

Day 1

Sydney International Airport to City Hotel

Duration 30 Minutes

Rydges World Square Sydney

This award-winning hotel is contemporary in design and adjacent to the World Square development, right in the entertainment heart of the CBD. Darling Harbour, Chinatown, QVB, shopping district, theatres, cinemas and Oxford Street nightlife are only a few minutes' walk away.

Rydges World Square has 445 spacious and luxuriously appointed rooms and suites including King & Twin Deluxe and Executive Club Rooms, Family Rooms plus One and Two bedroom Suites. Non-smoking, Disabled and Internet-Ready Rooms are available, subject to availability.

Facilities include a restaurant, two bars, complimentary gymnasium, Executive Club Lounge, 24-hr reception and concierge, 24 hour room service, valet parking, guest laundry, valet service, business centre, foreign currency, retail arcade.

Meal Plan Room Only

Duration 3 Nights

Accommodation

Rydges World Square Sydney

Day 2

Panoramic Sydney Sights

Depart your hotel for an unforgettable Panoramic Sydney half day city sights tour. On tour you'll visit the historic Rocks area and hear early convict history. Enjoy magnificent views of the Opera House and Harbour Bridge. See the shopping heart of the city, QVB, Centre point.

Visit Sydney's trendy new district Oxford Street. Travel through elegant Paddington with its terrace houses before arriving at the Pacific Ocean. See the superb coast cliff walk around Tamarama and Bronte.

Travel on to famous Bondi Beach. Visit the beachfront promenade, enjoy a coffee or cool drink (at own cost). See bronzed Aussie lifesavers and Sydney's best panoramic view at Dover Heights.

Return to Sydney via Double Bay, Kings Cross and Mrs Macquarie's Point for a final magical viewpoint over the harbour before returning to the city centre.

Passengers can join our optional harbour lunch cruises, seaplane tours or return directly to their hotels.

The designated harbour lunch cruise drop-off point is Darling Harbour (adjacent to the aquarium).

Duration 4 Hours

Day 3

Sydney Harbour Highlights Morning Tea Cruise

Begin your day with a sensational morning tea cruise. A unique, Sydney Harbour Highlights two-hour cruise experience. Enjoy the company of a small group aboard a 52-foot motor yacht. Your personal captain and host will share the rich history of Sydney Harbour and its foreshore as you take in the sites of the Sydney Harbour Bridge, the Sydney Opera House and the bays and coves of Sydney Harbour. Enjoy a light morning tea with coffee, tea, juice, water and 5-star service.

Duration 2 Hours

Day 4

Sydney Hotel to Sydney Airport

Duration 30 Minutes

Complimentary Transfer from Ayers Rock Airport to Ayers Rock Resort

Duration 10 Minutes

Outback Pioneer Hotel

If you are looking for traditional Aussie hospitality, you will find it at the Outback Pioneer Hotel. Taste Australia's pioneering past, as you enjoy a beer at the do-it-yourself Outback BBQ. Swap stories of your day's adventures, or sing along with the nightly entertainment. Alternatively, opt for the peace and quiet of the Bough House Restaurant over a buffet dinner. Combined with all the luxuries of the Resort, the Outback Pioneer Hotel is ideal for both couples and families who want to enjoy all that Ayers Rock (Uluru) has to offer.

With over 65 tours, local activities and attractions within the Resort and the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park, your days will be action-packed. Ride a camel across the dunes, hop on a Harley, or embark on a base walk of Uluru (Ayers Rock).

Meal Plan Room Only - 1 Dynamic - Flexible 7 Days Prior (RA1FNR)

Duration 1 Night

Accommodation

Outback Pioneer Hotel

Uluru Sacred Sites and Sunset

Visit Uluru - Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre where there is time to purchase some locally made Aboriginal art and learn more about the Western Desert region.

Later travel around the base of Uluru with a local Driver Guide. Learn about the native flora, fauna and intriguing cultural traditions of traditional owners, the Anangu, and discover an array of fascinating

sacred sites. Join your Driver Guide for a walk to Mutitjulu Waterhole. You'll explore a number of caves and view Aboriginal rock paintings as your Guide interprets their meaning and significance.

