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ESSENTIAL GUIDE

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WELCOME TO OUR ESSENTIAL GUIDE

Experts in Australia,
New Zealand and
South Pacific

G'DAY! KIA ORA! BULA!

Here at Austravel, we love Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific, and that's why we want to help you book your dream trip to these spectacular places.

In 2017 we celebrate 40 years of creating extraordinary holidays for travellers to Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific – each one individually tailored to match personal requirements. All our expert Travel Designers have travelled extensively, and are keen to share their invaluable 'Austravel Secrets' with you to help you book your perfect trip.

Our new 'Essential Guide' will also help and inspire you to plan your holiday – exactly as you want it. It's bursting with ideas to suit all tastes and budgets, and these can be combined to create a holiday unique to you. There are so many wonderful experiences, from spotting the diverse wildlife on Kangaroo Island (p.82), trying the world-class food and wine of New Zealand's Hawke's Bay (p.134), and of course, exploring the famous Great Barrier Reef (p.63). You can choose to add an epic rail journey to your trip (p.36), or simply sit back and enjoy an escorted tour (p.32). Then those looking for a bit more freedom can pick up a car (p.28) or campervan (p.30) to explore at their own pace. Wherever you want to go in Australasia, we can take you there.

For even more ideas, visit austravel.com and use our 'Travel Plan' to build your ideal trip. But regardless of whether it's your first trip Down Under, or you regularly visit friends and family, our team of specialist Travel Designers are ready and waiting to hear from you.

Enjoy your travels!

Karen Joyce

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General Manager



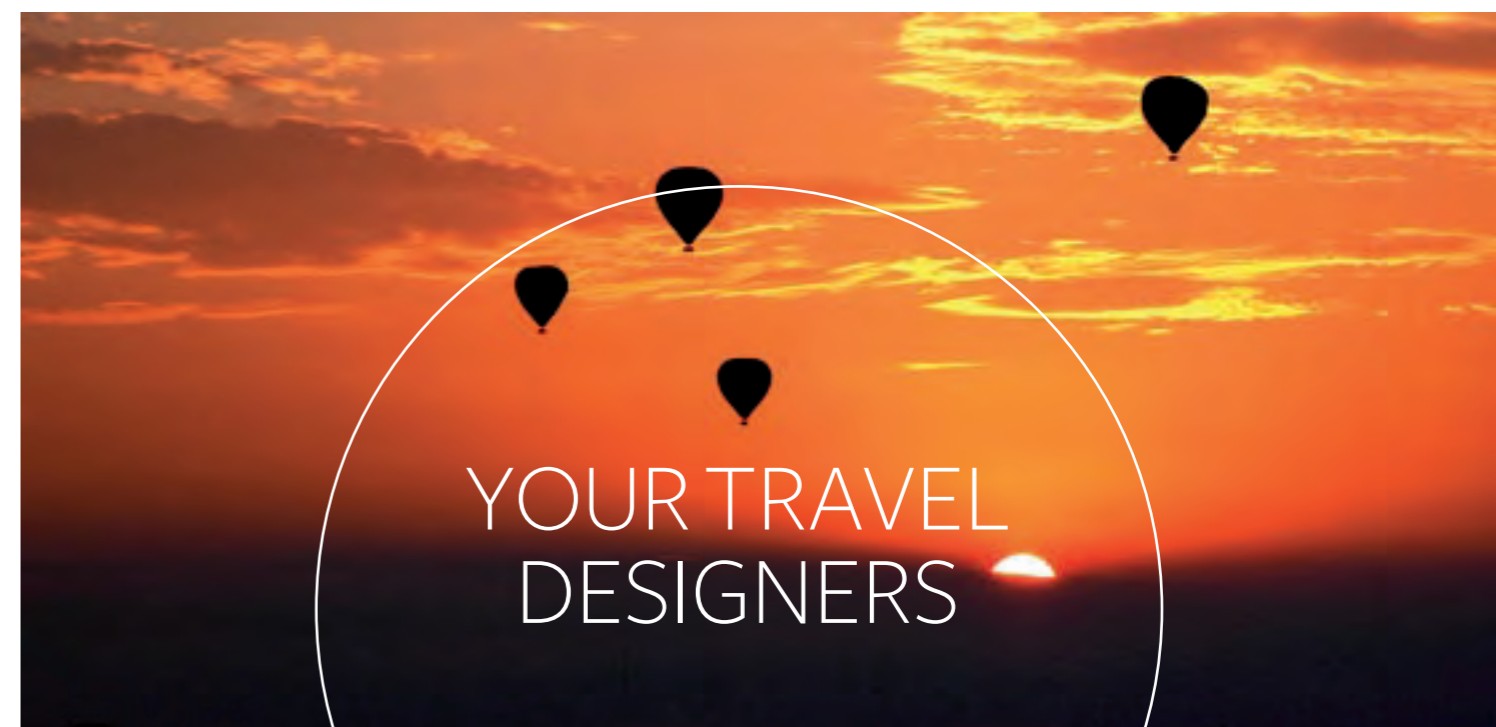
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We're the leading Australia, New Zealand and South Pacific specialist and have been creating tailor-made holidays to these incredible countries since 1977. Here's what you can expect when you choose to travel with us...

40 years' experience

We don't just go there, we really know there. Whether you're looking to discover the iconic sights of Australia, road trip around New Zealand or escape to an exotic island in the South Pacific, we've been creating award-winning holidays to Australasia for almost 40 years.

Your holiday's in safe hands

We take care of everything from your flights, accommodation, car hire and tours, to visas and travel insurance, we can even book your airport hotels and parking before you go! We're also ABTA, ATOL and IATA protected, meaning your money and booking is in safe hands when you travel with us.

Value for money

We are fully committed to keeping you up to date with our best holiday deals. Our special partner relationships give us significant buying power, enabling us to offer you exclusive discounts and great packages that you won't find anywhere else.

Award winning

We're ecstatic to have won the 'Best Holiday Company to Australasia' at the British Travel Awards four times in a row. There is no better endorsement of our passion, expertise and commitment than that.



Range of stopovers

Break up the long journey with a two-night stopover en route. Choose from Hong Kong, Singapore, Dubai and many other unique cities – it's like two holidays in one! If you'd prefer to head straight to Australasia, you can always opt to stopover somewhere in Australia or New Zealand instead. Sydney anyone?

Austravel.com

Make our website a must-visit destination. Not only will you discover a great range of exclusive flight and holiday offers, but you'll learn about new places to visit and receive insider tips from our Austravel experts.

Not sure when's the best time to visit Australia? Want to know the popular routes for a New Zealand road trip? Our Travel Designers are here to help and have experienced these amazing countries first hand so they know their stuff. With their in-depth destination knowledge, they can give you the best travel advice throughout the planning process to tailor make your perfect itinerary.



Sharron

"If you're short on time in Sydney and want to climb the Harbour Bridge, consider doing the Express BridgeClimb. You get the same stunning views across the harbour, but just climb slightly quicker."

Find out more about Sydney on p.41



Mike

"Whitehaven Beach in the Whitsunday's is really worth a visit and sailing to the beach is an unforgettable experience. The sand is pure white and the water is so clear. Pictures just don't do it justice."

Find out more about the Whitsundays on p.54



Matt

"The day walk at Tongariro National Park on New Zealand's North Island takes you past crater lakes, volcanoes and spectacular mountain scenery – it's one of the best hikes I've ever done. Make sure you pre-book though as it's incredibly popular."

Find out more about Tongariro National Park on p.133



Vicki

"Fiordland on New Zealand's South Island are like something out of a fairy tale. The scenery is outstanding and I recommend a Milford Sound cruise where you can get up close to waterfalls and see all sorts of wildlife."

Find out more about Fiordland on p.150

How we create your trip

1

Tell us your travel plans

Let us know all the places you want to visit and things you want to do (or let us inspire you). We'll then get to work creating your perfect itinerary and finding you the best deals.

2

Book with confidence

If you're not ready to book straight away, that's not a problem. Once you're 100% happy with your travel plans, simply pay your deposit and start getting excited about your trip.

3

Advice on call

If you have any questions in the lead up, during or even after your holiday, we're always just a call away. We hope you have an amazing holiday!

Call free on 0808 252 0841

TRAVEL IN STYLE WITH AUSTRAVEL AND ...



Emirates operates 18 flights per day from a choice of 6 UK airports to Dubai. Customer can then enjoy convenient connections to over 140 destinations in the Far East, Australasia, West Asia, Indian Ocean and the Middle East. On-board, passengers can enjoy world-class service, regionally inspired gourmet cuisine and over 2,500 channels of award-winning entertainment – plus phone, SMS and email connectivity from every seat.

Economy Class

Enjoy the latest entertainment, stay connected to everything you love and savour flavours from around the world. Fly Emirates and experience a whole new class of Economy.

- Generous baggage allowance ranging from 20 – 35kgs
- Over 2,500 channels of entertainment on-demand from every seat
- Ergonomically designed seats with adjustable headrests and up to 34-inch seat pitch
- World-class service from multilingual cabin crew
- Multi-course gourmet cuisine served with a selection of complimentary beverages
- Phone, SMS and email connectivity from every seat plus Wi-Fi onboard the Emirates A380

Business Class

From laid back to more upbeat, you'll find a range of inspirations in Emirates Business Class. Savour gourmet cuisine, laugh through the latest comedies or socialise in the Emirates A380 Onboard Lounge.

- Complimentary Chauffeur-drive Service in over 70 destinations
- Priority check-in and baggage handling
- Lie-flat seats with massage function
- Emirates A380 Onboard Lounge
- Multi-course gourmet cuisine served with award-winning wines
- Dedicated Emirates Lounges in over 35 destinations worldwide including Heathrow, Gatwick, Manchester, Birmingham and Glasgow
- Departure lounge access in over 60 destinations worldwide including Newcastle
- Generous 40kg baggage allowance

First Class

Retreat to a quiet space with personalised service designed around you and delivered right to the door of your very own Private Suite. Fly Emirates First Class and experience new heights of luxury.

- Complimentary Chauffeur-drive Service in over 70 destinations
- Priority check-in and baggage handling
- Flat-bed Private Suites with sliding doors for total privacy
- Personal in-seat mini bar
- Exclusive Shower Spas and Lounge onboard the Emirates A380
- Dine-on-demand service accompanied by the finest selection of wines
- Dedicated Emirates Lounges in over 35 destinations worldwide including Heathrow, Gatwick, Manchester, Birmingham and Glasgow
- Departure lounge access in over 60 destinations worldwide including Newcastle
- Generous 50kg baggage allowance

*Chauffeur-drive mileage radius may apply.



EMIRATES CABIN CREW



QANTAS INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS



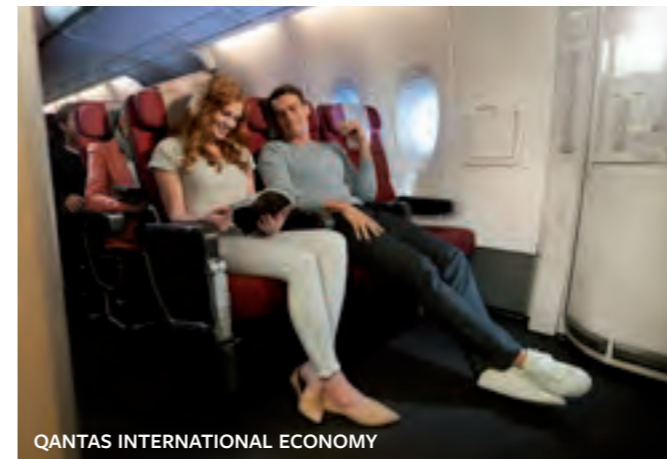
Qantas believes that your holiday to Australia starts as soon as you step on the aircraft, which is why they offer their customers more. This includes over 1000 inflight entertainment options and a generous 30kg for International Economy flights.

As winners of the Best Premium Economy Class Onboard Catering at the Skytrax World Airline Awards in 2016, their world class inflight dining includes larger portions and a greater menu variety on every flight, and you can enjoy their Rockpool-inspired cuisine, which showcases fresh, seasonal ingredients, on a weekly-changing menu created by Chef Neil Perry. Award-winning wines and prestige champagnes are the perfect accompaniment to your flight, with some of Australia's most iconic wines on offer. In fact, all of Qantas' wines are carefully chosen at the Annual Qantas Wine Tasting, where their chef and six Qantas Rockpool Sommeliers undergo the tricky task of choosing from 1,400 different wines and Champagnes. With Qantas, you'll feel like you're in Australia before you've even arrived.

Choose from four comfortable cabins – Economy, Premium Economy, Business, or First – and enjoy Qantas' friendly Australian hospitality, superior comfort and the peace of mind you're travelling to, and around, Qantas' home. With daily flights from London Heathrow to Sydney and Melbourne, both via Dubai, on Qantas' award-winning A380 – and onwards connections to over 60 destinations across Australia – there's no better way to fly.

Hop around Australia, for less

The Qantas Walkabout Pass offers you discounts on domestic tickets when you book with a Qantas International flight to Australia. This means you can do more, see more and experience more of Australia, with the security of having all your flights on the same ticket. With more than 30 destinations available on the pass to choose from, you can explore the iconic sights of the Sydney Opera House, Uluru and the Great Barrier Reef, or dive into nature and wildlife with penguins on Phillip Island, Kangaroo Island and the crocodiles at Kakadu. Speak to your Austravel agent today to find out how you can see more, for less, with the Qantas Walkabout Pass



QANTAS INTERNATIONAL ECONOMY



QANTAS PREMIUM ECONOMY



BUSINESS PREMIER

AIR NEW ZEALAND

As the airline that flies passengers on some of the world's longest routes award-winning Air New Zealand has one of the most innovative long haul flight experiences.

Air New Zealand go above and beyond to ensure your flight is as comfortable as possible while pampering you with all the quirks and perks of Kiwi hospitality. It's more than just great service and high-quality on-board product. It's the little extras and innovations of the aircraft that give you a taste of the country you're flying to, before you even get there. Think, free poured New Zealand wine, on demand snacks and drinks from the comfort of your seat and an entertainment system that starts from the moment you sit down, these are just some of the things you can look forward to.

Whether you choose their Economy cabin, designed with comfort and room in mind, their Premium Economy where you can enjoy more seat recline to stretch out and relax or their lie-flat bed in Business Premier, you are sure to experience the added luxuries that come with flying Air New Zealand.

As well as a daily flight from London to New Zealand via Los Angeles, Air New Zealand offers more ways to New Zealand with a range of attractive round the world stopover destinations using their partner airlines.

الإتحاد ETIHAD AIRWAYS

As the World's Leading Airline*, Etihad Airways are committed to making sure that every time guests fly, their journey is truly remarkable. With constant innovations and re-thinking the small things that make big differences to the way guests fly. Etihad offers three daily flights from London, twice daily from Manchester and a daily service from Edinburgh to Abu Dhabi and beyond to over 100 destinations. Onwards from Abu Dhabi they offer a double daily service to both Sydney and Melbourne and a daily flight to Brisbane and Perth. Through their partnership with Virgin Australia and Air New Zealand Etihad are also able to offer further domestic and international connections across Australia and New Zealand.

With outstanding on-board hospitality, hundreds of hours of on-demand entertainment, excellent meal options and some of the most luxurious seats in the sky, you will quickly learn why Etihad describes its customers as guests not passengers. Experience the choice of Economy Class, stretch out on a fully-flat-bed in Business Class, or relax in your own private suite in First Class. Flying Reimagined by Etihad.

*World Travel Awards 2015



BUSINESS CLASS



PREMIUM ECONOMY



Singapore Airlines operates four daily, non-stop flights from London Heathrow to Singapore as well as directly flying five times a week from Manchester to Singapore. From Singapore, passengers can experience seamless, convenient onward connections to eight gateway cities in Australia and three gateway cities in New Zealand. Its partner carrier, Virgin Australia, allows you to choose from over 47 exciting destinations spanning right across Australia and those venturing to New Zealand can enjoy increased frequencies and connections with alliance carrier Air New Zealand.

The airline's multi award winning 5* service offers an optimum level of comfort across all classes, including three-course gourmet cuisine and an extensive on demand in-flight entertainment, providing personal TV screens from 10.6" - 23" dependant on cabin class. With the new companion app, passengers can now plan their in-flight viewing before they even board the plane. Flying Singapore Airlines also means a hassle-free transfer through Singapore's award winning Changi Airport. As a holder of a Singapore Airlines Boarding pass, passengers can take advantage of a number of discount privileges both in the airport and around Singapore.

CATHAY PACIFIC

Based in Hong Kong with the option to stopover, Cathay Pacific is ideally positioned as the natural gateway to Asia, Australia and New Zealand. One of only 9 airlines to have been awarded a 5-Star rating by Skytrax, Cathay Pacific has a well-deserved reputation for providing a premium product and outstanding service.

Cathay Pacific now offers better-than-ever connectivity with non-stop services to Hong Kong four times weekly from London Gatwick, five times daily from London Heathrow and four times weekly from Manchester. From the Hong Kong hub passengers can connect seamlessly to over 170 destinations including 7 cities in Australia and New Zealand. Cathay Pacific operates Economy, Premium Economy, and Business cabins on all services out of the UK, with First class cabins also available on selected flights out of London Heathrow.

The new service from Gatwick's South Terminal is operated with its brand new Airbus A350-900 aircraft featuring and a state-of-the-art inflight entertainment system in all classes, passengers will be assured of the best inflight experience when they travel between London and Hong Kong.

Cathay Pacific believes that travelling well is an important part of living well. That's why it continually strives to enhance the overall travel experience, investing in developing its cabins, food and beverages and in-flight entertainment to offer passengers an unrivalled experience



PREMIUM ECONOMY



AUSTRALIA

A vast country of varying landscapes, Australia boasts a rich indigenous history dating back 50,000 years, tropical rainforests, red outback deserts, endless beautiful white-sand beaches, and not forgetting the world's largest and most spectacular coral reef.





INTRODUCTION TO AUSTRALIA

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

Currency – Australian Dollar (AUD)
Time difference – GMT +7 to GMT +10 (dependent on daylight saving)
Flying time – Approx. 23 hours
Climate – a fantastic year round destination, being in the Southern Hemisphere, the seasons are opposite to those in Europe. Summers extend from December to February, with winter in June to August. Northern Australia has a tropical climate with the traditionally wetter months from November to March.
Visa – all visitors to Australia (except New Zealand citizens) require an Electronic Travel Authority (ETA). This can be organised by your Travel Designer at the time of booking.

Three time zones, three million square miles, twenty three million people. Lush tropical rainforests, the azure waters of the Great Barrier Reef, and hard-baked red earth of the outback, Australia is a country begging to be explored. With mystical stories of Aboriginal Dreamtime and countless white-sand beaches, it's easy to see why so many visitors fall in love with its sophisticated cities, easy-going lifestyle, outstanding cuisine and New World wines.

TOP EXPERIENCES



Daintree Rainforest: Venture into Queensland's ancient tropical rainforest – just remember to watch out for those crocs!



Great Barrier Reef: Snorkel, dive or even fly over the stunning Great Barrier Reef – the world's largest living organism.



Uluru (Ayers Rock): Visit this immense and sacred monolith in the heart of the Red Centre.



Kangaroo Island: See native wildlife and rugged coastline in South Australia's 'zoo without fences'.



Sydney Harbour: Soak up the iconic views of the Opera House and Harbour Bridge.





WHAT'S ON IN AUSTRALIA

When planning your holiday to Australia, take a look at our top hand-picked events and festivals happening across the country. Whether you want to watch the Australian Open in Melbourne, enjoy a music festival in a lush vineyard setting, or tick New Year's in Sydney off your bucket list, there's an abundance of activities year-round to keep you entertained.

January

Australia Day, National

Australia Day provides the opportunity to come together and rejoice in the nation's achievements. Join in the celebrations with street parties and outdoor BBQ's, or see Perth's impressive firework display over Kings Park.

Australian Open, Melbourne

Played across a two week period, this major tennis tournament is the first Grand Slam of the year, with the finals fought out on court at the Rod Laver Arena.



February

Sand Sculpting Championships, Surfers Paradise

Watch as over 180 tonnes of sand is transformed into impressive sand sculptures on the Gold Coast. This annual free event is held over a weekend, with sculptors from around the world battling it out for the Championship title.

March

Australian Grand Prix, Melbourne

A favourite of both drivers and fans, the street circuit sees a high speed race through a combination of public roads at Albert Park.

Ten Days Festival, Tasmania

As Australia's only state wide international arts festival, this biennial event features international artists and events from island locations; a chance to explore stately homes, museums and theatres across the island.



April

Anzac Day, National

An annual remembrance of what war means to the people of Australia, as parades, marches and ceremonies take place across the country with Dawn Services commencing at sunrise.



May

Vivid Festival, Sydney

The annual light and music festival immerses the city of Sydney in vibrant colours. Enjoy an array of music performances and witness the Opera House transform with vivid projections covering the famous sails each evening.



June

Whale Watching, Queensland

The migration of the humpback whales begins in June, as they head north passing through the areas of the southern Great Barrier Reef.



July

Dry Season, Northern Territory

Visit the waterfront city of Darwin, and the spectacular national parks of Kakadu and Litchfield, as the monsoon seasons ends and flora begins to bloom on clear, crisp days.

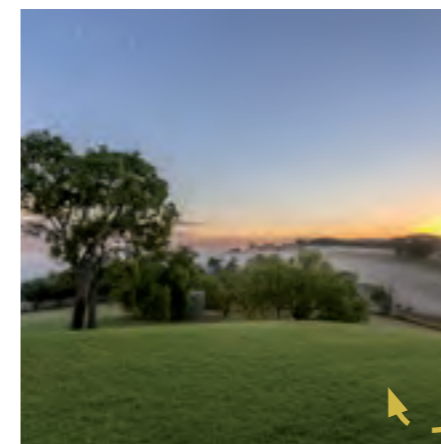
Camel Cup, Alice Springs

One of the most unusual races you will ever encounter, the Camel Cup is an annual race at Blatherskite Park in Central Australia, an hour from Alice Springs.

August

Hamilton Island Race Week, Queensland

Australia's favourite yachting event, sees scores of spectators and sailors head to the stunning Whitsunday Islands to see exciting racing through the azure Queensland waters.



October

Opera in the Vineyards, New South Wales

As the sun sets over the vineyards of the Hunter Valley, the spring air is filled with operatic notes at this unmissable event. Enjoy a spectacular evening of fine wine, gourmet food and fantastic music as you are surrounded by stunning views.

September

Fringe Festival, Melbourne

The Melbourne Fringe Festival is an art festival to showcase the city's metropolitan culture and creativity. With shows ranging from comedy and visual arts, to cabaret and dance, there is something for everyone.



November

Margaret River Gourmet Escape, Western Australia

Set in the scenic, rolling countryside of this famous wine region, the weekend is a culinary spectacle for food, wine and music lovers.

Melbourne Cup Carnival, Victoria

One of the most prestigious events in the racing calendar, the Melbourne Cup is a four day carnival attracting thousands to take a punt on the thoroughbreds taking part in the two mile course.



December

New Year's Eve, National

As the clock strikes midnight the world rejoices in the New Year. Celebrate in Sydney watching the fireworks from a rooftop bar, or splurge and see the celebrations from the famous harbour on a gourmet cruise.



FIRST TIME ESSENTIALS

The perfect introduction for your first time Down Under. Combine the Aussie icons of Sydney, the fiery red sands of the outback, and the spectacular colours of the Great Barrier Reef. At Austravel we want to make sure you're not missing out – so we'll pre-book your Sydney Harbour cruise, Blue Mountains day tour, sunset viewing along with a sunrise discovery walk at Uluru (Ayers Rock), plus a Skyrail gondola trip over Queensland's tropical rainforest, and last but certainly not least, a day on the one-and-only Great Barrier Reef. Leave it to us, and you just enjoy your holiday of a lifetime.



BLUE MOUNTAINS



SYDNEY HARBOUR

— TOURING —



RED CENTRE

Sydney Rock and Reef

12 day suggested itinerary from £1,275 per adult

DAY 1: SYDNEY

Land into Sydney and check in to your central hotel. With the rest of the day to explore – why not head to Circular Quay to get your first glimpse of the world famous Opera House, and iconic Harbour Bridge, before ending the day with dinner in the historic Rocks District right under the famous Bridge.

DAY 2: CRUISE THE HARBOUR

Spend a relaxing morning exploring the Harbour aboard Captain Cook's Harbour Story Cruise – the best way to get some great photos of the city. This afternoon why not head out to one of Sydney's famous beaches of Bondi or Manly, it's up to you!

DAY 3: BLUE MOUNTAINS

Venture out of Sydney to the famed Blue Mountains, where steep canyons meet lush eucalypt forests. See the magnificent Three Sisters rock formation, tour the small town of Leura and opt to take a ride on the world's steepest scenic railway.

DAY 4: DAY AT LEISURE

A free day to explore the city and its surroundings. Take a scenic seaplane flight, climb to the top of the Harbour Bridge, picnic in the manicured Botanical Gardens, and dine in one of the sumptuous waterfront restaurants.

DAY 5: RED CENTRE – SUNSET OVER THE ROCK

Leave the city behind and fly into the heart of the Red Centre (additional cost). Uluru (Ayers Rock) is visually stunning, and a major site of Aboriginal importance. This evening watch the sun set behind the glowing red monolith, colours changing as the light fades. A view to behold!

DAY 6: ULURU SUNRISE AND KATA TJUTA

An early start will be rewarded as the rising sun creates even more varied perspectives of Uluru. Walk part of the base of the rock, before heading to Kata Tjuta (Olgas) for a guided walk through Walpa Gorge.

DAY 7: QUEENSLAND ADVENTURE BEGINS

Fly from Ayers Rock to Cairns (additional cost), where the world heritage rainforest and Great Barrier Reef will offer yet another contrasting slice of Australia. Spend the rest of the day relaxing by the esplanade lagoon swimming pool, shopping in the famous night markets and enjoying a cold beer with the locals.

DAY 8: KURANDA AND TJAPUKAI ABORIGINAL CENTRE

Today is an adventure into the Atherton Tablelands, starting with a scenic rail journey through the rainforest up to Kuranda village. Explore the shops, markets and attractions, before joining the Skyrail gondola for a 4 mile trip high above the rainforest canopy.



DAY 9: GREAT BARRIER REEF CRUISE

Leave the land behind and spend an unforgettable day on the Great Barrier Reef with a Quicksilver catamaran to cruise to Agincourt Reef. With a spacious floating platform, there's opportunities to snorkel, dive, or stay dry with a semi-submersible tour.

DAY 10 & 11: DAYS AT LEISURE

We've left you two free days as the area has so much to offer! Choose to venture further north into the Daintree rainforest and Cape Tribulation, soar over the Tablelands aboard a hot air balloon, or head back to the water with a Low Isles cruise.

DAY 12: DEPART CAIRNS

Time to leave Cairns for the journey home – or maybe this is just the start! Extend your Australian adventure by visiting another state, and experience yet another side of this great and varied land.

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options.

Please Note: Prices are per person based on twin share and include eleven nights accommodation, and touring as mentioned. Supplements apply over special events and prices may vary with availability. Flights are not included.



AUSTRALIAN ADVENTURES

With a country as vast as Australia, it can be difficult to decide which highlights you want to visit – and that's where Austravel come in! We've broken down our favourite journeys and 5 of them can be found here; travel by car, camper or even rail – that's where our expert Travel Designers come in. Tailor-make your holiday of a lifetime!



TOURING

The East Coast

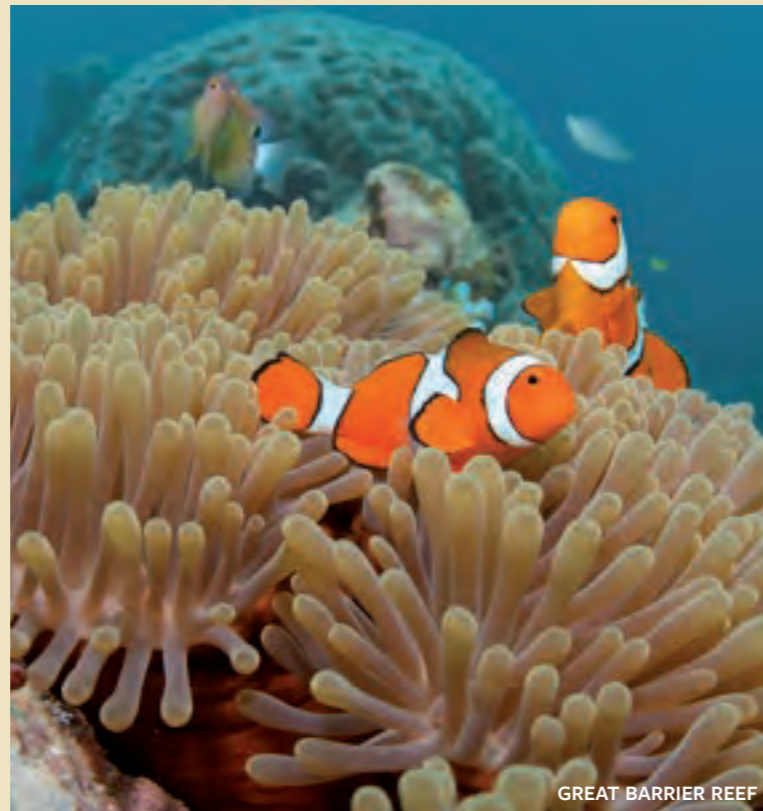
14 days Motorhome hire from £636 per adult

Ask anyone that's been to Australia their favourite spot, and chances are they'll mention somewhere on the dazzling East Coast. It has it all – from the iconic city of Sydney, travel up the beautiful Pacific Coast with hidden beaches and seaside towns. Crossing into Queensland the beaches will widen and the sea will turn turquoise. Make sure you allow time to cruise out to one of the islands so you can dip your toes in the waters lapping the Great Barrier Reef. The landscape turns green and luscious the further north you head, arriving into the rainforests surrounding Cairns you'll wish you could turn back and do it all again!

UNMISSABLE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Drive across the famous Harbour Bridge in Sydney
- Climb the sand dunes at Fraser Island and take a refreshing dip in the Champagne Pools
- Explore the cafés and restaurants of trendy Byron Bay
- Cruise to the outer Great Barrier Reef to meet the resident marine life
- Explore vast ancient rainforests of tropical north Queensland

Please note: Prices are per person based on twin share and include 14 days motorhome hire. Touring options are available at additional expense. For further details of motorhomes please see page 30.



GREAT BARRIER REEF



MELBOURNE

Melbourne and Hamilton Island

10 days suggested itinerary from £739 per adult

Melbourne boasts a melting pot of culture; lose yourself (literally) in the maze of laneways and arcades which zigzag across the city centre, home to delicious gelato counters, boutique shops and pop up restaurants. Wander the South Bank grabbing a takeaway coffee from one of the many specialist roasters, and jump on the tram to navigate like a local. After this it's time to relax! Head to Hamilton Island on a 3 hour flight and find yourself in the heart of the Great Barrier Reef. Make sure you fit in a trip to Whitehaven Beach with the whitest sands you'll ever make footprints in.

