

25 Days | Discover Australia with Tasmania

Sydney - Cairns - Great Barrier Reef - Daintree Rainforest - Uluru - Blue Mountains - Adelaide - Barossa Valley - Hobart - Bruny Island - Melbourne - The Great Ocean Road - Phillip Island - and more...

From **\$9,999** Typically \$10,999 pp twin share



24 Nights of First Class Accommodation throughout the Program

All internal Domestic Economy Class Flights

Discover the cities of Sydney, Cairns, Adelaide, Hobart and Melbourne

Experience the Great Barrier Reef, Daintree Rainforest, Great Ocean Road and so much MORE!



Description



Australia is a land of diverse landscapes and vibrant cities, making it an ideal destination for travelers seeking a range of experiences.

Your journey through this vast country starts in Sydney, Australia's largest city and home to iconic landmarks like the Sydney Opera House and Sydney Harbour Bridge. Sydney's stunning beaches, such as Bondi and Manly, offer a great introduction to Australia's coastal beauty.

From Sydney, a trip north to Cairns opens up a gateway to tropical paradises. Visitors can take a short boat ride to Green Island, part of the Great Barrier Reef, to explore its colorful underwater world. Snorkeling and diving enthusiasts will revel in the chance to experience this natural wonder up close.

Continuing north, the Daintree Rainforest provides a lush contrast to the arid landscapes of the outback. As the oldest rainforest on Earth, it's a UNESCO World Heritage site offering a glimpse into Australia's ancient natural history.

In the heart of the continent lies Uluru, also known as Ayers Rock. This massive sandstone monolith is sacred to Indigenous Australians and a symbol of the country's rugged beauty. A visit to Uluru offers the chance to experience the vastness and spirituality of the Australian outback.

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South of Sydney, the Blue Mountains beckon with their eucalyptus-covered valleys and dramatic rock formations. This UNESCO World Heritage-listed region is a paradise for hikers and nature lovers, offering breathtaking vistas and unique flora and fauna.

Adelaide, a city in South Australia, is known for its food and wine scene. It's a gateway to the famous wine regions of Barossa Valley and McLaren Vale, where visitors can sample some of Australia's finest wines and gourmet cuisine.

Traveling south to Hobart in Tasmania opens the door to pristine wilderness and historic sites, such as Port Arthur. This island state offers rugged coastlines, pristine national parks, and a rich convict history.

In Melbourne, Australia's cultural capital, one can explore a diverse art scene, eclectic neighborhoods, and culinary delights in its laneway cafes. Just a short drive away lies the Great Ocean Road, renowned for its breathtaking coastal views and iconic rock formations like the Twelve Apostles.

Finally, Phillip Island, off the coast of Melbourne, is famous for its wildlife, particularly the penguin parade. Here, visitors can witness the charming spectacle of penguins returning from the sea at sunset.

Australia's vast and varied landscapes, from bustling cities to pristine natural wonders, provide a neverending journey of exploration and adventure, making it a dream destination for travelers from around



the world.



Itinerary

Day 1

Sydney

On arrival into Sydney, make your way to the hotel and check in. The Rest of the day is yours at leisure to explore the city and its surrounds.

Meals: None

Accommodation: YHES QVB Sydney or similar

Day 2

Sydney **X** Cairns

This morning after breakfast, check out and make your way to the airport for your flight to Cairns. On arrival, transfer to the hotel and check in. The rest of the day is yours at leisure!

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Cairns Bay Village Tropical Retreat or similar

Day 3

Cairns Green Island and The Great Barrier Reef Cairns

Travel by high-speed catamaran to beautiful Green Island, a 6000-year-old coral cay located in the Great Barrier Reef. The island, a Marine National Park, with its unique reef and rainforest, is home to 126 native plant species, colorful birds and magnificent coral gardens. Stroll through the rainforest, snorkel from the shore, or laze on the white coral sands. Afterward, experience the beauty of the Outer Barrier Reef. From the reef activity platform, you can snorkel, visit the underwater observatory, or take a tour of the underwater world in semi-submersible. Later, enjoy a buffet lunch on the sundeck.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch

