

# AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND

2022-2023

A group of six people (three men and three women) are seated around a round table covered with a white tablecloth. They are engaged in conversation and dining. The table is set with wine glasses, water glasses, and plates. The scene is illuminated by warm, ambient lighting, including a central candle and several small, glowing lanterns on the ground. In the background, a large, reddish-brown rock formation, likely Uluru, is visible under a dark sky.

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# Welcome



Wild, wide and wonderful, Australia and New Zealand continually excite and inspire. It doesn't matter how many mountains you've climbed or remote island shores you've visited, there's always a different creation story to be told or gallery of ancient rock art to be revealed.

We offer our respect and gratitude to the First Nations Australians, Torres Strait Islander and Māori custodians who have nurtured the land and its cultures for so many millennia, and who are now some of our most trusted partners in introducing them to a curious world.



Dear Traveler,

Excitement radiates around our tour group. Maybe it's the first glimmers of sun as it rises over Uluru. Or the waves of colors as we gaze across Bruce Munro's Field of Light, blanketing the red soil in the spiritual heart of Australia. It's a magical moment, and one shared with only a few lucky others; companions on my own AAT Kings journey to the Northern Territory.

Then there's the enveloping silence to be experienced on a calm New Zealand night, the dazzling night sky so vivid it looked like someone has doused the heavens with glitter. A mesmerising experience deep in the UNESCO Aoraki Mackenzie International Dark Sky Reserve. Being humbled by nature and the destinations we visit truly is the greatest travel privilege.

Every journey with AAT Kings is crafted to create similar memories – the kind that bring perspective and are ultimately life changing. Because that's what travel's about, after all.

For AAT Kings, the journey matters just as much as the destination, and because of this we strive to make every single minute of your trip a true experience. We do this through our extraordinary Travel Directors, who come with personality, passion, and charming stories. And we do it with people who really know their stuff – that's what a little black book with 100 years of contacts affords. We don't form partnerships, we form relationships, supporting local businesses, and connecting you to authentic First Nations and Māori cultures. Where do you want your own next life changing travel moment to happen? Whether dawn in Uluru or dusk at Lake Tekapo, your wellbeing and wonderment is our top priority.

We love Australia and New Zealand, and it's our mission to make you fall for these countries just as hard as we have.

Sincerely,

**Matt Fuller**  
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Today, we're proud of  
our history and of our people.  
Some things never change...



# 100+ Years of Adventure and many more to come

A century ago, the Australian outback was but a twinkle in most travelers' eyes. But thanks to visionaries like the Pyke family and Bill King, the way we explore the Land Down Under was about to change in unimaginable ways. Over the coming decades, maps were unfolded, desert cruisers and coaches were customized, and guides were trained. From humble beginnings, the company now known as AAT Kings was going places few had gone before, pioneering new paths across Australia and New Zealand and taking intrepid domestic and international travelers on a wild and wonderful ride.

No corner of the Antipodes was – or is – off-limits, from the remote reaches of the Kimberley and spiritual heartland of the Red Centre, to the untamed Milford Sound, bubbling thermal Rotorua and quiet shores of Tasmania. Not to mention in-depth journeys across Sydney and its surrounds, where this forward-thinking travel venture came to fruition all those years ago.

We've come a long way and clocked a few kilometres in the process. But some things will never change. Like our spirit for adventure. Our oh-so-knowledgeable Travel Directors. The local characters we meet (and will never forget) along the way. The epic, goosebump-inducing stories we're told by First Nations guides. The life-changing experiences on offer – the kind that only 100 years of exploring affords.

Now, we're just jumping into more waterfalls, finding ourselves humbled by more sacred sites, laying more footprints on deserted beaches and hiking through more tropical rainforests than ever before. And we've never been more passionate about our next discovery. Join us, and fall in love with Australia and New Zealand all over again.

***"Keep doing what you're doing,  
but try and do it better" – Bill King***



## 1920s

AAT Kings can be traced back to George Page's modest transport service from Melbourne to Brighton.

## 1930s

The Pike family introduced Sydney to Katoomba and Jenolan Caves which is still apart of our Day Tours business.

## 1960s

Bill King decided there was a real future with off-the-beaten-track journeys – Bill purchased two Land Rovers, an ex-army international ambulance and a Denning Bus and launched Bill King's Northern Safaris.

## 1970s

Bill designed and built his own 18 passenger vehicles and called them Desert Cruisers.

AAT Coachlines had commenced operations in the Northern Territory.

## 1980s

AAT Coachlines purchased Bill King's Northern Safaris and operated as Bill King's Australian Adventure Tours.

## 1984

**AAT Kings brand formed.**

## 1997

AAT Kings joined The Travel Corporation's Family of Brands.

## 1999

We began operations in New Zealand.

## 2010

Small group immersive Inspiring Journeys brand was born.

## 2018

Down Under Tours joined the AAT Kings Group.

## 2019

SEIT Outback Australia joined the AAT Kings Group.

# Australia & New Zealand, but not as you *know* them.



At a time when exclusivity is the world's greatest travel luxury, Australia and New Zealand tick every box. They deliver every wide and wonderful landscape conceivable, from soaring sacred monoliths to fabulous fiords; from tangles of rainforest to majestic mountain ranges. And in between await innumerable soul stirring stories to hear, characters to meet, adventures to enjoy, meals to savour, and spirits to accompany. We've spent the last century perfecting a Holy Grail of life-changing moments Down Under – ones you likely never knew even existed, and that you won't find in a guidebook or listed on any website. Our DNA has never changed – we are, and always have been pioneers committed to worry-free and sustainable travel, revealing Australia and New Zealand in a way that you never imagined possible.

## Amazing Experiences

We were built on pioneering spirit, and to this day our trips include adventures that few others experience. We're constantly looking for ways to make journeys extraordinary, whether it's an Uluru Sunrise Field of Light or lunch on a dairy farm. This is Australia and New Zealand, but not as you've ever seen them.

## Diverse Travel Styles

What you want from your vacation is not necessarily the same as your neighbour. Sometimes, it's about adventure. Often, it's a good glass of wine and a remarkable view. Perhaps you want to see major sights, or choose your own path while we handle the main roads. Whatever your destination and route, we have an itinerary for you.

## Conscious Travel

There are plenty of things we can all do while traveling to contribute to sustainable tourism practices. We've developed a series of tours with signature **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experiences – to ensure travel has a positive impact on our planet, the communities we visit and the wildlife we encounter.

## Worry-free Travel

Your wellbeing is our primary concern. In addition to elevated hygiene protocols, AAT Kings trips guarantee upgraded coach air-con filtration systems. We only work with partners we know and trust, and our Travel Directors ensure everything runs smoothly, with a support team on call.

## Family Values

When you travel with AAT Kings, you're not only part of our century-old heritage, but are welcomed into just as many years of experience in The Travel Corporation. Journey confidently knowing our family-owned parent company has welcomed millions of people around the world across its brands.



# Amazing Experiences

Every year, millions of adventure-seekers visit Australia and New Zealand. But to really get to know a place – to take its pulse as an insider – you need to follow the lead of locals. We've spent the last 100 years exploring the Antipodes, meeting farmers, winemakers, chefs, Indigenous experts, artists, and astronomers, and creating lasting friendships. The kind that now give us – and you, as our guests – unrestricted and unrivaled access to parts of the country that other travelers just can't go, and to exclusive experiences most will probably never know existed. We'll take you places, and our passionate people will reveal their true beauty.

## Fancy dinner under a billion stars? NT

This exclusive barbecue dinner is so close to Uluru you could almost touch it, the only one of its kind set under the Rock's towering shadow. With sparkling wine in hand, watch a kaleidoscope of color as the sun sets and you dine on favourites from the grill. Enjoy dessert in the desert while the night sky lights up with billions of stars and your specialist AAT Kings Guide shares insights into the Southern Hemisphere's constellations.

## All aboard for the Southern Alps! NZ

One of the world's great rail journeys, the TranzAlpine train offers a front-row seat to the South Island's most epic landscapes between Greymouth and Christchurch. Jump aboard to traverse the Canterbury Plains, chugging through immense beech forest, over viaducts, across river-carved gorges and past the ice-fed Waimakariri River, backdropped by the snow-capped Southern Alps. This historic route has been in operation since 1914, and is no less spectacular today than it was more than a century ago.

## Get set for a peak performance, Milford Sound, NZ

New Zealand boasts more than its fair share of natural wonders, none quite as dramatic as Milford Sound within World Heritage listed Te Wahipounamu reserve. Waterfalls tumble from escarpments into inky water, glaciers sparkle from clifftops and mountains scrape the sky – it's a natural haven for fur seals, penguins and dolphins, which you'll observe firsthand on a scenic cruise through the sound. Back on land, your journey through Fiordland National Park continues to Te Anau, from rainforest through wildflower-dusted meadows and across alluvial flats.



## Cruise to a Natural Wonder, QLD

Slice through the azure waters on board a high-speed catamaran to the Great Barrier Reef and to an astounding wonderland 'Down Under'. Witness the utopia beneath the ocean surface, observing the diversity of this living wall that spans over 1,400 miles along Australia's Queensland coast. You can snorkel and view this natural living wonder up-close or stay dry and explore the stunning reef from a semi-submersible craft.



Uluru Barbecue Dinner, Northern Territory



Milford Sound, South Island

## Dinner in a sanctuary, NT

If you've ever wondered how wide the world really is, you'll gain some perspective at Earth Sanctuary in the middle of the Alice Springs outback. One of Australia's first carbon-neutral tourism ventures, this family-managed wilderness property offers an exclusive Be My Guest barbecue dinner, while you chat with owner-brothers Tom and Danny about their sustainable lifestyle on the land – and the dazzling stars above. Their knowledge of the night sky will leave you speechless.

## Churn things up on a dairy farm, Waikato, NZ

The Waikato countryside, 150 kilometres south of Auckland, is the stuff of postcards. It's particularly pretty at The Red Barn, a fully functioning dairy farm where you'll not only meet the gorgeous wide-eyed cows, but also try your hand at churning butter – then spread it thick on freshly baked breads before sitting down to a paddock-to-plate, country-style lunch with your hosts. It doesn't get any fresher.



The Red Barn, North Island

# 4.8/5

**feefo**  
independent &  
transparent  
satisfaction rating

Experience places that will fill you with wonder and let us take you beneath the surface to show you the enchanting beauty and soul of these two truly diverse countries. From the white sandy beaches of the Great Barrier Reef to the snow-capped mountains of New Zealand's South Island, you'll learn the history of these lands and be inspired by their ancient cultures. Our experts' knowledge and passion for showcasing Australia & New Zealand is unrivaled, making our Guided Vacations a truly unforgettable experience. But we'll let you see it for yourself and hear it in our guests' own words.

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### A Great way to see New Zealand.

AAT Kings delivers a quality product in that the buses, tour directors & drivers, accommodation and sight seeing tours are of a very high standard. In fact, as my tour progressed there was definitely a family (whanau) vibe among the group – which was promoted by our outstanding tour director, Hope. Overall, I cannot imagine a better way to see New Zealand.

David ★★★★★

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@Juliasteale  
Mount Cook

### “ Can't wait to go touring again.

Was wonderful in every way. We intend travelling with AAT KINGS again next year when we go to New Zealand. Tour guide and drivers went out of their way to help in any way they could. Best holiday I have ever been on.

Leanne Y ★★★★★

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# Diverse Travel

# Styles

No two travelers are ever the same. Which means that with AAT Kings, neither are any two trips. We understand that sometimes you want to switch off and enjoy the scenery, with your itinerary, accommodation and exclusive experiences all seamlessly sorted 'behind the scenes'. Other journeys require the essentials covered and insider tips provided, but need built-in flexibility so you can go your own way. Whether you have a couple of weeks or a couple of hours, whether you want to leave everything to us or customize parts of your journey, AAT Kings offers a travel style for every kind of traveler. And regardless of the trip you choose, you'll leave a minimal footprint, connect with culture and support the local communities you visit.

## First Choice Guided Vacations

For explorers who want:

- Exclusive experiences and adventures around Australia and New Zealand
- Everything taken care of by talented Travel Directors

There's nothing quite like setting off to see Australia and New Zealand, knowing that each wild encounter, all your accommodation – and everything in between – has been taken care of by your Travel Director, guides and the team of supporting experts. All you need to do is enjoy the relaxed pace, make lasting connections and delve into the country's culture. This is about going to wild places, with creature comforts.



## Best Buys Guided Vacations

For explorers who want:

- A flexible vacation with some inclusions, and some independent travel
- All the essentials managed by in-the-know Travel Directors

Take a fully curated vacation, add in a good dose of flexibility, and you arrive at this travel style, designed for those who like travel fundamentals taken care of – the transportation, accommodation – but also like the option of exploring independently, with tips from knowledgeable Travel Directors to point you in the right direction if needed.





From the darkest depths of the night we become enlightened. At Dark Sky Project, you are connected to our night skies, igniting a lifelong passion for dark sky preservation and what lies above. Lake Tekapo, South Island

## Short Breaks

For explorers who want:

- To see Australia, but don't have weeks to spare
- A seamless travel experience to take in as much as possible in a short space of time

When you have a week or less to dive into thundering waterfalls, snorkel the world's biggest reef or dine under a carpet of stars at Uluru, this travel style is for you. Your journey unites everything that's great about AAT Kings – the cultural connections, insider knowledge, wondrous sights – and condenses it into a fully curated, blissfully efficient, bite-sized package.



## Day Tours

For explorers who:

- Have a few hours and want life-changing experiences packed in

A century ago, AAT Kings became an Australian pioneer in day tripping, taking adventurous explorers where few others had gone before. We know this space well, and our Driver Guides have every connection to make your day of adventure – whether around the Blue Mountains or the Barossa – as meaningful as possible. Why spend a day watching TV, when you can forge a memory for a lifetime?



# TREADRIGHT

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®



**MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** – This is our goal as a travel provider. We recognize our responsibility to ensure our impact on the planet we call home, the people we visit, and the rich wildlife we find there, is a positive one. Our work ensures that the impact of our business is positive in two ways; through our TreadRight Foundation, and our sustainability strategy, How We Tread Right. The three pillars of our support are:

**PEOPLE**  
SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES & CULTURES

**PLANET**  
SUSTAINABILITY & CONSERVATION

**WILDLIFE**  
PROTECTION & AWARENESS

# AAT Kings *Cares*

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experiences are conscious travel experiences available on selected AAT Kings' itineraries. They are chosen with great care based on the positive social or environmental impact they have on their communities and those who experience them.

There are plenty of things we can all do while traveling to contribute to sustainable tourism practices. We've developed a series of tours that each include a signature MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, allowing our guests to see and understand firsthand the important work we support and its impact. Look for the symbol below to see how you can MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®  
EXPERIENCE



WE SUPPORT THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



## Save the kiwi bird, Rainbow Springs

AAT Kings supports the National Kiwi Hatchery Aotearoa to provide a safe environment for eggs to hatch, find out more on [Contrasts of New Zealand](#) (page 50).

## Our TreadRight Foundation

TreadRight is a not-for-profit founded by AAT Kings and our sister brands under The Travel Corporation (TTC), to support sustainable tourism projects around the world. Through TreadRight, AAT Kings has helped fund more than 60 projects worldwide.

To find out more visit  
[aatkings.com/aat-kings-cares](http://aatkings.com/aat-kings-cares)



## Seal Bay Conservation Park, South Australia

Visit the Park that directly protects and rehabilitates one of the country's most important seal breeding colonies. Included on [Tastes of Southern Australia](#) (page 44).



## Pudakul Aboriginal Cultural Experience, Northern Territory

This Aboriginal owned and operated family business offers an authentic Aboriginal culture and nature based experience. Included on [Northern Territory Explorer](#) (page 64).



## Eat My Lunch, Wellington

For every guest lunch supplied by AAT Kings, another is donated to kids in need to ensure no child goes to school hungry. Included on [Kia Ora New Zealand](#) (page 68).

# Worry-free Travel

The travel landscape is forever changing, something we know only too well at AAT Kings – after all, we've been crafting life-changing itineraries for more than a century. Now, more than ever, we're committed to sparking your wanderlust, while ensuring your wellbeing. We're by your side to take the hassle and worry out of your vacation, so you can enjoy the journey (and the company), then sleep soundly knowing we're doing what it takes behind-the-scenes to ensure your safety and health.

## Trained Travel Directors

Our Travel Directors not only hold a wealth of information about the destinations you visit, but also have their finger on the pulse when it comes to the latest protocols in hygiene, local etiquette and social distancing.

## Always in the know

AAT Kings is an integral part of a much bigger family, The Travel Corporation, with a network of in-the-know advisors and travel professionals around the globe. We're up-to-date when it comes to the latest health protocols, and are ready to apply internationally proven best practices if issues arise.

## A full team of support, 24/7

Our Travel Directors and Drivers rarely need backup, but they have it thanks to a full support team on call around the clock to ensure your journey is seamless and hassle-free, from the moment you sign up until the moment you return home.

## Air conditioning

Relax and breathe – we're filtering the air through our fleet of coaches using top-of-the-range air filtration systems to ensure impurities are not left lingering. Expect a full replacement of fresh air every couple of minutes, to protect your health and wellbeing.

## Stringent on-the-road protocols

We've always maintained high levels of hygiene on our coaches, but we've now elevated precautions to include enhanced deep cleaning and sanitisation for your safety. Our protocols meet international standards, and we're continually monitoring the travel landscape for best practices.

## Trusted partners, exceptional standards

The people we work with around Australia and New Zealand care about our guests as much as we do. We're extremely selective when it comes to our partners – whether restaurants, hotels, suppliers or venues – and we ensure upfront that we're aligned in our commitment to health and hygiene.



**Safe  
travels**

by

WORLD  
TRAVEL &  
TOURISM  
COUNCIL

We have worked closely with the World Travel & Tourism Council (WTTC) to guide and co-create their "New Normal Safe and Seamless Traveller Journey" global protocols.

Find out more at:

[aatkings.com/about-us/wellbeing](https://aatkings.com/about-us/wellbeing)

# Family Values

At AAT Kings, we're proud of our service and experience, revealing the wonders and characters of Down Under to guests for more than 100 years. We're even prouder to be part of a much bigger family, The Travel Corporation (TTC), which enjoys a global reach and a portfolio that includes some of the world's most prestigious travel brands – from luxury hotels and boutique river cruises to independent vacation package companies and guided travel experiences. The collection is diverse, but we all share standards of excellence and common goals: to offer outstanding service and experiences, whichever corner of the planet our guests choose to roam.



## Our Commitment

We want our guests to experience everything they expect on their vacation – but we're committed to giving them a whole lot more. We consistently deliver unexpected moments of joy, so you return home with lasting memories, not just a stamp in your passport.

## Our Customers

You, our guests, are the reason we have been operating and innovating as a family brand for the past century. You return time and time again, and your loyalty and feedback help keep things fresh and fun while we keep discovering the world together.

## Our Passion

We're passionate about the planet, and about sustainably revealing its many wonders to our guests through the highest levels of service, exceptional experiences, and hugely knowledgeable employees and Travel Directors.

## Our Responsibility

Travel offers the power to have a positive impact not only on us, but also on the destinations and communities we visit. Which is why, through our non-profit TreadRight Foundation, we strive to create meaningful, lasting relationships and projects that enhance and protect the people and places we visit. Learn how you can help at [treadright.org/checklist](https://treadright.org/checklist).



# Explore Australia & New

## Nitmiluk National Park

Be drawn to the spectacular sandstone country of Nitmiluk National Park and the majestic Katherine Gorge with spectacular cliffs that glow in the changing light.



Litchfield National Park  
Kakadu National Park

**DARWIN**

Kununurra  
Katherine Gorge

Atherton Tablelands  
The Daintree  
Kuranda  
Cairns

Great Barrier Reef

El Questro  
Geikie Gorge  
Broome

## Northern Territory

## Uluru

Australia's most sacred Indigenous site, mighty Uluru stands proud, watching over the Red Centre, its history filled with myth and legend.



Kings Canyon  
Alice Springs  
Kata Tjuta

Airlie Beach

Queensland

Ningaloo Bay

Coral Bay

Monkey Mia

## Western Australia

Karijini National Park

## South Australia

Cooper Pedy

The Barossa

## New South Wales

**PERTH**

Wave Rock

Margaret River

Valley of the Giants

Flinders Ranges

Cape Le Grand National Park

Kalgoorlie

Great Ocean Road

**ADELAIDE**

**CANBERRA**

## Victoria

**MELBOURNE**

## The Pinnacles

The lunar-like Pinnacles are thousands of limestone spires, rising eerily out of the desert sands of Nambung National Park.



## Freycinet National Park

Marvel at Wineglass Bay, one of the world's most beautiful beaches, in perfect formation, surrounded by ancient native bushland.



Launceston

Cradle Mountain

Gordon River

**HOBART**

Freycinet National Park

Port Arthur

## Tasmania

# Zealand

The vibrant colour and irresistible spirit of Australia can be found everywhere, across its vast plains and mountain ranges, beaches and islands. So many unforgettable moments await you – watch the sun turn golden across waterlily-filled Kakadu billabongs or explore some of the world’s most pristine beaches in Tasmania’s Freycinet.

From glacial-carved gorges to immense lakes, from rainforest-draped national parks to snowy peaks, New Zealand is diverse and dramatic. Cruise in the company of penguins across Milford Sound and immerse yourself in both the beauty and importance Māori culture.

This is where magical travel moments are made.

## Great Barrier Reef

One of the seven natural wonders of the world, to experience the Great Barrier Reef is to explore an underwater paradise of color and life.



## Waitangi Treaty Grounds

Immerse yourself in the stories, people and history of Aotearoa, before standing on the spot where New Zealand’s founding document was signed.



## Waitomo Caves

Glide through a sparkling underground cave system lit by thousands of glowworms, and tour the incredible limestone caverns.



- Fraser Island
- **BRISBANE**
- Gold Coast
- Byron Bay
- Coffs Harbour

- Hunter Valley
- **SYDNEY**
- Blue Mountains

**North Island**

**South Island**

## Lake Tekapo

View the Church of the Good Shepherd and its bronze sheepdog monument, beside the astonishing turquoise and glacial limestone lake.



## Milford Sound

Cruise this multifaceted jewel of magnificent Fiordland, once described as the world’s 8th natural wonder.



## Queenstown

Take on New Zealand’s amazing adventure capital with a wide range of activities, from winery tours to high-speed thrills!



**CHRISTCHURCH**

**QUEENSTOWN**

TranzAlpine Train

Fiordland National Park

# First Choice

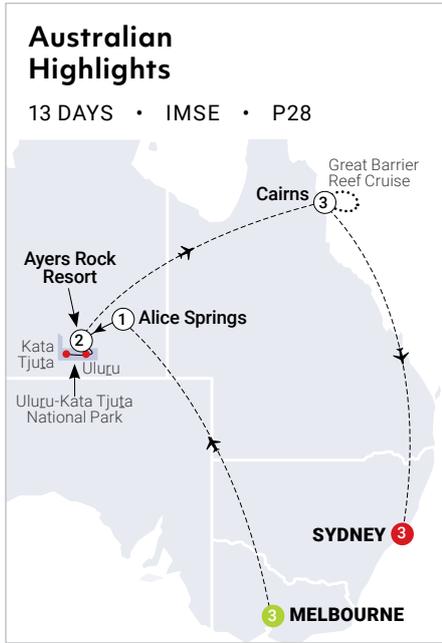
Connect with Australia and New Zealand's heart and soul, enjoy seamless service, and be guided by the experts on 16 fully curated experiences.

Uluru sunrise, Northern Territory



## Australian Highlights

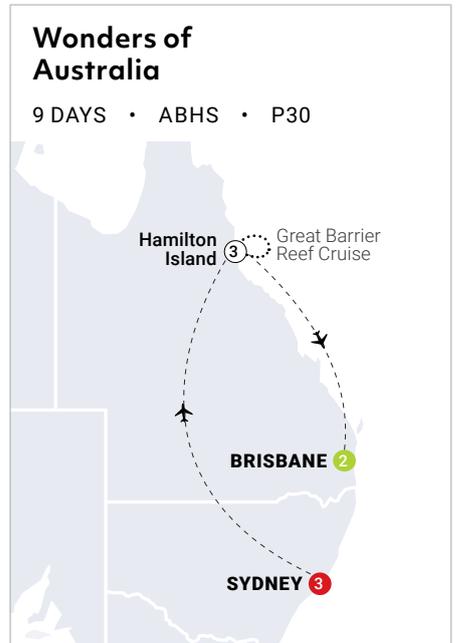
13 DAYS • IMSE • P28



A map of Australia showing a circular itinerary. The route starts at Sydney (3), goes to Melbourne (3), then to Alice Springs (1), Ayers Rock Resort (2), and back to Sydney (3). A Great Barrier Reef Cruise is shown near Cairns (3). Other locations marked include Kata Tjuta and Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park.

## Wonders of Australia

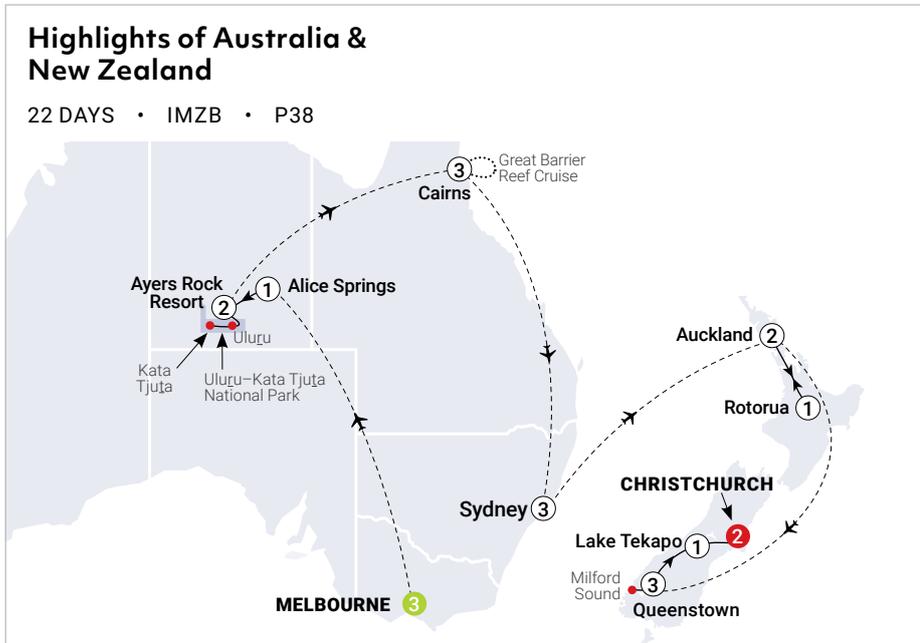
9 DAYS • ABHS • P30



A map of Australia showing a circular itinerary. The route starts at Sydney (3), goes to Brisbane (2), then to Hamilton Island (3), and back to Sydney (3). A Great Barrier Reef Cruise is shown near Hamilton Island.

## Highlights of Australia & New Zealand

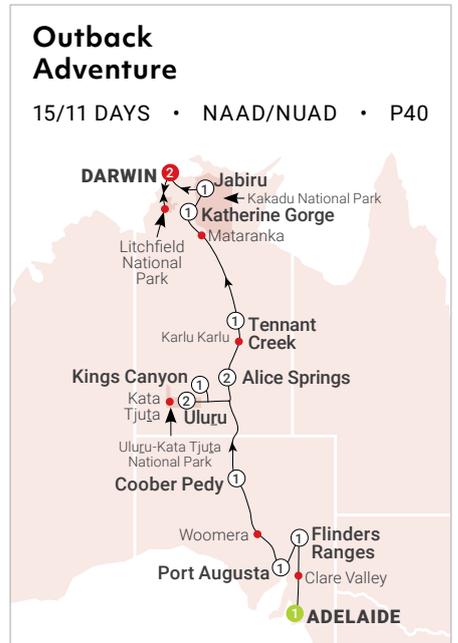
22 DAYS • IMZB • P38



A map showing a combined itinerary across Australia and New Zealand. The route starts at Melbourne (3), goes to Sydney (3), then to Cairns (3) for a Great Barrier Reef Cruise. It then continues to Alice Springs (1), Ayers Rock Resort (2), and back to Melbourne (3). From Sydney (3), it goes to Auckland (2), Rotorua (1), Christchurch, Lake Tekapo (1), Queenstown, Milford Sound, and back to Melbourne (3).

## Outback Adventure

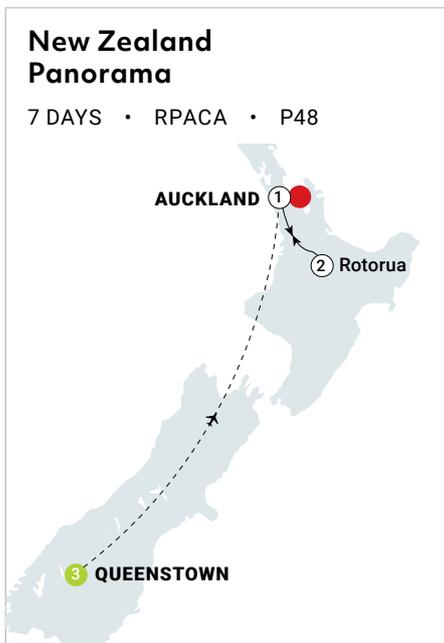
15/11 DAYS • NAAD/NUAD • P40



A map of Australia showing an outback itinerary. The route starts at Adelaide (1), goes to Port Augusta (1), Woomera, Coober Pedy, Uluru, Kings Canyon, Alice Springs, Tennant Creek, Mataranka, Katherine Gorge, Jabiru, Darwin (2), and back to Adelaide (1). Other locations marked include Litchfield National Park and Kakadu National Park.

## New Zealand Panorama

7 DAYS • RPACA • P48



A map of New Zealand showing a circular itinerary. The route starts at Auckland (1), goes to Rotorua (2), and back to Auckland (1). Queenstown (3) is also marked.

## Contrasts of New Zealand

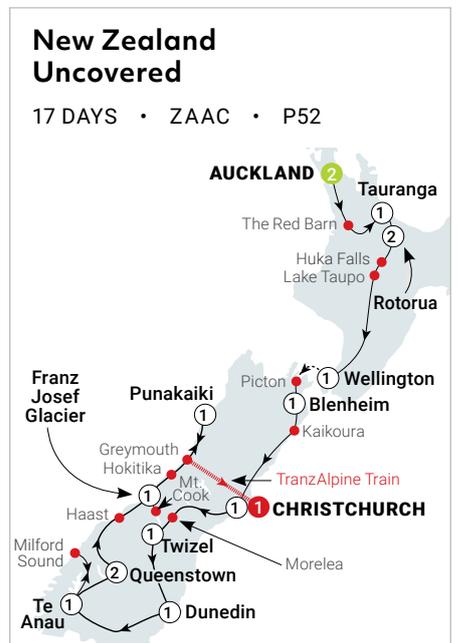
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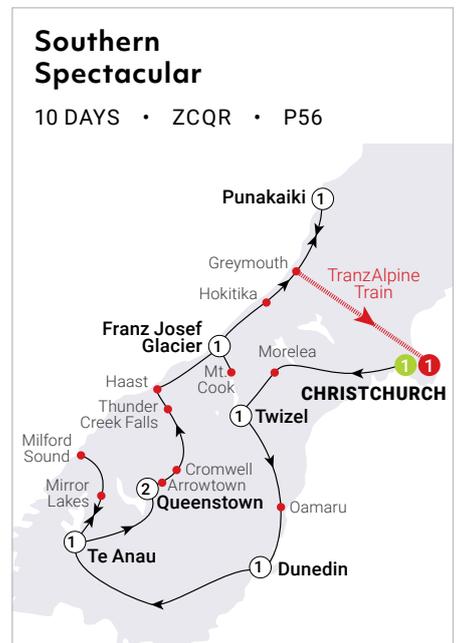
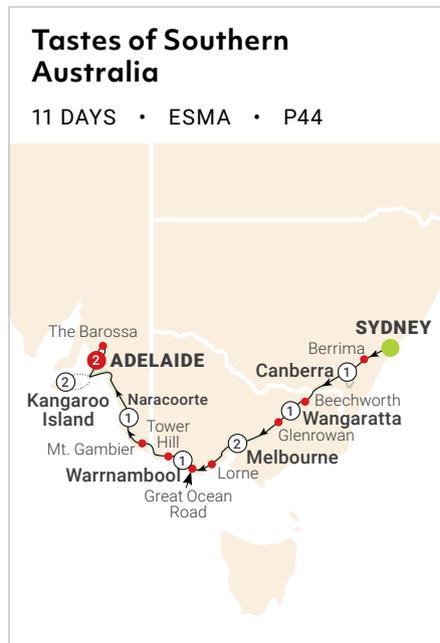
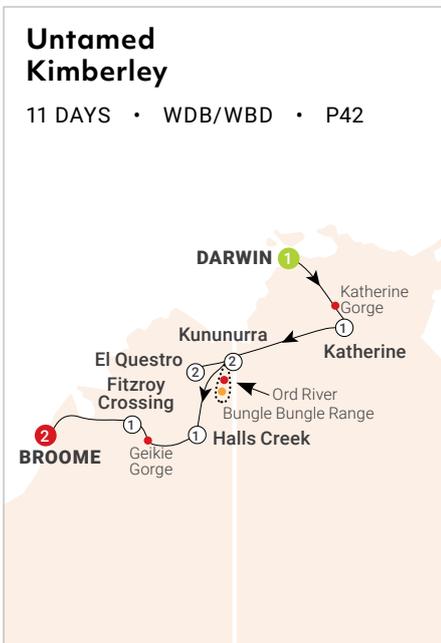
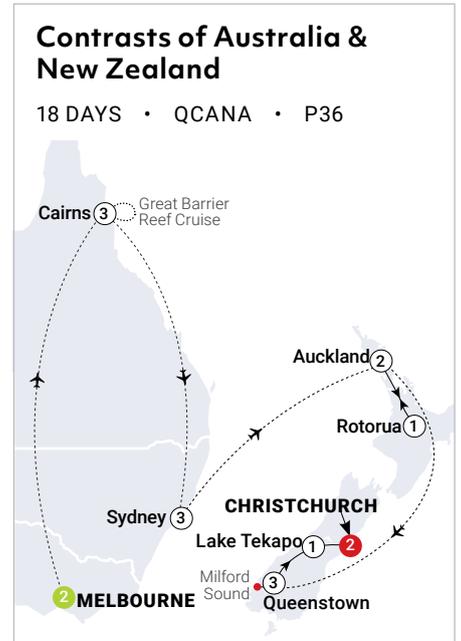
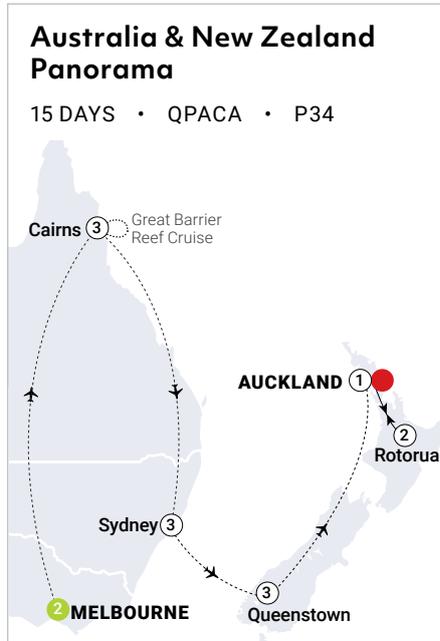
A map of New Zealand showing a circular itinerary. The route starts at Auckland (2), goes to Rotorua (1), Christchurch, Lake Tekapo (1), Queenstown, Milford Sound, Te Anau, and back to Auckland (2).

## New Zealand Uncovered

17 DAYS • ZAAC • P52



A map of New Zealand showing a detailed itinerary. The route starts at Auckland (2), goes to Tauranga, The Red Barn, Huka Falls, Lake Taupo, Rotorua, Wellington, Blenheim, Kaikoura, Christchurch, Franz Josef Glacier, Punakaiki, Greymouth, Hokitika, Mt. Cook, Haast, Twizel, Queenstown, Te Anau, Dunedin, and back to Auckland (2). Other locations marked include Milford Sound and Morelea.



# Best Buys

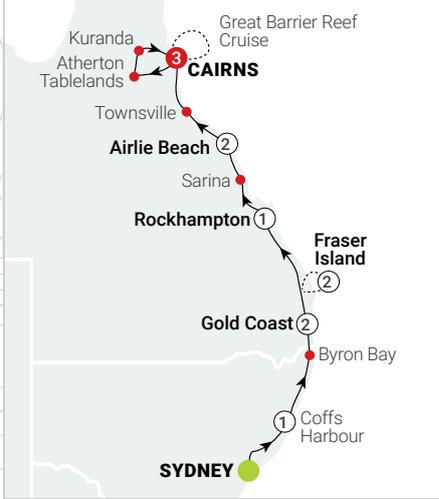
Experience the best of Australia and New Zealand, your way. With 7 flexible itineraries, you will enjoy AAT Kings' unrivaled expertise and discover must-see destinations, with plenty of free time to explore these spectacular lands and vibrant cities.





### East Coast Islands & Rainforest

12 DAYS • QSC/QCS • P60



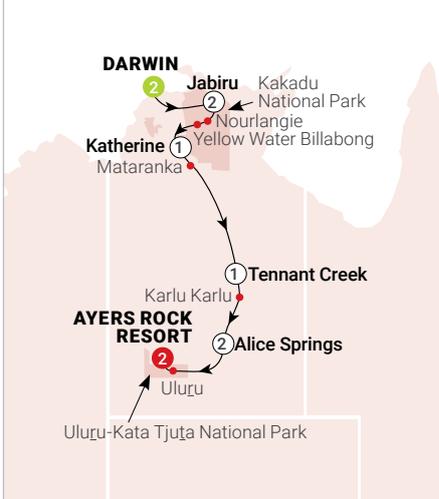
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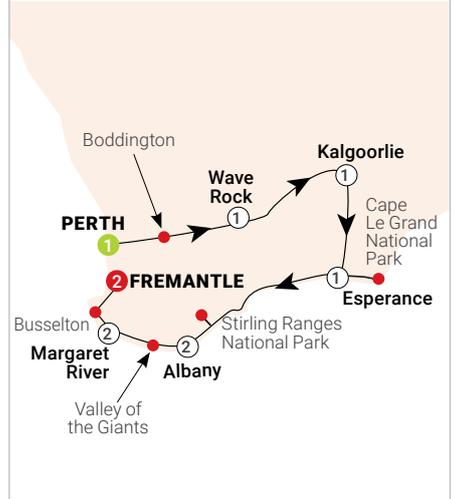
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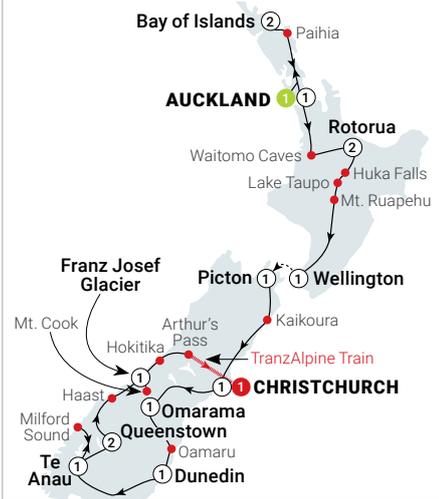
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11 DAYS • WPPP • P66



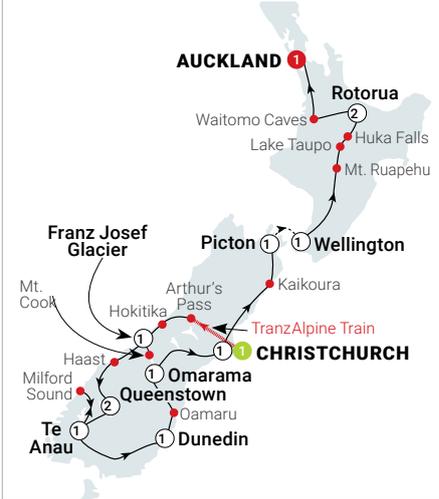
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17 DAYS • LABC/LCBA • P68



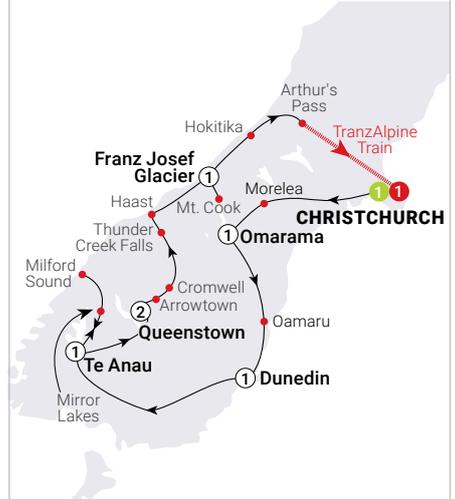
### New Zealand Marvel

14 DAYS • LCCA/LAAC • P70



### Southern Spotlight

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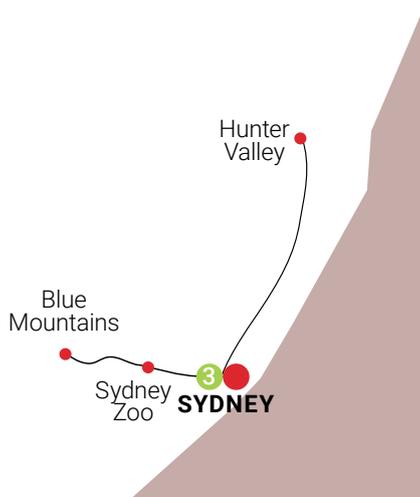


# Short Breaks

With 12 Australian Short Breaks there's plenty of choice for whatever your taste. Discover a single destination or region as a standalone or as an add-on to your longer trip.