UNMISSABLE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Walk along the South Bank in Melbourne after sunset to watch the fire show at the Crown complex
- Catch the tram to St Kilda and dine al fresco whilst watching the world go by
- Take a day trip out to the Yarra Valley and taste some top local wines
- Hire a golf buggy and travel to One Tree Hill at the highest point of Hamilton Island for sunset cocktails
- See the Great Barrier Reef from high above on a spectacular heli flight

Please note: Prices are per person based on twin share and include 9 nights accommodation. Touring options are available at additional expense. Price excludes flight from Melbourne to Hamilton Island. For further details of Melbourne accommodation choices please see page 75 and for Hamilton Island please see page 56.

Perth and the West

14 days Motorhome hire from £636 per adult

There's two sides to the west coast of Australia; the south of Perth is luscious and green, with vineyards perched perfectly in rolling countryside. Vast forests of mighty Karri trees stand close to turquoise surf beaches, and the Margaret River is still largely undiscovered and a favourite weekend getaway of the locals, with gourmet cuisine, fabulous microbrewers and wine tastings in abundance. To the north the Coral Coast is home to vast gorges of burnt orange rock, sprawling National Parks, and a marine life haven. Travel between the months of April and July for the migration of some of the world's biggest fish – the whale shark.

UNMISSABLE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Walk out to the end of Busselton Jetty, stretching almost 2km out into the sea
- Spend the day sampling wines in the Margaret River – book a tour so someone else can drive!
- Stop off at Kalbarri National Park for a hike up to the spectacular Nature's Window
- Jump into the sparkling Indian Ocean to take a dip with the local marine life
- Relax on the beaches of Monkey Mia with the chance to hand feed the resident dolphins

Please note: Prices are per person based on twin share and include 14 days motorhome hire. Touring options are available at additional expense. For further details of Western Australia please see page 88.



VINEYARDS IN MARGARET RIVER



THE GHAN

Top to Bottom by Rail

10 days suggested itinerary from £1,625 per adult

The tropical top end of the Northern Territory is about as remote as it gets in Australia – the closest state capital is Adelaide, at over 2500km away. Crossing this vast land is a road trip of epic proportions, however the option to travel in luxury by rail is one taking up by hundreds of travellers each year on the Ghan. Discover Darwin and take time to head out to the National Parks to kayak in the clear waters of Katherine Gorge, before jumping aboard for an expedition across the heart of the outback. See the red earth flash by, stopping off in Alice Springs and soaring high over Uluru on a scenic flight before arriving into Adelaide.

UNMISSABLE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Explore the Mindil Beach night markets in Darwin grabbing a meal on the way round
- View ancient Aboriginal rock art climb to the top of Ubur rock – take your camera!
- Visit the home of the Flying Doctors in Alice Springs
- Head underground in Coober Pedy to see opal mines
- Celebrate your voyage with a chilled glass of Riesling in the Barossa Valley

Please note: Prices are per person based on twin share and include 6 nights accommodation and 3 nights on The Ghan. Touring options are available at additional expense. For further details of rail journeys please see page 36.

Explore Tasmania

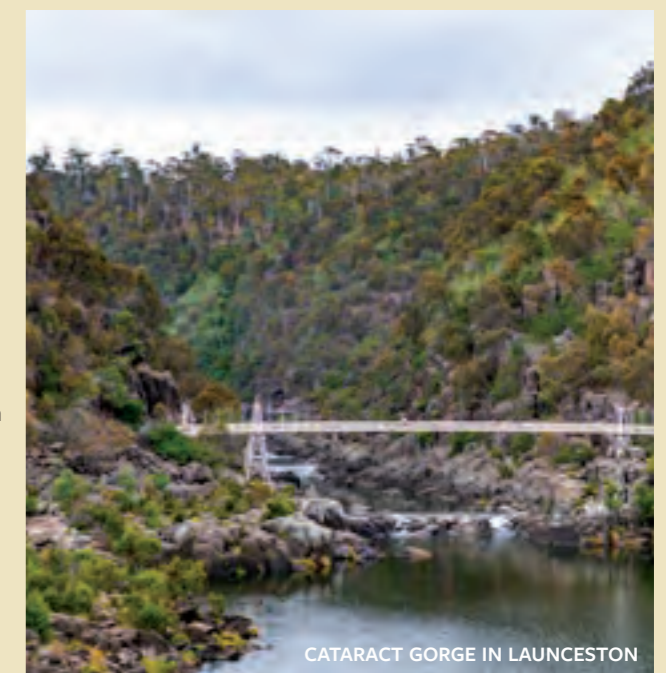
14 days Motorhome hire from £636 per adult

The sole island state of Australia was separated from the mainland around 12,000 years ago, and with almost half of the land designated as national park, it's an absolute haven for wildlife. Coupled with this Tasmania is home to a rich and often treacherous convict history, with some of the oldest settlements in the whole of the country. Exploring under your own steam is a great option on this compact island – from the city of Hobart on the southern coast to the peak of Cradle Mountain, and the glorious red rocks at the Bay of Fires.

UNMISSABLE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Visit the famous Salamanca markets on a Saturday in Hobart
- Allow plenty of time for the walk around Dove Lake at Cradle Mountain
- Pack a picnic and mingle with the locals at Cataract Gorge in Launceston
- Hang out with the resident penguins at Bicheno
- Spend a day (or longer!) hiking the trails of one of the Great Walks of Australia

Please note: Prices are per person based on twin share and include 14 days motorhome hire. Touring options are available at additional expense. For further details of Tasmania please see page 96.



CATARACT GORGE IN LAUNCESTON



GREAT WALKS OF AUSTRALIA

When you think of Australia you might envisage beaches, reefs and the Outback, but it's also home to some spectacular walking trails. From short hikes to epic treks, there's something for every level of adventure!

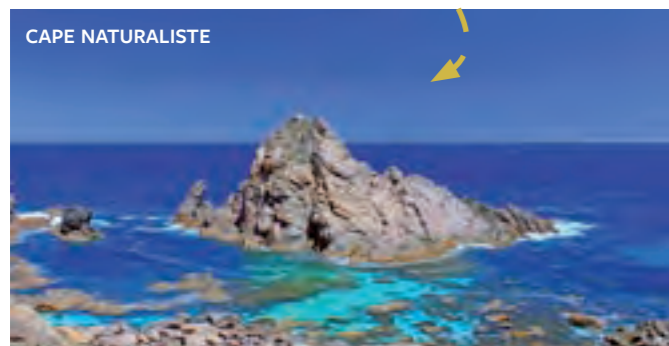


1 Margaret River – Cape to Cape

Graded: Easy to Moderate

Begin at the northern tip of the Margaret River by Cape Naturaliste, before spending four days exploring the coastline of the Margaret River, home to pristine beaches and ancient forests. Your home for two of the nights is Injidup Spa Retreat, where you can relax after a day's walking in your private plunge pool, before enjoying gourmet local produce. For more information please see page 91.

4 DAY WALK FROM £1,514 PER ADULT



CAPE NATURALISTE

2 The Larapinta Trail

Graded: Moderate to Hard

Trek the high ridgelines of Alice Springs as you walk through the ancient lands of the central outback. Perfect for seasoned hikers, this trek stays at stylish, semi-permanent wilderness campsites, all complete with the all-important hot showers and heated lounge tents.

6 DAY WALK FROM £1,633 PER ADULT

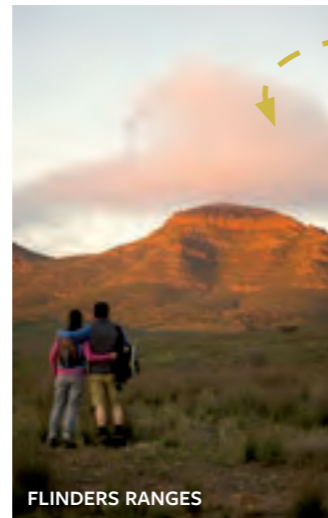


3 The Arkaba Walk

Graded: Moderate

The Flinders Ranges of South Australia are home to 600 million years of geological history, with craggy sandstone bluffs and dry river creeks. Join the specialist field guides who will take you on day walks to discover native birds, mammals and reptiles, before you spend the evenings indulging in a three-course camp dinner with a selection of fine South Australia wines at the beautifully restored 1850s homestead.

4 DAY WALK FROM £1,455 PER ADULT



FLINDERS RANGES



MAIN RANGE NATIONAL PARK

4 Scenic Rim Trail by Spicers

Graded: Easy to Moderate

Inland from the beaches and bustle of the Gold Coast lies south east Queensland's Main Range National Park, an area of ancient lands, volcanic plateaus and spectacular luxury retreats. Begin in the foothills before winding your way through state forests and national parks and overnighting at the Canopy Eco Lodge with time for a food and wine masterclass. Your last night is at Spicers Peak Lodge for well deserved pampering and exceptional food.

4 DAY TOUR FROM £1,388 PER ADULT

5 Twelve Apostles Lodge Walk

Graded: Moderate

The remote wilderness of this walk is located just two and a half hours from Melbourne, covering 55km of rugged coastline and dedicated walking trails, ending at the iconic Twelve Apostles with a helicopter flight included. There are marine sanctuaries to discover, remote beaches and stories of shipwrecks, with the promise of fantastic regional food and Victoria's best wines at the end of each day.

4 DAY WALK FROM £1,409 PER ADULT



CRADLE MOUNTAIN



TWELVE APOSTLES

6 Cradle Mountain Huts

Graded: Moderate to Hard

Explore the Cradle Mountain National Park in the heart of wilderness Tasmania on this 6 day trek. Your nightly stay is in eco-huts – the only private accommodation on the track, where your experienced guides will prepare a three course dinner each evening. Walks include the option to tackle Mt Ossa – Tasmania's highest peak, plus temperate rainforests and alpine meadows.

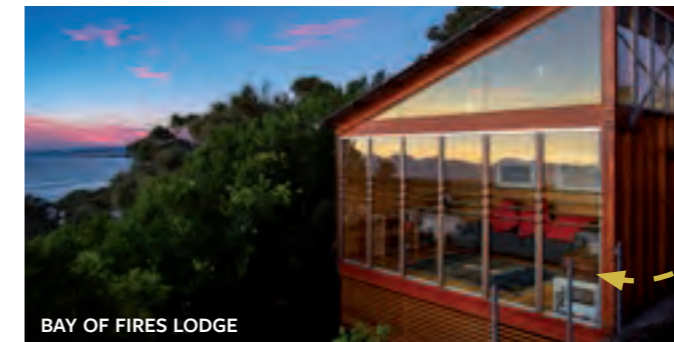
6 DAY WALK FROM £2,125 PER ADULT

7 The Maria Island Walk

Graded: Easy to Moderate

Situated off Tasmania's east coast, Maria Island is 100% national park, with a population of 2 rangers and 1 car. Home to a colourful convict heritage, elegant accommodation and pristine scenery, stay overnight in wilderness campsites just a stone's throw from empty beaches and turquoise waters.

4 DAY WALK FROM £1,485 PER ADULT



BAY OF FIRES LODGE



MARIA ISLAND

8 Bay of Fires Lodge Walk

Graded: Easy to Moderate

At the north east tip of Tasmania lies a stretch of wilderness coastline with dramatic landscapes, ecology and wildlife. Walk the sandy beaches, discover coves and kayak on the Ansons River. Two nights of your walk are spent at the Bay of Fires Lodge, set 40 metres above the beach and boasting the finest Tasmanian local produce and world class wines.

4 DAY WALK FROM £1,649 PER ADULT

9 Freycinet Experience

Graded: Easy to Moderate

Hike the rarely explored pink granite mountains of the Freycinet National Park, home to diverse wildlife, secluded turquoise bays and rich coastal forests. Take the challenging walk over Mount Graham or a leisurely coastal walk to reach spectacular Wineglass Bay; whichever route you choose you'll only need to carry your camera! Stay overnight at Friendly Beaches Lodge with its informal atmosphere and delicious meals.

4 DAY WALK FROM £1,455 PER ADULT



FREYCINET NATIONAL PARK



AUSTRALIA'S WILDLIFE

Australia is renowned for its unique wildlife and no trip would be complete without taking the time to get up close and personal with some of its most famous residents. Whether it's snorkelling the Great Barrier Reef, holding a koala or hand feeding dolphins, these experiences provide a unique opportunity to meet some of Australia's most extraordinary creatures.

DAY TOURS

1 Tasmanian Devil

With accessible wilderness and plenty of wildlife sanctuaries, Tasmania is the ideal destination to get up close with native Australian animals. It's also the one place on earth you'll find a Tasmanian devil in the wild. Take a visit to Bonorong Wildlife sanctuary and join one of the unique and in-depth guided tours.

DAY TOUR FROM £95 PER ADULT



TASMANIAN DEVIL

2 Penguins at Phillip Island

Experience Victoria's wildlife island featuring spectacular scenery, charming heritage and an abundance of Australian wildlife including one of the largest Little Penguin colonies in the world - each day at sunset they emerge from the sea and waddle across the beach to their sand dune burrows.

DAY TOUR FROM MELBOURNE FROM £84 PER ADULT



PENGUINS ON PHILLIP ISLAND



3 Great Ocean Road - Koala Spotting

Stretching from Geelong to Portland in South West Victoria the landscape along the Great Ocean Road is rich and diverse. Take a day tour from Melbourne if you're short on time, search for koalas in the wild and see the spectacular sea stacks of the Twelve Apostles.

DAY TOUR FROM £79 PER ADULT



GREAT OCEAN ROAD



SALTWATER CROCODILE

4 Crocodiles in the Top End

The northern coastal area of Australia is a huge, diverse wilderness where the crocodile is king. See massive saltwater Crocodiles in the Yellow River and explore Kakadu National Park; home to 3 species of crocodile.

DAY TOUR FROM £157 PER ADULT

5 Whalesharks in Western Australia

Experience an incredible day snorkelling with the largest fish in the ocean - up to 18m long! Snorkel with these gentle giants of the ocean, and cruise the waters of Ningaloo Reef searching for dolphins, turtles, rays and dugongs. A gourmet buffet lunch is served and drinks are also supplied. Snorkel equipment is provided free of charge.

DAY TOUR FROM EXMOUTH FROM £236 PER ADULT



NINGALOO REEF WHALESHARK



MORETON ISLAND

6 Dolphins at Tangalooma

Located on Moreton Island just 75 minutes from Brisbane, the highlight of any visit is the opportunity to hand feed one of the bottlenose dolphins that visit the shores each evening at sunset. The Marine Education and Conservation Centre is also based on the island with an enthusiastic team of Eco Rangers.

DAY TOUR FROM £166 PER ADULT



HERON ISLAND



ECHIDNA AT KANGAROO ISLAND

7 Kangaroo Island

Easily accessible from Adelaide is South Australia's Kangaroo Island, a haven for wildlife lovers who want an intimate experience with Australia's beautiful native animals. Take time to explore while wallabies, echidnas, 267 species of birds, penguins, koalas and of course kangaroos relax in their natural environment.

DAY TOUR FROM £171 PER ADULT

8 Turtles on Heron Island

A protected habitat for green and loggerhead turtles, Heron Island is home to an amazing array of wildlife year round. Turtles will begin to come ashore to lay eggs in November through to March, when you can see the hatchlings emerging from the sand.

FROM £94 PER ADULT PER NIGHT

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LUXURY AUSTRALIA

With secluded island getaways, and stylish outback retreats, Australia boasts world-class accommodation in some of the most spectacular locations on the planet. Austravel highly recommends adding any of these hand-picked properties to your itinerary for that little bit of extra indulgence while you're on holiday. Relax, enjoy and unwind.



Shangri-La Hotel, Sydney

SYDNEY, NEW SOUTH WALES

★★★★★

Perfectly located between the Opera House and the Harbour Bridge in the historic Rocks area, the Shangri-La Hotel Sydney enjoys a commanding position on Sydney's spectacular waterfront, with uninterrupted views of the Harbour. Altitude Fine Dining Restaurant and Blu Bar on 36 are two of the most sought after locations in Sydney for signature cocktails and fine dining experiences with breathtaking harbour views. Visit CHI, The Spa for revitalising treatments in the most luxurious private spa suites in Sydney.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £106 PER ADULT



COMO The Treasury

PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

★★★★★

Occupying state buildings dating from the 19th century and packed full of heritage features, the 48 rooms at the COMO offer contemporary luxury in the heart of the city. With heated floors, deep bathtubs and motorised window shades, you'll never want to leave! Pamper yourself at the COMO Shambala Spa before enjoying dinner at Wildflower – an elegant rooftop restaurant with sweeping views over the Swan River.

FROM £171 PER ADULT

Spicers Balfour Hotel

BRISBANE, QUEENSLAND

★★★★★

This award winning boutique hotel is located in the fashionable suburb of New Farm, just minutes from Brisbane city centre. The Balfour Kitchen is an intimate neighbourhood restaurant, open for breakfast, lunch and dinner with a small courtyard shaded by Frangipani trees.

FROM £89 PER ADULT



Southern Ocean Lodge

KANGAROO ISLAND, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

★★★★★

Exclusive and award-winning, this world-class lodge at Kangaroo Island offers an unforgettable blend of contemporary luxury and pure nature. Twenty-one luxurious suites welcome panoramic views of the great Southern Ocean and boundless coastal wilderness, and feature custom furnishings, lavish lounge and sleeping areas, glass-surround ensuites and private outdoor terraces. Naturalist guides lead guests to a first-hand experience of the abundant wildlife on 'Australia's Galapagos', whilst the Southern Spa features signature treatments with Kangaroo Island botanicals designed to relax and rejuvenate.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £684 PER ADULT



qualia

HAMILTON ISLAND, QUEENSLAND

★★★★★

qualia is nestled neatly in the northern most tip of Hamilton Island, surrounded by the unsurpassed beauty of the Great Barrier Reef. Its distinctive Australian style combined with secluded location and intuitive service makes it a stunning resort of world-class standard. All of the luxurious hillside pavilions boast postcard views of the Whitsundays.

REDUCED RATES - Selected dates

FROM £367 PER ADULT

Lizard Island

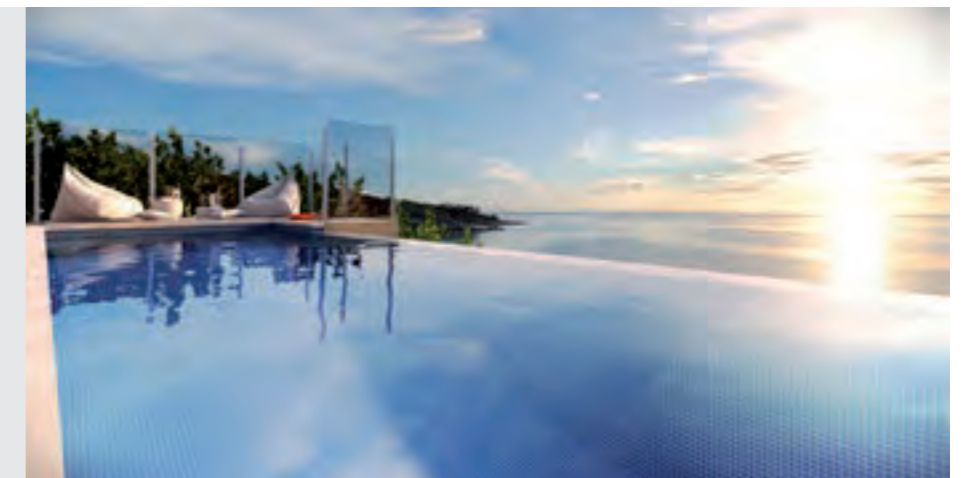
GREAT BARRIER REEF, NORTHERN QUEENSLAND

★★★★★

Lizard Island Resort is located right on the Great Barrier Reef, accessible by short flight from Cairns, fringed with coral reefs and 24 powdery white beaches. With spectacular diving and snorkelling opportunities, discover secluded, pristine beaches by foot or by motorised dinghy with a gourmet picnic just for two.

FREE TRANSFERS - Selected dates

FROM £616 PER ADULT



LUXURY AUSTRALIA

Australia is home to some of the most spectacular wilderness lodges and luxury camps – stay in a safari suite with native wildlife on your doorstep, fly by seaplane to stay within frontier Aboriginal lands, or helicopter to a volcanic peak to relax at a hilltop retreat. Or combine them all for the journey of a lifetime!



Bamurru Plains
KAKADU NATIONAL PARK, NORTHERN TERRITORY
★★★★★

Located just to the west of Kakadu National Park on the Mary River floodplains, Bamurru Plains has a profusion of wildlife on its doorstep. The unique bush camp exudes 'Wild Bush Luxury' and brings a touch of style to the remote and beautiful wilderness. Each safari suite is designed to blend into the surrounding bush, and opens guests up to the sights and sounds of the myriad of wildlife close by. The exclusive retreat offers all the creature comforts, and allows you to escape from the daily grind.
FROM £183 PER ADULT



Longitude 131
AYERS ROCK, NORTHERN TERRITORY
★★★★★

Simply one of the best wilderness hotels in the world. Stay in one of fifteen tented sanctuaries, enjoying panoramic, uninterrupted views of Uluru and the surrounding desert landscape.
FROM £828 PER ADULT

Spicers Peak Lodge
NEAR MARYVALE, QUEENSLAND
★★★★★

Perched on the top of Queensland's Scenic Rim, stay in one of the sumptuous suites, or in a private lodge dotted throughout the beautiful estate. At Australia's highest non-alpine lodge, there are activities galore, from bush walking, 4WD tours, guided hikes or mountain biking tours. Alternatively sit back in Spa Anise for one of the signature treatments, before enjoying fresh, local produce and regional wines in The Peak restaurant, all just a two hour drive from Brisbane.
FROM £384 PER ADULT



Saffire
FREYCINET NATIONAL PARK, TASMANIA
★★★★★

Saffire Freycinet delivers sophisticated and intimate style in a new luxury sanctuary on the east coast of Tasmania. With breathtaking views over Great Oyster Bay, Hazard Mountains and the Freycinet Peninsula, all suites are luxuriously appointed with only the best in design and furnishing. Relax and rejuvenate at Spa Saffire which offers a wide variety of treatments and therapies, before indulging in the fine dining restaurant with the best in regional produce and gourmet cuisine.
SPA CREDIT - Selected dates
FROM £716 PER ADULT



Berkeley River
THE KIMBERLEY, WESTERN AUSTRALIA
★★★★★

Only accessible by air or water, Berkeley River is barefoot luxury at its best. Situated in the Kimberley Region, immerse yourself in the unique Outback wilderness, whilst enjoying supreme comfort and service. Stay in one of just twenty ocean view suites on a coastal sand dune which boast stunning views. Join the onsite experts for their nightly stargazing show.
FROM £336 PER ADULT

Wolgan Valley Resort & Spa
BLUE MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK, NEW SOUTH WALES
★★★★★

Nestled in the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage region the resort lies within its own 4,000 acre private conservation and wildlife reserve and is the first carbon neutral resort in the world. 40 luxury individual suites, each with its own swimming pool, are complemented by a main homestead offering distinctive dining, luxury facilities and the stand-alone Timeless Spa.
HONEYMOON OFFER - Selected dates
FROM £758 PER ADULT





AVIS AUSTRALIA












When travelling through Australia, the journey is part of the adventure. Pick up a car and explore Australia's scenic countryside, rugged coastlines or wild Outback at your own pace. Driving in Australia is easy – and whether you need a small run-around to explore the local area when staying with family, or a 4WD to take on the Red Centre, Avis Australia will have the car for you. To make it even easier Austravel and Avis have joined together to create some essential self drive itineraries – with all your overnight accommodation pre-booked.

All these self drives come with a handy backpack containing maps, day by day driving instructions and even hints on where you should stop for photo opportunities.

Alternatively if you like a little freedom you can create your own trip – just ask our expert Travel Designers to help you plan.



DISCOVER THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

 <p>Compact Automatic Hyundai i20 or similar (Group B) from £45 per day</p> <p>Seating Capacity: 5 Luggage: 2</p>	 <p>Intermediate Toyota Corolla or similar (Group C) from £46 per day</p> <p>Seating Capacity: 5 Luggage: 3</p>	 <p>Standard Nissan Pulsar or similar (Group D) from £46 per day</p> <p>Seating Capacity: 5 Luggage: 3</p>
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Prices Include:-

- Unlimited miles (excludes remote locations)
- Collision /Loss Damage Waiver (CDW)
- Goods & Services Tax (GST)
- Vehicle Registration fee (VRF)
- Premium Location Surcharge (PLS)

Prices Exclude:-

(Payable at time of pick up)

- One Way rental fees
 - Refuelling Costs
 - Excess Reduction (optional)
 - Excess kilometres charge
 - Optional extras (e.g child seats)
- For full terms and conditions see austravel.com

Free Backpack

Receive a free backpack with every Austravel self drive. The backpack comes complete with maps and guide - make sure you book a night before your self drive to plan your trip and we will deliver your backpack to your hotel.



TOP AUSTRALIAN SELF DRIVES

- **PACIFIC COAST EXPLORER**
Head north from Sydney towards Brisbane, exploring the wineries of the Hunter Valley, spot dolphins at Port Stephens and not forgetting laid back Byron Bay (see page 46).
- **GREAT OCEAN ROAD**
One of the world's most famed drives, along the Shipwreck Coast from Melbourne to Adelaide. As well as the Twelve Apostles rock formations there are beaches, bays and koalas aplenty (see page 76).
- **GRAND CIRCLE TASMANIA**
Discover the wilderness of Tasmania's many national parks as you circumnavigate Australia's island state. Hop out and walk one of the trails of Cradle Mountain, or relax on a beach at Freycinet. A visit to Bonorong to see the Tasmanian Devils is a must (see page 98).

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Hiring an Apollo Motorhome allows you the space and freedom to travel at your own pace and combines your transport with accommodation. You'll also enjoy the reliability and security of Australasia's largest privately owned vehicle rental operator behind you, with options and services to make every adventure complete. Apollo offer an independent and affordable way to travel around Australia.



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- Kitchen equipment & bedding
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Book Early and Save Up To 40% On Prices

For full hire conditions please refer to austravel.com

It is possible to book a campervan for any of the routes included in our self drive tours – ask your expert Travel Designer for details!



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With 180 locations across Australia, BIG4 campsites are the perfect places to park up your Apollo Motorhome for the night. With fantastic facilities from water playgrounds, BBQ areas and lagoon swimming pools; booking a pass in advance saves you both time and money.

PARK PASSES FROM £35 PER NIGHT



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2 BERTH - EURO TOURER
from £91 per day



4 BERTH - EURO CAMPER
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from £130 per day



2 BERTH - 4WD ADVENTURE CAMPER
from £145 per day



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APT ESCORTED TOURING AUSTRALIA

With a comprehensive range of escorted holiday experiences in both Australia and New Zealand, APT is a family owned company which has been operating since 1927. APT and Austravel share the same passion, experience, and unrivalled expertise for these destinations. Travelling with APT you can be sure that with any tour you choose to take, you will see not only the famous sights, but some hidden gems too.

On these pages are a small selection of APT's tours available for Australia, but for the full range please ask for a copy of Austravel's Essential Touring brochure, or refer to Austravel.com.



The APT Difference:

- Experienced guides, drivers and tour directors
- Range of touring styles
- Sightseeing and more!
- Hand picked accommodation
- Unique dining experiences



East Coast Adventure

13 Day Premium Escorted Tour from £3,195 per adult

This twelve day guided tour travels the famous East Coast of Australia, from cosmopolitan Sydney, via the reef fringed Whitsunday Islands, to the tropics of Cairns, and is a popular introduction to all things Aussie. (TQC13)

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Sunbathe and relax on the glorious beaches of the Gold Coast
- Wildlife experience at the world famous Australia Zoo as founded by Steve Irwin
- Two night stays on both Fraser and Daydream Island
- Opportunities to snorkel the Great Barrier Reef at Whitehaven Beach
- All transportation, overnight accommodation, 12 breakfasts and 2 feature meals
- Shorter options from Brisbane to Cairns available, or in reverse.

BOOK EARLY AND SAVE - SELECTED DATES



FRASER ISLAND



ULURU (AYERS ROCK)

Discover Australia

18 Day Premium Escorted Tour from £3,595 per adult

The ultimate introduction to Australia. Incorporating Western Australia, the Red Centre, the tropics and Great Barrier Reef, cosmopolitan Melbourne, and ending your journey in spectacular Sydney.



PERTH

There's a perfect balance between leisure time, and optional add-on activities which will take your breath away (TMUK18).

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Cruise the Swan River in Perth and explore beautiful Kings Park
- Climb the MacDonnell Ranges for panoramic views across Alice Springs from the top of Anzac Hill
- Enjoy a glass of wine as the sunsets over the iconic monolith of Ayers Rock
- Snorkel in a sheltered coral lagoon and visit an underwater observatory in the heart of the Great Barrier Reef
- Wander the banks of the Yarra River, stop for a coffee in Federation Square or dine on the South Bank with views over Melbourne city



TE ANAU, FIORDLAND, NEW ZEALAND

Discover Australia & New Zealand

Did you know you can maximise your time on the ground by combining both of these magnificent countries. Price includes premium accommodation, domestic flights and selected meals, meaning all you'll have to worry about is what clothes to pack!

See pages 122 and 123 for further information on touring New Zealand with APT.

33 DAY PREMIUM ESCORTED TOUR FROM £6,295 PER ADULT INCLUDING DOMESTIC FLIGHTS

— TOURING —

- Step inside the Sydney Opera House for a guided tour of this famous building, before fish and chips overlooking Bondi Beach
- All transportation, overnight accommodation, 17 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 3 feature meals

BOOK EARLY AND SAVE - SELECTED DATES



Grand Australian Discovery

17 Day Premium Escorted Tour from £4,195 per adult

Combine the bright lights of Sydney with the beaches of Queensland, and the serenity of the Red Centre. Let APT guide you along the magnificent east coast, home to bustling surf towns and wilderness islands. Sail high above the rainforest on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway, before treading the red earth of the Outback at the sacred site of Uluru. (TQC17)

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Enjoy a dinner cruise on Sydney Harbour
- Explore and stay for two nights on Fraser Island, an eco-wonderland with unique natural wonders
- Relaxing two night stay on Daydream Island in the heart of the Great Barrier Reef
- Tour the base of Ayers Rock, Australia's most recognisable natural wonder
- All transportation, overnight accommodation, 12 breakfasts and 2 feature meals

BOOK EARLY AND SAVE - SELECTED DATES



SYDNEY



YOUTH ADVENTURE WITH TOPDECK



Get off the beaten track and explore Australia on an escorted youth adventure with Topdeck, a perfect mix of budget accommodation with heaps of great excursions for 18 to 30-somethings. With options for shared or private rooms, and some meals already included, it's the best way to easily budget your spending money whilst away. Go in depth with 5 day discovery trips, or explore further on extended adventures – you can book trips separately, or join them together for the ultimate Australian experience.



