

NEW SOUTH WALES

With one of the most famous cities in the world as its gateway, New South Wales is on every list of dream destinations. The iconic Harbour Bridge and Opera House in Sydney are only tasters of what the state has to offer. Leave the city and explore the Hunter Valley's wonderful wineries, watch dolphins and whales in Port Stephens, or chill out on some of the finest beaches in the world around Jervis Bay or Byron Bay.

TOP EXPERIENCES

Walk from Watson's Bay to Rose Bay and discover hidden beaches and coves on Sydney Harbour.

Marvel at the Three Sisters rock formation in the Blue Mountains.

Watch the amazing sunrises in Byron Bay while having a surf lesson.

FACT FILE

Climate: New South Wales enjoys a warm temperate climate with seasons opposite to those of the UK. Spring starts in September, Summer in December, Autumn in March and Winter in June.

Driving Times:

Sydney to Blue Mountains or Hunter Valley - 2 hours, Sydney to Coffs Harbour - 6 hours 30 minutes, Sydney to Jervis Bay - 3 hours

GMT: + 10 hours



Day Tour

Explore Sydney with iVenture

Book an iVenture card for free entry to over 35 attractions throughout Sydney including a harbour cruise, jet boat ride, and city tour.

With 2 and 3 day options this is a fantastic way to visit a host of popular attractions. Upgrade to an iVenture card including transport to make use of the trains, buses and ferries.

FROM £99 PER ADULT

FROM £131 PER ADULT (INCLUDING TRANSFERS)

SYDNEY

With the Harbour Bridge and Opera House as its backdrop, you cannot fail to be impressed with this vibrant city. There is so much to see and do that you will be spoilt for choice. Take time out to stroll around and absorb the unique atmosphere of the city. Cruise the harbour, soar over the city in a seaplane to then enjoy a gourmet lunch, or climb to the top of the Harbour Bridge!



Oz Whale Watching

Head out through the famous Harbour to Sydney Heads to marvel at the incredible humpback whales as they migrate from Antarctica to the Great Barrier Reef between June and mid-November.

This four hour cruise includes a BBQ lunch and an on-board marine biologist to teach you about these magnificent creatures.

FROM £49 PER ADULT

Day Tour



BridgeClimb

BridgeClimb is the ultimate experience in Sydney, offering fully guided climbs to the summit of Sydney Harbour Bridge.

You will be given a 'BridgeSuit' to wear, communication equipment and harness linked to a static line throughout the climb. Choose from Dawn, Day, Twilight and Night climbs, for the ultimate view of the famous harbour.

FROM £146 PER ADULT

Day Tour



Day Tour

Blue Mountain High Country

This fantastic eco tour starts in the Rocks area of Sydney before heading west to the Great Dividing Range and the Blue Mountains National Park.

Drop into a hidden valley and search for kangaroos, head to the scenic lookout including King's Tableland, and visit the quaint village of Leura. View the Three Sisters from Eagle Hawk lookout before fine local cuisine and wines in the heart of the Blue Mountains.

FROM £142 PER ADULT



Day Tour

Captain Cook Coffee Cruise

A cruise on Sydney Harbour is simply a must-do!

This cruise includes an informative commentary and Australian fayre served on board. Sail past the iconic Opera House, Harbour Bridge and Fort Denison before cruising the magnificent upper reaches past exclusive waterfront homes, beaches and marinas.

FROM £29 PER ADULT



Day Tour

Historic Hunter Valley Vintage

A trip to Sydney is not complete without a visit to the world-class wineries of the Hunter Valley.

Escape through the brilliant sandstone outcrops of Ku-ring-gai National Park to reach the mighty Hawkesbury River, with morning tea deep in the bush. Descend into the Hunter Valley to begin wine tasting at several of the area's boutique wineries which produce some of Australia's finest wines.

FROM £142 PER ADULT



Day Tour

Behind the Scenes Taronga Zoo

The VIP Aussie Gold Tour is a behind the scenes look at Taronga Zoo's unique animal collection, designed especially for the inquisitive traveller.

