

Day 1

Arrive Sydney

On arrival at Sydney Airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

The balance of the day is at leisure to relax and enjoy before beginning your exploration of the largest city in Australia.

Duration 3 Nights

Accommodation

Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel Sydney

Day 2

Panoramic Sydney Sights & Cruise Like a Local Luncheon Cruise

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).

Treat yourself to Sydney Harbour's most sensational Cruise Like a Local Luncheon Cruise. A unique, four 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 3 course BBQ lunch with regional wines, local beers and 5-star service. Immerse yourself in all the activities that a private vessel offers including, swimming, fishing and kayaking - or sit back, relax on the expansive sunbed and do nothing at all.

Meal Plan Lunch

Day 3

Blue Mountains Deluxe Experience

The Blue Mountains National Park is one of seven national parks that make up the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area. This wonderland of sandstone outcrops, deep ravines and hazy blue eucalypt forests boasts luxury retreats and stunning views. Today your guide will take you off the beaten track to visit remote lookout locations and discuss the history, flora and fauna of this magnificent region.

7.00- 7.30AM Depart from the hotel with AEA Luxury Tours. Our first stop of the day is at Calmsley Hill a working farm also home to Kangaroos, Emus, Wombats and Koalas. Enjoy morning tea and time to wander at leisure.

From Calmsley Hill we continue to ascend the Blue Mountains via the highway. We will visit one of a range of stunning outlooks of the Jamison Valley seeing beautiful vistas. Where possible this will be away from the crowds of tours that visit the mountains each day with other operators, thus our guests will enjoy a stress and hurry free environment taking in the views and information imparted by their guide.

Continuing on we arrive at Eaglehawk Lookout, a remote lookout points away from the crowds for views of the famous 3 Sisters. Whilst the Blue Mountains features so much more than this natural attraction you can't help but admire the unquestionable beauty of this amazing rock formation. The character of the Three Sisters changes throughout the day and throughout the seasons as the sunlight brings out the magnificent colours. Here your guide will discuss the legends behind this famous rock formation and time available for you to take some great photos.

We then make our way around the mountain towards the village of Blackheath and our lunch venue the Hydro Majestic. Here in this relaxed venue with stunning views. We enjoy a 2-course lunch with tea/coffee. All diets are catered for (excluding Kosher Meals). Beverages can be purchased at your own expense from the Bar.

The afternoon is spent visiting a selection of lookouts. Once you clap your eyes on the view from Govetts Leap you'll know why it's one of the most famous lookouts in Australia. The magnificent waterfall drops a whopping 180m to the base of the cliff. If you're not mesmerised by the dancing waves of water spray, you'll be transfixed by the sweeping views down the valley to the Grose Wilderness. We then stop briefly to enjoy a glass of sparkling wine or orange juice at the delightful Mt Tomah Botanic Gardens our last stop, where we enjoy the sweeping views across to Sydney before travelling down the Bells Line of Road to arrive back at your hotel approximately 4.30 - 5.00pm.

Meal Plan Lunch

Day 4

Sydney to Adelaide & Insiders Adelaide Walking Tour

Today, transfer to Sydney Airport for your flight to Adelaide.

On arrival at Adelaide Airport, you will be transferred to your hotel.

The balance of the day is at leisure to explore the Cultural Boulevard, walking amongst the statuesque Government and University buildings. Visit famous Art Gallery, Museum, and the Artlab to view the talented team restoring historic paintings, books and fabrics. Enjoy visits of little streets and lanes whilst indulging from the famous icon producer Haighs, SA's own Jurlique store, discovering hidden secrets along the way.

Duration 1 Night

Accommodation

Majestic Roof Garden Hotel

Day 5

Adelaide to Kangaroo Island

Today, transfer to Adelaide Airport for your flight to Kangaroo Island.

On arrival at Kangaroo Island, you will be transferred to your hotel.

Take a walk through Red Gum forest along the Cygnet River valley - seek out koalas sleeping in the forks of the trees. Travel through some of the best wool-producing areas on the Island to a conservation park on the north coast. Here, you explore the habitat of Kangaroo Island kangaroos, tammar wallabies and the endangered glossy black cockatoo.

Visit Stokes Bay where local holiday homes are clustered in a protected cove - one of the locals favourite beaches. Break for a delicious seafood barbecue lunch at a private bush lunch site - King George whiting, haloumi, grilled potatoes and a fresh garden salad served with a choice of local wines.