TOURING

Sydney Explorer

5 Day Escorted Tour
from £409 per adult (multi-share)

Explore Sydney from the famous sights to the awesome beaches! Travel up the coast to Port Stephens where you can upgrade to an amazing Sand Dune Quad Bike tour. Head inland to the Hunter Valley wine region before exploring the Blue Mountains.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Brisbane Water National Park with Aboriginal tour and bush tucker
- Wine tasting in the Hunter Valley
- Rainforest walks and adventure in the Blue Mountains

Please note: Includes all transportation, overnight shared facilities and some meals (Topdeck: Tours: AATMSS)



SYDNEY

Top End Explorer - Darwin

5 Day Escorted Tour
from £579 per adult (multi-share)

Discover Outback Australia on this adventure through the Top End, home to ancient Aboriginal art sites, spectacular national parks and tranquil gorges.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Enjoy an evening BBQ as the sun sets in Kakadu National Park
- Spot crocs on an East Alligator River cruise
- Paddle the waters of dramatic Katherine Gorge

Please note: Includes all transportation, overnight shared facilities and some meals (Topdeck: Tours: AATMDD)

Tropical Explorer - Cairns

5 Day Escorted Tour
from £409 per adult (multi-share)

Head north up the Captain Cook highway into the Daintree National Park, exploring ancient rainforest and coastal beaches. With the option to add on a Great Barrier Reef cruise or Zip Lining (additional expense) there's plenty to do! Explore the Atherton Tablelands with secret swimming spots in the volcanic crater lake, this is an ideal way to explore tropical Queensland.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Watch the sun set from the spectacular beach at Cape Trib
- Take a swim in the waters of Mossman Gorge
- Hike through rainforest to Milla Milla falls

Please note: Includes all transportation, overnight shared facilities and some meals (Topdeck: Tours: AATMCC)



THE DEVIL'S MARBLES, RED CENTRE

Rock 'N' Top

12 Day Escorted Tour
from £1,559 per adult (multi-share)

Follow in the footsteps of the Pioneers on this extraordinary journey from Alice Springs through the heart of the Outback to Darwin, via the national parks of Kakadu and Litchfield.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- View the sun rise over the Ayers Rock and discover Aboriginal culture
- Hike the Rim Walk at Kings Canyon and take a dip at the Garden of Eden
- Two nights in Katherine with canoeing trip into the Gorge
- Explore Kakadu National Park and croc spot at East Alligator River
- Swim at the waterfalls of Litchfield

Please note: Includes all transportation, overnight shared facilities and most meals (Topdeck: AARTUD)

Uluru Explorer – Alice Springs

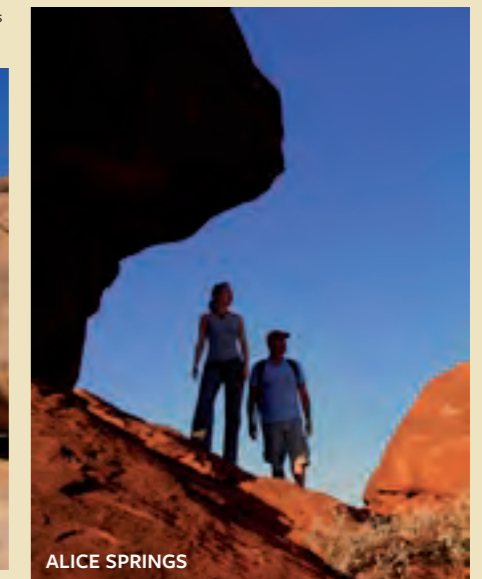
5 Day Escorted Tour
from £529 per adult (multi-share)

Travel from the outback town of Alice Springs across the red earth to Uluru for a desert sunset you'll never forget. Explore Kata Tjuta and its red domes, star gazing to learn about the southern skies. Hike the Rim Walk at Kings Canyon for breathtaking views and amazing photos!

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Outback BBQ feast at Ayers Rock Resort
- Full base walk of Uluru with chance to view Aboriginal rock art
- Dinner under the stars at Kings Canyon and a night in a swag

Please note: Includes all transportation, overnight shared facilities and some meals (Topdeck: Tours: AATMUU)



ALICE SPRINGS

Island Suntanner

14 Day Escorted Tour from £1,759 per adult (quad-share)

Twin Share available from £2,089 per adult (sailing still multi-share)

Set off from Sydney along the iconic Australian east coast to the tropical north and Cairns on this popular adventure.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Two nights in the surf mecca of Byron Bay, plus an overnight stay in Surfers Paradise
- Full day trip to world's largest sand island of Fraser Island
- Swap the coast for the outback with a real Aussie farm stay
- Sail the Whitsundays and stay overnight

Please note: Includes all transportation, overnight shared facilities and most meals (Topdeck: AAISSC)



EXPLORE AUSTRALIA BY RAIL

Australia is a vast country that takes time to explore, so we recommend that you embark on an epic rail journey as part of your itinerary. Travel between Perth and Sydney via Adelaide on the Indian Pacific, or between Darwin and Adelaide via Alice Springs on The Ghan, where the stunning backdrops and first class service will make this one of the highlights of your trip.

Gold Service

Gold Service twin cabins include private washbasin, shower and toilet facilities. The cabin is spacious offering a 3-seater lounge. Single cabins have private washbasin facilities, with toilets and showers located at the end of the carriage. During the day you can relax in the privacy of your cabin and at night this converts to a single or upper and lower sleeping berth. Gold Service also includes dining in the stylish Restaurant Car and complimentary beverages during your journey, plus Off Train Excursions.



Platinum Service

Upgrade to Platinum for a heightened level of comfort for your onboard experience. Your spacious private lounge-style cabin has panoramic views to each side and a personalised cabin steward service. Platinum also includes access to the Platinum Club for onboard meals, complimentary beverages, plus Off Train Excursions.



The Ghan

Embark on the ultimate rail adventure through the heart of Australia aboard one of the world's greatest trains, The Ghan. From the tropics of the Top End to the ancient Red Centre and South Australia's rich food and wine bowl, immerse yourself in the intriguing history, colourful characters and awe-inspiring vistas that embody the Australian Outback. All journeys aboard The Ghan include off train excursions, taking guests to the country's most remote locations for a true Outback sunrise or sunset experience. The Ghan Expedition departing Darwin from May to October '17 also features touring in the fascinating underground mining town of Coober Pedy.



TIMETABLE: Adelaide – Alice Springs – Darwin

- **Departs Adelaide** – Sundays at 12.15
Arrives Alice Springs – Mondays at 13.45
- **Departs Alice Springs** – Mondays at 18.15
Arrives Darwin – Tuesdays at 17.30

TIMETABLE: Darwin - Alice Springs – Adelaide (April '17 and Nov '17 to March '18)

- **Departs Darwin** – Wednesdays at 10.00
Arrives Alice Springs – Thursdays at 09.10
- **Departs Alice Springs** – Thursdays at 12.45
Arrives Adelaide – Fridays at 13.00

The Ghan Expedition operates from May to Oct '17, departing Wednesday from Darwin and arriving on Saturday into Adelaide – including an afternoon at Katherine, a full day excursion from Alice Springs and full day at Coober Pedy.

Prices From

Adelaide to Alice Springs or vice versa
Gold Service £715 Platinum £1,506

Alice Springs to Darwin or vice versa
Gold Service £715 Platinum £1,506

Adelaide to Darwin or vice versa
Gold Service £1,319 Platinum £2,193

Please Note: Prices are per person based on twin share. Timetables are valid from 1 April '17 and are subject to change. The Ghan does not operate between 17 Dec '17-17 Jan '18.



Indian Pacific



From the shores of the Indian Ocean to the Pacific coast, the Indian Pacific takes you on a transcontinental adventure like no other. Explore the vastness of the Nullarbor Plain, lush southern valleys and majestic Blue Mountains, as you cross Australia on one of the world's most epic rail journeys.

TIMETABLE: Sydney – Adelaide – Perth

- **Departs Sydney** – Wednesdays at 15.00
Arrives Adelaide – Thursdays at 15.15
- **Departs Adelaide** – Thursdays at 21.25
Arrives Perth – Saturdays at 15.00

Travelling Sydney to Perth, guests can experience Broken Hill, the Barossa Valley wine region, Cook and Outback dining in Rawlinna.

TIMETABLE: Perth – Adelaide – Sydney

- **Departs Perth** – Sundays at 09.00
Arrives Adelaide – Tuesdays at 07.20
- **Departs Adelaide** – Tuesdays at 10.15
Arrives Sydney – Wednesdays at 11.30

From Perth visit Kalgoorlie, enjoy breakfast at Rawlinna, the Outback outpost of Cook, Adelaide and Broken Hill, before arriving into Sydney.

Prices From

Sydney to Adelaide or vice versa from
Gold Service £558 Platinum £895

Adelaide to Perth or vice versa from
Gold Service £1,156 Platinum £1,884

Sydney to Perth or vice versa from
Gold Service £1,564 Platinum £ 2,530

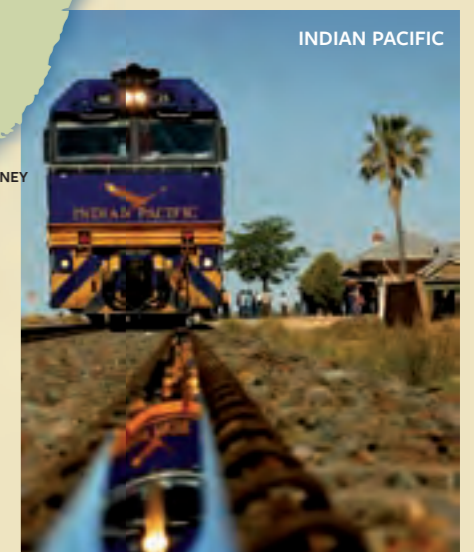
Please Note: Prices are per person based on twin share. Timetables are valid from 1 April '17 and are subject to change.

Please see austravel.com for full details



Routes:

- Indian Pacific
- The Ghan
- Off Train Excursion





QUEENSLAND RAIL

Along the East Coast, the Tilt Train has been named as one of the top rail journeys in the world, whilst the Spirit of Queensland offers revolutionary new RailBeds, a first for rail in Australia.



Rail Passes

If you don't fancy driving around Australia then a Rail Pass is an ideal way to discover more. There are various options and these passes can provide flexibility and unlimited travel along the most popular routes. The Queensland Coastal Pass allows unlimited stopovers in one direction from Brisbane to Cairns (or vice versa).

1 MONTH COASTAL PASS FROM £124 PER ADULT
2 MONTH COASTAL PASS FROM £168 PER ADULT

With unlimited travel in any direction on all trains on the Queensland network, the Explorer Pass offers complete flexibility to discover all this diverse state has to offer.

1 MONTH EXPLORER PASS FROM £174 PER ADULT
2 MONTH EXPLORER PASS FROM £226 PER ADULT

Spirit of Queensland

Travelling the state's coastline from Brisbane to Cairns, this new service also includes the revolutionary RailBed seats that convert to lie-flat beds for overnight travel, plus state of the art personal entertainment system with on-demand movies, music and audio books.

TIMETABLE:

Northbound

- Departs Brisbane at 15:45 Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri & Sat and arriving next day into Cairns at 15:45.

Southbound

- Departs Cairns at 09:00 Mon, Wed, Thu & Sun and arriving next day into Brisbane at 09:00.

Brisbane to Cairns from £215 per adult (Premium Economy seat)

Brisbane to Cairns from £299 per adult (RailBed including all meals)



SPIRIT OF QUEENSLAND

Tilt Train

Reaching up to 160km per hour, the Tilt Train gets its name because it gently tilts to take curves at speed and delivers its passengers faster than any other train. Travelling between Brisbane and Rockhampton, the Tilt stops at Maryborough West for Fraser Island, giving you quick and easy access to some of the best areas in Australia.

TIMETABLE:

Northbound

- Departs Brisbane at 11:00 on Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat & Sun. Arrives Maryborough at 14:30, and Rockhampton 18:25 the same day.

Brisbane to Maryborough from £58 per adult (Business Class)

Brisbane to Rockhampton from £108 per adult (Business Class)



TILT TRAIN

Explore Queensland by Rail

One month pass from £174 per adult
 Two month pass from £226 per adult
 The Queensland Rail flexible Explorer passes are perfect for those with time on their side - allowing unlimited travel on the majority of services in Queensland, including the famous Tilt Train and Spirit of Queensland.

With the ability to purchase for durations of either one or two months, you'll be sure not to miss some of the iconic beaches, islands and cosmopolitan cities in Queensland.

UNMISSABLE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Explore the city of Brisbane and take a dip in the man-made lagoon at the South Bank
- Jump off the train at Maryborough and catch the coach to Hervey Bay - the gateway to the unique Fraser Island!
- Head inland to the heart of the outback in Longreach and visit the Qantas Outback Museum
- Stop off at Airlie Beach and sail the clear waters of the Whitsundays, making sure to walk along the gorgeous white sands of Whitehaven Beach

Please note: Prices are per person, touring and accommodation suggestions are available at additional expense.



Routes:

- Spirit of Queensland
- Tilt Train





NEW SOUTH WALES

TOP EXPERIENCES

- Take a harbour cruise for the best views of Sydney's iconic sights.
- Marvel at the Three Sisters rock formation in the Blue Mountains.
- Sample the delicious semillon and shiraz of the Hunter Valley wine region.
- Watch the sunrise from the white-sand beaches of Jervis Bay.

FACT FILE

Climate: New South Wales enjoys a warm climate with seasons opposite to those of the UK. Spring starts in September, summer in December, autumn in March and winter in June.

Flying time to Sydney: 22 hours + 1 stop

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



With one of the most famous cities in the world as its gateway, New South Wales is on everyone's bucket list. However, Sydney's iconic Harbour Bridge and Opera House are only tasters of what the state has to offer. Leave the city and explore the vast dramatic landscape of the Blue Mountains, sample fine wines in the Hunter Valley, or chill out on some of the most beautiful beaches in the world around Byron Bay in the north, or Jervis Bay to the south.

SYDNEY

With its glittering harbour, the Harbour Bridge and the iconic sails of the Opera House, you cannot fail to be impressed with this vibrant city. Take time to explore The Rocks historic district – home to award-winning seafood restaurants and bustling bars – or relax on the famous beaches of Manly and Bondi. Cruise the harbour, soar over the city in a seaplane, or make the exhilarating climb to the top of the Harbour Bridge for the best views across Sydney and beyond.



DAY TOURS



BRIDGECLIMB

BridgeClimb

BridgeClimb is the ultimate experience in Sydney, offering fully guided tours to the summit of Sydney Harbour Bridge. You don't need to be an expert to give this a go – anyone over 10 years old can climb. You will be given a 'BridgeSuit' to wear, full training, and a harness linked to a static line throughout. Choose from Dawn, Day, Twilight and Night climbs.

FROM £192 PER ADULT



TARONGA ZOO

Behind the Scenes at Taronga Zoo

Take a behind the scenes look at Taronga Zoo's unique animal collection, which is located just a hop across the harbour, with unique views. 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 and Snore' overnight package for the ultimate sleepover in safari style tents.

FROM £60 PER ADULT

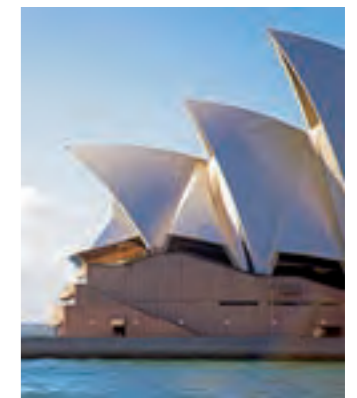
ROAR AND SNORE FROM £216 PER ADULT PER NIGHT

The Sydney Opera House Tour

Designed by Danish Architect Jørn Utzon and opened in 1973, the Sydney Opera House is a famous silhouette on the city skyline. Discover the history, stories and magic on an incredible guided tour taking you beneath the world famous sails. Upgrade your experience to include a gourmet tasting platter overlooking the harbour waters.

FROM £23 PER ADULT

TOUR AND TASTING PLATE FROM £52 PER ADULT



Essential Sydney

The perfect introduction to Sydney! Travel on a luxury small group half day tour through the Rocks District, exploring some of Australia's first buildings. Visit Circular Quay, the Opera House and Botanical Gardens, before a short walk for excellent harbour views from Mrs Macquarie's Chair. Enjoy lunch at the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia, before wandering along Bondi Beach with the locals, and visiting the boutique shopping precincts of Oxford Street.

FROM £130 PER ADULT



Blue Mountain High Country

This fantastic small group 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 £153 PER ADULT



Captain Cook Premium Harbour Story Cruise

Sydney is just one of those cities that needs to be seen from the water! This essential cruise includes a fun and informative commentary as well as a plated morning tea as you sail past the iconic Opera House, Harbour Bridge and Fort Denison before sailing the magnificent upper reaches past exclusive waterfront homes. Alternatively a 3 day pass allows you to explore all the sights surrounding the harbour.

HARBOUR CRUISE FROM £31 PER ADULT

DINNER CRUISE FROM £85 PER ADULT

3 DAY PASS FROM £60 PER ADULT





WHERE TO STAY IN SYDNEY

Many central hotels in Sydney are within walking distance to the major attractions of the Harbour Bridge, Opera House, The Rocks and Circular Quay. For the ultimate Sydney experience, upgrade to a harbour view room for a stay you'll never forget!



SYDNEY HARBOUR

Sydney Opera House Wedding Package

Prices from £2,625 per couple

Glistening harbour waters, dramatic backdrops and Australia's most iconic building - this once in a lifetime wedding can be added on to any Sydney hotel stay.

Your Luxury Package includes:

- Wedding coordinator
- Wedding cake
- Bridal bouquet and boutonhole for groom
- Sparkling wine toast and canapés for the bride and groom
- Use of the Opera House and location fee
- All pre-wedding planning, co-ordination and correspondence
- Red carpet
- Modern wedding car
- Wedding certificate
- Marriage witness



Travelodge Wynyard

★★★★★

Boasting comfortable guest rooms with newly renovated bathrooms, this hotel is less than a 20 minute walk from the Opera House.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £73 PER ADULT

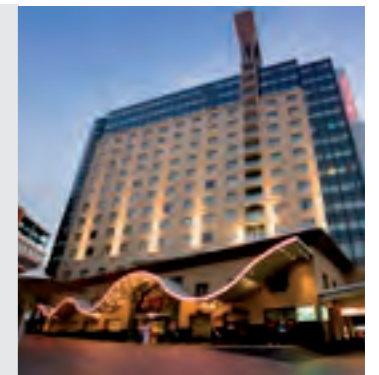


Mercury Sydney

★★★★★

Situated next to Central Station, take advantage of the indoor rooftop swimming pool, which overlooks the city. Upgrade to a City View room for expansive views.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £75 PER ADULT



Holiday Inn Old Sydney

★★★★★

Nestled under the Harbour Bridge in the historic Rocks area, rooms are based around a central atrium, and the hotel boasts a rooftop pool and terrace.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £90 PER ADULT

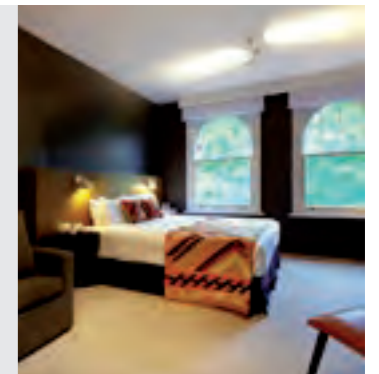


Harbour Rocks Hotel

★★★★★

This elegant, heritage hotel is perfectly located in The Rocks; modern amenities combine with historic charm for your Sydney stay.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £90 PER ADULT



Four Seasons Sydney

★★★★★

Just a stone's throw from the famous harbour, this grand luxury hotel boasts a heated pool and award winning Pei Modern restaurant and GRAIN bar.

FROM £83 PER ADULT



Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel Sydney

★★★★★

Set within a stunning heritage-listed building just a few minutes' walk from Circular Quay, featuring unique design and fantastic service.

REDUCED RATES - Selected dates
FROM £99 PER ADULT

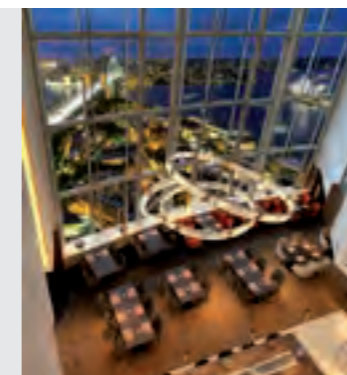


Shangri-La Hotel, Sydney

★★★★★

With stunning views of Sydney's spectacular harbour, Shangri-La Hotel Sydney brings warm hospitality, luxury and style to the historic Rocks district in the heart of this dynamic city.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £106 PER ADULT

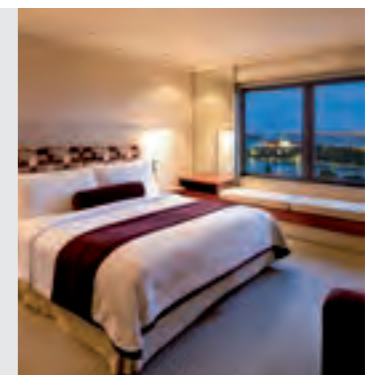


Intercontinental Sydney

★★★★★

Just one street back from Circular Quay, Austravel recommends an upgrade to a Club room to receive breakfast, all day light snacks and twilight drinks.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £115 PER ADULT



Park Hyatt

★★★★★

With a coveted harbourfront location between the world-famous Opera House and 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 provide around-the-clock service.

FROM £295 PER ADULT

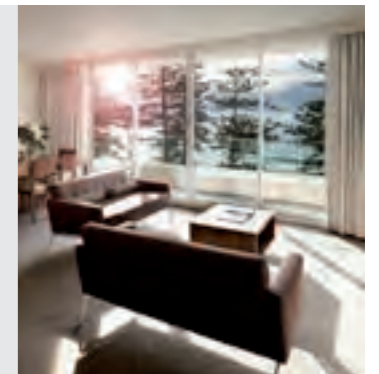


Novotel Sydney Manly Pacific

★★★★★

Nestled between the rolling Pacific Ocean and Sydney Harbour, an 18 minute fast ferry ride from the city. The best beach view is from the rooftop pool.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £72 PER ADULT





BLUE MOUNTAINS & HUNTER VALLEY

In Sydney's wild backyard, just over an hour west of the city, you'll find the Blue Mountains. Named after the blue mist that rises from surrounding eucalyptus forests, this national park with its craggy peaks and cavernous gorges, is an ideal place for wildlife spotting. To the north are the rolling hills and world-class vineyards of the Hunter Valley – a picturesque country escape for Sydney-siders. Both these areas can easily be visited on an escorted tour from the city or on a self drive.



THREE SISTERS, BLUE MOUNTAINS



HUNTER VALLEY

TOURING

Greater Sydney – Blue Mountains and Hunter Valley



3 Day Escorted Tour from £847 per adult

Join an ultimate Aussie experience from Sydney, on a personalised small group tour which includes some amazing wildlife moments with koalas and kangaroos. Also see Australia's Grand Canyon - the Three Sisters and taste fine wines in the vineyards of the Hunter Valley.

DAY 1: SYDNEY - BLUE MOUNTAINS

Join a small deluxe group tour to the Blue Mountains, getting off the beaten track to remote lookouts in the countryside, and taking a 30 minute walk to see the waterfalls. Arrive at your Blue Mountains hotel with the rest of the day at leisure before an overnight stay.

DAY 2: BLUE MOUNTAINS - HUNTER VALLEY

Travel through the mountains with a stop at Govetts Leap for spectacular views. Take morning tea at Mount Tomah Botanic Gardens, before travelling on to the Hunter Valley for lunch at a vineyard café, and the afternoon at a boutique winery for tastings. (B,L)



HUNTER VALLEY

Please Note: Tour departs on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Sunday at 7am, arriving back in Sydney on the last day around 5pm. Includes guide and meals as mentioned. Please bring carry-on size baggage – large luggage to be left at Sydney hotel. (A187)

Please see austravel.com for full details

DAY 3: HUNTER VALLEY - SYDNEY

Enjoy the morning at leisure – perhaps add on a scenic hot air balloon or visit the Hunter Valley Wine School. After lunch there's time at a local brewery with beer tasting paddle. Depart the Hunter Valley to return back into Sydney around 5pm. (B)

Hunter Resort ★★☆☆☆

Lying in the heart of wine country just two hours drive north of Sydney with 35 rooms and cottages, all guests receive a complimentary Wine Theatre Experience.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £69 PER ADULT



Fairmont Resort ★★★★★

Spacious and modern rooms overlook the Jamison Valley in the Blue Mountains, with four on-site restaurants to choose from.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £72 PER ADULT



Cypress Lakes Resort, Hunter Valley ★★★★★

Set amongst breathtaking Hunter Valley landscapes, these spacious hotel apartments offer a great base from which to explore local vineyards and attractions.

FROM £75 PER ADULT



Lilianfels Resort & Spa ★★★★★

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

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £97 PER ADULT



Wolgan Valley Resort & Spa ★★★★★

Set within a 4,000 private conservation and wildlife reserve featuring 40 luxury individual suites, each with its own swimming pool.

HONEYMOON OFFER - Selected dates
FROM £758 PER ADULT



TOURING

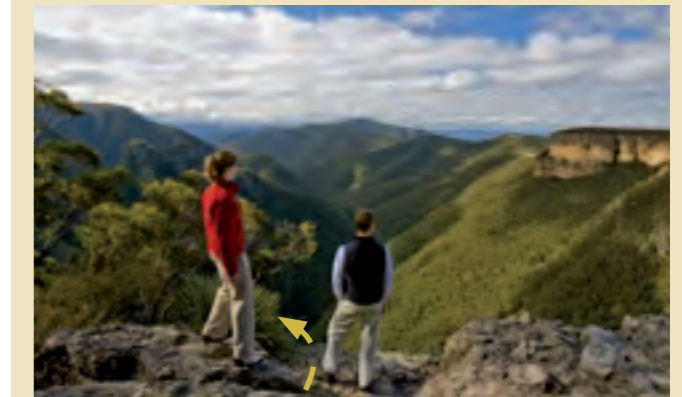
Blue Mountains, Wines & Beyond



6 Day Self Drive from £487 per adult

DAY 1: SYDNEY – BLUE MOUNTAINS

Head out of Sydney towards the Blue Mountains, one of Australia's most popular National Parks. Being only just over an hour 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 2017 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)

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options

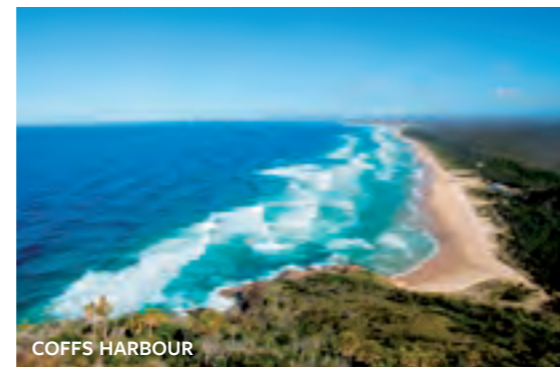


DISCOVER NEW SOUTH WALES

The coastline of New South Wales is home to a diverse range of beaches, bays and laid back towns. To the south, Jervis Bay boasts crystal clear waters, whale watching and inland National Parks. Travel north from Sydney to Port Stephens, enclosed by volcanic headlands, and on to Byron Bay, with a strong café culture, quirky bars and surf shops.



BYRON BAY LIGHTHOUSE



COFFS HARBOUR

— DAY TOURS —



Dolphin Kayak Tour: Cape Byron Kayaks

Paddle alongside the marine wildlife that inhabits the calm waters of Byron Bay, with dolphins, turtles and whales to be spotted! Whether you're an experienced paddler or a novice, this protected and sheltered bay is a great place to get on the water.

FROM £39 PER ADULT



Let's Go Surfing: Byron Bay

Catch your first wave at Byron Bay on this beginners surfing course. With small groups of up to just 8 people, there's plenty of hands-on help and you'll be amazed at how soon you get the hang of it! Includes all surf equipment and wetsuits.

FROM £36 PER ADULT

Paperbark Camp, Jervis Bay ★★★★★

Home to 12 safari style tents, this is eco-tourism at its best and camping for grown-ups! Dine in the Gunyah Restaurant at the heart of the camp.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

FROM £139 PER ADULT

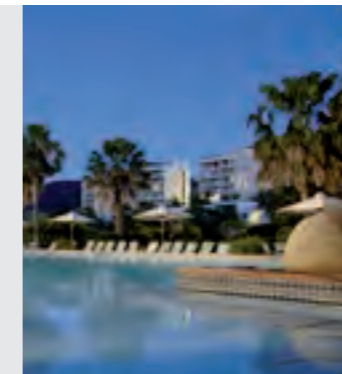


Novotel Pacific Bay Resort, Coffs Harbour ★★★★★

Situated on a picturesque beachfront to the north of Coffs Harbour, rooms look out over the gardens or nearby mountains.

HONEYMOON OFFER - Selected dates

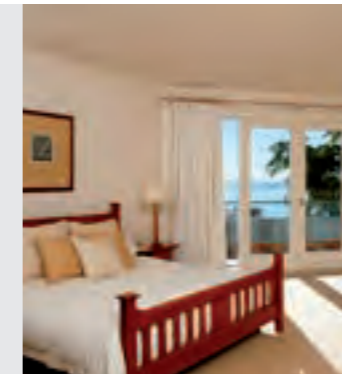
FROM £58 PER ADULT



Anchorage Port Stephens ★★★★★

Nestled on the shores of Port Stephens, rooms at this boutique resort offer balconies or porches overlooking the stunning marina.

FROM £97 PER ADULT



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

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

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

FROM £109 PER ADULT



Elements of Byron ★★★★★

Luxury villas are scattered around beachfront paradise in this new resort just a 10 minute drive from the centre of Byron Bay.

FROM £108 PER ADULT



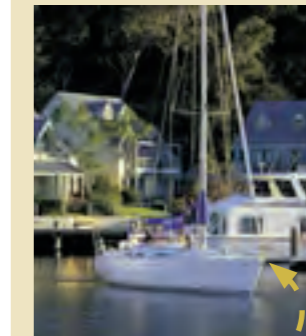
— TOURING —

Pacific Coast Explorer

6 Day Self Drive from £499 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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— DAY TOURS —

BRISBANE

Brisbane is the biggest city in Southern Queensland. In recent years, Brisbane has reinvented itself to become a bustling cosmopolitan city full of character and exciting experiences including the Brisbane Festival and numerous sporting events. The Queen Street Mall is home to a varied range of exclusive shopping and dining, or wander over to South Bank; a lifestyle precinct of cafés, restaurants, boutiques and cultural centres. It's even got its very own man-made beach and lagoon.



AUSTRALIA ZOO

Australia Zoo Admission

Founded by the 'Crocodile Hunter', the late Steve Irwin, Australia Zoo is located an hour north of Brisbane on the Sunshine Coast. With a large emphasis on conservation, view the numerous shows and demonstrations, including crocodile feeding and snake handling.

**ADMISSION ONLY FROM £38 PER ADULT
WITH TRANSFERS FROM GOLD COAST FROM £89 PER ADULT**

Mirimar River Cruise and Koala Sanctuary

Cruise from central Brisbane through some of the city's most exclusive waterfront suburbs, before arriving at Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary. Hand feed kangaroos and emus, watch the sheep dog and sheep shearing show, spot a shy platypus, and get your photo taken whilst cuddling a koala, before sailing back into the centre of Brisbane.

