

# GOURMET AUSTRALIA

From a beach BBQ to a degustation menu in a 5 star restaurant with outstanding local wines, Australia boasts some of the best gourmet experiences you can get. With well-renowned vineyards the wine scene is fast becoming one of the best in the World.

SHANGRI LA SYDNEY, NEW SOUTH WALES



## Sleep! THE BEST GOURMET HOTELS

**1 Shangri La and Altitude Restaurant, Sydney -** Sample the finest Australian cuisine whilst enjoying outstanding views over Sydney Harbour from Level 36 of the Shangri La hotel. FROM £102 PER PERSON PER NIGHT.

**2 Lake House Daylesford -** With several excellent organic farms located just a few minutes from the Lake House, it's no surprise that the accolades keep on rolling in for this acclaimed restaurant. FROM £174 PER PERSON PER NIGHT.

**3 Silky Oaks Daintree -** The Treehouse Restaurant is one of Northern Queensland's premier dining experiences and the open-sided restaurant offers sensational Daintree rainforest and Mossman river views. The menu showcases the freshest local produce and fine Australian wines. FROM £175 PER PERSON PER NIGHT.

**4 Cape Lodge Yallingup -** The magnificent restaurant at Cape Lodge sits over the main lake offering over-water alfresco dining. The wine list features a wide selection of premium Margaret River and vintage wines. FROM £124 PER PERSON PER NIGHT.

**5 The Louise Barossa -** Recognised as a world class destination for dining in South Australia, Appellation at The Louise offers a Chef's Tasting Menu with five dishes showcasing fresh, outstanding produce. FROM £152 PER PERSON PER NIGHT.

**6 Moorooroo Park Jacobs Creek Retreat -** For absolutely peace and tranquility in the heart of Barossa Valley Winelands, Jacobs Creek Retreat features just 6 individually appointed suites. The property also boasts a private chef who specialises in creating a tailor made degustation lunch. FROM £107 PER PERSON PER NIGHT.

CAPE LODGE YALLINGUP, WESTERN AUSTRALIA



COLONIAL TRAMCAR, VICTORIA

# Eat!

## OUR TOP GOURMET EXCURSIONS



**7 Sounds of Silence** - While the sun sets over Uluru, dine on a gourmet BBQ of authentic Aussie delicacies accompanied by some of the finest wines on offer, before the resident stargazer takes you on an unforgettable tour of the southern night sky.  
FROM £112 PER ADULT

**8 Desert Awakenings** - Learn about the natural history of the Red Centre over a traditional bushman's breakfast, before the sun rises over Uluru and Kata Tjuta.  
FROM £105 PER ADULT

**9 Colonial Tramcar** - Dine aboard one of the historical trams from this famous fleet, whilst viewing Melbourne city centre and surrounding suburbs.  
FROM £89 PER ADULT

**10 Tastings at the Top Food Festival** - Head to Cradle Mountain Lodge, one of Tasmania's iconic wilderness experiences to sample some of the country's best food and wine experiences and the very best in Tasmanian produce. From degustation dinners to cookery demonstrations, there's something for everyone.

**11 Flames of the Forest** - Step into the rainforest at night to dine on fabulous food and Australian wines. The rainforest is a unique, natural setting for candlelit dining, and Aboriginal story telling.  
FROM £142 PER ADULT

**12 Captain Cook Cruise** - Enjoy contemporary a la carte dining, attentive service and stunning views as you cruise through the iconic Sydney Harbour. New Years Eve cruises are also available for those wanting the ultimate view as the clock strikes midnight.  
FROM £69 PER ADULT



# Drink!

## THE BEST VINEYARDS

**13 Margaret River** - Just a three hour drive to the south of Perth, this region offers a wide selection of world-class wineries, gourmet food, and boutique accommodation. For the ultimate escape, head to Cape Lodge in Yallingup which boasts its own cookery school and award winning restaurant.

**14 Yarra Valley** - Travel an hour from the centre of Melbourne to the picturesque Yarra Valley, perfect for a day tour exploring the

premium wineries and cellar doors in magnificent Victorian countryside.

**15 Clare Valley** - Famed for its Riesling wines, the Clare Valley is best accessed on a self drive from Adelaide. The majority of vineyards only sell from the cellar door, allowing intimate tasting sessions at some of the most exclusive producers.

**16 Barossa Valley** - Barossa is home to some of Australia's

most famous vineyards, including household names such as Jacob's Creek, Penfolds and Peter Lehmann; with so many wine producers, you could easily spend weeks exploring this historic area.

