals foraging for food in the crystal-clear waters. Stand alongside the tallest ferns on the island, skirt through the rainforest searching for the wild white wallaby and visit Australia's most southernmost lighthouse. Along the way tasty local produce on the island will keep you well-nourished and a sit-down lunch is also included.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: 10½ hours

Vineyards & Tassie Devils

Your day of wildlife and wine will commence by travelling to the Meander Valley where you will visit the Trowunna Wildlife Park for a private tour. Meet the remarkable furry and feathered inhabitants that feature at the park. You will have the opportunity to interact with the forester kangaroos, cuddle a wombat and meet the Tasmanian devils. Trowunna is the pioneer in Tasmanian devil breeding and rehabilitation. Your journey continues as you travel to the beautiful Relbia wine region where you will enjoy a vineyard lunch and wine tasting.

Departs: Regularly, year round
Duration: 7 hours



Bruny Island



The Vibe Hobart

Sitting in the heart of Hobart, the Vibe is a fun, friendly and charismatic hotel that embraces the laid-back Australian lifestyle. Inspired by the regional landscape and with Tasmanian oak furnishings crafted by local artisans, the Vibe has a very Tasmanian feel. There is a choice of guest rooms and 1 and 2 bedroom apartments, all are sleek and contemporary and some offer harbour views. Facilities include a gym and a swimming pool, whilst Belvedere is the in-house restaurant. Belvedere focuses on paddock to plate dining that really showcases the fabulous produce of the Apple Isle. The Hobart dining scene is impressive and there is plenty of choice within an easy walk of the hotel.

Location: City Centre, Hobart

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Hotel Grand Chancellor Hobart

Boasting a fantastic waterfront location. The Grand Chancellor is a popular choice for a stay in Hobart. The glorious views take front and centre stage, whilst popular attractions including Salamanca Place, home to colourful Salamanca Markets, Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery and Battery Point are close by. There is a choice of 244 spacious rooms and suites offering views over the city, of kunanyi/Mount Wellington and the beautiful harbour. Facilities include a 10th floor pool that boasts panoramic views, fitness club, the Atrium Bar and the Tasman Restaurant, which focuses on the best Tasmania produce and cool climate wines. There is also an excellent choice of dining options in Hobart, just a short walk from the hotel.

Location: Hobart Waterfront

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Henry Jones Art Hotel

The Henry Jones Art Hotel sits within some of the oldest waterfront warehouses in Hobart and is Australia's first dedicated art hotel. Throughout the hotel guests will find original and contemporary pieces of artwork by emerging and established Tasmania artists. This is a boutique hotel, and no two rooms are the same. Rooms feature rough hewn timbers, and hand cut stone walls, all a nod to the heritage of the building. Some have harbour views and there is also a range of fabulous suites. The waterfront location ensures that there is a wide choice of restaurants within easy reach, however with the excellent in-house Landscape Restaurant & Grill and the IXL Long Bar close at hand, you may not venture far.

Location: Hobart Waterfront

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Hotel Grand Chancellor Launceston

The Grand Chancellor offers an excellent location in the heart of Launceston, with attractions including the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery, City Park, Tasmanian Design Centre and Boags Brewery all within a short walk. There's a choice of rooms and suites including superior, deluxe and executive and they all boast wonderful views over the city. Facilities include the Relax Remedial Massage Studio, a nail salon and the Avenue Restaurant and Lobby Bar. Whilst the charms of central Launceston are on the doorstep, this hotel offers the best of both worlds. A 15-minute walk along the banks of the Tamar River brings you to Cataract Gorge, a peaceful nature reserve with a suspension bridge, scenic gardens and wildlife.

Location: City Centre, Launceston

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Tasmania Accommodation

Country Club Villas

Surrounded by beautiful bushland and wildlife this charming resort offers a lovely alternative to a city stay. It's only a short drive from the centre of Launceston and airport and is a peaceful resort offering a wealth of facilities. The choice of accommodation options is extensive with 1-bedroom apartments as well as 2 and 3 bedroom villas, some with views over the golf course making this a great choice for families, or couples travelling together. Guests staying here enjoy access to all the amenities of the country club including an indoor swimming pool, gym and tennis court. There's also an on-site pizzeria and grill restaurant and there is a complimentary shuttle to the country club where more dining options are available.

Location: Near Launceston

Our rating: ★★☆☆



Discovery Cradle Mountain

Lying on the edge of World Heritage-Listed Cradle Mountain Lake St. Clair National Park, Discovery Parks Cradle Mountain is a great base from which to explore. With spectacular walking trails, including the Overland Track, Marion's Lookout and Dove Lake, this is a place for lovers of the great outdoors. The star gazing and wildlife viewing is also impressive, and you have a true wilderness experience right on your doorstep. The accommodation here is simple but comfortable and offers 2-bedroom deluxe cabins and 1-bedroom premium mountain cabins. Park facilities at Discovery Cradle Mountain include a laundry, small kiosk/store and a BBQ area.

Location: 1 mile from Cradle Mountain National Park

Our rating: ★★★



Franklin Manor

Originally built for the Macquarie Harbour Master in 1896, Franklin Manor is a characterful, boutique hotel set in historical gardens, and is a charming base from which to explore the rugged, wild West coast. There is a choice of comfortable rooms, each individually decorated and all with an en-suite bathroom. Guests staying here enjoy a welcoming guest lounge with open fires, a veranda for sunny days, and breakfast is served in the elegant dining room. Days in Strahan are spent exploring the pristine wilderness of the Franklin Gordon Rivers National Park, which can you do by water or by air, enjoying bush walks and learning more about the history of the region on the West Coast Wilderness Railway.

Location: Strahan

Our rating: ★★★★★



Freycinet Lodge

Tucked into the pristine, natural landscapes of the Freycinet National Park, Freycinet Lodge is sensitively designed to blend with the beautiful environment and is the only accommodation option within the national park. The lodge offers a variety of rooms, cabins and suites to suit all budgets and is in a truly remarkable setting. There are a myriad ways to discover the park with cruises on Wineglass Bay, sea kayaking adventures, bush walks and hikes and All-Terrain Vehicle tours. Beaches to be explored include Wineglass Bay, Hazards Beach, Friendly Beaches and Richardsons Beach. After a day in the national park return to the lodge for dinner in the Bay Restaurant or Richardson's Bistro.

Location: Coles Bay, Freycinet National Park

Our rating: ★★★★★



Saffire Freycinet

Saffire Freycinet sits against the sensational backdrop of Great Oyster Bay and the pink-hued Hazards Mountains and offers exceptional levels of luxury in the most pristine of settings. This is a remarkable coastal sanctuary combining exceptional experiences with the finest Tasmanian cuisine, superlative accommodation and impressive design. Integral to a stay at Saffire is the range of included experiences designed to connect guests to Tasmania. Taste oysters plucked fresh from the seabed as you stand waist deep in the cool water, a true farm to palate experience. Take guided and self-guided walks, including the Wine Glass Bay Lookout Walk and spend time with an indigenous guide, learning more of the history and heritage of the Oyster Bay people. There's an opportunity to taste bush tucker and indulge the senses. There are also stand-up paddle boards, kayaks and bicycles for you to explore at your own pace and a menu of additional experiences which can be added on.

Dining is an impressive affair here with access to some of the finest, fresh produce in the world. Palate is the lodge restaurant and offers both degustation and a daily changing a la carte menu to tempt even the most jaded of diners. Saffire also boasts an exceptional day spa that draws on Tasmania's natural elements for its inspiration. When the day is done return to the sanctuary of your luxury suite. Whether you choose a luxury or signature suite, or a private pavilion you will enjoy glorious views from private terraces and space in abundance. Private Pavilions also offer a private plunge pool.

Location: Freycinet National Park

Our rating: ★★★★★



LUXURY
LODGES
OF AUSTRALIA



Package Includes

- 3 nights hotel accommodation
- Airport transfer on arrival
- Afternoon Hobart Guided Walk

Departs: Daily, year round

Discover Hobart

4 days

The Tasmanian capital of Hobart is a diverse city brimming with history, incredible views from the top of kunanyi/Mount Wellington down to the deepest natural port in Australia, world-renowned art and creativity, bustling markets and freshly caught seafood. Further afield day tours include cruises showcasing the island's magnificent scenery on a trip to Bruny Island, or perhaps take a short undulating stroll on one of Tasmania's "Great Short Walks" along Waterfall Bay Clifftop. Wildlife experiences include the island's unique "devil".

Day 1: Arrive Hobart

On arrival into Hobart airport, you will be transferred to your hotel for a 3 night stay. This afternoon take a walk to fashionable Salamanca Place where gracious Georgian sandstone buildings built in the 1830's were originally used for warehousing whale oil, grain and timber. As the sun sets you will find a choice of bars and restaurants.

Day 2: Hobart

This morning is yours to explore the city further, keen gardeners may like to visit the Royal Tasmania Botanical Gardens. Walk through and discover the Tasmania Collection, the Great Hobart Gardens where local flora blossoms and a Subantarctic Plant House. This afternoon includes a historic walking tour, hear fascinating stories of characters that resided here and how Tasmania's capital city was established.

Day 3: Hobart

Today is free for you to choose. Maybe dust off those walking shoes and join a guided hike to Freycinet National Park with a walk to Wineglass Bay Lookout where you will be rewarded with world famous views. Perhaps visit the Museum of Old and New Art – MONA, a short fast ferry ride from Hobart located on the banks of the Derwent River. Or this evening join a guided tour, once the sun sets and the sky darkens millions of stars and a great range of constellations will be visible. Spend time observing the Tasmanian night sky with a local stargazer where you have the opportunity to look through a telescope and binoculars to explore galaxies and possibly the mighty 'Aurora Australis' also known as the Southern Lights.

Day 4: Departure

After a leisurely breakfast it is time to make your way back to the airport for your onward flight.

South Pacific Islands

Whether you're travelling around the world or just heading to Australia, the beautiful islands of the South Pacific never fail to charm and delight. Perfectly located as a stopover on any visit Down Under, this idyllic region also offers a lifetime of holidays in itself with beautiful sandy beaches backed by swaying palm trees, seemingly endless blue skies and a laid back vibe that you can only truly find in paradise. Fiji, the Cook Islands and French Polynesia are easily accessed yet perfectly isolated, and each offers its own unique blend of utopia. Island hopping is a great way to capture the heart of the South Pacific or join a cruise in search of hidden coves and islands less explored.





Exploring Rarotonga on the local bus, either clockwise or anti clockwise is a fantastic way to discover hidden beaches, visit the local markets and feel the warmth of the locals.
Lily, Destination Specialist

Our Favourites

Be sure to book a “canoe breakfast” in the French Polynesia. As you awake from your Overwater Bungalow your breakfast arrives by Polynesia staff who often decorate their canoes and deliver fresh pastries, fruit and juices

Visit a Traditional Fijian village, be entertained by fire dancing and singing, take part in a cava ceremony or try your hand at weaving, you will arrive as a guest and leave as part of the family.

Book a romantic dinner beach side, the perfect location for couples on honeymoon or celebrating a special occasion.

Pack a picnic and escape to your own sandbank, some resorts even offer a beach massage where you can hear the waves gently lapping as you ease in to sheer relaxation.

Our Tailor-Made Service

We love to create unique itineraries designed around everything you like to do. A selection of hotels, attractions and sightseeing tours are showcased throughout this brochure but these are just a snapshot of what we can offer.

Simply tell us your interests, your dates and your budget and we will work with you to create your perfect trip.



“Bula” welcome to Fiji. Picture yourself immersed in luscious jungle, surrounded by echoes of nature as tropical waterfalls crash around you and 300 islands sparkle in this South Sea paradise inviting you to explore. Take a dive into turquoise waters backed by swaying palms as you float amongst coral reefs. Venture to the Mamanuca Islands and discover authentic villages and learn of traditional dance and craft, or simply relax at one of the superb authentic Fiji resorts. For a truly memorable stay we recommend island hopping or joining a small group cruise. Whichever way you choose to uncover Fiji, you will leave as part of the Fijian family.

Sofitel Fiji Resort & Spa

Located on beautiful Denarau Island, this resort overlooks the beachfront and is adjacent to the world class Denarau Golf and Racquet Club. The Sofitel offers luxurious rooms, each with a private balcony, as well as the adults only Waitui Beach Club and Waitui Bar & Grill. Other dining options are the vibrant beach bar Suka, offering over 30 house-made infused rums, and Solis, a beachside Mediterranean themed restaurant or La Parisienne embracing Sofitel’s French heritage. The property also has Niu Kids Beach Club, located on the family side of the resort and Teenage Zone for 12- to 16-year-old guests. A nightclub, hair and nail salon and 3 swimming pools completes the resort facilities.

Location: Denarau Island

Our rating: ★★★★★



Outrigger Fiji Beach Resort

Outrigger Fiji Beach Resort is situated in the heart of Fiji’s Coral Coast, just over a 1 hour drive from the airport. The resort sits on a white sand beach, amongst 40 acres of tall palms and lush tropical landscaped gardens. Daily cultural activities include traditional storytelling, fire walking and village tours. Guests are also encouraged to participate in the “coral planting” initiative. Beach activities include kayaks, snorkelling equipment and stand-up paddleboards, there is also a swimming pool. There are endless options to taste the flavours of Fiji, from the iconic steakhouse on the beachfront to sundowners in the hilltop Kalo Kalo Bar. Accommodation ranges from contemporary rooms with garden or ocean views to traditional Fijian-style thatched plantation and beachfront bures.