FROM £45 PER ADULT



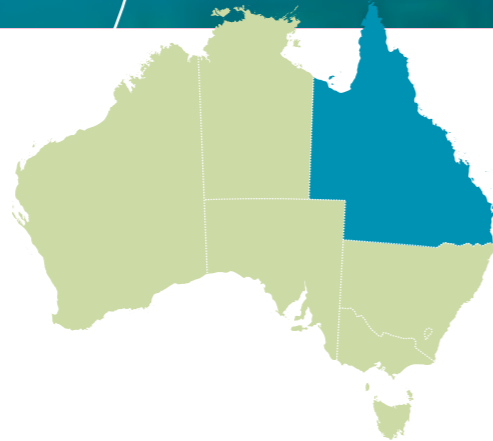
Tangalooma Day Tour

If you're short on time and can't fit in a stay at fantastic Tangalooma, then why not book a day tour and jump on the ferry to Moreton Island from Brisbane. Enjoy a variety of experiences including the chance to hand feed a pod of wild dolphins, meet the team at the Marine Education Centre, and enjoy full use of the resort pools, beach and restaurant. Travel between June and October and add a whale watching cruise!

FROM £166 PER ADULT

TOP EXPERIENCES

- Sunbathe on Whitehaven Beach, voted one of the best in the world.
- Cruise, snorkel, dive or even fly over the Great Barrier Reef – the world's largest living organism.
- Discover Aboriginal culture and history on a walk through Daintree Rainforest at Mossman Gorge.
- Explore Fraser Island in a 4x4 – the world's largest sand island.



FACT FILE

Climate: Queensland's climate is tropical with two seasons – the dry and the wet. In the north, from December to February the summers are hot and very humid with slightly milder conditions in the south. The winters from June to August are warm and dry across the state.

Flying time to Brisbane or Cairns: 24 hours + 1 stop

Driving times:

Brisbane to Hervey Bay – 4 hours

Hervey Bay to Airlie Beach – 10 hours

Airlie Beach to Cairns – 7 hours 30 minutes

Cairns to Port Douglas – 1 hour

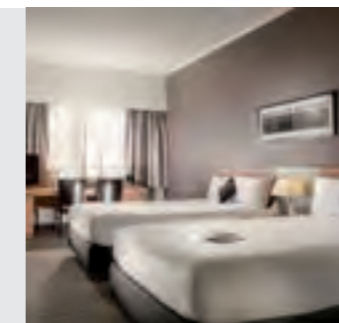
GMT: +10 hours

Queensland is Australia's 'Sunshine State' – home to some of the world's most remarkable beaches, coral reefs and ancient rainforest. Southern Queensland is a diverse mix of surfing hotspots, buzzing entertainment and pretty beach towns. Heading north, you can sail the Whitsunday Islands, snorkel or dive the Great Barrier Reef, or relax on a paradise island. With World Heritage-listed rainforests and tropical hinterland to explore, Queensland really does have something for everyone.

Ibis Brisbane ★★★★★

Set a 5-minute walk from the riverfront, this unassuming, modern hotel with spacious rooms is also a short walk from the main shopping mall and the lush Southbank Parklands.

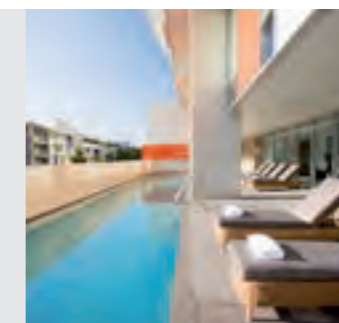
FROM £44 PER ADULT



Mantra South Bank ★★★★★

Featuring stylish contemporary studios, one and two bedroom apartments, within close proximity to the South Bank entertainment precinct.

FROM £62 PER ADULT



Four Points by Sheraton Brisbane ★★★★★

The Four Points by Sheraton is located on central Mary Street, with 246 stylish appointed guest rooms and suites. Dine at The Eatery serving modern Australian cuisine.

FROM £59 PER ADULT



Pullman King George Square ★★★★★

With modern rooms and suites, a sophisticated restaurant and rooftop pool, this hotel is within easy walking distance of Queen Street Mall.

HONEYMOON OFFER – Selected dates

FROM £62 PER ADULT



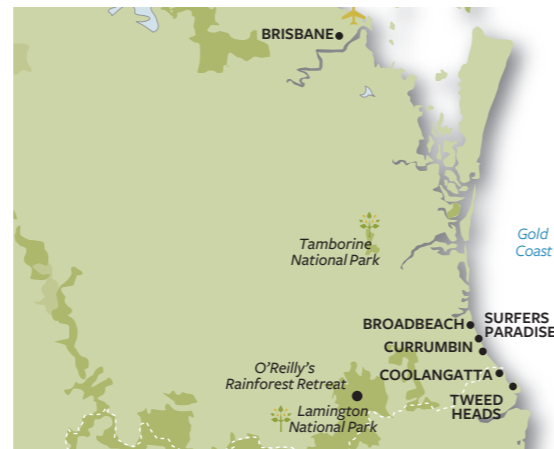


GOLD COAST

The Gold Coast is 70 kilometres of glorious beaches, lush Queensland hinterland and many major theme parks. This is the perfect getaway in which to relax and immerse yourself in the Australian beach lifestyle. The entertainment capital, Surfers Paradise, attracts millions of visitors every year with its impressive skyline, while the quieter Broadbeach is home to boutique shops and popular restaurants. Inland you'll find Lamington National Park with its natural beauty and waterfalls, a perfect escape from this energetic beach city.



SURFERS PARADISE



LAMINGTON NATIONAL PARK

O'Reillys Rainforest Retreat ★★★★★
 Located high in the Gold Coast Hinterland, 2 hours south of Brisbane. The Retreat features a range of guest rooms, many offering breathtaking mountain views.
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £89 PER ADULT



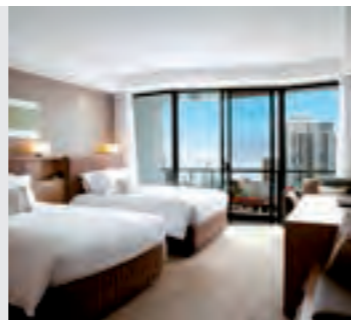
The Vibe ★★★★★
 Perfectly placed for a leisurely stroll to Surfers Paradise beach, restaurants and attractions. All spacious and affordable rooms have balconies.
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £52 PER ADULT



Mantra Legends ★★★★★
 Just 100m from the golden beaches at Surfers Paradise, offering luxurious guest rooms and suites with private balconies.
FROM £51 PER ADULT



Softel Broadbeach ★★★★★
 In the heart of dynamic Broadbeach with bars, restaurants and the beach nearby, the Softel exudes style and exceptional personal service.
FROM £95 PER ADULT



TOURING

Gold Coast and Lamington National Park



5 Day Self Drive from £397 per adult
 Explore the beaches and the bustling Gold Coast, plus national park and hinterland with this suggested self drive itinerary. This can be adapted to suit your preferences, or time limitations.

DAY 1: BRISBANE – GOLD COAST
 Depart Brisbane and head south along the Pacific Highway to Surfers Paradise, the main hub of the Gold Coast.

DAY 2: GOLD COAST
 Enjoy a day at leisure, with a host of activities on offer and spectacular beaches to explore. Head south to Coolangatta for a stroll along the shore, or for the more adventurous visit one of the theme parks for an adrenaline-fuelled day.

DAY 3: GOLD COAST – LAMINGTON NATIONAL PARK
 Head inland from Surfers Paradise past Mount Tamborine and along the winding roads towards the sub-tropical Lamington National Park for a stay at O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat.



GOLD COAST

DAY 4: LAMINGTON NATIONAL PARK
 Take today to immerse yourself in the rainforest surroundings, with plenty of wildlife to spot, plus bush walking, picturesque waterfalls and a boutique vineyard with fine food and wine.

DAY 5: LAMINGTON NATIONAL PARK – BRISBANE
 Journey back north, perhaps travelling via Tamborine National Park, Queensland's first national park, before returning to Brisbane for your onward journey.

Please Note: Itinerary valid from 1st April 2017 and may alter prior to this. Prices are per person and include four nights twin share accommodation 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.



LAMINGTON NATIONAL PARK

DAY TOURS



Hot Air Ballooning - Gold Coast

An early morning start, well worth it for the photos you'll capture! Float over the Gold Coast Hinterland on a 30 minute journey, followed by a hot breakfast and Champagne at O'Reilly's Vineyard. An upgrade to a 60 minute flight is also available.

FROM £169 PER ADULT

Springbrook Rainforest with Eco Safaris

Travel away from the hustle and bustle of the Gold Coast deep into the rainforest on a luxury small group 4WD tour. Walk under waterfalls and swim in dazzling rock pools in Springbrook National Park, one of the hidden jewels of Queensland. Head to Canyon Lookout and take in views out to the coast at Byron Bay on a unique day tour.

FROM £379 PER ADULT



Whales in Paradise

Between the months of June and October, the migration of marine life takes place in the waters of the Australian Whale Sanctuary. Along with humpback whales you can spot bottlenose dolphins, giant loggerhead turtles, killer whales and the various sea birds that inhabit this area.

FROM £59 PER ADULT





AUSTRALIA'S NATURE COAST

Starting north of Brisbane, this coastline is home to a pristine stretch of beaches, with chilled-out coastal towns and national parks overlooking the Pacific Ocean. You can't miss the spectacular volcanic peaks of the Glass House Mountains rising from the hinterland, while further north the beach towns of Maroochydore, Mooloolaba and Noosa are a haven for surfers and beach lovers. Fraser Island – the largest sand island in the world – can also be easily reached by a short ferry ride.



TOURING

Fraser Island 4WD Adventure

3 Day Self Drive from £499 per adult

Spend an action-packed three days exploring Fraser Island under your own steam.

DAY 1: Collect your car in Hervey Bay and cruise across to Fraser Island. First stop is Basin Lake where you can meet the resident freshwater turtles, before heading on past ancient rainforests to Wangoolba Creek and Lake McKenzie with its white sandy beach and crystal clear waters. After an afternoon swim head back to your overnight accommodation.

DAY 2: Get an early start to explore Seventy Five Mile Beach - float down the fast-flowing Eli Creek and visit the Maheno shipwreck which washed ashore in a cyclone in 1935. Climb to the top of Indian Head for awesome beach and cliff views, and look out for sharks, rays and humpback whales (Jun-Oct). Chill out in the bubbling Champagne Pools.

DAY 3: Walk through the cool rainforest to beautiful emerald-green Lake Wabby - the island's deepest lake and a favourite swimming hole. Trek over the vast Hammerstone Sandblow and enjoy a poolside BBQ lunch at Eurong Beach Resort, before catching the ferry back to the mainland.

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options

Please Note: Itinerary valid from 1st April 2017 and may alter prior to this. Prices are per person and include two nights twin share accommodation, 4WD hire and ferry to Fraser Island. Accommodation, board basis and prices are subject to change with availability. Minimum nights and surcharges apply on some properties on certain dates.



DAY TOURS



Fraser Island Discovery

Take a guided 4WD tour from Noosa where you can experience the best of Fraser Island in just one day. Drive along famous Seventy-Five Mile Beach then turn inland to follow the sand tracks through the rainforests. After an action-packed morning it's time to relax and enjoy an authentic Aussie BBQ, before a freshwater lake swim and afternoon tea on a remote stretch of stunning beach.

DAY TOUR FROM NOOSA FROM £112 PER ADULT
OVERNIGHT TOUR FROM NOOSA FROM £256 PER ADULT, INCLUDING ONE NIGHT STAY ON FRASER ISLAND

TOURING

Rainforest and Reef Discovery: Fraser and Lady Elliot Island

5 Day Package from £1,393 per adult

DAY 1: Fly from Hervey Bay out to the heart of the Great Barrier Reef at Lady Elliot Island for your stay in this marine paradise. Soak in the natural island atmosphere, wander to a deserted beach or snorkel in the tropical waters.

DAY 2: Head out on guided island activities and take a glass bottom boat tour and snorkel - if you're lucky enough you may spot one of the resident Manta Rays, which can grow up to an enormous 7 metres in wingspan, as they majestically swim by. From June to October you may also spot whales passing as they migrate north.

DAY 3: Fly back to Hervey Bay to catch the catamaran out to Fraser

Island - the largest sand island in the world. Spend the afternoon with a range of guided walks and nature talks.

DAY 4: Take an adventure across the island with a guided Beauty Spot tour, swimming in the crystal clear waters of Lake McKenzie, and walking the banks of Wangoolba Creek as it flows silently through the rainforest. Cool off at the fresh waters of Eli Creek and marvel at the coloured sands of the Pinnacles, before heading back to Kingfisher Bay Resort.

DAY 5: Travel back to Hervey Bay to continue your journey through Queensland, or ask our expert Travel Designers about extending your adventure.

Please note: Itinerary valid from 1st April 2017 and may alter prior to this. Price is per person and includes 2 nights at Lady Elliot in a Reef Unit with return flights, and 2 nights at Kingfisher Bay in a Resort Room with catamaran transfers. Accommodation, board basis and prices are subject to change with availability. Minimum nights and surcharges apply on certain dates.



Tangalooma Island Resort ★★★★★

Cruise 75 minutes across the bay from Brisbane to Moreton Island, home to watersports, eco walks, and a pod of native dolphins which can be hand fed each afternoon by guests.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £67 PER ADULT



Rumba Beach Resort, Caloundra ★★★★★

With luxury beachfront suites and apartments, Rumba Beach resort is steps away from the sands at Caloundra.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £89 PER ADULT



Mantra Mooloolaba Beach ★★★★★

Situated on the waterfront, this hotel offers one, two and three bed suites with private balconies and ocean or garden views.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £75 PER ADULT



Peppers Noosa Resort & Villas ★★★★★

This Noosa resort is a short walk to stylish Hastings Street for shopping, people watching and al fresco dining.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £86 PER ADULT



Kingfisher Bay Resort ★★★★★

Located in amongst nature on Fraser Island, accommodation is in Queensland-style rooms and villas. Austravel recommends a two night adventure, which includes a 4WD tour to allow you to explore the island.

FROM £62 PER ADULT



Lady Elliot Island ★★★★★

Step straight off the beach to swim on an island teeming with an array of marine life. Stay in reef and garden units, or safari-style eco huts set in the tropical gardens. Accessible by a 40 minute flight from Hervey Bay.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £179 PER ADULT





THE WHITSUNDAYS

Situated in the aptly named 'Coral Sea', the Whitsunday Islands are the perfect place to unwind and discover the best of Queensland's tropical sights. Home to secluded talcum-white beaches, warm waters full of diverse marine wildlife, and abundant rainforests, you can choose to relax on one of these beautiful island retreats suitable, or spend your days sailing around hidden bays and exploring multi-coloured reefs. All islands can be easily reached by ferry from Airlie Beach, or Hamilton Island has its own domestic airport.



WHITEHAVEN BEACH



AIRLIE BEACH

Coral Sea Resort, Airlie Beach ★★★★★

Unique ocean front accommodation set at Paradise Point, just a few minutes along the boardwalk into the heart of Airlie Beach.

HONEYMOON OFFER - Selected dates

FROM £89 PER ADULT



Marina Shores, Airlie Beach ★★★★★

With views overlooking the marina and out to the Whitsunday Islands, these spacious, modern apartments are perfectly positioned.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £63 PER ADULT



Daydream Island Resort and Spa ★★★★★

Daydream offers affordable luxury with 296 rooms and suites just 30 minutes by ferry from Airlie Beach. Feed sharks and stingrays at the world's largest outdoor aquarium.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £103 PER ADULT



One & Only Hayman Island ★★★★★

Presenting magnificent resort living, superb restaurants showcasing contemporary Australian and international cuisine, beauty and spa therapies and treatments at Hayman Spa.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £249 PER ADULT



— TOURING —

Reefsleep: Overnight Great Barrier Reef Experience

2 night cruise from £299 per adult

Located out at Hardy Reef, one of the most spectacular stretches of the Great Barrier Reef, your home for the night is the unique pontoon. Travel onboard the high speed boat from Airlie Beach or Hamilton Island and spend the day snorkelling, swimming with the marine life or catching some sunshine on the deck. Once the day visitors have left, the pontoon is home to just 9 guests, with accommodation available in either a swag under the stars, or a private double room. Watch the sunset over this famous reef with a cocktail in hand, before a sumptuous three course meal on the deck.



REEFSLEEP PONTON

Next morning rise with the sun as the marine life wakes around you, with day guests arriving at 11am. Spend the rest of the day at leisure before your transfer back to Airlie Beach or Hamilton Island.

Please note: Price is per person based on twin share, includes breakfast, lunches on both days and a BBQ dinner. Departs daily at 8am from Airlie Beach and 9am from Hamilton Island.

WHITSUNDAY BLISS



Sail with Whitsunday Bliss

2 night cruise from £1,637 per adult

Cruise from Airlie Beach exploring the Whitsundays on the luxury yacht Whitsunday Bliss. With a maximum of just 6 guests, this is the perfect way to sail, while snorkelling on the spectacular fringing reefs, swimming in tropical waters and visiting the magnificent beaches of this region. Gourmet meals are prepared from fresh local produce, and your crew is on hand to provide full information on this unique marine park.

Please note: Prices based on twin share per person. Includes all meals and soft drinks, snorkelling equipment, and transfers from Airlie Beach to Marina. 2 night cruise departs every Mon and Fri from Abel Point Marina, Airlie Beach.





HAMILTON ISLAND

Surrounded by idyllic coral fringed beaches, Hamilton Island is a tropical paradise of unspoilt beauty right on the edge of the Great Barrier Reef. Easily accessed with its own airport, or by ferry from Airlie Beach, there's a fantastic range of restaurants, bars and activities on offer. Hamilton has something for everyone – from couples to families, and the ultimate in luxury at qualia.



HAMILTON ISLAND



DAY TOURS



Great Barrier Reef Adventure

Cruise through the Whitsunday Islands National Park en-route to the outer Great Barrier Reef, one of the world's most stunning natural attractions. Enjoy a range of activities and facilities at one of our two spacious reef pontoons including an underwater viewing chamber, snorkelling and semi-submersible boat rides. Whatever way you choose to explore the underwater wonderland, you'll be held in awe by the magnificent corals and abundance of fish and marine life. Optional activities include scenic helicopter rides, massages and introductory or certified diving.

FROM £148 PER ADULT

Islands and Whitehaven Beach

Spend time on the white silica sands at Whitehaven Beach, voted one of the best beaches in the world! Wander along the beach to your own secluded stretch, laze on the beach or cool off in the azure waters. Enjoy morning or afternoon tea on this half day essential tour. Cruises depart from the Port of Airlie, Daydream Island and Hamilton Island.

FROM £59 PER ADULT



HAMILTON ISLAND

Palm Bungalows

★★★★★

A popular and delightful property, featuring forty-nine individual modern bungalows in a tropical garden setting. Catseye Beach is just a short walk away, as are the main swimming pools.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £117 PER ADULT



Reef View ★★★★★

Directly opposite the beautiful Catseye Beach, rooms have private balconies most facing the sea, allowing you to experience the spectacular sunrises and sunsets over the surrounding Whitsunday Islands.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £111 PER ADULT



Beach Club, Hamilton Island ★★★★★

Set in landscaped gardens, this adults only oasis boasts an infinity edge pool overlooking Catseye Beach, and all rooms have their own private courtyard or balcony.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £226 PER ADULT



qualia, Hamilton Island ★★★★★

Nestled neatly into the northern most tip of Hamilton Island, surrounded by the unsurpassed beauty of the Great Barrier Reef. All of the luxurious hillside pavilions boast postcard views.

REDUCED RATES - Selected dates
FROM £367 PER ADULT



Hamilton Island Weddings

Prices from £3,179 per couple

Perfectly located in the heart of the Whitsundays and at the edge of the Great Barrier Reef.

Your luxury package includes:

- Wedding coordinator
- Ceremony in a choice of selected locations
- Luxury vehicle transfers
- Marriage celebrant
- Licence and certificate
- Silver photography package
- Priority access to Hamilton Island's wide range of wedding product and service suppliers, such as, professional florist, hair and beauty salon and much more (additional costs apply)

Upgrade to a Whitehaven Beach ceremony, including return helicopter transfers – please ask your travel designer for details





CRUISING QUEENSLAND WITH CORAL EXPEDITIONS

Join Coral Expeditions on a three, four or seven night small ship cruise, exploring the hidden gems of the Great Barrier Reef. Swim, snorkel and dive in the clear tropical waters, join a marine biologist on a glass-bottom boat, and visit tropical islands and ancient rainforests. With a maximum of 44 passengers on board, this is a personalised and unique way to experience the Great Barrier Reef.



TOURING

3 Night Cruise

From £915 per adult

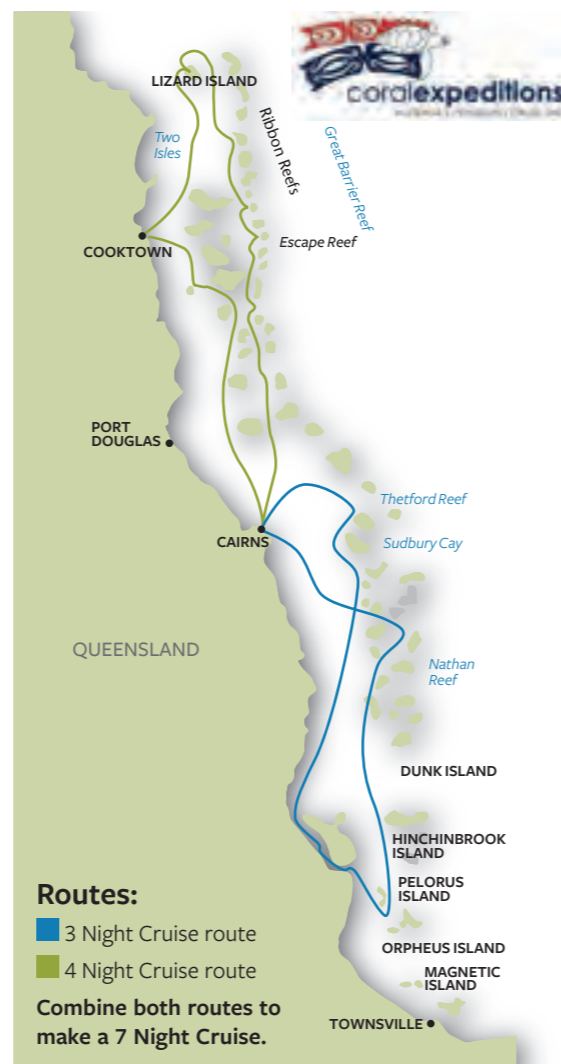
DAY 1: Board at 10.00am. After a delicious lunch, enjoy the day experiencing the reef at our exclusive Thetford Reef and Sudbury Cay moorings, and discover some of the 1,500 species of fish that live on the reef. In the evening, join your crew and travel companions in the top deck lounge for pre-dinner drinks.

DAY 2: Awaken this morning as we cruise the spectacular Hinchinbrook Channel, discovering towering cliffs and mangrove eco-systems. Travel ashore to a private tropical island for a gourmet Aussie beach BBQ and snorkelling.

DAY 3: This morning join our naturalist guides on a rainforest walk discovering Dunk Island's unique flora and fauna. Following lunch, laze away the late afternoon on the sun deck, enjoy the comfortable onboard facilities or relax on the sun loungers.

DAY 4: Travel ashore to explore beautiful Fitzroy Island, offering bush walking and idyllic white sandy beaches. Following lunch, early this afternoon we cruise through Trinity Bay before arriving in Cairns at 1.30pm.

Please note: Cruise departs every Friday, boarding at Trinity Wharf. (CC3)



Routes:

- 3 Night Cruise route
- 4 Night Cruise route

Combine both routes to make a 7 Night Cruise.

4 Night Cruise

From £1,199 per adult

DAY 1: Board at 4.00pm and cruise by Trinity Bay inlet, where there is time to settle in and discover your home for the next four nights. In the evening enjoy champagne before the Captain's Welcome Seafood Buffet.

DAY 2: With the morning to discover historic Cooktown, steeped in history with most stone buildings dating back almost a century. This afternoon visit one of the remote uninhabited islands of the Great Barrier Reef.

DAY 3: This morning awaken moored beside beautiful Lizard Island. Join the marine biologist for a glass bottom boat tour, or for the ultimate experience, take the plunge with our dive instructor on a guided SCUBA dive.

DAY 4: Spend today visiting two of the most pristine sections of the reef, Ribbon Reef No. 3 and Escape Reef.

DAY 5: Disembark your cruise at 8.00am in Cairns.

Please note: Cruise departs every Monday, boarding at Trinity Wharf (CC4)

ALL CRUISES INCLUDE:

- All meals prepared using locally sourced ingredients, morning and afternoon teas, and soft drinks from the soda fountain
- Use of snorkelling equipment, masks and fins
- Guided glass bottom coral viewing and snorkelling excursions, plus island and rainforest walks
- Introductory SCUBA diving skills session for first time divers on the outer reef

DISCOVER QUEENSLAND

The coastline that runs between Brisbane and Cairns is home to some of the most spectacular scenery that Australia has on offer. Visit Fraser Island and swim in its crystal-clear freshwater lakes, cruise out to the Whitsunday Islands, go koala spotting on Magnetic Island and much more.



TOURING

Queensland Classic

9 Day Self Drive from £679 per adult



DAY 1: BRISBANE – FRASER ISLAND

Join the Bruce Highway and drive north to River Heads to take the launch to Fraser Island. The world's largest sand-massed island, Fraser Island is accessible for the most part by 4WD. You can park your car securely at the harbour and cross on the ferry by foot.

DAY 2: FRASER ISLAND

Spend the day exploring the island – make sure to visit the Maheno Shipwreck, Eli Creek and Lake McKenzie. You can do all of this by booking a 4WD day tour, specially designed to traverse the sand dunes and reach every nook and cranny of the island. Alternatively, take part in a whale-watching cruise between August and October.

DAY 3: FRASER ISLAND – BARGARA

Depart Fraser Island and head north visiting the historic town of Childers before an overnight stop at Bargara, with beautiful beaches and stunning rocky coastline.

DAY 4: BARGARA – ROCKHAMPTON

Continue on the Bruce Highway to Rockhampton, which marks the exact line of the Tropic of Capricorn. Head to the rodeo in the 'beef capital of Australia'.

DAY 5: ROCKHAMPTON - AIRLIE BEACH

Continue north today to Airlie Beach where 74 tropical islands make up the spectacular Whitsundays. Watch the sun set over this magnificent chain of islands.

DAY 6: AIRLIE BEACH & THE WHITSUNDAYS

Spend the day in the Whitsunday Islands. Ask your Travel Designer for details of tours.

DAY 7: THE WHITSUNDAYS – TOWNSVILLE

Travel north on the Bruce Highway towards Townsville, a bustling and vibrant destination, with reef, rainforest, Outback and wetlands all within an hour.

DAY 8: TOWNSVILLE

Today is free to spend at leisure, we recommend a visit out to Magnetic Island, home to the highest population of koala's in Australia. It is possible to walk around the island in its entirety in a day – make sure you take your hat, sun cream and plenty of water.



DAY 9: TOWNSVILLE - CAIRNS

Leaving Townsville, continue north to Cairns, the gateway to Tropical North Queensland. Return your Avis car, or why not extend your Queensland adventure and explore Cape Tribulation and the Daintree. Ask your Travel Designer for extended touring options.

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options.

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WHERE TO STAY IN CAIRNS AND NORTHERN BEACHES

While Cairns offers plenty of accommodation options, for a more laid-back atmosphere with a beach on your doorstep, Kewarra Beach and Palm Cove are just a 25-minute drive north of the city.



FITZROY ISLAND



TJAPUKAI CULTURAL PARK



Fitzroy Island ★★★★★

One of the most unspoilt islands of the Great Barrier Reef, Fitzroy is located 29 kilometres to the south east of Cairns, boasting tropical pristine rainforest and coral beaches. Rooms are affordably priced and perfect for couples or families.

Getting there: Travel by boat from Cairns in just 45 minutes.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £59 PER ADULT



Lizard Island Resort ★★★★★

Australia's northernmost resort, Lizard Island Resort is fringed with coral reefs and 24 powdery white beaches. Each of the 40 villas are elegant and spacious, with either ocean or beach views.

Getting there: Fly from Cairns to Lizard Island on a 60 minute flight departing twice a day at 11am and 2pm.

FREE TRANSFERS - Selected dates

FROM £616 PER ADULT

Holiday Inn Cairns Harbourside ★★★★★

Nestled on the Cairns Esplanade close to the city centre, this hotel enjoys picturesque views of Trinity Bay and the surrounding mountains.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

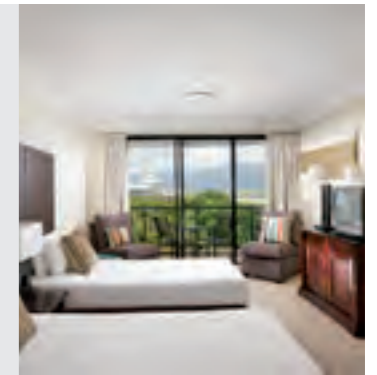
FROM £49 PER ADULT



Mantra Esplanade Cairns ★★★★★

Overlooking the harbour in the centre of Cairns, and close to the many lively street cafés, fine restaurants and the swimming lagoon at the seafront.

FROM £55 PER ADULT



Novotel Cairns Oasis ★★★★★

The resort is within walking distance of the Esplanade, Marina, and the lively night markets. Alternatively choose to simply relax by the lagoon pool.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £54 PER ADULT



Pullman Cairns International ★★★★★

Situated on Abbott Street, just a short walk from the centre of Cairns, this hotel boasts a relaxing deck and pool, plus Cairns' best day Spa - Vie Spa.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

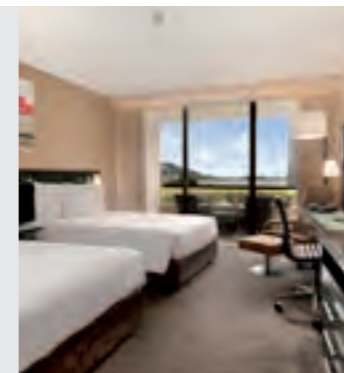
FROM £77 PER ADULT



Hilton Cairns ★★★★★

A waterside hotel in the centre of Cairns, this hotel offers modern and contemporary rooms and the option to upgrade to Executive Club Level.