With a maximum of just six people per tour you are guaranteed to get up close and personal with some of Australia's most extraordinary creatures! Taronga also offers a 'Roar N Snore' overnight package.

FROM £56 PER ADULT



Day Tour


Sydney Seaplanes Highlights

Taking off from Rose Bay, exit the harbour and fly along the cliffs at 500 feet until you reach the world famous Bondi Beach to take in the great views.

Head back into the harbour and climb to 1000 feet all the way to the Harbour Bridge and Opera House, before completing a circuit above both famous icons. Upgrade to a flight including lunch. Ask your Travel Designer for details.

FROM £126 PER ADULT



An aerial photograph of Sydney, Australia, showing the city skyline, the harbour, and a sandy beach. The water is a deep blue, and the city is densely packed with buildings. A paperclip is visible on the left side of the page, holding a piece of paper that contains the text.

WHERE TO STAY IN SYDNEY

Many central hotels in Sydney are within walking distance to the major attractions of the Harbour and Opera House. For that once-in-a-lifetime experience upgrade to a Harbour View room for a view you will never forget!

Cambridge Hotel Sydney ★★☆☆☆

Within easy walking distance from the centre of the city with easy access to Darling Harbour, Cockle Bay Wharf & iconic landmarks.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £48 PER ADULT

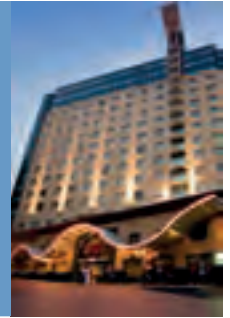
**Mercure Sydney**

★★★★☆

Take advantage of the indoor rooftop swimming pool, sauna & gym, which overlooks the city. Upgrade to a City View room for expansive views over Sydney.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

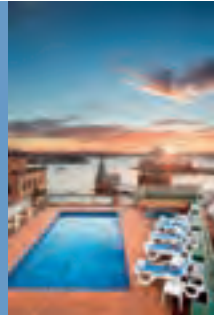
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**Holiday Inn Old Sydney** ★★☆☆☆

Nestled between Sydney's famous Harbour Bridge and Opera House, in the historic Rocks area.

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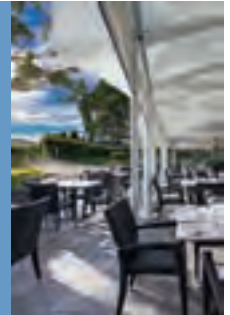
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**Four Points by Sheraton** ★★☆☆☆

Just a short walk to many restaurants and Pitt Street Mall, also features a 'pop-up' rooftop bar.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £75 PER ADULT

**Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel Sydney**

★★★★☆

Set within a stunning heritage-listed building featuring unique design, attentive service and a wide range of upscale facilities.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £86 PER ADULT

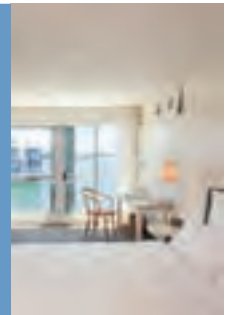
**Sebel Pier One**

★★★★☆

Located at Dawes Point on Sydney Harbour, the hotel is part of a restored pier just paces from the iconic Harbour Bridge.

FREE UPGRADE - Selected dates

FROM £81 PER ADULT

**Intercontinental Sydney** ★★★★★

For the ultimate Sydney experience, upgrade to a Club room and receive a deluxe breakfast, all day light snacks and twilight drinks.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

FROM £91 PER ADULT

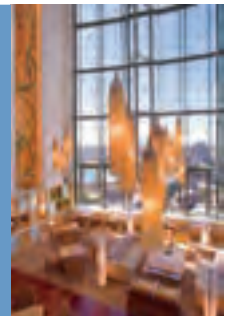
**Shangri-La Sydney**

★★★★★

Perfectly located in the historic Rocks area, the Shangri-La Hotel Sydney enjoys a commanding position on Sydney's spectacular waterfront.

