



A place of wild beauty, friendly people and haunting history evoked by world-famous convict ruins.



Twin / Double	\$5799.00 pp
Single	\$6964.00
Deposit	\$1000.00

Experience Tasmania's spectacular rugged beauty dotted with the colours of Spring. Journey into pristine wilderness by land and river and uncover the compelling convict heritage set deep within the historical towns.

YOUR TOUR HIGHLIGHTS... Bruny Island, Port Arthur Historic Site, Cradle Mountain, Arthur River and much more!

DAY 1: (D) BRISBANE TO LAUNCESTON **Monday 2 November 2020**

Welcome fellow explorers! Greeting our coach captain, we head to the Brisbane Airport where we find ourselves boarding our flights, eager to begin our holiday to the stunning state of Tasmania! Taking the opportunity to stretch our legs during a brief stopover, we reboard for our final leg of the journey. Arriving into Launceston, we head to our hotel and settle in for the next two nights.

2 night | Best Western Plus Launceston
Dinner at hotel

DAY 2: (BLD) GOLDMINES, UNIQUE WILDLIFE AND BEAUTIFUL LOOKOUTS **Tuesday 3 November 2020**

With a spring in our step, we set out to explore the Tamar region. Visit **Beaconsfield Gold Mine and Heritage Museum**, a place where you can lose yourself within its history. Play with treasures from the past and uncover a different story around every corner. At Beauty Point, gain unique access into the world of the mysterious **seahorse** and meet the playful Tasmanian **platypuses** in an intimate indoor setting. Both are must-see animals that should be on everyone's bucket list! Retracing our steps, we take in the panoramic views of the Tamar River and Valley at **Bushranger Bradys Lookout**. Back in **Launceston**, you'll enjoy the remainder of the day at your leisure, you may like to visit to **Cataract Gorge** - a magnificent Reserve in the city centre with pleasant walks throughout the landscaped gardens.

Breakfast and dinner at hotel | lunch at Seahorse World

DAY 3: (BLD) LAUNCESTON TO St HELENS**Wednesday 4 November 2020**

This morning we enjoy the clean air and open spaces of the world's largest privately-owned lavender farm, **Bridestowe Estate Lavender Farm**. Watch the farm in action on a tour of the flower shed and distillery. Tasting a hint of lavender in our morning tea, we then have time to browse their extensive gift shop. Next, we veer off to a little place called **Legerwood** to see some incredible tree carvings, honouring fallen soldiers in World War I. Enjoy lunch at one of Tasmania's oldest pubs, **The Pub in the Paddock**, then continue the day through Binalong Bay as we make our way to the **Bay of Fires**. Back down the coast to St Helens we arrive at our hotel for dinner and a good night's rest.

1 night | Tidal Waters Resort, St Helens

Breakfast and dinner at hotel | morning tea at Bridestowe Estate Lavender Farm | lunch at The Pub in the Paddock

DAY 4: (BD) St HELENS TO HOBART**Thursday 5 November 2020**

Stopping in **Swansea**, a town nestled on the magnificent blue waters of Great Oyster Bay, we enjoy our morning break while marvelling at the mountain range called the **Hazards**. Leaving Swansea, we spot the Spikey Bridge – there'll be no doubt as to how it got its name. Feasting our eyes upon the spectacular coastal views to Orford, we peel away to **Buckland**, where we find a quaint little church with a stained-glass window depicting the life of **John the Baptist**. At the historic town of **Richmond**, where the streets are paved with history, we stop to capture the oldest bridge in Australia, the convict-built **Richmond Bridge**. With plenty of good food to enjoy, from traditional bakeries to local pubs we purchase lunch here before taking a stroll down the pretty nineteenth century lanes. Relaxing back on the coach, we head for **Hobart**, which will be home for the next 4 nights.

4 nights | Wrest Point Hotel Casino, Hobart

Breakfast and dinner at hotel | lunch at own arrangements and cost

DAY 5: (BLD) EXPLORING HOBART AND MORE**Friday 6 November 2020**

Embark on a sightseeing tour Hobart, where everywhere we go the past steps out to meet us. Discover **Sullivans Cove** and the tiny cottages of **Battery Point** with architecture that whispers stories of a bygone era. Thanking our guide, we visit the **Cascades Female Factory**, to be captivated by **Her Story**. Listening to our hosts, we watch Her tale unfold as they re-enact the life a female convict transported for stealing a loaf of bread. Afterwards we head to **Huon Valley**, to be wowed by some of the most picturesque scenery in Tasmania. At the Tahune Forest, enjoy lunch before experiencing a gentle tree top stroll through the canopy along the **Tahune Air Walk**. Capping off a wonderful day!