FROM £99 PER ADULT

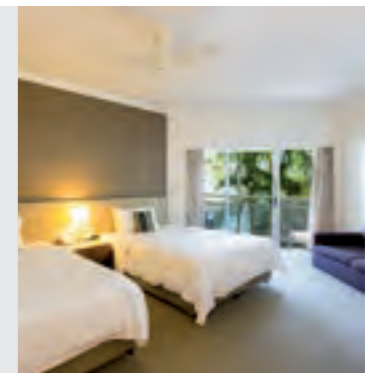


Shangri-La Hotel The Marina Cairns ★★★★★

Overlooking the Marlin Marina and close to all the restaurants and bars at The Pier. Upgrades to the Horizon Club offer Marina front rooms.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £91 PER ADULT



Amaroo at Trinity Beach ★★★★★

Set directly on the beachfront just 15 minutes' drive north of Cairns, studio apartments offer spacious and affordable accommodation.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £48 PER ADULT

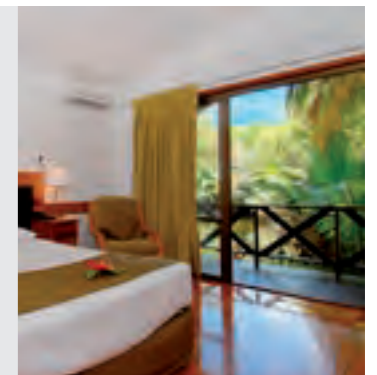


Kewarra Beach Resort ★★★★★

Situated on a pristine stretch of private beach twenty minutes north of Cairns, this exquisite resort is built around a lagoon and surrounded by lush tropical rainforest.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £89 PER ADULT



Reef Retreat Palm Cove ★★★★★

Just seconds from the idyllic beach at Palm Cove, 30 minutes north of Cairns, these boutique apartments are set in tropical gardens.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £62 PER ADULT

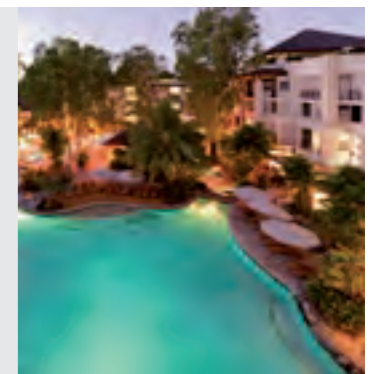


Pullman Palm Cove Sea Temple ★★★★★

Located on a white sandy beachfront, this hotel offers the ultimate in sophisticated accommodation with apartments surrounding a lagoon pool.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £89 PER ADULT





CAIRNS & TROPICAL NORTH

North Queensland is a jigsaw of tropical rainforests, coastal mangroves and river gorges. Cairns is the hub of the north with its bustling esplanade, restaurants, cafés and popular lagoon pool on the seafront. It's also the ideal base for exploring some of nature's greatest wonders including the famous Great Barrier Reef and the wilderness of Cape York Peninsula. Discover the ancient rainforests of Daintree National Park and the untouched beaches of Cape Tribulation, or relax and enjoy the marina boardwalks of Port Douglas and Palm Cove.



DAINTREE NATIONAL PARK



FOUR MILE BEACH

— DAY TOURS —



QUICKSILVER OUTER BARRIER REEF

Quicksilver Outer Barrier Reef

Travel with Quicksilver on a high-speed, air-conditioned luxury catamaran to their floating platform on the Agincourt Reef. This day tour is perfect for first time visitors or those short on time, with the option to view the coral and marine life from a semi-submersible, snorkel from the secure platform over the Great Barrier Reef, or try an introductory scuba dive.

PORT DOUGLAS FROM £145 PER ADULT
CAIRNS FROM £163 PER ADULT

Kuranda All Inclusive

Visit Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Park and let an indigenous guide teach you about culture and history, and learn how to throw a boomerang! Next catch the Skyrail gondola which glides high over the rainforest canopy, with 2 stations on the way to hop off and take a rainforest walk to panoramic lookouts. On arrival at Kuranda village there's time to explore the shops, before boarding the Kuranda Scenic Train at Freshwater Station.

CAIRNS FROM £145 PER ADULT
PORT DOUGLAS FROM £153 PER ADULT

Quicksilver Silverseries for Divers

Discover the underwater wonder of the Great Barrier Reef on a dive trip with the ultramodern Silverseries. These speedy vessels reach the reef in 60 minutes – allowing five hours of diving and snorkelling at three different dive sites. Certified divers can make up to three dives, whilst two dives are available for beginners. Snorkelling equipment is available for all to enjoy the wonders of the reef.

SILVERSWIFT FROM CAIRNS FROM £128 PER ADULT
SILVERSONIC FROM PORT DOUGLAS FROM £141 PER ADULT

Quicksilver Wavedancer Low Isles Cruise

Sail on the 30 metre Catamaran 'Wavedancer' to the Low Isles, which offers everything you can dream of in a tropical island paradise. Moor in the calm waters of the picturesque lagoon and enjoy snorkelling, experience a first-time dive, view the coral through a glass-bottom boat or just laze on the beach at Low Isles. Visitors are limited to protect the reef's ecology.

PORT DOUGLAS FROM £115 PER ADULT

Hot Air Ballooning

Float gently above the wide-open spaces of tropical Queensland, ballooning with the Hot Air Company. Binoculars are provided on board to capture sightings of local birdlife and kangaroos. Once the thrill of the hot air ballooning is over, why not head to Port Douglas to join Quicksilver and cruise to the Outer Barrier Reef, or enjoy a day in Kuranda.

30 MINUTE FLIGHT FROM £158 PER ADULT
60 MINUTE FLIGHT FROM £209 PER ADULT



Cape Tribulation Daintree by 4WD

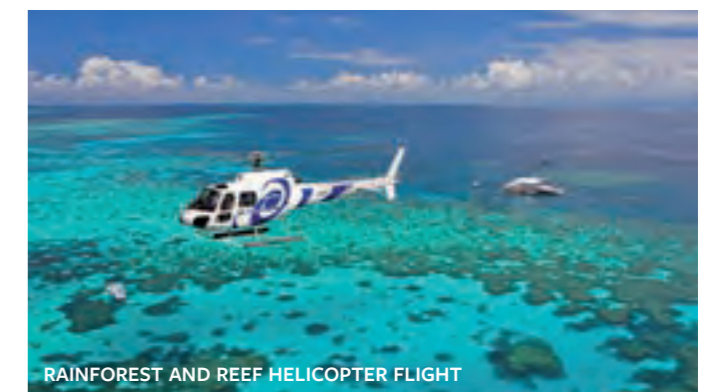
Explore the rainforest and amazing landscapes of the Daintree and Cape Tribulation Wilderness area by 4WD. Begin with a croc spotting cruise on the Daintree River, before winding back through the rainforest for views from Alexandra Lookout. After a tropical lunch wander along the beach at Cape Tribulation before visiting one of the world's oldest rainforests at Mossman Gorge.

CAIRNS OR PORT DOUGLAS FROM £126 PER ADULT

Rainforest and Reef Helicopter Flight

Travel with Great Barrier Reef Helis on this scenic flight which showcases the best of the reef and the rainforest. The scale and beauty of the reef is something that can only be fully appreciated from the air. Combined with a flight over the Barron Gorge, Kuranda and Redlynch Valley, this is an experience you'll never forget. Ask your Travel Designer for 30 minute flights to the Reef or Rainforest only.

60 MINUTE FLIGHT FROM £423 PER ADULT



RAINFOREST AND REEF HELICOPTER FLIGHT



PORT DOUGLAS AND CAPE TRIBULATION

Heading into northern Queensland the road hugs the coastline; delve deeper into the ancient forests of the Daintree National Park, the deserted beaches of Cape Tribulation, or the marina boardwalks of laid back Port Douglas. With resorts catering for families, great apartment options, or luxury rainforest lodges, there's somewhere for everyone. See page 63 for day tour options with departures available from Port Douglas.



CAPE TRIBULATION



MOSSMAN GORGE

Mantra Aqueous on Port ★★★★★

In the heart of Port Douglas and just a short walk from the beach, this resort offers four lagoon pools and spa baths on every balcony.

FROM £56 PER ADULT



Shantara Resort ★★★★★

Boutique apartment style accommodation, exclusively for adults only, just a short stroll from Port Douglas and Four Mile Beach.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £74 PER ADULT



Mandalay Luxury Apartments ★★★★★

With exclusive walkway access to magnificent Four Mile Beach, all apartments reflect beach style and relaxed elegance.

FROM £89 PER ADULT



Pullman Port Douglas Sea Temple ★★★★★

This spacious retreat features studio rooms and elegant apartments as well as an expansive lagoon pool located just a few miles from the centre of town.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £89 PER ADULT



— DAY TOURS —

Walkabout Cultural Adventures Half Day Tour

Choose between morning and afternoon options, where a local Kuku Yalanji Aboriginal guide will take you to coastal habitats to learn about the environment, and natural foods and medicines. Sample bush tucker and try your hand at spear fishing. Visit the rainforest and complete your adventure with a swim in one of the pristine freshwater streams.

FROM £127 PER ADULT

Jungle Surfing Canopy Tours

Travel from Port Douglas into the heart of the Daintree rainforest, stopping to cruise the Daintree River and spot some of the resident crocs. Arrive into Cape Tribulation and soar through the world's oldest rainforest on thrilling ziplines, as you travel high above the trees from platform to platform. This tour includes a morning tea and lunch, as well as the opportunity to see some of Queensland's most spectacular coastline.

FROM £64 PER ADULT

Mossman Gorge Dreamtime Walk

This indigenous eco tour departs from the Mossman Gorge Centre 20 minutes north of Port Douglas – a perfect addition to any self drive heading north towards Daintree National Park. Meander through stunning rainforest with an indigenous guide, with the chance for a refreshing swim at the water hole and views of the picturesque Mossman Gorge. Finish with traditional bush tea and damper.

Also available with transfers from Port Douglas.

FROM £41 PER ADULT

Peppers Beach Club ★★★★★

With luxurious suites and apartments around tropical gardens, relax by the lagoon pool or visit the onsite day spa, or take a short stroll into the centre of town with bars and restaurants.

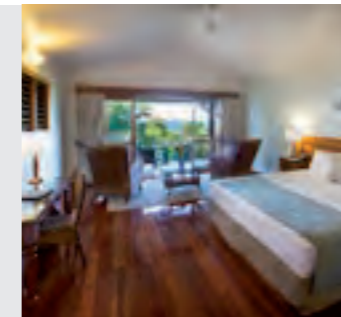
FROM £109 PER ADULT



Thala Beach Nature Reserve ★★★★★

Unwind at this eco retreat located on a private beach and surrounded by 145 acres of native forest with breathtaking ocean views, a 15 minute drive south of Port Douglas.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £107 PER ADULT



Cape Tribulation Beach House ★★★★★

Set on the edge of tropical rainforest yet just metres from pristine beach, this unique resort offer affordable cabins.

FROM £20 PER ADULT



— TOURING —

Rainforest and Reef



7 Day Suggested Itinerary from £455 per adult

DAY 1: CAIRNS

Take time to explore Cairns, with the popular esplanade full of restaurants and cafés, and a swimming lagoon perfect for the hot, sunny afternoon.

DAY 2: CAIRNS – PORT DOUGLAS

Drive north up the scenic Captain Cook Highway, perhaps stopping on one of the spectacular beaches en route for a picnic – the road here hugs the jaw-dropping coastline and offers panoramic photo opportunities. In Port Douglas wander through the friendly village or relax on Four Mile Beach.



DAY 3: PORT DOUGLAS

A day to explore the Great Barrier Reef! Quicksilver depart from the central Marina and their speedy catamarans reach the Outer Barrier Reef in just 90 minutes. The reef platform at Agincourt is a hive of activity, with snorkelling, diving and even heli trips available.

DAY 4: PORT DOUGLAS – CAPE TRIBULATION

Leave Port Douglas and heading north you'll pass Mossman Gorge, here Austravel recommends a guided walk with chance to swim in the cool waters. Take the ferry across the Daintree River and head into the rainforest, watching out for Cassowary's which amble slowly across the road. Take time to explore the boardwalks through the rainforest which lead you to white sand beaches.

DAY 5: CAPE TRIBULATION – PALM COVE

Heading south back across the Daintree River, through the seaside hamlet of Wonga, and arrive at Palm Cove, your home for the next two nights.

DAY 6: PALM COVE

A day to relax and explore the popular town of Palm Cove. Alternatively why not book a day trip to discover the scenic railway at Kuranda and the Skyrail which travels high above the rainforest canopy.

DAY 7: PALM COVE – CAIRNS

Return back to Cairns for your onward journey, or why not continue your road trip by heading south towards Brisbane along the Queensland coast.

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options

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Silky Oaks Lodge ★★★★★

This is the Daintree's ultimate rainforest retreat, with luxury accommodation, fine dining and the Healing Waters Spa; a first class rainforest experience.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £134 PER ADULT





— DAY TOURS —

RED CENTRE

The Red Centre's immense monolith of Uluru is not only visually stunning, but a major site of Aboriginal cultural importance. Its scale and beauty really has to be seen to be believed. Nearby is the other, if not more sacred site, of Kata Tjuta. With its 36 colossal domes, you can walk into Olga Gorge to experience their majesty before watching both Kata Tjuta and Uluru turn a bright orange at sunset. Slightly further afield is Kings Canyon with the impressive rim walk – best completed on a cooler morning.

**Field of Light: Star Pass**

One of the most ambitious art installations of its kind, the Field of Light by Bruce Munro will illuminate Uluru with 50,000 slender stems powered by solar energy. For a limited time the Star Pass allows you access to the Field of Light, including a raised viewing area for sunset, plus drinks and canapés while you take in this magnificent sight. The installation will be available to visit until 31 Mar '18.

FROM £57 PER ADULT**Uluru Sunrise and Kata Tjuta**

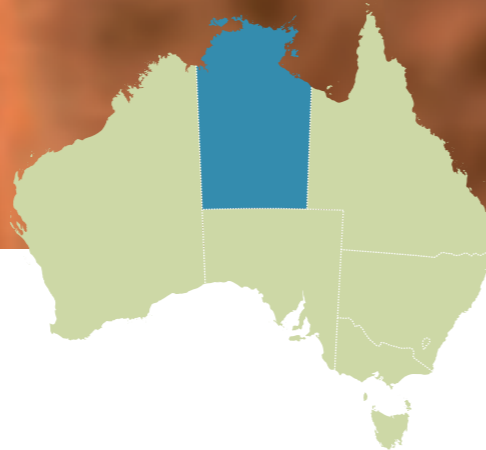
Rise early to see the morning rays light up Uluru in the heart of the Outback. After sunrise travel round the base of Uluru to the Mutitjulu Waterhole to view Aboriginal Art and learn about the history and culture of this area. Following this, visit the Uluru-Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre to see locally made arts and crafts on this half day tour.

FROM £79 PER ADULT**Ayers Rock Helicopter Flight**

A helicopter trip around Ayers Rock allows you to sit back and relax and enjoy the stunning views over Uluru, with Mt Conner and Lake Amadeus on the horizon. Your tour includes a 15 minute scenic flight and transfers from your Ayers Rock hotel, and is the ultimate way to witness Ayers Rock and the vast Outback surrounding it.

FROM £97 PER ADULT**Sounds of Silence**

This really is an experience like no other. Enjoy a glass of sparkling wine as the sun slowly sets over Kata Tjuta and Uluru. Dine on a gourmet BBQ buffet of authentic Australian delicacies complemented by some of Australia's finest wines. Attention then turns to some of the world's best stargazing, as the resident astronomer takes you on an unforgettable tour of the southern night sky.

FROM £119 PER ADULTNORTHERN
TERRITORY

TOP EXPERIENCES

- See the sunset, sunrise and changing colours over Uluru and Kata Tjuta.
- Swim in the beautiful waterfalls of Litchfield and Kakadu National Parks.
- Camp under the stars in a swag, or a luxury tent, for a true outback experience.
- Spend the evening under a starry sky at the sensational Sounds of Silence dinner.

FACT FILE

Climate: The Northern Territory's climate is tropical with two seasons – the Dry and the Green (Wet). The Dry season starts around May, and the Green around November.

Flying time to Darwin: 24 hours + 1 stop

Driving times:

Uluru to Alice Springs – 5 hours 30 minutes

Alice Springs to Kings Canyon – 6 hours

Darwin to Kakadu – 3 hours 30 minutes

Darwin to Katherine – 4 hours

King Canyon to Uluru – 4 hours

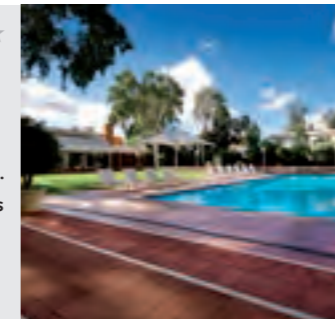
GMT: +9.5 hours

The Northern Territory is a state of two distinctly different halves. The Top End is a steamy, green wonderland encompassing Kakadu's lush wetlands and the gushing waterfalls of Litchfield National Park. In contrast, the Red Centre is Australia's arid outback desert. A sacred place, where Uluru (Ayers Rock) and Kata Tjuta (The Olgas) brood over the fiery-coloured landscape, and where dingoes, wallabies and emus call home.

Desert Gardens ★★★★★

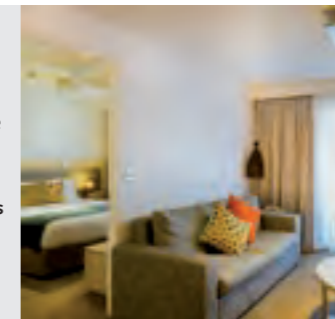
Spacious rooms are set amongst landscaped gardens, overlooking the pool. Stand in your own private courtyard or verandah and watch Australia's best sunset.

REDUCED RATES – Selected dates
FROM £99 PER ADULT

**Emu Walk Apartments ★★★★★**

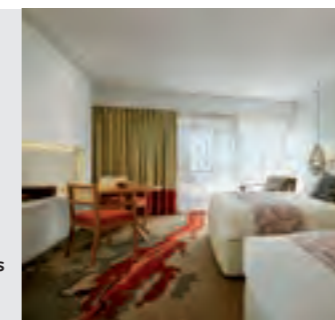
Newly renovated one and two bedroom apartments offer home from home convenience just minutes from Ayers Rock Resort.

REDUCED RATES – Selected dates
FROM £109 PER ADULT

**Sails in the Desert ★★★★★**

An oasis of luxury, the resort offers a wide range of facilities including tennis courts and an idyllic swimming pool. The guest rooms are spacious and recently refurbished.

REDUCED RATES – Selected dates
FROM £121 PER ADULT

**Longitude 131 ★★★★★**

Simply one of the best wilderness hotels in the world. Stay in one of fifteen tented sanctuaries, enjoying panoramic, uninterrupted views of Uluru and the surrounding desert landscape.

FROM £828 PER ADULT**Doubletree by Hilton Alice Springs ★★★★★**

Set within spectacular natural surroundings. Soak up the views from your private balcony, cool off in the outdoor pool and enjoy fine dining.

FREE BREAKFAST – Selected dates
FROM £38 PER ADULT

**Kings Canyon Resort ★★★★★**

Located in the Watarrka National Park just 9km from Kings Canyon. Offering some of the most spectacular views in the Outback, sunrise is the perfect time to enjoy a walk.

FROM £98 PER ADULT



Bruce Munro

FIELD OF LIGHT ULURU

"UNEARTHLY AND UPLIFTING"

DAILY TELEGRAPH UK
APRIL 2016

Feel the inspiring magnitude of the vast night sky, the overwhelming presence of the majestic rock. As darkness falls and Uluru is thrown into silhouette, Field of Light illuminates. Under an outback sky brilliant with stars, pathways draw you in and beckon you to explore as 50,000 slender stems crowned with frosted-glass spheres gently light up Australia's spiritual heartland. The Field of Light, a global phenomenon by internationally acclaimed artist Bruce Munro, captivated audiences in 2016. Due to popular demand the exhibition has been extended until 31 March 2018.

Bruce Munro
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ULURU

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31 MARCH 2018

DISCOVER THE RED CENTRE

With a number of incredible natural sights on the road from Alice Springs to Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park, spending a few days exploring this area is essential. Embark on the ultimate outback road trip across red-scorched earth, passing stunning gorges and ranges. Alternatively, learn about the Aboriginal culture and history by taking an escorted tour through the Red Centre. A snapshot tour takes the stress out of travelling and lets you sit back, as you visit the highlights of this unique landscape with an experienced and knowledgeable guide at the helm.



TOURING

Outback Wanderer: AAT Kings

4 Day Escorted Tour from £846 per adult

DAY 1: ULURU & KATA TJUTA

On arrival at Ayers Rock Airport you will be transferred to your hotel. Later, travel to Kata Tjuta taking in a magnificent outback sunset with gourmet canapés and Australian wine.

DAY 2: ULURU & KATA TJUTA

Rise early this morning for sunrise at Kata Tjuta, before a walk to the Valley of the Winds lookout. This afternoon join a base tour of Uluru and view Aboriginal rock paintings, before visiting the Uluru – Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre, where you can learn about Aboriginal culture and see arts and crafts. In late afternoon travel to the Uluru sunset viewing area for perfect photo opportunities.

DAY 3: AYERS ROCK RESORT – KINGS CANYON

Enjoy Uluru at sunrise, before travelling through a unique outback landscape to Kings Canyon resort.

DAY 4: KINGS CANYON - ALICE SPRINGS

This morning take a walk to the rim of the Canyon, where you will be rewarded with marvellous views of Watarrka National Park. Continue the 3 hour walk around the canyon with your guide as



you hear and learn about the geology and history of this amazing formation. Take a rest and a moment to enjoy the tranquillity of the 'Garden of Eden'. This afternoon journey to Alice Springs.

Please note: Prices are per person and include three nights twin share accommodation. Accommodation, board basis and prices are subject to change with availability. Tour departs daily. (YK48)



Explore the Red Centre

AVIS

6 Day Self Drive
from £589 per adult

DAY 1: ALICE SPRINGS

Spend today exploring the sights of the bustling Outback township of Alice Springs; highlights include the School of the Air and the Royal Flying Doctor Service museum.

DAY 2: ALICE SPRINGS - GLEN HELEN

Head west from Alice Springs and follow the spectacular MacDonnell Ranges. Closer to Glen Helen make a detour to Ormiston and Glen Helen Gorges.

DAY 3: GLEN HELEN - KINGS CANYON

Departing Glen Helen this morning, head along the Mereenie Loop road, though the Gardiner Range, and arrive into Watarrka National Park via the northern entrance.

DAY 4: KINGS CANYON - AYERS ROCK

Take an early morning walk through the



Canyon, with magnificent views of the rim and the lush greenery of the 'Garden of Eden'. This afternoon set off towards Australia's most famous icon - Uluru. Visit Kata Tjuta for a stroll amongst the cluster of weathered red domes.

DAY 5: AYERS ROCK

Start the day early to watch the ever changing colours of Uluru as the sun rises. Next you could walk the base of Uluru, or visit the Cultural Centre. End the day witnessing the breathtaking sunset - with a suggested glass of wine!

DAY 6: AYERS ROCK

Return your car to Ayers Rock airport for your onward journey.

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options.

Please Note: Itinerary valid from 1st April 2017 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 F car hire. 4WD vehicles subject to excess kilometre charges. 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. (AL1)

ALL PRICES ARE A GUIDE. PRICES AND SUPPLEMENTS CAN INCREASE OR DECREASE. Prices in £ per person per night based on 2 adults sharing a room or per person for day tours where shown. Prices shown are a starting price and will vary according to departure date and time of booking. Package prices do not include international flights unless stated. Accommodation prices will be dependant on date of occupancy and not date of departure. Hotel and peak supplements may apply. Important: See the back of the brochure for terms and conditions - a full version can be found on our website and must be read prior to booking.

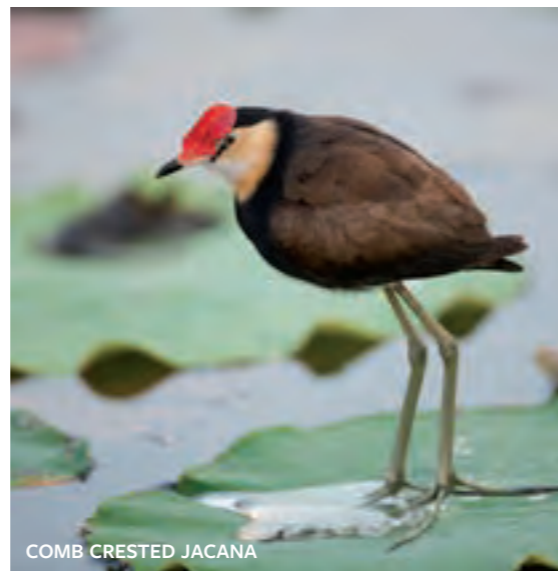


DARWIN AND THE TOP END

Darwin is the tropical hub of the Northern Territory and gateway to the Kakadu and Katherine regions. Though Australia's smallest capital city, Darwin's vibrant beach markets, bar-lined streets and sunset harbour cruises certainly compensate. Nature lovers will be astounded by the extraordinary diversity of Kakadu National Park, teeming with mammals, birds, insects and of course, saltwater crocs! South of Darwin lies the town of Katherine and the magnificent Katherine Gorge. Take a cruise or canoe to appreciate the sheer size of this natural wonder.



LITCHFIELD NATIONAL PARK WATERFALL



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Oaks Elan Darwin

★★★★★

Choose from studio, one and two bedroom apartments, with spacious and sophisticated rooms in the heart of Darwin city.

FROM £49 PER ADULT

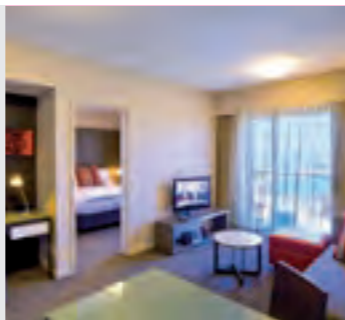


Adina Apartment Hotel Darwin

★★★★★

Fully serviced luxury apartments close to the seafront promenades, boutique shops and waterside restaurants.

FROM £66 PER ADULT



Mercure Kakadu

★★★★☆

In the middle of Kakadu National Park's wilderness, this uniquely crocodile shaped hotel is a great base from which to explore.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £45 PER ADULT



Cicada Lodge, Katherine

★★★★★

Cicada Lodge is the ideal base from which to explore Nitmiluk Gorge, ancient landscapes and rock art, and wilderness Outback lands.

FROM £119 PER ADULT



TOURING

Top End Discovery



6 Day Self Drive from £524 per adult

DAY 1: DARWIN – KAKADU

Leave Darwin and head along the Arnhem Highway towards the Kakadu National Park, taking time to stop off at the 'Window on the Wetlands' Visitor centre en-route, or take a cruise on the Adelaide River to see the famous jumping crocodiles.

DAY 2: KAKADU

Start the day with a visit to Yellow Waters, and join a cruise watching the early morning sun over the billabong. Spend the rest of day at leisure - you could visit the ancient Aboriginal rock art sites at Nourlangie or Ubirr.

DAY 3: KAKADU – KATHERINE

Head towards the gold-mining town of Pine Creek, before joining the Stuart Highway towards Katherine, home of the renowned Katherine Gorge, where the river flows between the towering walls of colour.

DAY 4: KATHERINE

Join the four hour morning cruise of this incredible gorge – the best way to see its amazing size and colours. Look out for the crocs and an abundance of wildlife. The afternoon is free to explore the area more – take an opportunity to visit the Mataranka Thermal Pools which have a constant 34°C.



DAY 5: KATHERINE - LITCHFIELD NATIONAL PARK AND LAKE BENNETT

Leave Katherine and return north towards the Litchfield National Park - the Top End's most accessible natural attraction. There's safe swimming and spectacular waterfalls at Buley Rockhole and Florence Falls, or alternatively take a bushwalk. Your overnight stay is at scenic Lake Bennett.

DAY 6: LITCHFIELD NATIONAL PARK – DARWIN

After a morning in the National Park continue on the Stuart Highway north back up to Darwin.

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DAY TOURS



Kakadu National Park Explorer

Travel south down the Arnhem Highway into the Marrakai Plains, before a walk to view the ancient Aboriginal rock art at Nourlangie Rock. After lunch cruise the Yellow Water Billabong to spot the saltwater crocs and colourful birdlife. Finish your day at the Warradjan Aboriginal Cultural Centre to learn of the traditions of the Aboriginal people in Kakadu.

FROM £157 PER ADULT

Litchfield National Park Waterfalls

Travel past lush monsoon forests, termite mounds, unusual rock formations, and waterfalls, as you journey into the Litchfield National Park. The Park encloses much of the Tabletop Range, a sandstone plateau home to the Wagait Aboriginal people. Swim in the plunge pool of Florence Falls before returning to Darwin.

FROM £105 PER ADULT

Kakadu & Litchfield National Parks



3 Day Tour from £679 per adult

DAY 1: DARWIN - KAKADU

Depart Darwin and travel deep into Kakadu National Park to view the Aboriginal rock art at Nourlangie Rock. Cruise the Yellow Water Billabong before stopping at the Warradjan Cultural Centre.

DAY 2: KAKADU - DARWIN

Stop at Ubirr to view Aboriginal rock art, then join the Gulyyambi Cruise along the East Alligator River in Arnhem Land. Take the opportunity today to add on a scenic flight over Kakadu (additional expense).



DAY 3: LITCHFIELD NATIONAL PARK

After an overnight stay in Darwin, head out to Litchfield National Park to view the stunning Florence, Tolmer and Wangi Falls before a walk through the forest. Return to Darwin arriving around 6pm.

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options

Please note: Prices are per person based on twin share and include two nights accommodation, return airport transfers and touring. Supplements apply over special events and prices may vary with availability. (DK48)



MELBOURNE

Renowned for being one of the world's most liveable cities, Melbourne relishes its reputation as Australia's most stylish and cosmopolitan centre. The city offers visitors chic boutiques, trendy eateries and cutting-edge culture, yet maintains the links to its historical past with some of Australia's best museums, parklands and 19th century gold rush architecture. Ride the free tram around the city – or head to nearby St Kilda to chill on the beach.



— DAY TOURS —



Magnificent Melbourne City Sights

A great introduction to the highlights of Melbourne, this half day tour takes you through the central city and surrounding suburbs. View the many examples of Melbourne architectural splendour including St Pauls Cathedral and the Princess and Regent Theatres. Take a look at imposing Parliament House, the Queen Victoria Market, and stretch your legs in Fitzroy Gardens before visiting Albert Park, home of the Australian Grand Prix.

FROM £39 PER ADULT
TOUR INCLUDING A RIVER CRUISE FROM £54 PER ADULT



Phillip Island Ultimate

This memorable experience takes you to Phillip Island to visit some of Victoria's best nature and wildlife, wander the surf beaches, and see koala's in their natural habitat. Enjoy spectacular views over Phillip Island, before arriving at Summerland beach in time to view the Little Penguins make their way ashore at dusk.

FROM £84 PER ADULT

Great Ocean Road

Travel from Melbourne through the township of Kennet River to snap koalas lazing amongst eucalyptus forest. Lunch is in Apollo Bay at the foot of the Otway Ranges, with time to explore the shops and the marina. After a stroll through the Great Otway National Park discovering ancient rainforest, it's on to the world famous rock formations of the Twelve Apostles and Loch Ard Gorge, before returning to Melbourne.

FROM £79 PER ADULT



Neighbours Morning Tour

Head to Ramsay Street - tucked away in Melbourne's lovely suburbia. Take photos of the famous houses, drive past the studios, and if you're lucky you may even get to see some filming! Make sure you get a photo with one of the favourite Neighbours actors (past or present) and grab an autograph.

FROM £38 PER ADULT



Yarra Valley Wine Experience

Taking in some of Victoria's best wineries, the Yarra Valley is just one hour from the centre of Melbourne. Learn how to taste wine like a pro on this small group tour, before tastings at four premium wineries, plus a superb lunch in the magnificent Victorian countryside. Your guides will show you the magic of making some of Australia's best drops.