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FROM £86 PER ADULT

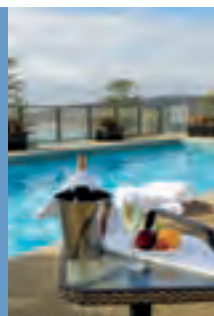
**Novotel Manly Pacific**

★★★★☆

Nestled between the rolling Pacific Ocean and Sydney Harbour, a 30 minute scenic ferry from the city.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £65 PER ADULT

**Adina Apartments Bondi Beach**

★★★★☆

Minutes from the famous beach at Bondi, close to a diverse mecca of vibrant bars and cafés.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £63 PER ADULT

**Park Hyatt** ★★★★★

With a coveted harbourfront location between the world-famous Opera House and Sydney Harbour Bridge, spacious guest rooms feature floor to ceiling glass doors that open on to private balconies and contemporary interiors. A dedicated team of butlers provides around-the-clock, personalised service for all 155 guest rooms & suites.

FROM £214 PER ADULT



DISCOVER NEW SOUTH WALES

Immediately west of Sydney are the Blue Mountains - named after the blue mist that rises from the forests of eucalyptus that cover them. It's an ideal place for bushwalking amongst the craggy peaks and cavernous gorges, and is a haven for wildlife. To the north is the Hunter Valley, a picturesque area of world class vineyards, and the café culture of Byron Bay.

Tamarama Beach, Sydney

Greater Sydney – Blue Mountains, Hunter Valley and Port Stephens



3 Day Escorted Tour
from £969 per adult

Join an ultimate Aussie experience from Sydney, on a personalised small group tour which includes some amazing wildlife moments with koalas, kangaroos and dolphins. Also see Australia's Grand Canyon - the Three Sisters, taste fine Hunter wines and explore the sand dunes of Port Stephens by 4WD.

DAY 1: SYDNEY - BLUE MOUNTAINS

Join the famous Wildlife Discovery day tour to the Blue Mountains, spotting kangaroos and visiting the Three Sisters, before backcountry canyon sightseeing through the countryside and a gourmet lunch in the mountains. Mid afternoon arrive at your Blue Mountains hotel to stay overnight. (L)

DAY 2: BLUE MOUNTAINS - HUNTER VALLEY

After a visit to one of Sydney's premier wildlife parks viewing native Australian animals, stop for a memorable lunch at Brooklyn village, before arriving into the Hunter Valley where you'll enjoy tasting superb wines and an overnight stay in the vineyards. (B,L)

DAY 3: HUNTER VALLEY - PORT STEPHENS AND SYDNEY

Depart your hotel this morning at 8am. Today you'll visit the Stockton Beach sand dunes by 4WD, enjoy lunch overlooking the Port Stephens marina and then go dolphin watching on the bay. Return to Sydney and your hotel early evening after an amazing three days of sightseeing and touring. (B)

Please Note: Tour departs on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday at 7am, arriving back in Sydney on the last day around 6pm. Includes guide and meals as mentioned. Please bring carry-on size baggage – large luggage to be left at Sydney hotel. (GCo3)

Please see austravel.com for full details



Blue Mountains, Wines & Beyond

6 Day Self Drive from £414 per adult



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DAY 1: SYDNEY - BLUE MOUNTAINS

Head out of Sydney towards the Blue Mountains, one of Australia's most popular National Parks. Being only two hours out of the city means that there is plenty of time today to explore the region.

DAY 2: BLUE MOUNTAINS

Today is at leisure to allow you more time to ensure that all the highlights of the region are covered – visit Scenic World to take a ride on the famous railway or Skyway (own expense) or simply take in the incredible views on offer such as the Three Sisters.

DAY 3: BLUE MOUNTAINS - HUNTER VALLEY

Pass through Brisbane Water and Wollemi National Parks before arriving at your accommodation in the Hunter Valley.