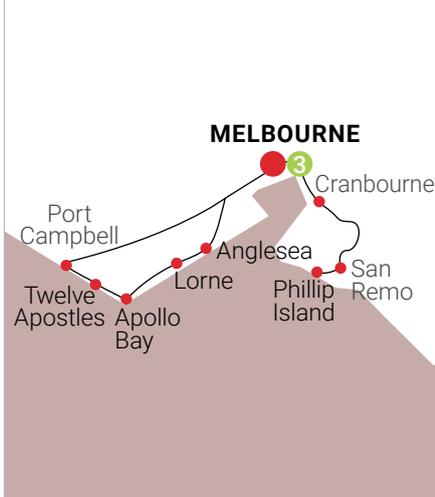
## Sydney & the Blue Mountains

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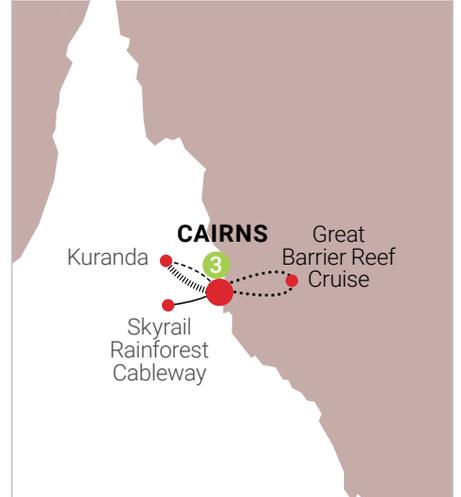
## Melbourne & the Great Ocean Road

4 DAYS • MM11 • P76



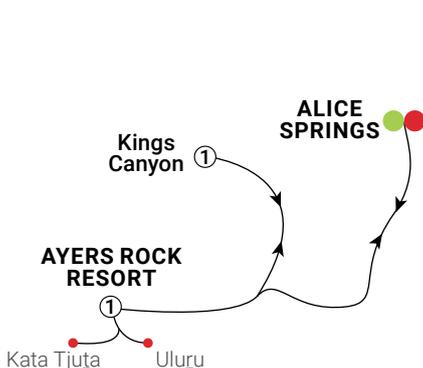
## Cairns & the Great Barrier Reef

4 DAYS • CC11 • P77



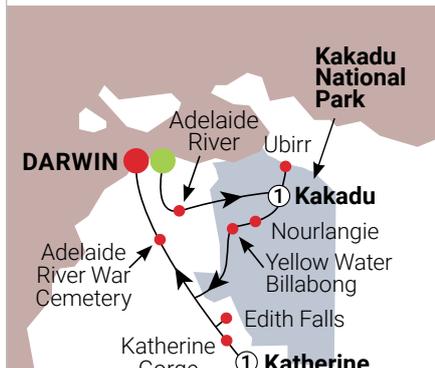
## Uluru & Kings Canyon Discovery

3 DAYS • A3A • P79



## Kakadu & Katherine Gorge

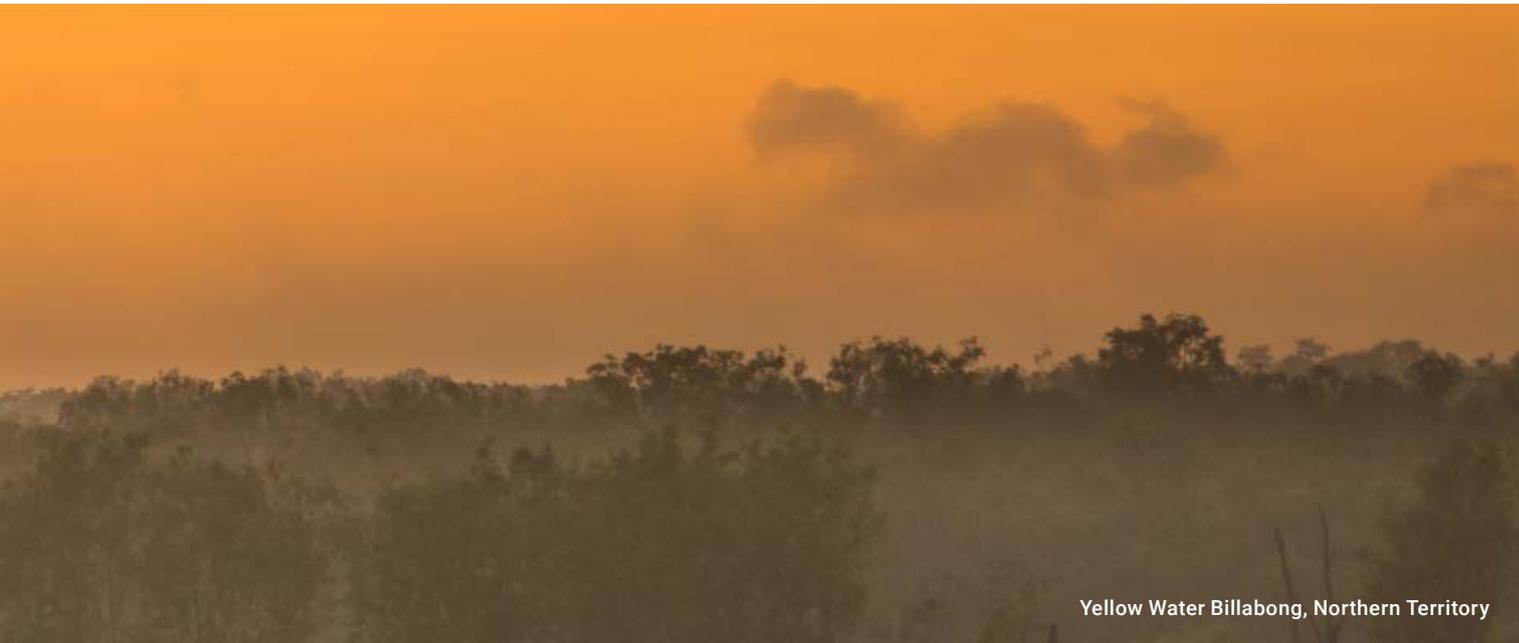
3 DAYS • DG42 • P79



## Kakadu & Tiwi Islands Explorer

3 DAYS • DK40T • P80





Yellow Water Billabong, Northern Territory

**Tropical Reef & Rainforest**  
4 DAYS • PD11 • P77

**Uluru & Kata Tjuta Experience**  
3 DAYS • U3L1 • P78

**Uluru & Kata Tjuta Sights & Sounds**  
3 DAYS • U3A2 • P78

**Kakadu & Arnhem Land Explorer**  
3 DAYS • DK70 • P80

**Arnhem Land, Yellow Water Cruise & Kakadu Waterfalls**  
4 DAYS • DJ59 • P81

**Tropical Top End**  
4 DAYS • DG45 • P81

# First Choice

## Captivating Vacations, Premium Inclusions

For explorers who want to visit wild places with creature comforts, a First Choice Guided Vacation delivers exclusive experiences and quality accommodation around Australia and New Zealand, with everything taken care of by your Travel Director so you can relax and enjoy the adventure.



### **Local Connection**

Sip pinot noir with the winemaker, taste the finest Pavlova in New Zealand, explore an outback station with the owners – exclusive Be My Guest experiences connect you to the heartbeat of Australia and New Zealand.

### **Insider Knowledge**

Our Travel Directors take you places and offer experiences you may never know existed if traveling on your own.

### **Cultural Immersion**

Discover the ancient stories and spiritual cultural sites of the world's oldest culture, as revealed by Indigenous guides.

### **Sustainable Footprints**

We're passionate about protecting the environments and communities we visit for future travelers to discover, and do this in partnership with the TreadRight Foundation.

## **What's included on a First Choice Vacation?**

- All accommodation in premium hotels, lodges and eco-resorts
- More 2 night stays with later starts
- Most meals including daily breakfasts
- Exclusive Be My Guest Experiences
- Wine with all included dinners
- Cultural activities in your destinations
- Community engagement activities
- Travel in purpose-built air-conditioned coaches with reclining seats, and WiFi where available
- All National Park Entrance Fees
- The services of a highly experienced Travel Director
- Luggage handling, transfers and taxes

# Australian Highlights

## Highlights

### Local Connection

Sustainability and stars unite at a pioneering eco-property in the Northern Territory outback. Let the owners decode the night sky.

### Insider Knowledge

Melbourne's best bars, restaurants and boutiques are hidden down graffiti-clad laneways. Our in-the-know guide shows you where.

### Cultural Immersion

Once you've seen the sails of the Sydney Opera House, go backstage with a cultural enthusiast to see magic being made.

### Sustainable Footprints

Some of Australia's legendary wilderness areas – Uluru, Kakadu and Litchfield – are its most fragile. Your National Parks fees preserve them for posterity.

#### 1 Welcome to Melbourne

Get to know your Travel Director and fellow travelers this evening at a Welcome Reception and dinner at a restaurant by the waterfront.

**Hotel: Crowne Plaza, 3 nights. DW**

#### 2 Melbourne

Explore Melbourne on a city sights tour this morning, then discover its gracious arcades, eclectic laneways and vibrant street art on a private walking tour. The rest of the day is at your leisure. You might like to take an optional experience. Perhaps visit Phillip Island to see the famous Penguin Parade, where the world's smallest penguins return from the ocean and waddle endearingly up the wide beach to their sand-dune burrows. Or you may prefer to simply relax, explore the galleries, or experience some of the city's celebrated eateries. **B**

#### 3 Melbourne Free Time

Today is free for you to further explore the delights of Melbourne. Alternatively, you could take an optional experience along the renowned Great Ocean Road to discover a stunning coastline and the towering limestone arches of the Twelve Apostles. In the evening, you might like to take in a production at one of Melbourne's renowned theatres. **B**

#### 4 Melbourne – Alice Springs

Fly to Alice Springs this morning and visit the unique School of the Air to learn how this school-with-a-difference delivers education to children living in remote outback areas. Pause at the historic Overland Telegraph Station, connecting Australia's north and south – with a single wire. This evening, join the Falzon family at Earth Sanctuary World Nature Centre for a home-cooked gourmet Be My Guest BBQ dinner. Later, listen as brothers Tom and Danny speak of their passion for ecology, astronomy and local culture and even lead you on a sing-a-long accompanied by the didgeridoo and guitar. **Hotel: Mercure Alice Springs Resort. B BG**

#### 5 Alice Springs – Uluru

Travel through the red quartzite peaks and gorges of the rugged West MacDonnell Ranges to Ayers Rock Resort, located just a stone's throw away from the sacred, ancient monolith that is known as Uluru by its traditional caretakers, the Anangu people. Journey to Uluru-Kata Tjuta

National Park in time for sparkling wine and a chance to witness first-hand how its rusty walls change color as the sun dips below the horizon. **Hotel: Desert Gardens, Ayers Rock Resort, 2 nights. B**

#### 6 Uluru & Kata Tjuta

This morning, witness the magical Uluru sunrise, then tour the caves at the base of Uluru and marvel at the ancient rock art to be found there. Later, travel over red desert plains to Kata Tjuta, and take a walk at Walpa Gorge through two of the tallest domes of this majestic rock formation. Enjoy sparkling wine with your traveling companions as the sun sets over Kata Tjuta. **B**

#### 7 Uluru – Cairns

Rise early to experience the ethereal Field of Light art installation. Wander through the paths surrounding 50,000 hand-crafted frosted glass spheres of light. As the sun rises, join your fellow travelers on top of a sand dune to watch the desert awakening over Uluru. Meet an Indigenous artist for a fun introduction to Western Desert Art. Your Anangu artist will provide you with cultural insights, explaining the meanings of local totems and assisting you to complete your own painting to take home as a memento of your experience. In the afternoon board your flight to tropical Cairns. **Hotel: Shangri-La, 3 nights. B**

#### 8 Cairns Free Time

On this free day why not take in the view with an optional balloon flight over the Atherton Tablelands? Or explore the Daintree Rainforest on a guided walk. See the rainforest on a Scenic Railway journey to Kuranda returning on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway. Pair your trip to Kuranda with a visit to Hartley's Crocodile Adventures for a wetlands cruise. **B**

#### 9 Great Barrier Reef

Board a sleek, high-speed catamaran today and cruise out to the natural wonder that is the Great Barrier Reef. You'll have the opportunity to go snorkeling (equipment provided), or view the spectacular coral and tropical fish from the underwater observatory and semi-submersible craft. Enjoy a tropical buffet lunch on board before you return to Cairns. After some time to relax, join your traveling companions for an evening meal overlooking the Cairns waterfront. **B L DW**



Sydney Opera House and Harbour Bridge

**10 Cairns – Sydney**

After a leisurely start, this afternoon fly on to Sydney, where your evening is at leisure. **Hotel: InterContinental, 3 nights. B**

**11 Sydney Free Time**

Today is all yours to explore Sydney. The energetic might tackle the iconic Sydney Harbour BridgeClimb, or perhaps you'd prefer to take an excursion to the majestic Blue Mountains to see the soaring Three Sisters rock formation. **B**

**12 Sydney**

Kick off your Sydney discovery with a behind-the-scenes guided tour of the Sydney Opera House. Then see the city from the water on a Harbour Lunch Cruise enjoying a menu focusing on local food and wine. Visit Bondi Beach and soak up the surfer life. This evening, celebrate your vacation with your Travel Director at a Farewell Dinner. **B L FD**

**13 Farewell from Sydney**

Say farewell when your vacation comes to an end this morning after breakfast. **B**



Earth Sanctuary, Alice Springs

From **\$6515\***

per person double share land and internal-vacation airfares

**Departure Dates**

2022		2023	
Apr	10	Jan	01, 08, 15, 22, 29
May	29	Feb	05, 12, 19, 26
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Sep	11, 25		
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Dec	11, 25		

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**Dining**

12 Full breakfasts **B**                      2 Dinners with wine **DW**  
 2 Lunches **L**                                      1 Farewell Dinner **FD**  
 1 Be My Guest dinner **BG**

**Flight Information**

Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 12 noon into Melbourne Airport  
 Day 13 – flights to depart anytime from Sydney Airport

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Day 4 – Melbourne to Alice Springs  
 Day 7 – Ayers Rock to Cairns  
 Day 10 – Cairns to Sydney

**Return airfares from your home port are not included in the price above.**



# Wonders of Australia

## Highlights

### 📍 Local Connection

Meet the Group Sommelier or Winemaker at City Winery in Brisbane, over a discussion about food and wine pairing.

### 🎭 Insider Knowledge

What's the story inside the Sydney Opera House? Learn the history and see the beauty on your behind-the-scenes tour.

### 🌍 Cultural Immersion

Anyone can walk around Brisbane but you'll discover Meeanjin from an Aboriginal perspective, on a guided walking tour.

### 🌱 Sustainable Footprints

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER EXPERIENCE Help prepare a meal for people in need of support at Our Big Kitchen, a community kitchen in Bondi.

## 1 Welcome to Brisbane

Welcome to Brisbane, capital of Queensland. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travel companions at a Welcome Reception, before heading to a unique Be My Guest experience at City Winery, Brisbane's first urban winery. Over dinner hosted by the Group Sommelier or Winemaker, you'll learn about the inner workings of this micro-winery, and the secrets behind perfect food and wine. **Hotel: Adina Apartment, 2 Nights. BG**

## 2 Brisbane

This morning you'll head to Australia Zoo's Wildlife Hospital. Australia's wildlife is uniquely its own and much-loved by the world. Go behind the scenes to see how the Australia Zoo Wildlife Hospital is giving injured wildlife a second chance. Over a twelve-month period, between 6,000 and 8,000 animals are brought to the hospital for lifesaving treatment. Returning to the city, you'll join an indigenous walking tour of Brisbane. Uncover the fascinating history, art, and rich cultural heritage of Meeanjin (Brisbane City) with an Aboriginal guide, whose ancestors inhabited the shores of the Brisbane River for over 40,000 years. The evening is yours, perhaps to explore the trendy bars and restaurants of Brisbane's South Bank. **B**

## 3 Brisbane – Hamilton Island

Fly to an unspoilt island paradise in the very heart of Queensland's Whitsundays, Hamilton Island. Slip straight into relaxation mode as you contemplate life on 'Hamo', as it's affectionately known by locals, marvelling at its long white beaches and teal water, brimming with marine life. Book your spot on a sun lounger at the pool, head for a walk on one of the island's many hiking trails or grab a golf buggy to explore this car-free coastal wonderland at your own pace (driver's licence required). This evening you can enjoy sunset cocktails at One Tree Hill and then enjoy dinner at your hotel. Tomorrow is a bucket-list day of epic proportions. **Hotel: Reef View Hotel, 3 Nights. B DW**

## 4 Great Barrier Reef

Explore the Whitsundays, an island archipelago in the Coral Sea, and your tropical gateway to the iconic Great Barrier Reef. Sail across the impossibly blue waters of the World Heritage listed marine park to explore

the hidden corners and colorful depths of the reef, making a stop at Whitsundays' floating pontoon, the perfect platform from which to experience the amazing marine life and coral of the Whitsundays. Swim or snorkel (equipment provided), before indulging in a buffet lunch, while a whole other world swims peacefully below. Or take an optional experience scenic flight from the pontoon and experience the Great Barrier Reef from above, including the famous Heart Reef, a stunning composition of coral perfectly formed in the shape of a heart. **B L**

## 5 Hamilton Island Free Time

Spend the day in complete relaxation or continue exploring the natural beauty of the island. Enjoy a coffee at the marina or lace up your hiking boots and head up Passage Peak for flagship views across the archipelago. Don your swimming togs for a dip in the warm waters off Catseye Beach, or go in search of Coral Cove, one of the island's most secluded stretches of beach. We highly recommend booking an optional experience catamaran cruise to the stunning silica beach of Whitehaven, the most beautiful beach in the Whitsundays. **B**

## 6 Hamilton Island – Sydney

An easy start to the day gives you some more time to enjoy Hamilton. Savor a leisurely breakfast, sneak in one last swim and soak up the views, soon you'll board your afternoon flight to Sydney. This evening you'll catch the sunset from Sydney's iconic Darling Harbour, watching the city light up around you as you enjoy dinner at a waterside restaurant. **Hotel: Hyatt Regency, Darling Harbour View Room, 3 Nights. B DW**

## 7 Sydney

This morning you'll join a behind-the-scenes Sydney Opera House tour. You'll walk up the steps and under the 'sails' of this iconic building, to delve into the heart and history of one of the world's most beloved opera houses. Then, for a change of scene, you'll head to Sydney's famous Bondi Beach where you are free to wander along the promenade, potter in and out of surf shops or grab a bite to eat at one of Bondi's sidewalk cafés. Active souls can follow the boardwalk as it twists and turns above sandstone cliffs, past Australia's oldest lighthouse for dramatic views across the ocean. This afternoon you'll get involved at Our Big Kitchen,



# Wonders of Australia & New Zealand

## Highlights

### Local Connection

Meet Laura Koot, who hails from a South Island sheep farm and is passionate about the animals she protects.

### Insider Knowledge

You've seen the sails before, but what are the stories backstage at Sydney's Opera House? Discover them with a cultural ambassador.

### Cultural Immersion

It's one thing visiting Brisbane, it's another seeing the city through Indigenous eyes on a walking tour with Meeanjin guides.

### Sustainable Footprints

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER EXPERIENCE Give back to the Sydney community, preparing a meal at Our Big Kitchen in Bondi to feed those in need.

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Meet your Travel Director at a Welcome Reception, before a Be My Guest experience at City Winery, Brisbane's first urban winery. Over a dinner hosted by the Group Sommelier or Winemaker, you'll learn about the inner workings of this micro-winery, which sources grapes from across Australia's celebrated wine regions. **Hotel: Adina Apartment, 2 nights. BG**

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#### 3 Brisbane – Hamilton Island

Fly to Hamilton Island, in the heart of the Whitsundays. Book your spot on a sun lounge at the pool, head for a walk on one of the island's many hiking trails or grab a golf buggy to explore this car-free coastal wonderland at your own pace (driver's licence required). Enjoy sunset cocktails at One Tree Hill with some of the best views over the Whitsundays. **Hotel: Reef View, Hamilton Island, 3 nights. B DW**

#### 4 Great Barrier Reef

Cruise across the blue waters to the hidden corners and colorful depths of the Great Barrier Reef. Swim and snorkel off the floating pontoon and experience the amazing marine life and more than 1,400 species of coral before enjoying a buffet lunch in paradise. Consider an Optional Experience scenic flight to view the Great Barrier Reef from above. **B L**

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#### 6 Hamilton Island – Sydney

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#### 7 Sydney

Walk up the steps and under the sails of the iconic Sydney Opera House on a Behind the Scenes tour with a local guide. Then, for a change of scene, you'll head to Bondi Beach where you're free to wander along the promenade. Later join us at Our Big Kitchen, a community organisation that encourages individuals to help provide meals for those in need. **B**

#### 8 Sydney Free Time

Get your final fix of Sydney. Perhaps get your adrenaline racing with a thrilling walk up (and over) Sydney Harbour Bridge. This evening, join your Travel Director for dinner on a Sydney Harbour cruise. **B DW**

#### 9 Sydney – Queenstown

It's time to say *Hoo Roo* Australia and *Kia Ora* New Zealand as you fly to Queenstown. On arrival, delve into the gold-mining village of Arrowtown. **Hotel: Millennium, 3 nights. B**

#### 10 Queenstown

Get a feel for real country life over a Be My Guest experience with your host, Southern Girl Laura, who was born and raised on a sheep farm in the deep south of New Zealand. Laura is sure you'll leave feeling more like a local than a visitor. Early evening, enjoy a peaceful cruise across Lake Wakatipu aboard the TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak High Country Farm for a gourmet barbecue Highlight Dinner at the Colonel's Homestead, and an entertaining after-dinner farm show. **B HD**



Walter Peak High Country Farm, Queenstown

From **\$7165\***

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1 Lunch <b>L</b>	1 Highlight Dinner <b>HD</b>
1 Be My Guest dinner <b>BG</b>	1 Farewell Dinner <b>FD</b>

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Day 3 – Brisbane to Hamilton Island  
Day 6 – Hamilton Island to Sydney  
Day 9 – Sydney to Queenstown  
Day 12 – Queenstown to Auckland

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### 11 Queenstown Free Time

On this free day, consider an Optional Experience cruise on Milford Sound past sheer cliffs, white-capped peaks and waterfalls. Or tempt your tastebuds on a wine tour of the Otago region. **B**

### 12 Queenstown – Auckland

The City of Sails is beckoning you as you fly to Auckland. The evening is free, so why not dine in the 'heart of the city', Federal Street, a hotspot for food lovers right on your doorstep. **Hotel: The Grand by SkyCity. B**

### 13 Auckland – Rotorua

Join a local guide in a starry wonderland – a cavernous galaxy of twinkling bright green and blue glowworms that light up the Ruakuri Cave at Waitomo. This evening, join your hosts at the Mitai Māori Village for an authentic introduction to Māori culture. Experience a cultural performance and delicious Hangi feast. **Hotel: Millennium, 2 nights. B DW**

### 14 Rotorua

Visit Rainbow Springs Nature Park for a guided tour of the National Kiwi Hatchery Aotearoa, the national leader in kiwi husbandry. Watch the eggs being incubated, the hatching process, and newly hatched kiwi chicks. Continue to the Living Māori Village Whakarewarewa and gain insights into the lives of the Māori people and the special bond they share with this ancient land. Later join your Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner at Terrace Kitchen on the lakefront, with dishes featuring ingredients just picked from the onsite garden. **B FD**

### 15 Farewell from Rotorua and Auckland

Bid farewell to your epic Antipodean adventure as you are transferred from Rotorua to Auckland Airport for your onward flight. **B**



- **START**
- **END**
- ① Number of night stays
- Sightseeing stops



# Australia & New Zealand Panorama

## Highlights

### Local Connection

Meet Laura Koot, who hails from a South Island sheep farm and is passionate about the animals she protects.

### Insider Knowledge

Dig deep with a volunteer at Wendy's Secret Garden; and an insect fanatic at Ruakuri Glowworm Grotto.

### Cultural Immersion

NZ's Indigenous culture is strong, as demonstrated at Mitai Māori Village over a hangi meal and traditional performance.

### Sustainable Footprints

Help ensure the future of rare kiwi birds when you visit the National Hatchery, an important breeding place for NZ's icon.



## 1 Welcome to Melbourne

On arrival in Melbourne you'll be transferred to your hotel. Early this evening, meet your Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and dinner. **Hotel: Crowne Plaza, 2 nights. DW**

## 2 Melbourne

Join your Travel Director for an exploration of Melbourne's famous hidden laneways. You'll discover the city's eclectic arcades, café society and fascinating street art. The rest of your day is free. **B**

## 3 Melbourne – Cairns

This morning you'll fly to Cairns, Queensland. On arrival join a local expert for a private wildlife journey at Hartley's Crocodile Adventures. On a boat cruise you'll encounter koalas, wallabies, birds and of course, crocodiles! Then join us and take part in a Rainforest Restoration project to protect this natural Wonder. **Hotel: Hilton, 3 nights. B**

## 4 Great Barrier Reef

Get ready for an experience of a lifetime when you board a high-speed catamaran and cruise to the outer edge of the Great Barrier Reef. View the spectacular coral and tropical fish from the underwater observatory and semi-submersible craft. You'll have the opportunity to go snorkeling and experience this natural wonder up-close (equipment provided). Enjoy a tropical buffet lunch before you return to Cairns. **B L**

## 5 Cairns Free Time

Enhance your free day with an optional experience. Perhaps embark on a Scenic Railway journey to Kuranda to explore 'the village in the rainforest' and take the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway on the return journey through some of the oldest rainforest in the world. Tonight, join your companions for dinner at Ochre Restaurant on the waterfront. **B DW**

## 6 Cairns – Sydney

This morning you'll fly to Sydney. On arrival there's time to relax before boarding a Dinner Cruise. Enjoy your meal and the mesmerising views. Pass magnificent waterfront homes and parklands and all the main harbor attractions including the Harbour Bridge and Opera House. **Hotel: Hyatt Regency, Darling Harbour View Room, 3 nights. B DW**

## 7 Sydney

Today you'll explore the vibrant Inner West of Sydney. Tour Newtown, a community rich with a lively culture and home to numerous street art sites. Continue through Marrickville, recently named the 10th 'coolest' and most liveable neighbourhood in the world. In Dulwich Hill you'll visit Dear Delicious café. Meet owner Greg in his sustainable garden and learn how he has brought urban farming to the community. Enjoy a Be My Guest lunch made with fresh local produce. Around the corner is Batch Brewery where you'll meet owner Andrew. Take part in a masterclass and learn how they combine creatively inspired limited release batches with sustainable practices. **B BG**

## 8 Sydney

Visit Wendy's Secret Garden at Lavender Bay, overlooking Sydney Harbour. Meet a local volunteer and learn the story of how the garden was formed from unused wasteland and how it is maintained by a group of volunteer gardeners. Most importantly, your visit provides a contribution to the ongoing maintenance of the enchanting garden. This evening join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for dinner on the harborfront. **B DW**

## 9 Sydney – Queenstown

This morning say farewell to Sydney and fly to Queenstown, where upon arrival you'll travel to the faithfully restored, enchanting gold mining settlement of Arrowtown. Back in Queenstown the evening is free to explore the many walkable bars and restaurants before resting up at your hotel. **Hotel: Millennium, 3 nights. B**

## 10 Queenstown

Get a feel for real country life this morning at a Be My Guest experience with your host, Southern Girl Laura, who was born and raised on a sheep farm in the deep south of New Zealand. Try your hand at sheep mustering, whip cracking as well as the chance to feed and pet the farm animals. Laura is sure you'll leave feeling more like a local than a visitor. Early evening, enjoy a peaceful cruise across Lake Wakatipu aboard the steamship TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak High Country Farm for a gourmet barbecue Highlight Dinner at the Colonel's Homestead, and an entertaining after-dinner farm show. **B HD**



Great Barrier Reef

From **\$7040\***

per person double share land and internal-vacation airfares

### Departure Dates

2022		2023	
Apr	14	Jan	19
May	12	Feb	02, 16
Jun	30	Mar	02, 09, 23
Sep	01, 29		
Oct	13		
Nov	10		
Dec	01, 29		

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### Dining

- 14 Full breakfasts **B**
- 1 Be My Guest lunch **BG**
- 1 Lunch **L**
- 2 Highlight Dinners **HD**
- 4 Dinners with wine **DW**
- 1 Farewell Dinner **FD**

### Flight Information

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 12 noon into Melbourne Airport
- Day 15 – flights to depart after 2.00pm from Auckland Airport

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- Day 3 – Melbourne to Cairns
- Day 6 – Cairns to Sydney
- Day 9 – Sydney to Queenstown
- Day 12 – Queenstown to Auckland

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#### 11 Queenstown Free Time

On your final day in Queenstown, why not take an optional experience to breathtaking Milford Sound for a cruise on the majestic fiord? Or, if you prefer, you could sample the flavors of this world-renowned wine region, and tour three premium boutique vineyards in the Otago region. **B**

#### 12 Queenstown – Auckland

Depart Queenstown and fly north to Auckland. The evening is free, so why not dine in the ‘heart of the city’, Federal Street, a hotspot for food lovers right on your doorstep. **Hotel: The Grand by SkyCity. B**

#### 13 Auckland – Rotorua

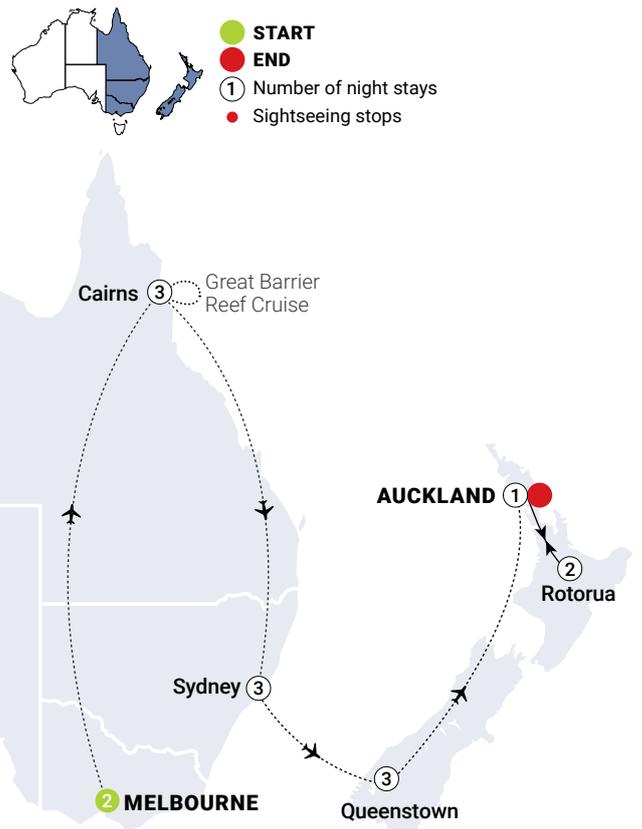
Journey through King Country, which was at the center of the New Zealand Wars in the 1860s. Join a local guide in a starry wonderland, a cavernous galaxy of twinkling bright green and blue glowworms that light up the Ruakuri Caves at Waitomo. This evening, join your hosts at the Mitai Māori Village for an authentic introduction to Māori culture. Experience a cultural performance and then feast on succulent meats and vegetables cooked in a Hangi. **Hotel: Millennium, 2 nights. B HD**

#### 14 Rotorua

Visit Rainbow Springs Nature Park for a guided tour of the National Kiwi Hatchery Aotearoa, the national leader in kiwi husbandry. Continue to the Living Māori Village Whakarewarewa and gain insights into the lives of the Māori people and the special bond they share with this ancient land. Later join your Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner at Terrace Kitchen on the lakefront, with dishes featuring ingredients just picked from the onsite garden. **B FD**

#### 15 Farewell from Rotorua and Auckland

Time to bid you farewell as you are transferred from Rotorua to Auckland Airport for your onward flight. **B**



# Contrasts of Australia & New Zealand

## Highlights

### 📍 Local Connection

The Weston family broke records with the motorcycle designed in their garage. See where the magic happened over morning tea.

### 🍺 Insider Knowledge

Craft beer is big business in Sydney, and you'll discover how it's made in a neighbourhood brewery masterclass.

### 🌿 Cultural Immersion

Indigenous culture is celebrated and sustained at Tamaki Māori Village. You'll enjoy a traditional hangi meal and revealing cultural performance.

### 🌱 Sustainable Footprints

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER EXPERIENCE Wendy's Secret Garden is one of Sydney's most enchanting hideaways, its future ensured thanks to your visit.

## 1 Welcome to Melbourne

Get to know your Travel Director and fellow travelers this evening at a Welcome Reception and dinner. **Hotel: Crowne Plaza, 2 nights. DW**

## 2 Melbourne

Explore Melbourne on a city sights tour this morning, then discover its historic arcades, eclectic laneways and vibrant street art on a private walking tour. You'll have the rest of the day free. **B**

## 3 Melbourne – Cairns

Depart Melbourne by air this morning for Cairns, where you'll join a local expert for a wildlife journey at Hartley's Crocodile Adventures. Enjoy a cruise where you're sure to encounter koalas, wallabies and crocodiles. Then join us and take part in a Rainforest Restoration project to protect this natural wonder. **Hotel: Hilton, 3 nights. B**

## 4 Great Barrier Reef

Board a high-speed catamaran today and cruise out to the iconic Great Barrier Reef. You'll have the opportunity to go snorkeling (equipment provided), or view the spectacular coral and tropical fish from the underwater observatory and semi-submersible craft. Enjoy a tropical buffet lunch on board before you return to Cairns. **B L**

## 5 Cairns Free Time

Enhance your free day with one of our recommended optional experiences. Embark on a Scenic Railway journey to Kuranda to explore 'the village in the rainforest' and take the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway on the return journey through some of the oldest rainforest in the world. Tonight, join your companions for dinner at Ochre Restaurant on the waterfront. **B DW**

## 6 Cairns – Sydney

This morning you'll fly to Sydney, where you'll have time to relax or explore before boarding a Dinner Cruise. Glide past magnificent waterfront homes, the legendary Harbour Bridge and Sydney Opera House. **Hotel: Hyatt Regency, Darling Harbour View Room, 3 nights. B DW**

## 7 Sydney

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## 8 Sydney

Visit Wendy's Secret Garden at Lavender Bay, overlooking Sydney Harbour. Meet a local volunteer and learn the story of how the garden was formed from unused wasteland and how it is maintained by a group of volunteer gardeners. Most importantly, your visit provides a contribution to the ongoing maintenance of the enchanting garden. This evening join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for dinner on the harborfront. **B DW**

## 9 Sydney – Auckland

Fly across the Tasman Sea to the island nation of New Zealand. You'll meet your Travel Director over dinner this evening at Gusto at the Grand, at your hotel. **Hotel: The Grand by SkyCity, 2 nights. B DW**

## 10 Auckland

A morning city sightseeing tour is followed by free time when you can relax or explore along the waterfront. **B**

## 11 Auckland – Rotorua

On arrival in Rotorua, visit Rainbow Springs Nature Park for a guided tour of the National Kiwi Hatchery Aotearoa, the country's leader in kiwi husbandry. Learn about the work being done to save this rare, native bird. This evening, enjoy a Hangi Highlight Dinner and cultural performance at the Tamaki Māori Village. **Hotel: Millennium. B HD**



Milford Sound

From **\$8519\***

per person double share land and internal-vacation airfares

### Departure Dates

2022		2023	
Apr	14	Jan	05, 12, 19, 26
May	12	Feb	02, 09, 16, 23
Jun	02, 30	Mar	02, 09, 16, 23, 30
Sep	01, 15, 29		
Oct	13		
Nov	10, 17, 24		
Dec	01, 08, 15, 29		

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### Dining

- 17 Full breakfasts **B**
- 1 Be My Guest lunch **BG**
- 2 Lunches **L**
- 1 Be My Guest morning tea **BG**
- 2 Highlight Dinners **HD**
- 6 Dinners with wine **DW**
- 1 Farewell Dinner **FD**

### Flight Information

Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 12 noon into Melbourne Airport  
 Day 18 – flights to depart anytime from Christchurch Airport

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- Day 3 – Melbourne to Cairns
- Day 6 – Cairns to Sydney
- Day 9 – Sydney to Auckland
- Day 12 – Auckland to Queenstown

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#### 12 Rotorua – Auckland - Queenstown

Enjoy breakfast in the charming village of Hobbiton, the movie set of The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit Trilogies. Enjoy breakfast 'on set' before you're treated to a guided tour stopping in the Alexander family sheep farm, past Hobbit Holes, the the Mill. Return to Auckland to board your flight to Queenstown. **Hotel: Millennium, 3 nights. B**

#### 13 Milford Sound Cruise

Travel through Fiordland National Park to glorious Milford Sound. Cruise among sheer cliffs, massive waterfalls, glaciers and rainforest before you return to Queenstown in the late afternoon. **B L**

#### 14 Queenstown Free Time

Explore exciting Queenstown your way today. This evening join your fellow travelers for a Highlight Dinner at Postmasters Cottage. **B HD**

#### 15 Queenstown – Lake Tekapo

Leave the alpine wonderland for Lake Tekapo, traveling through Arrowtown, and Cromwell with its gorgeous stone fruit before viewing the Church of the Good Shepherd. Spend the evening stargazing in the UNESCO Aoraki Mackenzie International Dark Sky Reserve. **Hotel: Peppers Bluewater Resort. B DW**

#### 16 Lake Tekapo – Christchurch

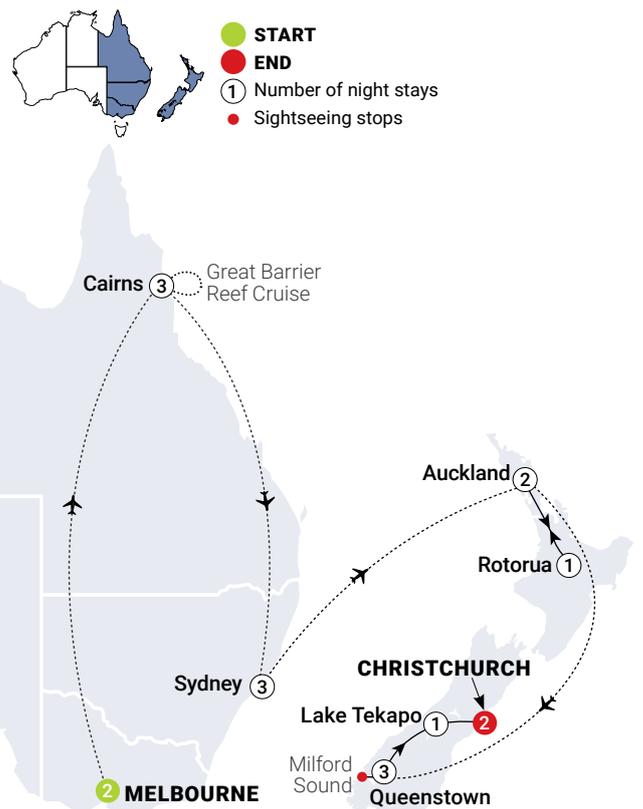
Travel through South Canterbury, visiting the charming village of Geraldine on your way to Christchurch. **Hotel: Distinction, 2 nights. B**

#### 17 Christchurch

After a city sights tour, you're invited by hosts Tim and Isabelle Weston for a unique Be My Guest experience over morning tea in their home, which was formerly horse stables. This evening, join your Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. **B BG FD**

#### 18 Farewell from Christchurch

Say farewell to new-found friends as you are transferred to Christchurch Airport for your onward flight. **B**



# Highlights of Australia & New Zealand

## Highlights

### 📍 Local Connection

Nothing dazzles like the NT outback's night sky, as you'll discover visiting a pioneering family-owned eco-property.

### 🗨️ Insider Knowledge

The magic of World Heritage listed Milford Sound comes to life when you're cruising in the company of NZ's most informed guides.

### 🍴 Cultural Immersion

If you've never eaten a hangi, you're missing out. It's on the menu at Tamaki Māori Village, celebrating NZ's cultural heritage and preserving traditions.

### 🌿 Sustainable Footprints

Your vacation of a lifetime protects Uluru, Kakadu and Litchfield, with National Parks fees preserving Australia's immense wilderness areas.

### 1 Welcome to Melbourne

Meet your Travel Director this evening at a Welcome Reception and dinner. **Hotel: Crowne Plaza, 3 nights. DW**

### 2 Melbourne

Explore Melbourne on a city sights tour this morning, and then discover its gracious arcades, eclectic laneways and vibrant street art on a private walking tour. The rest of your day is free. **B**

### 3 Melbourne Free Time

Today is free to further explore Melbourne. Consider an optional experience trip along the Great Ocean Road or visit Phillip Island to witness the Penguin Parade. **B**

### 4 Melbourne – Alice Springs

Fly to Alice Springs and visit the School of the Air and the historic Telegraph Station. Join the Falzon family for a home-cooked Be My Guest gourmet barbecue dinner. **Hotel: Mercure Alice Springs Resort. B BG**

### 5 Alice Springs – Uluru

Travel through the West MacDonnell Ranges to Uluru. Sparkling wine is served as you watch the sun set over the world's largest monolith. **Hotel: Desert Gardens, Ayers Rock Resort, 2 nights. B**

### 6 Uluru & Kata Tjuta

Witness the magical Uluru sunrise, and then hear stories of the Anangu, caretakers of this remote arid landscape, while touring the base of Uluru. Later, travel over red desert plains to Kata Tjuta, and take a walk through the towering domes of this majestic rock formation. Share sparkling wine with your traveling companions over another glorious sunset. **B**

### 7 Uluru – Cairns

Depart the resort in total darkness for the short drive to Bruce Munro's renowned Field of Light. Later, join an Indigenous artist for a fun introduction to Western Desert Art. In the afternoon, fly to Cairns in Tropical North Queensland. **Hotel: Shangri-La, 3 nights. B**

### 8 Cairns Free Time

Today is free time here with many tempting optional experiences. **B**

### 9 Great Barrier Reef

Board a high-speed catamaran and cruise to the iconic Great Barrier Reef. You can go snorkeling (equipment provided), or view the coral and tropical fish from the underwater observatory and semi-submersible craft. Enjoy a tropical buffet lunch on board before you return to Cairns. Dine tonight at a restaurant on the waterfront. **B L DW**

### 10 Cairns – Sydney

This afternoon you'll fly to Sydney for an evening at leisure in this harbor city. **Hotel: InterContinental, 3 nights. B**

### 11 Sydney Free Time

You have a full day to explore – the choice is yours. **B**

### 12 Sydney

Begin your day with a behind-the-scenes guided tour of the Sydney Opera House before a Sydney Harbour Lunch Cruise enjoying million-dollar views. Later, feel the sand between your toes at Bondi Beach. Celebrate your time in Australia with dinner at Portside Restaurant, under the sails of the Opera House. **B DW**

### 13 Sydney – Auckland

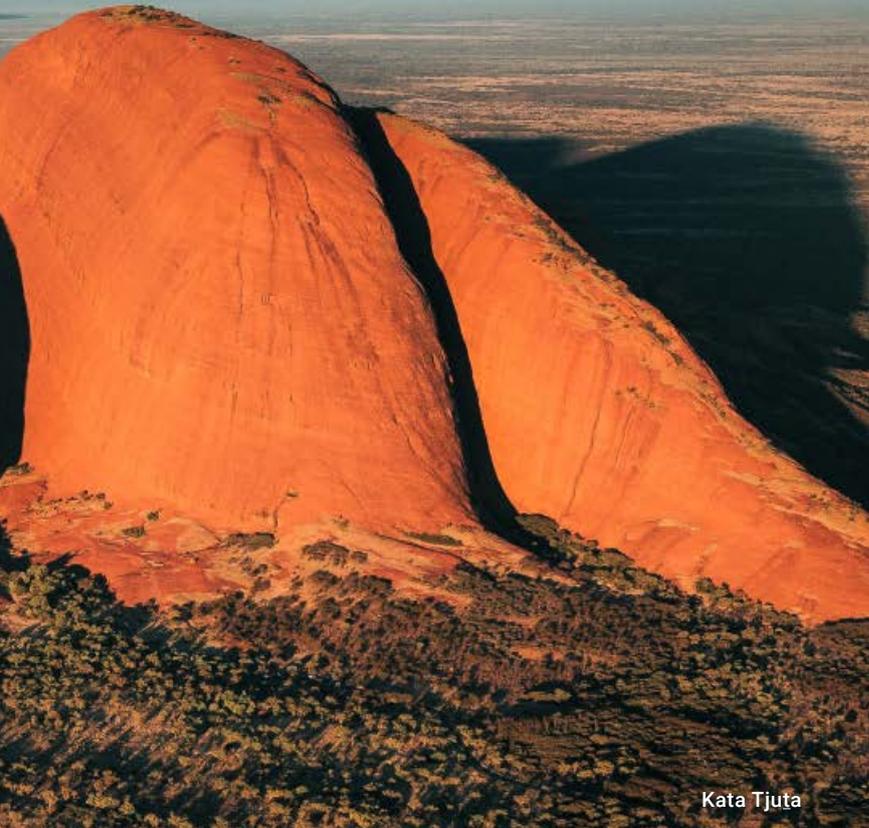
Fly across the Tasman Sea this morning to the island nation of New Zealand, and meet your Travel Director for dinner at your hotel. **Hotel: The Grand by SkyCity, 2 nights. B DW**

### 14 Auckland

A morning city sightseeing tour is followed by free time to relax or explore Auckland. Perhaps join an optional experience to Waiheke Island for a wine tour. **B**

### 15 Auckland – Rotorua

In Rotorua, visit Rainbow Springs Nature Park and learn about New Zealand's national bird and the work being done to save it and how your visit contributes to it. An evening of culture and history awaits you at the Tamaki Māori Village. Enjoy a cultural performance and Highlight Dinner, an authentic Māori Hangi steamed underground in the traditional way. **Hotel: Millennium. B HD**



Kata Tjuta

**16 Rotorua – Auckland – Queenstown**

Enjoy breakfast in the charming village of Hobbiton, the movie set of the iconic The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit Trilogies, before continuing to Auckland to board your flight to Queenstown. **Hotel: Millennium, 3 nights. B**

**17 Milford Sound**

Travel along the shores of Lake Wakatipu and over the Devil’s Staircase to Te Anau. At Mirror Lakes, stroll the winding boardwalks and then head to the Chasm. At Milford Sound, cruise past sheer cliffs, massive waterfalls, glaciers and white-capped peaks. **B L**

**18 Queenstown Free Time**

Relax and explore in Queenstown today. This evening join your fellow travelers for a Highlight Dinner at Postmasters Cottage. **B HD**

**19 Queenstown – Lake Tekapo**

Visit the historic gold-mining village of Arrowtown before indulging in delicious stone fruit at Cromwell. Spend the evening stargazing in the UNESCO Aoraki Mackenzie International Dark Sky Reserve. **Hotel: Peppers Bluewater Resort. B DW**

**20 Lake Tekapo – Christchurch**

Head north through South Canterbury en route to Christchurch, a city coming back to life in a whole new way. **Hotel: Distinction, 2 nights. B**

**21 Christchurch**

Meet Isabelle and Tim Weston for a By My Guest morning tea at their home, Britten Stables. Formerly horse stables, the couple restored the property and transformed it into the exquisite home it is today. Spend the last evening with your Travel Director at a Farewell Dinner. **B BG FD**

**22 Farewell from Christchurch**

Say farewell when your vacation comes to an end this morning after breakfast and you are transferred to Christchurch Airport for your onward flight. **B**

From **\$10935\***

per person double share land and internal-vacation airfares

**Departure Dates**

2022		2023	
Apr	10	Jan	01, 08, 15, 22, 29
May	29	Feb	05, 12, 19, 26
Jun	26	Mar	05, 12, 19, 26
Aug	28		
Sep	11, 25		
Oct	09, 30		
Nov	06, 13, 20, 27		
Dec	11, 25		

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**Dining**

- 21 Full breakfasts **B**
- 1 Be My Guest morning tea **BG**
- 3 Lunches **L**
- 1 Be My Guest dinner **BG**
- 4 Dinners with wine **DW**
- 2 Highlight Dinners **HD**
- 1 Farewell Dinner **FD**

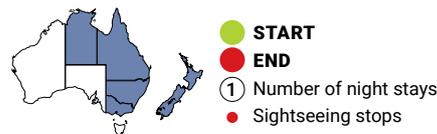
**Flight Information**

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 Day 22 – flights to depart anytime from Christchurch Airport

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- Day 4 – Melbourne to Alice Springs
- Day 7 – Ayers Rock to Cairns
- Day 10 – Cairns to Sydney
- Day 13 – Sydney to Auckland
- Day 16 – Auckland to Queenstown

**Return airfares from your home port are not included in the price above.**



# Outback Adventure

## Highlights

### Local Connection

Discover the dazzling night sky in the middle of the outback, glimpsed from a ground-breaking, off-grid eco-property.