Location: Coral Coast

Our rating: ★★★★★





Musket Cove Island Resort

Located on Malolo Laila in the picturesque Mamanuca Islands you will arrive in style by either catamaran, private speed boat or helicopter. Musket Cove Island Resort consists of 49 villas and bures scattered along the beachfront and throughout tropical gardens. With 400 acres of rolling hills and palm fringed beaches to explore there is never a sense of crowding. Activities include snorkelling trips, kayaks and stand-up paddleboards to name a few. Or simply lay by the pool or take a seat at the pool bar and sip on a cool cocktail. On land, cultural displays depict the warm and friendly staff proudly sharing their traditions and history. Guests will receive breakfast, lunch and dinner daily. The resort truly offers a Fiji barefoot island experience.

Location: Mamanuca Islands

Our rating: ★★★★★



Matamanoa

Matamanoa Island is a boutique, private resort, just 10 minutes by helicopter from Nadi Airport, catamaran and speedboat transfers are also available. Pristine waters surround the island, featuring excellent snorkelling where a marine sanctuary is waiting to be discovered. The island is home to several beautiful white sandy beaches in complete contrast to the lush native bush and swaying palm trees, a stunning backdrop of the resort and non-motorised water sports are complimentary. The resort caters to couples with a selection of accommodation to suit all budgets. Private secluded villas, sunrise and sunset beachfront bures, all with plunge pools, cabana, twin day beds and outdoor shower. Full breakfast is included daily.

Location: Mamanuca Islands

Our rating: ★★★★★



Tokoriki Island Resort

This adult only, boutique luxury resort offers warm Fijian hospitality. From the white sandy beach swim in the azure blue waters and try your hand at paddle boarding or kayaking. Explore on a guided nature walk or visit the nearby local village. Indulge in a romantic island picnic, relax beside the poolside, or unwind with a sensational spa retreat. Dine on South Pacific and Asian infused menus and enjoy a special evening of "Teppanyaki" at the award winning Oishii restaurant. Accommodation includes beachfront bures furnished in a contemporary style with an outdoor tropical shower, whilst beachfront pool bures also offer a stunning personal pool on a decking area. For the ultimate stay a beachfront pool villa features an infinity edge pool on an expansive deck.

Location: Mamanuca Islands

Our rating: ★★★★★



Likuliku Lagoon Resort

Likuliku Lagoon Resort is an adult only retreat, a unique and special resort designed with integrity to cultural values, traditional designs and architecture and the beating heart of the resort is a magnificent building in the design of a Fijian canoe house. In addition to a variety of complimentary water-based activities there are walking trails, tours of the resort Iguana Sanctuary, wake boarding, jet skiing and sunset cruises around the island whilst sipping a glass of sparkling wine. Dining takes place in the Fijiana Restaurant, for private dining, a table will be set under the stars on the beachside deck. Accommodation includes beach front bures, and stunning over water bures with steps into the crystal-clear water.

Location: Mamanuca Islands

Our rating: ★★★★★



Cook Islands

Hidden away in the South Pacific, the Cooks Islands lie like tiny precious gems in the aquamarine waters. 15 islands encircled by silky white sand and impossibly blue lagoons surround lush mountains creating an unspoiled south seas paradise. This is a place where a law means no building can be higher than the tallest palm tree, there are no crowds and not a single traffic light. It is beautiful and blissfully natural and with a warm and welcoming culture. Flights arrive into Rarotonga, the largest of the Cook Islands, and just a hop-skip-and-jump away is the utterly gorgeous Aitutaki. 15 islets sprinkled across a sunlit lagoon, including One Foot Island where you can get your passport stamped, in the shape of a footprint, at the smallest post office in the world.

Manuia Beach Resort

Set on the west coast of Rarotonga, the Manuia Beach Resort is a charming, boutique resort overlooking a white sandy beach to the reef and Pacific Ocean beyond. This coastline is also known for its glorious sunsets. Accommodation includes garden and beachfront suites; premium options are also available. All feature private verandas, Polynesian inspired interiors and local works of art. Dine with your toes in the sand at On the Beach, which offers tropical island dining and sunset cocktails. Relax by the infinity edge pool, enjoy a beachside massage or make use of the complimentary snorkelling equipment and explore the reef just offshore. The resort also has bicycles available for guests to hire.

Location: Manuia Beach, Rarotonga

Our rating: ★★★★★



Nautilus Resort

Celebrating the essence of the South Seas, the Nautilus affords a lush mountainous backdrop and a blissful beachfront setting overlooking a crystal-clear lagoon, making it the most idyllic of island escapes. Reflecting the Polynesian heritage of the Cook Islands, guests can choose between tropical garden and beachfront Are' which feature natural textures and spacious private decks with saltwater plunge pools. 2 and 3 bedroom options are also available. The Nautilus Restaurant and Bar showcases Polynesian and European cuisine overlooking the lagoon or sparkling waters of the infinity swimming pool and why not enhance your stay with a treatment at Spa Nautilus. A glorious day spa set in the fragrant tropical gardens.

Location: Muri Beach, Rarotonga

Our rating: ★★★★★





Motu Art Villas

This delightful enclave of just 10 villas offers privacy and peace in the most glorious of settings. Weaving through gardens filled with palm trees and hibiscus flowers guests can choose between lagoon villas, which are within steps of the beach and boast tropical garden and ocean views. Beachfront villas which are perched on the edge of the lagoon with beautiful ocean views, and premium beach front villas which offer the utmost in privacy. Whichever you choose a modern Pacific style flows throughout with local artwork and textiles from across the region. Facilities include a freshwater pool, electric bicycles, snorkelling equipment, stand up paddle boards and kayaks. There are local restaurants within a short stroll.

Location: Titikaveka Beach, Rarotonga

Our rating: ★★★★★



Pacific Resort Rarotonga

This delightful resort lies on the white sands of Muri Beach and offers a relaxing, laid-back island stay in 6 acres of tropical gardens. The collection of 64 rooms and suites feature traditional thatched roofs, high ceilings and a contemporary Polynesian style, choose from a lush garden setting or overlooking the beautiful beach. Sandals is the in-house restaurant offering Pacific Rim dining, whilst the Barefoot Bar is the place for cocktails overlooking the beach. Facilities at the resort include a swimming pool, watersports equipment and a children's club. If you feel like a stroll then the cafés, bars and restaurants of Muri beach are close by as are the Muri Night Markets.

Location: Muri Beach, Rarotonga

Our rating: ★★★★★



Aitutaki Escape

Designed with privacy in mind Aitutaki Escape offers 3 spacious villas with 1 or 2 bedrooms, romantic 4 poster beds, generous living and dining areas, a beachfront deck and a private courtyard with a swimming pool. Set on a blissful white beach overlooking one of the most beautiful lagoons in the world, Aitutaki Escape is a true retreat in every sense of the word, offering a concierge-style service. Your island hosts will share their favourite snorkelling spots, where you can immerse yourself in local culture and traditions and secret island highlights to enjoy. Rumours is the small but perfectly formed on-site café offering a blend of Pacific Rim flavours and room service is also available.

Location: Aitutaki

Our rating: ★★★★★



Pacific Resort Aitutaki

29 bungalows, suites and villas lie scattered along the shoreline, within steps of the soft white sands and vivid turquoise of the lagoon. This is arguably one of the finest resorts in the Cook Islands and offers a true South Seas Island escape. Shady verandas and polished timber reflect the Polynesian heritage, whilst the views are just mesmerising. Rapae Bay is the resort restaurant overlooking the lagoon, or perhaps indulge in a romantic private dining experience on the beach. The Black Rock Bar offers cocktails to the backdrop of sunset. Lazy days here are spent snorkelling in the lagoon, swimming and scuba diving. Kayaks and canoes are available for guests and there is a small but beautiful day spa too.

Location: Aitutaki

Our rating: ★★★★★



French Polynesia

Imagine an idyllic island paradise sculpted by moss covered peaks so tall they are lost amongst the clouds, surrounded by garlands of palm-fringed sand stretching around turquoise lagoons. Make a visit to French Polynesia and that's exactly what you'll find. Discover something unique at each island, white inviting sandy beaches, black volcanic shores and the remote island of Tetiaroa. Bora Bora is a honeymoon dream, offering romantic stays in iconic overwater bungalows.

Hilton Hotel Tahiti

Located just 5 minutes from Faa'a International Airport and port makes this hotel an ideal choice for arrivals for visitors looking to island hop or join a cruise. Ease into island life around the outdoor pool overlooking Moorea Island or book a treatment in Moeairil Spa. Dining is plentiful with a choice of 3 restaurants, La Strada, an Italian bistro, located overwater, diners will have views of the neighbouring island Moorea, San Sushi Bar combines a selection of sushi and sashimi complimented with a choice of Japanese sakes and whiskeys, Taitea Brasserie is located in the very heart of the hotel. Rooms and suites are inspired with island artwork and spacious seating areas with tropical garden views. Pool and ocean view rooms are also available.

Location: Papeete

Our rating: ★★★★★



Manava Moorea Beach Resort & Spa

Just a 30-minute speedboat transfer and you are on the beautiful island of Moorea. Nestled on the inland shore this traditional Polynesian style resort offers 90 rooms and bungalows. Relax by the infinity edge pool, learn of the resorts commitment to protecting the environment at the coral nursery, divers will be well looked after at the on-site dive centre. Dining takes place in Restaurant Mahana'i where fusions of French and Polynesian cuisine align. Rooms offer a traditional Polynesian style with dark wood and splashes of colour. Garden view rooms are set in a 2-story thatch hotel style building with a balcony, beach bungalows are set in front of the lagoon with a sundeck. Overwater bungalows feature a large sundeck with direct access to the azure waters of the lagoon.

Location: Moorea

Our rating: ★★★★★



Sofitel Kia Ora Moorea Beach Resort

Flanking the edge of a crystal-clear, protected lagoon and framed by lush mountains, this beautiful resort enjoys a peaceful and secluded location on the eastern side of Moorea. A collection of bungalows sit within tropical gardens, on the stunning beach or raised above the turquoise waters of the lagoon. Dining comes in the form of Pure, set on the edge of the lagoon with panoramic views to the island of Tahiti from the terrace, and K, a romantic feet-in-the-sand restaurant. The Beach Bar is open throughout the day, whilst Vue Bar is a place for cocktails and nightcaps. There is a wealth of activities available including watersports and Le Jardin, a wellness and beauty spa tucked away in the lush gardens.

Location: Moorea

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Le Bora Bora by Pearl Resort & Spa

Located on one of the tiny islets in the Bora Bora Lagoon, this beautiful resort affords wonderful views back towards the peaks of Mount Otemanu. Authentic Polynesian style and charm are found in abundance throughout the traditional architecture, thatched roofs and lush tropical gardens. There is a choice of rooms including garden and beach villas with private pools and the over water bungalows with direct access into the turquoise waters of the lagoon. 3 restaurants showcase international and French Polynesian dishes and there are 2 bars where you can soak up the warm island vibes. Facilities include a swimming pool, tennis court, boutiques, Tavai Spa and use of snorkelling equipment, stand up paddle boards and kayaks.

Location: Bora Bora

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Conrad Bora Bora Nui

Lying under the gaze of Mount Otemanu, the Conrad Bora Bora sits on its own motu facing the endless blue of the horizon. The aquamarine lagoon, fringed by powder soft white sands and shady palm trees is the stuff dreams are made of, but this is reality. Days are spent moving between the beach, the gorgeous spa and any of the 5 restaurants and bars. There's a beautiful beachside pool, fitness centre and the private islet of Motu Tapu, which is exclusively for guests of the Conrad. There is a wide choice of rooms from lagoon view and garden view suites to beach view villas, some with pools, alongside the quintessential overwater villas with over water hammocks and direct access to the lagoon.

Location: Bora Bora

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

The Brando

Located on Tetiaroa Atoll, evolved from volcanoes and surrounded by coral and turquoise waters, access is via a spectacular 20 minute flight from the international airport in Papeete. 35 villas are set back just off the beach creating a private sanctuary. Your outdoor living area includes an infinity plunge pool and covered dining area. If you can tear yourself away from your villa, activities include joining fellow guests or bespoke private tours. Skim across the water on a guided boat tour as you go on a bird discovery, join a guided kayaking between motus or learn of the art and culture through music, dance and crafts. Dining is a gourmet journey, where flavours of Polynesia are entwined with the classic techniques of France.

Location: Tetiaroa

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Stopovers

A stopover is not just a means of breaking your journey, it's also the ideal way to enhance your travel experience and the options available are endless. Whether you want to start your adventures with a few days somewhere new, or spend a few days reflecting on your travel, whilst lying on a sunny beach, a stopover is a great addition to any holiday. We have some wonderful places that you can include from the Far Eastern charms of Singapore, vibrant Hong Kong, to the glitz and glamour of Dubai.





Stoppers Accommodation

The Langham, Hong Kong

The Langham offers exceptional service in the vibrant district of Tsim Sha Tsui on Kowloon. It's perfectly placed for enjoying some retail therapy along Canton Road including the Harbour City shopping complex, and no visit to Hong Kong is complete without a trip on the Star Ferry. There's an excellent choice of rooms and suites, and an array of facilities including a roof top swimming pool, fitness club with state-of-the-art equipment and yoga classes. The Langham also features Chuan Body + Soul, a day spa where you can escape to a quiet oasis amidst the bustle of Hong Kong. The hotel offers an impressive choice of dining options including T'Ang Court which boasts 3 Michelin stars.

