Arrive Sydney

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

Sydney is located on the east coast of the country in the state of New South Wales. It is one of Australia's biggest and most cosmopolitan city and an essential stop on any traveler's Australia vacation. Surrounding the city is a wonderland of national parks, forests, mountains, river valleys and historic riverside towns. The first settlers arrived in 1788 came here to create a penal colony, finding the world's largest natural harbour, and 70 beaches along the coast within a reasonable distance of the city. In more recent times, Sydney also hosted the 2000 Olympic Games.

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

Hunter Valley Scenic Wine and Dine Tour

Begin your Hunter Valley Wine Tour with scenic views of Sydney Harbour as you travel the famous Harbour Bridge onward to one of the most famous wine growing regions in Australia, the Hunter Valley. Our tour is an exceptional showcase of the Hunter Valley region. We have handpicked a great variety of food and wine experiences to exhilarate your senses, we promise there is something for everyone!

The Hunter Valley hinterland is famous for its Semillon, however, the region also produces award winning varieties of wine including Shiraz, Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon and Verdelho. Wander through vineyards and pop into boutique cellar doors for a complete hosted wine tasting experience. Our handpicked cellar door experience has been selected by us for their commitment to excellent customer experience and quality of wine. Enjoy two wine tasting experiences before lunch and one in the afternoon.

Speaking of which, guests can enjoy lunch at Cypress Lakes, a delicious cafe style meal in the picturesque Hunter Valley Garden Village. After your meal you will have time to browse the bespoke collection of boutique shops, galleries and sample more of the local produce, with an educational course in cheese making at the Hunter Valley Cheese Factory. Checkout the Hunter Valley Chocolate Company, The British Lolly Shop, Kissofire Hunter Valley Liqueurs or The Garden Cellars, additional tastings at guests' expense.

End your day with your new friends at our favorite boutique cellar door, saving the best to last. Enjoy a structured tasting with a vineyard representative showcasing their range of wines. After a wonderful day of experiences and meeting like minded wine lovers, we will start to make our way back to Sydney. Yes, we'll definitely provide you with comfort stops on the return journey knowing you have had a day full of sips. Arrive back in town with plenty of time to grab a meal or take in a show.

Meal Plan Lunch

DAY 4

Sydney to Adelaide

This morning, transfer to the Sydney Airport for your flight to Adelaide (flight not included in price).

Adelaide is a picturesque city with a relaxed atmosphere. As the capital of South Australia and the country's fifth-largest city, it's ideal for walking, with plentiful parks and historical architecture. Planned with wide boulevards and large public spaces, Adelaide is surrounded by the Mount Lofty Ranges and the Adelaide Hills and is well known for its festivals, including the world's largest cabaret festival, and the biannual Adelaide Festival, which features opera, theatre and other types of entertainment.

On arrival, transfer to your hotel. The balance of the day is at leisure to explore the "Festival City" at your own pace.

Duration 2 Nights

Accommodation Crowne Plaza Adelaide

Best of Barossa Tour

Your journey begins with a city orientation tour. You travel through the scenic Torrens Gorge to the Barossa Valley. Perhaps you'll stop at a local bakery to taste the best of the fine German pastries. Travel over the Jacobs Creek for your first tasting of the fine wines at the Peter Lehmann winery. Then visit Torbreck wine cellars, a small winery with rustic charm, making wines in traditional Barossa methods. After, you'll stop for a stroll in the German town of Tanunda with time to discover the small shops. Before lunch take the picturesque drive up to Menglers Hill for an unsurpassed view over the entire Valley. Continue into historic Angaston - one of the more English villages in the Barossa. Lunch will be alfresco under the vines or at Vintners restaurant just out of Angaston. Your next stop may be Henschkes winery in Keyneton, a fifth generation German winery or the historic Yalumba, the biggest family run winery in Australia. If time permits you may visit small boutique producers such as Charles Melton or Turkey Flat.

Meal Plan Lunch

DAY 6

Adelaide to Kangaroo Island

You will be transferred to the Adelaide Airport in time for your flight to Kangaroo Island (flight not included in price).