### Insider Knowledge

Those in the know take you behind the scenes for exclusive moments in vineyards, opal caves and remote Kakadu billabongs.

### Cultural Immersion

Learn the legends behind 40,000-year-old rock art that decorates humbling sites at Ubirr in Kakadu.

### Sustainable Footprints

Your travels help protect Australia's most magical wilderness areas, including Litchfield National Park, Kakadu and Uluru-Kata Tjuta.



### 1 Welcome to Adelaide

On arrival today, explore the major sights of the city. Later, join a local food expert for a guided tour of the vibrant Adelaide Central Market. Relax this evening at a Welcome Reception and dinner. **Hotel: Crowne Plaza. DW**

### 2 Adelaide – Flinders Ranges

Drive through the rolling hills of the Clare Valley for a wine tasting at the historic Knappstein Enterprise Winery. Continue to Hawker, where you'll meet local artist Jeff and view his spectacular 30 meter panoramic painting of the Flinders Ranges. Later, travel through the ranges to Wilpena Pound. **Hotel: Wilpena Pound Resort. B DW**

### 3 Flinders Ranges – Port Augusta

Take a walk with your Travel Director to the faithfully-restored Hills Homestead and Wangara Lookout, which affords panoramic views over Wilpena Pound. Journey through the historic town of Quorn to Port Augusta. Visit Wadlata Outback Centre before dining at a local restaurant. **Hotel: Majestic Oasis Apartments. B DW**

### 4 Port Augusta – Coober Pedy

Visit a former rocket-testing site at Woomera before traveling through salt-lake country to isolated Coober Pedy, regarded by many as the opal capital of the world. View an opal demonstration with a local expert, who'll then lead you through some of the town's iconic underground buildings. **Hotel: Desert Cave. B DW**

### 5 Coober Pedy – Uluru

Cross the border into the Northern Territory and continue to Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. Sparkling wine is served this evening as you witness the sunset over Australia's most renowned natural landmark. **Guests join this afternoon in Uluru (Code: NUAD). Hotel: Desert Gardens, Ayers Rock Resort, 2 nights. B**

### 6 Uluru Sunrise – Kata Tjuta

Rise early to experience a majestic Uluru sunrise. After a tour of the base of Uluru, take a guided walk to the Mutitjulu Waterhole where your Travel Director will explain the significance of the ancient Aboriginal rock paintings you'll encounter. This afternoon's journey

takes you to Kata Tjuta, thirty-six domes of red-hued sedimentary rock, where you'll toast another magnificent sunset. **B**

### 7 Uluru – Kings Canyon

Consider an optional experience and rise early to visit the soul-stirring art installation in the desert, the Field of Light, 50,000 frosted glass spheres of light in colors of ochre, deep violet, blue and white. Travel through a stark red desert landscape to awe-inspiring Kings Canyon. The 6-kilometer walk around the rim of the canyon will reward you with marvellous views of Watarrka National Park. A shorter, more relaxed walk takes you along the sandy creek bed. **Hotel: Kings Canyon Resort. B DW**

### 8 Kings Canyon – Alice Springs

Traveling past vast cattle properties, you'll develop a true appreciation for the magnitude of the Australian outback. On arrival in Alice Springs visit the historic Telegraph Station and learn how it relayed messages between Darwin and Adelaide for 60 years. **Hotel: DoubleTree by Hilton, 2 nights. B**

### 9 Alice Springs

Join a local Aboriginal guide at Alice Springs Desert Park to learn about the culture and traditions of the Arrernte People. Then visit the headquarters of the Royal Flying Doctor Service. This evening, join the Falzon family at Earth Sanctuary World Nature Centre for a Be My Guest barbecue dinner. Hear from brothers, Tom and Danny, about the sustainable lifestyle they have established. **B BG**

### 10 Alice Springs – Tennant Creek

Visit the legendary School of the Air, then travel north, stopping at Wycliffe Well, where you need to keep an eye out for a UFO! Your next stop is just as intriguing – Karlu Karlu, an outcrop of precariously-balanced granite boulders. You'll stay tonight in the former gold-mining town of Tennant Creek. **Hotel: Bluestone Motor Inn. B DW**

### 11 Tennant Creek – Katherine

Call in to the quirky Daly Waters Pub before continuing to Mataranka, where a swim in the warm, crystal-clear waters of the thermal springs is a must-do. Travel on to Katherine. **Hotel: Paraway Motel. B DW**



Kings Canyon Resort

From **\$5804**

per person double share land only

**NAAD: Adelaide to Darwin (15 Days)**

**Departure Dates**

2022		2022 continued	
Apr	12, 26	Jul	05, 19
May	10, 24	Aug	02, 16, 30
Jun	07, 21	Sep	13, 27

From **\$4502**

per person double share land only

**NUAD: Ayers Rock to Darwin (11 Days)**

**Departure Dates**

2022		2022 continued	
Apr	02, 16, 30	Aug	06, 20
May	14, 28	Sep	03, 17
Jun	11, 25	Oct	01
Jul	09, 23		

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**Dining**

- 14 Full breakfasts B
- 8 Dinners with wine DW
- 1 Be My Guest dinner BG
- 1 Farewell Dinner FD

**Flight Information**

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 12.30pm into Adelaide Airport
  - Day 5 – flights to arrive prior to 3.00pm into Ayers Rock Airport (NUAD)
  - Day 15 – flights to depart anytime from Darwin Airport
- Flights are not included in the vacation price**

**12 Katherine – Kakadu National Park**

Travel to Nitmiluk National Park and take a tranquil cruise along the spectacular Katherine Gorge. Then journey deep into Kakadu for a cruise on Yellow Water Billabong, famed for its birdlife and estuarine crocodiles. **Hotel: Mercure Kakadu Crocodile, Jabiru. B DW**

**13 Kakadu – Darwin**

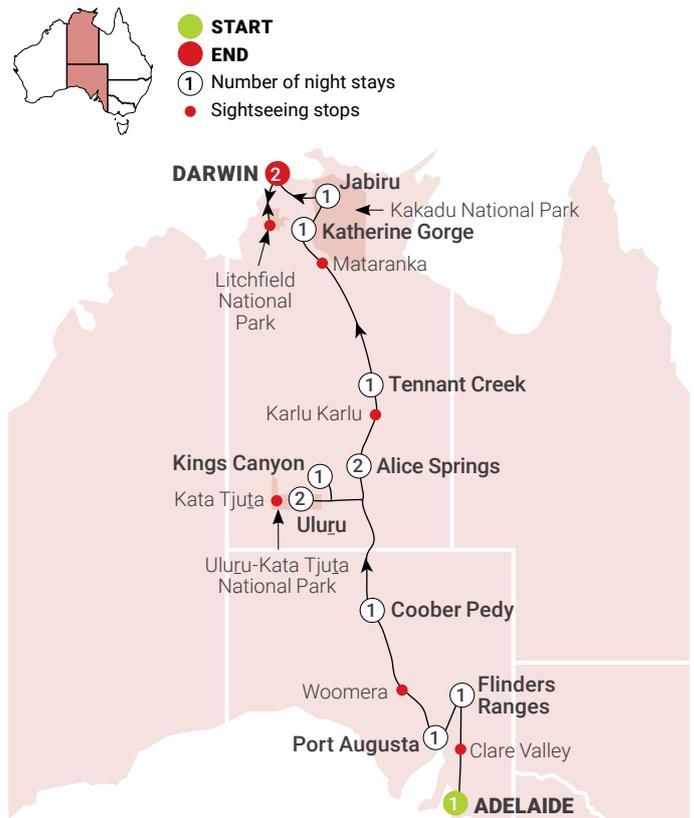
Visit Ubirr, one of Kakadu's renowned Aboriginal rock art sites, then walk to nearby Nadab Lookout, for views over the surrounding wetlands. After an orientation on arrival in Darwin, the evening is free for you to explore. **Hotel: DoubleTree by Hilton, 2 nights. B**

**14 Litchfield National Park**

Travel to Litchfield National Park, pausing to examine the park's amazing termite mounds. Stop to view Florence Falls, then venture on to Wangi Falls to swim in the large waterhole before heading back to Darwin. Join your Travel Director for a Darwin Harbour Farewell Dinner Cruise. **B FD**

**15 Farewell from Darwin**

Say farewell to your fellow travelers when your vacation comes to an end after breakfast. **B**



Ubirr Rock Art

# Untamed Kimberley

## Highlights

### 📍 Local Connection

Kununurra's sandalwood is exported globally, and supports many in the community. Discover how while dining amid a plantation.

### 🗨️ Insider Knowledge

The Ord River and Lake Argyle are among Australia's most immense. On a sunset Kununurra cruise, your guide will reveal their formation.

### 🎨 Cultural Immersion

The Aboriginal work on display at an Art Centre tells an intimate tale of sustaining Kimberley culture over generations.

### 🌿 Sustainable Footprints

From its reefs to its deserts, the Kimberley nurtures fragile ecosystems. Your National Park fees help fund vital protection projects.

## 1 Welcome to Darwin

Life in cosmopolitan Darwin, Australia's only tropical capital, is vibrant but unhurried. Take an afternoon tour of the city, then enjoy a Welcome Reception and dinner this evening with your Travel Director and fellow travelers at a restaurant that affords spectacular waterfront views. **Hotel: Vibe Darwin Waterfront. DW**

## 2 Darwin – Katherine

Travel south along the Stuart Highway today, stopping at Adelaide River's poignant War Cemetery. This afternoon, travel via Katherine to Nitmiluk National Park, where a tranquil cruise along the spectacular Katherine Gorge will allow you to sense the spirituality of the land. Catch glimpses of wildlife and learn about the history and culture of the local traditional owners, the Jawoyn people. Later on you'll meet Tom Curtain during his entertaining show at the Katherine Outback Experience. **Hotel: Paraway Motel. B DW**

## 3 Katherine – Kununurra

Watch the landscape transform dramatically as you journey across vast pastoral leases and Aboriginal homelands into Western Australia. Pause at the historic Durack Homestead, built in 1895. Later, cruise along the Ord River, which supports an abundance of native fish, birds and marsupials. Experience a magical sunset over the water before your arrival in Kununurra. **Hotel: Kununurra Country Club Resort, 2 nights. B DW**

## 4 Kununurra

Today you may choose between an optional experience early-morning scenic flight over the spectacular beehive-shaped towers of the Bungle Bungle Range including a 1 kilometer guided walk. Otherwise tour Kununurra with your Travel Director. This evening, dine on locally-grown produce at a privately-hosted Be My Guest dinner in the heart of Kununurra's sandalwood plantations. **B BG**

## 5 Kununurra – Emma Gorge

Go behind the scenes of a family-owned rum distillery, before you try their famous Ord River Rum Cake for morning tea. Travel on to the Gibb River Road to your safari-style tented cabin nestled in an oasis of native pandanus and palms at the foot of the red-hued Cockburn Ranges in the El Questro Wilderness Park. **Hotel: Emma Gorge Resort, Tented Cabin with private facilities, El Questro, 2 nights. B DW**

## 6 El Questro Wilderness Park

Awake to the calls of native birds, and after breakfast, explore El Questro Wilderness Park. Later, cruise on Chamberlain Gorge, an extensive waterhole fringed by tropical vegetation and soaring escarpments. Enjoy a free afternoon, perhaps taking a dip in the pool, relaxing with a good book on your cabin's veranda, or joining your Travel Director for a hike to Emma Gorge for a dip in its crystal-clear waterhole. **B DW**

## 7 Emma Gorge – Halls Creek

Today join a local Indigenous guide for a tour of the famous Argyle Diamond Mine, the world's largest source of colored diamonds. Continue south to the historic town of Halls Creek. **Hotel: Kimberley. B L DW**

## 8 Halls Creek – Fitzroy Crossing

Travel on to the remote township of Fitzroy Crossing, stopping en route at Halls Creek to visit an Indigenous art gallery with a chance to meet the Indigenous artists. This afternoon, cruise with a local guide through magnificent Geikie Gorge, watching for freshwater crocodiles, fruit-bats and wallabies as the 30-meter walls of the gorge tower above you. **Hotel: Fitzroy River Lodge. B L DW**

## 9 Fitzroy Crossing – Broome

Travel through spectacular landscapes today en route to the former pearling outpost of Broome. Enjoy a town tour with your Travel Director, visiting the fascinating Japanese Cemetery and nearby Gantheaume Point, whose rugged red cliffs rise in stark contrast to the cobalt blue waters. Relax with a drink while the sun sets over the Indian Ocean. **Hotel: Cable Beach Club Resort & Spa, 2 nights. B**



Emma Gorge

**10 Broome Free Time**

Today is yours to explore this tropical hideaway. Consider an optional experience and take a scenic flight over and thrilling boat ride on the Horizontal Falls (pre book as it sells out). Or enjoy a leisurely stroll along the pristine sands of Cable Beach and swim in its turquoise waters. Join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner. **B FD**

**11 Farewell from Broome**

Say farewell to your new-found friends when your vacation comes to an end after breakfast. **B**



Bungle Bungle Range (Optional Experience)

From **\$6163**

per person double share land only

**WDB: Darwin to Broome**

**Departure Dates**

2022		2022 continued	
May	10, 24	Aug	02, 09, 16, 30
Jun	07, 21	Sep	13
Jul	05, 12, 19		

From **\$6163**

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**WBD: Broome to Darwin**

**Departure Dates**

2022		2022 continued	
May	20	Aug	05, 19
Jun	03	Sep	02, 09, 16
Jul	01, 08, 22, 29		

A limited number of single rooms are available. Ask your travel agent at time of booking.

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**Dining**

- 10 Full breakfasts **B**
- 2 Lunches **L**
- 1 Be My Guest dinner **BG**
- 7 Dinners with wine **DW**
- 1 Farewell Dinner **FD**

**Flight Information**

WDB: Darwin to Broome

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 2.00pm into Darwin Airport
- Day 11 – flights to depart anytime from Broome Airport

WBD: Broome to Darwin

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 3.00pm into Broome Airport
- Day 11 – flights to depart anytime from Darwin Airport

**Flights are not included in the vacation price**



- **START**
- **END**
- ① Number of night stays
- Sightseeing stops
- Optional Experience



# Tastes of Southern Australia

## Highlights

### Local Connection

AAT Kings has been visiting Gold Creek Station for over 40 years – guests get to know the sheep-shearing family here well.

### Insider Knowledge

Your specialist Canberra guide knows all the secrets of Parliament House, and leads a moving tour through the War Memorial.

### Cultural Immersion

 An important Aboriginal site, Victoria's Tower Hill is also a significant nature reserve – your guide will point out 'roos, emus and koalas.

### Sustainable Footprints

 Your vacation on Kangaroo Island not only visits Hanson Bay Wildlife Sanctuary, but also supports its bushfire and wildlife rehabilitation projects.

As this vacation departs at 7.30am from the Vibe Hotel Sydney, accommodation will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

#### 1 Sydney – Canberra

Depart Sydney this morning and travel through the rolling hills and verdant pastures of the Southern Highlands. Pause at historic Berrima, then visit Gold Creek Station to meet Craig Starr and his family for a Welcome Reception. Gain a deeper understanding of life on his farm as you savor the flavors of a Be My Guest Aussie BBQ lunch. On arrival in Canberra you'll join a local guide for a tour of Parliament House, then visit the impressive Australian War Memorial. Before you depart, you'll hear an evocative lament being played, paying tribute to the Australian servicemen and women who have lost their lives in armed conflicts. Get to know your Travel Director and fellow travelers tonight over dinner. **Hotel: Crowne Plaza. BG DW**

#### 2 Canberra – Wangaratta

Before leaving Canberra this morning, drive to the summit of Mt. Ainslie to experience panoramic views of the city and surrounds. Cross the Murray River into Victoria, taking the scenic route to historic Beechworth. You'll have free time to visit its boutique stores and perhaps enjoy a 'cuppa' with a town local. You'll stay overnight in the nearby cathedral town of Wangaratta. **Hotel: Quality. B**

#### 3 Wangaratta – Melbourne

Travel to historic Glenrowan and on through Ned Kelly country to cosmopolitan Melbourne, Australia's sporting and cultural capital. Gain some interesting insights on an orientation tour of the city, then take some time to explore independently. **Hotel: Crowne Plaza, 2 nights. B**

#### 4 Melbourne Free Time

Today Melbourne is yours to explore. You may like to consider an optional experience to the Phillip Island Penguin Parade. **B**

#### 5 Melbourne – Warrnambool

Embark on one of the world's premier road trips – the Great Ocean Road. Just off shore in the Port Campbell National Park, the towering limestone stacks of the Twelve Apostles rise 50 meters above the wild Southern Ocean. You'll also see nearby Loch Ard Gorge and visit the impressive

London Bridge natural rock formation before arriving in the rural town of Warrnambool. **Hotel: Deep Blue Hotel & Hot Springs. B DW**

#### 6 Warrnambool – Naracoorte

Visit the Worn Gundidj Aboriginal Co-operative at Tower Hill State Game Reserve, where your guide will provide you with an Indigenous perspective on the area's flora, wildlife and volcanic formations. Cross the border into South Australia and continue to the world-renowned Coonawarra wine region, pausing at a vineyard for a tasting. Before arriving in Naracoorte you'll be joined by a local expert for a guided tour through the Alexandra Cave. **Hotel: William MacIntosh Motor Lodge. B DW**

#### 7 Naracoorte – Kangaroo Island

Journey today to the Fleurieu Peninsula, where rolling hills are complemented by rugged clifftops, sandy beaches and the winding Murray River. Visit the charming seaside town of Victor Harbor before a ferry takes you to Kangaroo Island, famous for its unspoiled natural beauty and fine produce. Visit Kangaroo Island's only boutique distillery to taste a selection of award-winning Australian gins and delicious liqueurs. Your destination is Kingscote, South Australia's oldest European settlement. **Hotel: Aurora Ozone, 2 nights. B DW**

#### 8 Kangaroo Island

Begin your exploration of fascinating Kangaroo Island with a visit to spectacular Remarkable Rocks and Admirals Arch followed by a guided tour of the AAT Kings sponsored Hanson Bay Wildlife Sanctuary, which was badly affected by last year's bushfires. Learn what part fire plays within this delicate ecosystem and how the koalas and other wildlife are adapting to their environment. This is followed by a delicious lunch before joining a local guide at Seal Bay Conservation Park for a guided walk among a colony of rare sea lions in one of the country's most important breeding colonies. **B L**

#### 9 Kangaroo Island – Adelaide

This morning, board your ferry to cross back to the mainland and travel to picturesque Adelaide, the 'City of Churches'. You'll take an orientation tour with your Travel Director before checking into your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure for you to explore the city at your own pace. **Hotel: Crowne Plaza, 2 nights. B**



The Twelve Apostles

From **\$4080**

per person double share land only

### Departure Dates

2022		2023	
Apr	12	Jan	10, 24
May	03	Feb	07, 21
Aug	30	Mar	07, 21
Sep	20		
Oct	18		
Nov	01, 22		
Dec	20		

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### Dining

- 10 Full breakfasts **B**
- 1 Be My Guest Lunch **BG**
- 2 Lunches **L**
- 4 Dinners with wine **DW**
- 1 Farewell Dinner **FD**

### Flight Information

- Day prior – flights to arrive anytime into Sydney Airport
- Day 11 – flights to depart anytime from Adelaide Airport
- Flights are not included in the vacation price**

#### 10 Adelaide Hills & The Barossa

Discover the rolling Adelaide Hills and the renowned Barossa today, stopping first at picturesque Hahndorf, Australia's oldest surviving German settlement. Wander down its tree-lined streets and take time to explore the quaint shops and taste some of the town's artisan produce. Enjoy lunch at the Company Kitchen and then visit Seppeltsfield Barossa to sample some of their award-winning wines. Later, you'll have free time to wander through the JamFactory to see local artisans at work, and soap and perfume being made at Vasse Virgin. Travel back to Adelaide through a tranquil landscape dotted with stone cottages and olive groves to join your Travel Director and traveling companions for a Farewell Dinner. **B L FD**

#### 11 Farewell from Adelaide

Say farewell to your fellow travelers when your vacation comes to an end after breakfast. **B**



Hosier Lane, Melbourne



# Great Ocean Road & Kangaroo Island

## Highlights

### 📍 Local Connection

The Lark family opened Kangaroo Island Distillery in 2002, and still love talking to guests about the flavors distinguishing their gins.

### 👤 Insider Knowledge

Who better to guide you around a Barossa winery than a wine aficionado? You'll be an expert in no time.

### 🌿 Cultural Immersion

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER EXPERIENCE Tower Hill is a spiritual place, its Aboriginal significance revealed by in-the-know guides. Koalas, emus and 'roos are a bonus.

### 🌱 Sustainable Footprints

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER EXPERIENCE Support bushfire and wildlife rehabilitation projects on Kangaroo Island when you visit Hanson Bay Wildlife Sanctuary.



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#### 2 Warrnambool – Naracoorte

Visit the Worn Gundidj Aboriginal Co-operative at Tower Hill State Game Reserve, where your guide will provide you with an Indigenous perspective on the area's flora, wildlife and volcanic formations. Cross the border into South Australia and continue to the world-renowned Coonawarra wine region, pausing at a vineyard for a tasting. Before arriving in Naracoorte you'll be joined by a local expert for a guided tour through the Alexandra Cave. **Hotel: William MacIntosh Motor Lodge. B DW**

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#### 7 Farewell from Adelaide

Say farewell to your fellow travelers when your vacation comes to an end after breakfast. **B**

From **\$2955**

per person double share land only

## Departure Dates

2022	2023
Apr 16	Jan 14, 28
May 07	Feb 11, 25
Sep 03, 24	Mar 11, 25
Oct 22	
Nov 05, 26	
Dec 24	

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## Dining

6 Full breakfasts B  
2 Lunches L

3 Dinners with wine DW  
1 Farewell Dinner FD

## Flight Information

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Day 7 – flights to depart anytime from Adelaide Airport  
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Remarkable Rocks



Adelaide Hills



Seal Bay, Kangaroo Island



# New Zealand Panorama

## Highlights

### 📍 Local Connection

Sheep farming is a thing in the South Island. Learn about life on the land through the eyes of local Laura Koot.

### 🕒 Insider Knowledge

There's little your guide doesn't know about the insect world shimmering around you as you explore the Ruakuri Glowworm Caves.

### 🏡 Cultural Immersion

Your hosts at Whakarewarewa Living Village share intimate stories and Indigenous traditions during your visit to this important cultural site.

### 🌱 Sustainable Footprints

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER EXPERIENCE The kiwi bird may be NZ's national icon, but it's as elusive as it's cute. Spot them and contribute to protection, visiting a hatchery.

## 1 Welcome to Queenstown

Your journey to the North and South Islands of New Zealand starts in Queenstown. Jump right in with a visit to the historic gold mining village of Arrowtown. Stroll through the town admiring the dozens of buildings from the gold rush era and more recently restored historic cottages, churches and new boutiques and shops. Return to Queenstown to take in its alpine, mountain town vibe. The evening is free for you to enjoy one of its many lakefront restaurants and bars. **Hotel: Millennium, 3 nights.**

## 2 Queenstown & Surrounds

Get a feel for real New Zealand country life this morning when you meet your host Southern Girl Laura for an immersive Be my Guest Experience. Born and raised on a sheep and deer farm in the deep south of New Zealand, Laura will share her story of her life growing up in the country before she gives you the chance to try your hand at sheep mustering, whip cracking as well as the chance to feed and pet the farm animals. You'll leave feeling more like a local than a visitor. Early evening, enjoy a peaceful cruise across Lake Wakatipu aboard the vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak High Country Farm for a gourmet barbecue Highlight Dinner at the Colonel's Homestead. After dinner, learn about life on the farm with a shearing demonstration, watching the sheep dogs in action, and even trying your hand at wool spinning before your scenic cruise back to Queenstown. **B HD**

## 3 Queenstown Free Time

While Queenstown wears its Global Adventure badge proudly, it's also the perfect place to relax and explore. The town boasts great shopping with luxury brands, iconic New Zealand design stores and boutique fashion. If bungee jumping or tree-to-tree ziplining aren't your cup of tea, consider an optional experience to spectacular Milford Sound through the UNESCO World Heritage Fiordland National Park. Experience magnificent scenery and many photo opportunities afforded by the Mirror Lakes, Knobs Flat, Hollyford Valley lookout (Pop's view), Cleddau Valley and the Chasm. Drive through the hand-hewn Homer Tunnel towards the iconic Mitre Peak and the Bowen Falls before reaching Milford Sound for your cruise on this natural wonder. **B**

## 4 Queenstown – Auckland

Depart the adventure capital Queenstown and head north flying to the City of Sails, Auckland. Settle into your hotel in the heart of the city's Federal Street. This evening is yours to enjoy in Federal Street, a hotspot for food lovers offering plenty of options or head downtown for waterfront dining. **Hotel: The Grand by SkyCity. B**

## 5 Auckland – Rotorua

Today we journey south through the King Country, which was at the center of the New Zealand Wars in the 1860s. Join a local expert in a starry wonderland – a cavernous galaxy of twinkling bright green and blue glowworms that light up the Ruakuri Caves in Waitomo. This evening, you'll join your hosts at the Mitai Maori Village for an authentic introduction to Maori culture. After a ceremonial welcome, continue to the village to see what life was like in New Zealand before European settlement. Then feast on succulent meats and vegetables cooked in a Hangi, sharing your Highlight Dinner with your hosts. **Hotel: Millennium, 2 nights. B HD**

## 6 Rotorua

Visit Rainbow Springs Nature Park for a guided tour of the National Kiwi Hatchery Aotearoa, the national leader in kiwi husbandry. Learn about the work being done to save New Zealand's national bird, see kiwi eggs being incubated, the hatching process and newly hatched kiwi chicks. Hear all about the kiwi bird breeding program, Operation Nest Egg, and how your visit contributes to it. Now you're off to the Living Maori Village Whakarewarewa for in-depth insights into the lives of the Māori people and the special bond they share with this ancient land. See New Zealand's biggest geyser, bubbling mud pools and thermal springs. You'll top off your day joining your Travel Director and companions for a Farewell Dinner at Terrace Kitchen on the lakefront, with dishes featuring ingredients just picked from the onsite garden. **B FD**

## 7 Farewell from Rotorua and Auckland

Bid farewell to your weeklong New Zealand adventure as you are transferred from Rotorua to Auckland Airport for your onward flight. **B**



# Contrasts of New Zealand

## Highlights

### 📍 Local Connection

You'll not only meet the Weston family for morning tea, but also get exclusive access to the stables where a record-breaking motorcycle was designed.

### 🏠 Insider Knowledge

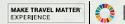
World Heritage listed Milford Sound is so big, it can be overwhelming. Your in-the-know guide provides perspective.

### 🎭 Cultural Immersion

Discover and celebrate NZ's Indigenous heritage at Tamaki Māori Village, where cultural traditions are revealed through performance and food.

### 🌿 Sustainable Footprints

Help ensure the future of rare kiwi birds when you visit the National Hatchery, an important breeding place for NZ's icon.



## 1 Arrive Auckland

On arrival in Auckland you'll have time to relax or explore. This evening, meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception and dinner. **Hotel: The Grand by SkyCity, 2 nights. DW**

## 2 Auckland

Embark on a city sightseeing tour this morning around the waterfront to Mission Bay. Keep your camera at the ready to capture spectacular panoramic views of the skyline, sprawling North Shore and Waitemata Harbour from Bastion Point and Michael Joseph Savage Memorial. Spend the afternoon as you wish. **B**

## 3 Auckland – Rotorua

Venture through dramatic scenery and landscapes passing through Cambridge, 'The Town of Trees and Champions'. On arrival in Rotorua, embark on an orientation of the area before visiting Rainbow Springs Nature Park for a guided tour of the National Kiwi Hatchery Aotearoa, the national leader in kiwi husbandry. Learn about the work being done to save New Zealand's national bird, see kiwi eggs being incubated, the hatching process and newly hatched kiwi chicks. This evening, enjoy a traditional Hangi Highlight Dinner and cultural performance at the Tamaki Māori Village. **Hotel: Millennium. B HD**

## 4 Rotorua – Auckland – Queenstown

Enjoy breakfast in the charming village of Hobbiton, the movie set of the iconic The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit Trilogies. Experience the rolling hills and green pastures of The Shire before continuing to Auckland for your flight to Queenstown. **Hotel: Millennium, 3 nights. B**

## 5 Milford Sound Cruise

Journey over the Devil's Staircase and along the shore of Lake Wakatipu to Te Anau and its lake, the largest in the South Island. Travel through the rainforest of World Heritage Fiordland National Park, sighting glaciers and mountain ranges. Enjoy numerous photo opportunities afforded by the Mirror Lakes, Knobs Flat, Hollyford Valley lookout (Pop's view), Cleddau Valley and the Chasm. Drive through the hand-hewn Homer Tunnel towards iconic Mitre Peak Bowen Falls before reaching Milford Sound, for a cruise on this natural wonder. Return to Queenstown for the evening. **B L**

## 6 Queenstown Free Time

Your final day in Queenstown could see you take an optional experience ride on the Shotover Jet boat, a minibus excursion through spectacular Skippers Canyon or a wine tour. This evening join your Travel Director for dinner at the Postmasters Cottage. The historic cottage was once home to the town's postmaster and has been a main street feature since the 1860s. Its old-world charm, complete with horse-hitching post, picket fence, beautiful gardens and hanging wisteria, has made it one of Arrowtown's most photographed buildings and is the perfect venue for your Highlight Dinner. **B HD**

## 7 Queenstown – Lake Tekapo

This morning you'll leave the alpine wonderland of Queenstown behind, and begin the passage through Central Otago and out to Westland. From here you will travel over to Cromwell, on the banks of Lake Dunstan to taste some of the town's delicious stone fruit. Continue over the Lindis Pass and on to the world-renowned UNESCO Aoraki Mackenzie International Dark Sky Reserve. Enjoy views of Mt. Cook before heading to the Church of the Good Shepherd. Later, join a local expert on an incredible voyage of discovery through the Southern Hemisphere's night sky, including the Southern Cross, Magellanic Cloud and the Milky Way. Your guide will enhance your knowledge and understanding of our southern skies as you admire and ponder the possibilities through powerful optical telescopes. **Hotel: Peppers Bluewater Resort. B DW**

## 8 Lake Tekapo – Christchurch

Journey through South Canterbury, visiting the charming village of Geraldine on your way to Christchurch. **Hotel: Distinction, 2 nights. B**

## 9 Christchurch

This morning see how Christchurch is rebuilding after the devastating earthquakes of 2010 and 2011, and pop into the Transitional Cathedral in Latimer Square, the temporary home of the Christchurch Cathedral. It is the world's only cathedral made substantially of cardboard! After a Christchurch city sights tour, you're invited to a Be My Guest morning tea at the home of Tim and Isabelle Weston, owners of Britten Stables. Formerly horse stables for nearby Mona Vale Gardens and following that,



Hobbiton

From **\$4420\***

per person double share land and internal-vacation airfare

### Departure Dates

2022		2023	
Apr	01, 08, 22	Jan	06, 13, 20, 27
May	20	Feb	03, 10, 17, 24
Jun	10	Mar	03, 10, 17, 24, 31
Jul	08		
Aug	26		
Sep	09, 23		
Oct	07, 14, 21		
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### Dining

- 9 Full buffet breakfasts B
- 1 Lunch L
- 1 Be My Guest Morning Tea BG
- 2 Highlight Dinners HD
- 2 Dinners with wine DW
- 1 Farewell Dinner FD

### Flight Information

Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Auckland Airport  
 Day 10 – flights to depart anytime from Christchurch  
 \*Internal-vacation flight: Please note that the price above includes land and internal-vacation airfare, which is required to be booked in order to fulfil the vacation itinerary:  
 Day 4 – Auckland to Queenstown  
 Return airfares from your home port are not included in the price above.

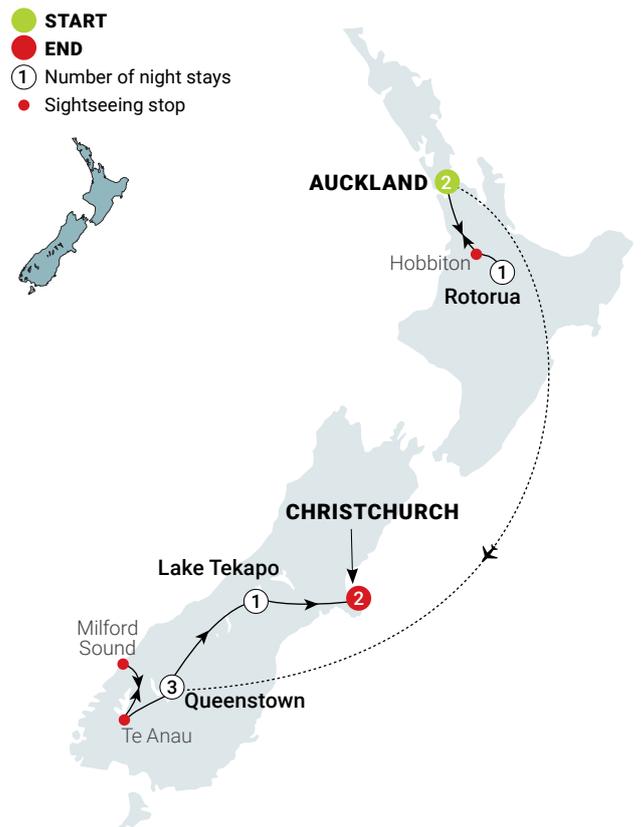
the birth place of the world-record-setting Britten V1000 motorcycle designed and built in the garage by Isabelle's late father, John Britten. The couple restored the original charm of the stables and transformed it into the exquisite home that it is today. This evening join your Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. **B BG FD**

#### 10 Farewell from Christchurch

Your vacation comes to an end this morning after breakfast. You will be transferred to Christchurch Airport for your onward flight. **B**



Britten Stables



# New Zealand Uncovered

## Highlights

### Local Connection

Working dairy Red Barn is a dreamy destination for a country-style lunch – churn butter with the owners.

### Insider Knowledge

Nature humbles in World Heritage listed Milford Sound, your cruise guide pointing out waterfalls alongside rare flora and fauna.

### Cultural Immersion

From a traditional hangi meal to a cultural performance, Indigenous customs star at Tamaki Maori Village.

### Sustainable Footprints

Support AAT Kings' Sustainable Tourism Commitment to restore NZ's largest inland island through the Pomona Island Charitable Trust.

## 1 Welcome to Auckland

On arrival in Auckland you'll have time at leisure to explore or relax. Tonight, enjoy a Welcome Reception and dinner with your Travel Director. **Hotel: Cordis, 2 nights. DW**

## 2 Auckland

Head to the New Zealand Maritime Museum for an exclusive America's Cup tour. Then see the sights of Auckland, from the waterfront to Mission Bay. Capture spectacular panoramic views of the skyline, the North Shore and Waitemata Harbour from Bastion Point. **B**

## 3 Auckland – Tauranga

You're invited to a Be My Guest lunch at the Red Barn on the Waikato farm of Lance O'Sullivan, a retired champion jockey, and his wife Bridgette. Later, travel to Tauranga, in the Bay of Plenty. **Hotel: Trinity Wharf. B BG DW**

## 4 Tauranga – Rotorua

Travel through Te Puke to visit Kiwifruit Country, then on to Rotorua for an orientation tour. This afternoon explore Te Puia Thermal Reserve. Then an evening of culture, history and a Hangi feast Highlight Dinner awaits you at the Tamaki Māori Village. **Hotel: Millennium, 2 nights. B HD**

## 5 Rotorua Free Time

Perhaps embark on one of our optional experiences. You could glide through the Waitomo Glowworm Grotto or explore Rotorua and its lakes in an amphibious WWII-era Duck. Why not consider an adventure to the charming village of Hobbiton, the movie set of the now iconic The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit Trilogies? Enjoy breakfast 'on set' before you're treated to guided tour through the 12-acre set, stopping in the Alexander family sheep farm, past Hobbit Holes, and the Mill as your guide points out how the movie was made, famous locations, and the sets' artistic details. Even if you've never seen the films or read the books, you'll be entranced by the rolling green hills and lush landscape. **B**

## 6 Rotorua – Wellington

Journey through forests and farmland to the turquoise torrent known as Huka Falls. The road unfolds in a broad panorama of stunning Lake Taupo. Continue south and along the Kapiti Coast to the capital city, Wellington. **Hotel: James Cook Grand Chancellor. B**

## 7 Wellington – Blenheim

Explore Te Papa Museum of New Zealand. Cruise the Cook Strait into tranquil Queen Charlotte Sound. The village of Picton is next, then it's on to Blenheim for a city sightseeing tour. Tonight, enjoy a Highlight Dinner celebrating local produce and the wines of the Marlborough region. **Hotel: Chateau Marlborough. B HD**

## 8 Blenheim – Christchurch

Travel to Kaikoura, where an optional whale-watching flight is available. Continue along the Pacific coast and across the Canterbury Plains to Christchurch. **Hotel: Distinction. B**

## 9 Christchurch – Twizel

On your city sights tour, see how Christchurch is rebuilding after the devastating earthquakes of 2010 and 2011, and pop into the Transitional Cathedral in Latimer Square, Christchurch Cathedral's temporary home. It is the world's only cathedral made substantially of cardboard! Next, visit the home of Angie and Stan Taylor at Lake Tekapo, for a Be My Guest afternoon tea and hear about a lifetime spent farming in the Southern Alps. Later, view the little stone-hewn Church of the Good Shepherd on your way to Twizel. **Hotel: MacKenzie Country Inn. B BG DW**

## 10 Twizel – Dunedin Free Time

Journey along the Waitaki River, and travel through to Oamaru with its famous limestone buildings, and on to Dunedin. This afternoon why not choose an optional experience? Perhaps take a wildlife cruise out to Otago Peninsula or visit the famous Speight's Brewery. **Hotel: Scenic Southern Cross. B DW**

## 11 Dunedin – Te Anau

Travel through lush sheep-farming land. Then the rolling, grassy hills turn back into forested, rugged mountains, as you meander your way up into Fiordland National Park and Te Anau. This afternoon you will hear and learn about the conservation efforts of the Pomona Island Charitable Trust, which aims to restore the largest inland island in New Zealand to its natural state. Get up close to the islands on a boat ride on Lake Manapouri. Stop in some quiet and tranquil spots to soak up the amazing surrounds, spot a few trout, and learn about the unique environment and fascinating history. **Hotel: Distinction Te Anau. B DW**



Milford Sound Cruise

From **\$6173**

per person double share land only

### Departure Dates

2022		2023	
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### Dining

- 16 Full buffet breakfasts **B**
- 1 Be My Guest Lunch **BG**
- 1 Lunch **L**
- 1 Be My Guest Afternoon Tea **BG**
- 3 Highlight Dinners **HD**
- 7 Dinners with wine **DW**
- 1 Farewell Dinner **FD**

### Flight Information

Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Auckland Airport  
 Day 17 – flights to depart anytime from Christchurch Airport  
**Flights are not included in the vacation price**

#### 12 Te Anau – Queenstown

You will take the scenic journey through the rainforests, beech forests and meadows of Fiordland National Park and out to Milford Sound to cruise on this natural wonder. Afterwards, travel to Queenstown for an orientation tour. **Hotel: Millennium, 2 nights. B**

#### 13 Queenstown Free Time

Why not get your final fix of Queenstown today with an optional experience? Ride the Shotover Jet, join a wine tour, a Pure Glenorchy Lord of the Rings Tour or a minibus tour through Skippers Canyon. This evening, cruise across Lake Wakatipu aboard TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak High Country Farm for a gourmet barbecue Highlight Dinner. **B HD**

#### 14 Queenstown – Franz Josef

Visit the gold mining settlement of Arrowtown. From here you will travel to Cromwell to taste its delicious stone fruit. It is a day of gorgeous lakes, as you travel further into Central Otago. Cross over the Haast Pass, where the landscape changes from alpine scenery to the rainforest marvels of the wild West Coast. Your destination is Franz Josef Glacier. **Hotel: Scenic Franz Josef Glacier (Douglas Wing). B DW**

#### 15 Franz Josef – Punakaiki

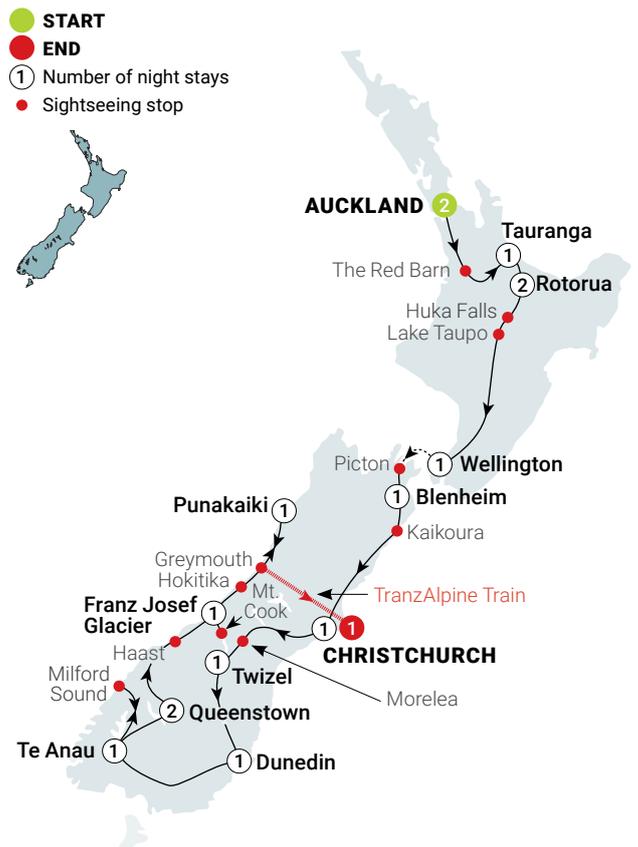
Visit Hokitika, home of the native greenstone for a factory visit and jewelry demonstration. Later, travel to Punakaiki to view the Pancake Rocks and Blowholes. You'll spend the night in an eco-friendly resort right on the waterfront. **Hotel: Punakaiki Resort. B DW**

#### 16 Punakaiki – Christchurch

Travel to Greymouth to visit the iconic Monteith's Brewery and taste some of their innovative brews before a pub-style lunch. Later you will journey aboard the TranzAlpine train to Christchurch and embark on one of the world's great train journeys. This evening, join your Travel Director and new-found friends for a Farewell Dinner. **Hotel: Distinction. B L FD**

#### 17 Farewell from Christchurch

Say farewell to your fellow travelers when your vacation concludes after breakfast. **B**



# Jewels of the Bay

Waitangi Treaty Grounds

## Highlights

### Local Connection

Free day in the Bay of Islands? Enjoy immersive expeditions like cruising through the Hole in the Rock or a Russell Mini Tour.