Travel to the Uluru sunset viewing area, 'Sunset Strip' and relax with a glass of wine and Nibbles as the sun sets over the western horizon and the evening sky brings out the many shades of colour for which Uluru is renowned.

Duration 5 Hours

Day 5

Uluru Sunrise and Kata Tjuta

Rise early this morning to travel to Talinguru Nyakunytyaku in Uluru and Kata Tjuta National Park. Watch the first rays of the sun set the Red Centre alight while enjoying a warming cup of tea or coffee. Then travel to the mystical 36 domes of Kata Tjuta. On the way enjoy panoramic views of the southern side of Kata Tjuta before arriving at the base of Walpa Gorge. Spend some time exploring the gorge and the unusual conglomerate rock formations. The walking trail through Walpa Gorge follows the natural creek between two of the tallest domes of Kata Tjuta.

Duration 5 Hours

Ayers Rock to Kings Canyon

Travel through spectacular desert scenery from Ayers Rock Resort to Kings Canyon Resort by luxury coach. Pass through Curtin Springs and view Atila (Mt. Conner). After turning off the Lasseter Highway and onto Luritja Road your Driver/Guide will provide informative commentary about the history of the surrounding cattle stations. Arrive at Kings Canyon Resort before dusk. You may have time to view the sun set behind Carmichaels Crag to finish off the day.

Duration 4 Hours

Discovery Kings Canyon Resort

Kings Canyon Resort is an oasis in the outback for travellers looking to explore the Red Centre from a well-appointed base, complete with pampering amenities and activities for everyone to enjoy. After exciting, fun-filled days hiking and sightseeing in the rugged terrain of Watarrka National Park, enjoy outstanding hotel facilities and relax in the comfort and convenience of your Kings Canyon hotel room.

Meal Plan Room Only

Duration 1 Night

Accommodation

Discovery Kings Canyon Resort

Day 6

Kings Canyon Climb

Your guide will escort you on the rocky climb to the rim of Kings Canyon. The views of Watarrka National Park from the top of the canyon are magnificent as are the views down into the canyon itself. Follow the rim of the canyon stopping to view the canyon gorge at look-out points. Time permitting, you may choose to descend to the green oasis of the 'Garden of Eden'. The walk may take up to 3 hours and is rocky and steep in parts. It is for those with a good level of fitness. Alternatively, you may wish to take an easier, shorter walk to explore the boulder strewn canyon floor with our Driver/Guide.

Duration 3 Hours

Kings Canyon to Alice Springs

Travel by luxury coach through beautiful desert landscapes. Stop at Kings Creek Station, a working cattle/camel station for lunch (own expense), why not try their famous camel burger. Followed by a brief stop at Angus Downs.

From Angus Downs the coach stops at Erldunda, where you may purchase afternoon tea. Travel along the Stuart Highway before arriving at your hotel in Alice Springs.

Duration 7 Hours

Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters

Situated at the foot of the MacDonnell Ranges and backing onto the Alice Springs Golf Course, Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters offers contemporary and stylish accommodation. Each room has been thoughtfully designed to offer an area of ultimate relaxation and comfort. Rooms have a spacious and bright aspect with each room offering a private balcony or courtyard showcasing magnificent views of Central Australia. Whether you are after a workout or just want to relax take advantage of the outdoor heated lap pool, spa, sauna and gym. Located at the property is the contemporary Tali Restaurant which provides the perfect setting with both indoor and alfresco dining experiences.

Meal Plan Room Only

Duration 1 Night

Accommodation

Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters

Day 7

Alice Springs Hotel to Alice Springs Airport

Duration 12 Minutes

Cairns Domestic Airport to Cairns City

Duration 15 Minutes

Holiday Inn Cairns Harbourside

Nestled on the picturesque Cairns Esplanade, the Holiday Inn Cairns Harbourside is located close to the airport and vibrant city centre. The hotel features a variety of room types, each with their own private balcony, hosting stunning views over beautiful Trinity Bay or surrounding tropical mountains.