At Seal Bay Conservation Park, walk with your guide on a private interpretive tour of a colony of Australian sealions on a beautiful sandy beach. Watch pups nursing, or playing in the surf, see old bulls bearing the scars of territorial disputes and learn of their unique breeding biology.

Meal Plan Lunch

Duration 1 Night

Accommodation

Stranraer Homestead

Day 6

Kangaroo Island to Adelaide

Today, you will visit Flinders Chase National Park. The park is a 74,000 hectare (190,000 acre) wilderness which covers the entire west end of the Island. Visit Rocky River Homestead - originally a small farm and now the Park headquarters. This park has a fascinating place in the history of wildlife and wilderness conservation and many tangible elements of this still remain.

At Cape du Couedic on the south-west tip visit a fur seal colony which is rapidly expanding. These animals can be observed at rest on the rocks or frolicking in the surf under Admirals Arch - a spectacular coastal grotto.

On the headland above is Cape du Couedic Lighthouse which plays an important role in navigation. Further down the coast explore Remarkable Rocks, huge natural granite sculptures on the cliff top which look like a meeting of the minds of Henry Moore and Salvador Dali. Lunch today is an elegant picnic on the cliff tops or in the bush before heading east to Kelly Hill Conservation Park. Here, a story of solitude and remote lifestyles sees former sheep pastures enjoyed by grazing kangaroos.

Return to Kingscote in time to connect with the return flight to Adelaide.

Meal Plan Breakfast and Lunch

Duration 1 Night

Accommodation

Majestic Roof Garden Hotel

Day 7

Adelaide to Cairns to Port Douglas

Today, transfer to Adelaide Airport for your flight to Cairns.

On arrival at Cairns Airport, you will be transferred to your resort in Port Douglas.

The balance of the day is at leisure to relax and enjoy the resort facilities.

Duration 3 Nights

Accommodation

Shantara Resort and Spa Port Douglas

Day 8

Low Isles Sailing and Snorkeling Cruise

Join your coach transfer to the wharf this morning and board the vessel to enjoy a full day reef and island cruise to Low Isles. Sail to and explore this protected coral cay, with white sandy beaches and coconut palms, surrounded by coral gardens and the Coral Sea. Sailaway moors in the sheltered blue lagoon for five hours. Just relax on the island, join the guided snorkel tour, take a trip on the glass bottom boat or laze on the deck after a buffet lunch. Later, enjoy sailing back to the mainland.

Meal Plan Lunch

Day 9

Cape Tribulation Daintree

Your naturalist guide will meet you at your accommodation and after introductions all round we then drive north along the scenic route via Mossman to Cape Tribulation.

Lush farmland contrasts with seascape as we approach the majestic Daintree River. Time for a short morning tea break then its 'all aboard' for an informative river cruise. Relax and enjoy the splendour only the Daintree can offer as you learn of Estuarine Crocodiles, mangrove forests and wildlife, this is nature at its best!

We ascend the Alexandra Range and pause for a panoramic view of World Heritage Tropical Rainforest merging with the azure colours of the Coral Sea. Experience the rainforest intimately on our elevated National Park Boardwalk. Accurate interpretations of flora and fauna will be given with ample time for photographs and questions as we search for the elusive, rare and totally unique Southern Cassowary and other wildlife species within this habitat.

A delicious barbecue lunch with freshly prepared salads (dietary requirements catered for with prior notice) is served while you can hand feed Wallabies and enjoy a cold drink from the bar (own cost). Our tour does a little more, it takes you beyond Cape Tribulation along 7klms of the 4WD Bloomfield Track too pristine Emmagen Creek and time for a refreshing rainforest fresh water swim. Seek fish and turtles in the creek, butterflies and exotic birds in the trees and indulge in a taste testing of tropical fruit, a cup of traditional Billy Tea, and damper all of which enhance the tranquil surroundings.

At Cape Tribulation Beach, there is a little time to stroll along the beach and boardwalk to the photographers' platform overlooking the mountains and coast where the 'Rainforest meets the Reef. (There is no swimming at Cape Tribulation Beach due to dangerous Hazards)

After a short afternoon refreshment stop at the Daintree Ice-creamery (own cost), we cross the Daintree River by cable ferry and begin our homeward journey somewhat wiser for our 'Total Rainforest Experience'.

Meal Plan Lunch

Day 10

Port Douglas to Cairns

Today, transfer to Cairns Airport from Port Douglas for your onward travels.