**17 Hunter Valley** - Drive three hours north from Sydney and you'll arrive at the Hunter Valley wine region, home to numerous famous vineyards along with the Blue Tongue brewery at the Hunter Resort.



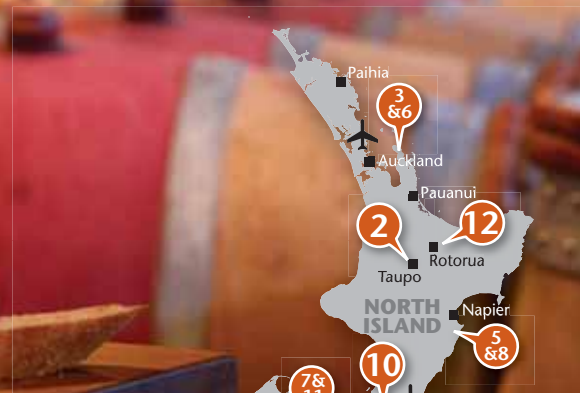
SOUNDS OF SILENCE, NORTHERN TERRITORY



BAROSSA VALLEY, SOUTH AUSTRALIA



HAWKE'S BAY, NORTH ISLAND



## GOURMET NEW ZEALAND

With freshly harvested ingredients from garden, land and sea, combined with Pacific influences, no visit to New Zealand is complete without experiencing a traditional Hangi meal cooked deep in the earth.



THE BOATSHED, WAIHEKE ISLAND



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**1 The Spire Queenstown** - No.5 Church Lane serves Thai fusion dishes and exquisite cocktails, and also boasts an exclusive Champagne bar with vintage bubbles. FROM £267 PER PERSON PER NIGHT.

**2 Huka Lodge Taupo** - With over 20 unique dining venues, from the Main Lodge, at the outdoor fireplace, or within a romantic setting in the wine cellar, Huka Lodge offers guests superb cuisine prepared using the finest ingredients. FROM £499 PER PERSON PER NIGHT.

**3 The Boatshed, Waiheke Island** - With homegrown food, succulent seafood and gourmet meat cuts, fine dining at The Boatshed showcases some of New Zealand's most celebrated produce, all just a 35 minute ferry from Auckland. FROM £166 PER PERSON PER NIGHT.

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## THE BEST VINEYARDS AND BREWERIES

**4 Speights Brewery, Dunedin** - Visit this award-winning, informative and interactive tour through a working brewery; no tour would be complete without sampling the product! Join an appreciation session of six of Speight's' beers and stock up on your favourites in the brewery shop.

**5 Twilight Odyssey Hawkes Bay** - Home to some of New Zealand's top wineries, take part in an interactive wine tasting at Sileni Estate, indulge in gourmet platters with top local produce, and enjoy a Champagne sunset on Te Mata Peak.

**6 Wine on Waiheke** - Catch the ferry from Auckland over to Waiheke Island, with vineyards that offer acclaimed wines, gourmet nibbles, and spectacular views across the water to Auckland and the Coromandel.

**7 Marlborough Wine Tours** - Visit world famous wineries, and taste wines, olive oils and the gourmet foods that make this region a gourmet province.

**8 On Yer Bike Wine Tour** - With routes catering for all levels of fitness, pick up a bicycle, map, and packed lunch and head off to taste wines in the Hawkes Bay wine region.



HAWKE'S BAY, NORTH ISLAND



HANGI, ROTORUA

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## OUR TOP GOURMET EXCURSIONS

**9 Picnic on the Peak** - Take a private helicopter to a remote secluded area of outstanding natural beauty. Explore the wilderness away from Queenstown before a champagne lunch. PRICES FROM £399 PER ADULT

**10 Zest Walking Tour** - Explore Wellington's favourite food spots on a leisurely stroll to some of the hidden culinary treasures of this compact city, sampling seasonal specialities and local produce. PRICES FROM £139 PER ADULT

**11 Greenshell Mussel Cruise** - Cruise into the Marlborough Sounds, taking in the natural beauty and tranquility of this stunning area, before visiting the Greenshell Mussel farm and sampling freshly steamed Mussels with a glass of Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc. PRICES FROM £59 PER ADULT

**12 Hangi** - Enjoy a night of truly authentic Maori culture where you'll meet a world of ancient Maori warriors. Share a Hangi feast in Rotorua, cooked the traditional way on hot stones in an earthen oven. PRICES FROM £55 PER ADULT



GREENSHELL MUSSEL CRUISE, MARLBOROUGH SOUNDS