Meal Plan Room Only

Duration 3 Nights

Accommodation

Holiday Inn Cairns Harbourside

Day 8

Quicksilver Cruises Outer Barrier Reef Cruise ex Cairns

For an experience of a lifetime, Quicksilver's wave piercing catamarans and friendly crew will take you to a reef at the very edge of Australia's Continental Shelf, to an underwater world that is a dazzling kaleidoscope of colour and brilliance. Agincourt Reef is a magnificent ribbon reef where you can experience first-hand the magic that is the Great Barrier Reef. Choose to dive (extra cost), snorkel, or stay dry and explore the stunning reef from the comfort of a semi-sub, just one metre underwater. Watch the fish feeding from a unique underwater viewing platform and underwater observatory, or fly in a helicopter over the reef (extra cost). Whichever way you choose; you'll bring home a lifetime of memories from this living natural wonder.

Duration 7 Hours

Day 9

Kuranda Classic Tour with Train Skyrail Rainforest Cableway and Rainforestation

The Classic Kuranda Experience includes the main attractions of Kuranda, but gives you more free time to explore Kuranda. You will travel to Kuranda by scenic railway and then spend some free time in the village. Wander through the many shops and local markets, which offer a full range of local handicrafts, souvenirs, and gifts.

You will then be transferred to Rainforestation Nature Park, where you will enjoy a delicious Australian BBQ lunch, a guided tour of the rainforest on board an amphibious Army Duck, and the Pamagirri Aboriginal Dance performance, followed by the Dreamtime Walk. You will learn how to throw a boomerang, see a spear-throwing demonstrations, and learn about aboriginal culture.

A guided tour of the Koala and Wildlife Park will commence at the Cultural Centre. Your coach will then transfer you to Kuranda Skyrail Terminal for the 7.5 kilometre Skyrail Rainforest Cableway journey down the mountain. Your coach will then return you to your accommodation.

Duration 10 Hours

Day 10

Cairns City to Cairns Domestic Airport

Duration 15 Minutes

Melbourne Domestic Airport to Melbourne City Hotel

Duration 60 Minutes

Clarion Suites Gateway

Situated on the banks of the Yarra River in the heart of Melbourne's central business district, Clarion Suites Gateway is the ideal home base for leisure guests. Featuring 120 apartment-style suites, this Melbourne hotel puts your comfort first. While here, guests can take a dip in the indoor heated pool.

Meal Plan Stay 2nts & receive upgrade to River View

Duration 2 Nights

Accommodation

Clarion Suites Gateway

Lanes and Arcades Tour Afternoon

Have you ever been to a city and wondered what all the fuss was about? Or wasted time trying to find that cool local café you were told of, and ended up missing everything? Melbourne's arcades and laneways hide many of these answers. Join this indulgent afternoon walk through Melbourne's beautiful back streets, and get orientated in the life of the city that locals love. Discover artisanal and specialty retailers, that often are only found in the city. Some of the quirkiest cafes, independent designers, street art, architecture, and historical tales are found in these walkways. Soak in the city via all your senses, and engage with passionate creatives. There is something for everyone, locals and visitors alike.

Duration 3 Hours

Day 11

Phillip Island Tour with Penguin Parade

Your animal adventures will start with a visit to Moonlit Sanctuary Conservation Park with fascinating Australian animals at every turn. You have up-close encounters with animals like kangaroos, wombats and echidnas. Next, we will head to the island (Phillip Island) where we will head to Woolamai Surf Beach to catch a glimpse of the awesome waves and die-hard surfers (weather permitting). We then cross the island to reach the dramatic west coast and the Nobbies where you will be awe-struck by the crashing waves.

And finally, it's time for the main event, the Penguin Parade. There is a reason that this is one of Australia's top attractions and the little penguins will not disappoint! You will sit on the protective platform to see possibly hundreds of little penguins waddling onto the beach. This fabulous natural

spectacular is run by a non-for-profit organisation where all profits are directly reinvested in conservation efforts to protect the little penguins.

Duration 9 Hours

Day 12

Melbourne City Hotel to Melbourne Airport

Duration 30 Minutes