Location: Kowloon, Hong Kong

Our rating: ★★★★★



Harbour Grand Kowloon

Set on the Victoria Harbour Waterfront in the Whampoa Garden district on Kowloon, the Harbour Grand Kowloon is an elegant hotel giving easy access to the rest of Hong Kong. There is an MTR station within a few steps and the ferry pier to Central is adjacent. The Hung Hom Promenade, a waterfront walkway is just steps from the hotel, perfect for a waterside stroll. The hotel has a wide range of rooms and suites, many offering wonderful views over the harbour and guests booking harbour club rooms also enjoy access to the club lounge. Facilities here encompass 5 restaurants, including a highly regarded international buffet, a roof top swimming pool with stunning views and a well-equipped fitness centre.

Location: Kowloon, Hong Kong

Our rating: ★★★★★



JA Ocean View Hotel

This stylish hotel is in the heart of the Jumeirah Beach Residence (JBR) Walk and on the doorstep of one of Dubai's most popular beaches. It offers an excellent location from which to enjoy the delights of the city. There's direct access to the beach from the temperature controlled infinity swimming pool, 5 restaurants and bars, including Dubai's premier sports bar, a fitness centre, day spa and beauty salon. The JA Ocean View is also incredibly family friendly with a children's pool, kids club for 4-12-year-olds and a shady outdoor play area. The hotel offers a great range of rooms and suites, and whichever you choose all offer private balconies and sea views.

Location: The Walk, Dubai

Our rating: ★★★★★



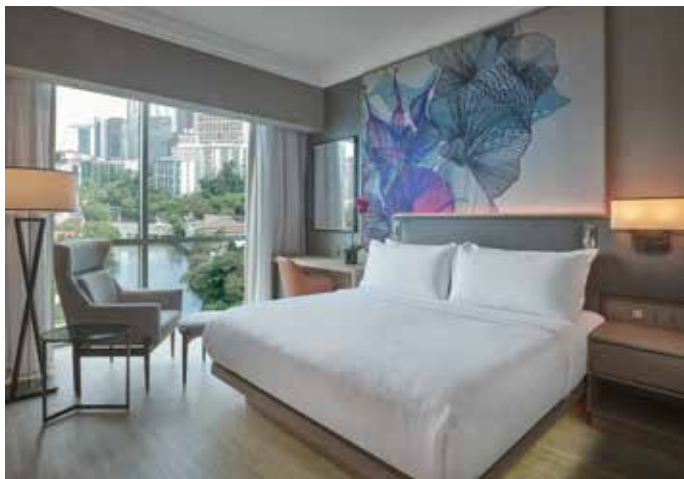
Habtoor Grand Resort

The Habtoor Grand is a fabulous hotel on Jumeirah Beach, close to the Dubai Marina. It sits within lovely, landscaped gardens and is a wonderful base in Dubai. The extensive range of facilities includes 12 distinctive bars and restaurants, 2 swimming pools, 1 of which is adult only, waterslides, children's pool, fitness centre and day spa. If you're travelling with little ones there's also the Junior Jungle Kids Club. The hotel offers an impressive range of rooms and suites with garden or beach views and family-friendly options are available too. If you want to get out and enjoy some retail therapy there's a complimentary shuttle to the Mall of Emirates, Dubai Outlet Mall and Nakheel Mall.

Location: Jumeirah Beach, Dubai

Our rating: ★★★★★





Grand Copthorne Waterfront

Offering a waterfront location on the Singapore River, the Grand Copthorne Waterfront is an excellent base for a stay in Singapore. Just across the river from Robertson Quay, with its wonderful array of dining options and Clark Quay is also easily accessible. There is a MTR station a short stroll away bringing attractions such as Gardens by the Bay, the National Gallery and Chinatown within easy reach. After a busy day exploring the swimming pool is a welcome spot for a refreshing swim, there's also a fitness centre and a tennis court. The hotel offers a choice of rooms and suites, many with river views and 4 excellent restaurants offering Italian, North Indian and local specialities.

Location: Waterfront, Singapore

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Paradox Singapore Merchant Court

This elegant hotel boasts a wonderful location in the vibrant riverside district of Clarke Quay, making the Paradox Singapore Merchant Court the perfect base for a few days in Singapore. The Clarke Quay MRT station is on the doorstep bringing a wealth of attractions including Chinatown, Gardens by the Bay, the Singapore Flyer and the shops of Orchard Road within touching distance. The hotel offers a choice of rooms and suites with city skyline and marina views, there is also a club lounge. Facilities include a lovely free-form swimming pool and jacuzzi, a spa and fitness centre. There is also 3 restaurants and a riverside bar, which is an ideal spot for pre-dinner cocktails.

Location: Clarke Quay, Singapore

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Jen Singapore Orchardgateway

As the name suggests the Jen Singapore Orchardgateway is in the heart of Orchard Road, a sublime shopping area, with excellent transport links to the rest of the city. Singapore is also a great place to explore on foot. The rooms here are stylish and thoughtfully designed with city skyline views, elegant bathrooms and space to relax. Club floor rooms include access to the club lounge throughout the day. Makan@Jen is the all-day dining restaurant offering a la carte and buffet options. This delightful hotel also boasts a fabulous rooftop infinity pool with stunning views over Singapore along with a well-equipped fitness centre.

Location: Orchard Road, Singapore

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



ParkRoyal Collection Marina Bay

Offering an excellent location on Marina Bay, this superb hotel is in the heart of everything that Singapore has to offer. Merlion Park is an easy stroll along the Esplanade, as are Gardens by the Bay, and the Singapore Art Museum. There is also plenty of retail options in nearby Marina Square, Millenia Walk and Suntec City. Unusually, for a city hotel the rooms and suites here all feature balconies and offer views over the city or Marina Bay. Facilities include a wellness floor, fitness centre and a glorious open air swimming pool. Head to Skyline for a poolside bar, open green space and city views, whilst Urban Farm is a rooftop farm producing more than 60 varieties of edible herbs, flowers, fruit and vegetables.

Location: Marina Bay, Singapore

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Getting Around Australia

With a country as vast as Australia, there needs to be plenty of modes of transport to help you explore. There are regular and reliable air services connecting the major centres across the country, but maybe one of the world's iconic rail journeys is more to your taste. Driving in Australia is easy, with wide-open roads and truly beautiful scenery along the way; hiring a car or motorhome is a great way to cover a multitude of places whilst exploring at your own pace. The airline you choose to fly with will get your holiday off to a great start; we've included some of the best so that your Australian adventure can be started in the best way possible.





Motorhome Rental



maui Motorhomes

An Australia road trip is the perfect way to explore this vast and exciting country with its wide open spaces and magnificent scenery. And whether you're heading along the stunning eastern coast, exploring the Red Centre and Northern Territory, winding your way through the vineyards of the Yarra or Barossa, or exploring the delights of Western Australia, a motorhome is the perfect way to do it. With your own home from home on wheels you'll find a vast array of campsites and holiday parks and have the freedom to stop where and when you want, for as long as you want. To get up close and personal with nature and the wonderful Australian wildlife; to linger on that secluded golden beach watching the sunrise or snorkel over those stunning coral reefs, to explore wonderful rainforests, experience Aboriginal culture and enjoy the Aussie good life to the full.

Our Partner maui

maui are recognised leaders in their field with over 25 years experience in providing quality motorhomes and operate a fleet that is less than 2 years old from key locations around Australia. With vehicles that easily accommodate from two to six people in a range of models and sizes, there's bound to be something to suit your needs.

You'll find a maui branch in Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth, Brisbane, Cairns, Alice Springs, Darwin, Broome and Hobart.

thl Roadtrip App

For extra peace of mind and preparation before you collect your motorhome, we recommend you download the thl Roadtrip App. You will be able to access handy tips, what to expect at pick up and a video showing you through the vehicle you have booked.

Key Features

- * FREE for customers to download from Google Play and iTunes
- * Must-watch full show-through video of the motorhome
- * Handy tips for planning and preparing for a motorhome holiday
- * Find helpful information, branch locations and shuttle information
- * Uses GPS location to show nearby campsites, activities, fuel stations and restaurants
- * Contact Us with details for On Road Care
- * Customers can join the conversation by following and contributing to recommendations about where to stay and what to do.

Pricing

maui operates a flexible pricing system, where prices change based on supply and demand. Generally the earlier you book the cheaper the price. We will advise you the lowest price available and will tell you the best way to reduce the cost of your hire, such as changing dates by a day or two or considering a different model. Often it is demand for a particular model that pushes up the price rather than the season, so a slightly larger vehicle can sometimes be cheaper. For extra peace of mind we strongly recommend you purchase the "Value Pack".

Prices Include:

- * Unlimited kilometres
- * Kitchen kit
- * Bedding
- * General equipment
- * Extra drivers
- * 24 Roadside Assistance
- * Standard Liability (\$7,500 excess)

Value Pack Option also includes:

- * 'The High Road' – nil liability insurance
- * Unlimited Windscreen and Tyre cover
- * Undercarriage/Overhead damage (covered for accidental damage)
- * Single Vehicle Rollover
- * Fan/Heater
- * 3 x Toilet Chemicals
- * Camp Chairs and Table
- * Baby/Booster Seats (with prior request)

Special Offers:

Long hire discount is 5% off the daily rate based on a minimum of 21 days rental or over.

Ultima & Ultima plus



Day



Night

Beach



Day



Night

Cascade



Day

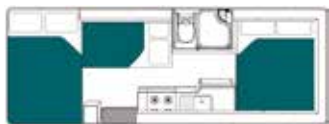


Night

River



Day



Night

Choose Your Motorhome

Whether it's a compact van for two or a larger one for four or six, or perhaps just two travelling wanting space to spread out, there's something in the maui range for everyone. The fleet is young, but if you want the thrill of driving the latest model then opt for an Elite vehicle and it's guaranteed less than a year old.

Ultima & Ultima Plus

Perfect for 2 people this little gem features:

- * fridge/freezer
- * microwave
- * gas stove
- * external slide out BBQ
- * heating
- * shower & toilet
- * hot/cold pressurised water
- * general living and bedding equipment
- * radio
- * CD, DVD player with flat screen
- * front swivel seats
- * safe
- * Ultimate sleeps 2 in 1 double bed or 2 singles configuration
- * Ultima Plus has an additional single bed

Cascade

The maui Cascade is perfect for a family of four, or two couples travelling together. The Cascade comes complete with kitchen and bathroom facilities, and an innovative bed design. Two comfortable double beds are both located at the rear of the vehicle, with the rear lounge converting into the first double bed for two, and the second lowering from the ceiling to accommodate two more!

- * Onboard facilities are similar to the beach and river
- * front swivel seats
- * Sleeps 4, in 2 double beds
- * Automatic transmission

Beach

Ideal for a small family or two couples the beach offers:

- * fridge/freezer
- * microwave
- * gas stove
- * fixed awning
- * heating
- * shower & toilet
- * hot/cold pressurised water
- * general living and bedding equipment
- * radio
- * CD, DVD player with flat screen
- * 12v battery
- * external storage locker
- * safe
- * Sleeps 4, in 2 double beds
- * Automatic transmission

River

Great for a family or a group of friends the River offers:

- * fridge/freezer
- * microwave
- * gas stove
- * fixed awning
- * heating
- * shower & toilet
- * hot/cold pressurised water
- * general living and bedding equipment
- * CD, DVD player with flat screen 12v battery
- * external storage locker
- * safe
- * Sleeps 6, in 3 double beds
- * Automatic transmission

Beaches, Reefs & Rainforest by Motorhome

17 days

Explore the Sunshine State's glorious beaches, stunning reefs and ancient rainforest on the drive from Brisbane to Port Douglas with the flexibility and freedom of a motorhome. From the largest sand island in the world, K'gari to the crystal azure waters of the Great Barrier Reef, quiet coves to explore and walking amongst the rainforest where some of Australia's unique native wildlife can be viewed.

Highlights

Brisbane – Noosa – Hervey Bay
Yeppoon – Airlie Beach – Mission Beach
Port Douglas

Tour Includes

- 2 nights hotel accommodation in Brisbane
- Brisbane Morning Walking Tour
- Great Barrier Reef Tour
- 15 days Ultima Campervan
- Unlimited mileage
- Zero excess inclusive insurance
- Extra driver
- WIFI including 1GB of data
- Single rollover cover
- In camper tablet with GPS
- Linen and kitchen equipment
- Picnic table and chairs

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Daily

Day 1: Brisbane

Arrive in Brisbane and check in to your hotel for 2 nights. Head this evening to Howard Smith Wharves with dazzling views of Story Bridge and the city skyline.

Day 2: Brisbane

Embark on a walking tour, explore the iconic historic Windmill landmark, learn about the Battle of Brisbane, the WWII event that shaped the city's history.

Day 3: Noosa (100 miles)

Collect your motorhome heading north to the peaceful shores of Noosa. The drive is scenic, particularly when you stop at the breathtaking Glass House Mountains.

Day 4: Hervey Bay (118 miles)

Make your way to Hervey Bay for 2 nights, from where you can access World heritage listed K'gari.

Day 5: Hervey Bay

Perhaps take an optional trip to K'gari today. This is strictly 4WD territory and the tour includes the Maheno Shipwreck, The Pinnacles and an exhilarating beach drive on Seventy-Five Mile Beach.