Accommodation: Cairns Bay Village Tropical Retreat or similar

Day 4

Cairns Cape Tribulation Daintree Rainforest Cairns

Where the Great Barrier Reef fringes the Coral Coast, the Daintree Rainforest meets the shore. On this full-day tour, see why the combination of tropical forest, pristine white-sand beaches, and luminous, life-filled waters have earned this region World Heritage status. Head north along the Captain Cook Highway to the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Site. At your first stop, the Wildlife Habitat in Port Douglas, walk along elevated boardwalks as you see the flora, fauna, and characteristics of the area's 3 primary ecosystems—rainforests, wetlands, and grasslands. Enjoy morning tea before you continue to Daintree National Park. A quick ferry ride shuttles you across the Daintree River to the northern section of the park and Cape Tribulation. Birdsong and jungle sounds surround you as you enjoy a fresh, flavourful lunch. Next, on the picture-perfect Cape Tribulation beach, stroll along the shore with the sand between your toes or stick to the boardwalk as you explore the headlands. At the Alexandra Lookout, take in sweeping vistas over the Daintree River and the Coral Sea. The final leg of your adventure is a boat ride along the Daintree River. Float through the mangroves and watch for movement in the swampy waters. You might spot a powerful python or the swishing, scaly tail of a crocodile.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Cairns Bay Village Tropical Retreat or similar



Cairns Kuranda Scenic Railway Cairns

This small-group tour includes a short transfer from your hotel to Cairns Railway Station where you will board the historic Kuranda Scenic Railway for an amazing journey over 37 bridges & through 15 tunnels passing the rainforest to the charming village of Kuranda. It's a short walk to the village where you will have just under 2 hours to dine, explore, shop, or perhaps have an exciting encounter with wildlife at one of the zoos. Later, make your way to Skyrail Rainforest Cableway where you will glide over the rainforest canopy as you make your way to the Barron Falls.

View the magnificent Barron Gorge, and the falls & visit the Rainforest Interpretive Centre before re-boarding the cableway and making your way to Red Peak Station. From there explore the World Heritage-listed rainforest before re-boarding and completing your journey at Smithfield where you will be met and transferred to your accommodation.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Cairns Bay Village Tropical Retreat or similar

Day 6

Cairns

Today is a free day to relax or continue exploring Cairns and its surrounds!

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Cairns Bay Village Tropical Retreat or similar

Day 7

Cairns **X** Uluru

Depart Cairns on a flight to Uluru, also known as Ayers Rock, in the southern part of the Northern Territory in central Australia. This iconic monolith was created over some 600 million years ago. Uluru is a sacred place and has a great spiritual meaning for the Aborigines of the area, known as the Anangu. Each cave and fissure of the monolith has a meaning in Dreamtime (creation of the world). After checking into your hotel, drive to the base of Uluru (or Ayers Rock). Return to the hotel. Tonight, attend the Sounds of Silence dinner. As the sun sets over Uluru, enjoy sparkling wine and canapes while listening to the sound of a didgeridoo. Later, savor local bush foods, accompanied by assorted cultural entertainment. End the evening with stargazing. Listen to the resident star talker decode the constellations of the southern night sky.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Accommodation: Ayers Rock Desert Gardens Hotel or similar

Day 8

Uluru **⊀** Sydney

This morning, rise early to partake in the Sunrise Field of Lights experience. Drive to a desert location with striking views of Uluru. Walk through the paths glistening with 50,000 colored lights and make your way to a raised viewing area for coffee, tea, or hot chocolate. Marvel at the sunrise over Uluru and watch the stunning change of colors. Later, depart Uluru on a flight to Sydney. Arrive at the hotel and spend the rest of the day at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: YHES QVB Sydney or similar



Sydney

The panoramic tour of Sydney begins at historic and fashionable Paddington with its unique terrace houses. Afterward, stop at Mrs. Macquarie's Chair. Continuing the drive, pass by historic buildings including the Parliament House, St. Mary's Cathedral and the Queen Victoria Building. Then, proceed to The Rocks, a historic area where the city was founded by Captain Arthur Phillip and his working party of convicts. Later, head to world-famous Sydney Opera House.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: YHES QVB Sydney or similar

Day 10

Sydney Blue Mountains Sydney

Escape the city and enjoy the tranquility of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Blue Mountains on this day trip from Sydney. Enjoy a guided bush walk in remote parts of the Blue Mountains and see the famous Three Sisters rock formation standing tall over Jamison Valley. See kangaroos up close and koalas at Featherdale Wildlife Park. The Blue Mountains now World-Heritage listed, has deep gorges, steep cliffs, spectacular lookouts, excellent bushwalks and rich flora and fauna. On this tour, you'll discover the meaning of the name the Blue Mountains.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: YHES QVB Sydney or similar