### Insider Knowledge

The best way to get an insider's perspective of the Waitangi Treaty Grounds? With a guide descended from the original document's signatories.

### Cultural Immersion

Nature and Maori culture unite at the country's northernmost city, Whangarei. Explore at your own pace.

From **\$1120**

per person double share land only

## Departure Dates

2022	2023
Apr 03, 10, 17, 24	Jan 01, 18, 15, 22, 29
Jun 05, 26	Feb 12, 19, 26
Sep 04, 11, 18	Mar 05, 12, 19, 26
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## Dining

2 Full buffet breakfasts B  
1 Dinner D

## Flight Information

Day Prior – flights to arrive anytime into Auckland Airport

Day 3 – flights to depart after 7.00pm from Auckland Airport

Flights are not included in the vacation price

As this vacation departs from the Cordis Auckland at 7.30am, accommodation will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

### 1 Auckland – Bay of Islands

This morning depart Auckland City over the Harbour Bridge and through Northland's lush farmland before arriving into the beautiful Bay of Islands. Your guided tour of the Waitangi Treaty Grounds discovers the stories, people and events that shaped the past, present and future of Aotearoa New Zealand. During your visit you will view the world's largest ceremonial war canoe, the historic Treaty House and carved Meeting House. Stand on the spot where Māori chiefs first signed their accord with the British Crown, the Treaty of Waitangi, New Zealand's founding document. This evening, gather with your Travel Director and traveling companions for a Welcome Reception and dinner.  
**Hotel: Copthorne Resort (Water View), 2 nights. D**

### 2 Bay of Islands Free Time

Today is completely free for you to discover more of the beauty of the Bay of Islands: Consider an optional experience. Perhaps cruise through spectacularly scenic game-fishing waters to Cape Brett and, weather permitting, through the famous 'Hole in the Rock' formation. The return cruise to Paihia meanders through picturesque islands – see

deserted sandy beaches and secluded bays. Keep your eyes peeled for marine life. Perhaps go sailing aboard a historic tall ship. During this full day sail, you can take your turn on the helm, hoist the sails or climb the rigging. Enjoy morning tea and a delicious BBQ lunch served on board. Or join a guided tour of the Bay of Islands. With an abundance of breathtaking, picturesque views, there are plenty of fantastic photo opportunities for you to create lasting memories. Tonight, you are free to dine as you wish. You may want to experience a 'Kiwi tradition' – fish and chips on the beach **B**

### 3 Bay of Islands – Auckland

There's no need to rush this morning. You can take a stroll on the beach and enjoy a leisurely coffee watching this serene seaside haven come to life. On your journey south, you'll stop in Whangarei, the northernmost city in New Zealand, where there's time to admire the local art and stroll along the marina in the Town Basin. Enjoy a scenic drive through the Rodney District before arriving in Auckland, where your Bay of Islands encounter concludes. **B**

● START

● END

① Number of night stays

● Sightseeing stop



# Iconic North

Te Papa Museum of New Zealand

## Highlights

### Local Connection

Enjoy an exclusive Be My guest lunch with a retired champion jockey and his wife at Waikato's working dairy farm, the Red Barn.

### Insider Knowledge

Boating fanatics, rejoice! Go behind the scenes of the America's Cup at Auckland's Maritime Museum with an in-the-know guide.

### Cultural Immersion

**MAKE TRAVEL MATTER EXPERIENCE** The Tamaki Maori Village Experience reveals Indigenous history through hangi meals and a cultural performance.

### Sustainable Footprints

**MAKE TRAVEL MATTER EXPERIENCE** Travel soundly knowing your visit to Te Puia Thermal Reserve ensures the future of its culturally significant Maori Arts and Crafts institute.

From **\$2711**

per person double share land only

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## Dining

- 6 Full buffet breakfasts B
- 1 Be My Guest Lunch BG
- 1 Highlight Dinner HD
- 2 Dinners with wine DW

## Flight Information

Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Auckland Airport

Day 7 – flights to depart after 2.00pm from Wellington Airport

Flights are not included in the vacation price

### 1 Welcome to Auckland

This evening, meet your fellow travelers and your Travel Director at a Welcome Reception and dinner. **Hotel: Cordis, 2 nights. DW**

### 2 Auckland

Your day starts with a visit to the New Zealand Maritime Museum for an exclusive America's Cup guided tour. It speaks to New Zealand's vast boatbuilding history, right through to modern-day technology. Witness the teamwork, innovation and technical skill behind competitive yacht racing. Afterwards travel around the waterfront from central city out to Mission Bay. Prepare your camera for the stop at Bastion Point and the Michael Joseph Savage Memorial, as you will get stunning shots of Auckland, the North Shore and the Waitemata. **B**

### 3 Auckland – Tauranga

You're invited to a Be My Guest lunch at the home of Lance O'Sullivan, a retired champion jockey, and his wife Bridgette. Learn about Lance's career as a famous jockey and enjoy a sumptuous country-style lunch at the Red Barn on their beautiful Waikato farm. Later, travel to the harborside city of Tauranga, in the Bay of Plenty region. **Hotel: Trinity Wharf. B BG DW**

### 4 Tauranga – Rotorua

Travel through Te Puke to Kiwifruit Country, a family owned business that is set amongst a

60-hectare orchard. Later, it's on to Rotorua. This afternoon you'll visit Te Puia and tour through the Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve. An evening of culture, history and scrumptious food awaits you at the Tamaki Māori Village. Experience a cultural performance and authentic Māori Hangi Highlight Dinner, steamed underground in the traditional way. **Hotel: Millennium, 2 nights. B HD**

### 5 Rotorua Free Time

Relax or explore Rotorua at your own pace. **B**

### 6 Rotorua – Wellington

Journey out through pine forests and farmland to a little hidden spot, the turquoise torrent of rapids known as Huka Falls. The road ahead unfolds in a broad panorama of Lake Taupo, New Zealand's largest lake. You will then journey south over the Central Plateau, and along the Kapiti Coast to Wellington. **Hotel: James Cook Grand Chancellor. B**

### 7 Farewell from Wellington

There's time to explore the Parliament buildings and the Beehive, home to New Zealand's politicians, as well as the many fascinating exhibits at Te Papa Museum of New Zealand. Say farewell to your fellow travelers before you are transferred by private car to Wellington Airport for your onward flight. **B**



# Southern Spectacular

## Highlights

### Local Connection

Ever wondered about Southern Alps life on the land? Enjoy afternoon tea with farmers Angie and Stan to go behind the scenes.

### Insider Knowledge

Your guide on a cruise around Milford Sound knows the best waterfalls, where to spot dolphins and which rare flora is in season.

### Cultural Immersion

If the setting of 1860 Walter Peak Station doesn't wow you, then the BBQ dinner and farming demonstration will.

### Sustainable Footprints

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER EXPERIENCE The Pomona Island Charitable Trust's mission is to restore NZ's largest inland island. Help by contributing to AAT Kings' Sustainable Tourism Commitment.

## 1 Welcome to Christchurch

Welcome to new Zealand's Garden City. This afternoon you can relax or explore. You may like to step back in time to a grand era of transport and relax on the Christchurch Tram as it takes you around the must-see central attractions. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers this evening for a Welcome Reception. **Hotel: Distinction.**

## 2 Christchurch – Twizel

Enjoy a Christchurch city sights tour and see how Christchurch is rebuilding after the devastating earthquakes of 2010 and 2011. Later, travel over the patchwork countryside of the Canterbury Plains and soak up some spectacular views. Visit the home of Angie and Stan Taylor for a Be My Guest afternoon tea, and hear about a lifetime spent farming in the Southern Alps. See Lakes Tekapo and Pukaki, and view the famed Church of the Good Shepherd. Continue to the outdoor-adventure hub of Twizel. **Hotel: MacKenzie Country. B BG DW**

## 3 Twizel – Dunedin

Your day starts with a journey tracing the Waitaki River, which marks the boundary between the regions of Canterbury and Otago. Explore the historic town of Oamaru, with its stately tree-lined streets and celebrated limestone buildings, then make your way to Dunedin, home to many fine examples of Victorian and Edwardian architecture. This afternoon, spend your time at leisure or consider an optional experience. Tour imposing Larnach Castle, take a wildlife cruise out to the Otago Peninsula or experience an interactive tour of famous Speight's Brewery. **Hotel: Scenic Southern Cross. B DW**

## 4 Dunedin – Te Anau

Travel through lush green pastures, crossing sheep-filled farming land. As your journey continues, the rolling, grassy hills once again turn back into heavily forested, rugged mountains, and you'll meander into Fiordland National Park to the South Island's biggest lake and the town of Te Anau. This afternoon, learn about the conservation efforts of the Pomona Island Charitable Trust, which aims to restore New Zealand's largest inland island to its natural state. Get up close to the island on a boat ride on Lake Manapouri. Soak up the amazing surrounds, spot a few trout, and learn

about this unique environment and fascinating history. This evening consider an optional experience and cruise across the lake to the Te Anau Glowworm Caves. **Hotel: Distinction Te Anau. B DW**

## 5 Te Anau – Queenstown

Your experience in magnificent Milford Sound today is sure to be one of the highlights of your vacation. Travel first through native rainforests and lush meadows to Mirror Lakes and the hand-hewn Homer Tunnel, and marvel at the stunning Cleddau Valley. Your unforgettable Milford Sound cruise takes in cascading waterfalls, hanging glacial valleys, and the sheer pinnacle of Mitre Peak. After disembarking, travel on to beautiful Queenstown. **Hotel: Millennium, 2 nights. B**

## 6 Queenstown Free Time

You have a final day in New Zealand's adventure capital to do as you choose. You could consider an optional experience. If you're feeling energetic you have the option of riding the exhilarating Shotover Jet boat. For a more laid-back experience, a minibus excursion will take you through spectacular Skippers Canyon, or an Appellation Central Boutique Wine Tour with Lunch. This evening, settle into a peaceful cruise across Lake Wakatipu to Walter Peak High Country Farm, for a gourmet barbecue Highlight Dinner and an entertaining farm show. **B HD**

## 7 Queenstown – Franz Josef

Stop to visit the faithfully-restored gold-mining settlement of Arrowtown, and enjoy the serenity of the region's vivid blue lakes. Drive over the spectacular Haast Pass, passing the 96-meter Thunder Creek Falls on your way to the extraordinary Franz Josef Glacier. **Hotel: Scenic Franz Josef Glacier, Douglas Wing. B DW**

## 8 Franz Josef – Punakaiki

Consider an optional experience helicopter flight over the glaciers, or you may wish to take a stroll through the small but lively Franz Josef village. Travel on to Hokitika, home of New Zealand's famous greenstone. Continue to Punakaiki to view the intriguing Pancake Rocks and Blowholes. You'll spend the night in an eco-friendly resort right on the waterfront. **Hotel: Punakaiki Resort. B DW**



Punakaiki Pancake Rocks

From **\$3916**

per person double share land only

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### Dining

- 9 Full buffet breakfasts B
- 1 Lunch L
- 1 Be My Guest Afternoon Tea BG
- 1 Highlight Dinner HD
- 5 Dinners with wine DW
- 1 Farewell Dinner FD

### Flight Information

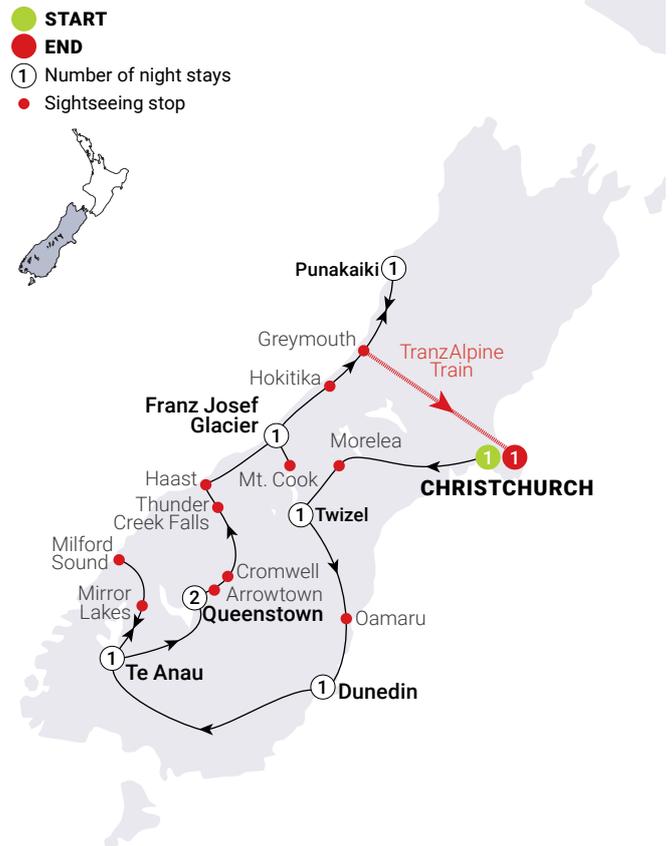
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#### 9 Punakaiki – Christchurch

Join your personal guide for a tour of Monteith’s Brewing Company, including tastings at the brewers’ table, before sitting down to lunch. Afterwards, board the iconic TranzAlpine train in Greymouth and embark on one of the world’s great train journeys, passing through magnificent landscapes ranging from the fertile farmlands of the Canterbury Plains to rugged gorges and pristine ice-fed streams and lakes. Back in Christchurch, join your Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner.  
**Hotel: Distinction. B L FD**

#### 10 Farewell from Christchurch

Say farewell to your fellow travelers when your vacation comes to an end this morning after breakfast. **B**



TSS Earnslaw at Walter Peak High Country Farm

# Best Buys

## Awe-inspiring Attractions, Built-in Flexibility

For explorers who want the essentials taken care of and the unrivalled knowledge of a Travel Director, but also the option of exploring independently, Best Buys Guided Vacations offer flexibility with optional extras.



### ✂ Flexible Vacations

Striking the perfect balance between a guided vacation and an independent trip, with peace of mind and expert advice alongside the freedom to choose your own adventures.

### 📍 Iconic Sites

Whether a UNESCO World Heritage listed site or a fabled landmark, Australia and New Zealand don't disappoint in their natural attractions. We help you get there, sharing some fascinating stories along the way.

### 📷 Time For You

Sometimes, the travel moments you remember the most are those that are unplanned and unscripted, when you slip away to explore at your own pace and discover a side to a destination you never imagined possible.

### 🌱 Sustainable Travel

We've been exploring Down Under for over 100 years, and hope to do so for many more to come. Over that time we've worked with, supported and sustained environments and communities, far and wide, big and small. Their future ensures our future.

## What's included on a Best Buys Vacation ?

- Comfortable accommodation with easy access to city centers
- Flexible free time on your vacation
- Earlier starts to maximize your days
- Many meals including daily breakfast
- Iconic destinations = Bucket List achieved!
- Active optional experiences, for you to add on to your vacation
- Travel in purpose-built air-conditioned coaches with reclining seats and WiFi where available
- The services of a highly experienced Travel Director
- Luggage handling and taxes

# East Coast Islands & Rainforest

## Highlights

### ✂ Flexible Vacations

From beaches to rainforest, restaurants to theme parks, the Gold Coast delights. Choose your own adventure in paradise.

### 📍 Iconic Sites

Two nights on the world's largest sand island, Fraser Island? Tick! Time spent exploring the World Heritage listed Great Barrier Reef? Tick!

### 📷 Time For You

Experience the Whitsundays your way, whether blissing out poolside, wandering Whitehaven or soaring above Heart Reef in a chopper.

### ♻ Sustainable Travel



**MAKE TRAVEL MATTER EXPERIENCE** A small vacation gesture of picking up '10 Pieces' of rubbish goes a long way for the future of the environment. Ask about our initiatives.



As this vacation departs at 7.30am from Rydges Sydney Central, accommodation will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

#### 1 Sydney – Coffs Harbour

Start discovering the landscapes of Australia's east coast as you travel northward to the coastal town of Coffs Harbour. From your resort nestled amongst sprawling tropical gardens, you'll have the opportunity to wander down to Little Diggers Beach and Diggers Head. Enjoy the early evening sea breeze just like the locals do. Tonight enjoy a Welcome Reception and dinner with your Travel Director. **Hotel: BreakFree Aanuka Beach Resort. D**

#### 2 Coffs Harbour – Gold Coast

Journey to Cape Byron Lighthouse for superb views from Australia's eastern-most point over the Pacific Ocean. Afterwards spend time discovering the relaxed bohemian vibe of Byron Bay. At the right time of year, you may be lucky enough to spot migrating whales frolicking off the coast. For lunch we recommend fresh fish and chips on the beach, there's nothing more Australian. Continue to the famous vacation destination, the Gold Coast. **Hotel: Novotel Surfers Paradise, 2 nights. B**

#### 3 Gold Coast Free Time

Today you have the freedom to enjoy the Gold Coast in your own style. Nature lovers may head to Mt. Tamborine, foodies explore the growing culinary culture or those needing relaxation just stroll down to the sand and salt of Surfers Paradise Beach. **B**

#### 4 Gold Coast – K'gari (Fraser Island)

Take in the landscape of rolling hills, surrounding mountain peaks, and the coastline of the Sunshine Coast before arriving for a relaxed coastal vibe at Hervey Bay. This afternoon the ferry will take you across to the World Heritage listed K'gari, also known as Fraser Island. Ground yourself in nature on the world's largest sand island, your home for the next two nights. **Hotel: Kingfisher Bay Resort, 2 nights. B**

#### 5 K'gari (Fraser Island)

A day of discovery lies ahead as your 4WD tour takes you for a ride around the island's must-see sites. Visit Lake McKenzie, ringed with magnificent white sandy beaches. Walk through the ancient rainforest at Central

Station and Wanggoolba Creek with its huge satiny, scribbly gum and kauri trees. Across the island to 75 Mile Beach, the sand highway will take you up the eastern coast to the Pinnacles Colored Sands, cooling, calm waters of Eli Creek and the famous sinking Maheno Shipwreck. **B L**

#### 6 K'gari (Fraser Island) – Rockhampton

Return to the mainland and travel through cattle country to Langmorn Station, a family run cattle station. Meet the Creed family and take a guided tour of the property including the original family homestead, built in 1873. Enjoy afternoon tea in the garden in the company of the pet kangaroo! Cross the Tropic of Capricorn as you arrive in Rockhampton, the beef capital of Australia. Your night is free so why not try some local beef at one of the town's steakhouses. **Hotel: Quality Regent. B**

#### 7 Rockhampton – Airlie Beach

Travel north to Sarina, Australia's sugar capital, to the Sarina Sugar Shed, a miniature working sugar mill. On your tour you'll get a peek into the sugar cane industry and witness sugar processing and distilling. You can taste test some of the products made on site before sitting down to a light lunch. Continue to Airlie Beach, the gateway to the Whitsundays. Spend the next two nights in this vibrant coastal town where you will have free time to explore at your own pace. **Hotel: Mantra, 2 nights. B L**

#### 8 Airlie Beach Free Time

The Whitsunday Islands are a collection of 74 tropical islands with white sandy beaches and dense rainforest surrounded by the Great Barrier Reef. Today is yours to indulge in your own pleasures – consider an optional experience. Perhaps take a scenic helicopter flight over the iconic Heart Reef or cruise to famous Whitehaven Beach, where you can relax with a good book, take a swim, or try some of the fun beach activities. **B**

#### 9 Airlie Beach – Cairns

Today you'll head to Cairns along the Bruce Highway. Relax and take in the scenery as you travel through sugar cane fields and extensive farming land, nestled between the Coral Sea on one side and World Heritage rainforest on the other. **Hotel: DoubleTree by Hilton, 3 nights. B**



Great Barrier Reef

**10 Cairns**

Travel through the high tropical plateau known as the Atherton Tablelands, with its lush rainforest, spectacular waterfalls and peaceful lakes. Visit Millaa Millaa Falls and the famous 500-year-old Curtain Fig Tree and keep an eye out for the magnificent Ulysses Butterfly. Spend some free time in Kuranda, 'the village in the rainforest', before traveling on the Rainforest Skyrail Cableway. Your six-person gondola will take you through and high above the canopy of the Barron Gorge National Park. **B**

**11 Great Barrier Reef**

Board a high-speed catamaran and cruise out to the iconic Great Barrier Reef, the only living organism that can be seen from the moon. You'll have the opportunity to go snorkeling (equipment provided) or view the spectacular coral and tropical fish from the underwater observatory and glass bottom boat. Enjoy a tropical lunch on board, before you return to Cairns in the late afternoon for a Farewell Dinner with your Travel Director and new-found friends. **B L FD**

**12 Farewell from Cairns**

Say farewell to your fellow travelers when your vacation comes to an end this morning after breakfast. **B**



Coffs Harbour

From **\$4624**

per person double share land only

**QSC: Sydney to Cairns**

**Departure Dates**

2022	2022 continued	2023
Apr 04	Oct 10	Jan 09
Jun 06	Nov 07	Feb 06
Jul 11	Dec 05	Mar 06
Sep 12		

From **\$4624**

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**QCS: Cairns to Sydney**

**Departure Dates**

2022	2023
Nov 18	Jan 20
	Feb 17
	Mar 17

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**Dining**

- 11 Full breakfasts **B**
- 3 Lunches **L**
- 1 Dinner **D**
- 1 Farewell Dinner **FD**

**Flight Information**

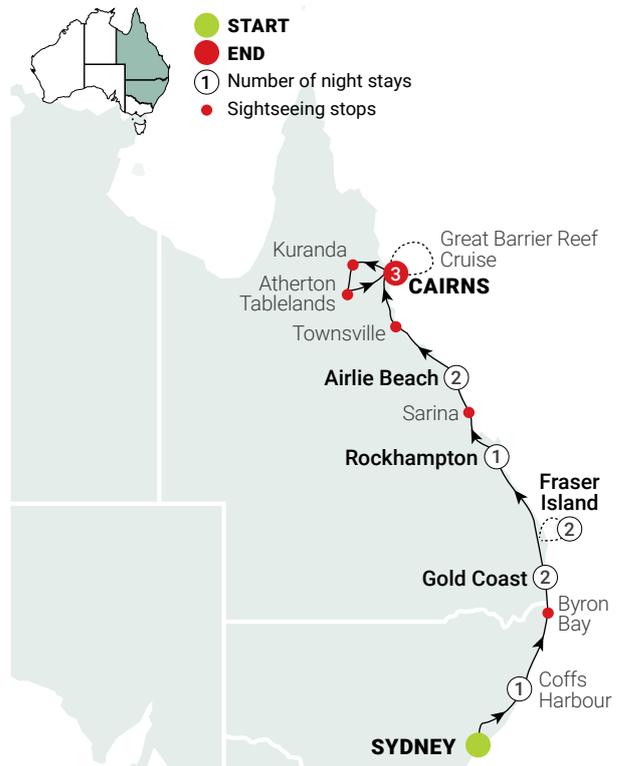
**QSC: Sydney to Cairns**

- Day prior – flights to arrive anytime into Sydney Airport
- Day 12 – flights to depart anytime from Cairns Airport

**QCS: Cairns to Sydney**

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 2.00pm into Cairns Airport
- Day 12 – flights to depart after 9.00pm from Sydney Airport

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# Tropical Islands & Rainforest

## Highlights

### ✂ Flexible Vacations

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### 📍 Iconic Sites

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#### 1 Gold Coast – K'gari (Fraser Island)

Depart the Gold Coast this morning and travel north enjoying the view of the changing landscapes of rolling hills, surrounding mountain peaks, and the coastline of the Sunshine Coast before arriving at Hervey Bay. This afternoon the ferry will take you across to World Heritage listed K'gari, (Fraser Island). Ground yourself in nature on this sand island, your home for the next two nights. **Hotel: Kingfisher Bay Resort, 2 nights. B**

#### 2 K'gari (Fraser Island)

A day of discovery lies ahead as your 4WD tour takes you for a bumpy ride around the island's must-see sites. Visit Lake McKenzie, ringed with magnificent white sandy beaches. Walk through the ancient rainforest at Central Station and Wanggoolba Creek with its huge satiny, scribbly gum and kauri trees. Across the island at 75 Mile Beach, the sand highway will take you up the east coast to the Pinnacles Colored Sands, the cooling, calm waters of Eli Creek, and the famous Maheno Shipwreck. **B L**

#### 3 K'gari (Fraser Island) – Rockhampton

It's back to the mainland this morning aboard your ferry. Later, stop at Langmorn Station, a fully operational family-run cattle station. Meet the Creed family and take a guided tour of the property including the original family homestead, built in 1873. Enjoy afternoon tea in the garden in the company of the pet kangaroo! Just north of the Tropic of Capricorn lies Rockhampton, the beef capital of Australia. Your night is free so why not try some local beef at an Aussie pub or go down the modern route at the new restaurant, The Pier. **Hotel: Quality Regent. B**

#### 4 Rockhampton – Airlie Beach

Travel north to Sarina, Australia's sugar capital, to the Sarina Sugar Shed, a working miniature sugar mill. On your tour you'll get a peek into the sugar cane industry and witness sugar processing and distilling. Afterwards you can taste some of the products made on site before sitting down to a light lunch. Continue to Airlie Beach, the gateway to the Whitsundays. Spend the next two nights in this vibrant coastal town, where you will have free time to explore at your own pace. **Hotel: Mantra, 2 nights. B L**

#### 5 Airlie Beach

The Whitsunday Islands are a collection of 74 tropical islands comprising white sandy beaches and dense rainforest, surrounded by the Great Barrier Reef. This tropical oasis offers numerous activities for all budgets and interests. Today is yours to indulge in your own pleasures - consider an optional experience. Perhaps take a scenic flight over the iconic Heart Reef, or cruise to famous Whitehaven Beach, where you can simply relax on the beach, take a swim, or get involved in some fun beach activities. **B**

#### 6 Airlie Beach – Cairns

Head north to Cairns along the Bruce Highway. Relax and take in the scenery as you travel through sugar cane fields and expansive farming lands, with the Coral Sea on one side and the Rainforest on the other. You'll stop along the way at a town where you can soak up the relaxed lifestyle of Tropical North Queensland before arriving in Cairns, gateway to the Great Barrier Reef. **Hotel: DoubleTree by Hilton, 2 nights. B**

#### 7 Cairns

Before breakfast feel free to take a walk along the shore and feel the golden sand between your toes. Today you'll travel through the high tropical plateau known as the Atherton Tablelands, where lush rainforests, waterfalls and lakes abound. Visit Millaa Millaa Falls and the famous Curtain Fig Tree. Keep an eye out for the spectacular Ulysses Butterfly while you're there. Continue to Kuranda arriving around lunch time and enjoy some free time to explore this 'village in the rainforest'. From Kuranda you will take the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway through and above the canopy of Barron Gorge National Park. **B**

#### 8 Great Barrier Reef

Board a high-speed catamaran and cruise out to the Great Barrier Reef. The world heritage listed reef is the only living organism you can see from the moon. You'll have the opportunity to go snorkeling and view this natural living wonder up-close (equipment provided) and view the spectacular coral and tropical fish from the underwater observatory and the glass bottom boat. Enjoy a delicious tropical buffet lunch before you return to Cairns in the late afternoon. Tonight, join your new-found friends for a Farewell Dinner at a restaurant on Cairns Harbour. **B L FD**



Maheno Shipwreck, Fraser Island

**9 Farewell from Cairns**

Your vacation concludes after breakfast when you'll bid farewell to your fellow travelers. **B**



Kuranda rainforest



Millaa Millaa Falls, Cairns

From **\$3732**

per person double share land only

**QGC: Gold Coast to Cairns**

**Departure Dates**

2022	2022 continued	2023
Apr 07	Oct 13	Jan 12
Jun 09	Nov 10	Feb 09
Jul 14	Dec 08	Mar 09
Sep 15		

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**QCG: Cairns to Gold Coast**

**Departure Dates**

2022	2023
Nov 18	Jan 20
	Feb 17
	Mar 17

A limited number of single rooms are available. Ask your travel agent at time of booking.

**Dining**

8 Full breakfasts **B**                      1 Farewell Dinner **FD**  
 3 Lunches **L**

**Flight Information**

**QGC: Gold Coast to Cairns**

Day prior – flights to arrive anytime into Gold Coast Airport

Day 9 – flights to depart anytime from Cairns Airport

**QCG: Cairns to Gold Coast**

Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 2.00pm into Cairns Airport

Day 9 – flights to depart after 8.30pm from Gold Coast Airport

**Flights are not included in the vacation price**



- **START**
- **END**
- ① Number of night stays
- Sightseeing stops



# Northern Territory Explorer

## Highlights

### ✂ Flexible Vacations

Follow the lead of laid back locals in Darwin and Alice Springs and enjoy the sights and adventures at a relaxed pace.

### 📍 Iconic Sites

From the vast wetlands of Kakadu to the sheer cliffs of Katherine Gorge and Uluru sunsets, this is Australia in a postcard.

### 📷 Time For You

You'll want to appreciate the full, blazing glory of the sun setting over Kakadu. There's no rush to move on – relax and enjoy.

### 🏠 Sustainable Travel



**MAKE TRAVEL MATTER EXPERIENCE** | Support Aboriginal-owned and -operated Pudukul Indigenous Experience when you learn about one of the world's oldest cultures.

## 1 Welcome to Darwin

Your vacation of a lifetime begins in Darwin, where the weather and friendly locals will instantly make you feel at ease. Meet your Travel Director at the famous Darwin waterfront. Relax and enjoy the tropical atmosphere as you get to know your fellow travelers over drinks and nibbles at a Welcome Reception. **Hotel: Vibe Darwin Waterfront, 2 nights.**

## 2 Darwin

This morning, allow your expert Travel Director to guide you around Darwin's must-see attractions, including East Point Military Reserve and the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory. Get a taste of local life this afternoon as you are free to explore or relax. You could visit the Royal Flying Doctor Service Tourist Facility or soak up the atmosphere and flavors of the iconic Mindil Beach Sunset Market with over 200 unique stalls offering food, and arts & crafts. **B**

## 3 Darwin – Kakadu

Delve deep into Indigenous culture today as you connect with local storytellers and enjoy an immersive nature-based culture experience on the shores of a billabong. Hear stories of local Indigenous history and learn about the customs and traditions of the Aboriginal people of the region. After this enlightening experience you will venture deep into the natural paradise of Kakadu National Park, stopping at the Bowali Visitor Centre to discover the history of Australia's largest National Park. **Hotel: Mercure Kakadu Crocodile, Jabiru, 2 nights. B D**

## 4 Kakadu National Park

Why not take an optional experience scenic flight this morning and experience a different view of Kakadu National Park from the air? World Heritage listed for its breathtaking landscapes, flourishing wildlife and Aboriginal cultural significance, Kakadu is a dream location for those who love the outdoors. Your local guide will show you ancient Aboriginal rock art galleries before you cruise the famous Yellow Water Billabong. Keep your eyes peeled as you search for saltwater crocodiles and discover the colorful plant and bird life that call this region home. Watching the sun set over this spectacular World Heritage UNESCO site is the perfect way to end your day. **B**

## 5 Kakadu – Katherine

Travel through remarkable landscapes from one famous National Park to another, arriving at Nitmiluk National Park in time to board your cruise with your expert local guide. Cruise spectacular Katherine Gorge with its towering cliffs and winding bends and experience the varied and ever-changing landscapes. Keep an eye out for the small freshwater crocodiles while you hear stories of how this spectacular gorge was formed. **Hotel: Contour. B D**

## 6 Katherine – Tennant Creek

This morning you'll visit the Elsey Homestead replica, used in the filming of a famous story about outback life, 'We of the Never Never'. Not far away is Mataranka thermal hot springs, where you can take a moment to relax and soak up the tropical atmosphere. Head down the palm lined walkway for a refreshing swim, before we divert off the Stuart Highway to check out the iconic Daly Waters Historic Pub. The words rustic and eclectic best describe this interesting watering hole, where you will enjoy a drink in the company of your fellow travelers. **Hotel: Bluestone Motor Inn. B D**

## 7 Tennant Creek – Alice Springs

As you depart Tennant Creek, sit back and enjoy views of the amazing and everchanging country. Discover the massive granite boulders, the Karlu Karlu (Devils Marbles). Stretch your legs and wander through and around the boulders and hear the Dreaming story about the fossilized eggs of the Rainbow Serpent. Your destination is the iconic outback town of Alice Springs. Upon arrival, your Travel Director provides insightful commentary as you enjoy the drive up to Anzac Hill to not only visit the memorial but take in the panoramic views of Alice Springs and the East and West MacDonnell Ranges. **Hotel: DoubleTree by Hilton, 2 nights. B**

## 8 Alice Springs Sightseeing & Free Time

Enjoy a relaxing morning or perhaps consider an optional experience. You could explore the incredible natural wonders of the West MacDonnell Ranges on a half day guided tour. This afternoon, join your Travel Director on a guided tour of Alice Springs, visiting the historic Telegraph Station and the Alice Springs School of the Air to gain an insight into outback and remote learning. **B**



Uluru Sunrise

From **\$4135**

per person double share land only

### Departure Dates

2022

May 25

Jun 22

Jul 20

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### Dining

10 Full breakfasts B  
3 Dinners D

1 Farewell Dinner FD

### Flight Information

Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 3.00pm into Darwin Airport  
Day 11 – flights to depart anytime from Ayers Rock Airport  
**Flights are not included in the vacation price**

#### 9 Alice Springs – Uluru

This morning visit the Alice Springs Desert Park before heading west to the sacred wonder of Uluru. As you venture into Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park for the first time, take a moment to appreciate the sheer scale of Uluru before joining your fellow travelers for a bucket list experience. The changing colors of the sun setting over the rock are spectacular, and there is nothing better than toasting to it with a glass of sparkling wine. **Hotel: Outback Pioneer, Ayers Rock Resort, 2 nights. B**

#### 10 Uluru Sunrise

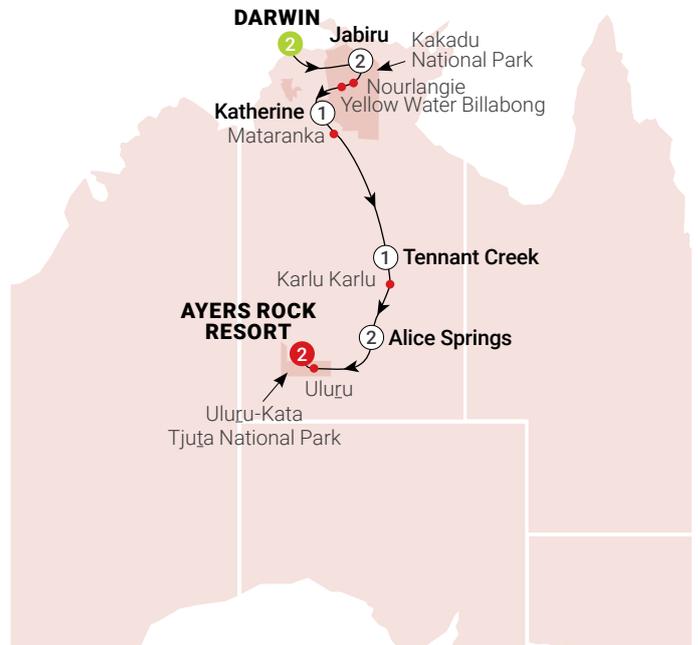
The early rise will be worthwhile when you experience Uluru at sunrise. Holding a freshly made coffee or tea as the sun creeps across the face of Uluru is simply awe-inspiring. Join your Travel Director for a guided walk around the base of Uluru and discover the culture of the local Anangu people that makes this sacred rock so special. This afternoon is free for you to rest by the resort pool or you might choose to see Uluru from the air on an optional experience scenic helicopter ride or cruise around it on the back of a Harley! This evening, join your fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner and recount the amazing experiences you have had together exploring the vast and incredible land of the Northern Territory. **B FD**

#### 11 Farewell from Uluru

This morning you may consider rising early for the optional experience Uluru Sunrise Field of Light Art installation before your exploration of the Northern Territory comes to an end. **B**



- **START**
- **END**
- ① Number of night stays
- Sightseeing stops



# South Western Escape

## Highlights

### ✂ Flexible Vacations

Create your own itinerary to explore Albany, or talk to your Travel Director about one of our optional extra experiences.

### 📍 Iconic Sites

Sip your way through Margaret River wineries, let nature inspire at Wave Rock, and wander white sand in Esperance, 'roos in your company.

### 📷 Time For You

It's a short ferry ride from Fremantle to the quokkas, powder-white beaches and turquoise waters of Rottnest Island. Explore at ease.

### 🌿 Sustainable Travel

Your bird's-eye view of the Valley of the Giants from the Tree Top Walk helps protect this immense forest wilderness.

## 1 Welcome to Perth

Begin your adventure in the dynamic south west by joining your Travel Director for a tour of the friendly Western Australian capital. Visit Kings Park and explore its delightful Botanic Gardens on the broad expanse of the Swan River. This evening, enjoy the company of your fellow travelers at a Welcome Reception and dinner. **Hotel: Travelodge. D**

## 2 Perth – Wave Rock

Journey through the Golden Outback to Hyden. You'll join a local guide on a tour of Boddington Gold Mine, the site of the largest producer of gold in Australia. Continue to Wave Rock and the small town of Hyden. This magnificent rock formation resembling a gigantic wave, was formed over three million years ago. Then take a short walk to discover Hippo's Yawn, another fascinating rock formation. **Hotel: Wave Rock Motel. B D**

## 3 Wave Rock – Kalgoorlie

This morning, take an exclusive farm tour with local Sheenagh to learn about station life in the outback. You may spot WA's famous wildflowers in this region. Pass through the former gold boomtown of Coolgardie and continue to Kalgoorlie, a colorful town whose economy has been driven by gold since 1893. Take an orientation tour of this historic town and drive to the official lookout for spectacular views over the famous Super Pit open-cut gold mine, which is large enough to be seen from space. **Hotel: Rydges. B D**

## 4 Kalgoorlie – Esperance

Today, visit Cape Le Grand National Park and discover wild coastal scenery, rugged granite peaks, sweeping headlands and white sand beaches. At stunning Lucky Bay, you may see some of the local kangaroos that like to laze on the pristine beach. **Hotel: Comfort Inn Bay of Isles. B D**

## 5 Esperance – Albany

Travel on through Ravensthorpe and the unique Fitzgerald Biosphere. Later, at Bluff Knoll Lookout, you'll witness the rugged beauty of the Stirling Ranges National Park. Continue to Albany, a town imbued with ANZAC history, and settle in to your hotel for the night. **Hotel: Dog Rock Motel, 2 nights. B D**

## 6 Albany Free Time

Today, take your time to explore seaside Albany, which boasts many fine heritage listed buildings. Perhaps visit the acclaimed National ANZAC Centre. Set high on a hill within Albany's Princess Royal Fortress, the award-winning center overlooks the harbor from which more than 41,000 men and women departed Australia for the Great War. **B**

## 7 Albany – Margaret River

Experience the Valley of the Giants Tree Top Walk this morning and explore the canopy of the majestic Tingle forest. Then travel on to Cape Leeuwin, where the Indian and Great Southern Oceans meet. Explore the grounds of its historic lighthouse and enjoy the spectacular surroundings at this beautifully restored heritage site before departing for Margaret River. Beaches and surf breaks line the nearby coast, whose waters host migratory whales between June and November. **Hotel: Stay Margaret River, 2 nights. B D**

## 8 Margaret River

Margaret River is known not only for its fabulous wine but also for its fresh produce and boutique producers. Vasse Virgin is where you'll have the chance to learn about all things olive oil, taste the gourmet produce, and sample their range of beauty products made from olive oil. Continue to our hand-picked local winery for wine tastings and lunch prepared using fresh local produce. **B L**

## 9 Margaret River – Fremantle

You might like to take a stroll this morning along the 2-kilometer-long jetty in Busselton, a popular vacation town on the shores of Geographe Bay. Then travel on to Fremantle, where the afternoon is yours to explore. You could visit the colorful Fremantle Markets to purchase local arts and crafts and taste local produce. **Hotel: Esplanade Fremantle by Rydges, 2 nights. B D**

## 10 Fremantle Free Time

This morning there's the chance to explore at leisure. You may like to wander along the Fremantle foreshore to view the impressive fishing fleet and perhaps enjoy a refreshing ale at Little Creatures Brewery. You could



Wave Rock

From **\$3882**

per person double share land only

### Departure Dates

2022	2022 continued
May 07	Aug 06, 20, 27
Jun 04	Sep 03, 10 <sup>^</sup> , 17 <sup>^</sup> , 24 <sup>^</sup>
Jul 02	Oct 01, 08, 15, 22

<sup>^</sup> Expected wildflower season departure.  
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### Dining

10 Full breakfasts B                      7 Dinners D  
1 Lunch L

### Flight Information

Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 12 noon into Perth Airport  
Day 11 – flights to depart anytime from Perth Airport  
**Flights are not included in the vacation price**

take an optional experience and ferry across to Rottnest Island to explore at leisure or on a guided bus tour. The turquoise waters of Rottnest Island are something to behold. If boats are not your thing, then why not discover Fremantle on guided walking tour to spot some hidden gems. **B**

#### 11 Farewell from Fremantle

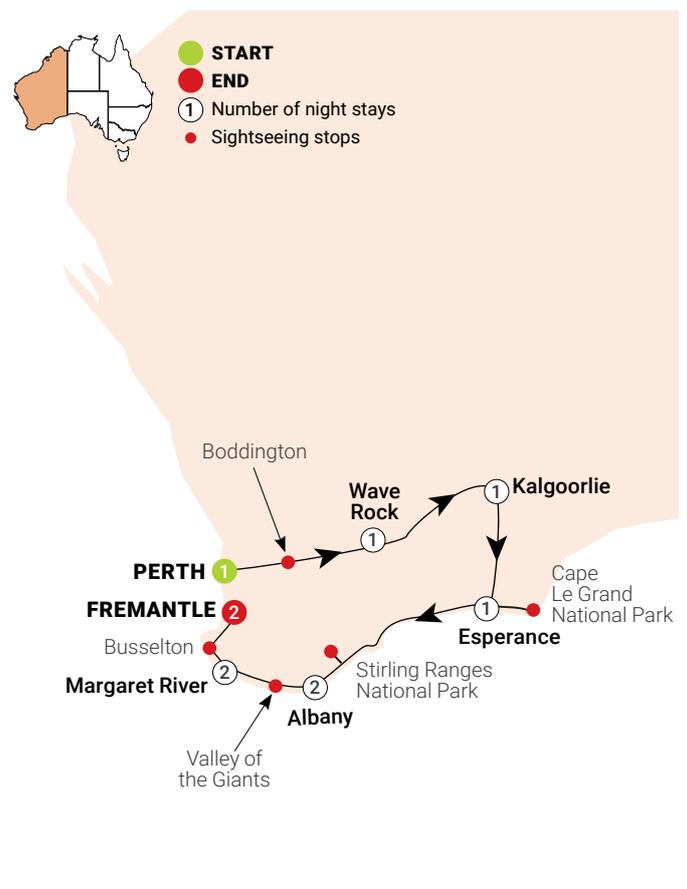
Say farewell to your fellow travelers when your vacation comes to an end this morning. **B**



Valley of the Giants



Margaret River vineyards



# Kia Ora New Zealand

## Highlights

### ✂ Flexible Vacations

Spot rare yellow-eyed penguins, fur seals and northern royal albatrosses via optional Otago Peninsula wildlife cruises from Dunedin.

### 📍 Iconic Sites

Fiordland National Park is a World Heritage Site for good reason – this wilderness wonderland hosts the natural drama of Milford Sound.

### 📷 Time For You

Free time in the Bay of Islands, Rotorua, Dunedin and Queenstown means you can get as active (or be as relaxed) as you like.

### 🌱 Sustainable Travel



When we supply a lunch to guests, we donate another to Eat My Lunch, an organisation that has fed over 1.6-million underprivileged Kiwi kids.