Day 6: Yeppoon (240 miles)

Head north towards the seaside town of Yeppoon for a 2 night stay.

Day 7: Yeppoon

Take an optional tour to Great Keppel Island less than 1hr boat ride away. Spend the day snorkelling from the beach to explore the coral reef or from a glass bottom boat.

Day 8: Mackay (220 miles)

Time to set off for Mackay. Take a detour inland to Eungella National Park, where you can go platypus spotting.

Day 9 & 10: Airlie Beach, Whitsunday Islands

Optional trips for the next 2 days include scenic flights, the Great Barrier Reef and crocodile safaris.

Day 11: Townsville (171 miles)

En-route to Townsville, relax at one of the secluded beaches or stretch your legs at Lake Ross.

Day 12 & 13: Mission Beach (149 miles)

Heading towards Mission Beach discover miles of stunning beach coastline.

Day 14: Port Douglas (164 miles)

Take a detour inland to the Atherton Tablelands, visit charming Kuranda before your 3 night stay in Port Douglas.

Day 15 & 16: Port Douglas

There's a range of activities to keep you occupied here, from Four Mile Beach to the Daintree Rainforest. We've included a cruise to the Great Barrier Reef.

Day 17: Depart Cairns (43 miles)

It's a stunning drive back along the coast road to Cairns where you leave your motorhome.

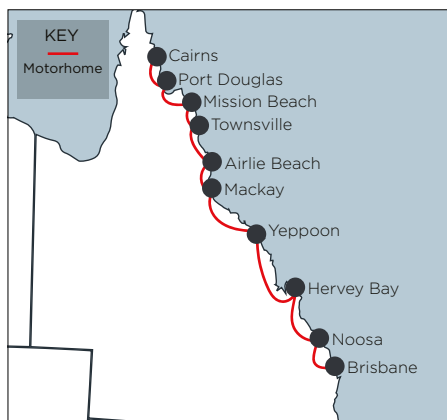
We recommend staying at Discovery Parks, Top Parks, and the BIG4 Holiday Park network. Note, in peak season we advise you pre book your stay.



Four Mile Beach



Mackay



Western Wanderer By Motorhome

10 days

Meander up the West Coast, this suggested itinerary will take you on a round trip from Perth. Park up at a sandy beach and feel the sand between your toes, wake up early in Monkey Mia and watch the wild dolphins swim ashore, go sandboarding in the Pinnacles, and tour Kalbarri National Park.

Highlights

Perth – Pinnacles – Kalbarri
Monkey Mia – Geraldton

Tour Includes

- 2 nights hotel accommodation in Perth
- City tour and river cruise
- 9 days Ultima Campervan
- Unlimited mileage
- Zero excess inclusive insurance
- Extra driver
- WIFI including 1GB of data
- Single rollover cover
- In camper tablet with GPS
- Linen and kitchen equipment
- Picnic table and chairs

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Daily

Day 1: Perth

On arrival into Perth check in to your hotel for 2 nights stay, spend the rest of the day exploring.

Day 2: Perth City Tour & Cruise

This morning's included tour takes in all major attractions of Perth's city centre, including Elizabeth Quay, the Perth Mint and Kings Park Botanical Gardens. Travel to historic Fremantle viewing the impressive facades of this heritage listed city. Join a cruise for your return journey to Perth. Rest of the day is a leisure.

Day 3: Cervantes - Pinnacles (125 miles)

Collect your motorhome and take to the open road. Your first stop is the coastal town of Cervantes, just a short drive from Nambung National Park and the Pinnacles Desert. Walk amongst thousands of towering limestone structures formed more than 25,000 years ago.

Day 4: Kalbarri (240 miles)

Today is a longer drive however there are plenty of interesting stops on the way. Leuser National Park is a must visit for flora and keen "twitchers" as over 100 species of birds depend on the wildflowers for survival. Continue to Kalbarri and view magnificent sandstone gorges.

Day 5: Kalbarri

Enjoy Kalbarri National Park and be sure to visit the incredible pink lake at Port Gregory's Hutt.

Day 6 & 7: Denham (Monkey Mia) (235 miles)

Make your way to Denham, gateway to Shark Bay World Heritage Area. Taking an extra day or 2 here is highly recommended. In Monkey Mia see the resident wild dolphins as they come ashore to feed. The dolphins are protected by Western Australia's Parks and Wildlife Service.

Day 8: Denham (Monkey Mia)

Today you can choose to experience the marine life on a kayaking adventure. Paddle out in search of turtles, rays, sharks, fish, birds and the elusive dugong when in season.

Day 9: Geraldton (260 miles)

Tonight, overnight in Geraldton, a large coastal city. You may choose to visit the HMAS Sydney II Memorial and the WA Museum Geraldton to learn more about the region's maritime history.

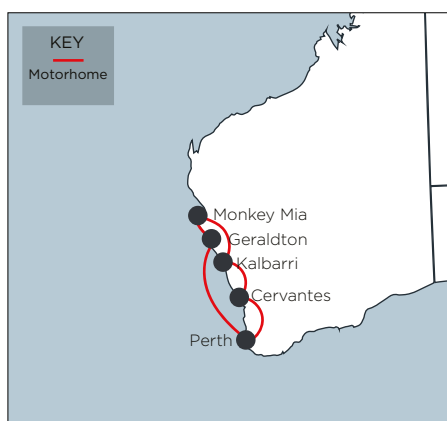
Day 10: Perth (260 miles)

From Geraldton, drive onwards towards Perth. A detour through Mullewa, showcases another wildflower hotspot. From there follow the inland route to Perth, taking in the impressive sights of Three Springs, Watheroo National Park, Moora and Avon Valley National Park. Return your motorhome, or extend your trip.

We recommend staying at Discovery Parks, Top Parks, and the BIG4 Holiday Park network. Note, in peak season we advise you pre book your stay.



Kalbarri National Park



Monkey Mia

Car Hire



Car Hire

There's nothing better than freedom; being able to explore at your own pace, in your own time, going where your personalised journey takes you, pausing now and then to gaze at the scenery. Australia is just made for exploring, but it's a vast country and distances can be daunting, so it's best to plan ahead. From the stunning scenery of the Great Ocean Road to the outback wilderness of the Red Centre, the unique tropical rainforest scenery of north Queensland to the golden beaches and theme parks of the Gold Coast, the vineyards of the Yarra, Hunter and Barossa valleys to the mountain-scape of the Blue Mountains; quaint towns and villages to cosmopolitan cities, there's so much to see. You can choose from one of our pre-planned self-drives or just hire a car, book hotels and take off on your own; the choice is yours. Whatever you choose you can do so in the knowledge that our partner, AVIS, is one of the most respected names in the car rental business offering the widest range of locations and the best fleet of high quality, reliable cars available.

Standard rates include:

- * Collection from downtown "metro and country" locations
- * Unlimited mileage
- * Third Party Insurance (subject to an excess which can be reduced but has exclusions) Excess can be reduced to Nil by pre-booking the *inclusive rate*
- * One additional driver
- * Damage Cover (there is an excess of \$3500-\$4400 depending on car type)
- * Roadside Assistance (mechanical issues only)
- * Taxes on included items

Inclusive rates include:

- * Collection from downtown "metro and country" locations
- * Unlimited mileage
- * Third Party Insurance
- * Extra drivers
- * Damage Cover with ZERO Excess
- * Windscreen and tyre cover (except for 4WD vehicles)
- * Roadside Assistance (mechanical issues only)
- * Taxes on included items

Rental Age

Minimum age is 21-24 based on the following select vehicle categories – compact, standard and intermediate.

For all other vehicles the renter must be 25 years or older.

Multi Hire rentals

Rentals from certain locations can be booked together to obtain lower rates so long as each rental is at least 3 days. Not available with 4WD rentals. Rental date of first rental determines the price.

One Way Rentals

One way rentals are permitted between most locations and many are free. Some routes do incur a one way fee which is payable directly when collecting your car, the fee will be advised at the time of booking.

Exclusions

Additional Charges to be paid locally during the course of the rental.

A deposit bond covering a A\$100.00 fuel bond, plus any optional extras, applicable one-way fees (if any), will be processed as a pre-authorisation on the renters credit card at the time of rental.

Electronic Tolls are payable on many major city highways in Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane. The Toll Service provider will charge the applicable service fee and toll fee to the renters credit card provided

A location surcharge may apply at some locations for any extras such as child seats or one way fees (please refer to the Terms & Conditions for further details).

Additional drivers other than the main/lead driver and one other driver.

It is Australian Law that infant/child/booster seats must be used for children under 8 years of age. It is the renter's responsibility to ensure that the correct seats have been pre-booked or their own seats are provided.

Intermediate

- * Group C
- * Automatic
- * 5 seats
- * 2 bags



Standard

- * Group D
- * Automatic
- * 5 seats
- * 5 bags



Full Size

- * Group E
- * Automatic
- * 5 seats
- * 4 bags



Full Size SUV

- * Group H
- * Automatic
- * 5 seats
- * 4 bags



Intermediate SUV

- * Group K
- * Automatic
- * 5 seats
- * 2 bags



Compact SUV

- * Group S
- * Automatic
- * 5 seats
- * 2 bags



Full Size Van

- * Group V
- * Automatic
- * 8 seats
- * 4 bags



Full Size 4WD

- * Group W
- * Automatic
- * 7 seats
- * 4 bags



Images are for guidance purposes only.

Car Group	Car Class	Passenger Capacity	Luggage Capacity	Car type example*
C	Intermediate	5	2	Toyota Corolla or similar
D	Standard	5	2	Toyota Corolla Sedan or similar
E	Full Size	5	4	Toyota Camry or similar
H	Full size SUV	5	4	Toyota Kluger or similar
K	Intermediate SUV	5	4	Kia Sportage or similar
S	Compact SUV	5	2	Toyota C-HR or similar
V	Full Size Van	8	4	Kia Carnival or similar
W	Full Size 4WD	7	4	Toyota Prado or similar

New South Wales, Australian Capital Territory, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia. One way rental fees apply when renting between these States and Territories for rentals less than 72 hours (3 days x 24 hours) unless noted as an exception.

One Way Distance (km)	One Way Rental Fee
0-100	\$27.50
101-200	\$55.00
201-400	\$110.00
401-1000	\$220.00
1001+	\$330.00

Prices shown are for metro downtown locations in major towns and cities such as Sydney, Melbourne, Perth and Cairns. Prices for remote locations and airports incur additional fees and higher rates, prices on request; "downtown" locations always offer the best rates. Images, makes and models are for illustrative purposes only. The rental start date determines the price for the entire rental.

Vehicle models may differ and specifications may vary by location. Vehicles can be reserved by car category only and not by particular car model or colour within a car group. The number of suitcases specified for each vehicle should be used as a guide only. Luggage capacity may vary depending on the number of passengers or the position of the rear seat for particular vehicles. Fleet and vehicle specifications are subject to change without notice.

One way Perth Airport/City to/from/ Exmouth/Learnmonth \$440 inc GST.

No one-way fees apply regardless of rental duration between the following locations: Cairns / Port Douglas / Gold Coast / Brisbane / Sunshine Coast / Tasmania – No one way fee applies when renting between these locations.

A minimum continuous rental duration of 5 days (5 days x 24 hours) is applicable for One Way Rentals within Western Australia. Prices on request.



Qantas

Double-daily services from London and the only non-stop flight to Australia or fly via Singapore.

- **Qantas Economy** - Ergonomically designed seats with built in lumbar support and an innovative foot net. Selection of dishes and self-service snack bars.
- **Qantas Premium Economy** - Private cabin with dedicated cabin crew. Extra wide seats with an innovate foot and leg rest that cradles passengers.
- **Qantas Business** - Priority check-in and access to the Qantas Lounge. Enjoy a spacious seat, converting to a fully flat bed.
- **Qantas First on the Qantas A380** - Dedicated check-in and access to Qantas Lounges. Settle in and stretch out in your own individual suite. Indulge in restaurant style dining, made to order.



Singapore Airlines

Voted the "World's Best Airline" in 2023. Departures are available from London and Manchester.

- **Economy Class** - Ergonomically designed seats with built in lumbar. Spacious cabins with just 10 seats across the A380 and 9 across the B777. From 25kg baggage allowance.
- **Premium Economy** - 38-inch seat pitch and 8 inch recline. 35kg baggage allowance and priority check in and boarding.
- **Business Class** - Seats convert into 6ft 5inch flat bed. Lounge Access.
- **First Class and Suites** - Private cabin with closing door (Suites). Unlimited complimentary Wi-Fi.



Emirates

Emirates offers daily flights to Australia from 7 UK airports. All flights operate via Dubai.

- **Economy Class** - Award winning inflight entertainment system and onboard Wi-Fi.
- **Premium Economy** - On selected A380 flights offering more space and level of comfort on flights to Sydney and Perth.
- **Business Class** - Your journey starts with complimentary Chauffeur-drive*. Onboard you will find the finest leather seats that fully recline, an in-seat mini-bar, 23-inch HD-TV.
- **First Class** - Your First-Class journey starts with complimentary Chauffeur-drive*. On Emirates A380 you can enjoy canapes and cocktails on the iconic Onboard Lounge and feel fresh with the on-board Shower Spa

*Chauffeur-drive mileage limitation apply.

Cathay Pacific

With 32 weekly nonstop flights to Hong Kong from London and Manchester connecting through Asia to Australia.