Breakfast and dinner at hotel | lunch at the Tahune Air Walk

DAY 6: (BLD) SALAMANCA MARKETS AND THE PORT ARTHUR HISTORIC SITE**Saturday 7 November 2020**

Feeling the buzzing atmosphere while wandering through Hobart's weekly **Salamanca Markets** we then experience a humbling visit at the **Port Arthur Historic Site**, a stark reminder of the harsh conditions endured by the earliest European inhabitants. Your tour begins at the **Visitor Interpretative Centre** where you are taken on a fascinating journey, retracing the life of a convict from the time of his petty crime, to his transportation to **Port Arthur**. With time for lunch you'll then be guided through the **Penal Settlement**. Afterwards, we explore the settlement at our own pace, and take a cruise around the Harbour passing the **Isle of Dead**. Leaving the site, we journey back to Hobart, stopping to see some natural attractions on the **Tasman Peninsula** such as the **Tasman Arch** and **Devils Kitchen**.

Breakfast and dinner at hotel | lunch at Port Arthur Historic Site

DAY 7: (BL) EXPLORING BRUNY ISLAND**Sunday 8 November 2020**

Today is all about the wonderful tastes produced from the one of Tasmania's most beautifully preserved natural environments, **Bruny Island**! Ferry to Adventure Bay and begin a true gourmet experience surrounded by incredible scenery. Keeping a keen eye out for the rare white wallabies, you'll visit the home of Bruny Island's Cheese, Oysters, Fudge, Wine and more, savouring their produce and hearing the stories behind the harvest. With full bellies we return later in the day, where dinner will be at own arrangements... if you can fit it in that is!

Breakfast at hotel | lunch on tour | dinner own arrangement and cost

DAY 8: (BLD) HOBART TO STRAHAN**Monday 9 November 2020**

Packing our bags this morning we then journey to the West Coast. At **Derwent Bridge**, we discover the beautifully carved works of the **Wall in the Wilderness**, depicting the hardship and perseverance of the people in the Central Highlands. Enjoying lunch at the Wilderness Hotel, we travel through the pristine wilderness of the **Franklin Gordon Wild Rivers National Park**. Witness some spectacular scenery before making the climb into **Queenstown**. An area perceived as a "moonscape" from years of mining, logging and heavy rains, we fortunately notice that the vegetation is growing back as we drive through to **Strahan**. Here we settle in for the next two nights.

2 nights | Strahan Village Hilltop Motel, Strahan
Breakfast and dinner at hotel | lunch at Wilderness Hotel**DAY 9: (BLD) EXPLORING THE GORDON RIVER****Tuesday 10 November 2020**

We are in for a stunning day as our **World Heritage Cruise** takes us across Macquarie Harbour into the **Gordon River**, an area of the ancient Huon Pine trees. You'll see these and other trees of the dense forest close up on a Heritage Walk. Stumble across the remains of the 3-storey jail house on Sarah Island and take a firsthand view of the only entrance into Macquarie Harbour, known as Hells Gates. It's a great day topped off with a beautiful buffet lunch.

Breakfast and dinner at hotel | lunch on tour

DAY 10: (BLD) STRAHN TO CRADLE MOUNTAIN**Wednesday 11 November 2020**

This morning we make our way to **Zeehan**, to discover the region's fascinating history. From mines and memories to trains and treasures, the **West Coast Heritage Centre** offers a unique insight into this history, enhancing the meaning of our visit of this beautiful part of Tasmania. Enjoying lunch in Tullah, we journey through Rosebery to **Cradle Mountain**. After settling into our hotel, there'll be time to enjoy the beautiful **Wilderness Gallery** or for anyone who would like to stretch their legs, there's a pleasant rainforest walk to **Pencil Pine Falls**. An early dinner will be served before our special evening with the iconic Tasmanian Devil. At **Devils@cradle**, you are in for an unforgettable experience, discovering more about these unique carnivores! Witness these extraordinary animals in 'action' during a rare and up-close group feeding situation - a spectacular sight to be seen!

1 night | Cradle Mountain Hotel
Breakfast and dinner at hotel | lunch at The Village Meeting Place**DAY 11: (BD) CRADLE MOUNTAIN TO SMITHTON****Thursday 12 November 2020**

Enjoy a wonderful tour this morning taking in the spectacular sights of the **Cradle Mountain - Lake St Clair National Park** from **Waldheim Chalet** and beautiful **Weindorfers Walk** to **Dove Lake**. Leaving this stunning area, we journey onwards, stopping in Wynyard to purchase lunch before enjoying the coastal views from **Table Cape** to the historic **Stanley**. With its village atmosphere, small craft shops and historic houses, Stanley makes for an ideal stop. You also may like to take the chairlift to the summit of the Nut (own cost) before we head to **Smithton**. Here we'll settle into the **Tall Timbers Hotel**, a local timber building sitting on acres of land.