## 1 Welcome to Auckland

After settling in to your hotel, you'll have time to explore Auckland at your own pace. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Reception with your Travel Director. **Hotel: Holiday Inn Express.**

## 2 Auckland – Bay of Islands

This morning, travel to the beautiful Bay of Islands. Discover the stories, people and events that shaped the past, present and future of Aotearoa New Zealand at the Waitangi Treaty Grounds. During your tour you will view the world's largest ceremonial war canoe, the historic Treaty House and carved Meeting House. Stand on the spot where New Zealand's founding document, the Treaty of Waitangi, was signed in 1840. **Hotel: Copthorne Resort, Garden View, 2 nights. B D**

## 3 Bay of Islands Free Time

Explore the Bay of Islands at leisure today. **B**

## 4 Bay of Islands – Auckland

Enjoy a relaxed morning before traveling through lush farmland on your way back to Auckland. **Hotel: Holiday Inn Express. B**

## 5 Auckland – Rotorua

After a tour of Auckland's city highlights, trace the Waikato River to the Waitomo Caves where you'll explore the Waitomo Glowworm Grotto by boat. Your journey continues to Rotorua for an orientation tour with views of Lake Rotorua. This evening, enjoy a Māori Hangi feast Highlight Dinner and concert at the Tamaki Māori Village. **Hotel: Ibis, 2 nights. B HD**

## 6 Rotorua Free Time

Your day is free to explore as you wish. You might like to visit Rainbow Springs Nature Park for a glimpse of New Zealand's iconic kiwi bird, or Te Puia, the Māori Arts and Crafts Institute. **B**

## 7 Rotorua – Wellington

Journey through tall pine forests and verdant farmland to spectacular Huka Falls and serene Lake Taupo. Drive along the shores of New Zealand's biggest lake, and follow the Kapiti Coast to New Zealand's capital, Wellington. **Hotel: Travelodge. B**

## 8 Wellington – Picton

Your special packed lunch today won't only be wholesome, it will also feed a Kiwi child who may otherwise go without, through the charity 'Eat My Lunch'. Enjoy a sightseeing tour of Wellington, and then visit Te Papa Museum of New Zealand. Cruise across the Cook Strait and explore the maze of inlets of Queen Charlotte Sound. Later you'll travel to the seaside village of Picton and take a tour of the city before dinner. **Hotel: Picton Beachcomber Inn. B L D**

## 9 Picton – Christchurch

Travel to Kaikoura, where an optional whale-watching flight is available. Continue along the Pacific Ocean coast and across the colorful Canterbury Plains to Christchurch. **Hotel: Ibis. B**

## 10 Christchurch – Omarama

Explore Christchurch at leisure this morning, then travel over the fertile plains to serene Lakes Pukaki and Tekapo. View the Church of the Good Shepherd and soak up the scenery of Mt. Cook National Park. **Hotel: Heritage Gateway. B D**

## 11 Omarama – Dunedin Free Time

Your day begins on the Waitaki River with a visit to the Waitaki Hydro Power Scheme. See the monumental spillway of nearby Benmore Dam. Then travel to the historic town of Oamaru, with its celebrated white limestone buildings. Continue to Dunedin and enjoy an orientation tour. Dunedin is known for its Scottish and Māori heritage, Victorian and Edwardian architecture, and large student population. The afternoon is free for you to relax or explore independently. You might like to take a wildlife cruise, or a ride on the historic Taieri Gorge Railway. The train negotiates the deep, narrow gorge with ease as it travels through ten tunnels and over countless bridges and viaducts. **Hotel: Scenic Dunedin City. B**

## 12 Dunedin – Te Anau

Enjoy free time in Dunedin and then travel across the fertile sheep-dotted pastures of South Otago en route to Fiordland National Park and Te Anau. **Hotel: Luxmore. B D**



Waitomo Glowworm Grotto

**13 Te Anau – Queenstown**

Your experience in magnificent Milford Sound today is sure to be one of the highlights of your journey. Travel first through the tall native rainforests and rugged mountains of Fiordland National Park, traversing the hand-hewn Homer Tunnel. Milford Sound, named after Milford Haven in Wales, is a fiord that runs 15 Kilometers inland from the Tasman Sea and is home to fur seal colonies, penguins and dolphins. Your unforgettable cruise takes in cascading waterfalls, hanging glacial valleys, and the sheer pinnacle of Mitre Peak, which rises 5,560 feet from the water. After disembarking, travel on to beautiful Queenstown via the breathtaking stretch of highway called the Devil’s Staircase, and Lake Wakatipu. Enjoy an informative orientation tour of the city before settling in for your two-night stay. **Hotel: Copthorne Hotel and Resort, 2 nights. B**

**14 Queenstown Free Time**

Explore New Zealand’s adventure capital at your own pace today. Later in the afternoon, cruise across Lake Wakatipu aboard TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak High Country Farm for a gourmet barbecue Highlight Dinner. An entertaining after-dinner farm show completes your evening. **B HD**

**15 Queenstown – Franz Josef**

Visit the faithfully-restored gold mining settlement of Arrowtown and travel on to Cromwell to taste its sensational stone fruit. You will then travel over Haast Pass and view the sheer drop of Thunder Creek Falls on your way to Franz Josef Glacier. **Hotel: Scenic Franz Josef Glacier, Graham Wing. B D**

**16 Franz Josef – Christchurch**

This morning’s destination is Hokitika, home of New Zealand’s famous greenstone, prized for its strength, durability and beauty. Then continue to Arthur’s Pass to board the iconic TranzAlpine train and take one of the world’s most scenic rail journeys. This evening, join your Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. **Hotel: Ibis. B FD**

**17 Farewell from Christchurch**

Your vacation comes to an end this morning after breakfast. **B**

From **\$5263**

per person double share land only

**LABC: Auckland to Christchurch**

**Departure Dates**

2022		2022 continued		2023	
Apr	16, 23	Sep	03, 10, 14	Jan	07, 14, 21, 28
May	28	Oct	01, 08, 15, 22, 29	Feb	04, 11, 18, 25
Jun	25	Nov	05, 12, 26	Mar	04, 11, 18, 25
Jul	23	Dec	03, 10, 17, 24		
Aug	06				

From **\$5263**

per person double share land only

**LCBA: Christchurch to Auckland**

**Departure Dates**

2022		2022 continued		2023	
Apr	04, 11	Oct	03, 17, 24, 31	Jan	02, 09, 16, 23
May	02	Nov	07, 21, 28	Feb	06, 13, 20, 27
Sep	05	Dec	05, 12, 19, 26	Mar	06, 13, 20, 27

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**Dining**

- 16 Full buffet breakfasts **B**
- 1 Lunch **L**
- 2 Highlight Dinners **HD**
- 5 Dinners **D**
- 1 Farewell Dinner **FD**

**Flight Information**

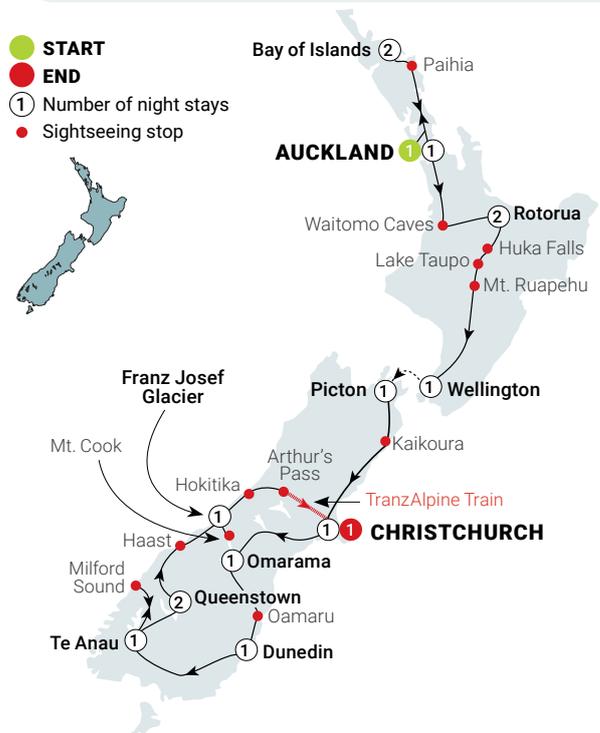
**LABC: Auckland to Christchurch**

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Auckland Airport
- Day 17 – flights to depart anytime from Christchurch Airport

**LCBA: Christchurch to Auckland**

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Christchurch Airport
- Day 17 – flights to depart anytime from Auckland Airport

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# New Zealand Marvel

## Highlights

### ✂ Flexible Vacations

There's nothing quite as cool as flying over, then landing on, Franz Josef Glacier. It's an optional experience you won't want to miss.

### 📍 Iconic Sites

Just try not to be dazzled cruising around Milford Sound in World Heritage listed Fiordland National Park.

### 📷 Time For You

Wine and dine, cruise and soak – you'll have plenty of time to explore Queenstown and Rotorua at your leisure.

### ♻ Sustainable Travel

MAKING TRAVEL MATTER EXPERIENCE 🌱 Kiwi kids in need are gifted a lunch for every guest lunch we serve up, thanks to our commitment to the Eat My Lunch initiative.

## 1 Welcome to Christchurch

On arrival in Christchurch there's time for relaxing or exploring. This evening, your vacation begins at a Welcome Reception with your Travel Director and fellow travelers. **Hotel: Ibis.**

## 2 Christchurch – Franz Josef

Board the iconic TranzAlpine train for one of the world's great rail journeys. Pass through the lush pasture-land of the Canterbury Plains to the rugged gorges and ice-fed streams and lakes of the Southern Alps. Arrive at Arthur's Pass and continue to Hokitika, home of New Zealand's famous greenstone. Your destination is the extraordinary rivers of ice that make up Franz Josef Glacier. You may like to get up close and personal with the glaciers on an optional experience helicopter flight. **Hotel: Scenic Franz Josef Glacier, Graham Wing. B D**

## 3 Franz Josef – Queenstown

Drive over the spectacular Haast Pass, passing the 96-meter Thunder Creek Falls, and serene Lakes Wanaka, Hawea and Dunstan. Stop at the town of Cromwell and enjoy delicious stone fruit. Next, you'll visit the historic gold-mining settlement of Arrowtown, where over seventy buildings from the gold-rush era are still beautifully preserved. You'll arrive in Queenstown in time for an orientation tour. **Hotel: Cophorne Hotel and Resort, 2 nights. B**

## 4 Queenstown Free Time

Explore New Zealand's adventure capital today. There are jet-boat rides for thrill-seekers, and wine tours or intimate cafés for those who enjoy a more leisurely pace. Enjoy a peaceful cruise this evening across Lake Wakatipu aboard the TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak High Country Farm for a gourmet barbecue Highlight Dinner and an entertaining after-dinner show offering glimpses of high-country farm life. **B HD**

## 5 Queenstown – Te Anau

Travel the highway known as the Devil's Staircase and along the shores of Lake Wakatipu to the town of Te Anau. On your journey to Milford Sound you'll be awestruck by the native rainforests and rugged mountains of Fiordland National Park. Your cruise on the Sound provides views of

cascading waterfalls, hanging glacial valleys, and towering Mitre Peak. Return to lakeside Te Anau, where this evening you can consider an optional experience visiting the Te Anau Glowworm Caves.

**Hotel: Luxmore. B D**

## 6 Te Anau – Dunedin

Journey through lush green sheep-grazing country on your way to Dunedin this morning. The afternoon is yours to enjoy as you please. Sit back and relax, or consider an optional experience. Perhaps take a wildlife cruise out to the Otago Peninsula to spot penguins and the Royal Albatross or experience an interactive tour of famous Speight's Brewery. **Hotel: Scenic Dunedin City. B**

## 7 Dunedin – Oamaru

Consider an optional experience to visit Larnach Castle this morning. Then set out for the historic town of Oamaru, with its elegant tree-lined streets and celebrated white limestone buildings. Later, follow the course of the mighty Waitaki River, which marks the boundary between the regions of Canterbury and Otago. Your day finishes in the heart of the Mackenzie Country at Oamaru. **Hotel: Heritage Gateway Hotel. B D**

## 8 Oamaru – Christchurch

Journey through the awe-inspiring Aoraki/Mt. Cook National Park. See majestic Lakes Pukaki and Tekapo, and stop to view the Church of the Good Shepherd. Later, traverse the fertile Canterbury Plains through Fairlie and Geraldine to Christchurch. **Hotel: Ibis. B D**

## 9 Christchurch – Picton

Travel along the rugged Pacific Ocean coast this morning to Kaikoura, where an optional whale-watching flight is available. Pass the pink-tinged crystallisation ponds of the Lake Grassmere Salt Works, then travel on to the pretty seaside village of Picton. **Hotel: Picton Beachcomber Inn. B D**

## 10 Picton – Wellington

Cruise tranquil Queen Charlotte Sound, then cross the Cook Strait to Wellington on the North Island. Take a city tour before enjoying some free time. Later, visit Te Papa Museum of New Zealand, where you'll have time to explore the many fascinating exhibits. **Hotel: Travelodge. B**



# Southern Spotlight

## Highlights

### ✂ Flexible Vacations

From epic burgers to fine dining, Queenstown's restaurants, bars and cafes are just waiting to be enjoyed. Ask us for tips.

### 📍 Iconic Sites

Among the world's great train journeys, the TranzAlpine traverses countryside made for postcards, as are fabled Milford Sound and Franz Josef Glacier.

### 📷 Time For You

Sometimes, the best adventures are unplanned. We give you free days and afternoons to dive deep into southern attractions.

### 🌱 Sustainable Travel

By visiting Fiordland National Park, you're helping protect this fragile ecosystem's flora and fauna for future generations.

## 1 Welcome to Christchurch

You'll have time to relax before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers this evening for a Welcome Reception. **Hotel: Ibis.**

## 2 Christchurch – Oamaru

See how Christchurch has rebuilt itself after the devastating earthquakes of 2010 and 2011, and pop into the Transitional Cathedral, the temporary home of the Christchurch Cathedral, built almost entirely of cardboard. Later, travel over the fertile Canterbury Plains to soak up spectacular scenery. You'll view the famous Church of the Good Shepherd, and stop for a quick photo with the bronze statue of a collie dog. You may wish to view Mount Cook National Park from the air this afternoon on an optional experience scenic flight. Your day finishes in the heart of the Mackenzie Country at Oamaru. **Hotel: Heritage Gateway. B D**

## 3 Oamaru – Dunedin

Your day starts with a journey along the Waitaki River, which marks the boundary between the regions of Canterbury and Otago, and with its large catchment it is an ideal source of hydro-electric power. From the Waitaki Valley you will travel to the historic town of Oamaru, with its elegant tree-lined streets and celebrated white limestone buildings. Continue to Dunedin, where your afternoon is at leisure. You may like to take a tour of imposing Larnach Castle, the country's only castle. **Hotel: Scenic Dunedin City. B**

## 4 Dunedin – Te Anau

This morning you're free to explore Dunedin at your own pace. Later, travel through lush green pastures, crossing sheep-filled farming land. As your journey continues, the rolling, grassy hills once again turn back into heavily forested, rugged mountains, and you'll meander into Fiordland National Park to the South Island's biggest lake and the town of Te Anau. Tonight, consider an optional experience and take a boat tour of the mysterious Te Anau Glowworm Caves. **Hotel: Luxmore. B D**

## 5 Te Anau – Queenstown

Your experience in magnificent Milford Sound is sure to be one of the highlights of your trip. Travel through tall native rainforests and rugged mountains of Fiordland National Park, then cruise the serene waters of this natural wonder. On the way to Queenstown see Mirror Lake, Cleddau Valley, the Chasm, Mitre Peak and Bowen Falls, then travel along the Devil's Staircase and the shores of Lake Wakatipu. Enjoy an informative orientation tour on arrival. **Hotel: Copthorne Hotel and Resort, 2 nights. B**

## 6 Queenstown Free Time

Explore New Zealand's adventure capital at your own pace today. There are jet boat rides and white water rafting for the thrill-seekers, and wine tours or intimate cafés for those who enjoy a more leisurely rhythm. You might like to visit the picturesque Queenstown Gardens and enjoy its beautiful tulips in spring or glorious roses in summer. Take a peaceful cruise this evening across Lake Wakatipu aboard the century-old TSS Earnslaw, the only remaining commercial passenger-carrying coal-fired steamship in the Southern Hemisphere. Your destination is Walter Peak High Country Farm, where you'll enjoy a gourmet barbecue Highlight Dinner and entertaining after-dinner show offering glimpses of high country farm life. **B HD**

## 7 Queenstown – Franz Josef

Your destination today is the wild west coast of the South Island. Stop to visit the gold-mining settlement of Arrowtown, where more than 70 original buildings from the gold-rush era are faithfully preserved. Sample luscious stone fruit in Cromwell and enjoy the serenity of the region's vivid blue lakes, the most famous of which is tranquil Lake Wanaka. Drive over the spectacular Haast Pass, passing the 96-meter Thunder Creek Falls and stopping for a leisurely rainforest walk on your way to the extraordinary Franz Josef Glacier. **Hotel: Scenic Franz Josef Glacier, Graham Wing. B D**



Milford Sound

**8 Franz Josef – Christchurch**

Travel on this morning to Hokitika, home of New Zealand’s famous greenstone. Pounamu (its Māori name) is of great cultural significance in Māori culture and was prized for its strength, durability and beauty. It was used for weapons, tools and personal ornaments, and also denoted great status. Continue to Arthur’s Pass to board the iconic TranzAlpine train and embark on one of the world’s most renowned rail journeys. Pass through magnificent landscapes ranging from the rugged gorges and pristine ice-fed streams and lakes of the Southern Alps, to the lush pasture-land of the Canterbury Plains. This evening in Christchurch, join your Travel Director and new-found friends for a Farewell Dinner. **Hotel: Ibis. B FD**

**9 Farewell from Christchurch**

Say farewell to your fellow travelers when your vacation comes to an end this morning after breakfast. **B**



Dunedin

From **\$2900**

per person double share land only

**LCQR: Christchurch Return**

**Departure Dates**

2022		2022 continued		2023	
Apr	24	Sep	11, 18	Jan	01, 15, 22, 29
May	01	Oct	02, 09, 16, 23, 30	Feb	05, 12, 19, 26
Jun	05	Nov	06, 13, 20	Mar	05, 12, 19, 26
Jul	03, 31	Dec	04, 11, 18, 25	Apr	02
Aug	14				

From **\$2900**

per person double share land only

**LRQC: Christchurch Return**

**Departure Dates**

2022		2022 continued		2023	
Apr	04, 11	Oct	03, 17, 24, 31	Jan	02, 09, 16, 23, 30
May	02	Nov	07, 21, 28	Feb	06, 13, 20, 27
Sep	05	Dec	05, 12, 19, 26	Mar	06, 13, 20, 27

A limited number of single rooms are available. Ask your local travel agent at time of booking.

See available prices and departure dates from 01 Apr 2023 at [aatkings.com](http://aatkings.com). Or contact your local travel agent.

**Dining**

- 8 Full buffet breakfasts B
- 1 Highlight Dinner HD
- 3 Dinners D
- 1 Farewell Dinner FD

**Flight Information**

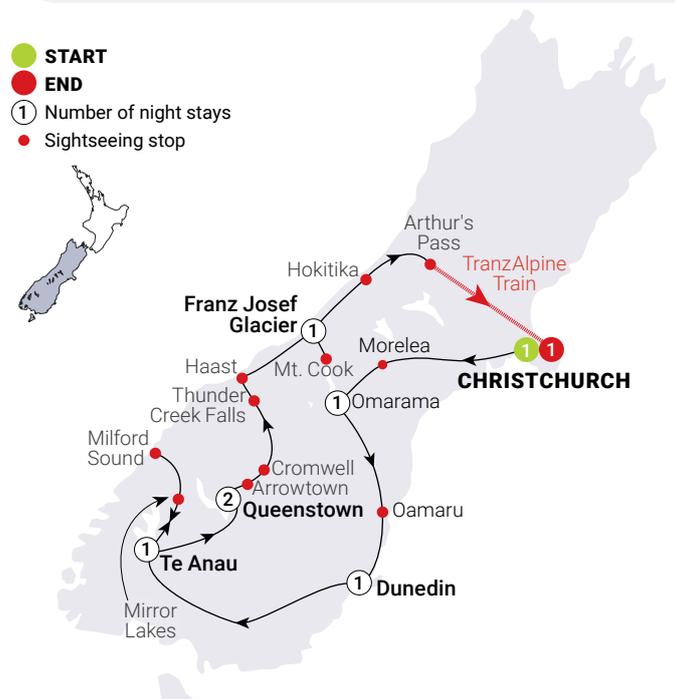
**LCQR: Christchurch Return**

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Christchurch Airport
- Day 9 – flights to depart anytime from Christchurch Airport

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**Flights are not included in the vacation price**



# Short Breaks

## Personalize Your Experience

Short Breaks are designed to let you travel on your own by including the best day tours in the region combined with your choice of up to three standards of accommodation. They give you the opportunity to learn from our expert Driver Guides, to discover the destinations and to meet new like-minded travelers each day.



## Choose Your Travel Style, in Central Australia.

Short Breaks labelled as **Active** have been designed to offer an experience that allows you to be fully immersed in nature, through walks, hikes and stunning landscapes. If you prefer your vacation experience with a little more comfort and a languid pace, combined with gentle walks, we suggest our **Leisurely** series of Short Breaks.

## What's included on a Short Break?

- All accommodation, with your choice of up to 3 standards of quality, depending on your budget and needs
- Selected meals
- Seamless transfers between every spot on your itinerary
- Money-can't-buy exclusives, dependant on your itinerary
- Travel in purpose-built air-conditioned coaches, with reclining seats and WiFi where available
- All National Park Entrance Fees
- The services of highly experienced Driver Guides
- Cultural activities in your destinations
- Community engagement activities



Harbour Bridge and Opera House

## Sydney & the Blue Mountains

4 DAYS SYDNEY → SYDNEY **SS11**

Hunter Valley wineries • Tintilla Estate • Roche Estate • Brokenwood Wines • Blue Mountains • Sydney Zoo • Leura Village • The Three Sisters • Scenic World

### 1 Arrive Sydney

On arrival at Sydney Airport, make your own way to your hotel (flights anytime). The rest of the day is at leisure. **Hotel: Rydges Sydney Central, 3 nights.**

### 2 Hunter Valley

Experience Australia's oldest wine producing region, the picturesque Hunter Valley. Travel over the Sydney Harbour Bridge before being treated to magnificent views of the Hawkesbury River and Australian countryside. Visit Tintilla Estate, a family run winery known for its wines, olives and conserves. Relax on the deck overlooking the vineyard as you sample a selection of the family's favorite wines. Enjoy lunch your way at Roche Estate

(own expense) – choose from a casual meal at funky Goldfish Bar, an elegant dining experience at Oishii Restaurant or a tasty picnic hamper. You'll have free time to visit the cellar doors onsite or perhaps grab a coffee or gelato and relax on the rolling hill with picturesque views. Then, experience a selection of premium Brokenwood wines hosted by a professional cellar door expert. **B**

### 3 Blue Mountains & Australian Wildlife

Explore the World Heritage listed Blue Mountains in style, starting with a visit to Sydney Zoo. See dingoes, koalas, wombats, Tasmanian devils and echidnas in a cage free environment. Visit the native aquarium to see an

enormous saltwater crocodile. Enjoy lunch in a Leura café surrounded by locals, with free time to discover this picturesque village. Visit the famous Three Sisters rock formation up close from Echo Point. Stop at Scenic World to ride the Scenic Railway, Cableway and Skyway, a great way to see the steep valleys, canyons and get another perspective of the Three Sisters. Take a walk along the Rainforest boardwalk to immerse yourself in nature from the valley floor. **B L**

### 4 Depart Sydney

Your Short Break concludes this morning after breakfast. Make your own way to Sydney Airport (flights anytime). **B**



### DEPARTS

Sun, Tue & Thu (Apr-Mar)

### CONCLUDES

Morning of day 4

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Single traveler must pay the single price.

Child & triple share prices available on request.



Melbourne Laneways

## Melbourne & the Great Ocean Road

4 DAYS MELBOURNE → MELBOURNE **MM11**

Great Ocean Road • The Twelve Apostles • Koala Reserve • Little Penguins Phillip Island • City Sights Tour • Otway & Port Campbell National Parks

### 1 Arrive Melbourne

On arrival at Melbourne Airport, make your own way to your hotel (flights anytime). The rest of the day is at leisure. **Hotel: Savoy, 3 nights.**

### 2 Great Ocean Road

Travel along the Great Ocean Road and witness unrestricted views of Australia's most spectacular coastline, without the crowds. The rugged splendour of the Twelve Apostles is breathtaking. These incredible limestone rock formations are a result of erosion that began up to 20 million years ago. Hear the amazing shipwreck story of survival of the Loch Ard and visit its famous gorge. Stop in seaside Port Campbell for lunch (own expense) and relax with locals

and vacation makers. On the return trip, travel through Otway National Park and see fern filled gullies, river inlets and lush rainforest that are home to several native animals. **B**

### 3 Melbourne Sights & Penguin Parade

Discover Melbourne's famous laneways and arcades on a walking tour with a local guide. Visit Degraeves Street, a popular pedestrian laneway. Explore the heritage Block Arcade and Royal Arcade. Stop at Queen Victoria Market. See vibrant Flinders Lane filled with boutique designers, trendy cafés and bars before arriving at Hosier Lane, famous for its graffiti-covered walls. This afternoon, travel to Phillip Island,

home to an array of wildlife, including Australia's largest fur seal colony and the endearing Little Penguins. Along the way, visit the Koala Reserve for up close encounters with koalas in their natural habitat. View spectacular coastal scenery at The Nobbies, two rocky outcrops abundant in marine life, and browse through the educational Visitor Information Centre. At sunset, watch the Little Penguins as they battle the surf and make their way to their dune burrows to feed their young. **B**

### 4 Depart Melbourne

Your Short Break concludes this morning after breakfast. Make your own way to Melbourne Airport for your onward flight (flights anytime). **B**



### DEPARTS

Tue, Thu, Fri & Sun (Apr-Mar)

### CONCLUDES

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Great Barrier Reef

## Cairns & the Great Barrier Reef

4 DAYS CAIRNS → CAIRNS

Great Barrier Reef • Skyrail Rainforest Cableway • Kuranda Scenic Railway • Kuranda Heritage Markets • World Heritage Rainforest

### 1 Arrive Cairns

On arrival at Cairns Airport, make your own way to your hotel (flights anytime). The rest of the day is at leisure. **Hotel: Novotel Cairns Oasis Resort (R) or Flynn (S), 3 nights.**

### 2 Great Barrier Reef

After a motorized sail on board the catamaran Ocean Spirit, you'll arrive at Michaelmas Cay. Don your mask and fins for a snorkel to view spectacular coral and tropical fish up close in the cay's protected shallow waters (equipment provided). Cruise in the semi-sub for a diver's view of the reef, watch the fish feeding presentation, observe the bird life or just chill out on Ocean Spirit's spacious decks or on the beach. Enjoy a tropical buffet lunch

on the water before returning to Cairns early evening. **B L**

### 3 Scenic Railway – Kuranda – Skyrail

Board the Kuranda Scenic Railway at Freshwater Station for a historic journey, enjoying breathtaking views across the cane fields of Cairns. Wind through hand-hewn tunnels, across bridges and curves. On arrival in Kuranda there's free time to explore the 'village in the rainforest', including the Heritage Markets. Later, board the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway for your 7.5km journey over and through World Heritage protected rainforest to Smithfield. Your 90-minute iconic experience showcases ancient rainforest and spectacular views with time at both Red Peak and

Barron Falls Stations for education and interpretation. Return to Cairns in the late afternoon. **B**

### 4 Depart Cairns

Your Short Break concludes this morning after breakfast. Make your own way to Cairns Airport (flights anytime). **B**



### DEPARTS

Daily (Apr-Mar)

### CONCLUDES

Morning of day 4

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Dreamtime Gorge Walk

## Tropical Reef & Rainforest

4 DAYS CAIRNS → CAIRNS

Aboriginal Cultural Experience • Painting Class • Traditional Smoking Ceremony • Art Gallery • Mossman Gorge • Walk in Daintree Rainforest • Great Barrier Reef Cruise

### 1 Cairns – Port Douglas

On arrival at Cairns Airport, make your own way to your hotel in Port Douglas (flights anytime). The rest of the day is at leisure to explore this resort town. **Hotel: Oaks Resort, 3 nights.**

### 2 Aboriginal Art and Culture

Visit Janbal Gallery for an art class with Aboriginal artist Brian 'Binna' Swindley. Learn ancient Dreamtime stories, local history and how these are shared through their art. Create your own unique artwork to take home with you. Travel to Mossman Gorge Cultural Centre where you will be welcomed to the land with a traditional Aboriginal smoking ceremony, followed by lunch infused with local flavors. Take some time

to peruse the gallery and local crafts store before journeying into the rainforest of Daintree National Park with your Aboriginal guide for an interpretive walk. Learn about the local Kuku Yalanji people's special relationship with the land here. **B L**

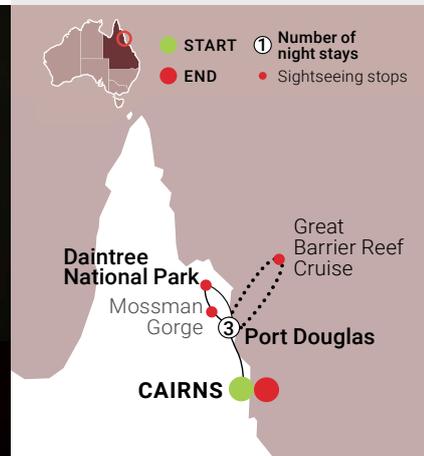
### 3 Great Barrier Reef

Quicksilver's high speed Silversonic catamaran will take you in airconditioned comfort to an exclusive activity platform moored at the Agincourt Reef, on the very outer edge of the Great Barrier Reef. The Agincourt ribbon reef systems provide unsurpassed coral formations, colorful marine life and spectacular underwater visibility. Friendly and attentive crew, including professional marine

biologists, are on hand to ensure you enjoy and gain the most from your day. Explore the reef from the comfort of a semi-submersible, discover in the underwater observatory, watch the fascinating fish feeding presentation or snorkel and dive in the beautiful coral gardens. A tropical buffet lunch is served before you return to Port Douglas. **B L**

### 4 Port Douglas – Depart Cairns

Your Short Break concludes this morning after breakfast. Make your own way to Cairns Airport (flights anytime). **B**



### DEPARTS

Daily (Apr-Mar)

### CONCLUDES

Morning of day 4

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Kata Tjuta sunrise

## Uluru & Kata Tjuta Experience

3 DAYS ULURU → ULURU

LEISURELY

Kata Tjuta sunset • Walpa Gorge • Uluru Sunrise • Uluru Sunset • Uluru Base Tour • Aboriginal Rock Art • Field of Light

### 1 Arrive Uluru – Kata Tjuta Sunset

On arrival at Ayers Rock Airport you'll be transferred to the resort (flights to arrive prior to 3.00pm). This afternoon, enjoy a leisurely drive out to Kata Tjuta. Witness a magnificent outback sunset there while enjoying sparkling wine.

**Hotel: Outback Pioneer (B), Desert Gardens (R) or Sails in the Desert (S), Ayers Rock Resort, 2 nights.**

### 2 Uluru Sunrise – Sacred Sites & Sunset

Rise early to witness a magical Uluru sunrise, then travel to the stunning red-rock domes of Kata Tjuta and spend time exploring Walpa Gorge. This afternoon, visit the Uluru-Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre to learn more

about the Western Desert region, then tour the sacred sites around the base of Uluru with a local Driver Guide, learning about the customs of the traditional owners. Walk to sacred Mutitjulu Waterhole, and view ancient Aboriginal rock art. Later, watch as the sun sets over Uluru, bringing out the myriad shades of color for which the world's largest monolith is renowned.

**+ Uluru BBQ Dinner** **+BBQ**  
After sunset this evening, why not add on our exclusive Aussie Barbecue Dinner.

**3 Field of Light – Depart Uluru**  
Experience acclaimed artist Bruce Munro's Field of Light, a once-in-a-lifetime event in Uluru. Under

cover of darkness, wander through 50,000 magical hand-crafted frosted glass spheres of light, in colors of ochre, deep violet, blue and gentle white. Then make your way to the dune top, where you'll be served tea, coffee or hot chocolate. Watch in awe as the sun pops up in the distance behind Uluru, flooding the landscape, including Kata Tjuta behind you, with light. As the landscape brightens, the Field of Light will dim for the day. There's a chance for some amazing photos from this unique raised location that allows you to view both Kata Tjuta and Uluru in all their natural glory. Later, you will be transferred to Ayers Rock Airport for your onward flight (flights to depart after 9.30am).



START Number of night stays  
 END Sightseeing stops

### AYERS ROCK RESORT

Field of Light  
Kata Tjuta Uluru

#### DEPARTS

Daily (Apr-Mar)  
90 minutes prior to sunset

#### CONCLUDES

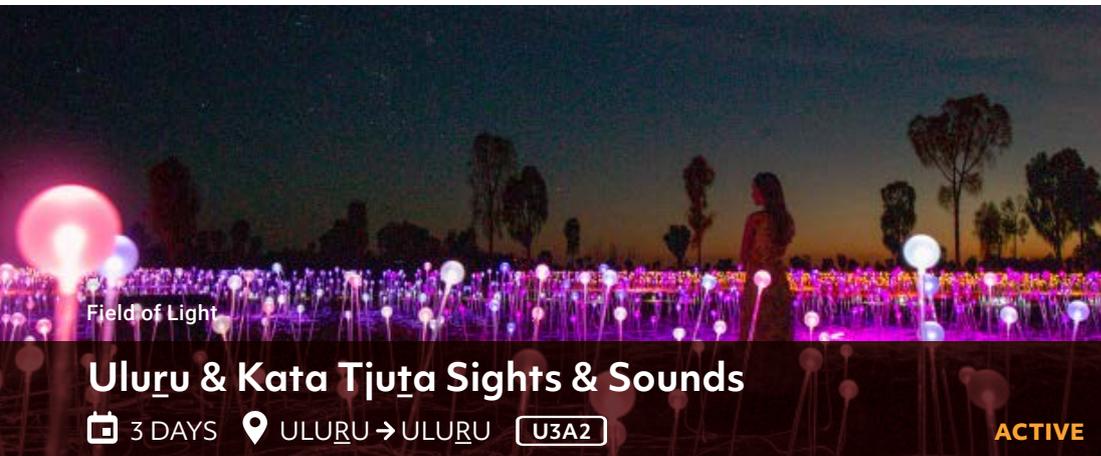
30 minutes after sunrise

#### PRICES

From **\$785** per person double share land only

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Field of Light

## Uluru & Kata Tjuta Sights & Sounds

3 DAYS ULURU → ULURU

ACTIVE

Uluru Base Tour • Aboriginal Rock Art • Uluru Sunset • Kata Tjuta Sunrise • Valley of the Winds • Sounds of Silence Dinner • Field of Light

### 1 Arrive Uluru – Sacred Sites & Sunset

On arrival at Ayers Rock Airport you'll be transferred to the resort (flights to arrive prior to 1.30pm). Visit Uluru-Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre to learn more about the Western Desert region, then tour the sacred sites around the base of Uluru with a local Driver Guide. Walk to sacred Mutitjulu Waterhole, and view ancient Aboriginal rock art. Later, relax with a glass of sparkling wine as the sun sets over Uluru, bringing out the myriad shades of color for which the world's largest monolith is renowned. **Hotel: Outback Pioneer (B), Desert Gardens (R) or Sails in the Desert (S), Ayers Rock Resort, 2 nights.**

### 2 Kata Tjuta Sunrise – Valley of the Winds – Sounds of Silence Dinner

Watch the spectacular sunrise over Kata Tjuta, with Uluru in the distance. Your Driver Guide will then escort you on a 2-3 hour walk to the Valley of the Winds. Marvel at the unique flora and admire the view of the central valley of the domes of Kata Tjuta. This evening, dine under a million stars at the Sounds of Silence Dinner. As the sun sets, listen to the sound of a didgeridoo and join your fellow travelers for an unforgettable experience. Enjoy a gourmet buffet of Australian delicacies accompanied by fine Australian wines, then sit back and relax as a star talker explains

the constellations of the southern night sky (weather conditions permitting). **B D**

**3 Field of Light – Depart Uluru**  
Experience acclaimed artist Bruce Munro's Field of Light, a once-in-a-lifetime event in Uluru. Under cover of darkness, wander through 50,000 magical hand-crafted frosted glass spheres of light, in colors of ochre, deep violet, blue and gentle white. Then make your way to the dune top and watch in awe as the sun pops up in the distance behind Uluru, flooding the landscape, including Kata Tjuta behind you, with light. Later, you will be transferred to Ayers Rock Airport for your onward flight (flights to depart after 9.30am).



START Number of night stays  
 END Sightseeing stops

### AYERS ROCK RESORT

Field of Light  
Kata Tjuta Uluru

#### DEPARTS

Daily 2.30pm (Apr-Oct)  
3.00pm (Nov-Mar)

#### CONCLUDES

30 minutes after sunrise

#### PRICES

From **\$899** per person double share land only

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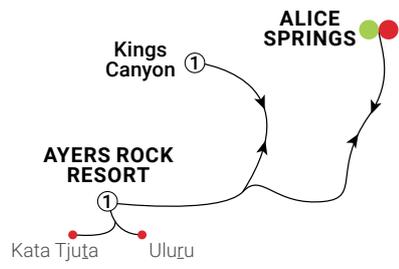
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Garden of Eden

## Uluru & Kings Canyon Discovery

📅 3 DAYS 📍 ALICE SPRINGS → ALICE SPRINGS A3A ACTIVE



**Uluru Sunset • Uluru Sunrise • Kata Tjuta & Walpa Gorge • Uluru Base Tour • Aboriginal Rock Art • Kings Canyon • Mutitjulu Waterhole**

As this Short Break departs at 7.00am, accommodation will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

**1 Alice Springs – Uluru Sacred Sites & Sunset**  
See Atila (Mt. Conner) today as you make your way to Ayers Rock Resort. View the amazing collection of Indigenous paintings at the Uluru-Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre, then tour the base of Uluru with your expert Driver Guide. Continue to the Kuniya Walk, and the sacred Mutitjulu Waterhole. In the late afternoon, experience the color changes of Uluru as the sun sets over the world's largest monolith, while sipping sparkling wine. **Hotel: Outback Pioneer (B), Desert Gardens (R) or Sails in the Desert (S), Ayers Rock Resort.**

**+ Uluru BBQ Dinner** +BBQ  
+ After sunset this evening, why not add on our exclusive Aussie Barbecue Dinner.

**2 Uluru Sunrise – Kata Tjuta – Kings Canyon**  
Witness the first rays of the sun set Uluru and the Red Centre alight. Continue to the mystical domes of Kata Tjuta. On the way enjoy panoramic views of the southern side of Kata Tjuta from the dune viewing platform, before arriving at Walpa Gorge. Spend some time exploring the gorge and the conglomerate rock formations. In the early afternoon travel to Kings Canyon. **Hotel: Standard Rooms (B & R) or Deluxe Spa Rooms (S), Kings Canyon Resort.**

**3 Kings Canyon – Depart Alice Springs**  
Climb a 100 meter cliff and walk 6kms along the rim of the canyon for impressive views of grottos, chasms and cliffs. Deep between the sandstone cliffs is the Garden of Eden, a waterhole surrounded by exotic plants. Or, set off on a two-kilometer stroll along the boulder-strewn canyon creek bed that leads to impressive views of the canyon rim. Later, travel through the desert landscapes, with informative commentary provided by your Driver Guide, to Alice Springs where your Short Break concludes.

As this Short Break concludes after 7.00pm, accommodations will need to be pre-booked for tonight.

**DEPARTS**  
Daily 7.00am (Apr-Mar)

**CONCLUDES**  
7.00pm (Oct-Mar) and 7.30pm (Apr-Sep)

**PRICES**  
From **\$1209** per person double share land only

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Single traveler must pay the single price.  
Child & triple share prices available on request.



Edith Falls

## Kakadu & Katherine Gorge

📅 3 DAYS 📍 DARWIN → DARWIN DG42



**Jumping Crocodile Cruise • Kakadu National Park • Aboriginal Rock Art • Katherine Gorge Cruise • Edith Falls • Yellow Water Billabong Cruise**

As this Short Break departs at 7.25am, accommodations will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

**1 Darwin – Jumping Crocodile Cruise – Kakadu**  
Cruise on the Adelaide River. Later, travel into Kakadu National Park, home to a myriad of animals and hundreds of bird species. Stop at the Marrawuddi Art Gallery, and then continue to Ubirr. Climb up through the ancient Aboriginal rock art galleries to the lookout for a spectacular view over Kakadu. **Hotel: Mercure Kakadu Crocodile. L**

**+Kakadu Scenic Flight** +SKF30  
+ Today, experience Kakadu from the air for a true sense this wondrous landscape. **Please enquire for details.**

**2 Kakadu – Katherine**  
This morning you'll be mesmerized as you explore the renowned Nourlangie rock art site, which had provided shelter to Indigenous people for millennia. Visit the Warradjan Cultural Centre for an insight into the local Bininj culture. Later, join your local guide for a cruise on Yellow Water Billabong, Kakadu's most famous wetland and home to saltwater crocodiles and dozens of species of colorful birdlife. Before arriving in Katherine, stop at Leliyn (Edith Falls), whose pandanus-fringed natural pool is suitable for swimming throughout most of the year (conditions permitting). **Hotel: Contour. L**

**3 Katherine – Depart Darwin**  
Enjoy a morning cruise through Katherine Gorge, a stunning network of thirteen gorges carved from billion-year-old sandstone. You'll be at its heart among freshwater crocodiles, wonderful birdlife and amazing scenery. Later, view the displays at the Nitmiluk Visitor Centre, where you may purchase artefacts handmade by the Jawoyn people. Return to Darwin, stopping at historic gold mining town of Pine Creek and the poignant Adelaide River War Cemetery. Your Short Break concludes this evening. **B**

As this Short Break concludes at 6.00pm, you may like to pre-book accommodations for tonight.

**DEPARTS**  
Tue & Sat (May-Oct) 7.25am

**CONCLUDES**  
6.00pm approximately

**PRICES**  
From **\$1135** per person double share land only

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Child & triple share prices available on request.



## Kakadu & Tiwi Islands Explorer

3 DAYS | DARWIN → DARWIN | DK40T

**Kakadu National Park • Yellow Water Billabong Cruise • Aboriginal Rock Art & Culture • Warradjan Cultural Centre • Cultural Cruise with Aboriginal Guide • Tiwi Islands Experience**

As this Short Break departs at 6.30am, accommodations will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

### 1 Darwin – Kakadu National Park

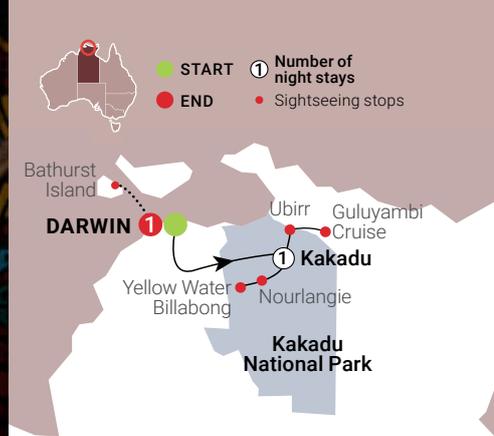
Depart Darwin and travel through pristine wetland regions to Kakadu National Park. Visit the Warradjan Cultural Centre, then join your local guide on a cruise to experience the dramatic scenery of the Yellow Water Billabong. Keep an eye out for saltwater crocodiles, an array of smaller wildlife, and the colorful range of birdlife for which this region is renowned. Stop at Nourlangie, where your Driver Guide will lead you on a walk to view the rock art galleries. **Hotel: Mercure Kakadu Crocodile. L**

### 2 Kakadu – Guluyambi Cultural Cruise – Darwin

Join your Driver Guide to explore the World Heritage area of Ubirr, where you'll climb up through the ancient Aboriginal rock art galleries to the lookout for the view over the wetlands. Later, board the Guluyambi Cultural Cruise along the East Alligator River. An Aboriginal guide will provide an insight into their culture and the river's abundant food chain. With special permission of the local people you'll be able to go ashore in Arnhem Land, before heading back downstream. Visit Marrawuddi Art Gallery before returning to Darwin. **Hotel: DoubleTree Esplanade. L**

### 3 Darwin – Tiwi Islands – Depart Darwin

Take the 2½ hour cruise to Bathurst Island. You'll be met by your local guide for a journey through the progressive, modern day Aboriginal community of Wurrumiyanga. Visit the Museum and Early Mission Precinct. Spend time with some Tiwi ladies, while they work on their weaving and painting. They will demonstrate their totem dances and perform a smoking ceremony to bless the visitors. You'll sample billy tea and damper with your lunch. Visit the Art & Crafts Centres, where you can purchase art and crafts at island prices. Transfer to your ferry departing the island at 3.15pm for Darwin, where your Short Break concludes.