Welcome to Island life - where things take time, drivers wave as they go by - or even stop for a chat. Have a cuppa with some home-made treats before taking a walk down a country track through tall Eucalyptus trees where koalas snooze overhead or wake briefly for a feed. Listen for the sounds of the bush - brightly coloured honeyeaters and brilliant parrots, cicadas or perhaps just the sound of silence. Travel through the Island's most productive country to the north coast. Walk through the bush with your guide - through strangely shaped trees learning what makes that noise, whose tracks are those, and who left that little pile there? Look for small wallabies almost extinct on the mainland, a kangaroo found only on Kangaroo Island and a variety of other birds, plants and animals. Break for lunch at a private bush camp and enjoy a delicious meal featuring King George whiting (local sea fish), fresh salads and fine South Australian wines. At Seal Bay Conservation Park take a private tour with your guide among Australian sea-lions on a beautiful sandy beach - an experience similar to that of the Galapagos. Watch pups nursing or playing in the surf, see old bulls bearing the scars of territorial disputes and learn about their unique breeding biology.

Meal Plan Lunch and Dinner

Duration 1 Night

Accommodation Aurora Ozone Hotel

DAY 7

Kangaroo Island to Adelaide

Begin the day travelling through some of the fire-affected landscapes of Kangaroo Island, which are recovering quickly following generous winter rains.

Learn about fire ecology and how nature deals with fire. Some of our native flora species only flower following fire!

Travel into Flinders Chase National Park and explore the massive shapes of Remarkable Rocks, a natural sculpture perched impossibly on top a granite dome plunging into the ocean.

Break for an elegant picnic lunch in the bush, or if weather permits, on a spectacular clifftop. Lunch features marinated poached chicken, fresh salads, cheeses accompanied by local wine, beer, soft drinks and spring water.

Evidence of the power of the Southern Ocean swell continues at Admirals Arch - a coastal grotto which provides a haul out for a large colony of Long-nosed fur seals which swim effortlessly through crashing waves.

Return to Adelaide this evening (flight not included in price).

On arrival in Adelaide you will be transferred to your accommodation.

Meal Plan Breakfast and Lunch

Duration 1 Night

DAY 8

Adelaide to Hobart

This morning, transfer to the Adelaide Airport for your flight to Hobart (flight not included in price).

On arrival to Hobart, transfer to your hotel.

Hobart, Tasmania's capital, is located between the beautiful peak of Mount Wellington and the mouth of the Derwent River. Australia's second-oldest city after Sydney, it's an Australia vacation highlight for history and nature lovers alike, with quaint settlers' cottages and grand mansions dotting its beautiful surrounds.

The balance of the day is at your leisure.

Duration 3 Nights

Accommodation Vibe Hotel Hobart

DAY 9

Full Day Historic Tasmania Tour

The Tasman Peninsula and Port Arthur Historic Site are some of Tasmania's most visited destinations. Explore Tasmania's famous convict settlement site with its many attractions on this small group day tour and let your experienced guide bring its history alive. Visit the famous geological features of the peninsula as you explore the rugged coastline. In the afternoon, travel to the historic village of Richmond, nestled in the Coal River Valley, with its well-preserved colonial architecture before returning to Hobart.

Wineglass Bay and Freycinet Active Tour

We depart Hobart heading east then following the coastline north. We travel through the seaside towns of Orford and Swansea as we make our way to Freycinet National Park. Freycinet is one of Tasmania's first National Parks, the area is famous for its stunning coastal landscapes. Colourful granite mountains form the backdrop for secluded bays, pristine waters, white sandy beaches, local

wildlife, and a variety of walking trails to explore the area.

As we enter the Freycinet peninsula, we have a brief stop at the Freycinet Marine Farm for anyone interested in the local oysters, mussels, or crayfish, fresh from the surrounding waters.

We walk as a group to the Wineglass Bay Lookout; this is a moderate uphill walk of around 45 minutes. Once at the top you are rewarded with that world – famous view of Wineglass Bay and the stunning

Freycinet National Park. Enjoy the moment, take in the views, and let our guides help you with those sought after photographs. The walk to Wineglass Bay Lookout is one of the Great Short Walks of

Tasmania and requires good mobility and adequate fitness. It is 1.3 km uphill, before returning downhill.

From the Lookout you have the option to return to the start of the walk with our tour guide, or for the keen hikers you can choose to spend the rest of your time completing the walk down to Wineglass Bay beach.