Day 11

Sydney A Hunter Valley Sydney

Travel from Sydney and visit a combination of three boutique wineries and distilleries in Hunter Valley. Enjoy guided spirit wine tastings matched with cheese and chocolates and a delicious lunch. Begin your full-day tour with a convenient pickup from central Sydney and admire the picturesque surroundings as you drive in Hunter Valley, Australia's first wine region. Go on guided tours inside some of the production houses, see behind the scenes, and learn how spirits and wine are made. During guided tastings, try chocolates and local cheeses to match the wines and keep your tastebuds exploring the flavour combinations. Get to know the local producers and discover the taste of a region famous for its beautiful wines, hand-crafted spirits, and refreshing beers and ciders. Take a break from all the sightseeing and take in the Valley's charm with a relaxing lunch with a wine, craft beer, or cider.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: YHES QVB Sydney or similar

Day 12

Sydney

Today is a free day for you to explore Sydney and its surrounds at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: YHES QVB Sydney or similar

Day 13

Svdnev **⊀** Adelaide

Board your flight this morning for the cosmopolitan city of Adelaide on the shores of St Vincent Gulf. Check into the hotel and spend the rest of the day at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Terrace Hotel Adelaide or similar



Adelaide

Embark on a food tour around Adelaide's Central Market, located in the heart of the city. Walk through the market accompanied by an expert local foodie guide and view stalls filled with fresh food produced in South Australia. Interact with the vendors, hear their stories and sample artisan cheeses, bush tucker and seasonal produce. Spend free time to explore and for lunch on your own. In the afternoon visit the Cleland Wildlife Park, home to some of Australia's emblematic inhabitants. Walk along the trails and see dingoes, wallabies, emus, Tasmanian devils and many more endemic animals.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Terrace Hotel Adelaide or similar

Day 15

Adelaide Barossa Valley Adelaide

Begin the day with a drive through the beautiful Adelaide Hills to the Barossa Valley. Visit a local winery located in the heart of the Barossa Valley. Take an immersive cooperage tour and observe wine barrel making. Savor a delectable lunch and wine tastings. In the afternoon, stop at a lookout for expansive views of the valley. Continue to another winery and taste some of their internationally acclaimed wines.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Terrace Hotel Adelaide or similar

Day 16

Adelaide

Today is a free day for you to explore Adelaide and its surrounds at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Terrace Hotel Adelaide or similar

Day 17

Adelaide **X** Hobart

Depart Adelaide this morning and transfer to the airport for your flight to Hobart, the capital of Tasmania. The city was founded by the British in the early 1800's as a penal colony. On arrival, transfer to your hotel and check-in. The rest of the day is yours at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Macquarie Manor Hotel or similar

Day 18

Hobart 🖨 Port Arthur 🖨 Hobart

Head south this morning to the Tasman Peninsula. Visit Port Arthur Historic Site, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. During the guided walking tour of the area, gain insight into its history as a convict colony. Later, take a cruise of the harbor and view the Isle of the Dead, where prisoners were laid to rest. Continue with a visit to a lavender farm, view the distillery and stop by the cafe offering lavender-infused ice cream, sweets and a variety of other treats.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Macquarie Manor Hotel or similar



Hobart 🏯 Bruny Island 🏯 Hobart

Today, travel via ferry to Bruny Island, off the coast of Hobart. The island is known for its dramatic landscapes, sandy beaches and gourmet produce. During the tour* you will taste artisan cheeses, famous Bruny oysters, premium wines, beer, local honey and fudge. You will have an opportunity to meet local producers and hear their stories. Savor lunch at a beachside restaurant with sweeping views of Adventure Bay. Continue the exploration of the island and learn about its history, culture and ecosystem, while soaking in the aweinspiring scenery.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Macquarie Manor Hotel or similar

Day 20

Hobart **X** Melbourne

Board your flight this morning for the beautiful Victorian city of Melbourne on the shores of Port Phillip Bay. Today's tour of Melbourne highlights the blend of the city's cultures, monuments and scenic delights, from the splendid gardens to the riverside complexes and bayside suburbs, with elegant 19th-century architecture. Following lunch, spend time at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Holiday Inn Express Melbourne or similar