### DEPARTS

Tue & Wed (May, Sep-Nov)  
Sat, Tue & Wed (Jun-Aug) 6.30am

### CONCLUDES

5.45pm approximately

### PRICES

From **\$1229** per person double share land only

Visit our website or call your Travel Agent for current pricing and available departure dates.

Single traveler must pay the single price.

Child & triple share prices available on request.



## Kakadu & Arnhem Land Explorer

3 DAYS | DARWIN → DARWIN | DK70

**Kakadu National Park • Aboriginal Rock Art • Yellow Water Billabong Cruise • Arnhem Land by 4WD • Cultural Cruise with Aboriginal Guide**

As this Short Break departs at 6.30am, accommodations will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

### 1 Darwin – Kakadu National Park

Depart Darwin and travel into Kakadu National Park. Visit the Warradjan Cultural Centre to view the informative displays. Join your local guide for a cruise on Yellow Water Billabong. Search for saltwater crocodiles and the colorful range of birdlife for which this region is renowned. After lunch, stop at Nourlangie, where your Driver Guide will lead you on a walk to view the rock art galleries. **Hotel: Mercure Kakadu Crocodile, 2 nights. L**

### 2 Arnhem Land 4WD Adventure

This morning travel by 4WD vehicle into Western Arnhem Land and the Mikinj Valley. The scenery includes forests, sandstone outcrops, escarpments, floodplains and billabongs. You'll visit places inaccessible to most, including ancient rock art sites. Learn about traditional land ownership, bush skills, hunting, food gathering and bush tucker preparation. Most tours are accompanied by an Aboriginal guide. **L**

### 4 Kakadu – Guluyambi Cultural Cruise – Depart Darwin

Join your Driver Guide to explore the World Heritage area of Ubirr,

where you'll climb up through the ancient Aboriginal rock art galleries, believed to be 20,000 years old, to the lookout for the view over the surrounding wetlands. Later, board the Guluyambi Cultural Cruise along the East Alligator River. An Aboriginal guide will provide an insight into their culture, including local mythology, the river's abundant food chain, as well as bush survival skills. With special permission of the local people you'll be able to go ashore in Arnhem Land, before heading back downstream. Visit Marrawuddi Art Gallery before returning to Darwin, where your Short Break concludes. **L**

As this Short Break concludes at 7.30pm, you may like to pre-book accommodations for tonight.



### DEPARTS

Daily (May-Nov) 6.30am

### CONCLUDES

7.30pm approximately

### PRICES

From **\$1355** per person double share land only

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Arnhem Land

## Arnhem Land, Yellow Water Cruise & Kakadu Waterfalls

**4 DAYS** **DARWIN → DARWIN** **DJ59**

**Yellow Water Billabong Cruise • Kakadu National Park Waterfalls • Aboriginal Rock Art • Cultural Cruise with Aboriginal Guide • Arnhem Land by 4WD**

As this Short Break departs at 6.30am, accommodations will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

### 1 Darwin – Kakadu National Park

Depart Darwin and travel along the Arnhem Highway, their major river systems and wetlands, into Kakadu National Park. Visit the Warradjan Cultural Centre, then join your local guide on a cruise to experience the dramatic scenery of the Yellow Water Billabong. Keep an eye out for saltwater crocodiles, an array of smaller wildlife, and the colorful range of birdlife for which this region is renowned. Stop at Nourlangie, where your Driver Guide will lead you on a walk to view the rock art galleries. **Hotel: Mercure Kakadu Crocodile, 3 nights. L**

### 2 Arnhem Land 4WD Adventure

Travel by 4WD vehicle into Arnhem Land and the Mikinj Valley. The scenery includes sandstone outcrops, escarpments, forests, floodplains and billabongs. You'll visit places inaccessible to most, including ancient rock art sites. Learn about traditional land ownership, bush skills, hunting, food gathering and bush tucker preparation. Most tours are accompanied by an Aboriginal guide. **L**

### 3 Kakadu by 4WD

Sit back and relax as your guide takes you through more of the World Heritage listed Kakadu National Park. Depending on conditions and road access, your 4WD tour may visit memorable destinations such as Motor Car

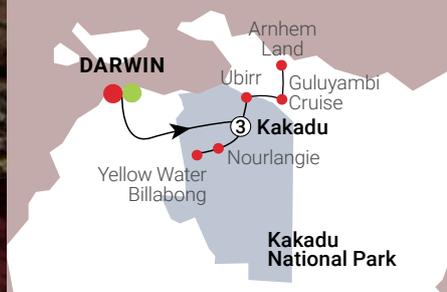
Falls, Boulder Creek, Gubara Rock Pools, Ikoymarrwa Rock Pool, Maguk Gorge, or Gunlom Falls. Meals and refreshments are provided throughout the day. **L**

### 4 Kakadu – Guluyambi Cultural Cruise – Depart Darwin

Stop at Ubirr for a short walk to view Aboriginal rock art. Later, join the Guluyambi Cultural Cruise along the East Alligator River. An Aboriginal guide will provide an insight into their culture. Disembark on the Arnhem Land side of the river before heading back downstream. Visit Marrawuddi Art Gallery before returning to Darwin, where your Short Break concludes. **L**

As this Short Break concludes at 7.30pm, you may like to pre-book accommodations for tonight.

**START** ① Number of night stays  
**END** • Sightseeing stops



### DEPARTS

Daily (Jun-Oct) 6.30am

### CONCLUDES

7.30pm approximately

### PRICES

From **\$1845** per person double share land only

Visit our website or call your Travel Agent for current pricing and available departure dates.

Single traveler must pay the single price.  
Child & triple share prices available on request.



Florence Falls

## Tropical Top End

**4 DAYS** **DARWIN → DARWIN** **DG45**

**Crocodile spotting • Ubirr & Nourlangie Rock Art • Yellow Water Billabong cruise • Katherine Gorge cruise • Swim at Litchfield waterfalls**

As this Short Break departs at 7.25am, accommodations will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

### 1 Darwin – Jumping Crocs – Kakadu National Park

Join the famous Jumping Crocodile Cruise, then travel into Kakadu National Park. View ancient Aboriginal rock art and take a guided walk to the top of Ubirr for magnificent views. **Hotel: Mercure Kakadu Crocodile. L**

**+Kakadu Scenic Flight (+SKF30)**  
Today, experience Kakadu from the air for a true sense this wondrous landscape. **Please enquire for details.**

### 2 Kakadu – Katherine

Explore awe-inspiring Aboriginal rock art at Nourlangie, then

continue to Warradjan Cultural Centre before taking a cruise on the magnificent Yellow Water Billabong to observe saltwater crocodiles and prolific wildlife. Travel via Pine Creek to Katherine. **Hotel: Contour. L**

### 3 Katherine Gorge Cruise – Darwin

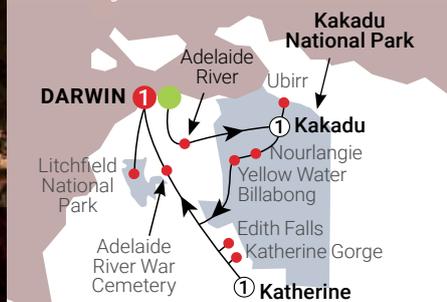
Cruise through Katherine Gorge, watching for crocodiles basking in the sun. Gain cultural insights at Nitmiluk Visitor Centre before traveling to Edith Falls, whose paperbark and pandanus-fringed natural pool at the base of the falls is safe for swimming most of the year (conditions permitting). Stop at Adelaide River War Cemetery en route to Darwin. **Hotel: DoubleTree Esplanade. B**

### 4 Darwin – Litchfield – Depart Darwin

In Litchfield National Park today your first stop is Florence Falls, where you can take a scenic bush and monsoon vine forest walk. After a swim in its pristine plunge pool, travel on to Tolmer Falls for a stunning view of the water cascading down to the deep waterhole below. Wangi Falls, with its large crystal-clear pool, is another relaxing spot for a swim. At Howard Springs Nature Park, you'll have the opportunity to feed the barramundi and turtles. Return to Darwin, where your Short Break concludes. **L**

As this Short Break concludes at 6.00pm, you may like to pre-book accommodations for tonight.

**START** ① Number of night stays  
**END** • Sightseeing stops



### DEPARTS

Tue & Sat (May-Oct) 7.25am

### CONCLUDES

6.00pm approximately

### PRICES

From **\$1469** per person double share land only

Visit our website or call your Travel Agent for current pricing and available departure dates.

Single traveler must pay the single price.  
Child & triple share prices available on request.

# Day Tours

## Full or Half day Sightseeing Tours

Enjoy Bucket List highlights on our selection of curated Day Tours, and allow our Driver Guides to enrich your experience with local knowledge and immersive stories. Day Tours are the perfect add-ons to Short Breaks or Guided Vacations, or equally ideal for independent travelers. All you need to do is sit back, relax, and leave the driving to us.

### What's included on a Day Tour?

- Travel in purpose-built air-conditioned coaches with reclining seats and WiFi where available
- The services of a highly experienced Driver Guide
- Cultural activities in your destinations
- Community engagement activities



# ULURU SIGHTSEEING PASSES

Experience all of the wonders of the Red Centre by purchasing one of our convenient and comprehensive passes and save on the cost of individual tours. Your pass is valid for 3 consecutive days from the start of your first tour. You can also save on the cost of individual tours when you add on our exclusive Uluru BBQ Dinner and/or a day tour to Kings Canyon.

## ACTIVE

If staying active and immersing yourself in the natural environment are an important part of your vacation experience, our Active Pass is for you. Our Three Day Active Pass includes a 6.5 miles fascinating guided walk around the base of Uluru and a 3.4 miles spectacular Valley of the Winds walk, so we suggest a moderate level of fitness.



**3 Day Pass Includes:**  
Kata Tjuta Sunset (Y8) +  
Kata Tjuta Sunrise & Valley of the Winds (Y50) +  
Uluru Sunset (Y11) +  
Uluru Morning Guided Base Walk (Y40)  
**Add on Uluru BBQ from \$165**

## LEISURELY

If you prefer a little more comfort, combined with gentle walks while taking in the natural surrounds, we suggest our Leisurely Passes. Our luxury air-conditioned coach will take you from point to point and our Driver Guide will then walk you into the culturally significant areas. A low level of fitness is suitable.



**2 Day Pass Includes:**  
Uluru Sacred Sites & Sunset (Y17) +  
Uluru Sunrise & Field of Light (FOL)  
**Add on Uluru BBQ from \$165**



**2 Day Pass Includes:**  
Uluru Sacred Sites & Sunset (Y17) +  
Uluru Sunrise & Kata Tjuta (Y14)  
**Add on Uluru BBQ from \$165**



**3 Day Pass Includes:**  
Uluru Sacred Sites & Sunset (Y17) +  
Kata Tjuta Sunset (Y8) +  
Uluru Sunrise & Field of Light (FOL)  
**Add on Uluru BBQ from \$165**



Field of Light

### Uluru Sunrise & Field of Light

**EARLY MORNING**

**FOL**

Experience a once-in-a-lifetime Uluru event! Acclaimed artist Bruce Munro's Field of Light is one of his most beautiful installations to date. Under cover of darkness, wander through 50,000 magical spheres of light, before making your way to the Dune Top viewing area. Watch amazing color changes as the desert awakens. Then, as the first rays of sunlight creep across the desert sky, gaze in awe as the sun rises at Uluru, with Kata Tjuta in the distance.

**DEPARTS**

Daily 105 minutes prior to sunrise

**CONCLUDES**

30 minutes after sunrise

From **\$65**



Tiwi Islands Cultural Experience

### Tiwi Islands Aboriginal Cultural Tour

**FULL DAY**

**TFER**

After a 2½ hour cruise, you'll be led by a local guide through the progressive community of Wurrumiyanga. Enjoy billy tea and damper with Tiwi Ladies as they weave and paint, perform totem dances, and bless visitors with a smoking ceremony. At the museum view art and displays of Tiwi 'dreamtime' stories. Explore the Early Mission Precinct with its unique Tiwi-style Catholic Church. Visit the Tiwi Arts & Crafts Centre where you can buy art at island prices. Depart for Darwin at 3.15pm. **L**

**DEPARTS**

Cullen Bay Ferry Terminal:  
Thu & Fri (Apr-May & Sep-Nov)  
and Mon, Thu & Fri (Jun-Aug)  
7.30am check-in for 8.00am departure

**CONCLUDES**

5.45pm approximately

From **\$275**

**Child prices available on request for all Day Tours.**

Child prices available on request. Visit our website or call your Travel Agent for current pricing and available departure dates.

## Sydney

Tours depart from Sydney.



### Blue Mountains Your Way

Explore World Heritage listed Blue Mountains National Park, with over one million hectares of dramatic cliffs, unspoiled bushland, deep canyons, and lush rainforest. You'll enjoy free time in Katoomba and visit the famous Three Sisters rock formation up close from Echo Point. You can choose to spend the rest of your time, your way:

Choose a self-guided bush walk, perhaps Prince Henry Cliff to Scenic World via Lady Darley's and Cliff View Lookouts or the Three Sisters Walking Track to Honeymoon Point (J15A). Visit Scenic World for 360° views of the Jamison Valley on the famous Scenic Railway, Cableway, Skyway and Walkway (J15E). Indulge in High Tea including freshly baked scones with tea or coffee at the Hydro Majestic Hotel. Then discover the history of yesteryear on a guided tour of this historic hotel (J15F). For a leisurely experience, have your camera ready for legendary views from Evans, Cahill's, and Govett's Leap Lookouts. Afterwards, enjoy free time, and more views, at the Hydro Majestic Hotel (J15Y).

FULL DAY

J15A J15E

J15F J15Y

**DEPARTS**  
Mon, Wed, Fri, Sun 9.00am  
**CONCLUDES**  
4.00pm approximately



### Hunter Valley Food & Wine Experience

Visit Tintilla Estate, a family-run winery known for their wines, olives, and preserves. Relax on the deck as you sample a selection of their favorite wines. Enjoy lunch, your way, at Roche Estate (own expense) – choose a casual meal at funky Goldfish Bar, an elegant dining experience at Oishii Restaurant or a tasty picnic hamper. Later, enjoy a selection of premium Brokenwood wines, hosted by a cellar door expert. Upgrade to a behind-the-scenes tour in the Brokenwood Wines Barrel Hall and sip a pre-release wine straight from the barrel (J14J).

FULL DAY J14 J14J

**DEPARTS**  
Mon, Wed, Fri, Sun 8.00am  
**CONCLUDES**  
5.30pm approximately



### Blue Mountains All Inclusive Discovery

Explore the World Heritage Listed Blue Mountains in style, starting with a visit to Sydney Zoo, Australia's most advanced Zoo, at the gateway to the Blue Mountains. See dingoes, koalas, wombats, Tasmanian devils, and echidnas in a cage free environment. Enjoy a lunch in a Leura café surrounded by locals. Visit the famous Three Sisters rock formation up close from Echo Point. Stop at Scenic World to ride the Scenic Railway, Cableway and Skyway. Walk along the rainforest boardwalk and immerse yourself in nature from the valley floor. **L**

FULL DAY J95

**DEPARTS**  
Tue, Thu, Sat 8.00am  
**CONCLUDES**  
5.30pm approximately

## Melbourne

Tours depart from Melbourne.



### Great Ocean Road & the Twelve Apostles

Travel along the Great Ocean Road and witness unrestricted views of Australia's most spectacular coastline, without the crowds. The rugged splendour of the Twelve Apostles is breathtaking. These incredible limestone rock formations are a result of erosion that began up to 20 million years ago. Hear the amazing shipwreck story of survival of the Loch Ard and visit its famous gorge. Stop in seaside Port Campbell for lunch (own expense). On the return trip, travel through Otway National Park and see fern filled gullies, river inlets and lush rainforest that are home to several native animals.

FULL DAY K4

**DEPARTS**  
Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat 7.30am  
**CONCLUDES**  
6.00pm approximately



### Phillip Island: Penguins, Koalas & Wildlife

Start your day tour to Phillip Island with a visit to the Koala Reserve. Join a Park Ranger and explore the tree top boardwalks to see the koalas up close in their natural habitat. At the Penguin Parade Visitor Centre learn about the initiatives in place to ensure the wildlife and vulnerable geology of Phillip Island remains protected. As the sun goes down, head to the beach for the main attraction – the little penguins waddling up the sand to their dune burrow homes returning from their daily fishing excursion.

FULL DAY K10

**DEPARTS**  
Tue, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun 1.00pm  
**CONCLUDES**  
10.30pm (Apr-Sep)  
and 11.30pm (Oct-Mar)



### Melbourne Laneways, Arcades & City Tour

See Flinders Street Station before arriving at Degraeves Street, a popular pedestrian laneway. Explore the heritage Block Arcade and Royal Arcade, the oldest surviving arcade in Australia known for its elegant light-filled interior. Stop at Queen Victoria Market. See vibrant Flinders Lane filled with boutique designers, trendy cafés, and bars and Hosier Lane, famous for its graffiti-covered walls. Travel past Melbourne's Sports district, home to some of the biggest domestic and international sporting events.

HALF DAY K1

**DEPARTS**  
Tue, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun 8.00am  
**CONCLUDES**  
12 noon approximately

# Red Centre Connections

Travel between Ayers Rock, Alice Springs or Kings Canyon on one of our luxury coach transfers with informative commentary from your Driver Guide along the way.

**Ayers Rock to Alice Springs** Y6 From **\$159**



<b>DEPARTS OCT-MAR</b> Daily 12.30pm	<b>DEPARTS APR-SEP</b> Daily 1.00pm
<b>ARRIVES</b> 7.00pm approximately	<b>ARRIVES</b> 7.30pm approximately

## Red Centre Uluru & Kata Tjuta tours depart from Ayers Rock Resort . \*National Park Entry Fee is not included. See page 111 >



### Uluru Sunrise & Kata Tjuta

Travel to the Uluru sunrise viewing area for an incredible view through the dunes and stunning desert landscape as the sun rises over Uluru and Kata Tjuta. Watch the first rays of the sun set the Red Centre alight, while enjoying a warming cup of tea or coffee. Then it's off to Kata Tjuta. Your Driver Guide will lead you on a one hour walk through Walpa Gorge, sharing stories of local flora and fauna, and the geology of this amazing formation.

**HALF DAY** Y14

From **\$139\***

**DEPARTS**  
Daily 90 minutes prior to sunrise  
**CONCLUDES**  
4 hrs approximately after sunrise



### Uluru Sunset + BBQ Dinner

Experience the sunset at Uluru. Add on our exclusive Barbecue Dinner Y11B. After sunset, continue on to our exclusive venue for an Aussie Barbecue Dinner, with Uluru as your backdrop. Relax and enjoy sparkling wine on arrival then dine on a menu of steak, kangaroo meat, lamb sausages, skewered chicken and garlic prawns, salads and a tasty dessert. All accompanied by a selection of red and white wines, beer and soft drinks. There's time for stargazing too (weather permitting).

**EARLY EVENING** Y11 Y11B

From **\$69\*** • From **\$195\***

**DEPARTS**  
Daily 60 minutes prior to sunset  
**CONCLUDES**  
Y11 ½ hrs or Y11B 2½ hrs after sunset



### A Town Like Alice

See all the sights of the historic 'Alice' on this afternoon tour. Stop at the Telegraph Station, established in 1872 to relay messages between Darwin and Adelaide and the Royal Flying Doctor Service, which provides a 'mantle of safety' to the people of the outback. Visit the School of the Air, an educational service for children living in remote areas. At Alice Springs Reptile Centre explore the largest reptile display in Central Australia, then visit scenic Anzac Hill for panoramic views over the town.

**HALF DAY** A3

From **\$115**

**DEPARTS**  
Daily (Apr-Nov & Mar) and Mon, Thu, Sat (Dec-Feb) 1.45pm from Alice Springs  
**CONCLUDES**  
6.00pm approximately

## Top End Tours depart from Darwin.



### Kakadu National Park Explorer

Travel the Arnhem Highway, passing major river systems, and into Kakadu National Park, a landscape varying from rocky escarpment to floodplains and home to Aboriginal rock art dating back thousands of years. Visit Warradjan Cultural Centre to learn about the Aboriginal people of the region. Cruise the Yellow Water Billabong. Search for saltwater crocodiles and see teeming birdlife. After lunch, stop at Nourlangie, to view ancient aboriginal rock art galleries and lookout over the vastness of Kakadu. **L**

**FULL DAY** D4

From **\$305**

**DEPARTS**  
Daily (Apr-Nov) and Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat, Sun (Dec-Mar) 6.30am  
**CONCLUDES**  
7.30pm approximately

## Queensland Tours depart from Cairns.



### Cape Tribulation & Daintree

Travel in air-conditioned comfort in a custom-built vehicle with your Driver Guide. Visit Mossman Gorge Centre before boarding the shuttle for your transfer into Mossman Gorge to learn about the secrets of one of the world's oldest rainforests. Cruise on the Daintree River, home to the estuarine crocodile. Enjoy a tropical lunch set amongst the rainforest then stroll on Cape Tribulation Beach. Wind through the rainforest to the Alexandra Range lookout and enjoy views over the Daintree River estuary and beyond to the Coral Sea. **L**

**FULL DAY** CTR

**Please enquire for prices**

**DEPARTS**  
Daily 6.45am  
**CONCLUDES**  
6.30pm approximately



### Kuranda, Scenic Railway & Skyrail

Board the Kuranda Scenic Railway at Freshwater Station for a historical rail journey, enjoying breathtaking views across the cane fields to tropical rainforest. In Kuranda it's time to explore this fascinating village. The Heritage Markets are full of arts and crafts. Later, board the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway for your journey over and through World Heritage protected rainforest. This 90-minute experience showcases spectacular views, with time at both Red Peak and Barron Falls Stations for education and interpretation.

**FULL DAY** KQS

**Please enquire for prices**

**DEPARTS**  
Daily 8.15am  
**CONCLUDES**  
4.00pm approximately

The immersive, vast beauty of Australia  
and New Zealand awaits.

You'll witness the many hues of an outback sunset  
blend into ochre natural wonders, hear ancient  
languages spoken and see stories written in the  
sand. Indulge in native flavors and relax in dwellings  
nestled within the heart of your destination.

**This is where your journey begins.**





Bruny Island Cruise, Tasmania



# Inspiring Journeys

## Immersive Small Group Journeys

Meet our vibrant makers and creators, and the local storytellers whose passion it is to share with you the very best of these unique lands. Delight the senses with exclusive culinary experiences and allow your expert guide to show you the iconic sights that promise moments of awe and wonder.

Your journey will be expertly curated with no detail forgotten, ensuring your adventure is seamless, stress free and timed to perfection.

With more than 100 years' experience in showcasing these mesmerising locations, we've collected a wealth of unmatched knowledge and passion that allows us to create an unforgettable travel experience for you.

Inspiring Journeys is proud to pay respect to the continuation of cultural practices of First Nations, Torres Strait Islander and Māori peoples.

Awaiting you is a series of  
inspiring, life enriching  
*moments.*

Look for these icons to  
learn about your small  
group experience:



**IMMERSE**  
yourself in new experiences



**INDULGE**  
your senses



**EXPLORE**  
boundless landscapes



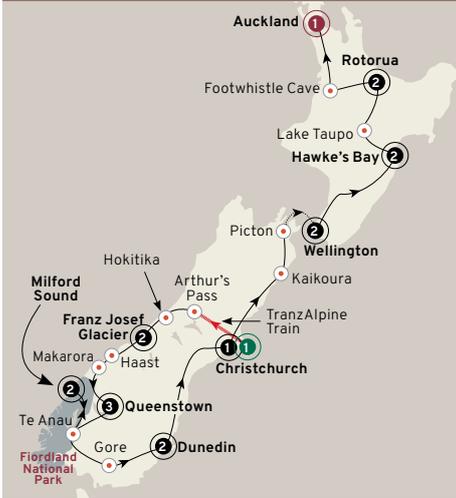
**RELAX**  
and recharge

From the moment your journey begins to the wave goodbye, you can relax knowing you're in safe hands. Our crew of experts are passionate about making sure your once-in-a-lifetime journey in Australia and New Zealand is outstanding.

**Above: A Wilderness Cruise on Doubtful Sound is included on Inspiring New Zealand, page 92.**

### The Long White Cloud

19/12/8 Days • NZIJ/NZSI/NZNI • P90



### Inspiring New Zealand

10 Days • NZFLY • P92



### Inspiring Australia

13 Days • IJFLY • P94



### Northern Territory Dreaming

11 Days • MNCR • P96



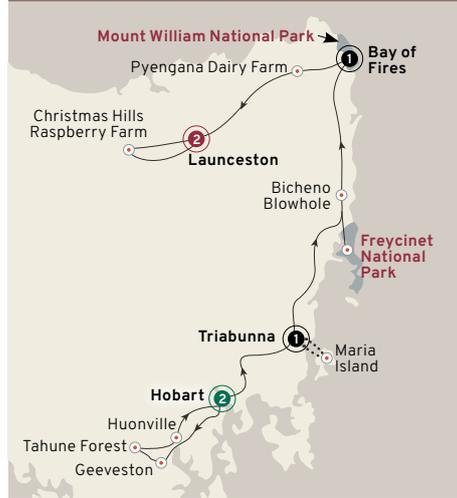
### Outback Contrasts

6 Days • CRAA • P98



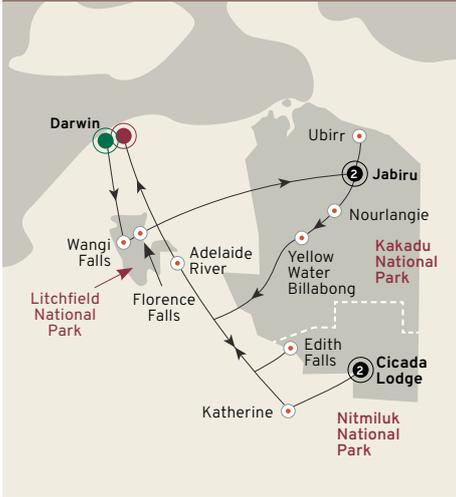
### Tastes of Tasmania

7 Days • IJTHBL • P100



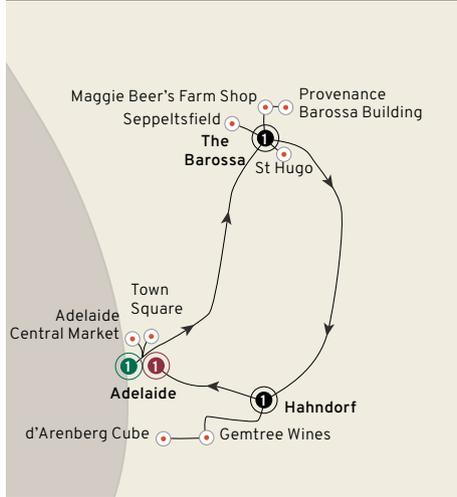
### Kakadu's Ancient Secrets

5 Days • MNDD • P102



### Flavours of South Australia

5 Days • SATA • P104



### A Journey to the West

7 Days • IJWA • P106



# The Long White Cloud

Be awed as you traverse New Zealand's North and South Islands, from the hot pools of Franz Josef, an exclusive TreadRight experience in Rotorua, to the brave depths of Queenstown, the adventure capital. Explore extraordinary landscapes and ancient heritage, as you encounter exhilarating New Zealand as few have seen it before.



Milford Sound Cruise

After a taste of the world-famous Milford Track, it's all aboard your cruise in the comfort of a small boat. Cruise the length of the fiord and experience the beauty of Milford Sound in all its grandeur.

**19 DAYS** • Christchurch • Queenstown

- Franz Josef Glacier • Milford Sound
- Dunedin • Wellington • Hawke's Bay
- Rotorua • Auckland

## Immerse

Embrace the traditional Māori greeting at Tamaki Māori Village, and immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of Waimangu.

## Indulge

Enjoy an unforgettable dining experience at Craggy Range Winery in Hawke's Bay, a region blessed with fertile soils.

## Explore

Join a nature guide on the breathtaking Milford Track, and discover the luminous shimmer of the Footwhistle Cave.

## Relax

Wake up to the wonder of fiordland at Milford Sound Lodge, and take a deep breath and unwind at Te Waonui Forest Retreat.

### Day 1: Welcome to Christchurch

On arrival in Christchurch, board a private transfer to your hotel. Tonight, meet your Journey Director for a Welcome Reception.

**The George**

### Day 2: Christchurch – TranzAlpine – Franz Josef

Travel through the Southern Alps aboard TranzAlpine train. From Arthur's Pass, visit the small town of Hokitika, and meet a local greenstone (jade) carver. Continue to Franz Josef, where you'll spend two nights in an eco-friendly retreat nestled in the wilderness.

**Te Waonui Forest Retreat, 2 nights**

**Breakfast, dinner with wine**

### Day 3: Franz Josef Glacier (Relaxed Start)

This morning, explore Franz Josef, where a local guide explains the history behind the imposing Franz Josef Glacier.

**Breakfast**

### Day 4: Franz Josef – Arrowtown – Queenstown

Discover the Haast River this morning as you journey its length in a fully enclosed river jet boat. Stop at Makarora, then explore the heritage gold-settlement of Arrowtown, before an orientation of breathtaking Queenstown.

**Hotel St. Moritz, 3 nights**

**Breakfast, dinner with wine**

### Day 5 & 6: Queenstown at Leisure

Enjoy two full days to discover Queenstown. Perhaps consider a wine tour, or even an adrenaline-filled activity. On your second night, your **Local Dining Experience** is in one of Queenstown's exclusive restaurants.

**Breakfast, Local Dining Experience**

### Day 7: Queenstown – Te Anau – Milford Sound

Travel south along the shores of Lake Wakatipu to Te Anau and then through the rainforest of World Heritage Fiordland National Park. Tonight, **stay at Milford Sound Lodge, with views of the magical Cleddau Valley.**

**Milford Sound Lodge, 2 nights**

**Breakfast, dinner with wine**

### Day 8: Milford Track Walk & Milford Sound Cruise

**Get a taste of the world-famous Milford Track with a half-day walk.** Walking in a small group, your nature guide will point out the native fauna and flora and share the fascinating human heritage of the track. This afternoon, enjoy Milford Sound's awe-inspiring scenery from the comfort of a small boat. **Cruise the length of the Fiord, view iconic Mitre Peak and get up close to Stirling Falls.** With limited numbers, you'll be rewarded with an intimate experience and unobstructed photo opportunities from the outdoor viewing decks. Keep an eye out for seals and maybe a pod of dolphins. The perfect way to round off your day.

**Breakfast, dinner with wine**

### Day 9: Milford Sound – Gore – Dunedin

Depart majestic Fiordland National Park for the fertile sheep-dotted pastures of South Otago. Travel through the country music town of Gore, before arriving in Dunedin.

**Distinction Dunedin Hotel, 2 nights**

**Breakfast, dinner with wine**

### Day 10: Dunedin (Relaxed Start)

🍷 Join a behind the scenes tour at a state-of-the-art 5000L craft brewery, Emerson's, before joining your hosts for an exclusive **tasting**. This afternoon, perhaps consider an optional experience.

🍳 Breakfast

### Day 11: Dunedin – Omarau – Timaru – Christchurch

🌄 Travel up the east coast through Omarau and Timaru. **On arrival in Christchurch**, embark on a sightseeing tour of the city.

🏠 The George

🍳 Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 12: Christchurch – Kaikoura – Wellington

👋 Guests depart this morning in Christchurch (Code: NZSI). Travel along the Pacific coast to Kaikoura. Continue to the seaside village of Picton and later, cross the Cook Strait to Wellington.

👋 Guests join this afternoon in Wellington (Code: NZNI).

🏠 QT Wellington, 2 nights

🍳 Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 13: Wellington at Leisure

👁️ Today see **Wellington your way**. Why not visit the Weta Workshop, home of the creative wizards behind The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit trilogies or visit Te Papa Museum of New Zealand.

🍳 Breakfast

### Day 14: Wellington – Hawke's Bay

🍷 Travel through the dairy farming land of Manawatu to Napier. This evening, enjoy wine-tasting and a **Local Dining Experience** at Craggy Range winery, in the shadow of spectacular Te Mata Peak.

🏠 Porters Boutique Hotel, 2 nights

🍳 Breakfast, Local Dining Experience

### Day 15: Napier (Relaxed Start)

👁️ Join a local guide for a vintage car tour through Napier and surrounds areas. You'll learn about the earthquake that destroyed the city in 1931 and hear stories of the people that led the rebuild in the Art Deco style.

🍳 Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 16: Hawke's Bay – Rotorua

👁️ Continue your journey, arriving in Rotorua. **Visit the world's youngest volcanic valley, Waimangu**. Cruise the tranquil waters of Lake Rotomahana to see stunning geothermal activity and native birdlife.

🏠 Pullman, 2 nights

🍳 Breakfast

### Day 17: Rotorua

👁️ **Ascend the breathtaking Redwoods Treewalk** for an elevated bird's eye view of the 120-year old redwood giants. At Rainbow Springs Nature Park you'll learn about their kiwi hatchery programme that is proudly supported by TreadRight. **Your Local Dining Experience** is a Māori Hangi and cultural performance at the Tamaki Māori Village.

🍳 Breakfast, Local Dining Experience

### Day 18: Rotorua – Auckland

👁️ Make your way to the famous **Caveworld Waitomo** for an exclusive 5-star Eco Glowworm experience in Footwhistle Cave. Later, travel to Auckland. This evening, toast your trip at a Celebration Dinner.

🏠 QT Auckland

🍳 Breakfast, Celebration Dinner

### Day 19: Farewell from Auckland

👋 Your epic New Zealand journey comes to an end today and you are transferred to Auckland Airport for your onward flight.

🍳 Breakfast

From **\$10830**

per person double share land only

### NZIJ: Christchurch to Auckland (19 Days) Departures

2022		2023	
Oct	10	Jan	02, 09, 30
Nov	07	Feb	06
		Mar	06

From **\$7059**

per person double share land only

### NZSI: Christchurch return (12 Days) Departures

2022		2023	
Oct	10	Jan	02, 09, 30
Nov	07	Feb	06
		Mar	06

From **\$4196**

per person double share land only

### NZNI: Wellington to Auckland (8 Days) Departures

2022		2023	
Oct	21	Jan	13, 20
Nov	18	Feb	10, 17
		Mar	17

See available prices or additional departure dates including those from 01 Oct 2023 at [inspiringjourneys.com/nzj](https://inspiringjourneys.com/nzj) or contact your local agent. Single traveler must pay the single price.

### Inclusions

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 13+ Unforgettable experiences
- 30 included meals
- 18 Nights premium accommodation

### NZIJ: Christchurch to Auckland

Flight Information:

Day 1 - flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Christchurch Airport

Day 19 - flights to depart anytime from Auckland Airport



# Inspiring New Zealand

A tale of two great islands, of epic natural beauty and ancient rituals and traditions – yours to explore on this Inspiring Journey across the length and breadth of New Zealand. Embrace the sophistication of its cities and the soulful expanse of its stunning untamed landscapes.



## Doubtful Sound

Experience the spectacular, remote wilderness of Doubtful Sound on a Wilderness Cruise. Encounter towering fiords, lush native rainforest, cascading waterfalls, and wildlife hidden around every corner.

**10 DAYS** • Auckland • Waiheke Island  
• Rotorua • Wellington • Queenstown  
• Doubtful Sound

## Immerse

Soak up the grandeur of the breathtaking Doubtful Sound, encountering wildlife such as dolphins, fur seals and penguins in the depths of the wilderness.

## Indulge

Embark on a culinary discovery of Waiheke Island, famous for its pristine beaches, world-class wines and farm-to-fork dining.

## Explore

Discover the labyrinth of magnificent undisturbed glowworm displays at Footwhistle Cave, an intimate experience reserved for nature lovers.

## Relax

Take a deep breath and unwind in the healing waters of Polynesian Spa, the world-class geothermal relaxation experience.

## Day 1: Welcome to Auckland

Welcome to New Zealand's vibrant North Island hub. Spend your day at leisure before joining your Journey Director and fellow travel companions for a Welcome Reception and dinner.

 Sofitel Auckland Viaduct Harbour, 2 nights  
 Dinner with wine

## Day 2: Auckland Sights – Waiheke Island

 A city sights tour will start your morning in Auckland. Travel around the waterfront from central city out to Mission Bay. Next up we **take a ferry over to Waiheke Island**. With pristine beaches, world-class wines, and fantastic cuisine it's easy to see why Waiheke Island is considered the jewel in the Hauraki Gulf's crown. Only a short distance from Auckland, you'll feel like you're a world away as you embrace the essence of Waiheke with your local guide. **Enjoy wine tasting at some of Waiheke's award-winning wines**, including beautiful Mudbrick Vineyard with spectacular views of the Hauraki Gulf, followed by a light lunch, before you cruise back to the city.

 Breakfast, lunch

## Day 3: Auckland – Rotorua

 Your leisurely discovery of New Zealand's North Island continues as you **follow the meandering trail of the Waikato River to the famous Caveworld Waitomo for an exclusive 5-star Eco Glowworm experience**. Your guide sets the scene for a cave experience where you will see glowworms, cave formations and appreciate the beauty of Footwhistle Cave. Journey to the volatile landscapes of Rotorua, where Māori culture takes center stage.

 **Visit the Tamaki Māori Village for insights into the local rituals and traditions** of this fascinating culture. Embrace their gracious traditional greeting, experience the heart-pounding wero challenge and enjoy a Local Dining Experience, the delicious flavors of the Hangi cooked in the earth with geothermal steam.

 Pullman Rotorua, 2 nights  
 Breakfast, Local Dining Experience

### Day 4: Rotorua

First up, visit Whakarewarewa Living Village where you'll be accompanied by a Local Guide to view New Zealand's biggest geyser, bubbling mud pools and thermal springs. Later, the day is all yours to **explore the sacred lands, thermal marvels and Māori traditions of Rotorua**. You could indulge in a spa treatment at the Polynesian Thermal Spa, or if you're up for a challenge, take the native forest zipline adventure tour with Canopy Tours.

🍳 Breakfast

### Day 5: Rotorua – Wellington

Visit Rainbow Springs Nature Park for a guided tour of The National Kiwi Hatchery Aotearoa, the national leader in kiwi husbandry. Learn about the work being done to save New Zealand's national bird, see kiwi eggs being incubated, the hatching process and newly hatched kiwi chicks. Later, fly to Wellington. Spend the evening at your leisure, enjoying dinner at one of the quirky cafés at Courtney Place or Cuba Street.

🏠 Sofitel Wellington, 2 nights

🍳 Breakfast

### Day 6: Wellington & Zealandia

This is your chance to get to know Welly like a local, on a guided walking tour. Discover the stunning waterfront and the hidden laneways in the bohemian area – the heritage Cuba Street precinct. Once dimly-lit back alleys, these newly rejuvenated laneways are now home to some of the country's funkier bars, boutiques and breweries. You'll see for yourself why Wellington is the coffee and craft beer capital of New Zealand. This afternoon, we **continue to the urban eco-sanctuary of Zealandia**, admiring the extraordinary efforts of conservationists who have reintroduced 18 species of native wildlife that were absent from mainland New Zealand for over a century.

🍳 Breakfast

### Day 7: Wellington – Queenstown

Explore New Zealand's fascinating culture, nature, heritage and art at Te Papa Museum of New Zealand. It's time to prime yourselves for a few days of adventure, flying to Queenstown, New Zealand's adventure-capital. On arrival, **journey to the goldrush village of Arrowtown**. Enjoy a tour of Queenstown, and gaze at the natural splendour in its midst – from the peaks of the Remarkables to beautiful Lake Wakatipu.

🏠 Hotel St. Moritz, 3 nights

🍳 Breakfast

### Day 8: Queenstown – Lake Manapouri

Your day begins in Manapouri, where you'll **embark on a cruise across Lake Manapouri**. Then travel to the heart of Fiordland National Park and take in the beauty and vastness of remote Doubtful Sound on a Wilderness Cruise. It will take your breath away as you experience its deep wilderness. Keep a look out for wildlife including dolphins, fur seals and even occasionally penguins.

🍳 Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

### Day 9: Queenstown at Leisure

Explore exciting Queenstown, your way. You could embark on a minibus tour through the scenic gorge of Skippers Canyon or **immerse yourself in award-winning wines and spectacular scenery of Central Otago on a Boutique Wine tour**. As your final day ends enjoy a Celebration Dinner at one of the local restaurants with your Journey Director and new-found friends.

🍳 Breakfast, Celebration Dinner

### Day 10: Farewell from Queenstown

For now, all that's left to say is a fond farewell as your inspiring journey comes to an end after breakfast. Throughout today you will be transferred to Queenstown Airport for your onward flight.

🍳 Breakfast

From **\$6647\***

per person double share land and internal-vacation airfares

### Departures

2022	2023
Oct 16	Feb 12
Nov 20	Mar 12

See available prices or additional departure dates including those from 01 Oct 2023 at [inspiringjourneys.com/nzfly](https://inspiringjourneys.com/nzfly) or contact your local agent. Single traveler must pay the single price.

### Inclusions

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 9+ Unforgettable experiences
- 15 included meals
- 9 Nights premium accommodation

### NZFLY: Auckland to Queenstown

#### Flight Information:

Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Auckland Airport  
 Day 10 – flights to depart anytime from Queenstown Airport

\*Internal-vacation flights: Please note that the price above includes land and internal-vacation airfares, which are required to be booked in order to fulfil the vacation itinerary:

Day 5 – Rotorua to Wellington

Day 7 – Wellington to Queenstown

Return airfares from your home port are not included in the price above.



# Inspiring Australia

Venture on a journey through Australia's most iconic sights. Experience the ancient Gondwana Rainforests of Northern Australia, majestic Uluru in the spiritual Red Centre, and the iconic harbor city of Sydney.

**13 DAYS** • Cairns • Palm Cove • Daintree Rainforest • Great Barrier Reef • Uluru • Kata Tjuta • Kings Canyon • Alice Springs • Sydney • Blue Mountains • Hunter Valley

## Immerse

Delve into Aboriginal culture in the Daintree Rainforest and meet host Danny in Alice Springs for an Aussie BBQ in the vast outback.

## Indulge

Dine at the Sounds of Silence in Uluru and devour Australian cuisine inside the Sydney Opera House at Bennelong.

## Explore

Wander through the domes of Kata Tjuta, snorkel the Great Barrier Reef and sail aboard a yacht on Sydney Harbour.

## Relax

Enjoy serenity at The Langham's star-dappled ceiling pool and stay in the heart of the Blue Mountains at Lilianfels Resort & Spa.

### Day 1: Welcome to Cairns – Palm Cove

Welcome to Tropical Far North Queensland. This afternoon meet your Journey Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception followed by dinner at Reef House Restaurant nestled under Melaleuca trees, overlooking the stunning crystal clear water of the Coral Sea.

 **The Reef House Palm Cove, 3 nights**  
 **Dinner with wine**

### Day 2: Daintree Rainforest

 Join your Aboriginal guide on an exclusive experience to discover the ancient Daintree Rainforest and gain an insight into the deep relationship the local Kuku Yalanji people have



 **The Old Quarry**

Spend an unforgettable evening in the outback with Danny at an old quarry, hearing captivating stories and sharing delicious food.

with their land. Learn about cultural traditions, taste bush foods and sample traditional medicine of the Aboriginal people.

 **Breakfast, lunch with wine**

### Day 3: Cairns Included Choice



Today you can explore tropical Cairns in your own style with an Included Choice option. Either board a Quicksilver wave catamaran and cruise to the outer edge of the Great Barrier Reef. The professional crew will take you to an underwater world that is a dazzling kaleidoscope of color and brilliance. Or if breathtaking rainforest speaks to you, your day begins on the Scenic Railway. Winding your way up to the quaint village of Kuranda. There's time to explore the 'village in the Rainforest', including the Heritage Markets, before returning on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway.

 **Breakfast, (lunch Great Barrier Reef cruise only)**

### Day 4: Cairns – Uluru & Kata Tjuta

Today we fly from Cairns to the heart of the Red Centre, Uluru. This afternoon you're off to the domes of Kata Tjuta, where you'll join your Journey Director for a guided walk through Walpa Gorge. Later enjoy nibbles and sparkling wine while you watch Uluru change color as the sun sets below the horizon.