- **Economy** - Redesigned state of the art inflight entertainment system.
- **Premium Economy** - Spacious seat with expanded leg room. Dedicated check in and priority boarding.
- **Business Class** - Award winning lounge access. Spacious seats that convert into a fully flat bed and restaurant style dining.
- **First Class** - Private suite with fully flat bed.



Important Information

The following pages give information relevant to certain products and services in this brochure, the details shown here form part of your contract with us.

1. Additional Deposits & Cancellation Terms

Some suppliers, such as but not limited to, car and motorhome rental, rail journeys, cruise lines, luxury lodges and viewing tours, escorted tour companies, specialist activities may require an additional deposit in order to confirm a booking. Where this is the case, we will advise at the time of booking. Some of these suppliers may also have different cancellation conditions to ours and we will advise these to you at the time of booking.

2. Avis Car Rental pages 174 & 175

Child Seats: Are mandatory for children aged 12 & under and must be requested at the time of booking.

Fuel Policy: All cars are rented with a full tank of fuel. You can choose to pay for the fuel at the time of rental and return the car empty. Alternatively, the car must be returned with a full tank of fuel, failure to do so will incur a refueling levy.

Loss Damage Waiver: All our rates include Loss Damage Waiver, with a Zero excess.

Liability Protection: All prices quoted will include Third Party Insurance (subject to an excess which can be reduced but has exclusions). We therefore strongly recommend hirers request a price based on the inclusive rates to reduce the damage cover to ZERO excess. Please note terms and conditions of rental apply and can be provided on request before confirming your vehicle.

Restricted Areas: Driving on roads that are unpaved or not government-maintained voids your contract and the Loss Damage Waiver cover. Vehicles cannot be driven on beaches in any sand, through streams, rivers, flood waters, fire trails or unsealed roads.

Smoking: All vehicles are 100% non-smoking. A cleaning penalty of \$250 will be charged if smoking is detected.

Parking/Traffic Violations: You are responsible for reporting and paying all parking/traffic violations when returning your vehicle. Your credit card will be charged for any charges/fines/penalties incurred, in addition to an administration fee, if you do not report a parking/traffic violation when returning your vehicle.

Refunds: We regret that we cannot provide any refund for any unused rental days.

Rental Agreement: You will be required to sign a legal rental agreement detailing all the terms and conditions applicable to the contract on collecting the vehicle, please ensure you understand all the terms before signing.

3. Maui Motorhomes - additional information to that on pages 170-171

Please see our website for full terms and conditions relating to Maui motorhome rentals.

One-way Fees: One way Fees apply to all one way rentals. Prices on request.

National Public Holiday Surcharge:

A Fee of \$100 applies to all collections or returns on Public Holidays.

Extra drivers are charged \$2 per driver per day unless the all-inclusive option has been booked

Driver Licence and Age Restrictions:

All drivers must be 21 years of age or over. A current and full motor vehicle driver's licence is required and must be produced upon vehicle collection by all drivers on the rental agreement.

Insurance and Liability:

Australian legislation provides limited coverage for personal injury, material damage and liability for personal injuries sustained during the rental, nor for any loss or damage to any personal belongings or property of the customer (or any person or entity related to the customer). We strongly recommend that you ensure your personal travel insurance covers your possessions whilst in a motorhome.

All vehicles are insured for the damage to the vehicle or to the property of a third party. The customer is responsible for the first \$7,500 ("the liability") of the cost of any damage to third party property or to the rental, including single vehicle accident (does not include single vehicle roll over), windscreen and tyre damage, towing and recovery costs, theft, fire, break-in or vandalism. The liability applies in respect of each claim, not rental. The \$7,500 liability can be reduced to nil by taking our all-inclusive option.

Liability Deposit:

If the Liability Reduction Option or the All-Inclusive option is not taken, the customer must pay the Liability Deposit of \$7,500, applicable regardless if the hirer has purchased private travel insurance. The customer must provide a valid credit card to pay the Liability Deposit and the amount will be debited to the customer's credit card on the day of vehicle collection. The credit card holder must be present and able to sign for the Liability Deposit upon vehicle collection. The credit card holder is jointly and severally liable for any damage to the rental vehicle. Pre-paid travel cards are not acceptable as a means to provide a Liability Deposit.

The Liability Deposit is subject to a credit card administration fee in addition to the Liability Deposit.

Rental Duration:

Minimum and maximum rental periods apply and are subject to change. At Christmas/New Year and other peak times they can be as much as 14 days. Late pick-up or early return of vehicle does not entitle the customer to any refund of the unused portion of the rental.

Credit Card Requirement:

All renters must provide a credit card in order to collect their vehicle. The card holder will be jointly and severally liable to the customer. Accepted credit and debit cards are Visa Card, MasterCard and American Express. A non-refundable 2% administration fee will apply to all Visa and MasterCard transactions or 5.3% for American Express. Credit card administration fees also apply to the Liability Deposit and only the customer's credit card is acceptable to use for the purpose of the Liability Deposit and the Credit Card Authority.

On-Road Assistance:

Any problems associated with the vehicle, including equipment failure, must be reported to Maui as soon as possible and within 24 hours in order to give Maui the opportunity to rectify the problem during the rental. Failure to do so will compromise any claims for compensation. Maui does not accept liability for any claims submitted after this period. Contact Maui on free phone 1300 850 805.

4. Pro Dive Live Aboard Cruises from Cairns - additional information to that shown on page 64

Extras: An additional fee of \$65 person Government Environmental Management Charge is payable locally.

Please ask for advanced dive course prices.

You will be required to sign a Waiver Release & Indemnity Deed on-board the vessel.

Flying after diving: It is recommended that you do not fly for a minimum of 24 hours after your last dive.

This is not a Learn to Dive cruise: You must be PADI certified to take part in dives and take your certification with you.

Medical Waiver: Some medical conditions may prevent you from diving. You will be required to complete a waiver and a medical statement prior to diving. If you have suffered any illness or injury since completing your last dive medical assessment that may affect your ability to dive safely you will need to consult a doctor and acquire a medical certificate stating you are 'fit to dive'.

5. Escorted Tours information

Luggage: Luggage is restricted to one item per person with a maximum weight of 20kgs to comply with strict weight regulations on coaches; this may be less than your airline allowance. Additional luggage, if it can be carried, is charged for locally. Hand luggage is restricted to one small item per person; please be aware that hand luggage with wheels does not always fit into the overhead racks or lockers on coaches. Your luggage will be delivered to and collected from your room at each hotel but if the itinerary involves a boat or train journey you may be required to handle it yourself at stations or cruise ports.

Seat rotation: Seat rotation operates on all tour coaches to give every passenger a chance of the best views.

Smoking: Smoking is not allowed on board any coach or train.

Tour Pace: Early departures and late arrivals may sometimes be necessary in order to include the fuller days in some itineraries but generally tours are designed to allow sufficient time in key locations and to offer a relaxed touring pace. **Tour Information:** You will be provided with a full day by day itinerary and hotel contact details 2 - 3 weeks before departure. **Tour participation:** Escorted tours are suitable for most people, but not everyone, due to the nature of the itineraries, the hotels and locations they visit and the way that coaches are built.

Children do not generally enjoy coach tours and often become restless on the longer journeys involved; for the enjoyment of others, children under the age of 12 are not accepted on Travelmarvel or AT tours, children under 7 are not accepted on AAT Kings tours. All children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Clients with disabilities are welcome but must be accompanied by a companion who is capable of providing all the assistance they will require without further help from the coach crew. The coach driver and tour director are not able to provide one to one assistance or to lift passengers onto or off the coach.

Internal flights: Some of the itineraries we offer require internal flights within Australia. Because of the fluctuating cost of airline tickets within Australia we do not include these in our standard tour prices and each tour shows which additional flights are required. We will provide you with a quotation on request, or at the time you make your booking. If you choose not to book your flights with us we will require all the relevant flight numbers at the time we make your tour booking in order that all the included transfers can be booked for you with the coach tour company. It is your responsibility to inform us of any changes to these flight arrangements and we will not accept responsibility for any problems that may arise with your transfers if you have not kept us fully informed of any changes.

6. Flight Information

Flight tickets: All airlines now issue e-tickets for your flights, which are electronic paperless tickets. An itinerary will be issued with your documents showing all your flight arrangements that you can present at check in.

Checking in: You must check in for your international flights approximately 3 hours prior to departure time on your ticket or e-ticket. Please note that due to increased security measures, some airlines may request personal information on check in such as home address or address for your initial stay.

Special Requests: Unfortunately, we have no control over the allocation of seats on a flight and cannot guarantee that you will be sitting with your travelling companion. If you require special seating for medical reasons, please let us know. Some airlines allow you to pre-book your seats for a small charge, please call us for more information.

Airlines/Aircraft: Airlines reserve the right to substitute carriers, aircraft types, seat configuration and cabin classes on their flights. Some airlines may still consider an intermediary touchdown on a flight as a 'direct' flight.

Alcohol Policy: All airlines operate a zero tolerance policy for excess consumption of alcohol on board their flights. Some airlines may or may not serve alcohol on their flights, and some will charge for alcoholic and soft drinks.

Delays: Liability for flight delays are as per the airline's own conditions of carriage. Please see our terms and conditions or call for more information.

Arrival in Australia: Customs & immigration formalities are carried out at your first entry point into Australia. Therefore if the journey to your final destination involves a change of aircraft in Australia, you will be required to re-claim your baggage to complete the formalities.

Schedule Changes: Flight schedules are arranged many months in advance, and although rare, some flight rescheduling does occur. A schedule change may range from five minutes to a day or more. If a schedule change does occur, and we are told about it before departure, we may offer a revised itinerary and holiday cost to reflect that change. Please note that the holiday price could be higher or lower, depending on the flight affected. Notwithstanding the above, the provisions of paragraph 6 of our Booking Terms & Conditions apply. Please note that schedule changes are made by the airline, not by First Class Holidays. We cannot accept liability for any extra charges incurred as a result of a rescheduled flight.

Meal Requests: Most international flights include a meal service; however flights within Australia may not include meals. Your Airline will provide any special meals that you may require (vegetarian, diabetic etc.). Please discuss your special meal with your consultant at the time of booking. Children's Discounts: Price on application.

7. Passports and Visas

All passengers visiting Australia must also have a 10 year machine readable passport with at least 6 months validity after the date you leave Australia. You also require an Electronic Travel Authority (ETA). Tourist ETAs can be obtained from the Australia Government Website (a small service fee applies). Please visit www.eta.immi.gov.au for full details and to apply.

If travelling to New Zealand British Citizens must obtain a New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZEta) prior to entry into New Zealand. Apply online at: www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand-visas the cost is NZD12 per person and lasts 2 years, you will also pay an international tourism levy of NZD 35 per person. British Citizens must hold a full 10 year passport valid for six months beyond your return date. All visitors must have a return or onward ticket and enough funds to support them during their stay.

If your flights involve a stay or touchdown in the United States of America, a USA visa may be required. UK visitors (including children) wishing to enter the USA without a visa must have their own machine-readable passport and must have completed an on-line ESTA, visa-waiver application. Apply at: <http://esta.cbp.dhs.gov>. A fee of \$14 per person applies (correct at time of printing). It is the traveller's responsibility to ensure that they have a valid passport and visas if necessary. First Class Holidays cannot be held responsible if you are not in possession of the correct documentation. **Smoking:** Is not permitted on sightseeing or tour coaches or rail journeys. Hotels are smoke-free, all flights are non-smoking.

Unused Services: No refunds are allowed for unused services provided in your package, should you cancel, amend or miss any part of your tour. **Wildlife Viewing:** When you book a wildlife adventure (eg whale watching), it should be noted that as the animals are viewed in their own environment, sightings cannot be guaranteed. Tour guides will do their utmost to ensure sightings are made however in the event that this is not possible, refunds will not be given.

8. Baggage Allowance

Flights: Each airline imposes its own baggage allowance, so please check the information for your flights. Airlines have indicated that allowances will be strictly adhered to, and charges will be imposed for excess baggage. For the carriage of special items, like golf clubs, skis, wheelchairs etc, There may be an additional charge as this is extra to your normal baggage allowance. Some airlines will require to be told if you intend to take such items. **Coach & Rail Tours:** Due to space limitation on coaches and trains, only one piece of baggage is permitted on all coach and rail tours.

9. Building Works: Please be aware that some cities in Australia are undergoing citywide construction including (but not limited to) Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, Darwin and Adelaide. Where we are advised of building work taking place at your hotel, we will notify you of the work being undertaken, however we cannot take liability for building works outside your accommodation or elsewhere in your destination.

10. Hotel Checking In & Out Times: Check in time is normally after 3pm on the day of arrival; check out time varies between 10am and 12 noon. If you require a late check out, you should be able to arrange a day room for which you should pay the hotel directly (subject to availability).

11. Currency: If you plan to carry cash with you on holiday we recommend that you purchase a pre-paid currency card. All major credit cards are widely accepted and we suggest that clients carry at least one card.

12. Data Protection Statement: Please be assured that we have measures in place to protect the personal booking information held by us. This information will be passed on to the principal and to the relevant suppliers of your travel arrangements. The information may also be provided to public authorities such as customs or immigration if required by them, or as required by law. Certain information may also be passed on to security or credit checking companies. If you travel outside the European Economic Area, controls on data protection may not be as strong as the legal requirements in this country. We will only pass your information on to persons responsible for your travel arrangements. This applies to any sensitive information that you give to us such as details of any disabilities, or dietary/religious requirements. (If we cannot pass this information to the relevant suppliers, whether in the EEA or not, we will be unable to provide your booking. In making this booking, you consent to this information being passed on to the relevant persons.) Full details of our data protection policy are available upon request.