FROM £79 PER ADULT



Wilson's Promontory National Park

One of Victoria's best kept secrets, Wilson's Prom is 2 hours south of Melbourne and is a wildlife haven with spectacular coastline and pristine untouched beaches. Take time to explore on a bush walk where you'll be able to spot native animals, visit the enormous granite formations at Giant Rock, and learn about the extraordinary national park. Hike the top of Mount Oberon summit for the best views of 'The Prom' and stroll across the quartz sands of Squeaky Beach before your journey back to Melbourne.

FROM £79 PER ADULT



VICTORIA



TOP EXPERIENCES

- Drive or tour the Great Ocean Road, one of the world's most spectacular coastlines.
- Head to Phillip Island to see the 'Penguin Parade' – little penguins waddling across the beaches at dusk.
- Discover the arty laneways and arcades of Melbourne, home to fabulous boutiques and quaint cafés.
- Go bushwalking in the Grampians and marvel at the views across these vast rocky ranges.

FACT FILE

Climate: Victoria enjoys a temperate climate with seasons opposite to those of the UK. Spring starts in September, summer in December, autumn in March and winter in June.

Flying time to Melbourne: 23 hours + 1 stop

Driving times:

Melbourne to Yarra Valley – 1 hour

Melbourne to Mornington Peninsula – 1 hour 30 minutes

Melbourne to Apollo Bay – 2 hours 30 minutes

Melbourne to Adelaide – 9 hours

GMT: +10 hours

Australia's southernmost mainland state is full of contrasts, from alpine countryside and snow-capped mountains, to semi-arid desert and scorching summer heat. The state capital of Melbourne provides a perfect base from which to explore it all. Visit the wineries of the Yarra Valley or to encounter the wildlife on Phillip Island. Voted one of the best coastal drives in the world, definitely spend a few days exploring the Great Ocean Road. Then head further north to the Grampians National Park, home to wonderful hiking trails and spectacular scenery.

We don't just go there, we know there



WHERE TO STAY IN MELBOURNE

Choose from accommodation in the heart of Melbourne, close to the main shopping precinct and famous laneways. The city's free tram loop is a fantastic way of travelling around to many attractions. Alternatively, stay on the banks of the Yarra River where you'll find gourmet eateries, chic bars and the extravagant Crown Entertainment Complex. Just 20 minutes to the south by tram is the trendy beach suburb of St Kilda with its lively esplanade and a host of al fresco dining options.



MELBOURNE

Ibis Melbourne Hotel & Apartments ★★☆☆☆

Offering great value accommodation in the heart of the city, this hotel is situated within walking distance to iconic Melbourne attractions including the Queen Victoria Market.

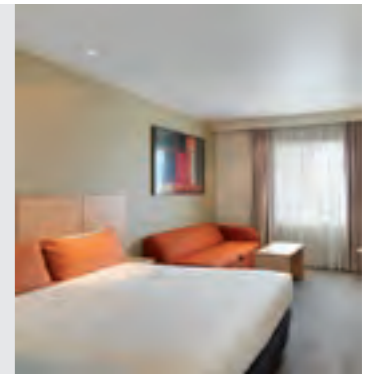
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £46 PER ADULT



Travelodge Southbank ★★☆☆☆

Situated just south of the Yarra River within easy walking distance to restaurants, cafés, great shopping, art galleries and the Crown Casino.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £57 PER ADULT



Mercure Treasury Gardens ★★★★★

In a prime location from which to explore Melbourne, all rooms are modern and spacious, with some overlooking the Treasury Gardens.

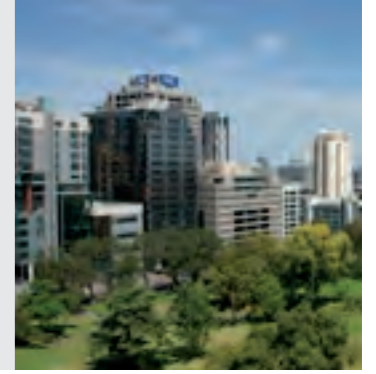
FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £58 PER ADULT



Radisson on Flagstaff Gardens ★★★★★

All guest rooms offer stylish, modern accommodation with scenic views across Flagstaff Gardens. Ask for details to upgrade to a Business Class room.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £67 PER ADULT



Rendezvous Hotel Melbourne ★★★★★

Overlooking the Yarra River, this hotel features 340 stylish guests room; upgrade to a Club Room on the hotel's heritage floors for ornate decoration.

FROM £73 PER ADULT



Doubletree by Hilton Melbourne ★★★★★

Located in the heart of Melbourne close to the free City Circle tram, many rooms boast views out over the Yarra River and Southbank.

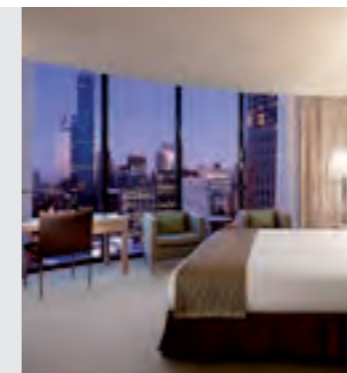
FROM £68 PER ADULT



Crown Promenade ★★★★★

Located in Melbourne's vibrant South Bank entertainment precinct, this is a modern hotel with spacious accommodation and fantastic views over the city.

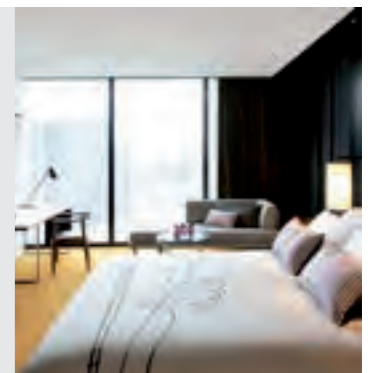
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £85 PER ADULT



Crown Metropol ★★★★★

A luxury hotel on the banks of the Yarra River, everything you require is on your doorstep within the Crown Entertainment Complex.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £99 PER ADULT



Intercontinental the Rialto ★★★★★

In a historic building in the heart of Collins Street, this contemporary luxury hotel boasts a stunning atrium laneway-style restaurant.

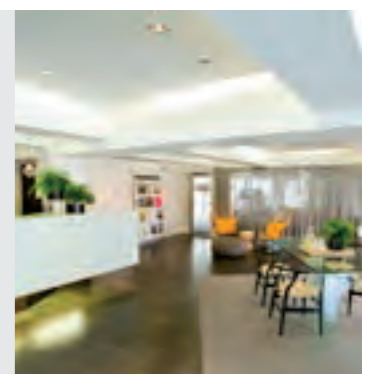
FROM £95 PER ADULT



Cosmopolitan Hotel St. Kilda ★★★★★

Tucked away in the heart of this seafront suburb 20 minutes tram ride from the city, upgrade to an apartment for longer stays.

FROM £42 PER ADULT



ALL PRICES ARE A GUIDE. PRICES AND SUPPLEMENTS CAN INCREASE OR DECREASE. Prices in £ per person per night based on 2 adults sharing a room or per person for day tours where shown. Prices shown are a starting price and will vary according to departure date and time of booking. Package prices do not include international flights unless stated. Accommodation prices will be dependant on date of occupancy and not date of departure. Hotel and peak supplements may apply. Important: See the back of the brochure for terms and conditions - a full version can be found on our website and must be read prior to booking.



GREAT OCEAN ROAD

Voted one of the best coastal drives in the world, the Great Ocean Road is undoubtedly one of Australia's most popular and scenic self-drive routes. Jaw-dropping scenery makes for a thrilling 240-kilometre drive along Victoria's south-western coastline. Key stops offs include the pretty coastal towns of Lorne and Port Fairy, the koala-filled forests of Otway Ranges and of course, the famous Twelve Apostles.



DAY TOURS



TWELVE APOSTLES



Otway Fly Treetop Walk

An adventurous addition to your Great Ocean Road adventure! Join a one hour rainforest walk on the 30 metre high treetop canopy walkway, the longest and tallest of its type in the world. Following this, enjoy an experience like no other as you travel high above the trees on a 2.5 hour zip line fully guided tour.

FROM £52 PER ADULT

Oscars Waterfront, Port Fairy ★★★★★

This magnificent two-storey waterfront property features six individually decorated king-size rooms, and one suite, all with stunning views.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £103 PER ADULT



Captains at the Bay ★★★★★

Just a stroll away from the Apollo Bay beach and restaurants. With smart, contemporary interiors, and splashes of luxury, Captains is a good base from which to explore the area.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £89 PER ADULT



TOURING



Melbourne to Adelaide: Drive the Great Ocean Road

5 Day Self Drive from £387 per adult



DAY 1: MELBOURNE – LORNE OR APOLLO BAY

Depart Melbourne and travel to Torquay, Australia's surf capital where the Great Ocean Road begins its journey westward. Continue to Lorne, one of Victoria's most attractive resort towns.

DAY 2: APOLLO BAY OR LORNE – PORT FAIRY

Continue along the Great Ocean Road to the majestic Twelve Apostles. Other attractions include London Bridge, the Bay of Martyrs and Massacre Bay. Journey to Port Fairy for the evening.

DAY 3: PORT FAIRY – ROBE

Travel to the Grampians, one of Victoria's largest and most accessible national parks, home to Koori rock art and striking rock formations. Continue to the rugged, windswept coastal town of Robe. Take a walk on one of the secluded beaches where you may even get to spot fairy penguins.

DAY 4: ROBE – BAROSSA VALLEY

Head towards the Barossa Valley, home to over 50 vineyards. If you want to take part in some serious wine tasting why not book a private tour and savour the flavour of South Australia.

DAY 5: BAROSSA VALLEY – ADELAIDE

With the morning at leisure, why not take to the skies this morning on a hot air balloon ride before heading back to Adelaide.

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options.

Please Note: Itinerary valid from 1st April 2017 and may alter prior to this. Prices are per person and include four 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. (M01)

Great Ocean Road & The Grampians

5 Day Self Drive from £399 per adult



DAY 1: MELBOURNE – APOLLO BAY

From Melbourne, journey along the Surf Coast Highway to Torquay, Australia's surf capital, and the start of the spectacular Great Ocean Road. Continue to beautiful Lorne and Apollo Bay where you'll stay tonight, a short drive from Otway National Park.

DAY 2: APOLLO BAY – PORT FAIRY

Head inland into the rugged Shipwreck Coast region, returning to the coast at Princetown where the Port Campbell National Park begins to unfold with spectacular natural features, including the renowned Twelve Apostles. Drive onwards to Warrnambool, Tower Hill and Port Fairy.

DAY 3: PORT FAIRY – HALLS GAP

Journey north, through rich rural regions, to the Grampians National Park. The road from Dunkeld takes you on a spectacular journey of waterfalls, valleys and wildlife, across the ranges to Cavendish and on to Halls Gap.

DAY 4: HALLS GAP – BALLARAT

Travel to Ballarat and Sovereign Hill where you'll revisit the 1850's gold rush at a live working museum with underground mine tours and a spectacular 'Blood on the Southern Cross' show, the story of the 1854 uprising.

DAY 5: BALLARAT – MELBOURNE

Leave Ballarat and follow the Western Freeway back to Melbourne.

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Discover the Great Ocean Road and Grampians with Bunyip



3 Day Escorted Tour from £299 per adult

If you're limited for time why not take a guided tour which will let you see all the highlights of this stunning coastline and spectacular national park scenery in just 3 days, with an expert guide at the helm.

DAY 1: Head out from Melbourne and past the famous surf at Bells Beach, stop at the seaside resort of Lorne for a lunch break, before continuing to Great Otway National Park to take a guided walk through a cool temperate rainforest gully. Check in for the evening for a stay on the Great Ocean Road.

DAY 2: After breakfast take in the Bay of Islands, Bay of Martyrs and Boat Bay before our journey turns inland and travels through open farmland towards the Grampians National Park, learning about Aboriginal heritage at the Brambuk Cultural Centre. Stay for the night in the foothills of the Grampians with an evening campfire.

DAY 3: Wake up at the breathtaking Wilderness Retreat before a scenic walk and a cool off in the majestic Mackenzie Falls. Spot native birds and wildlife before continuing back to Melbourne. Ask your Travel Designer for details on connecting through to Adelaide.

Please see austravel.com for full details

Please Note: Tour departs Tuesday and Friday from Melbourne at 7.15am. Does not operate May to September. (B3DMD)



AROUND VICTORIA

Victoria is a diverse landscape of mountain ranges, wildlife parks and seaside villages boasting huge golden beaches. Phillip Island is home to the famous 'Penguin Parade' where you can watch these extraordinary creatures march up the beach to their burrows every evening. Discover the olive groves and vineyards of Mornington Peninsula, and enjoy gourmet picnics on its secluded beaches. Or venture to Australia mainland's most south-easterly point to experience the sheer natural beauty of Wilsons Promontory.

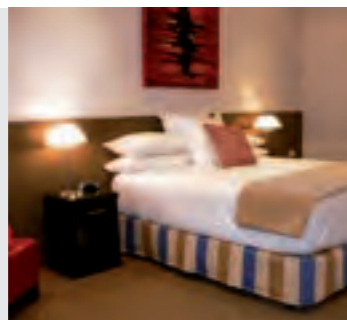


PHILLIP ISLAND



WILSONS PROMONTORY LOOKOUT

Brooklands of Mornington ★★★★★
Discover the local area from Brooklands in the heart of the Peninsula, with wineries and beaches close by.
FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £57 PER ADULT



Flinders Hotel, Mornington ★★★★★
First established in 1889, the Flinders Hotel is a meeting place for locals and visitors, with clean, contemporary rooms and a fine dining restaurant.
FROM £88 PER ADULT



Ramada Phillip Island ★★★★★
Explore the swimming and surf beaches, surrounded by rugged countryside. Upgrade to a 2 or 3 bedroom villa with full kitchen facilities for a home from home.
FROM £58 PER ADULT



Bear Gully Cottages ★★★★★
Located on Wilsons Promontory, with spectacular ocean views and the beach just a 5 minute stroll from your cottage door. All cottages boast large covered decks, living areas and fully fitted kitchens.
FROM £109 PER ADULT



— TOURING —



VINEYARD ON MORNINGTON PENINSULA

The True South



6 Day Self Drive from £472 per adult

DAY 1: MELBOURNE – MORNINGTON PENINSULA

A short drive south of Melbourne takes you to the beachside cafés, galleries and wineries of this popular area. Find a peaceful beach, dine al fresco, and watch the world pass by.

DAY 2: MORNINGTON PENINSULA - PHILLIP ISLAND

Travel around the peninsula and to Phillip Island, famous for its little penguins who parade back to their burrows each evening. See the famous Grand Prix circuit and the vast Fur Seal colony at Seal Rock.

DAY 3: PHILLIP ISLAND – LAKES ENTRANCE

Venture on to the coastal Bass Highway and head towards Bairnsdale. Lakes Entrance is a unique area of lakes, rivers and lagoons which join 90 Mile Beach; take a cruise and spot dolphins, seals and a wide variety of seabirds.

DAY 4: LAKES ENTRANCE

A day at leisure, explore one of the scenic trails or take a short drive to one of the neighbouring lakeside towns.

DAY 5: LAKES ENTRANCE - WALHALLA

Head inland to the town of Walhalla, once one of Australia's richest towns and an integral part of the Gold Rush; this sleepy mountainside town is now home to just 20 residents but a fantastic place to explore the rich history of the area.

DAY 6: WALHALLA - MELBOURNE

The last day of your journey, pass through the small township of Moe before joining the Princes Highway that will lead you back in to the heart of this cosmopolitan city.

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— DAY TOURS —



Seal Watching Cruise, Phillip Island

A spectacular two hour cruise from Cowes which allows you to get close to one of Australia's largest fur seal colonies on the aptly named Seal Rock.

FROM £48 PER ADULT



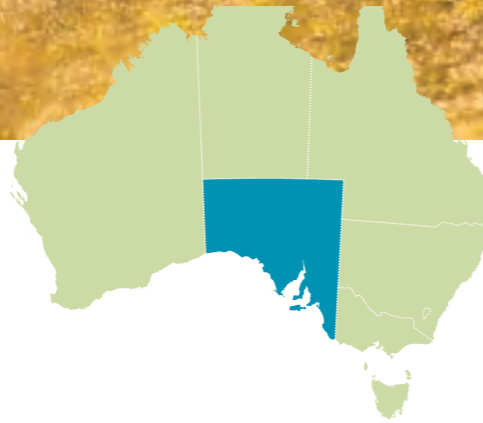
Phillip Island Helicopters

See Phillip Island from a different perspective! The full island tour is 25 minutes long, and offers unprecedented views of the Moto GP track, amazing surf beaches and the penguin viewing areas from above, with a shorter 15 minute option also available.

FROM £97 PER ADULT



SOUTH AUSTRALIA



TOP EXPERIENCES

- See kangaroos, koalas, seals, sea lions, penguins and much more on Kangaroo Island.
- Visit some of the world's best wineries around the Barossa Valley and Clare Valley.
- Indulge in Adelaide's robust food culture and dine on the freshest produce from around the state.
- Journey into the outback to the rugged scenery of Flinders Ranges and spectacular Wilpena Pound.

FACT FILE

Climate: South Australia enjoys a warm climate with seasons opposite to those of the UK. Spring starts in September, summer in December, autumn in March and winter in June.

Flying time to Adelaide: 22 hours + 1 stop

Driving times:
 Adelaide to Barossa Valley – 1 hour 30 minutes
 Adelaide to Flinders Ranges – 5 hours
 Adelaide to Coober Pedy – 9 hours

GMT: +9.5 hours

From the brilliant white beaches of the Limestone Coast to the world-famous wineries of the Barossa Valley, South Australia is definitely a destination for those with a taste for the finer things in life. Its elegant capital city, Adelaide, is a convenient base to explore from, and due south of the city lies Kangaroo Island, a microcosm of exotic flora and fauna.

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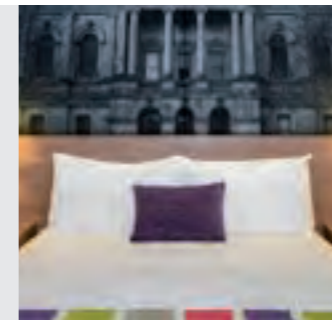
Fringed by green parklands and the hills of the Mount Lofty Ranges, Adelaide sits on the eastern side of the Gulf St Vincent. Arguably one of the nation's most livable capital cities, Adelaide is a compact grid of art venues, markets and relaxed restaurants. The broad tree-lined North Terrace is home to many of the historical and cultural centres. Alternatively, there is serious retail therapy available on Rundle Street, or the opportunity to relax on charming Glenelg Beach, just 20 minutes drive out of the city.



Mercure Grosvenor Hotel Adelaide ★★☆☆☆

Just minutes from the shopping precinct of Rundle Mall, Adelaide Casino and Festival Centre, this historical hotel is a perfect base to explore Adelaide.

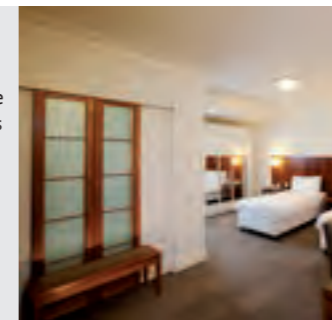
FREE NIGHT - Selected dates
FROM £53 PER ADULT



Majestic Roof Garden ★★★★★

Situated just a few steps from the heart of the city centre, all rooms are luxurious and contemporary. The signature garden on the roof has panoramic views.

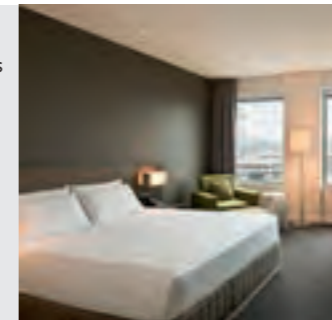
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £63 PER ADULT



Crowne Plaza ★★★★★

Overlooking the peaceful gardens of Hindmarsh Square, head to the Redsalt Bar to taste local flavours, relax in the pool, sauna and spa, or explore the city.

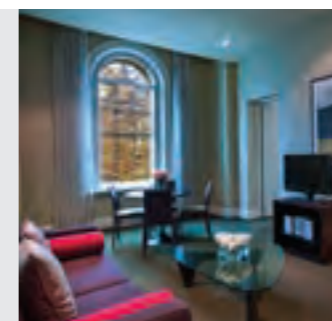
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £73 PER ADULT



Adina Treasury Adelaide ★★★★★

This beautifully restored boutique hotel is in a prime position in Adelaide's vibrant CBD, ideal for exploring the café culture, beautiful architecture and excellent dining this city has to offer.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £64 PER ADULT



DAY TOURS

Adelaide City Tour

A cosmopolitan city with a blend of European and modern architecture, explore Adelaide with its wealth of great food and wine, arts and culture. Visit Montefiore Hill and Colonel Light's Lookout for panoramic city views, and the cultural precinct of North Terrace and St Peters Cathedral, before heading to the popular seaside suburb of Glenelg with the afternoon free to explore Holdfast Shores and the Marina Pier.



FROM £40 PER ADULT

Kangaroo Island Coast to Coast

An early morning start with a scenic coach trip to Cape Jervis to join the Sealink ferry to Kangaroo Island. Head to Seal Bay Conservation Park to walk on the beach among the colony of rare and wild Australian Sea Lions, before lunch at Vivonne Bay and the afternoon at Flinders Chase. Arrive back into Adelaide for an 11pm return; Austravel recommend an upgrade to a return flight for spectacular views.



CRUISE/CRUISE OPTION FROM £171 PER ADULT
CRUISE/FLY OPTION FROM £281 PER ADULT

Barossa Food and Wine Experience

Head to South Australia's premium wine region and sample some of the finest wines; your first stop will be TeAro Estate with morning tea in the tasting room. Travel to Kellermeister, a mud brick cellar with beautiful views over the Barossa Ranges. Visit Maggie Beer's Farm Shop to pick up fresh produce, before a delicious lunch at Saltram Wine Estate. Your final tasting is at Pindarie, a multi award winning cellar door.



FROM £88 PER ADULT

Flerieu Explorer: Off Piste Tours

Travel south from Adelaide by 4WD through the rolling Southern Mount Lofty Ranges to the acclaimed wine region of McLaren Vale, exploring beautiful landscapes, and world-class vineyards. A gourmet lunch is served at a secret location overlooking incredible scenery. Your guide will share Aboriginal stories of the Indigenous Australians of the Flerieu Peninsula, whilst you explore the sublime beaches and the vastness of the coastline of the Southern Ocean.



FROM £182 PER ADULT

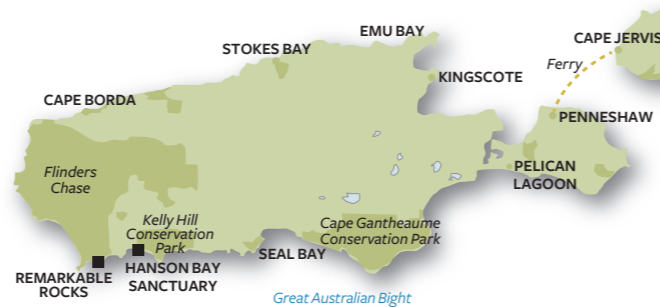


KANGAROO ISLAND

If you're a nature lover, then Kangaroo Island is an absolute must! This island has it all; kangaroos, koalas, wombats, seals, penguins and echidnas are found in abundance. From the unusual Remarkable Rocks, to a stroll down the beach to watch the seals laze in the sun, take the time to explore the island fully and you're sure to feel welcomed by this big-hearted farming community. Kangaroo Island also boasts Southern Ocean Lodge, one of Australia's most exclusive, luxury hotels.



KANGAROO ISLAND



Kangaroo Island Seafront

★★★★☆

Situated in Penneshaw overlooking Backstairs Passage, upgrade to a Seafront Room with spectacular views and private balcony.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £56 PER ADULT



Kangaroo Island Wilderness Retreat

★★★★☆

Located next to the entrance to Flinders Chase National Park, offering a unique mix of courtyard suites and motel style rooms.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £66 PER ADULT



Southern Ocean Lodge

★★★★★

This world-class lodge offers an unforgettable blend of contemporary luxury and pure nature. Twenty-one luxurious suites welcome panoramic views of the great Southern Ocean.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £684 PER ADULT



— TOURING —

4WD Highlights of Kangaroo Island



2 Day Escorted Tour from £649 per adult

Travel in small, personalised groups on this 4WD adventure for close-up nature experiences. Knowledgeable guides take you off the beaten track and include comprehensive touring to all the famous landmarks of Kangaroo Island.



DAY 1: Take the early morning ferry from Adelaide to meet your guide. Highlights include a guided walk at Seal Bay, and a bush walk where koalas and kangaroos may be spotted, before an overnight stay close to Flinders Chase National Park. Standard, first class and boutique accommodation options are available for your overnight stay on Kangaroo Island.



DAY 2: Discover the natural wonders of Flinders Chase National Park and see the New Zealand fur seals that inhabit these waters. View the unique geological formation of Admiral's Arch, a spectacular archway formed by the sea, followed by some time to wander amid the delicately balanced granite domes of the Remarkable Rocks. Enjoy a picnic lunch in a beautiful bush setting and then explore the Rocky River region to see yet more wildlife. At Hanson Bay Sanctuary, search for koalas and enter the Kelly Hill Conservation Park to watch wild kangaroos and Tamar wallabies graze on the open plains. The ferry departs Kangaroo Island at 7.30pm for your return to Adelaide.

Upgrade to return flights for the ultimate experience – ask your Travel Designer for further details

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options.

Kangaroo Island Sealink



3 Day Self Drive from £229 per adult

For the more independent traveller, catch a coach connection from Adelaide then cross by ferry to Kangaroo Island. Pick up a hire car and explore the island at your leisure; some roads are gravel and need particular care taken when driving, and remember that there are wild animals out after dusk so take special care.



DAY 1: Board the Sealink ferry to the quaint town of Penneshaw, with the freedom to explore Kangaroo Island at your own pace. Drive past Baudin and Island Beach to Pennington Bay, with a fantastic photo opportunity of some of the island's spectacular coastal landscapes. Sample homemade honey at Clifford's Farm, view the sea lions at Seal Bay, and explore Kelly Hill Caves Conservation Park.

DAY 2: Head to Flinders Chase National Park to view some of the island's most incredible natural formations; the justifiably named Remarkable Rocks, historic Weirs Cove, and Admirals Arch. Continue to Kingscote to visit some of the local producers, with cheese factories and sampling of boutique liqueurs. A 20 minute drive from here is Emu Bay, one of Kangaroo Island's best beaches.

DAY 3: Make time for a final stop at one of the local wineries for a tasting plate and some fabulous wines, before your journey back to the ferry and to Adelaide.

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options.





EYRE PENINSULA

A short flight across the Spencer Gulf or a road trip via Port Augusta brings you to the Eyre Peninsula, a triangular area of land bordered to the north by the Gawler Ranges National Park and to the south by the rolling Southern Ocean. You're in for an adventure; take to the calm waters near Port Lincoln to swim with the local sea lions, or for those after an adrenaline rush, join great white sharks in their natural habitat.



EYRE PENINSULA



Port Lincoln Hotel

★★★★☆

On the foreshore of Boston Bay, upgrade to an Ocean View Room for views out over the spectacular Southern Ocean.

MEAL CREDIT – Selected dates
FROM £52 PER ADULT



The Marina Hotel

★★★★☆

This marina front hotel is perfect for longer stays; and the large, modern apartments have full kitchen and laundry facilities.

FROM £56 PER ADULT



— TOURING —

Port Lincoln and Coffin Bay Highlights: Goin' Off Safaris



2 Day Escorted Tour from £558 per adult

Experience remarkable coastal scenery on this 2 day tour showcasing the highlights of this untouched region of South Australia. Travel in small, personalised groups on this 4WD adventure as Goin' Off Safaris take you to the hidden gems of Port Lincoln and Coffin Bay.

The Eyre Peninsula is home to native wildlife, fabulous fresh seafood, and vast footprint free beaches; and the best way to discover it is with a local in the driving seat. Over 2 days you'll visit National Parks where you can spot kangaroos and koalas in their natural habitats, watch the local fisherman bring in hauls of fresh oysters and hike the coastal cliffs of the Southern Ocean. The tour includes a nights' accommodation at the award-winning Port Lincoln hotel, and there's the opportunity to upgrade to a 3 day tour to give you the chance to swim with Australian sea lions.

Please Note: Tour departs Mon, Tues, Thurs or Fri at 9am and includes breakfast, lunch and national park entry fees.

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options.



— TOURING —



Great Australian Bight Safaris – Around the Bight



9 Day Escorted Tour from £2,119 per adult

This rugged and untouched area of South Australia is one of the country's hidden gems. Travel with Great Australian Bight Safaris who have been operating in the area for over 30 years, and know it like the back of their hands. Small groups travel by 4WD so you can get off road, to remote sandy beaches spotting unique wildlife.

Around the Bight showcases the area in all its glory, beginning in Port Lincoln, travelling across the vast Nullarbor Plain and ending in Esperance in Western Australia. Explore the Elliston and Talia Caves close to Port Lincoln, spot dolphins in the surf at Venus Bay, learn of the Aboriginal history at the Ceduna Cultural Centre, stay overnight at Eyre Bird Observatory, and walk the tree tops of the mighty Kauri Forests. An adventure you'll never forget.

Please Note: Price is per person based on twin share. Please ask your Travel Designer for departure dates.

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options.

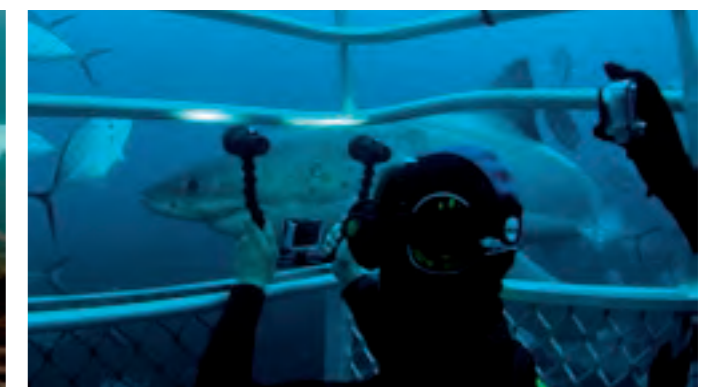
— DAY TOURS —



Swim with the Sea Lions: Adventure Bay Charters

This half day tour takes you to Seal Cove, where in the calm, crystal clear waters just off the coastline, sea lions and their pups love interacting. These gentle mammals are incredibly inquisitive, and you'll see them leap and twist out of the water as you snorkel alongside. A unique experience!

FROM £134 PER ADULT



Swim with the Great White Shark: Adventure Bay Charters

Always wanted to tick this off your bucket list? This is Australia's first advanced eco-certified shark cage diving experience, where you'll have the opportunity to be in the ocean with these majestic creatures. Sightings cannot be guaranteed, however tours are available year round and historically May to July and December to February are popular times to visit.

FROM £173 PER ADULT



SOUTH AUSTRALIAN WINELANDS

A scenic, one-hour drive from Adelaide you arrive in the major wine producing region of the Barossa Valley with its rolling hills, flagship wineries and gourmet local produce. If you enjoy a good glass of red wine, venture north from Adelaide to sample the world-class rieslings of the Clare Valley.