DAY 4: HUNTER VALLEY

Another day to spend at leisure! The Hunter Valley is New South Wales' most famous wine region, and with over eighty wineries on offer you will be sure to sample some classic tastes!

DAY 5: HUNTER VALLEY - PORT STEPHENS

Drive through the scenic Lemon Tree passage to reach Port Stephens, known for the bottlenose dolphins that play in the bay. Indulge in the fabulous seafood and enjoy diving right off the beach at Nelson Bay.

DAY 6: PORT STEPHENS - SYDNEY

Leave Port Stephens and travel south along the Pacific Highway through Newcastle and past Lake Macquarie. Make your way back into Sydney over the majestic Harbour Bridge.

Please Note: Itinerary valid from 1st April 2014 and may alter prior to this. Prices are per person and include five nights twin share accommodation, an information pack and are based on a Group B car hire. Accommodation, board basis and prices are subject to change with availability. Minimum nights and surcharges apply on some properties on certain dates. Driving times and distances are approximate. (S24)

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Blue Mountains



Hunter Valley

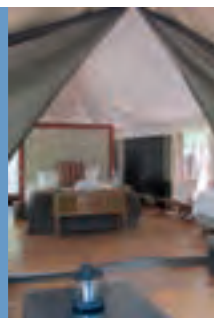
Paperbark Camp

★★★★☆

Located in Jervis Bay, this is eco-tourism at its best with a stay in a luxury tented camp.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £118 PER ADULT

**Hunter Resort**

★★★★☆

The award-winning Hunter Resort lies in the heart of the Hunter Valley Wine Country. All guests receive a complimentary vineyard tour.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £69 PER ADULT

**Lilianfels Resort & Spa** ★★★★★

Enjoying a prime cliff-top position and just a five minute stroll to The Three Sisters including a stunning outdoor infinity edge heated pool.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

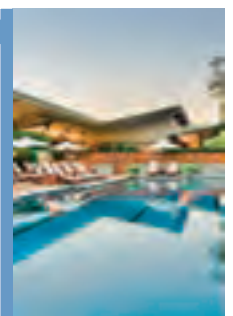
FROM £90 PER ADULT

**The Byron at Byron Bay Resort & Spa** ★★★★★

Set within a stunning rainforest the magnificent central building represents the heart of the resort overlooking the spectacular rainforest canopy.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £96 PER ADULT

**Pacific Coast Explorer**

6 Day Self Drive
from £388 per adult

**AVIS****DAY 1: SYDNEY – HUNTER VALLEY**

Travel north across the world-famous Sydney Harbour Bridge. Call into Wollombi, a town famous for its convict history and Aboriginal legends. Pass through the town of Millfield into Cessnock before reaching the Hunter Valley.

DAY 2: HUNTER VALLEY – PORT STEPHENS

Leave the Hunter Valley and travel northeast to Port Stephens, a natural bay twice the size of Sydney Harbour and almost enclosed by two dormant volcanic headlands. Bottlenose dolphins frequent the bay and there is fabulous seafood and great scuba diving from the beach.

DAY 3: PORT STEPHENS – COFFS HARBOUR

Journey along the Pacific Highway and travel north to Port Macquarie, the mid-way point between Sydney and Brisbane. 'Port' as it is known, is one of the oldest towns in the State. Continue to Coffs Harbour – a tourist resort in the centre of a tropical fruit growing area.

DAY 4: COFFS HARBOUR – BYRON BAY

This northern stretch of New South Wales contains some of the most beautiful natural areas in Australia. Travel north to Byron Bay, the most easterly point in Australia; or explore further afield on the 70kms of beaches on the Gold Coast.

DAY 5: BYRON BAY

Today is free to spend at your leisure. Enjoy the restaurants and cafés, take a surfing lesson or simply relax on the beach.

DAY 6: BYRON BAY – BRISBANE

Leaving the Gold Coast Highway, join the Pacific Highway northbound to Brisbane where you will return your Avis car.

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