Day 21

Melbourne A The Great Ocean Road A Melbourne

Miles of rugged beaches, wave-carved rock formations, and dense rainforest await on this full-day adventure along Australia's most famous scenic highway. Cruise along the Great Ocean Road to see icons like the 12 Apostles, stroll beneath towering trees to spot koalas and lorikeets and linger over lunch in seaside Apollo Bay. Head out of Melbourne and hit the road—the Great Ocean Road, that is. This 151-mile (243-km) highway winds its way along the southeastern coast of Victoria and is the world's largest war memorial. Your first stop en route is at Surf Beach, where you can take a beach walk while watching surfers catch waves before continuing on to Memorial Arch. Venture into the woods to look for koalas perched in the treetops, colourful parrots and lorikeets, and the gum tree-loving kookaburra. In Apollo Bay, relax over lunch as you soak in the atmosphere of this waterfront locale, and then work off your meal with a guided bush walk through the towering trees that line the Maits Rest boardwalk in the Otway Ranges, a cool and ancient temperate rainforest. Make your way to the striking 12 Apostles, limestone stacks rising up from the waves, and Loch Ard Gorge, where you can take a walk while listening to the tale of Australia's most notorious shipwreck. Your final stop is at the arch nicknamed London Bridge, where you can feel the breeze off the sea before heading back to Melbourne.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Holiday Inn Express Melbourne or similar

Day 22

Melbourne Phillip Island Melbourne

See all the world-class attractions of Phillip Island in one day on this small group eco tour from Melbourne. Departing Melbourne at around midday, you'll travel to Victoria's most colourful attraction, the iconic Brighton Beach swimming boxes for an opportunity to visit the beach and take some time to admire these historic landmarks.

Get up close to koalas and other Australian animals at the Moonlit Sanctuary Conservation Park under supervision from the incredible staff at the Sanctuary. Watch a wildlife show and even have the chance to hand-feed cute Wallabies and Kangaroos!

The highlight of your Phillip Island experience will begin at dusk as you watch the fairy penguins waddling up the beach into their burrows in the sand dunes.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Holiday Inn Express Melbourne or similar



Melbourne 🗐 🖥 Dandenong Ranges 🖫 🖨 Healesville Sanctuary 🖨 Melbourne

Drive from your central accommodation in a comfortable air-conditioned vehicle to the world-famous Puffing Billy steam train. Ride Puffing Billy from Belgrave to Emerald Lake Park. Enjoy this iconic steam train ride through the glorious Dandenong Ranges, one of the most popular tourist destinations in Victoria.

Enjoy morning tea at the scenic Emerald Lake then take a leisurely walk around the park. Then, explore the Healesville Sanctuary where you can wander around, observing native animals like koalas, kangaroos, platypus, birds of prey, and more. Take a seat at the animal education lessons and live shows. You can also purchase lunch here.

Finish the tour with a visit to the Yarra Valley Chocolaterie, where you can sample complimentary chocolates. Return back to your accommodation in central Melbourne.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Holiday Inn Express Melbourne or similar

Day 24

Melbourne

Today is a free day for you to explore Melbourne and its surrounds at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Holiday Inn Express Melbourne or similar

Day 25

Melbourne

Today after breakfast, checkout and transfer to the airport for your flight home or onward journey. We trust you have enjoyed this Australian Discovery!

Meals: Breakfast



Inclusions & Exclusions

Inclusions

- Intra-flights: Sydney-Cairns, Cairns-Sydney, Sydney-Ayers Rock, Ayers Rock-Sydney, Sydney-Adelaide, Adelaide-Hobart, and Hobart-Melbourne
- 24 nights First Class accommodations
- All transfers
- 25 meals: 24 breakfasts, 1 dinner
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned vehicles
- Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout
- Comprehensive, guided sightseeing and entrance fees per itinerary
- Active itinerary with unique cultural features

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Exclusions

- International Flights
- Arrival and departure transfers
- Items of a personal nature
- Travel Insurance
- Tipping
- · Anything not mentioned as included in the itinerary
- Visas (if required)

Solo supplement: A single supplement of \$4975 is payable on check out.

Child policy: Children are welcome on this trip: get in touch with us to look at the best option for you and your family.

Travel Insurance: We recommend Covermore travel insurance. To quote and book, please click HERE.