BAROSSA VALLEY

— DAY TOURS —



Jacob's Creek Master Class and Lunch

Join an expert to take a master class in the fine wines produced on this famous estate, and sample a selection of wines accompanied by a tasting platter. Learn how to match your food and wine perfectly, before a two course lunch from a seasonal menu.

FROM £91 PER ADULT

Clare Country Club

★★★★★

Nestled in tumbling hills overlooking the heart of the Clare Valley, this picturesque resort is home to a popular restaurant and offers boutique accommodation.

FROM £53 PER ADULT



Novotel Barossa Valley

★★★★★

Located an hour out of Adelaide, boasting panoramic views across the Barossa Ranges and Jacobs Creek vineyards, all apartments offer private balconies.

FROM £66 PER ADULT



The Louise Barossa Valley

★★★★★

A luxury vineyard retreat with just 15 suites offering private terraces and spacious rooms; acclaimed restaurant Appellation offers seasonal cuisine.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £189 PER ADULT



FLINDERS RANGES AND OUTBACK

Travel north from Adelaide and you'll find yourself amongst the ragged mountains, spectacular gorges and sheltered creeks of the Flinders Ranges. A highlight of this area is the natural amphitheatre of Wilpena Pound. This huge flat plain surrounded by jagged hills is undoubtedly best viewed from the air for full impact.



FLINDERS RANGES



— DAY TOURS —



— TOURING —

Flinders Range Escape



4 Day Self Drive from £536 per adult

DAY 1: ADELAIDE – WILPENA POUND

Depart Adelaide, and travel north on the Princes Highway, past Port Pirie, and on to Quorn, which is known for its heritage steam train journeys to Port Augusta. Carry on to the Yourambulla Caves and view the ancient Aboriginal rock art housed in shelters or caves, before arriving in Wilpena Pound. This afternoon includes a 20 minute scenic flight, giving the opportunity to gain a bird's eye view of the region. Nowhere else in Australia can wildlife be seen in such close proximity and in such abundance as in the parks of South Australia.

DAY 2: WILPENA POUND

Today enjoy a half day 4WD Mountain Tops spectacular tour including lunch and South Australian wine. This tour will enable you to view one of the most extraordinary formations in the Flinders Ranges off the beaten track with expert guides to teach you about this fascinating region.

DAY 3: WILPENA POUND – CLARE VALLEY

Travel south to the Clare Valley Wine Region, situated in the beautiful northern Mount Lofty Ranges, and where the town of Clare nestles among wooded hills and orderly vineyards. Nearby are the historic towns of Burra, Kapunda, and also the oldest winery in the area – the historic Sevenhill Cellars established in 1851.

DAY 4: CLARE VALLEY – ADELAIDE

Depart the Clare Valley and travel south to Adelaide.

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Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options.

Wilpena Pound Flight

Discover Wilpena Pound from the air with a magnificent 20 minute flight over the rugged ranges of this unique area. Your pilot will point out the Elder Range, Edeowie Gorge, Lake Torrens and St Mary's Peak and provide you with some sensational photo opportunities! Please ask for upgrades to 30 minute and one hour flights.

FROM £130 PER ADULT

Wilpena Pound Resort

★★★★★

Explore rugged ancient mountain scenery from your base in the heart of the Flinders Ranges. The resort offers standard rooms through to luxury tents.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £79 PER ADULT



Rawnsley Park Station

★★★★★

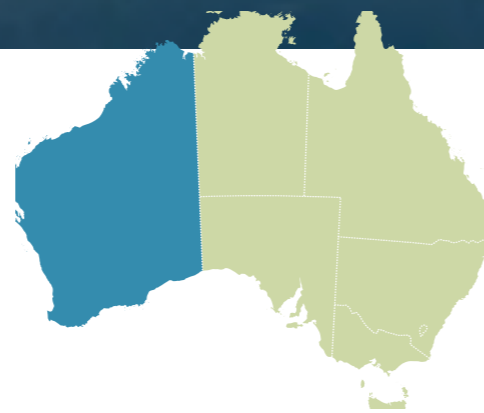
With a spectacular view of Wilpena Pound, upgrade to eco villas which have a retractable ceiling for stargazing at night.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £62 PER ADULT





WESTERN AUSTRALIA



TOP EXPERIENCES

- Swim with whale sharks and snorkel with dugongs on Ningaloo Reef at Coral Bay or Exmouth.
- Explore amazing beaches and enjoy gourmet food and wine in the Margaret River region.
- Drive a 4x4 down the Gibb River Road in the Kimberley region and discover waterfalls and gorges.
- Meet the cute quokkas and cycle the beautiful coastal routes on Rottnest Island.

FACT FILE

Climate: There are two main seasons in Western Australia. In the south there's a warm climate with seasons opposite to those of the UK. The north has a tropical climate with two seasons – the dry and the wet. The dry season starts around May and the wet season begins around November.

Flying time to Perth: 20 hours + 1 stop

Driving times:
 Perth to Margaret River – 3 hours 30 minutes
 Perth to Monkey Mia – 9 hours 30 minutes
 Perth to Exmouth – 14 hours

GMT: +8 hours

As Australia's largest state, Western Australia offers far greater diversity than most give it credit for. The relaxed state capital of Perth is the ideal launch pad to the historic town of Fremantle, stunning Rottnest Island and the wineries of Swan Valley. The state's southwest offers ancient karri-tree forests and the picturesque Margaret River region. Up the coast is Coral Bay and Monkey Mia where you can have close encounters with dugongs and whale sharks, while further north lies the genuine outback experience of the Gibb River Road and the Kimberley – an area of unparalleled beauty.

PERTH

Hugged by the hills of the Darling Ranges and gazing over the sky-blue Indian Ocean, Perth is a prosperous, modern port city. Kings Park boasts fresh air and panoramic city views, whilst surfers and beach lovers should head for Cottesloe Beach or Scarborough Beach up the coast. At the mouth of the Swan River is the lively port of Fremantle (Freo, to the locals), with al fresco cafés along the South Terrace, gourmet pubs and bohemian markets.



DAY TOURS

Discover Rottnest Island

Depart from central Perth on a 40 minute ferry out to Rottnest Island, home to beautiful beaches, bays, reefs and resident quokkas (small marsupials found only in Western Australia). Discover the islands cultural and historical heritage with a discovery coach tour around this picturesque island. After a lodge lunch, stroll along the boardwalk at the majestic look out point at West End, before returning to Perth.

FROM £115 PER ADULT



ROTTNEST ISLAND

Swan Valley Wine Tour

Just 45 minutes out of Perth is the picturesque Swan Valley, a region home to top wineries, gourmet food and rolling hills. Join a full day tour which includes a visit to 5 wineries, a delicious vineyard platter lunch, beer tasting at an award-winning microbrewery and chocolate tasting. For those shorter on time, a half day tour is available which starts after lunch.

FULL DAY INDULGENCE COACH TOUR FROM £46 PER ADULT
HALF DAY AFTERNOON DELIGHTS TOUR FROM £75 PER ADULT

Perth and Fremantle City Explorer

Begin your morning tour at the beautiful Kings Park botanical gardens, taking the Tree Top Walkway to view Perth's city skyline. Continue to Cottesloe Beach, with a buzzing boulevard of beachside eateries, before heading to Fremantle. Stroll down the main street, search for bargains in the market, and grab a coffee with the locals, before returning back into Perth.

FROM £39 PER ADULT

Ibis Perth ★★☆☆☆

Located in the Perth West End, modern rooms offer comfort and convenience in the heart of the city.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £36 PER ADULT



Mercure Perth ★★★★★

Located close to the central shopping and dining precincts, spacious guest rooms offer comfort and convenient walking distance to the city.

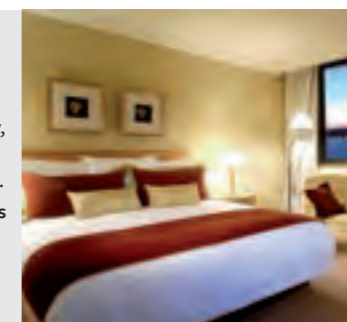
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £49 PER ADULT



Pan Pacific Perth ★★★★★

With the picturesque Swan River and Kings Park just minutes away, this luxury hotel offer spacious rooms with panoramic city views.

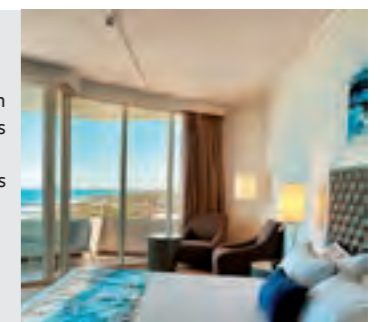
FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £52 PER ADULT



Rendezvous Hotel Scarborough ★★★★★

The golden sands of Scarborough beach are located just 20 minutes north of the city, and all stylish rooms at this hotel offer fabulous views.

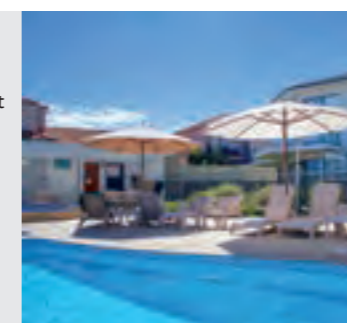
FROM £52 PER ADULT



Quality Resort Sorrento ★★★★★

Located on the Sunset Coast, just a 30 minute drive from the city, accommodation is close to the beach and a short walk from the harbour with cafés and bars.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £64 PER ADULT



Esplanade Hotel Fremantle ★★★★★

This hotel is just twenty minutes drive from Perth, choose between panoramic views overlooking Fishing Boat Harbour, the Indian Ocean or tropical gardens.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £73 PER ADULT



ALL PRICES ARE A GUIDE. PRICES AND SUPPLEMENTS CAN INCREASE OR DECREASE. Prices in £ per person per night based on 2 adults sharing a room or per person for day tours where shown. Prices shown are a starting price and will vary according to departure date and time of booking. Package prices do not include international flights unless stated. Accommodation prices will be dependant on date of occupancy and not date of departure. Hotel and peak supplements may apply. Important: See the back of the brochure for terms and conditions - a full version can be found on our website and must be read prior to booking.



MARGARET RIVER AND THE SOUTH WEST

Journey south from Perth and you'll discover the seaside town of Mandurah where you can see blue manna crabs and dolphins right off the beach. Further south the area of Margaret River boasts majestic forests, spectacular caves and a host of popular wineries. Then travel through Warren National Park to Albany, with magnificent coastal scenery and the chance to spot migrating humpback whales during whale season (June to November).



Bushtucker Cave and Canoe Tour

Paddle upstream from the beaches of Margaret River in authentic Canadian canoes, visiting ancient paperbark trees at Boogaloongar Island. Visit the caves and learn of the medicinal properties of local plants. After a bushtucker lunch on the scenic river banks learn of the original settlers and indigenous tribes, before a race back to the river mouth!

FROM £58 PER ADULT

Top Drop – Full Day Wine Tour

Travel with this award winning company on a full day exploring some of the hidden gems of the Margaret River. Indulge in a winery lunch with contemporary, fresh and local food, as well as visiting some outstanding wineries for a day of tastings.

FROM £115 PER ADULT

South West Highlights

6 Day Self Drive from £379 per adult

DAY 1: PERTH - MARGARET RIVER

Head south from Perth towards Bunbury, home to the Koombana Bay dolphins. Here you can take a Dolphin Watch Eco Cruise, before continuing on to the Margaret River.

DAY 2: MARGARET RIVER

Today is free for you to explore the Margaret River area at your leisure, visit local vineyards and sample gourmet foods.

DAY 3: MARGARET RIVER – PEMBERTON

Depart Margaret River and continue southeast to the town of Pemberton. This area has lush green Karri, Jarrah and Marri trees towering over dense undergrowth.

DAY 4: PEMBERTON – ALBANY

Make your way from Pemberton to Albany, stopping off en-route at Northcliffe's famous forest sculpture walk. Take a stroll along the Valley of the Giants Tree Top walk (at own expense), before continuing on to Albany.

— TOURING —



DAY 5: ALBANY

Spend a day of leisure around Albany. You may choose to visit Whaleworld, the only whaling museum created from an operational whaling station.

DAY 6: ALBANY – PERTH

Heading north on the return drive to Perth, you may choose to stop off and visit the Stirling Range National Park, which is the only Alpine area in Western Australia.

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Seashells Mandurah

★★★★★

Boasting an infinity edge swimming pool that stretches across the beachfront, and modern apartments, Mandurah is 45 minutes south of Perth.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £65 PER ADULT



Pullman Bunker Bay Resort

★★★★★

This world class resort offers a pristine beachfront location, jaw-dropping ocean vistas and luxury villas, complemented by award-winning day spa and ocean-view.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

FROM £82 PER ADULT



Cape Lodge, Margaret River

★★★★★

Home to just 22 room and suites, this luxury retreat has an award winning gourmet restaurant set in manicured gardens.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

FROM £111 PER ADULT



Margaret River Overnight Tour with Adams

2 Day Escorted Tour from £825 per adult

3 Day Escorted Tour from £1,156 per adult

Perfect for those looking to visit the spectacular Margaret River wine region who may be short on time. Adams will take you to the best local wineries – for those with more time on their hands, ask about a 3 day option.

DAY 1: Travel south from Perth stopping for morning tea at Busselton with its iconic jetty, before arriving into Margaret River and enjoying a gourmet lunch platter at one of the oldest breweries in the region. Continue further south for your first wine tasting, before a guided tour of Mammoth Cave with vast chambers. Travel through Boranup Forest to see the enormous Karri trees, and on to Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse where the Southern and Indian Oceans meet, before returning for the night to Margaret River township.

DAY 2: Join Top Drop for a day around the region, including a delicious platter for lunch and visits to 5 guided tastings. Learn just how these famous wines are produced, and go behind closed doors to hear the tricks of the trade. Head back north to Perth and stopping for dinner on the way.

Please note: Departs from Perth at 8am and returns at 9.30pm on Day 2. Departs daily from Sept-April and on Mon, Thurs and Fri between May and August.

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— TOURING —

Walk Into Luxury: Margaret River Cape to Cape Walk

4 Day Escorted Tour from £1,514 per adult

From turquoise oceans to towering forests, this once in a lifetime experience takes you along the spectacular coastline of the Margaret River. Stay in luxury beachfront accommodation, enjoy local gourmet produce and sample top wines along the way!



DAY 1: Walk from Smith's Beach to Injidup Spa Retreat, your base for the next three nights. Today includes the chance to swim at 'The Aquarium', a natural rock pool which has crystal clear waters. Finish the day with as glass of sparkling wine as the sunsets over the Indian Ocean.

DAY 2: A longer walk today, as you take on 14km from Cape Naturaliste lighthouse down the coast to Yallingup, a gorgeous surf town with cute cafes and clifftop views. Reward yourself this evening with dinner at Cape Lodge, home to an award winning restaurant and famous wines.

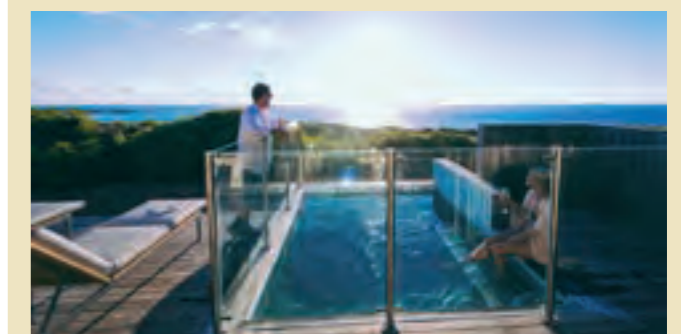
DAY 3: Take on the most stunning section of the track, as today you'll walk past pristine white beaches, limestone cliffs and ancient

Karri forest. With 13km to explore you'll have worked up an appetite, and the last supper sees a private chef preparing dinner for the group with fresh local produce.

DAY 4: A stroll today to the Willyabrup Sea Cliffs, where if you're lucky you might spot whales during the summer migration. Finish off with a celebratory lunch with matching wines at a local winery.

Please note: Departs on Sundays at 12.30pm from February to June and September to November. Also available including transfers from Perth – please ask your Travel Designer for further details. Finished on the final day at approx. 3.45pm. Price includes all food and wine and national park entry fees.

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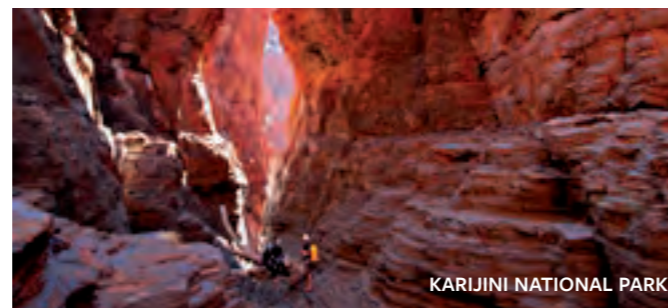




CORAL COAST HIGHLIGHTS

Ningaloo Reef is one of the closest fringing reefs to shore anywhere in the world. Simply stroll into the water from the beach and you'll find an abundance of marine life. Ningaloo is also home to the world's biggest fish, the whale shark, which visits these parts between April and July each year to feed on krill (not humans). Off Western Australia's Coral Coast is one of the few places in the world where you can swim with these graceful creatures.

CORAL COAST



Monkey Mia Dolphin Resort ★★★★★

Sharks Bay is one of the world's best natural dolphin sighting areas, with them swimming up to the beach daily. Upgrade to a beach view room for prime position!

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £77 PER ADULT



Novotel Ningaloo Resort ★★★★★

Located on Sunrise Beach, part of Exmouth's new marina, wonderfully located for exploring the region, with Ningaloo Reef and its resident marine life just a short drive away.

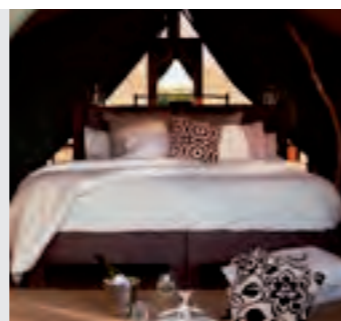
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £88 PER ADULT



Sal Salis Luxury Camp ★★★★★

With just 9 tented safari-style tents, this is the only accommodation in the Cape Range National Park adjacent to Ningaloo Reef set within sandy dunes.

FROM £451 PER ADULT



— DAY TOURS —



Didgeridoo Dreaming Evening Tour

A fascinating evening under the stars, sit by the roaring campfire and learn traditional Aboriginal cooking skills, enjoying fresh bush tucker. Hear stories of the local culture and history, while you are carried away by the ancient sounds of the Didgeridoo. A unique experience during your stay at Monkey Mia.

FROM £46 PER ADULT



Top of the Range Safari Tour

Journey to the top of Cape Range National Park to view the stunning scenery of Charles Knife Gorge. Enjoy a refreshing swim at one of the lagoons before stopping at Osprey Bay for lunch. After a visit to Yardie Creek visit Ningaloo Marine Park with sparkling blue waters of Turquoise Bay where there is the opportunity to swim and snorkel on the reef. Conclude the day with a visit to Vlamingh Head Lighthouse.

FROM £153 PER ADULT



Snorkel with whale sharks

Experience an incredible day snorkelling with the largest fish in the ocean – up to 18m long! Snorkel with these gentle giants, and cruise the waters of Ningaloo Reef searching for dolphins, turtles, rays and dugongs. A gourmet buffet lunch is served and drinks are also supplied. Snorkel equipment is provided free of charge.

FROM £236 PER ADULT

— TOURING —

Monkey Mia, Kalbarri & The Pinnacles



7 Day Self Drive from £519 per adult

DAY 1: PERTH - GERALDTON

Head north from Perth towards Geraldton, spending some time enroute at the historic coastal towns of Dongara and Port Denison.



DAY 2: GERALDTON - MONKEY MIA

Travel up towards Shark Bay and Monkey Mia - famous for its dolphins, beautiful scenery and sparkling blue waters. Near Shark Bay visit Hamelin Pool, with its living marine stromatolites.

DAY 3: MONKEY MIA

A day free for you to explore the Shark Bay region including plentiful wildlife and empty beaches. An option today would be to take a boat trip from Monkey Mia to spot the elusive dugongs.

DAY 4: MONKEY MIA - KALBARRI

Travel south towards Kalbarri, an ideal place for the nature lover as it includes 180,000 acres of some of the richest wildflower bushland.

DAY 5: KALBARRI

Visit the Kalbarri National Park with its gorges, rock formations, bushland and walking trails.

DAY 6: KALBARRI - CERVANTES

An absolute must today is a visit to Nambung National Park to see the mystical Pinnacles rock formations.

DAY 7: CERVANTES - PERTH

Return to Perth, taking time to relax on some of the beautiful beaches in the area.

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BROOME AND THE KIMBERLEY

The pearling town of Broome is home to 22 kilometres of white sand lapped by warm, crystal-clear waters, and boasts some of the most spectacular sunsets in Australia. Travelling east takes you through the heart of one of Australia's last wilderness frontiers; the Gibb River Road. Winding through the spectacular Bungle Bungles and the glowing Kimberley region, this epic road trip is best taken during the dry season from April until September.



EL QUESTRO



DAY TOURS



Broome Sights and Cable Beach

Begin this afternoon tour in Chinatown with fascinating stories of this colourful precinct, before driving through the old town to learn of the architecture and history. Sample ales at the Matsos Broome Brewery, discover dinosaur footprints at Gantheaume Point, and finish off with a camel ride along stunning Cable Beach as the sun sets.

FROM £52 PER ADULT



Cape Leveque and Aboriginal Communities

Journey from Broome to the very tip of the Dampier Peninsula to one of Australia's most remote coastal wilderness areas. Stop at the Beagle Bay Aboriginal Community to learn of their history and culture, then onwards north for lunch at Cygnet Bay Pearl Farm. Finish the day exploring Cape Leveque with a swim in the turquoise waters. Ask your Travel Designer for an upgrade to return to Broome by scenic flight.

FROM £163 PER ADULT

Eco Beach Resort
★★★★★
A multi award-winning eco resort an hour south of Broome, home to Eco Villas linked by elevated boardwalks, and luxurious safari style Eco Tents.
FROM £53 PER ADULT



Cable Beach Club
★★★★☆
Set amongst tranquil gardens with facilities including an adults only swimming pool, romantic villas are furnished with private courtyard and plunge pool.
FROM £77 PER ADULT



TOURING

Broome to The Bungles

5 Day Small Group Experience
from £1,795 per adult



Start your 5 day small group adventure in the pearling town of Broome, before heading east towards the searing gorges and cliffs of the Gibb River Road. The stunning striped domes of the Purnululu National Park – otherwise known as the Bungle Bungles – are the highlight of the trip, where there is a two night stay at APT's tented cabins at the Wilderness Lodge.

DAY 1: BROOME – FITZROY CROSSING

Begin your Kimberley adventure, journey on the Gibb River Road to the wild heart of the Kimberley, passing spectacular landscapes of intensely coloured ranges, dramatic gorges and shimmering waterfalls. Spot crocs lazing on the banks of the Lennard River.

DAY 2: FITZROY CROSSING

Head for Purnululu National Park, home to the fascinating domes of the Bungle Bungle Range, before two nights at Bungle Bungle Wilderness Lodge.

DAY 3: CATHEDRAL GORGE & PICCANINNY CREEK

Hike along the ancient river bed to Cathedral Gorge, whilst your guide teaches you about bush tucker and the cultural significance of the area.

DAY 4: ECHIDNA CHASM & HALLS CREEK

Visit Echidna Chasm, a spectacular cleft in the rock, before travelling to the historic gold mining town of Halls Creek.

DAY 5: GEIKIE GORGE - BROOME

Explore peculiar Geikie Gorge, where annual flooding has created a bleached effect on the vast limestone walls. Join a cruise along the gorge before returning to Broome.

Please Note: Prices are per person and based on twin share accommodation. Itinerary and accommodation is subject to change. (GKBR5)

BOOK EARLY AND SAVE - SELECTED DATES



El Questro Wilderness Park ★★★★★

El Questro Wilderness Park is situated along the eastern perimeter of the Kimberley; one of the world's last unspoilt frontiers. El Questro offers three types of accommodation each different in style and budget. Set on a cliff overlooking the Chamberlain River, El Questro Homestead is an exclusive retreat with extraordinary views and unsurpassed accommodation, food and wine. Hidden within the spectacular Cockburn Ranges, in the wilderness, Emma Gorge offers safari style tented cabins, each with their own private facilities. The Station offers two types of accommodation – air conditioned bungalows on the river and riverside camping.

REDUCED RATES- Selected dates

FROM £92 PER ADULT

TOURING

Gibb River Road

9 Day Self Drive from £1,199 per adult

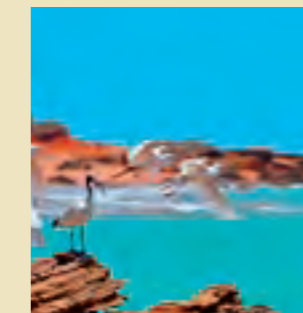


DAY 1: BROOME - MT HART

Depart Broome on the Great Northern Highway towards Mt Hart located in the King Leopold Range Conservation Park.

DAY 2: MT HART - MT ELIZABETH STATION

Continue your journey off-road, stopping at Galvans Gorge and Barnett Gorge.



DAY 3: MT ELIZABETH STATION - EL QUESTRO

Travel past Home Valley and follow the turn-off signs to El Questro Station.

DAY 4: EL QUESTRO WILDERNESS PARK

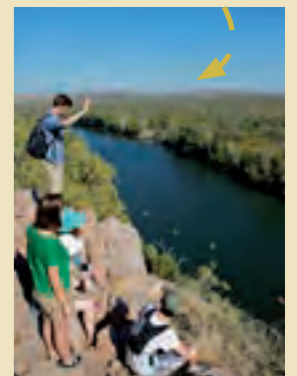
Your day is at your leisure to explore this amazing wilderness that the vast El Questro property has to offer.

DAY 5: EL QUESTRO WILDERNESS PARK - KUNUNURRA

It's the last part of the Gibb River Road section of your journey before rejoining the main highway. Head to Kelly's Knob Lookout to watch your last sunset in the Kimberleys.

DAY 6: KUNUNURRA - KATHERINE

Your adventure today leads into the Northern Territory - the Victoria Highway will take you through the town of Timber Creek and the Gregory National Park.



DAY 7: KATHERINE - KAKADU NATIONAL PARK

A must do today is taking a cruise on the beautiful Katherine Gorge this morning (at own expense).

DAY 8: KAKADU NATIONAL PARK

Take a 1.5 hour cruise on Yellow Waters for views of colourful birdlife and the ever present crocodile (at own expense).

DAY 9: KAKADU NATIONAL PARK - DARWIN

It is an easy journey back along the Arnhem Highway to Darwin.

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TASMANIA



TOP EXPERIENCES

- Visit Salamanca Market every Saturday in Hobart.
- Walk or kayak around Freycinet National Park and discover world-famous Wineglass Bay.
- Explore Cradle Mountain National Park and stay at Cradle Mountain Lodge with its wonderful alpine spa.
- Travel back in time for an insight into the tumultuous convict history at Port Arthur.

FACT FILE

Climate: Tasmania enjoys a temperate climate with seasons opposite to those of the UK. Spring starts in September, summer in December, autumn in March and winter in June.

Flying time to Hobart: 28 hours + 2 stops

Driving times:

Hobart to Freycinet – 2 hours 30 minutes

Hobart to Cradle Mountain – 4 hours

Hobart to Launceston – 3 hours

GMT: +10 hours

As Australia's only island state, Tasmania's raw wilderness, wildlife and colonial legacy have been superbly preserved. There's an astonishingly diverse geography, from the alpine forests and waterfalls of Cradle Mountain, to the pure white arc of Wineglass Bay on the Freycinet Peninsula. The landscape is awash with natural treasures; a trove of mountains, lakes, granite cliffs and vast valleys – a real hiker's delight. A fifth of the island is also designated World Heritage Area, protecting the native habitats of the echidnas, kangaroos, and of course, the Tasmanian devils, that thrive there.

HOBART

The small city of Hobart – the second oldest in Australia – sits between the sheltering arms of the Mount Wellington and the banks of the Derwent River estuary. In its heyday, Hobart's whalers and ship builders enjoyed a thriving trade from the handsome Georgian warehouses that decorate the harbour. Today, the harbour fills with yachts for the annual Royal Hobart Regatta, and the sandstone warehouses at Salamanca Place house boutiques, cafés and galleries.



DAY TOURS

Bonorong Wildlife - Feeding Frenzy!

Get up close with native wombats, tasmanian devils and koalas and join one of the unique guided tours at Bonorong, established in 1981 as a sanctuary for injured and orphaned wildlife. Watch them being fed and learn about the work of the sanctuary to help the native animals survive as you explore with an experienced and knowledgeable guide.

FROM £97 PER ADULT

Bruny Island Cruise

This full day tour from Hobart includes the award winning 3 hour wilderness and wildlife cruise. Tour Bruny Island's rugged coast on custom built boats which are ideal for viewing the spectacular scenery on offer. Look out for seals, dolphins and birds of prey around some of Australia's highest sea cliffs and caves where the Tasman Sea meets the Southern Ocean.

FROM £136 PER ADULT

Port Arthur Experience

A fantastic addition to your Tasmania adventure, and easy to add on to your self drive from Hobart (please ask your Travel Designer for tours which include transfers from Hobart). The historic former convict settlement is one of Australia's best preserved heritage areas and open air museums. This Bronze Experience pass includes a harbour cruise, walking tour, and access to explore for 2 consecutive days to the museum and gallery.

FROM £54 PER ADULT

TOURING



GREAT BAY OYSTERS

The Bruny Island Long Weekend

3 Day Luxury Guided Tour from £1,158 per adult

Join this three day luxury guided food, wine and walking tour to experience the true natural beauty of Tasmania. Stay in luxury tented accommodation while your guide will prepare locally sourced food in stunning surroundings.

DAY 1: Depart Hobart and cruise by private catamaran exploring the River Derwent on the way to Bruny Island. Enjoy the coastal walk to Cape Queen Elizabeth and cool off in the crystal clear waters of Great Bay to harvest your own oysters. Enjoy a glass of wine before dinner and a nights rest in your luxury tent.

DAY 2: Walk to East Cloudy Head (12km return) for views of the rugged South Coast before a well earned rest sampling wine at Australia's southern-most vineyard. As darkness descends on camp, watch as the nocturnal wildlife emerges.

DAY 3: Enjoy a short walk through the rainforest to learn of the unique flora and fauna, before a wilderness and wildlife cruise with the chance to see seals, dolphins, whales and albatross before returning to Hobart.

Please Note: Includes two nights accommodation in a luxury tent, return boat transfers to Bruny Island, plus food and drinks. Departs from October to April – selected dates. Please ask your expert Travel Designer for details.

Best Western Hobart

★★★★☆

Rooms have a modern fresh feel and offer either city or mountain views. Close by is Salamanca Place, well known for the many restaurants, cafés and bars.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £50 PER ADULT



Henry Jones Art Hotel, Hobart

★★★★★

Standing on the harbourfront, this former jam factory has been transformed, with stylish suites and over 250 original artworks.