Wineglass Bay Beach Walk – This is a 2.5 hr return walk and good fitness is required. Our tour has ample time for you to do the full walk to Wineglass Bay Beach and return. Once on the beach you can enjoy your lunch in this stunning setting, jump in the pristine waters for a swim, or wander along the white sands. This is one of the most rewarding walks in Tasmania to a stunning location. If you prefer to select the shorter walking option, then we return from the Lookout with our Tour Guide and explore other areas of Freycinet National Park. Visit Honeymoon Bay, Cape Tourville Lighthouse & Great Short Walk, Sleepy Bay lookout.

After around 4 hours at Freycinet National Park, we re-group ready to begin the trip back to Hobart. We make a final stop for the day, as a trip to the East Coast is not complete without a visit to Kate's

Berry Farm. Reward your hiking efforts with one of Kate's delicious Berry Ice-creams, desserts or other sweet treats such as jams, sauces, chocolates and jellies. This is a great way to finish the day before we settle in for the drive home. (** Kate's Berry Farm stop is subject to changeable opening hours. Alternative stop will be delivered if Kate's is closed.)

We return to your Hobart City accommodation around 6.00pm.

DAY 11

Hobart to Melbourne

Today you are transferred to the Hobart Airport for your flight to Melbourne (flight not included in price).

Repeatedly voted the world's most liveable city, Melbourne prides itself on its style and multifaceted urban culture. With a well-ordered downtown on the Yarra River, surrounded by parks and gardens, the capital of Victoria offers world-class art and live entertainment, a serious devotion to good coffee, gorgeous architecture, rich Aboriginal history, and top-notch dining. It's bound to be an urban highlight of any Australia vacation.

On arrival, transfer to your hotel with the balance of the day at leisure.

Duration 4 Nights

Accommodation Crown Promenade Hotel

DAY 12

Melbourne

Welcome to Melbourne, a city of contrasts, world famous sporting arenas and historic gardens. Be dazzled by the wondrous sights of Australia's most vibrant city and learn about Melbourne's fascinating history with your expert guide.

Join a small group tour with Oceania to make the most of your stay as you zoom in and around the city, visiting such wonders as Federation Square, the MCG and our world-famous sports precinct, St Patrick's Cathedral, Albert Park Lake (Formula 1) and over to St Kilda Beach. You can even take a stroll in the gardens and visit St Patrick's Cathedral when permitted.

Visit world famous Albert Park, home of the Formula One, Australian Grand Prix as well as our inner-city sports precinct, home to the famous MCG and Melbourne Park where the Australian Tennis Open takes place.

There will be a maximum of 11 people in your group, so you will have plenty of opportunities to ask your guide questions and get to know your fellow travelers.

This afternoon, 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 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 organization where all profits are directly reinvested in conservation efforts to protect the little penguins.

DAY 13

Yarra Valley Wine Experience

Take in some of Victoria's best wineries in the stunning region of the Yarra Valley, only one hour from Melbourne. The tour features visits to some special wineries with outstanding scenery to match. Enjoy tutored tastings at up premium wineries, a superb A La Carte lunch winery restaurant lunch with a glass of estate wine. This is a sociable and educational day out. With the help of an expert guide - a real wine expert, you will discover the richness of the Yarra Valley's thriving wine industry.

Meal Plan Lunch

The Great Ocean Road

Experience this majestic coastal drive in style with your small group and enjoy time to relax and fully appreciate the wonders of this world-famous touring route. Stay on the lookout for some very special animals including whales, dolphins, echidnas and bandicoots. Your camera will get a good workout along this exciting journey where we will stop for plenty of photo opportunities. To begin, your expert Oceania Guide will collect you from your Melbourne hotel to commence your exciting road trip. Your next stop will be at Apollo Bay, a tranquil seaside town which is most noteworthy for its setting among the soft rolling hills. It offers a great selection of cafes and restaurants where you can enjoy some lunch (not included). Following this, we will enjoy a walk in the forest in the Otway Ranges. A truly unique day out, capped off by a visit to the ancient rock formations of the Twelve Apostles and Loch Ard Gorge. Finally, your Oceania guide will transfer you back to the comfort of your hotel in Melbourne.

DAY 15

Depart Melbourne

Today, transfer to the Melbourne Airport in time for your onward flight.