13. Documentation: Once your booking is confirmed, you will receive a confirmation invoice which will detail all the arrangements made on your behalf. On receipt, please check all details thoroughly, including the spelling of all names, and advise your travel agent immediately if you have any concerns. Your final travel documents will be sent to your travel agent 2 to 3 weeks before departure and may include airline e-tickets, hotel and travel vouchers, maps, tourist information and a day by day personalised itinerary. For some packages, a more detailed documentation kit will be sent to your first hotel.

14. Excursions: Any excursions or tours that you book or pay for whilst on holiday are not part of your package holiday provided by us. For anything that you do book in this way, your contract will be with the operator of the excursion or tour and not with us. We are not responsible for the provision of these excursions or tours or for anything that occurs during them.

15. Gratuities: Service charges are usually not included on bills in restaurants and bars. It is standard practice to tip service personnel 15-20% of the bill. Tips to tour drivers and escorts are not normally included in your tour cost and are at your own discretion. As a general rule, gratuities are not included in our cruise prices. Please ask for details of the gratuity policy for your chosen cruise line.

16. Health: At the time of printing, no vaccinations are necessary for entry into Australia. Australian hospital and medical services are excellent, but can be expensive. It is therefore a condition of your booking that adequate insurance is taken for the duration of your holiday.

17. Hotels

Additional charges: hotels may charge for items such as telephone, safe, parking newspapers, movies, internet and other items. Please check with your hotel for a list of charges which are payable locally. Not all hotels in Australia offer tea/coffee-making facilities in your room. Some charge for these within a 'daily service charge'.

Hotel Guests: As First Class Holidays do not own the properties featured in our brochure, we have no control over other guests or individual hotel policies. We are unable to accept liability for conferences or conventions being held at your hotel, or for any facilities or amenities, which may be restricted as a result.

Meal arrangements: Most hotels featured in our brochure are booked on a room only basis. This means that no meals are included. If you are taking an escorted tour, self-drive, independent tour or any other package that includes meals our descriptions will show the number of meals included, if none are stated, none are included. Alcoholic and soft drinks are not included.

Non-Brochure Hotels: Please note that if your chosen hotel is not featured in our brochure, we may be able to contact the hotel to obtain rates and make a reservation on your behalf. Please note however that our suppliers and handlers may not have inspected some non-featured hotels and therefore we cannot accept liability for any lapse in standard or facilities.

Our Prices: Hotel prices fluctuate based on demand and we are constantly in contact with our suppliers to ensure that we offer the very best prices available; for that reason prices are not shown so that we can search for and confirm the best available price at the time of booking.

Room Types: It should be noted that standards of hotels in the remoter parts of Australia may not necessarily be equal to those in cities where a larger selection is available. A twin or double room is based on two people sharing either one or two beds (ie a double room may have one or two beds). A triple room is based on three people sharing the existing (two) beds in one room. At some hotels, a rollaway bed is available at an additional cost payable directly to the hotel. Please note we cannot guarantee a double bed for honeymoon couples or two beds for those who prefer separate beds. When booking two or more rooms, we can request, but cannot guarantee, adjacent or interconnecting rooms. Please advise our staff at the time of booking if you would like to make this request.

Security deposit: A credit card imprint will be requested on checking in at your accommodation, as a security deposit to cover any incidentals.

18. Travel Insurance: A valid insurance policy is a condition of your booking. We do not sell insurance however we can recommend ABTA Travel insurance. For further information please see www.abta-travelinsurance.co.uk

19. National Parks: A National Park User Fee is applicable for most national parks. A daily fee of approx. \$10AUD per person applies.

20. Smoking: Smoking is not permitted on any sightseeing tour coach or rail journeys. Hotels are smoke-free and charges will be incurred if smoking takes place in rooms. All flights are non-smoking.

21. Suitable Clothing: For Spring, Summer and Fall touring, casual, lightweight clothing that can be worn in layers is suggested. In the mountains during the evenings, it can get quite chilly, so a warm jumper or jacket is recommended. Adverse weather conditions, such as severe rainfall and hurricanes, may affect the area in which you are travelling. Please ensure that you check before travelling.

22. Travelling in Vehicles: When travelling in any motor vehicle, seatbelts (if provided) must be worn at all times.

23. Unused Services: No refunds are allowed for unused services provided in your package. Should you cancel, amend or miss any part of your tour for any reason, we are not able to provide any refund.

24. Wildlife Viewing: When booking a wildlife adventure, it should be noted that as viewing the animals in their own natural environment, sightings cannot be guaranteed. The tour guides will do their utmost to ensure that sightings are made, however in the event that this is not possible, refunds will not be made.

25. Brochure Validity

This brochure was printed in December 2023 and is valid until replaced by a newer edition.

Terms & Conditions

1st Class Holidays Limited Booking Conditions

The following Booking Conditions together with the Important Information, our Privacy Policy and any other written information we brought to your attention before we confirmed your booking form the basis of your contract with 1st Class Holidays Ltd, trading as First Class Holidays, company number 03445248 and registered address, Trafford House, Chester Road, Manchester M32 0RS (“we”, “us”, “our”).

Please read them carefully as they set out our respective rights and obligations. In these booking conditions, “you” and “your” means all persons named on the booking and all persons on whose behalf a booking is made or any other person to whom a booking is added or transferred. Except where otherwise stated, these booking conditions only apply to holiday arrangements which you book with us in the UK and which we agree to make, provide or perform (as applicable) as part of our contract with you. All references in these booking conditions to “holiday”, “booking”, “contract”, “package”, “tour” or “arrangements” mean such holiday arrangements unless otherwise stated.

By making a booking, the first named person on the booking, the (“party leader”) agrees on behalf of all persons detailed on the booking that:

A) He/she has read these Booking Conditions and has the authority to and does agree to be bound by them;

B) He/she consents to our use of personal data in accordance with our Privacy Policy and is authorised on behalf of all persons named on the booking to disclose their personal details to us, including where applicable, special categories of data (such as information on health conditions or disabilities and dietary requirements)

C) He/she is over 18 years of age and resident in the United Kingdom and where placing an order for services with age restrictions declares that he/she and all members of the party are of the appropriate age to purchase those services

D) He/she accepts financial responsibility for payment of the booking on behalf of all persons detailed on the booking.

1. Making a booking

Subject to the availability of your chosen arrangements, we will confirm your holiday by issuing a confirmation invoice. This invoice will be sent to the party leader or your travel agent. A binding contract will come into existence between you and us as soon as we have issued you with a booking confirmation that will confirm the details of your booking and will be sent to you or your travel agent. If your confirmed arrangements include a flight, we (or if you booked via an authorised agent of ours, that agent) will also issue you with an ATOL Certificate. Upon receipt, if you believe that any details on the ATOL Certificate or booking confirmation or any other document are wrong, you must contact us immediately as it may not be possible to make changes later. We regret we cannot accept any liability if we are not notified of any inaccuracies (for which we are responsible) in any document within ten days of our sending it out (five days for tickets). We will do our best to rectify any mistake notified to us outside these time limits, but you must meet any costs involved in doing so.

2. Payment

In order to confirm your chosen holiday, a deposit of £400 per person (or full payment if booking within 89 days of departure) must be paid at the time of booking. The balance of the holiday cost must be received by us not less than 89 days prior to departure. This date will be shown on the confirmation invoice. Reminders are not sent. If we do not receive all payments due (including any surcharge where applicable) in full and on time, we reserve the right to treat your booking as cancelled by you, in which case the cancellation charges set out in clause 5 below, will become payable.

Except for flight inclusive bookings, all monies you pay to one of our authorised travel agents for your holiday with us will be held on our behalf until a contract between us comes into existence. After that point, your agent will hold the monies on our behalf until they are paid to us. For flight inclusive bookings, all monies paid to any authorised travel agent of ours for your holiday with us will be held on behalf of and for the benefit of the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust subject to the travel agent's obligation to pay such monies to us in accordance with our trading terms unless we fail. In the unlikely event of our financial failure, all monies then held by the travel agent or subsequently paid by you to the travel agent will be held by the agent on behalf of and for the benefit of the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust without any obligation on the agent to pay such monies to us.

3. Contract

A binding contract between us comes into existence when we issue our confirmation invoice to the party leader or your travel agent. We both agree that English Law (and no other) will apply to your contract and to any dispute, claim or other matter of any description which arises between us (“claim”) (except as set out below). We both also agree that any claim (and whether or not involving any personal injury) must be dealt with under the ABTA Alternative Dispute Resolution Process (if the process is available for the claim in question and you wish to use it – see clause 13) or by the Courts of England and Wales only unless, in the case of Court proceedings, you live in Scotland or Northern Ireland. In this case, proceedings must either be brought in the Courts of your home country or those of England and Wales. If proceedings are brought in Scotland or Northern Ireland, you may choose to have your contract and claim governed by the law of Scotland/Northern Ireland as applicable (but if you do not so choose, English law will apply).

4. Holiday Insurance

We consider adequate travel insurance to be essential. It is a condition of your contract with us that you should take out insurance to cover you in the event of illness, personal injury or death during the course of your holiday and for cancellation.

Please read your policy details carefully and take them with you on holiday. It is your responsibility to ensure that the insurance cover you purchase is suitable and adequate for your particular needs. We do not check alternative insurance policies.

5. If you change your booking & transfers of booking

If, after your confirmation has been issued you wish to make changes to your confirmed holiday, you must notify us in writing as soon as possible. This should be done by the first named person on the booking. Whilst we will endeavour to assist, we cannot guarantee we will be able to meet any such requests. Where we can, an amendment fee of £50.00 per person will be payable together with any costs incurred by ourselves and any costs or charges incurred or imposed by any of our suppliers. You should be aware that these costs could increase the closer to the departure date that changes are made and you should contact us as soon as possible. A change of holiday dates will normally be treated as a cancellation of the original booking and rebooking in which case cancellation charges in accordance with clause 6 of these Booking Conditions, will apply. Changes may result in the recalculation of the holiday price where, for example, the basis on which the price of the original holiday was calculated has changed.

Transfer of Booking: If you or any member of your party is prevented from travelling, that person(s) may transfer their place to someone else, subject to the following conditions:

- that person is introduced by you and satisfies all the conditions applicable to the holiday;
- we are notified not less than 7 days before departure;
- you pay any outstanding balance payment, an amendment fee of £50 per person transferring, as well as any additional fees, charges or other costs arising from the transfer; and
- the transferee agrees to these booking conditions and all other terms of the contract between us. You and the transferee remain jointly and severally liable for payment of all sums. If you are unable to find a replacement, cancellation charges as set out in clause 6 will apply in order to cover our estimated costs. Otherwise, no refunds will be given for passengers not travelling or for unused services.

Important Note: Certain arrangements may not be amended or transferred after they have been confirmed and any alteration could incur a cancellation charge of up to 100% of that part of the arrangements. Most airlines do not permit name changes and such changes are likely to be the full cost of the flight.

6. If you cancel your holiday before departure

You or any member of your party, may cancel your holiday at any time provided that the cancellation is made by the party leader and is received by us in writing. As we incur costs from the date we confirm your booking we will retain your deposit, and in addition apply cancellation charges up to the maximum amount shown below. The amount of cancellation charge shown is a percentage of the total holiday price excluding insurance premiums and amendment charges which are non-refundable in any event. These charges are calculated from the date we receive your written notification at our offices.

Period before departure in which we receive your notification	Cancellation charge payable
More than 89 days	Deposit Only
Between 88 and 31 days	50%
Between 30 and 15 days	75%
14 days or less	100%

IMPORTANT NOTE: Certain arrangements on this website and in our brochure have different cancellation terms than those stated above. These are either noted on the website, the relevant brochure page or will be advised on your confirmation invoice.

NOTE: Depending on the reason for cancellation, you may be able to reclaim these charges if the reason for cancellation is covered under the terms of your holiday insurance policy.

Where any cancellation reduces the number of full paying party members below the number on which the price, number of free places and/or any concessions agreed for your booking were based, we will recalculate these items and re-invoice you accordingly. See clause 5 “If you change your booking & transfers of booking” if any member(s) of your party are prevented from travelling.

Cancellation by You due to Unavoidable & Extraordinary Circumstances:

You may terminate the package travel contract at any time before the start of the package without paying a cancellation charge in the event of “unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances” occurring at the place of destination or its immediate vicinity which will significantly affect the performance of the package or carriage to your holiday destination. In these circumstances, we shall provide you with a full refund of the monies you have paid but we will not be liable to pay you any additional compensation. For the purposes of this clause, “unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances” may include warfare, other serious security problems such as terrorism, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination, or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely to the travel destination as agreed in the package travel contract. This clause 6 outlines the rights you have if you wish to cancel your booking. Please note that there is no automatic statutory right of cancellation under the Consumer Contracts (Information, Cancellation and Additional Charges) Regulations 2013.