2 nights | Tall Timbers Hotel Motel, Smithton
Breakfast and dinner at hotel | lunch at own arrangements and cost

DAY 12: (BLD) WOOLNORTH STATION**Friday 13 November 2020**

We are in for a spectacular day! Starting with a visit to **Woolnorth Station** in the far North West corner of Tasmania. This property is owned by the **Van Diemens Land Company** and is the only company in the world still operating under such a charter. Most of Tasmania's native animals abound on Woolnorth Station -wombats, echidnas, bandicoots, quolls and Tasmanian Devils, just to name a few. In fact, the last four Tasmanian Tigers ever captured were caught at Woolnorth. We will be accompanied by a **Station Guide** as we explore the area and have lunch while we are here. Then breathe the world's freshest air at Cape Grim, visit the **Wind Farm** and enjoy a brief but spectacular coastline walk around Woolnorth Point – from the west coast around the point to the east coast! We return to our accommodation with the rest of the afternoon at leisure.

Breakfast and dinner at hotel | lunch at Woolnorth Station

DAY 13: (BLD) ARTHUR RIVER TO DEVONPORT**Thursday 14 November 2020**

This morning we head to a truly remote and beautiful part of Tasmania. On the far north-west coast, the **Arthur River** winds through a completely wild and pristine wilderness, having never been logged, dammed or tarnished by fire for over six hundred years. While cruising this spectacular part of the world, our local guide will impart a wealth of knowledge on the plant life, history and the Aboriginal tribes who once lived here. You'll also witness the feeding of completely wild sea eagles, that nest on the banks of the river. Back on dry land we express to **Devonport** arriving in time for dinner.

1 night | Quality Hotel Gateway

Breakfast and dinner at hotel | morning tea and lunch with Arthur River Cruises

DAY 14: (B) DEVONPORT TO BRISBANE**Sunday 15 November 2020**

Wow, what a spectacular holiday to have experienced! Discovering s breathtaking beauty from towering mountains to completely wild and pristine wilderness. Exploring charming towns and villages steeped with intriguing history and meeting the some of the unique native wildlife that call this island home! Meeting our flights this morning we begin the journey home. Once again, we stretch our legs during a stopover, then begin flying to **Brisbane**, where we arrive home eager to share our stunning photos and everlasting memories with friends and family.

Breakfast at hotel

All itineraries are subject to change due to occasional restrictions in opening times or days of some attractions. We cannot be held responsible for any changes due to closures or inclement

Tour Inclusions

- 13 night's motel accommodation
- 13 cooked motel breakfasts
- 13 motel dinners
- 10 included lunches – see below
 - Tamar Valley | Beaconsfield Mine & Heritage Museum guided tour
 - Tamar Valley | Seahorse World guided tour and light lunch in upstairs café incl. tea and coffee
 - Tamar Valley | Platypus House entry, Platypus film followed by tour and talk
 - Launceston | Bridestowe Estate Lavender Farm entry, tour and morning tea
 - Pyengana | Pub in the Paddock 2 course lunch incl. tea and coffee
 - Hobart | Guided town tour
 - Hobart | Cascades Female Factory Re-enactment - "Her Story"
 - Huon Valley | Tahune Adventures Tasmania entry, guided walk and light lunch incl. tea and coffee
 - Port Arthur | Port Arthur Historic Site entry (includes grounds entry, walking tour & harbour cruise), Escape from Port Arthur Tour and light lunch incl. tea and coffee
 - Bruny Island | Bruny Island Cruises, Bruny Island Traveller (fully inclusive). Includes: bus, driver/guide, tastings, morning tea, lunch and return ferry crossing.
 - Derwent Bridge | Wall in the Wilderness entry
Derwent Bridge | Wilderness Hotel light lunch incl. tea and coffee
 - Strahan | Gordon River Cruises Half Day Tour - Main Deck Window Seating incl. buffet lunch
 - Zeehan | West Coast Heritage Centre entry including Gaiety Theatre
 - Tullah | The Village Meeting Place light lunch incl. tea and coffee
 - Cradle Mountain | Devils @ Cradle entry and After Dark Tour
 - Cradle Mountain | Park Explorer Tour and National Park Passes
 - Smithton | Woolnorth Tours guided tour with lunch incl. tea and coffee
 - Smithton | Arthur River Cruises including morning tea & BBQ lunch

Accommodation

- Launceston | Best Western Plus Launceston
- St Helens | Tidal Waters Resort St Helens
- Hobart | Wrest Point Hotel Casino
- Strahan | Strahan Village
- Cradle Mountain | Cradle Mountain Hotel
- Smithton | Tall Timbers Hotel Motel
- Devonport | Quality Hotel Gateway

Airfares / Coach transfers

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