 **Sails in the Desert Hotel, Ayers Rock Resort, 2 nights**

 **Breakfast**

### Day 5: Uluru



Rise early to experience the renowned Field of Light, where 50,000 glass spheres in colors of ochre, deep violet, blue and gentle white, have been installed within sight of Uluru. Wander through the paths and then, from the dune-top, watch as the dawn creeps across the desert plain and lights up the Red Centre. After breakfast you will have the opportunity to take a walk around part of the base of Uluru and hear timeless stories, see rock art, and visit Muġitjulu Waterhole. This evening enjoy a Local Dining Experience under the sparkling outback sky at the award-winning Sounds of Silence Dinner.



 **Breakfast, Local Dining Experience**

### Day 6: Uluru – Kings Canyon



Experience the magic of the sunrise over Uluru. Later, travel towards Kings Canyon. Your first stop is Curtin Springs, home to the Severin family since 1956. **Enjoy a barbecue lunch, where you will meet one of the locals and gain insight into the cattle rearing heritage.**

🏠 **Kings Canyon Resort**

🍷 **Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine**

### Day 7: Kings Canyon – Alice Springs



Today you're off on a sunrise six-kilometer Rim Walk exploration of the spectacular Kings Canyon. This evening, join your hosts at an outback bush barbecue Local Dining Experience under the stars.

🏠 **Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters**

🍷 **Breakfast, lunch, Local Dining Experience**

### Day 8: Alice Springs Included Choice – Sydney

Explore Alice Spring in your own style with an Included Choice option. Either visit the School of the Air, a crucial service providing education to children living in remote areas. Or at the Royal Flying Doctor Service you will hear how this facility provides medical assistance to those living in remote Australia. This afternoon, Alice Springs gives way to cosmopolitan Sydney.

🏠 **The Langham**

🍷 **Breakfast**

### Day 9: Sydney – Blue Mountains



Head off on a day of discovery to the million-acre World Heritage listed Blue Mountains National Park. Breathe in the pristine air and discover the icons such as the Three Sisters at Echo Point.

🏠 **Lilianfels Blue Mountains Resort & Spa**

🍷 **Breakfast, dinner with wine**

### Day 10: Blue Mountains – Hunter Valley



Travel to the Hunter Valley for a day of local gourmet flavors and award-winning wines. Indulge in private wine tastings at boutique vineyards and sit down to an exceptional tasting lunch.

🏠 **voco Kirkton Park**

🍷 **Breakfast, lunch with wine, dinner with wine**

### Day 11: Hunter Valley – Sydney



Return to Sydney and board your all-inclusive lunch cruise on Sydney Harbour. Savor a delicious lunch with a strong focus on local produce and wines. Relax on the spacious deck as you cruise past the iconic sights of the Sydney Opera House, Harbour Bridge and secluded coves surrounded by multi-million-dollar waterfront homes.

🏠 **The Langham, 2 nights**

🍷 **Breakfast, lunch with wine**

### Day 12: Sydney Included Choice



A morning of sightseeing includes a stroll along the coastal walk for incredible views over the Pacific Ocean. Mid-morning brings you an Included Choice activity. Escape to a world long ago, before colonial settlement, and be touched by the most ancient human culture on earth. **Join an Aboriginal guide for a 90-minute leisurely walkabout through The Rocks**, hear dreamtime stories and discover how the Aboriginal people existed by the harbor. For a different pace, say cheers to your local guide from Dave's Tours on a historic walking tour of some of Sydney's oldest pubs. Tread in the footsteps of the convicts, larrikin gangs & locals of the past as you share a drink in four of Sydney's oldest pubs. Late afternoon **join a VIP guided tour of the Sydney Opera House before a Celebration Dinner** under its sails at Bennelong, the perfect location for our last meal together.

🍷 **Breakfast, Celebration Dinner**

### Day 13: Farewell from Sydney



Bid farewell to the Harbour City as you are transferred to Sydney Airport for your onward flight.

🍷 **Breakfast**

From **\$9695\***

per person double share land and internal-vacation airfares

### Departures

2022		2023	
Apr	05	Jan	10, 31
Jul	05	Feb	28
Aug	30		
Oct	04		
Nov	08		

See available prices or additional departure dates including those from 01 Apr 2023 at [inspiringjourneys.com/ijfly](https://inspiringjourneys.com/ijfly) or contact your local agent. Single traveler must pay the single price.

### Inclusions

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 17+ Unforgettable experiences
- 24 included meals
- 12 Nights premium accommodation

### IJFLY: Cairns to Sydney

Flight Information:

Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 2.00pm into Cairns Airport

Day 13 – flights to depart anytime from Sydney Airport

\*Internal-vacation flights: Please note that the price above includes land and internal-vacation airfares, which are required to be booked in order to fulfil the vacation itinerary:

Day 4 – Cairns to Ayers Rock

Day 8 – Alice Springs to Sydney

Return airfares from your home port are not included in the price above.



# Northern Territory Dreaming

Be immersed into the very heartland of Australia and experience its most sacred landscapes, bountiful National Parks and thundering waterfalls. Discover the Top End's striking landscape then journey to the magical Red Centre, seeing iconic Uluru, the mystical domes of Kata Tjuta, and windswept Walpa Gorge.

**11 DAYS** • Darwin • Kakadu National Park • Katherine Gorge • Litchfield National Park • Alice Springs • West MacDonnell Ranges • Kings Canyon • Kata Tjuta • Uluru

## Immerse

Learn the fine art of 'rarrk' painting and discover the ancient Aboriginal art galleries of Kakadu National Park.

## Indulge

Unwind on an indulgent Katherine Gorge dinner cruise and dine at the award-winning Cicada Lodge.

## Explore

Enter Walpa Gorge, an ancient temple crafted by nature, and keep an eye out for crocodiles on the Yellow Water Billabong.

## Relax

Unwind in your Deluxe Spa Room at Kings Canyon Resort, and stay in the heart of Nitmiluk at eco-friendly Cicada Lodge.

As this journey departs from Hilton Darwin at 7.30am, accommodation will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

### Day 1: Darwin – Litchfield National Park – Kakadu

Welcome to Darwin! Meet your Journey Director and board your luxury vehicle for a journey of discovery in the Top End. Travel across the Finiss River to Litchfield National Park. You'll visit tumbling Florence and Wangi Falls before stopping for lunch. Get ready for a cross-country journey into magnificent Kakadu National Park. Keep your eyes peeled for crocodiles as you cross the South Alligator River, and broilgas,



© Karrke Aboriginal Experience

Meet Christine, a multi-talented artist who will show you the ancient art of wooden jewelry. Learn about their inspirational family-run business, on a mission to teach younger generations about their culture and empower the community.

magpie geese and jabiru as you traverse the long grasses of the marshes and wetlands. This evening get to know your fellow travelers over dinner.

 Mercure Kakadu Crocodile Hotel, Jabiru, 2 nights

 Dinner with wine

### Day 2: Kakadu

This morning there's a chance to take an optional scenic flight over Kakadu. It's one of the best ways to experience the enormity of this National Park.

 Later, join your Journey Director on a walk at Kakadu's Ubirr rock art site. You'll see ancient rock art and discover remarkable views over the surrounding wetlands and escarpments from the Nadab lookout. After lunch, the famous Yellow Water Billabong boat cruise will be a highlight of your journey. You will see a myriad of bird species, spot estuarine crocodiles and enjoy the stunning billabong and floodplains system.



 Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

### Day 3: Kakadu – Katherine

 Venture to Nourlangie to admire the ancient Dreamtime art of the Bininj and Mungguy people. Hear from your Journey Director a detailed interpretation of the art and the rich Aboriginal culture as you explore the various outdoor 'galleries', dating back 20,000 years. Continue driving through the ancient lands of Kakadu to the town of Katherine and further on into Nitmiluk National Park. This evening indulge in five-star luxury at Cicada Lodge, a stunning eco-lodge surrounded by nature.

 Cicada Lodge, Nitmiluk National Park, 2 nights

 Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 4: Katherine Gorge

 This morning meet Dalabon didgeridoo expert Manuel Pamkal and share in his passion for the rich traditional culture into which he was born. Hear about life in the bush and experience first-hand the fine art of rarrk (cross-hatch) painting. Later, board a special dinner cruise on Katherine Gorge and learn about the history and culture of the local Jawoyn people.



 Breakfast, lunch, Local Dining Experience

### Day 5: Katherine – Darwin

Emerge from the wilderness to journey north on your return to Darwin, stopping to cool off in the cascading and clear waters of majestic Edith Falls. Later, visit the poignant Adelaide River War Cemetery.

- 🏠 Hilton Darwin
- 🍳 Breakfast, lunch

### Day 6: Darwin – Alice Springs

After a morning flight to Alice Springs your Central Australia Journey Director will share with you their take on what life is like in such an isolated town as Alice Springs. Visit the historic Overland Telegraph Station, site of the first European settlement in the town. Then the **stunning landscapes of the West MacDonnell Ranges take center stage**, as you embark on a walk through Simpsons Gap.



- 🏠 Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters
- 🍳 Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 7: Alice Springs – Kings Canyon

Now we're off the beaten track exploring the 4WD Giles Track, crossing dry river beds and outback landscapes to Kings Canyon Resort. Another **unique Local Dining Experience, Under a Desert Moon, awaits you this evening**. The flickering glow of the fire is the perfect accompaniment to sparkling wine and canapés followed by dinner, prepared from fresh produce and ingredients unique to the Australian outback.



- 🏠 Kings Canyon Resort, Deluxe Spa Room
- 🍳 Breakfast, lunch, Local Dining Experience

### Day 8: Kings Canyon – Uluru

Gaze across the deep chasm at the edge of Kings Canyon as you embark on a six-kilometer rim walk past the domed 'Lost City' and the luscious 'Garden of Eden'. If you'd prefer a more relaxed walk you can stroll along the boulder-strewn canyon creek bed. **Immerse yourself in Indigenous culture on a visit to the Wanmarra Aboriginal Community and learn about the Luritja and Pertame people's spiritual connection to the land**. Discover bush food and medicine used for spirituality and healing. Leaving Kings Canyon behind travel across desert landscapes to Curtin Springs Station, a vast farming property, for lunch. Afterwards, arrive at Ayers Rock Resort, your launchpad to Australia's heart, in Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. This evening, watch as the outback sun bids a fiery farewell, the perfect backdrop for sparkling sundowners at Uluru.



- 🏠 Sails in the Desert Hotel, Ayers Rock Resort, 2 nights
- 🍳 Breakfast, lunch

### Day 9: Uluru Sunrise & Field of Light – Kata Tjuta

Observe the shifting lights of the impressive Field of Light art installation as the desert awakens and the sunrise lights up across Uluru. Then you're off to explore the Uluru-Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre and learn about the spiritual connection the local Anangu caretakers have with the land. Skirt the red walls of Uluru, hear timeless stories, view spectacular rock art, and visit the culturally significant Muṯitjulu Waterhole. Experience the magnificence of the 36 red conglomerate rock domes that form Kata Tjuta and join your Journey Director for a guided walk through the immense Walpa Gorge.



- 🍳 Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 10: Uluru – Alice Springs

Enjoy a relaxed start to the day before traversing the outback to Alice Springs. This evening, **join your Alice Springs family hosts for a Celebration Barbecue Dinner around a campfire**, as the Southern Hemisphere's Milky Way lights up the sky.



- 🏠 Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters
- 🍳 Breakfast, Celebration Dinner

### Day 11: Farewell from Alice Springs

This morning after breakfast your Inspiring Journey comes to an end and you'll be transferred to Alice Springs Airport for your onward flight.

- 🍳 Breakfast

From **\$6867\***

per person double share land and internal-vacation airfare

### Departures

2022

May	12, 26	Aug	04, 18
Jun	09, 23	Sep	01, 15, 29
Jul	07, 21		

See available prices or additional departure dates including those from 01 May 2023 at [inspiringjourneys.com/mnrc](https://inspiringjourneys.com/mnrc) or contact your local agent. Single traveler must pay the single price.

### Inclusions

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 21+ Unforgettable experiences
- 23 included meals
- 10 Nights premium accommodation

### MNCR: Darwin to Alice Springs

Flight Information:

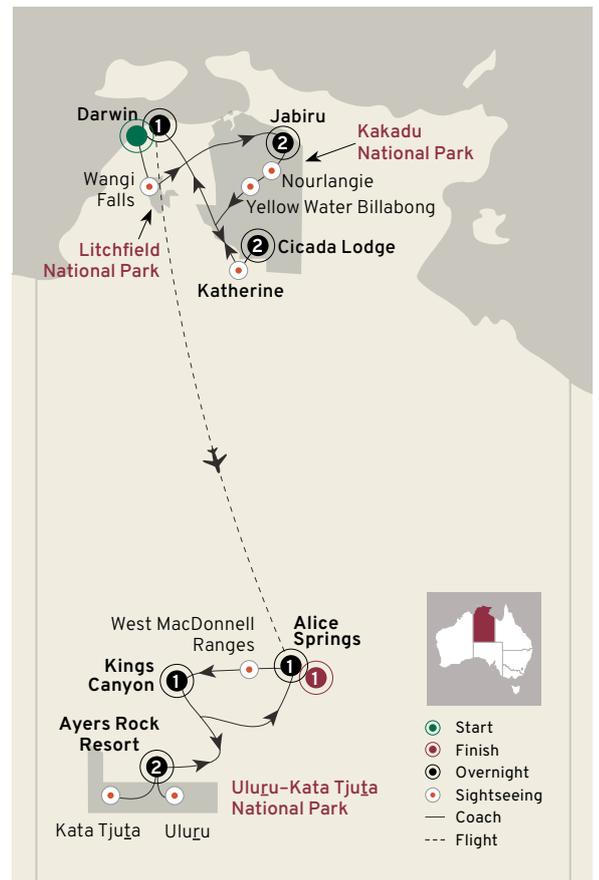
Day prior – flights to arrive anytime into Darwin Airport

Day 11 – flights to depart after 10.00am from Alice Springs Airport

\*Internal-vacation flight: Please note that the price above includes land and internal-vacation flight, which is required to be booked in order to fulfil the vacation itinerary:

Day 6 – Darwin to Alice Springs

Return airfares from your home port are not included in the price above.



# Outback Contrasts

Witness the rugged landscape of the Red Centre and marvel at the ancient cultures that have cared for this land for generations. Experience the majesty of Uluru, Kings Canyon and view rock art dating back thousands of years, witness striking landscapes and be immersed in the stories of the Dreamtime.



© Uluru Sunrise and Field of Light

Enter a fantasy garden of 50,000 slender stems of light crowned with radiant frosted glass spheres in colors of ochre, deep violet, blue and gentle white.

**6 DAYS** • Alice Springs • West MacDonnell Ranges • Kings Canyon • Kata Tjuta • Uluru

## 🌀 Immerse

Experience true outback life as you enjoy lunch on Peter Severin's million acre property in the heart of the Red Centre.

## 🍷 Indulge

Bask in the glow of the campfire as you indulge in a five course degustation with matching wines in the beautiful Kings Canyon Resort.

## 🗺️ Explore

Enter Walpa Gorge, an ancient temple crafted by nature, and discover the scenic wonders of the West MacDonnell Ranges.

## 🌸 Relax

Nestled in the rugged bush, unwind in your Deluxe Spa Room at Kings Canyon Resort, with a private balcony overlooking a beautiful rock escarpment.

## Day 1: Welcome to Alice Springs

Meet your Journey Director who will share their take on what life is like in such an isolated town as Alice Springs. Visit the historic Overland Telegraph Station and hear how the north and south of Australia were connected by a single wire. Then **the stunning landscapes of the West MacDonnell take center stage, as you embark on a walk through Simpsons Gap**, and later view Alice Springs and surrounds from the top of Anzac Hill. This evening join your fellow travelers for a Welcome Dinner at Tali Restaurant.

🍽️ **Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters**

🍷 **Welcome Dinner**

## Day 2: Alice Springs – Kings Canyon

🗺️ We **head off along the 4WD Giles Track, crossing dry riverbeds and outback landscapes**, to Kings Canyon Resort. The flickering glow of this evening's fire, dancing under the canopy of a starry Southern Hemisphere sky, is the perfect accompaniment to your **Local Dining Experience 'Under a Desert Moon'**. This degustation menu with matching wines is the perfect end to the day. Sit back and listen to the sounds of the outback come alive at night in the company of new friends.

🍽️ **Kings Canyon Resort, Deluxe Spa Room**

🍷 **Breakfast, lunch, Local Dining Experience**

### Day 3: Kings Canyon – Uluru

- 🕒 Gaze across the deep chasm at the edge of Kings Canyon as you embark on the spellbinding 6 km sunrise Rim Walk, past the sandstone domes of the 'Lost City' and down the stairs to the lush 'Garden of Eden'. Or you can opt for a gentler stroll along the canyon creek bed, treading in the footsteps of the Luritja people who once found sanctuary amidst the Itara trees at the canyon's base. Then we head off towards Uluru, visiting the local Wanmarra Community to learn about the Luritja and Pertame people's spiritual connection to the land. Discover bush food and bush medicine used for spirituality and healing. Now you'll wander across desert landscapes arriving at Curtin Springs Station, a vast farming property, for lunch. Feel the stirring of something bigger than you as you arrive at Ayers Rock Resort, your launchpad to Australia's spiritual heart in Uluru-Kata Tjuṯa National Park. As the day fades, the outback sun bids a fiery farewell. Uluru towers over the Northern Territory's remote landscape, the perfect back drop for this evening's sparkling sundowners.

🏠 Sails in the Desert Hotel, Ayers Rock Resort, 2 nights  
 🍳 Breakfast, lunch



### Day 4: Uluru Sunrise & Field of Light – Kata Tjuṯa

- 🕒 Wake early, taking time to pause and contemplate the mesmerising sunrise over the desert terrain of Uluru and Kata Tjuṯa, observing the shifting lights and play of colors of the impressive Field of Light installation as the desert awakens. Wander through the paths where 50,000 glass spheres in colors of ochre, deep violet, blue and a gentle white have been installed. Later, learn about the spiritual connection local Anangu caretakers have with the land. Skirt the red cliffs of Uluru, hear ancient tales, and see rock art, then visit the Muṯitjulu Waterhole, revelling in the stillness of this spiritual place, along with its resident wallabies, honeyeaters, and thorny devils. Later, relax by the pool or take to the skies on an Optional Experience to see Uluru from above before you visit Kata Tjuṯa and connect with nature during an afternoon walk through Walpa Gorge, a sacred place sheltered within rusty red cliffs that rise on either side of this desert landscape. This evening, join your fellow travelers for dinner at Ilkari Restaurant.

🍳 Breakfast, Dinner with wine

### Day 5: Uluru – Alice Springs

- 🕒 Enjoy a relaxed start to the day before heading across the desert landscapes on your way back to Alice Springs. This evening, immerse yourself against the backdrop of the outback at an open-air Celebration Dinner with your hosts around a campfire, under the Southern Hemisphere's Milky Way.

🏠 Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters  
 🍳 Breakfast, Celebration Dinner

### Day 6: Farewell from Alice Springs

Your inspiring Red Centre journey comes to an end this morning when you are transferred to Alice Springs Airport for your onward flight.

🍳 Breakfast

From **\$3524**

per person double share land only

### Departures

2022

Apr	05, 12, 19, 26	Aug	02, 09, 16, 23, 30
May	03, 10, 17, 24, 31	Sep	06, 13, 20, 27
Jun	07, 14, 21, 28	Oct	04, 11
Jul	05, 12, 19, 26		

See available prices or additional departure dates including those from 01 Apr 2023 at [inspiringjourneys.com/craa](https://inspiringjourneys.com/craa) or contact your local agent.

Single traveler must pay the single price.

### Inclusions

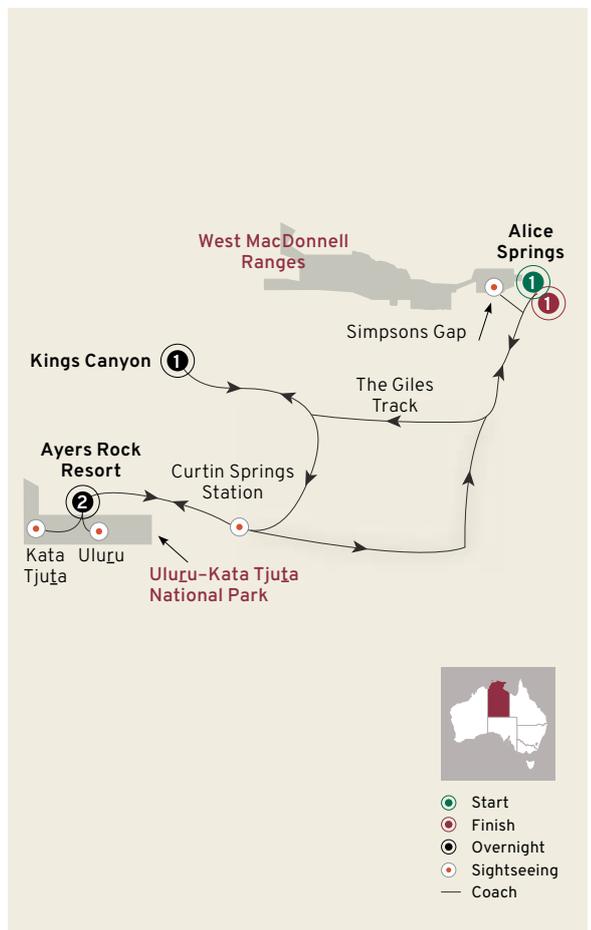
- Small group (22 guests max)
- 10+ Unforgettable experiences
- 11 included meals
- 5 Nights premium accommodation

### CRAA: Alice Springs Return

Flights are not included in vacation price.

Flight Information:

- Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 12.00pm into Alice Springs Airport
- Day 6 – flights to depart after 10.00am from Alice Springs Airport



# Tastes of Tasmania

Meet the producers of some of Australia's best food and wine and delve into the untouched landscapes of Maria Island and the Bay of Fires. Head deep into the Tasmanian wilderness and soak up panoramic views of one of the world's most beautiful beaches.



This region inspires a string of superlatives from every person lucky enough to come here, and you'll be one of them when you visit the Bay of Fires on this journey.

**7 DAYS** • Hobart • Triabunna • Maria Island  
• Freycinet National Park • Bay of Fires  
• Mount William National Park • Launceston

## 🎯 Immerse

Immerse yourself in the weird and wonderful world of Mona. Meet the stallholders and soak up the atmosphere of Salamanca Market.

## 🍷 Indulge

Sample Tasmania's finest wines at Craigie Knowe Vineyard and Sharmans Wines. Indulge in a paddock to plate feast of fresh local produce at the Agrarian Kitchen.

## 🏞️ Explore

Head deep into the Tasmanian wilderness on the Tahune Airwalk experience. Soak up panoramic views of the one of the world's most beautiful beaches, Wineglass Bay.

## 🌸 Relax

Unwind at Peppers Silo Hotel on the idyllic Tamar River, and enjoy a relaxing night by the sea on Tassie's tranquil east coast.

As this journey departs from the Crowne Plaza Hotel Hobart at 8.00am, accommodation will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

### Day 1: Welcome to Hobart

Meet your Journey Director and head out on a walking tour of the historic docks and Salamanca Place. Connect with the

local artists as you explore the many galleries and shops hidden in the old sandstone warehouses. **Take in the sights, smells and sounds of the vibrant Salamanca Market** as you wander past hundreds of stalls overflowing with local produce, crafts, jewelry, freshly baked goods and artisanal cider. **Working up a hunger, you'll head to New Norfolk for a Local Dining Experience at the Agrarian Kitchen Eatery**, borne from a longing to grow and cook authentic local food where the ingredients speak for themselves. Afterwards **visit the Museum of Old and New Art (Mona)**. Immerse yourself in the gallery's weird and wonderful installations and exhibitions, before hopping on the ferry to Hobart for an evening at leisure.

🏠 Crowne Plaza, 2 nights

🍷 Local Dining Experience

### Day 2: Huon Valley & Tahune Airwalk

Explore the Huon Valley, a region renowned for its fresh produce, wine, seafood and other gourmet delicacies, as well as its natural beauty with pristine rivers meandering through valleys bordered by World Heritage listed national parks. Visit the Honey Pot before going behind the scenes and **immersing yourself in traditional wooden boat building, lovingly crafted by hand**. Stop by the side of the road to taste fresh apples, pears and berries from the local orchards before **heading deep into the Australian bush to experience the Tahune Airwalk**, an elevated walkway 30 meters above the forest floor offering spectacular views of the Huon River and beyond to the peaks of the World Heritage Area. Working up a thirst, sample some local ciders at Willie Smith's Apple Shed before returning to the city. Indulge in dinner on Hobart's waterfront, with unsurpassed views of the city and Mt. Wellington.

🍷 Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 3: Hobart - East Coast & Maria Island

Travel to the working port of Triabunna just in time to **catch the ferry to Maria Island**. Rich in indigenous and European history, abundant in wildlife, and boasting spectacular views and remarkable geological features, this entire island is a National Park. Explore the convict-built

Darlington township, take a walk to the Fossil or Painted Cliffs, or simply relax and recharge by the waterside with your packed lunch full of local goodies. You'll be in good company with an abundance of wombats, kangaroos, wallabies, possums and even Tasmanian devils who all call the island home. This evening, **enjoy locally harvested scallops and oysters or perhaps a succulent Cape Grim Scotch fillet** from the state's north-west is more to your taste.



🏠 **Eastcoaster Tasmania**  
🍷 **Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine**

#### Day 4: East Coast – Freycinet & Bay of Fires

Your journey takes you to magnificent Freycinet National Park, where you can hike the 90-minute round-trip up to the lookout to **experience panoramic views of the world-famous Wineglass Bay**. For those seeking a slightly slower pace, take a guided walk to the lookout at Cape Tourville that affords you spectacular views across the ocean and golden beaches hidden between rugged rocky outcrops. **Lunch is at the oldest vineyard on Tasmania's east coast, Craigie Knowe**. Meet a local expert and sample some of the island's finest wines. There's time to wander through the vineyard to learn more about the complexities of viticulture before indulging in a lunch of cured meats and cheeses, perfectly paired with award-winning wine. Later, we head further north, stopping at quaint fishing villages dotted along this beautiful coastline, arriving at our **bespoke accommodation in the world-renowned Bay of Fires**. Connect with locals Anna and Tom at their intimate family-run bush retreat. You'll stay in stylish Bell Tents and feast on fresh local food whilst sitting around a campfire under the southern sky with a wine or hot chocolate.



🏠 **Bay of Fires Bush Retreat (shared facilities)**  
🍷 **Breakfast, lunch with wine, dinner**

#### Day 5: Bay of Fires – Launceston

Explore the Bay of Fires, famous for its crystal-clear waters, white sandy beaches and orange lichen-covered granite boulders. At the southern end, you'll **discover the Gulch at Binalong Bay, where you can sit on the rocks and indulge in freshly shucked oysters**. Our morning of beachcombing at an end, we'll head inland to the Pyengana Valley, where local expert Donna Coulson hosts us for lunch at the Pyengana Dairy Farm Gate Café. Later, we take a leisurely drive to the small village of Legerwood, and its incredible memorial of carved trees. We continue to Tasmania's 'northern capital', Launceston for a city orientation tour on arrival.



🏠 **Peppers Silo Launceston, 2 nights**  
🍷 **Breakfast, lunch with wine**

#### Day 6: Launceston & Surrounds

Enjoy a full day paddock, plate and pantry tour where you will be immersed in the very best produce this region has to offer. **Taste some local wines, visit the home of hazelnuts and try some saucy treats at the Tasmanian Gourmet Sauce Company** in historic Evandale. It's then onto 41° South Salmon Farm where **you'll taste what is arguably the best hot smoked salmon in Tasmania** before lunch at the Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm. You may wish to indulge in some chocolate dipped raspberries, or rich creamy raspberry ice cream. This afternoon you'll drop into the famous Ashgrove Tasmanian Farm, and then finishing at the Bell and Gong Winery, where you'll gain unique insights into boutique Tasmanian winemaking. Head back to your hotel for Farewell Drinks and Canapés with your Journey Director and fellow travelers. The evening is at leisure.



🍷 **Breakfast, lunch**

#### Day 7: Farewell from Launceston

This morning your Tasmanian journey concludes, and you are transferred to Launceston Airport for your onward flight.

🍷 **Breakfast**

From **\$3977**

per person double share land only

#### Departures

2022	2023
Oct 15	Jan 14
Nov 12	Feb 04
Dec 10	Mar 11

See available prices or additional departure dates including those from 01 Oct 2023 at [inspiringjourneys.com/ijthbl](https://inspiringjourneys.com/ijthbl) or contact your local agent. Single traveler must pay the single price.

#### Inclusions

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 8+ Unforgettable experiences
- 14 included meals
- 6 Nights premium accommodation

#### IJTHBL: Hobart to Launceston

Flights are not included in vacation price.

Flight Information:

Day prior – flights to arrive anytime into Hobart Airport

Day 7 – flights to depart anytime from Launceston Airport



# Kakadu's Ancient Secrets

Explore Kakadu, an ancient landscape of billabongs, gorges and hidden canyons teeming with spectacular wildlife. Admire rock art and hear stories of the Dreamtime. Embark on a journey to the haunt of the Lightning Man, Aboriginal clans and the crocodiles that roam Kakadu's floodplains.



© Top Didj Cultural Experience

Be welcomed to Katherine by award-winning Aboriginal artist Manuel Pamkal. Brought up in the bush near the King River, Manuel is a passionate teacher and storyteller ready to share his beloved childhood memories with you.

**5 DAYS** • Darwin • Kakadu National Park  
• Katherine Gorge • Litchfield National Park

## 📍 Immerse

Visit the Adelaide River War Cemetery and learn of its moving history, and discover the ancient rock art gallery of Ubirr.

## 🍷 Indulge

Unwind on an indulgent Katherine Gorge dinner cruise, and dine at the award-winning Cicada Lodge, where the Chef's menu is crafted daily.

## 🦘 Explore

Climb Ubirr for spectacular views over Kakadu, spot crocodiles and other wildlife on Yellow Water Billabong.

## 🌿 Relax

Stay in the heart of Nitmiluk National Park at the eco-friendly Cicada Lodge, where you can enjoy sunset drinks and canapés poolside looking out to the native bushland.

As this journey departs at 7.30am from Hilton Darwin, accommodation will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

### Day 1: Darwin – Litchfield National Park – Kakadu

Welcome to Darwin! This morning meet your Journey Director and board your luxury vehicle to begin your journey of discovery in the Top End. Travel across the Finnis River to Litchfield National Park. You'll visit tumbling Florence Falls and you'll also enjoy a swim to cool off at Wangi Falls, surrounded by tropical monsoon rainforest and hear about its importance in Aboriginal custom before stopping for lunch. Get ready for a cross-country journey into the magnificent Kakadu National Park. Keep your eyes open for Crocodiles as you cross the South Alligator River, Brolgas, Magpie Geese and Jabiru as you traverse along the long grasses of the marshes and wetlands. **Kakadu really is a diverse UNESCO world heritage site.** This afternoon check into the renowned Crocodile Hotel in the town of Jabiru and enjoy the wonderful Aboriginal Art Gallery within the hotel before getting to know your fellow travelers over dinner with wine.

🚗 Mercure Kakadu Crocodile Hotel, Jabiru, 2 nights

🍷 Dinner with wine

### Day 2: Kakadu

This morning there's a chance to take to the air an optional scenic flight over Kakadu. One of the best ways to experience the enormity of this wonderful National Park as well as the diversity from waterfalls and billabongs to flood plains and wildlife. Join your Journey Director on



a walk at Kakadu's stunning Ubirr rock art site. You'll see ancient rock art and take a walk to discover remarkable views over the surrounding wetlands and escarpments from the fantastic vantage point, Nadab lookout. After lunch **the famous Yellow Waters Billabong boat cruise will be a highlight of your journey.** You will see a myriad of different bird species, spot estuarine crocodiles and simply enjoy the stunning billabong and floodplains system. Returning to your hotel you will have the chance to relax and unwind with a refreshing dip in the hotel's shaded outdoor pool or even wander through the on-site art gallery before enjoying a delicious dinner with wine.



🍷 Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

### Day 3: Kakadu – Nourlangie – Katherine



Visit Nourlangie to admire the ancient Dreamtime art of the Bininj and Munggyu people. Hear from your Journey Director a detailed interpretation of the art and the rich Aboriginal culture as you explore the various outdoor 'galleries', dating back 20,000 years. Continue driving through the ancient lands of Kakadu to the town of Katherine and further on into Nitmiluk National Park. This evening, **indulge in five-star luxury at Cicada Lodge**, a stunning eco-lodge surrounded by nature, where each private balcony opens out to the National Park. Cool off in the pool after the heat of the day, and then experience a glorious sunset.



🏡 Cicada Lodge, Nitmiluk National Park, 2 nights

🍷 Breakfast, dinner with wine



Yellow Water Billabong Cruise

### Day 4: Katherine Gorge



Today meet Manuel Pamkal who will welcome you with a **traditional performance on the didgeridoo.** Manuel was born and raised immersed in his rich traditional Dalabon culture. He'll share with you stories of growing up in the bush and teach you the fine art of rarrk (cross hatch) painting using a special brush from a reed called Julk. Call on the artist within you and paint your own masterpiece to take home! Enjoy lunch back on the deck at Cicada Lodge overlooking the natural surroundings, before time at leisure. This evening, **relax on a Local Dining Experience cruise along Katherine River.** Marvel at the gorges while you spot wildlife such as freshwater crocodile and barramundi, and learn about the history and culture of the local Jawoyn people. Enjoy the peaceful ambiance during the candle-lit three course dinner onboard your boat.



🍷 Breakfast, lunch, Local Dining Experience

### Day 5: Katherine – Farewell from Darwin

Enjoy a leisurely start to your day or get up early to experience the National Park completely immersed in the mystical morning light. Travel north along the Stuart Highway stopping at Edith Falls along the way for a relaxing dip. Continue to Adelaide River War Cemetery. During WWII, Adelaide River was the headquarters to a large military base and a cemetery was created especially for those who gave their lives in the service and defence of their country. Your Inspiring Journey concludes on arrival in Darwin.

🍷 Breakfast, lunch

From **\$3052**

per person double share land only

### Departures

2022

May	05, 12, 19, 26	Aug	04, 11, 18, 25
Jun	02, 09, 16, 23, 30	Sep	01, 08, 15, 22, 29
Jul	07, 14, 21, 29	Oct	06

See available prices or additional departure dates including those from 01 May 2023 at [inspiringjourneys.com/mndd](https://inspiringjourneys.com/mndd) or contact your local agent. Single traveler must pay the single price.

### Inclusions

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 11+ Unforgettable experiences
- 11 included meals
- 4 Nights premium accommodation

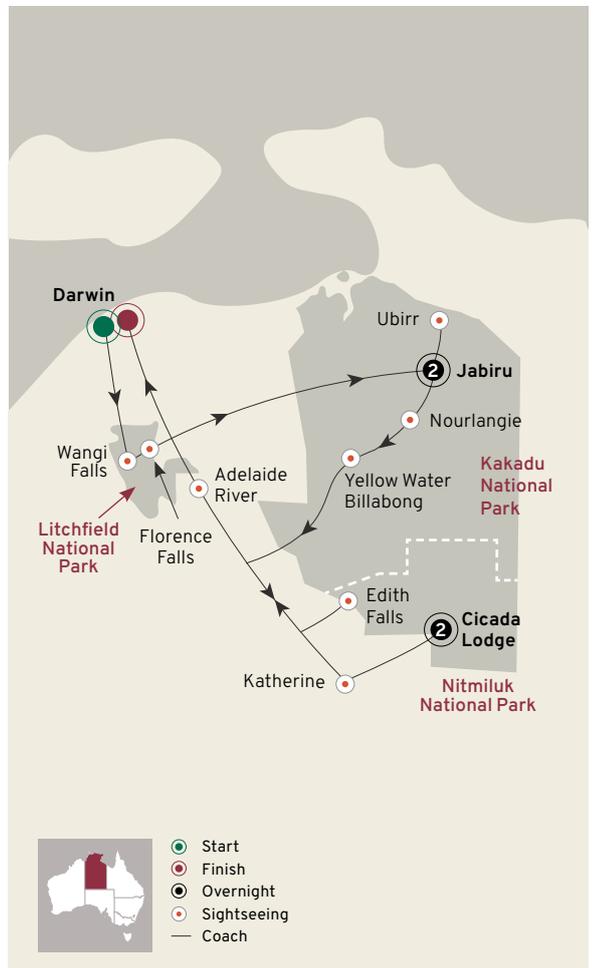
### MNDD: Darwin Return

Flights are not included in vacation price.

Flight Information:

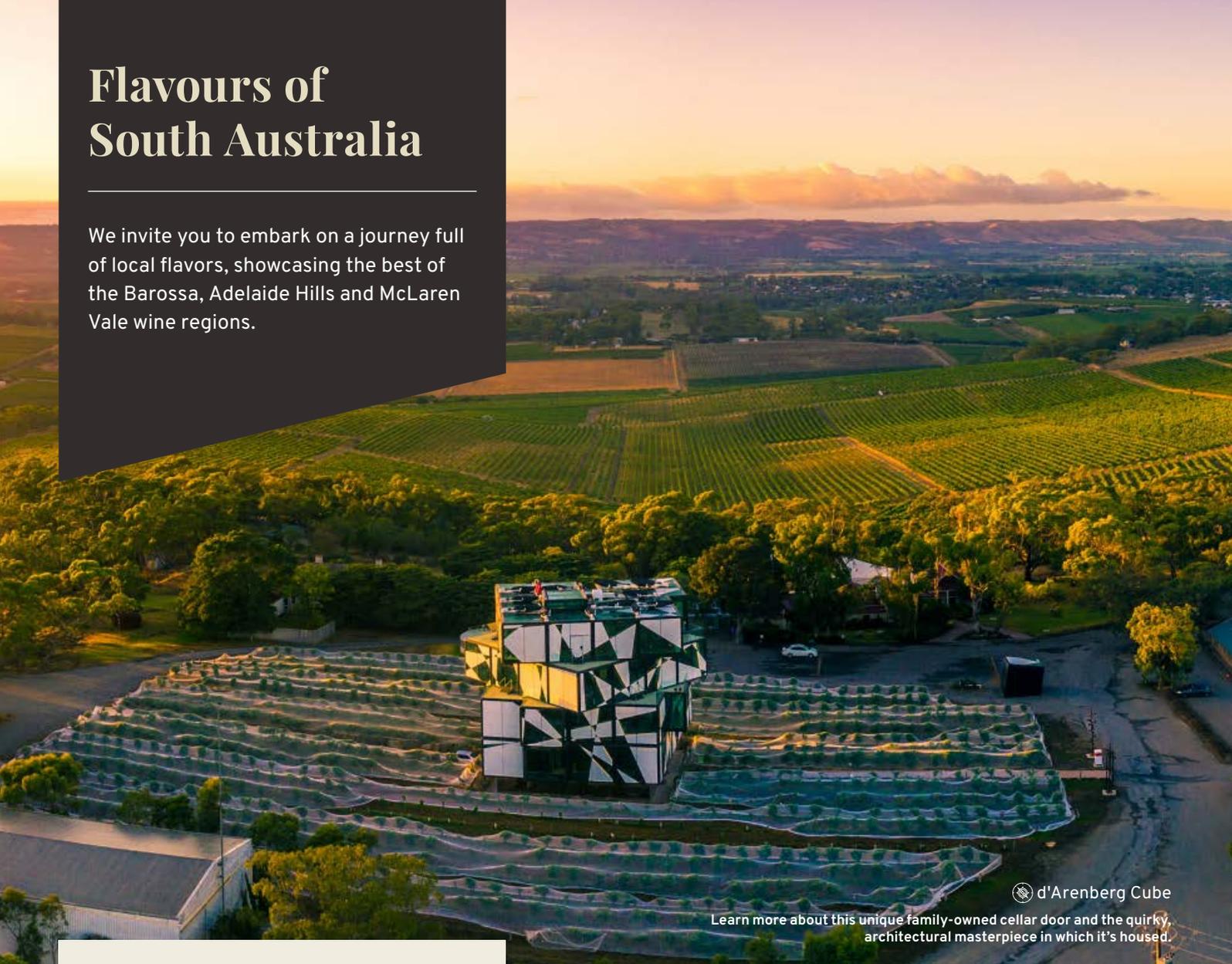
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Day 5 – flights to depart after 8.00pm from Darwin Airport



# Flavours of South Australia

We invite you to embark on a journey full of local flavors, showcasing the best of the Barossa, Adelaide Hills and McLaren Vale wine regions.



 d'Arenberg Cube

Learn more about this unique family-owned cellar door and the quirky, architectural masterpiece in which it's housed.

**5 DAYS** • Adelaide • The Barossa  
• Adelaide Hills • Hahndorf • McLaren Vale

## Immerse

The d'Arenberg Cube was inspired by the complexities of wine making. Each level has been designed to entice and excite the senses.

## Indulge

Soak up the smells, sights, and flavors of Adelaide Central Market, and Indulge in your love of art at the Salvador Dali exhibition.

## Explore

Take your time as you wander through the Jam Factory at Seppeltsfield while watching the many artists at work.

## Relax

Indulge your senses in seasonal plates as executive chef Owen Andrews connects you to the region, showcasing local sustainable produce at Seppeltsfield's homestead.

## Day 1: Welcome to Adelaide

 Be welcomed into your Heritage listed Venetian Gothic-style hotel, nestled amongst the leafy plane trees of Wakefield Street, just minutes away from Adelaide's city center. It is time to unwind in the hotel's courtyard, with a glass of sparkling wine in hand. You will then effortlessly **explore the city in a zero-emission EcoCaddy with a local expert**, ending at Adelaide Central Market. Meet your host Cheryl, who will introduce the passionate market stall owners on an Adelaide Central Market Collaborators Tour. It is serious fun for those with a passion for great food, and the people who grow and supply it to our tables. You will **taste signature dishes throughout the market, enjoying a four-course roaming Local Dining Experience.**

 **Adabco Boutique Hotel**

 **Local Dining Experience**

## Day 2: Adelaide – The Barossa

 This morning enjoy a relaxing breakfast and some free time to explore Adelaide before leaving the city for a taste of the country. You will visit Provenance Barossa, home to Penfolds Cellar Door, Barossa Distilling Company, Ember Pizzas and Stein's Taphouse to name but a few. Here you will have time to wander and to taste the local fare. This afternoon, head off to Seppeltsfield winery for a private Village Discovery Tour with a local expert. **Experience an award-winning mix of wine, food, craft, and design before dining at the homestead** where Executive Events Chef Owen Andrews will connect you to the region through seasonal plates showcasing local, sustainable produce.

 **Novotel**

 **Breakfast, Local Dining Experience**

### Day 3: The Barossa – Adelaide Hills

🕒 Your day begins with breakfast overlooking Jacob's Creek vineyards. Then **add some Maggie Beer's flair to your cooking**, in the studio where Maggie and Simon filmed the Cook and the Chef, at a private demonstration with a local expert. Sample the many products at her farm shop. Be sure to save room for some relaxed Barossa style long-table dining. You will be grazing on a delicious lunch at St. Hugo overlooking their glorious vineyard. Leave the Barossa behind and **head through the picturesque Adelaide Hills to historic Hahndorf**. Settled by 19th-century Lutheran migrants, it is known for its original German-style architecture and artisanal food. To learn more, visit the Hahndorf Academy, home to the German Migration Museum. On arrival, check into your boutique style accommodation for an afternoon and evening at leisure. It will be hard to resist a stroll down colorful Main Street where you'll find the Australian Opal Company, the Alpaca Shop or the Hahndorf Leathersmith and Bush Gallery. Tonight, why not head to the German Inn to taste some true local fare when you order the famous German Sausage Platter consisting of delicious Bockwurst, Bratwurst, cheese Kransky and Vienna Sausages washed down with an iced cold beer?

🍽️ **The Manna by Haus**  
🕒 **Breakfast, lunch**

### Day 4: Adelaide Hills – McLaren Vale

🍷 After breakfast, our journey takes us to the rich landscape of McLaren Vale. Here we visit Gemtree who produce biodynamic wines, a simple way of farming that enhances the soil and the taste. Take a guided tour of their picturesque property to learn about this unique process before trying out some of their wines for yourself. It's then onto the quirky d'Arenberg Cube. This building was inspired by the complexities and puzzles of winemaking. Each of the five levels has been carefully designed to entice and excite the senses. Here, you'll be taken on a journey like no other before **arriving at the top floor for a tasting and 360-degree views of the vineyards and enjoy a delicious three-course lunch with wine at the stunning d'Arry's Verandah Restaurant**. There will also be an opportunity for those interested to see the Salvador Dali exhibition. This is our last stop for the day before heading back to Adelaide this afternoon for evening that's all yours to explore or relax at leisure.