7. If you have a complaint

In the unlikely event that you have any reason to complain or experience any problems with your holiday whilst away, you must immediately inform our local representative or agent (if we have one) and the supplier of the service(s) in question. Any verbal notification must be put in writing and given to our representative / agent and the supplier as soon as possible. If we do not have or you cannot contact our local representative or agent and any complaint or problem is not resolved to your satisfaction by the supplier, you must contact us in the UK using the contact details we have provided you with during your holiday, giving us full details and a contact number. Until we know about a complaint or problem, we cannot begin to resolve it. If you remain dissatisfied, however,

you must notify us in writing within 28 days of the completion of your holiday and this must be to us at the address detailed in paragraph one of these Booking Conditions.

You must quote your booking reference number, holiday number and departure date. For all complaints and claims which do not involve death, personal injury or illness, we regret we cannot accept liability in respect of any complaint or claims which are not notified to us in accordance with this clause. If you fail to follow this simple complaint procedure, your right to claim any compensation you may otherwise have been entitled to may be affected or even lost as a result. Please note that we offer an Alternative Dispute Resolution Service through our ABTA membership. Please see clause 18 for further details.

8. Behaviour and damage

When you book with us, you accept responsibility for any damage or loss caused by you or any member of your party. Full payment for any such damage or loss (reasonably estimated if not precisely known) must be made direct to the accommodation owner or manager or other supplier or to us as soon as possible. If the actual cost of the loss or damage exceeds the amount paid where estimated, you must pay the difference once known. If the actual cost is less than the amount paid, the difference will be refunded. You will also be responsible for meeting any claims subsequently made against us and all costs incurred by us (including our own and the other party's full legal costs) as a result of your actions. You should ensure you have appropriate travel insurance to protect you if this situation arises.

All our customers are expected to conduct themselves in an orderly and acceptable manner and not to disrupt the enjoyment of others. If in our reasonable opinion or in the reasonable opinion of some other person in authority, you or any member of your party behaves in such a way as to cause or be likely to cause damage, distress, danger or annoyance to other clients, employees, property or to any third party or damage to property, we reserve the right to terminate the holiday of the person(s) concerned immediately. In the event of such termination our liability to you and/or your party will cease and you and/or your party will be required to leave the accommodation or other service immediately. We will have no further obligations toward such person(s) including any return travel arrangements. No refunds will be made, and we will not pay any expenses or costs incurred as a result of the termination.

9. Entry Passport, Visa and Immigration Requirements, Safety & Health Formalities

It is your responsibility to check and fulfil the entry, passport, visa, immigration requirements, safety and health formalities applicable to your itinerary. We can only provide general information about this. You must check requirements for your own specific circumstances with the relevant Embassies and/or Consulates, the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (“FCDO”) and your own doctor as applicable. Requirements and the safety of the countries and areas in which you will be travelling to, do change and you must check the up to date position in good time before departure in order to make your decisions accordingly.

Most countries now require passports to be valid for at least 6 months after your return date. If your passport is in its final year, you should check with the Embassy of the country you are visiting. For further information contact the Passport Office on 0870 5210410 or visit <https://www.gov.uk/browse/citizenship/passports>.

Special conditions apply for travel to the USA, and all passengers must have individual machine readable passports. Please check <https://uk.usembassy.gov>.

For European travel you should obtain a UK Global Health Insurance Card (UK GHIC) prior to departure unless you are able to rely upon an existing European Health Insurance Card (EHIC).

For travel to Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Switzerland, UK GHIC and EHIC can not be used for medical treatment. Passengers to these destinations should obtain comprehensive medical insurance prior to departure, including cover for emergency medical treatment and associated costs. Up to date travel advice can be obtained from the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, visit <https://www.gov.uk/travelaware>.

Non British passport holders, including other EU nationals, should obtain up to date advice on entry, passport, visa, health and immigration requirements from the Embassy, High Commission or Consulate of your destination or country(ies) through which you are travelling.

We do not accept any responsibility if you cannot travel or incur any other loss because you have not complied with any entry, passport, visa, immigration requirements or health formalities. You agree to reimburse us in relation to any fines or other losses which we incur as a result of your failure to comply with any entry passport, visa, immigration requirements or health formalities.

Please note: The impacts of Brexit may change your visa, ticket and health requirements. Third country nationals may require an airport transit visa when passing through EU Member States. There is the potential for disruption at borders when travelling between the UK and EU Member States and you should allow sufficient time for this when planning any onward travel. You should check any impacts of Brexit on your travel, in advance of your departure, to ensure that you fulfil the requirements post-Brexit, including any passport validity requirements.

10. The price of your holiday

Please note, any prices shown are a guide only and subject to change at time of booking. Any prices shown in this brochure have been calculated using exchange rates of 15 October 2023 as shown in the Financial Times Guide to World Currencies.

We reserve the right to amend the price of unsold holidays at any time and correct errors in the prices of confirmed holidays. We also reserve the right to increase the price of confirmed holidays solely to allow for increase which are a direct consequence of changes in:

- (i) the price of the carriage of passengers resulting from the cost of fuel or other power sources;
- (ii) the level of taxes or fees applicable to the holiday imposed by third parties not directly involved in the performance of the holiday, including

tourist taxes, landing taxes or embarkation or disembarkation fees at ports and airports; and (iii) the exchange rates relevant to the package. Such variations could, which excludes insurance premiums and any amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements. You will be charged for the amount over and above that. However, if this means that you have to pay an increase of more than 8% of the price of your confirmed holiday (excluding any insurance premiums, amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements), you will have the option of accepting a change to another holiday if we are able to offer one (if this is of equivalent or higher quality you will not have to pay more but if it is of lower quality you will be refunded the difference in price), or cancelling and receiving a full refund of all monies paid to us, except for any insurance premiums and any amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements. Should you decide to cancel for this reason, you must exercise your right to do so within 7 days from the issue date printed on your final invoice. We will consider an appropriate refund of your insurance premiums paid if you can show that you are unable to transfer or reuse your policy.

Should the price of your holiday go down due to the changes mentioned above then any refund due will be paid to you less an administrative fee of £10. However, please note that travel arrangements are not always purchased in local currency and some apparent changes have no impact on the price of your travel due to contractual and other protection in place. There will be no change made to the price of your confirmed holiday within 20 days of your departure nor will refunds be paid during this period. Please also note that our holiday prices include all coach travel, accommodation and meals as specified in the holiday description and VAT and a Goods and Service Tax (GST), where applicable. A GST is levied on hotel and other elements of your holiday package. Similar to British VAT a proportion of this tax is refundable to overseas visitors. Rather than impose on you the responsibility for reclaiming any rebate due we have already deducted this amount in calculating the holiday prices shown in this brochure.

When making your booking, you waive your personal right to claim a GST rebate applicable to your holiday package and assign such entitlement to us as the tour operator. This will then enable us to reclaim the tax paid by us on your behalf and no further refunds will be due to you. Reservations can only be accepted on this express understanding. Unless specifically indicated in holiday itinerary or description contained in this brochure, entrance fees, guide fees, city sightseeing tours and optional excursions are not included in the holiday cost.

11. If we change or cancel your holiday
If arrangements for your holiday are made many months in advance. Accordingly, we must reserve the right to make changes to brochure and holiday details both before and after your booking has been confirmed. Most of these changes will, however, be insignificant. Changes: If we make an insignificant change to your holiday, we will make reasonable efforts to notify you or your travel agent as soon as is reasonably possible before your departure, but we will have no liability to you. Examples of insignificant changes include alteration to your outward/return flights by less than 12 hours, changes to aircraft type, change of accommodation to another of the same or higher standard, changes of carriers. Please note that operators such as airlines used in the brochure may be subject to change.

Occasionally we may have to make a significant change to your confirmed arrangements. Examples of significant changes include the following when made before departure:

- (a) a change of accommodation to that of a lower official classification or standard for the whole or a significant part of the time you are away;
- (b) a change of accommodation area for the whole or a significant part of the time you are away;
- (c) a change of outward departure time or overall length of your arrangements by more than 12 hours;
- (d) a change of UK departure airport except between:

- The London airports: Gatwick, Heathrow, Luton, Stansted, London City and Southend
 - The South Coast airports: Southampton, Bournemouth and Exeter
 - The South Western airports: Cardiff and Bristol
 - The Midland airports: Birmingham, East Midlands and Doncaster Sheffield
 - The Northern airports: Liverpool, Manchester and Leeds Bradford
 - The North eastern airports: Newcastle and Teesside
 - The Scottish airports: Edinburgh, Glasgow, Prestwick and Aberdeen
- (e) A significant change to your itinerary, missing out one or more destination entirely

Cancellation: We will not cancel your travel arrangements less than 89 days before your departure date, except for reasons of force majeure or failure by you to pay the final balance. We may cancel your holiday before this date if e.g. the minimum number of clients required for a particular travel arrangement is not reached.

If we have to make a significant change or cancel, we will tell you as soon as possible and, if there is time to do so before departure, we will offer you the choice of:

- i. (for significant changes) accepting the changed arrangements; or
- ii. Having a refund of all monies paid; or
- iii. Accepting an offer of alternative travel arrangements of a comparable or higher standard from us, if available (at no extra cost); or
- iv. If available, accepting an offer of alternative arrangements of a lower standard, with a refund of the price difference between the original arrangements and the alternative arrangements.

You must notify us of your choice within 7 days of

our offer. If we do not hear from you within 7 days, we will contact you again to request notification of your choice. If you fail to respond again, we will assume that you have chosen to accept the change or alternative booking arrangements.

Compensation

In addition to a full refund of all monies paid by you, we will pay you compensation as detailed below, in the following circumstances:

- a) If, where we make a significant change, you do not accept the changed arrangements and cancel your booking;
- b) If we cancel your booking and no alternative arrangements are available

The compensation that we offer does not exclude you from claiming more if you are entitled to do so.

Period before departure in which we notify you

Compensation per person

Over 89 days	NIL
Between 29 and 88 days	£10
Between 15 and 28 days	£15
Between 8 and 14 days	£20
7 days or less	£25

***IMPORTANT NOTE:** We will not pay you compensation in the following circumstances:

- a) where we make an insignificant change
- b) where we make a significant change or cancel your arrangements more than 89 days before departure
- c) where we make a significant change and you accept those changed arrangements or you accept an offer of alternative travel arrangements;
- d) where we have to cancel your arrangements as a result of your failure to make full payment on time;
- e) where the change or cancellation by us arises out of alterations to the confirmed booking requested by you;
- f) where we are forced to cancel or change your arrangements due to Force Majeure (see clause 12)

If we become unable to provide a significant proportion of the arrangements that you have booked with us after you have departed, we will, if possible, make alternative arrangements for you at no extra charge and where those alternative arrangements are of a lower standard, provide you with an appropriate price reduction.

12. Force Majeure

Except where otherwise expressly stated in these Booking Conditions, we regret we cannot accept liability or pay any compensation if our contractual obligations to you are affected by "Force Majeure". In these booking conditions, "force majeure" means any event beyond our or our supplier's control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all reasonable measures had been taken. Such events may include actual or threatened war or terrorism, riot, civil strife, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely to the travel destination or remain at the travel destination, the act of any government or other national or local authority including port or river authorities, industrial dispute, labour strikes, lock closure, natural or nuclear disaster, fire, chemical or biological disaster, unavoidable technical problems with transport and all similar events outside our or the supplier(s) concerned's control.

13. Our responsibility to you

(1) We will accept responsibility for the arrangements we agree to provide or arrange for you as an "organiser" under the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018, as set out below and as such, we are responsible for the proper provision of the travel services specifically included in your package, as set out in your confirmation invoice and the information we provided to you regarding the services prior to booking. Please note that we shall not be responsible for any additional services provided to you, whether provided by the travel service providers or otherwise, which are not set out in your confirmation invoice and the information we provided to you regarding the services prior to booking.

(2) We will not be responsible or pay you compensation for any personal injury or death unless you are able to prove that it was caused by our negligence or the negligence of our suppliers.

(3) We will not be responsible or pay you compensation for any injury, illness, death, loss, damage, expense, cost or other claim of any description if it results from:

- (a) the acts and/or omissions of the person affected; or
- (b) the acts and/or omissions of a third party unconnected with the provision of the services contracted for and which were unforeseeable or unavoidable; or
- (c) Force Majeure (as defined in clause 12).

(4) We limit the amount of compensation we may have to pay you if we are found liable under this clause:

- (a) loss of and/or damage to any luggage or personal possessions and money: the maximum amount we will have to pay you in respect of these claims is an amount equivalent to the excess on your insurance policy which applies to this type of loss per person in total because you are required to have adequate insurance in place to cover any losses of this kind.
- (b) Claims not falling under (a) above and which don't involve injury, illness or death: the maximum amount we will have to pay you in respect of these claims is up to three times the price paid by or on behalf of the person(s) affected in total. This maximum amount will only be payable where everything has gone wrong and you or your party has not received any benefit at all from your booking.
- (c) Claims in respect of international travel by air, sea and rail, or any stay in a hotel:

i) The extent of our liability will in all cases be limited as if we were carriers under the appropriate Conventions, which include The Warsaw/Montreal Convention (international travel by air); The Athens Convention (with respect to sea travel); The Berne/Cotif Convention (with respect to rail travel) and The Paris Convention (with respect to hotel arrangements). You can ask for copies of these Conventions from our offices. Please contact us.