🍽️ **Adabco Boutique Hotel**  
🕒 **Breakfast, lunch**



### Day 5: Farewell Adelaide

This morning, you'll venture out for a celebratory breakfast. On saying goodbye to your newfound friends, you will be transferred by private vehicle to the airport for your onward flight.

🕒 **Breakfast**

**From \$2910**  
per person double share land only

### Departures

2022		2023	
Apr	29	Mar	03
Oct	28		

See available prices or additional departure dates including those from 01 Apr 2023 at [inspiringjourneys.com/sata](https://inspiringjourneys.com/sata) or contact your local agent.

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### Inclusions

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 14+ Unforgettable experiences
- 8 included meals
- 4 Nights premium accommodation

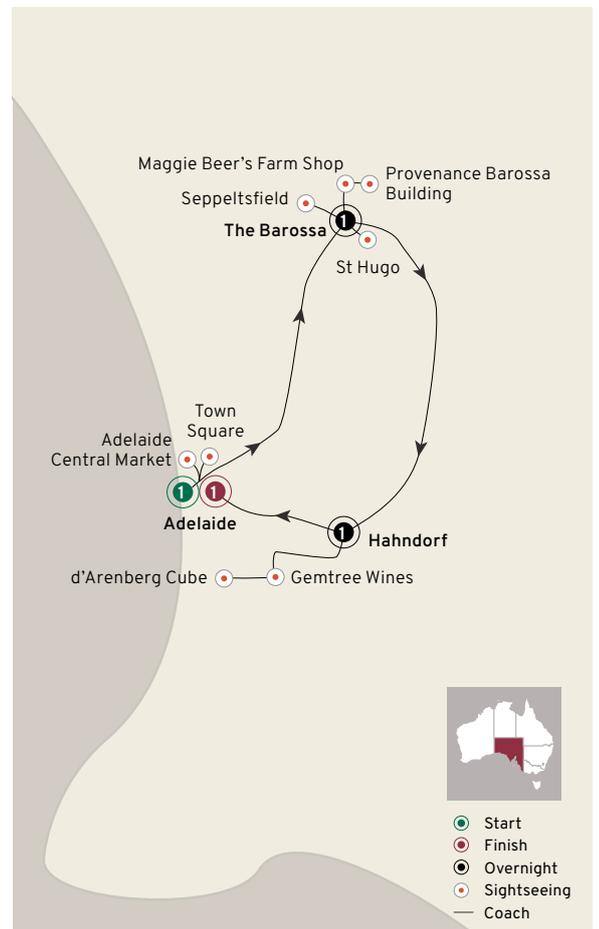
### SATA: Adelaide Return

Flights are not included in vacation price.

#### Flight Information:

**Day 1** – flights to arrive prior to 2.00pm into Adelaide Airport

**Day 5** – flights to depart after 12.00pm (Domestic) or 2.00pm (International) from Adelaide Airport



# A Journey to the West

Relax as you enjoy VIP tastings at the Margaret River region's most picturesque vineyards and indulge in exclusive dining experiences celebrating local produce. Hear stories of Indigenous culture at stunning Cape Naturaliste before discovering marine and bird life at Shoalwater Bay and the idyllic Rottneest Island.



 Cape Cultural Tours

Enter the Boodja (country) of the Wadandi people through their eyes and learn about the Noongar seasons and the encircling connections with the rivers, seas, animals, fish and plants.

**7 DAYS** • Perth • Penguin Island

• Bunker Bay • Busselton • Cape Naturaliste  
• Margaret River • Rottneest Island • Fremantle

## Immerse

Discover the land of Cape Naturaliste through the eyes of an Indigenous custodian and learn about the history of Busselton Jetty.

## Indulge

Discover wine-making philosophy and enjoy VIP tastings at some of Australia's best wineries in Margaret River, including the award-winning Hayshed Hill.

## Explore

Discover Shoalwater Bay's glorious marine life and meet the colony of the world's smallest penguins, and encounter the adorable quokka.

## Relax

Enjoy the luxurious comfort of the 5-star Pullman Bunker Bay and unwind in the 1850s landmark Esplanade Hotel, located in the heart of Fremantle.

## Day 1: Welcome to Perth

On arrival in Perth spend time on your own to relax or explore the surroundings. This evening meet your Journey Director and new traveling companions at your hotel for a Welcome Reception with local Western Australian wine and beers along with local produce canapés.

 DoubleTree Perth Waterfront, 2 nights

 Dinner with wine

## Day 2: Perth

Your Journey Director will show you the must-see sights including Elizabeth Quay, Yagan Square and you will have time to explore Kings Park with its sweeping city views and some of the 3,000 species of the State's unique flora. This afternoon is free for you to relax or explore more of the city. Tonight, you will dine in the heart of Perth's historical, cultural and dining precinct at the State Buildings.

 Breakfast, dinner with wine

## Day 3: Perth – Penguin Island – Busselton – Bunker Bay

Today you'll head to world-renowned winery region of Margaret River. Your first stop is Penguin Island, which lays in the heart of the ruggedly spectacular Shoalwater Islands Marine Park. Here you will board your boat to cruise through Shoalwater Bay's Wildlife Sanctuary to see bottlenose dolphins, Australian sea lions and sea birds such as Spinebills and Goshawks. Afterwards, you'll continue south to explore the historic Busselton Jetty that has been standing for more than 150 years. There is the chance to explore the jetty on foot or take the Jetty Train along this 1.7km timber piled jetty that is the longest in the Southern Hemisphere. Nestled on the white sandy beaches your accommodation is the 5 star Pullman Bunker Bay. Enjoy dinner at the Other Side of the Moon Restaurant, where you will dine on an array of fresh locally sourced seasonal produce with local wines.

 Pullman Bunker Bay Resort, 2 nights

 Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

### Day 4: Margaret River & Cape Naturaliste

🕒 Your day begins with a moving ‘Welcome to Country’ ceremony as part of your Indigenous experience at Cape Naturaliste. Your local guide will escort you on an interactive walk around Cape Naturaliste Lighthouse precinct, where they interpret the land through the eyes of an Indigenous custodian, followed by an artefact interpretation and didgeridoo experience. From Cape Naturaliste you’ll drive through the vineyard lined roads to your Margaret River winery experience. Upon arrival, the winemakers will take you on a guided walk through the rolling vineyard, followed by a Local Dining Experience at a degustation lunch with matching wines at Hay Shed Hill. After you have indulged in your long lunch, there is time to explore the quaint town of Margaret River before returning to your hotel.

🍷 Breakfast, Local Dining Experience

### Day 5: Bunker Bay – Fremantle

🕒 Leaving the wine country behind you journey back up the beautiful south west coastline towards Fremantle. This afternoon you will join your local expert guide for an immersive walking tour of historic Fremantle. Departing from the hotel, enjoy a relaxed, informative and conversational walk and talk that is designed to entertain and educate. Walk into the past, present and future and get unique insight into the well-preserved architectural heritage.

🏠 Esplanade Hotel Fremantle, 2 nights

🍷 Breakfast

### Day 6: Rottnest Island

🕒 Board a catamaran and escape across the open ocean to the magnificent and historic Rottnest Island, a paradise lovingly referred to by the sun-worshipping locals as ‘Rotto’. Take a leisurely stroll along the beach and keep a keen eye out for the friendliest resident, the Quokka. Join a local guide on a Discovery Rottnest tour covering the island’s most spectacular locations. Delve into the island’s history and culture, its marine and land environments and the diverse flora and fauna. Enjoy lunch before exploring more of the beaches. This afternoon, you’ll leave the pristine shoreline and cruise back to seaside Fremantle, where tonight you’ll join your fellow travelers for a Celebration Dinner. What better way to toast to a mesmerizing journey with Local Western Australian wines matched with the seasonal farm to table menu.

🍷 Breakfast, lunch, Celebration Dinner



### Day 7: Farewell from Fremantle

Exchange phone numbers with new friends as your inspiring Western Australia journey ends. Before you depart, you may like to visit the historic Fremantle Markets. A private vehicle will transfer you to Perth airport for your onward flight.

🍷 Breakfast

From **\$4036**

per person double share land only

### Departures

2022		2023	
Apr	02, 30	Feb	04
Sep	17	Mar	04
Oct	15		
Nov	12		
Dec	10		

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### Inclusions

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 23+ Unforgettable experiences
- 13 included meals
- 6 Nights premium accommodation

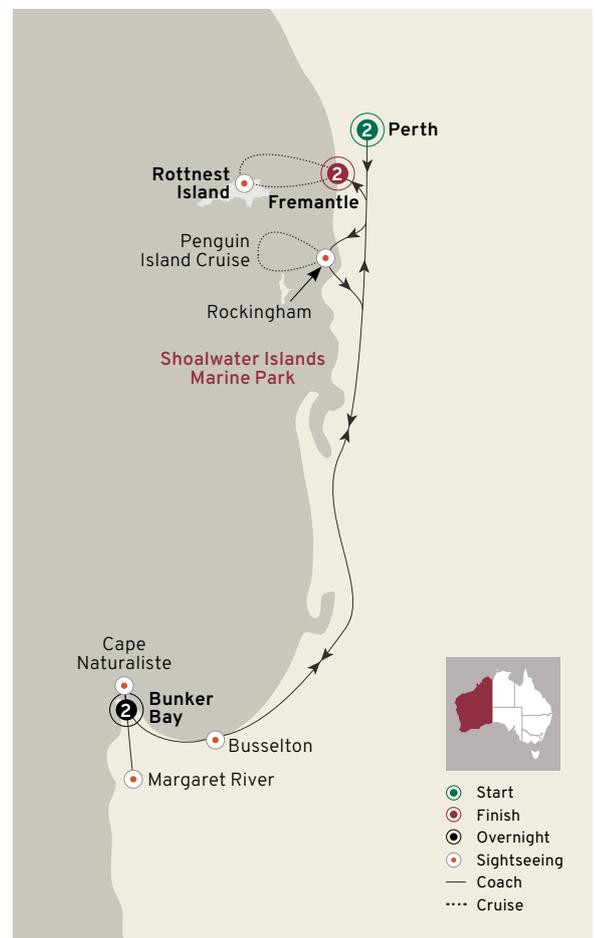
### IJWA: Perth to Fremantle

Flights are not included in vacation price.

Flight Information:

Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 4.30pm into Perth Airport

Day 7 – flights to depart after 1.00pm (Domestic) or 3.00pm (International) from Perth Airport



# Travel Essentials

## My AAT Kings Travel Portal

For peace of mind and a seamless trip from the moment you book until you return home, you can personalise your trip online with ease in the My AAT Kings Travel Portal. By registering your details online you'll be able to advise us of any preferences or dietary requirements for a more enjoyable trip, have access to useful information and links and be assured that we have any emergency contact details securely stored in case of an unlikely event whilst traveling with us.

You will need to sign a Travel Declaration prior to joining us on your tour. To find out more about our wellbeing protocols visit [aatkings.com/wellbeing](https://aatkings.com/wellbeing)

## Registering for My AAT Kings

**It's quick & easy  
to register online**

1. Visit [my.aatkings.com](https://my.aatkings.com)
2. Enter your first name, last name and email address
3. Create a unique password & click Register User
4. Add your booking number and click Add my Booking

Registering is quick and easy. You'll need the following information in order to create your secure login:

- Your AAT Kings booking number and last name
- Emergency contact details
- Passport details for international travelers

You'll be able to register 24 hours after you've confirmed your booking with us. Once you have completed your online registration you'll also be able to download, save and print your travel documents within 3 weeks of your departure date.

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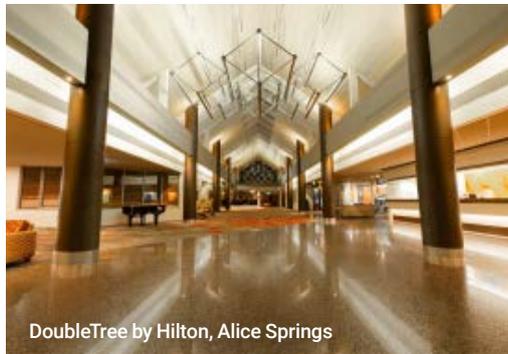
# Extend Your Vacation



Cable Beach Club Resort & Spa, Broome



Distinction Hotel, Christchurch



DoubleTree by Hilton, Alice Springs



The Grand by SkyCity, Auckland

## Pre & Post Accommodation

Australia	Hotel
Adelaide	Crowne Plaza
	Adabco Boutique Hotel
Alice Springs	Aurora Alice Springs
	DoubleTree by Hilton
	Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters
Ayers Rock Resort	Outback Pioneer Hotel
	Desert Gardens Hotel
	Sails in the Desert Hotel
Brisbane	Adina Apartment
Broome	Cable Beach Club Resort & Spa
Cairns	DoubleTree by Hilton
	Novotel Cairns Oasis Resort
	Flynn
Darwin	Vibe Darwin Waterfront
	DoubleTree Esplanade
	Hilton
Fremantle	Esplanade Fremantle by Rydges
Gold Coast	Novotel Surfers Paradise
Hobart	Crowne Plaza
Launceston	Peppers Silo
Melbourne	Crowne Plaza
	Savoy
Palm Cove	The Reef House

Australia	Hotel
Perth	DoubleTree Perth Waterfront
	Travelodge
Port Douglas	Oaks Resort
Sydney	Rydges Sydney Central
	InterContinental Hotel
	Hyatt Regency Darling Harbour
	The Langham
	Vibe Hotel
New Zealand	Hotel
Auckland	Holiday Inn Express
	QT Auckland
	The Cordis
	The Grand by SkyCity
	Sofitel Auckland Viaduct Harbour
Christchurch	Ibis Hotel
	Distinction Hotel
Queenstown	The George
	Millennium Hotel
Wellington	Hotel St. Moritz
	James Cook Grand Chancellor
	QT Wellington

**VERY IMPORTANT:** The information below is a summary of the booking conditions as at the date of the production of this brochure and are for guidance only. The 'Full Booking Conditions' can be found at [aatkings.com/booking-conditions](http://aatkings.com/booking-conditions) and form the legal agreement between us and you as our guest. If there is any conflict between the information below and the Full Booking Conditions, the Full Booking Conditions shall prevail. Booking Conditions are regularly updated and may have changed since this brochure was printed.

# Booking Conditions

## AAT Kings Guided Vacations, Inspiring Journeys & Short Breaks

### Tours including land only

Deposit Required	\$200
Final Payment (before departure)	60 days

### Tours including land & internal-vacation airfares

Deposit Required	\$350
Final Payment (before departure)	90 days

### Cancellation Terms (per person) if you cancel your vacation – No. of days (before travel)

Land only	Cancellation charge	Land & Air	Cancellation charge
60+ days	Loss of deposit	90+ days	Loss of deposit
59-16 days	30% of tour price	89-60 days	30% of tour price
15-8 days	50% of tour price	59-16 days	60% of tour price
7-1 days	90% of tour price	15-8 days	90% of tour price
Less than 24 hours	100% of tour price	7-0 days	100% of tour price

## AAT Kings Day Tours

### Cancellation Terms (per person) if you cancel your vacation – No. of hours (before travel)

Within 48 hours	50% of tour price
Within 24 hours	100% of tour price

Travel agent fees and cancellation charges may also apply.

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## GENERAL INFORMATION & CONDITIONS

Vacation prices are based on costs, charges, tariffs, rates, prices, taxes, levies, exchange rates and other considerations as of the production date of this brochure. All are subject to change. For up-to-date pricing contact your travel agent or visit [www.aatkings.com](http://www.aatkings.com). No surcharges regarding cost or currency fluctuation will be made to the LAND only price once the deposit is received. No refund will be made on account of reduction of any of the above. If the total vacation price increases by more than 10%, guests will have the option to cancel the vacation within 7 days of notification of the surcharge without penalty.

## FEES & TAXES

Other fees and taxes are subject to change without notice and will be confirmed at time of booking. Any additional fees charged by airlines such as baggage handling, seat selections, and/or any other services are at the sole responsibility of the guest(s). Additional air-related restrictions apply.

## TOUR PARTICIPATION, EXCLUSION AND RELEASE

Children under eighteen (18) years of age must be accompanied by an adult. Children under five (5) years of age are ineligible for Guided Vacations. Children under twelve (12) years of age are ineligible for Inspiring Journeys. Clients with disabilities are welcome on AAT Kings tours provided they are accompanied by an able-bodied companion and do not require special assistance from AAT Kings personnel. You must advise AAT Kings at the time of booking if you are affected by a condition, medical or otherwise, that may affect your enjoyment of the tour or its enjoyment by others. Failure to do so may result in the termination of your travel arrangements without any liability on the part of AAT Kings.

- Guests must advise AAT Kings, at time of booking of any physical, medical or other special needs that require accommodating. AAT Kings will make reasonable modifications to its policies, practices and procedures when necessary unless doing so will fundamentally alter the nature of the services provided.
- Guests must ensure they are medically and physically able to travel. AAT Kings may impose safety requirements. AAT Kings may exclude an individual from participation in a vacation or an activity if the individual's participation poses a threat to the health or safety of others. The decision, made solely by AAT Kings, to exclude an individual will be based on an individualized assessment and reasonable judgment that relies on current medical evidence or on the best available objective evidence to determine the nature, duration and severity of the risk, the probability that potential injury will occur and whether reasonable modifications of policy, practices or procedures will mitigate the risk. No refunds will be given if the decision is made to exclude the guest.
- AAT Kings does not provide personal devices (such as wheelchairs, hearing aids or prescription eye glasses) or services of a personal nature (such as eating, toileting or dressing). A traveler who requires services of a personal nature should strongly consider bringing a companion to provide such assistance and must understand that the other travelers, Travel Director and AAT Kings staff will not be available for such purpose.
- Regrettably, motorized scooters are not allowed on any AAT Kings vacations.
- AAT Kings does not employ medical personnel; any necessary medical attention must be sought at a local facility, if available, at the guest's expense. AAT Kings is not responsible or liable for losses or costs incurred due to unavailability of medical service, or medical services obtained while on vacation, or for the quality of the care or services received. Medical care in other countries is not always comparable to care that you may receive in your local area. You are encouraged to purchase medical insurance that will cover you while on vacation. Your regular health insurance may not apply abroad.
- In purchasing your vacation, you attest that you are physically fit for it, if you have concerns please request additional details about your journey from your travel agent or AAT Kings.
- Some vacations include rough terrain, extensive walking over cobblestone streets, uneven pavement, steps, and/or locations which may not be easily accessible or accessible by wheelchair. During the vacation, AAT Kings may make arrangements with carriers, hotels and other independent suppliers to provide travel services. These parties are independent entities which AAT Kings does not control. Accommodations in international vacations may differ from those in North America. AAT Kings cannot guarantee disability access or accommodations for guest traveling on international vacations.

Many Optional Experiences are operated by independent third party suppliers, not AAT Kings. These are not part of the vacation package provided by us. Your contract will be with the operator of the experience. We are not responsible for providing of the experience, or anything that happens during the experience. Some experiences involve outdoor activities and/or can be physically demanding. You must make your own decisions about experiences and participate only in activities that suit your physical ability; we suggest that you speak with your medical providers if you have questions about your abilities. We recommend you check whether any insurance you have also includes your participation in adventure activities you may undertake. AAT Kings may, in its sole discretion, decline booking any guests or remove any guest who cannot comply or refuses to comply with AAT Kings' terms and conditions. If this occurs, you are responsible for the cost of travel back

to your hometown and AAT Kings shall not be liable for your losses and no refund shall be provided. You agree that AAT Kings is released from all liability for, and you agree not to hold AAT Kings responsible for termination of your tour arrangements in accordance with the previous conditions, or any decision made by AAT Kings or by any service provider who refuses to provide you with special accommodations facilities or services that are not available or who refuses to carry you by reason of any disability or medical condition. You agree that our AAT Kings' Travel Director or Representative may take photographs and videos of you while you are on vacation and that these may be used in our brochures and/or advertising or publicity material without obtaining any further consent or payment in respect of such photographs and/or films.

## PASSPORTS, VISAS AND OTHER ENTRY/EXIT REQUIREMENTS

To enter and leave Australia and New Zealand, all guests including children must be in possession of a machine-readable passport valid for 6 months after their trip return date along with applicable visas. Some countries require multiple entry visas. For Australia, Canadian and US passport holders require an ETA prior to departure. Please consult AAT Kings or your travel agent for further details. Due to government imposed security/immigration measures, passport and emergency contact information is required for all guests prior to release of travel documents. It is the guest's sole responsibility to secure and/or pay for any and all visas, reciprocity fees, affidavits, immunizations, etc. that are required to be permitted entry into each destination. In some countries you may be subject to (reciprocity) fees and/or departure taxes/exit fees which will be collected at the airports upon entry/departure by local government authorities. Please note that entry to any country may be refused even if the required information and travel documents are complete and, if this occurs, no refund is due. For up-to-date detailed information on travel documents and visas, entry/exit taxes and further information on entry and exit requirements please check with your Travel Agent or local consular services. Obtaining and carrying these documents is your sole responsibility. AAT Kings bears no responsibility for such information and will not be responsible for advising and/or obtaining required travel documentation for any guest, or for any delays, damages, and/or losses including missed portions of your vacation related to improper documentation.

## AIR ARRANGEMENTS

Special airfares for travel within Australia and New Zealand are available to international visitors, in conjunction with their international air tickets. Your travel professional will have details.

**Reservations/Ticketing:** Air-inclusive bookings require an additional non-refundable deposit at time of booking. Upon receipt of air deposit, your airfare, taxes and surcharges are final. This will be regardless of future price fluctuations up or down. When booking a guided vacation including flight, you will be required at the time of booking to provide us with the full name as detailed on the passport, date of birth, passport number, date and place of issue and expiration date for each guest. For published airfare bookings, a \$75 per person processing fee will be charged. Changes to flight itineraries, name changes and/or corrections may either not be allowed or may result in penalties charged by the airline. These are the guest's responsibility. Airlines (and other travel providers, including AAT Kings) change prices and routes from time to time. All air routings are in the sole control of the airline and are subject to change at any time.

**Airline Availability:** Seats are limited in our contracted class of service and may not be available on every flight. AAT Kings does not hold block spaces on any airline and does not assure seat availability for every single guided vacation departure date.

**Airline Seating:** Not all airlines offer pre-assigned seats. Some may charge for pre-assigned seats. Any additional charges imposed by airlines will be at the guest's expense. Where pre-assigned seats are not offered or different seats are desired guests must contact the airline(s) directly to arrange seating assignments. Seating is solely under the airline's control, as are itinerary changes due to flight delays and schedule changes. AAT Kings reserves the right to offer alternative schedules for itineraries affected by airline schedule changes and equipment flight delays, flight cancellations and schedule changes are the responsibility of the airline. AAT Kings will not be responsible or liable for such delays or rescheduling.

**Price Changes:** Airlines and other travel providers (including AAT Kings) change pricing and itineraries from time to time. Prior to your booking and paying for travel, all prices and itineraries in this brochure are subject to change at any time. Guest Changes to flight itineraries and name changes may result in penalties charged by the airline. These are the guest's responsibility. Airline Fuel Surcharges and Air-Related Taxes, Fees and Restrictions Airfares will be provided at time of booking, will be based on round-trip purchase, and will include air-related taxes, fees and fuel surcharges imposed by the airlines. Any additional fees charged by the airlines such as baggage handling, seat selections and/or any other services are at the sole responsibility of the guest(s).

**Airline Special Requests:** Seat assignment and special meal requests can be requested at time of booking. AAT Kings does not assure the request will be granted. Frequent Flyer miles can be accrued on most air carriers. Upgrades using mileage are not permitted. Many airlines do not automatically add frequent flyer numbers to records for flights booked and ticketed by AAT Kings. It is the guest's responsibility to request frequent flyer credit from the airline. AAT Kings shall not be responsible for matters concerning frequent flyer miles.

**Air Transportation:** Not included unless otherwise indicated in the price panel. Please be advised that due to the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) Secure Flight Program, airlines must collect required information from guests. For more information regarding TSA's Secure Flight Program, please visit [www.tsa.gov](http://www.tsa.gov).

## BOOKING CHANGES, CANCELTIONS & REFUNDS

A fee of \$35 or more per person, per change and any further costs we incur, will be charged for any revisions or alterations made to a reservation after the booking is confirmed with payment unless the change increases the price of the booking. Costs and changes may increase the closer to the departure date that changes are made. We will try to make your requested change but it may not be possible. A change of Guided Vacation date or itinerary within 60 days of departure date will be treated as a cancellation. Cancellation fees will apply except when changing to an earlier departure date and the vacation price is equivalent or greater, in which case a \$35 (or more) per person amendment fee will be charged. Name changes or corrections will be treated as a cancellation and fees may apply. You must also pay any charges or fees imposed by airlines for any changes, including name and date changes. This can be up to 100% of the value of the ticket.

## DISCOUNT CONDITIONS

1. Kings Club Past Guest Benefit – one benefit will be available per person, per Guided Vacation (First Choice, Best Buys or Inspiring Journeys) to the tour portion only. 3rd Party tours booked through AAT Kings will not qualify for Kings Club Benefit. You must have traveled with us before you can redeem a discount. Please advise previous tour details at time of booking, subject to availability and verification.
2. 2nd Vacation Discount applies to AAT Kings operated Guided Vacations (First Choice, Best Buys) & Inspiring Journeys. Vacations must be booked at the same time and the discount is per person off the Land Only portion of the vacation with the shortest duration. Valid on tours 7 days or more in duration.
3. Triple Share Discount is available when 3 guests share a twin or double room with an extra bed (foldaway, sofa bed or rollaway) and is

not available with young traveler discount. Triple share is not available on Inspiring Journeys, third party operated tours, cruise and rail vacations, or at all hotels.

4. Traveling Solo feature applies to AAT Kings operated Guided Vacations (First Choice, Best Buys). It does not apply to Inspiring Journeys & Short Breaks. Ask your travel agent at time of booking.
5. Group Travel Discount applies only to AAT Kings and Inspiring Journeys operated vacations.
6. Discounts provided on Future Travel Credits are not combinable with other discounts.

Please refer to [aatkings.com/combined](http://aatkings.com/combined) or call AAT Kings for a full list of which discounts can be combined.

## GUIDED VACATION CANCELTION

AAT Kings and Inspiring Journeys reserve the right to cancel, re-schedule or make other adjustments to any guided vacation departure in any circumstances, including in accordance with operating requirements or circumstances beyond their control. If cancellation is made by AAT Kings or Inspiring Journeys any time prior to the departure date of the guided vacation, except when you failed to pay the final balance on time, AAT Kings or Inspiring Journeys will offer a comparable vacation if available or a future travel credit. AAT Kings and Inspiring Journeys will refund any difference in price if the alternative is of a lower price however, the guest will be responsible for additional costs if the alternative is priced higher. AAT Kings and Inspiring Journeys will not be liable for cancellation, delay, rescheduling or other adjustment or impact to a departure or itinerary or other aspect(s) of the vacation brought about due to force majeure or other circumstance beyond their control that prevents or interferes with any aspect of the tour, also including governmental and administrative actions. AAT Kings and Inspiring Journeys are not responsible for other travel arrangements affected due to our cancellations or changes and are not liable for any cancellation or change costs or penalties incurred on other travel arrangements, including air tickets.

## CANCELTIONS & CANCELTION FEES

Travel arrangements for any member of the party may be canceled at any time by written notice by the person who made the booking. Please note the following:

- If full payment is not received 60 days (land only vacations) or 90 days (land & internal-air vacations) prior to the departure date, AAT Kings has the right to cancel your reservation. AAT Kings will not be responsible for lost reservations.
- Notice of cancellation must be made in writing directly to AAT Kings or through your travel agent.
- If a person in a party cancels and there is a room change caused by this cancellation (such as a Twin/Double to Single, or Triple to Twin/Double), changes for the new room type will be the responsibility of the remaining party.
- The charges detailed in the Summary Information Table at left will be applied when notice of cancellation is given after the booking is confirmed.
- If a guest fails to join the vacation on the day of departure, cancellation fees will be 100% (unless the guest notifies us of the delay and joins the vacation later at their own expense).
- Cancellation fees applied to additional accommodations and/or chargeable transfers, prior to and after the vacation reserved through AAT Kings, are additional to any cancellation or other charges that may be levied by your Travel Agent.
- Additional hotel accommodations and/or chargeable transfers canceled within 14 days of booked date will incur a 100% cancellation fee. For cancellation outside 14 days before the booking date the following fees will be charged.

**Airline Flights/Tickets:** After deposit has been received, any changes prior to airline ticketing incur a \$35 service fee per person or if after ticketing a \$75 service fee per person. This is in addition to any airfare rate increase and any additional change fees imposed by the Airline. Some airfares including published fares booked by AAT Kings are non-changeable and non-refundable. See Air Cancellation Section above. AAT Kings is not responsible for other travel arrangements that you or your party has made outside AAT Kings that are affected by our cancellations. If the reason for your cancellation is covered under your insurance, you may be able to reclaim these charges from your insurer. You and your Travel Agent are responsible to make this claim to your insurer. Illness or Absence Early return expenses are the guest's responsibility. There is no refund for absence or early departure from a vacation, included but not limited to missed hotels, transfers, meals or sightseeing. AAT Kings urges you to purchase travel insurance to cover such circumstances. AAT Kings makes no representation or guarantees concerning reimbursement, scope of coverage or other aspects of any travel insurance policy or claim.

## TRIPLE SHARE ROOMS

Triple share rooms may be available on selected vacations in limited numbers. Triple rooms will often feature one double bed plus a 'foldaway', 'sofa bed' or 'rollaway'. Three adults may find these rooms small and suitcase space slightly restricted; they are generally more suitable for 2 adults and a child. Triple share rooms are not available at all hotels.

## QUAD SHARE ROOMS

Quad share rooms are not available and clients are required to book two double rooms. Inter-connecting rooms are available on request and subject to availability.

## HOTEL CHECK-IN/CHECK-OUT

Check-in time at most hotels is 3pm. If you are arriving early into a city, you may wish to request an early check-in to your hotel room, so as to allow for immediate check-in. An additional nights charge will apply.

## EXTENDED STAYS

If you arrange with AAT Kings to remain at a destination before or after your vacation, your stay will be at your sole expense as is the transfer to either the hotel or airport. Please see the 'Extend your Vacation' section of this brochure for a list of pre and post vacation accommodations. Space is limited and if available is for up to three nights before and/or after each vacation. Breakfast and luggage handling is not included unless otherwise noted. If your extra night/s accommodations is not the hotel where your vacation begins or ends, you will be responsible for your transfer arrangements at your own expense.

## REFUNDS AND PENALTIES

Illness or absenteeism: in the event of your withdrawal from a tour after commencement for reasons of illness you must obtain a medical certificate in support of any insurance claim. We regret that no refunds can be made for absences from a tour, including but not limited to, missed meals or sightseeing. AAT Kings makes no representation or guarantees concerning reimbursement of funds paid by you under any insurance claim.

## TRAVEL INSURANCE

AAT Kings strongly recommends that all guests purchase comprehensive Travel Insurance. Certain countries have a requirement for foreign visitors to have valid medical insurance on entry. AAT Kings cannot be held responsible for denied entry if a guest is unable to provide details to authorities of insurance or denial of entry for any reason.

## VACATION INCLUSIONS

Transportation, entrance fees and boat cruise prices as per itinerary, services of a Travel Director and/or Driver Guide and meals as specified. Accommodations on a double share basis (unless otherwise specified). Subject to a minimum number of clients, AAT Kings reserves the right

to operate touring on a smaller vehicle with a Driver Guide. On some occasions coach restrooms may be inaccessible depending on operational conditions.

#### ITINERARY VARIATIONS

AAT Kings strives to improve vacation itineraries, services and features. If improvements can be made, or if circumstances beyond our control make changes necessary, we reserve the right to vary itineraries and to substitute hotels. At certain peak periods multiple departures may operate, sometimes in reverse order, hotels may vary from those stated on the itinerary pages. Departures in early and late season are potentially operated in cool weather conditions. As a result, itinerary variations may occur. Certain activities may not be precisely as described or may not be available due to seasonality or weather conditions. We will try to notify you or your travel agent of changes. If your enjoyment may be diminished by such limitations, please check with us or your travel agent before making a reservation. AAT Kings' 'Be My Guest' experiences are unique and take place in singular locations. In the unlikely event that our local hosts are unable to welcome AAT Kings guests, AAT Kings will attempt to find an alternative experience or a highlight meal will be provided in place of the 'Be My Guest' experience.

#### VACATIONS & CHANGES

During local or regional vacations, certain facilities such as museums, sightseeing trips and shopping may be limited or unavailable. In such instances itinerary changes are made by AAT Kings seeking to reduce inconvenience to guests. Such changes are deemed not to be a major change to the itinerary and no compensation will be payable to guests. Vacations, closing days and other occurrences may necessitate a change of the day of the week for scheduled highlight dinners, regional meals, sightseeing or other activities. If you feel your enjoyment might be diminished by any of these circumstances please check with the respective national, state or territory tourist office before selecting a specific departure date.

#### AIRPORT TRANSFERS

Where indicated in this brochure, complimentary arrival and departure transfers are provided between designated airports and AAT Kings' hotels on the scheduled start and end days of your tour only (First Choice Guided Vacations & Inspiring Journeys only). Complimentary transfers are only included with pre/post tour accommodations booked with AAT Kings, and where flight arrival and departure details are advised.

#### SPECIAL MEALS

Please advise AAT Kings of any special dietary requirements at least 14 days before departure. Note that any special meal requirements will be on a request basis only. AAT Kings cannot guarantee the availability of special meal types.

#### NOT INCLUDED IN YOUR TOUR PRICE

Any items and matters not referred to above, including airlines to and from your destination, air-related taxes and fees (except where specified); additional fees charged by airlines such as checked and/or excess baggage, seat selections and any other services, passport and visa fees, insurances or all kinds, tips/gratuities to Motorcoach Driver, Local Host, Local Specialists and Travel Director; laundry; phone calls; minibar; beverages and meals not detailed in the itinerary; Optional Experiences; and all items of a personal nature. Additional taxes and surcharges may be collected by foreign government and non-governmental entities. The price does not cover costs and expenses, including your return home, if you leave the guided vacation whether of your own volition, our decision based on behavior that disrupts the trip, due to illness, action by any government or other reason. This list is illustrative and not a complete list of every item not included.

#### LUGGAGE ALLOWANCE

One medium size suitcase per person plus one piece of hand luggage which may be carried on board the coach. Please note that hand luggage with an adjustable handle and wheels will not fit in the overhead compartments of the vehicle and cannot be accepted as hand luggage. Maximum weight of the suitcase is not to exceed 50lbs (23kg). We are required by strict Government vehicle weight regulations to enforce and adhere to this limit. If your luggage exceeds this limit, we ask that you make alternative arrangements for the excess to be forwarded to the termination point of your tour. We suggest that you have wheels on your suitcase, as there are certain places where assistance is not available (e.g. railway stations and cruise terminals). Airlines may impose stricter weight and size limits for luggage and may also charge fees for checked baggage, including the first checked bag. Please check with your airlines/s directly for their most current baggage regulations and related fees. AAT Kings is not responsible for additional fees imposed by carriers in regard to luggage. All luggage and personal effects are at all times, and in all circumstances at the risk of the tour participant. Luggage insurance is strongly recommended.

#### TIPPING/GRATUITIES

While it's not compulsory in Australia or New Zealand, tipping is becoming an increasingly accepted practice in all areas of the service industry. Tipping is on a voluntary individual basis, with a guideline of \$5 per day, to your Travel Director or Driver Guide at the end of your vacation.

#### SMOKING AND SEAT ROTATION

Government regulations prohibit smoking inside tourist coaches, including e-cigarettes. Please restrict smoking to the ample stops en route. To enable everyone the opportunity of enjoying window and front seats, guests change seats daily during the course of the tour.

#### LIABILITY

In any legal action, arbitration, or other proceeding to enforce, interpret or construe the terms and conditions, or concerning any grievance relating to the booking, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its reasonable legal fees and expenses on a solicitor/client basis.

#### WHAT TO BRING

We recommend casual, lightweight, drip-dry clothing with some warmer articles for the evenings and cooler days. For the winter months, a warm jacket is recommended. Pack shorts, pullover, rubber-soled walking shoes, swimsuit, towel, sleeping clothes and waterproof jacket. Do not forget a hat, camera, sunglasses, insect repellent, sunscreen, toiletries and a bottle for drinking water. Note that regular laundry facilities may not always be available. Dress is usually casual, so bring comfortable clothing. In Central Australia, Southern Australia and New Zealand nights in winter (May to August) can be cold, frosts and snow do occur and occasionally cold winds blow, so bring warm clothing to suit. Days are usually sunny and mild. In Northern Australia warmer conditions apply, so come prepared.

#### WI-FI

Complimentary Wi-Fi service is available in many hotel guest rooms and/or the public areas of most hotels. Complimentary Wi-Fi is also provided on-board most of our touring coaches. Wi-Fi on coaches uses a mobile/cellular network and as a result the connection will be slower than regular broadband and at times may not be available in some areas. Please note that Wi-Fi may not be available on transfer coaches and other local services.

#### INDEPENDENT TOURING

Companies other than AAT Kings operate some touring in this brochure.

#### THIRD PARTY SUPPLIERS

IMPORTANT: Scenic Flights, Boat Cruises, Helicopter Flights, Cable Car Rides, some 4WD Tours, White Water Rafting, Camel Rides, Hot Air Ballooning, Rail etc. These excursions are not operated by AAT Kings Tours, or by persons or companies associated with AAT Kings Tours. These activities may involve inherent risk of injury, death, accident, delay and loss, and guests assume all such risk with regard to any misadventure, death, injury, delay or loss which occurs during, or as a result of any such activity.

#### COMPLAINTS

If an issue arises or you need assistance, you should immediately inform the relevant supplier (for example the hotel) and your Travel Director or our local representative who will endeavor to assist you. Prompt action will assist the supplier of the services to rectify the situation and ensure enjoyment of your vacation. It is a legal requirement that you advise the supplier of any issues you may have whilst on tour. If you fail to give the supplier and/or AAT Kings the opportunity to investigate and rectify your complaint at the time, this may affect your rights under this contract if your complaint cannot be resolved locally or through our office (detailed below). You should make contact with the travel agent with whom you booked your vacation who will contact us to advise of the problem so that we may endeavor to resolve it. Should a problem remain unresolved, we request that a complaint be made in writing within 28 days of completion of your tour to:

Guest Relations Department, AAT Kings Tours (USA),  
5551 Katella Avenue, Cypress, California 90630

#### ULURU-KATA TJUTA NATIONAL PARK ENTRY FEES

The entry fee for Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park is USD29/CAD39 per adult and is valid for a period of 3 consecutive days. Children 17 years and under are free of charge. The entry fee is included on all Short Breaks. The entry fee is not included on any Day Tours and must be pre-purchased at time of booking or on day of travel. This is an additional compulsory government charge and is subject to change without notice. You must carry your entry ticket with you every time you enter the National Parks or you will be required to purchase another ticket. These prices are subject to change without notice.

#### DISCLAIMER FOR WARRANTIES

The Operator warrants only that the services shall be generally, though in view of the vagaries of travel, not necessarily precisely, as described, and subject to change and the other terms and conditions herein. All other warranties, express and implied, including warranties of fitness for a specific purpose and merchantability are expressly excluded. There is no warranty that extends beyond the description of the face hereof.

#### RESPONSIBILITY

- This brochure represents the entire agreement between the Guest and AAT Kings Tours International Ltd., who is the product owner.
- AAT Kings and its agents (collectively "AAT") act only as agent for the guest and upon express condition that AAT Kings shall not be liable or responsible for any direct, indirect, consequential or incidental damage, injury, loss, accident, delay or irregularity of any kind, which may be occasioned by reason of any act, or omission of any third party (including without limitation, any act, inaction or breach of contract of any third party which is to, or does supply any goods or services for this tour). Without limiting the foregoing, AAT Kings does not own or operate any third party suppliers of services such as hotels, restaurants, transportation companies, sightseeing companies or local tour operators. It is not responsible for any injury, death, loss or expense due to overbooking of accommodations, default of any third parties, sickness, weather, epidemics, pandemics, strikes, acts of God, government/s, acts of terrorism, criminal activity, war, quarantine, force majeure events or any other cause beyond its control. All such risk, loss and expense must be borne by the guest.
- Most coach tours are subject to a minimum number of guest bookings. Where this is not reached, we endeavor to give ample notice and suggest suitable alternatives. Any additional costs incurred are the responsibility of the guest.
- Legal proceedings against the company may be instituted only in a State or Federal Court within the State of California, or in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California. The applicable law shall be the law of the State of California.
- We reserve the right to change the hotels and vehicles used, if operational considerations require this.

#### ADDITIONAL RISKS

Additional risks and damages may arise including, but not limited to, hazards of traveling in undeveloped areas, hazards of travel by boat, train, automobile, aircraft and other means of conveyance, animal interactions, forces of nature, political unrest, other unrest, hazardous local customs and practices, differing levels of sanitation, differing standards of safety, risks associated with water, food, plants, insects and differing animal regulation, accident or illness in areas lacking means of rapid evacuation of medical facilities and acts of national and local governments and unrest and acts of others against governments. These risks are not an exhaustive list but are examples of many kinds of risks. You are voluntarily participating in these activities with the knowledge that there are significant dangers involved and you hereby agree to accept any and all risks. As lawful consideration for the agreement with AAT Kings to participate in such trips and activities you agree you will not make a claim against AAT Kings or its related companies or its personnel or sue for bodily injury, emotional trauma, death, property loss or damage or other loss, cost or expense, however caused, as a result of or related to your contracting for, traveling to or from, or on any and every other way participating in the trip. You release AAT Kings, its related companies and its personnel from any and all claims, known or unknown, arising from contracting for, traveling to or from, and in any and every way participating in a trip. This release of liability and assumption of risk agreement is entered into on behalf of you and all members of your family and party, also including minors accompanying you. This agreement also binds your heirs, legal representatives and assigns.

#### SAFETY

Where the guest occupies a motorcoach seat fitted with a safety belt, neither AAT Kings nor the operator nor its agents or co-operating organizations or service providers will be liable for any injury, illness or death for any loss or damages or claims whatsoever arising from any accident or incident, if the safety belt is not being used at the time of such an accident or incident. The exclusion and limitation of liability shall not be used to imply that the operator or its agents or affiliated entities are liable in other circumstances.

#### INTERNATIONAL TREATIES

Transportation companies, airlines etc. are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time the guests are not on board planes, transportation or conveyances. We rely on international conventions which may apply to the services provided by us, our suppliers or agents with respect to any claim of any nature brought by you against us as a result of the provision of those services. International conventions which apply may include: Warsaw Convention 1929, (as amended by Hague Protocol and Montreal Protocol) in relation to air travel, or Montreal Convention, the Berne Convention for rail travel, Athens Convention 1974 for carriage by sea, the Geneva Convention for carriage by road and the Paris Convention 1962 for Hotels. We are to be regarded as having all the benefits of these conventions on limiting our liabilities in relation to any claim of death, injury, loss, damage and delays to guests and luggage. Enrolment in and payment for a vacation shall constitute agreement and acceptance by the guest of the terms and conditions in this brochure. These cannot be varied except in writing by and office of the Company.

#### AAT KINGS LIMITED ROLE

AAT Kings, a California corporation, serves only as a sales representative, and is not responsible for any activity beyond its limited role in arranging reservations and ticketing. AAT Kings shall not be responsible or liable for any acts, omission or default, whether negligent or otherwise, of any other entity whether or not affiliated with the operator.

#### CHOICE OF LAW AND VENUE SELECTION

This Agreement is deemed to be entered into in Orange County, California. The exclusive venue for any action concerning the interpretation, enforcement, or breach of any term, obligation, or duty as contained or related to these Terms and Conditions shall be solely in the

Superior Court of California in or for Orange County or the United States District Court for the Central District of California. This Agreement shall be construed according to the internal laws of California without regard to conflicts of law principles. All guests claims must be submitted in writing and received by AAT Kings no later than 60 days after completion of the AAT Kings vacation. GUEST CLAIMS NOT SUBMITTED AND RECEIVED WITHIN THIS TIME SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE WAIVED AND BARRED.

#### ERRORS AND OMISSIONS

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#### GUESTS WHO PURCHASE FROM WITHIN CALIFORNIA

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