In addition, you agree that the operating carrier or transport company's own "Conditions of Carriage" will apply to that journey. When arranging transportation for you, we rely on the terms and conditions contained within these international conventions and those "Conditions of Carriage". You acknowledge that all of the terms and conditions contained in those "Conditions of Carriage" form part of your contract with us, as well as with the transport company and that those "Conditions of Carriage" shall be deemed to be included by reference into this contract.

ii) In any circumstances in which a carrier is liable to you by virtue of EC 261/2004 (denied boarding and flight disruption), any liability we may have to you under our contract with you, arising out of the same facts, is limited to the remedies provided under the Regulation as if (for this purpose only) we were a carrier.

iii) When making any payment, we are entitled to deduct any money which you have received or are entitled to receive from the transport provider or hotelier for the complaint or claim in question.

(5) Subject to these Booking Conditions, if we or our suppliers negligently perform or arrange those services set out in the confirmation invoice and the information we provided to you regarding the services prior to booking and we don't remedy or resolve your complaint within a reasonable period of time, and this has affected the enjoyment of your package holiday you may be entitled to an appropriate price reduction or compensation or both. You must inform us without undue delay of any failure to perform or improper performance of the services set out in this package. The level of any such price reduction or compensation in respect of any claim for damages or compensation whatsoever will be calculated taking into consideration all relevant factors such as but not limited to: following the complaints procedure as described in these Booking Conditions and the extent to which ours or our employees' or suppliers' negligence affected the overall enjoyment of your holiday. Please note that it is your responsibility to show that we or our supplier(s) have been negligent if you wish to make a claim against us.

(6) It is a condition of our acceptance of liability under this clause that you notify any claim to us and our supplier(s) strictly in accordance with the complaints procedure set out in these conditions.

(7) Where any payment is made, the person(s) receiving it (and their parent or guardian if under 18 years) must also assign to us or our insurers any rights they may have to pursue any third party and must provide ourselves and our insurers with all assistance we may reasonably require.

(8) Please note, we cannot accept any liability for any damage, loss or expense or other sum(s) of any description:

- (a) which on the basis of the information given to us by you concerning your booking prior to our accepting it, we could not have foreseen you would suffer or incur if we breached our contract with you;
- (b) relate to any business;
- (c) indirect or consequential loss of any kind.

(9) We will not accept responsibility for services or facilities which do not form part of our agreement or where they are not advertised in our brochure. For example any excursion you book whilst away, or any service or facility which your hotel or any other supplier agrees to provide for you.

(10) Where it is impossible for you to return to your departure point as per the agreed return date of your package, due to "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances", we shall provide you with any necessary accommodation (where possible, of a comparable standard) for a period not exceeding three nights per Please note that the 3 night cap does not apply to persons with reduced mobility, pregnant women or unaccompanied minors nor to persons needing specific medical assistance, provided we have been notified of these particular needs at least 48 hours before the start of your holiday. For the purposes of this clause, "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances" mean warfare, acts of terrorism, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely back to your departure point.

14. Arbitration

Disputes arising out of, or in connection with your booking which cannot be amicably settled will be referred to ABTA's approved Alternative Dispute Resolution process if you so wish under a special scheme arranged by ABTA Ltd and administered independently. The scheme provides for a simple and inexpensive method of arbitration on documents alone with restricted liability on the customer in respect of costs. Full details will be provided on request or can be obtained from the ABTA website (www.abta.com). The scheme does not apply to claims for an amount greater than £5,000 per person. There is also a limit of £25,000 per booking. Neither does it apply to claims, which are solely in respect of physical injury or illness or their consequences. The scheme can however deal with compensation claims, which include an element of minor injury, or illness subject to a limit of £1,500 on the amount the arbitrator can award per person in respect of this element. Your application for arbitration and other required documents must be received by ABTA within 18 months of your return from the holiday. Outside this time limit arbitration under the scheme may still be available if we agree, although the ABTA Code does not require such agreement. For injury and illness claims, you can request the ABTA mediation procedure and we have the option to agree to this. Where we act as agent, please bear in mind that your contract is with the supplier of the arrangements concerned. Unless the supplier is also a member of ABTA, only disputes relating to our actions as agent can be dealt with by the arbitration scheme or mediation procedure and not complaints about the arrangements themselves or the acts / omissions of the supplier.

15. Conditions of suppliers

Many of the services, which make up your holiday are provided by independent suppliers. Those suppliers provide these services in accordance with their own terms and conditions. Some of these terms and conditions may omit or exclude the supplier's liability to you in accordance with applicable international conventions (see clause 13). Copies of the relevant parts of these terms and

conditions and of the international conventions are available on request from ourselves or the supplier concerned.

16. Special requests and medical conditions / disabilities

If you have any special request, you must advise us at the time of booking. Although we will endeavour to pass any reasonable requests on to the relevant supplier, we regret we cannot guarantee any request will be met. Failure to meet any special request will not be a breach of contract on our part. Confirmation that a special request has been noted or passed on to the supplier or the inclusion of the special request on your confirmation invoice or any other documentation is not confirmation that the request will be met. Unless and until specifically confirmed, all special requests are subject to availability. For your own protection, you should obtain confirmation in writing that a special request will be complied (where it is possible to give this) where it is important to you.

We regret we cannot accept any conditional bookings, i.e. any booking which is specified to be conditional on the fulfillment of a particular request. All such bookings will be treated as "standard" bookings subject to the above provisions on special requests.

If you or any member of your party has any medical condition or disability which may affect your holiday or has any special requirements as a result of any medical condition or disability (including any which affect the booking process), please tell us before you confirm your booking so that we can assist you in considering the suitability of the arrangements and/or making the booking. In any event, you must give us full details in writing at the time of booking and whenever any change in the condition or disability occurs. You must also promptly advise us if any medical condition or disability which may affect your holiday develops after your booking has been confirmed. If we reasonably feel unable to properly accommodate any particular needs of the persons concerned, we must reserve the right to decline their reservation or, if full details are not given at the time of booking or the condition / disability develops after booking, cancel when we become aware of these details and cancellation charges as set out in clause 6 may apply.

17. Excursions

We may provide you with information (before departure and/or when you are on holiday) about activities and excursions which are available in the area you are visiting. We have no involvement in any such activities or excursions which are neither run, supervised nor controlled in any way by us. They are provided by local operators or other third parties who are entirely independent of us. They do not form any part of your contract with us even where we suggest particular operators, other third parties and/or assist you in booking such activities or excursions in any way. We cannot accept any liability on any basis in relation to such activities or excursions and the acceptance of liability contained in clause 12(i) of our booking conditions will not apply to them. We do not however exclude liability for the negligence of ourselves or our employees resulting in your death or personal injury. We cannot guarantee accuracy at all times of information given in relation to such activities or excursions or about the area you are visiting generally or that any particular excursion or activity which does not form part of our contract will take place as these services are not under our control. If you feel that any of the activities or excursions referred to in our brochure, on our website and in our other advertising material which are not part of our contract are vital to the enjoyment of your holiday, write to us immediately and we will tell you the latest known situation. If we become aware of any material alterations to area information and/or such outside activities or excursions which can reasonably be expected to affect your decision to book a holiday with us, we will pass on this information at the time of booking.

18. Insolvency Protection and ABTA membership

We provide financial security for flight-inclusive packages by way of an Annual Travel Organiser's Licence issued by the Civil Aviation Authority, Gatwick Airport South, West Sussex, RH6 0YR, UK, telephone 0333 1036350 email: claims@caa.co.uk (ATOL number 5421) When you buy an ATOL protected flight or flight inclusive holiday from us, you will receive an ATOL Certificate. This lists what is financially protected, where you can get information on what this means for you and who to contact if things go wrong. For further information, visit the ATOL website at www.atol.org.uk. The price of our flight inclusive arrangements includes the amount of £2.50 per person as part of the ATOL Protection Contribution (APC) we pay to the CAA. This charge is included in our advertised prices. Not all holiday or travel services offered and sold by us will be protected by the ATOL scheme. ATOL protection extends primarily to customers who book and pay in the United Kingdom.

We, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL Certificate, will provide you with the services listed on the ATOL Certificate (or a suitable alternative). In some cases, where neither we nor the supplier are able to do so for reasons of insolvency, an alternative ATOL holder may provide you with services you have bought or a suitable alternative (at no extra cost to you). You agree to accept that in those circumstances the alternative ATOL holder will perform those obligations and you agree to pay any money outstanding to be paid by you under your contract to that alternative ATOL holder. However, you also agree that in some cases it will not be possible to appoint an alternative ATOL holder, in which case you will be entitled to make a claim under the ATOL scheme (or your credit card issuer where applicable). If we, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL certificate, are unable to provide the services listed (or a suitable alternative, through an alternative ATOL holder or otherwise) for reasons of insolvency, the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust may make a payment to (or over a benefit on) you under the ATOL scheme. You agree that in return for such a payment or benefit, you assign absolutely to those Trustees any claims which you have or may have arising out of or relating to the non-provision of the services, including any claim against us, the travel agent or your credit card issuer where applicable. You also agree that any such claims may be re-assigned to another body, if that other body has paid sums you

have claimed under the ATOL scheme. We provide full financial protection for our package holidays which don't include flights by way of a bond held by ABTA Ltd. We are a member of ABTA (ABTA number W3550) and, ABTA will financially protect your holiday by ensuring you receive a refund or, if your arrangements include return travel to the UK (other than flights) you are returned to the UK in the event that your holiday cannot be provided as a result of our insolvency. Please go to <http://abta.com/go-travel> for a copy of the guide to ABTA's scheme of Financial Protection.

ABTA and ABTA members help holidaymakers to get the most from their travel and assist them when things do not go according to plan. We are obliged to maintain a high standard of service to you by ABTA's Code of Conduct.

For further information about ABTA, the Code of Conduct and the arbitration scheme available to you if you have a complaint (see clause 7) contact ABTA at 30 Park Street, London, SE1 9EQ or see www.abta.com

19. Delays, Missed Transport Arrangements and other Travel Information

If you or any member of your party misses your flight or other transport arrangement, it is cancelled or you are subject to a delay of over 3 hours for any reason, you must contact us and the airline or other transport supplier concerned immediately.

Under UK Law, you have rights in some circumstances to a refund and/or compensation from the airline in cases of denied boarding, cancellation or delay to flights. Full details of these rights will be published at UK airports and will also be available from airlines. If the airline does not comply with these rules you should complain to the Civil Aviation Authority at www.caa.co.uk/passengers. Reimbursement in such cases is the responsibility of the airline and will not automatically entitle you to a refund of your holiday price from us. If, for any reason, you do not claim against the airline and make a claim for compensation from us, you must, at the time of payment of any compensation to you, make a complete assignment to us of the rights you have against the airline in relation to the claim that gives rise to that compensation payment. A delay or cancellation to your flight does not automatically entitle you to cancel any other arrangements even where those arrangements have been made in conjunction with your flight. We cannot accept liability for any delay which is due to any of the reasons set out in clause 10 of these Booking Conditions (which includes the behaviour of any passenger(s) on any flight who, for example, fails to check in or board on time).

The carrier(s), flight timings and types of aircraft shown in this brochure or on our website and detailed on your confirmation invoice are for your guidance only and are subject to alteration and confirmation. We shall inform you of the identity of the actual carrier(s) as soon as we become aware of it. The latest flight timings will be shown on your tickets which will be despatched to you approximately two weeks before departure. You should check your tickets very carefully immediately on receipt to ensure you have the correct flight times. If flight times change after tickets have been despatched we will contact you as soon as we can to let you know. Please note the existence of a "UK Safety list" (available for inspection at <https://www.caa.co.uk/commercial-airlines/airlines/licensing/requirements-and-guidance/third-country-operator-certificates/>) detailing air carriers that are subject to an operating ban within the UK.

This website/brochure is our responsibility, as your tour operator. It is not issued on behalf of, and does not commit the airlines mentioned herein or any airline whose services are used in the course of your travel arrangements.

20. Prompt Assistance

If whilst you are on holiday, you find yourself in difficulty for any reason, we will offer you such prompt assistance as is appropriate in the circumstances. In particular, we will provide you with appropriate information on health services, local authorities and consular assistance, and assistance with distance communications and finding alternative travel arrangements. Where you require assistance, which is not owing to any failure by us, our employees or sub-contractor, we will not be liable for the costs of any alternative travel arrangements or other such assistance you require. Any supplier, airline or other transport supplier may however pay for or provide refreshments and/or appropriate accommodation and you should make a claim directly to them. Subject to the other terms of these Booking Conditions, we will not be liable for any costs, fees or charges you incur in the above circumstances, if you fail to obtain our prior authorisation before making your own travel arrangements. Furthermore, we reserve the right to charge you a fee for our assistance in the event that the difficulty is caused intentionally by you or a member of your party, or otherwise through your or your party's negligence.

22. Brochure / website / advertising material accuracy

The information contained in our brochure, on our website and in our other advertising material is believed correct to the best of our knowledge at the time of printing or publication. However, errors may occasionally occur and information may subsequently change. You must therefore ensure you check all details of your chosen holiday (including the price) with us or your travel agent at the time of booking.

23. Safety Standards

Please note, it is the requirements and standards of the country in which any services, which make up your holiday are provided which apply to those services and not those of the UK. As a general rule, these requirements and standards will not be the same as the UK and may often be lower.

24. Advance Passenger Information

A number of Governments are introducing new requirements for air carriers to provide personal information about all travellers on their aircraft to the Authorities before the aircraft leaves the UK. The data will be collected either at the airport when you check in or in some circumstances when, or after you make your booking. Accordingly, you are advised to allow extra time to check in for your flight. Where we collect the data, we will treat it in accordance with our privacy policy.

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