FROM £107 PER ADULT



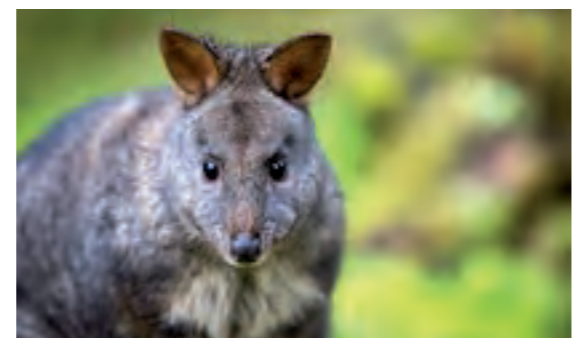


STRAHAN AND CRADLE MOUNTAIN

The historic fishing village of Strahan on the west coast is the gateway to Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park. Embark on a multi-day trek across the spectacular Cradle Mountain ranges, one of the island state's most sought-out sights. Or simply take a few days to lose yourself in the evocative beauty of Tasmania's wild country.



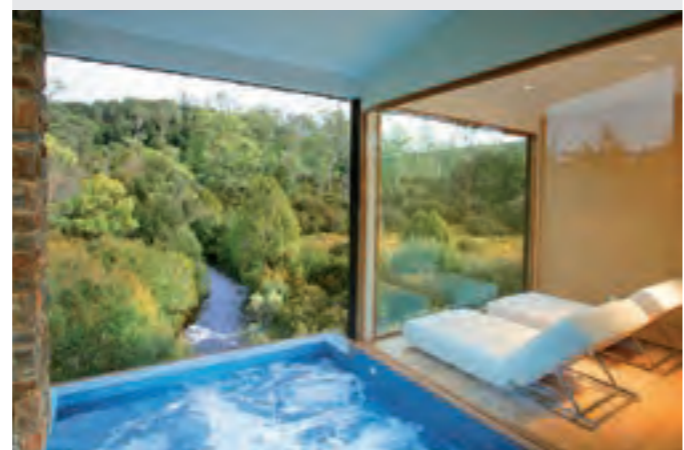
CRADLE MOUNTAIN



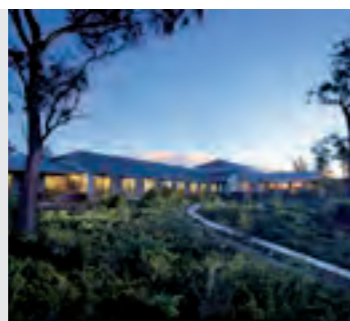
Strahan Village ★★★★★
Strahan Village offers a choice of accommodation from Waterfront Cottages which reflect the history of the region, to Hilltop Harbour View Rooms overlooking the magnificent harbour.
FROM £45 PER ADULT



Peppers Cradle Mountain Lodge ★★★★★
With log fires in the cabins, wildlife all around and some of the most spectacular scenery in the world, this hotel provides a great feel of the outdoors.
FROM £87 PER ADULT



Cradle Mountain Hotel ★★★★★
Nestled within the Tasmania wilderness, this is a great base from which to explore Cradle Mountain.
FROM £71 PER ADULT



TOURING



Grand Circle
10 Day Self Drive from £749 per adult

DAY 1: HOBART
Spend the day exploring the Royal Botanical Gardens, Constitution Dock, Sandy Bay, Salamanca Place and Battery Point.

DAY 2: HOBART – STRAHAN
Head out of Hobart and travel through the heart of Tasmania towards Strahan, on the West Coast. En-route stop off and enjoy one of the short walks that lead off from the highway.

the hills. Just 10 minutes from the city centre is the magnificent Cataract Gorge.

DAY 6: LAUNCESTON – ST HELENS
Depart Launceston and travel northeast, to the small bayside town of St Helens, well known for its seafood.

DAY 7: ST HELENS – FREYCINET NATIONAL PARK
Head south from St Helens, through the towns of Scamander and St Mary's, before stopping for pancakes at Elephant Pass. The small resort town of Bicheno is also worth a visit.

DAY 8: FREYCINET NATIONAL PARK
Explore all that the Freycinet National Park has to offer, including spectacular beaches.

DAY 9: FREYCINET NATIONAL PARK – HOBART
Make an early start to enable you to spend some time at Port Arthur, one of Australia's best known historic sites, complete with the well-preserved convict settlement. Travel back to Hobart via the historic village of Richmond.

DAY 10: HOBART
Return your vehicle and depart Hobart.

DAY 3: STRAHAN – CRADLE MOUNTAIN
This morning you may want to take an optional cruise along the Gordon River before heading north to Zeehan, previously a booming mining town in the early 1900's.

DAY 4: CRADLE MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK
A day at leisure to explore the Cradle Mountain National Park, including the many walks.

DAY 5: CRADLE MOUNTAIN – LAUNCESTON
Set off eastwards from Cradle Mountain to Launceston, nestled in

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Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options

DAY TOURS



Gordon River Cruise
Glide past waterfalls and the magnificent mirrored reflections of the Gordon River before stepping ashore at Heritage Landing. Walk the ancient rainforests before visiting Hells Gate where the harbour opens to the ocean, Tasmania's world-renowned salmon farms, and notorious Sarah Island penal settlement.
FROM £69 PER ADULT

Cradle Mountain Huts Walk
6 Day Walk from £2,142 per person
Hidden in forest along the Overland Track, the Cradle Mountain Huts are the only private huts allowed in the area and offer a wilderness retreat along one of the world's greatest walks. Trek through extensively glaciated landscapes with a profusion of threatened and rare endemic plants on this 6 day journey you'll never forget.

Please Note: Includes return transfers from Launceston to the walk base, 5 nights accommodation at Cradle Huts, and 2 qualified guides for the duration of the walk. Departs daily between October and April.



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LAUNCESTON AND FREYCINET

Launceston is Tassie's second major city, home to the remarkable Cataract Gorge and renowned for its easy access to Tasmania's premium wine-growing region – Tamar Valley. Further down the east coast you'll find the famous Freycinet National Park, home to the postcard-perfect, moon-shaped curve of Wineglass Bay. A trip up to the bay's lookout is well worth the trek!



HAZARDS BEACH



BAY OF FIRES

Freycinet Lodge

★★★★★

Just two and a half hours drive from Launceston or Hobart. Cabins nestle in a 14 acre secluded bush setting, just minutes away from sandy beaches and local wineries.

REDUCED RATES - Selected dates
FROM £94 PER ADULT



Saffire Freycinet

★★★★★

A stylish sanctuary on the east coast of Tasmania, with breathtaking views over Great Oyster Bay. All luxury suites have a private courtyard with outdoor seating.

SPA CREDIT - Selected dates
FROM £716 PER ADULT



— TOURING —

Expedition Cruise of Tasmania

8 Day Cruise from £2,715 per adult

Join Coral Expeditions on a coastal cruise from Hobart, showcasing the wild beauty and remarkable heritage of Australia's only island state. From the wilderness landscapes and beaches of Freycinet National Park to the history and mysteries of the Port Arthur convict site, Tasmania is bursting with natural beauty. This small ship expedition caters for just 44 guests and mealtimes are an outstanding menu of Tasmanian produce and local specialities.



UNMISSABLE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Spend two days exploring the untouched Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage area at Port Davey and Bathurst Harbour
- Taste local produce at a family run cheesery, and freshly shucked Tasmanian oysters from a renowned local farm
- Be guided by the resident archaeologist on an exclusive 'behind the scenes' tour of Port Arthur Historical Site – visiting buildings not generally open to the public
- Paddle a kayak through Bathurst Harbour
- Visit Maria Island and tour the UNESCO listed Darlington township

Please note: Prices are per person and based on twin share accommodation. Cruise operates between November and February during the summer months; please ask your Travel Designer for details of departure dates.



Bay of Fires Walk

4 Day Walk from £1,455 per adult

At the edge of Mount William National Park, the magnificent wilderness coastline of the Bay of Fires in the north east of Tasmania is home to dramatic landscapes, ecology and wildlife. Explore the fascinating beach environment and rich diversity of woodlands with a local Tasmanian guide. The four day walk includes a stay at the outstanding Bay of Fires Lodge in a wilderness paradise.

Please Note: Includes return transfers from Launceston to the walk base, 1 night at Forester Beach Camp and 2 nights at Bay of Fires Lodge, national park pass and all meals and non-alcoholic beverages. Departs daily between October and May.





NEW ZEALAND

Home to cosmopolitan cities, rolling hills, lush forests, ancient Maori heritage, mystical fiordlands, hobbits and more. New Zealand is a fascinating tapestry of landscape and culture.





INTRODUCTION TO NEW ZEALAND

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

Currency – New Zealand Dollar (NZD)
Time difference – GMT +11 to GMT +12
Flying time – Approx. 26 hours
Climate – New Zealand’s warmest months are December, January and February, where maximum temperatures can reach 30°C. With warm, sunny weather, these summer months are peak times to travel to New Zealand. Winter runs from June to August, and is the best time of year to see the snow-capped mountains in the South Island.
Visa – British citizens do not require a visa to travel to New Zealand (for a stay of less than 6 months), making it an easy destination to travel to.

A contrasting landscape steaming volcanoes, spectacular fiordlands, magnificent mountain ranges and dense forests, there’s a reason New Zealand is voted best country in the world year after year. The added bonus is that all this is found within a country comparable in size to the UK, and with a population of only four million, it’s also one of the world’s least crowded places. A holiday haven for those looking for peace and rejuvenation, as well as a playground for thrill seekers and adventurers - New Zealand is in a class of its own!

We don't just go there, we know there

TOP EXPERIENCES



Rotorua: This geothermal wonderland boasts spurting geysers, bubbling mud pools and natural hot springs.



Hawke's Bay: With a wealth of famous vineyards, no trip to New Zealand would be complete without a day of wine tasting.



Fiordland: Visit Milford or Doubtful Sound to see the breathtaking steep valleys and mighty peaks.



Kaikoura: Head off the coast to see the vast array of marine life, including sperm whales, dolphins and seals.



Queenstown: The adventure capital of the world, home to a host of activities from bungee jumping to jet boating.

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WHAT'S ON IN NEW ZEALAND

When planning your holiday to the 'Land of the Long White Cloud', take a look at our top hand-picked events and festivals happening across New Zealand. Whether you want to sample the gourmet food and world-class wines at one of the many foodie festivals, join a cycle race around Australasia's largest lake, or celebrate the beginning of the Maori New Year, there's plenty going on year-round to keep you entertained.

January

Wings Over Wairarapa, Masterton

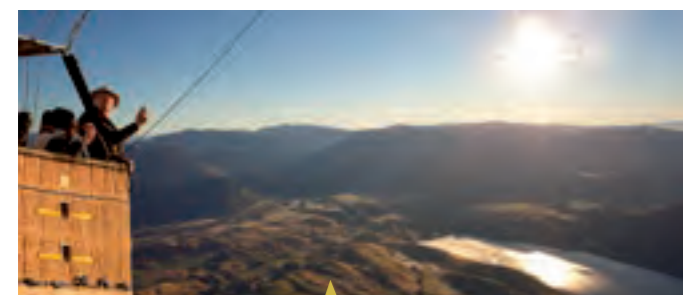
Head to the famous wine region just an hour from Wellington with four days showcasing over 100 years of aviation.



February

Marlborough Wine and Food Festival, South Island

Held on one of the most beautiful and well known vineyards of the region, Brancott Estate, this festival hosts over 8,000 visitors annually, with wine tutorials and fabulous local produce.



March

Arts Festival, Auckland

Showcasing the cultural diversity and energy of the largest city in New Zealand, this biennial event celebrates dance, music, theatre and film with over 300 events and 1000 artists.

Balloons over Waikato, Hamilton

This five day festival attracts spectators, tourists and balloon enthusiasts from all over the world, the highlight of which is The Glow, a night time event with illuminated balloons.

April

Pasifika Festival, Auckland

A celebration of all things Pacific Islands, this festival reaches its 25th birthday at the 2017 spectacular. In Auckland, Western Springs Park is transformed into 11 Pacific Island villages, as 1000 performers showcase traditional food, crafts, dance and music.



May

Whale Watching, Kaikoura

Whilst the rich waters off the coast of Kaikoura attract whales year round, May is an ideal time to visit, when crowds have lessened and the days are crisp and sunny. Keep your eyes peeled for the dolphins and seals which also inhabit these waters!

June

Matariki, National

Matariki is the star cluster which appears in early June, marking the beginning of the Maori New Year. Across the country, take part in festivals, concerts and cultural performances.

Winter Festival, Queenstown

Marking the beginning of the ski season, the lakeside town of Queenstown plays host to bands, street parties, comedy acts and firework displays, alongside winter activities such as mountain bikes on snow and an ice rink.



July

Cadbury Chocolate Festival, Dunedin

A week long party of all things chocolate! With chocolate tours, painting, and even chocolate facials, make sure you head to Baldwin Street – the world's steepest street – as giant Jaffa's, orange sugar coated chocolate balls, are raced down the hill.



August

Jazz and Blues Festival, Bay of Islands

Enjoy top performances from musicians from both Australia and New Zealand in the stunning Bay of Islands to the north of Auckland. Set across six different venues, the landscape comes alive with the sounds of smooth jazz and sultry blues.



September

Spring Festival, Wellington

Held in the beautifully landscaped Botanical Gardens in Wellington, soak up the colours and fragrances of the spring flowers whilst enjoying a range of activities from workshops to guided walks.



October

Summer Kickstarter, Waimarino

Head to the Coromandel Peninsula with your swimmers for a fun day at Waimarino Adventure Park. With water slides, diving boards, Tarzan swings, gladiator poles, and the human launchpad 'The Blob', this is a great day out for all the family.



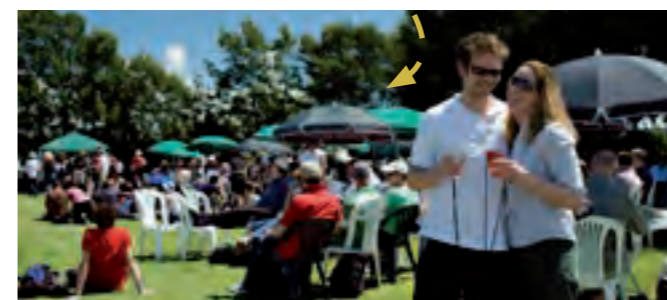
November

Cycle Challenge, Lake Taupo

One of the world's premier cycling events, Lake Taupo hosts the scenic Cycle Challenge each year with routes around the undulating landscape, including the famous 160km race around the largest lake in New Zealand.

Toast Martinborough, North Island

A celebration of great food and wine, treat the taste buds at New Zealand's premier food and music festival, all within the picturesque setting of Martinborough vineyards.



December

New Year's Eve, National

As the clock strikes midnight, welcome in the New Year with a chilled glass of bubbles in a luxury lodge, on an overnight cruise through the unique Fiordland region, or on a beautiful beach in one of the picturesque National Parks. Rhythm and Vines music festival in Gisborne is an annual three-day spectacular.



FIRST TIME ESSENTIALS

New Zealand is the perfect country for a road trip, plus you'll have the freedom to explore at your own steady pace. This 22-day self drive takes you to all New Zealand's iconic highlights across both the North Island and South Island. Experience urban Kiwi life in Auckland, witness the geothermal wonderland of Rotorua, visit Queenstown – the world's adventure capital – and much more. However if there's anywhere extra you want to visit, we can tailor your ideal route or duration in a few easy steps. Plus, you're sure not to miss a thing with your courtesy co-pilot kit, complete with map and directions.



ROTORUA



Best of New Zealand

22 Day Self Drive
from £1,899 per adult



DAY 1: AUCKLAND

Spend the day exploring the harbour, shops and museums, or even venture further out to the deserted beaches or wineries that surround the city.

DAY 2: AUCKLAND - PAIHIA

The adventure starts! Travel north towards Whangarei, stopping to take in the forests or surf beaches. At Whangarei, head for lunch and wander around the town.

DAY 3-4: PAIHIA

Enjoy two days at leisure to explore the magnificent Bay of Islands, maybe take a cruise to dolphin watch, visit the historic Treaty House at Waitangi, or head to Cape Reinga to explore 90 Mile Beach.

DAY 5: PAIHIA – COROMANDEL PENINSULA

A return south today, via the Waipoua Forest, where a stop to view the Tane Mahuta (Lord of the Forest) that stands 51m high, is recommended. Continue on to the beach town of Pauanui for your two night stay.



WEST COAST, SOUTH ISLAND



CATHEDRAL COVE, COROMANDEL PENINSULA

DAY 6: COROMANDEL PENINSULA

Today take the opportunity to relax, and enjoy the cool forests, picturesque beaches and rugged coastline of the Coromandel Peninsula.

DAY 7: COROMANDEL PENINSULA – ROTORUA

Travel to Rotorua, the heart of thermal activity with steaming vents and erupting geysers in the renowned Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve.

DAY 8: ROTORUA

A day at leisure in this geothermal wonderland, why not head to the Agrodome for some adrenalin activities, followed by a relax in the hot springs of the Polynesian Spa.

DAY 9: ROTORUA – TONGARIRO

Travel through the town of Taupo and on to the National Park at Tongariro with the stunning Mount Ruapehu as your backdrop.

DAY 10: TONGARIRO - WELLINGTON

Explore the capital city of Wellington, a city vibrant with arts, bars and lively restaurants.

DAY 11: WELLINGTON – NELSON

After a free morning in Wellington, board the Interislander Ferry to Picton, cruising through the beautiful Queen Charlotte Sound to Nelson.

DAY 12: NELSON

Travel south from Nelson, and explore the Abel Tasman National Park region with golden beaches and walking trails.

DAY 13: NELSON – GREYMOUTH

Explore the wild, rugged west coast, as you head south towards Greymouth.

DAY 14: GREYMOUTH - GLACIERS

Just a short drive will bring you into the Westland National Park, home to the Franz Josef and Fox Glaciers. Experience a walk up to the Glacier face and even out onto the ice itself.

DAY 15: GLACIERS – QUEENSTOWN

Travel through the scenic wilderness of Haast Pass, past scenic Lake Wanaka and the snow-capped peaks of Mount Aspiring National Park, to arrive at the adrenaline capital of Queenstown.

DAY 16: QUEENSTOWN

If you are feeling adventurous in Queenstown there are plenty of activities to choose from! Take an exhilarating trip with the Shotover

Jet Boat ride, enjoy a full day combining jet boating with inflatable 'Funkyaks' on the Dart River, or cross Lake Wakatipu on the steamship TSS Earnslaw.

DAY 17: QUEENSTOWN – TE ANAU

Enjoy a marvellous drive along the shores of Lake Wakatipu, before heading towards Te Anau, on the outskirts of the Fiordland National Park. At Te Anau you may decide to continue on to Milford Sound (an extra two hour drive in each direction) to take in the grandest fiord along this coastline.

DAY 18: TE ANAU – DUNEDIN

Travel east to Dunedin, the main town of the Otago region and second largest city on the South Island.



DAY 19: DUNEDIN

Today is free to discover Dunedin and the surrounding area. You may decide to join Monarch Wildlife Cruises as they cruise to Taiaroa Head to see the fur seal colony, plus the award-winning Yellow Eyed Penguin Reserve.

DAY 20: DUNEDIN – MOUNT COOK

From Dunedin take the coastal road before heading inland to the base of the awe-inspiring Mount Cook – New Zealand's largest mountain.

DAY 21: MOUNT COOK – CHRISTCHURCH

After leaving Twizel, pass the spectacular turquoise-coloured glacial Lake Pukaki, and continue over the Canterbury Plains to Christchurch, with its distinctly English feel.

DAY 22: CHRISTCHURCH

Depart Christchurch for your onward journey.

Please Note: Prices are per person, and include 21 nights accommodation, an information pack, Interislander ferry crossing and are based on a Group G car hire. Accommodation prices are subject to change with availability. Apartment style accommodation is also available. Driving distances and times are approximate. Self drive package valid as of 1st April 2017, dates prior to this may have a slightly different itinerary. (AK3)



NEW ZEALAND ADVENTURES

Whilst the iconic sights of New Zealand such as a Milford Sound, the bubbling geysers of Rotorua or the magical marine life of Kaikoura are well known to visitors, getting off the beaten track will take you to some of the most spectacular places this country has to offer. See some of our favourite journeys on these pages, or ask our expert Travel Designers to build you the trip of a lifetime!



TOURING

North Island Wanderer **AVIS**



9 Day Self Drive
from £809 per adult

DAY 1: AUCKLAND – COROMANDEL PENINSULA

Head south following the Seabird Coast, before arriving in Thames. Explore the dramatic coast before a stay in Pauanui or Whitianga.

DAY 2: COROMANDEL PENINSULA

Enjoy the day at your leisure visiting the area's attractions, such as Hot Water Beach and Cathedral Cove. One option is to take a guided Nature & Coastal tour, which includes walks through Kauri forests.

DAY 3: COROMANDEL PENINSULA – ROTORUA

In the Bay of Plenty there is chance to see, or even swim with dolphins. The evening is spent in Rotorua, where you will enjoy a traditional Maori concert and Hangi meal.

DAY 4: ROTORUA – LAKE TAUPO

Spend the morning in Rotorua before travelling to Lake Taupo. Stop at Orakei Korako thermal area, before continuing on to Taupo.

DAY 5: LAKE TAUPO - NAPIER

Depart Taupo and head for the Hawke's Bay region, famous for its wine, food and scenery.

DAY 6: NAPIER

Today is free to enjoy this Art Deco and wine region – why not sample the delights of the region on the Twilight Odyssey tour?

DAY 7: NAPIER – MARTINBOROUGH

Head south and onwards to Martinborough, well known for its vineyards. Spend the afternoon on a wine trail, either by foot or bicycle.

DAY 8: MARTINBOROUGH – WELLINGTON

Drive over the beautiful Rimutaka Hills to Wellington, the nation's capital - don't miss Te Papa, the interactive Museum of New Zealand.

DAY 9: WELLINGTON

Today is time to return your hire car and continue on your journey. Austravel recommends spending an extra couple of nights in the nation's capital, why not participate in a food lovers walking tour.

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Whales, Wines and Wilderness

10 days Motorhome hire from £232 per adult

From National Parks to luxurious vineyard restaurants, a plethora of marine wildlife and mountainous landscapes, the South Island offers a wide variety of activities. Drive the coast north of Christchurch and hop aboard a cruise to spot whales at Kaikoura, before heading ashore and exploring the Ohau Stream, home to hundreds of baby seals.

Explore the Marlborough Sounds, taking a day cruise to sample local seafood, before hiking the coastline of the Abel Tasman National Park. Travel back over Arthur's Pass following the route of the famous TranzAlpine train as you arrive back into Christchurch.

UNMISSABLE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Take a walk along the coastline of the Kaikoura peninsula, making sure you stop off for at the Kaikoura Seafood BBQ for a steaming mug of chowder
- Sample the famous sauvignon blancs of the Marlborough region
- Relax in Nelson, the sunniest region in NZ, with long golden beaches backed by rugged mountains
- Travel over Arthur's Pass – the highest and most spectacular pass across the Southern Alps
- Soothe aching muscles in the thermal hot pools at Hanmer Springs

Please note: Prices are per person based on twin share and include 10 days motorhome hire based on Euro Tourer. Touring options are available at additional expense. For further details of the South Island please see page 138 onwards.



Lakes, Mountains and Fiordland

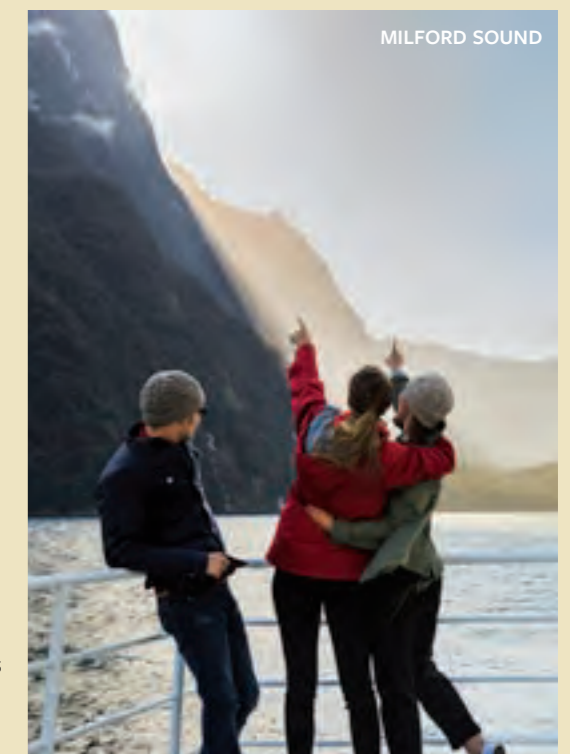
10 days Motorhome hire from £232 per adult

Heading south from Christchurch leave behind the Avon River and parklands as the scenery becomes more spectacular and the roads empty out. The coastline is home to the famous penguins at Oamaru, watch them come waddling ashore at sunset. Travelling further south journey through the Catlins, where winding roads take you to wilderness beaches, lakes and rivers. There's time to hop on a ferry to Stewart Island, recently declared one of New Zealand's newest national parks, before a stay in Te Anau, the gateway to Fiordland. Travel back to Christchurch allowing time to stay in Queenstown and Mount Cook on the way.

UNMISSABLE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Discover the mysterious Moeraki boulders thought to have been formed over 60 million years ago
- Head out to the Otago Peninsula near Dunedin, home to penguins, albatross and New Zealand sea lions
- Cruise majestic Fiordland with a visit to Milford Sound – spectacular in any weather!
- Explore the adventure capital of Queenstown, or relax on the lake front sampling gourmet local produce
- Take a hike at Lake Tekapo and end the day stargazing at Mount Cook with a glass of local wine in hand

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GREAT WALKS OF NEW ZEALAND

Hiking, or 'tramping' as the Kiwi's call it, is a great way to get off the beaten track and explore New Zealand. From single to multi day options, backcountry huts to luxury lodges, there's options for everyone.



LAKE WAIKAREMOANA, SUSPENSION BRIDGE

1 Lake Waikaremoana Great Walk

Graded: Moderate

A semi-circular track that can be walked in either direction, the track begins just off the Te Urewera Rainforest Route around 3 hours from Rotorua. The first day is the most strenuous as you climb to the highest part of the track, however the views from the Panekire Hut make it all worth-while. Think rolling valleys, ancient forests and fantastic photo opportunities on this four day adventure.

4 DAY WALK FROM £899 PER ADULT



EMERALD LAKES, TONGARIRO

3 Whanganui Journey

Graded: Easy to Moderate

To the west of Tongariro lies the winding Whanganui River, home to remote hills, lush green valleys and numerous waterfalls. A three day kayaking trip sees you paddle downstream along around 90km of river, with each night spent in huts or campsites on the banks of the Whanganui. Watch out for native birds and wildlife along the way!

3 DAY KAYAK FROM £538 PER ADULT



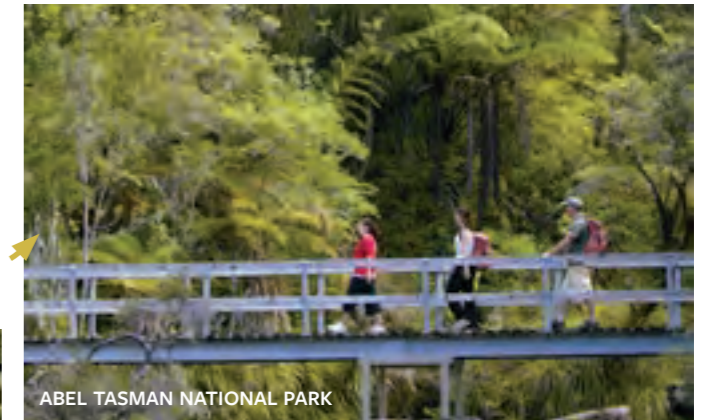
WHANGANUI RIVER

4 The Abel Tasman Coast Track

Graded: Moderate

At the northern tip of the South Island, the Abel Tasman National Park is one of the sunniest regions of New Zealand, and the coastline track is blessed with golden beaches and crystal clear waters. You can hike the whole track or organise a combination of hiking and kayaking, with any duration from 1 to 5 day journeys on offer.

3 DAY KAYAK AND WALK FROM £923 PER ADULT



ABEL TASMAN NATIONAL PARK

6 The Milford Track

Graded: Moderate

Whilst 'Milford' may be synonymous with the famous Fiord, the track of the same name is commonly thought of as one of the finest walks in the world. Glacial valleys, ancient rainforests and cascading waterfalls are around almost every corner, with the climb to McKinnon Pass on your third day providing jaw-dropping scenery.

4 DAY WALK FROM £476 PER ADULT



FIORDLAND RAINFOREST



ROUTEBURN TRACK

5 Routeburn Track

Graded: Moderate

Open to hikers from October to April, the Routeburn Track is an epic alpine trek following valleys carved by ice, with the majestic Southern Alps high alongside. Hit the highest point of the track at Harris Saddle, before descending along the Hollyford Face with views out over the Darran Mountains. Your nightly accommodation is in huts which must be pre booked during the Great Walks season, alternatively it is possible to take a 1 day hike on a section of this famous track.

1 DAY WALK FROM £123 PER ADULT

4 DAY WALK FROM £461 PER ADULT

7 Kepler Track

Graded: Moderate

Accessed from Te Anau, the Kepler Track takes a looped path making it one of the most accessible of the Great Walks. In this south west New Zealand world heritage area, climb to the ridge just below Mount Luxmore before staying overnight at Iris Burn Hut. Wind back down through gorges and lowland forest before reaching the shores of beautiful Lake Manapouri.

4 DAY WALK FROM £355 PER ADULT



KEPLER TRACK RIDGELINE



WILDLIFE AND ADVENTURE

New Zealand is known as a country bursting with nature and wildlife, and offers an incredibly diverse indigenous range, from the flightless Kiwi to a bounty of marine life. And when it comes to adventure New Zealanders are passionate about hiking – or ‘tramping’ as the Kiwis call it. Not surprising when the country offers some of the finest scenery in the world, with well cared for tracks and highly knowledgeable guides. There are plenty of day hike options, but to really experience the wilderness a multi-night hike is a must.

DAY TOURS

1 Bay of Islands

Travel north to the Bay of Islands in search of playful bottlenose dolphins. The best way to catch a glimpse of these creatures in their natural habitat is to take a cruise to Cape Brett and the Hole in the Rock, before going ashore to one of the most beautiful islands in the area to explore scenic walking tracks. Take your swimmers for the opportunity to swim with these magnificent mammals!

DAY TOUR FROM PAIHIA FROM £58 PER ADULT



HOLE IN THE ROCK

2 Tongariro Crossing

The Tongariro Crossing is renowned as one of the world's finest day walks and, although steep in places, it is well worth the effort. The trail leads you past volcanic craters, lava flows, thermal vents and colourful lakes, offering unsurpassable views over central North Island. Your expert guide will ensure you are safe at all times and will provide detailed information on both the geology and the legends that surround Tongariro National Park.

DAY TOUR FROM £149 PER ADULT



TONGARIRO

3 Kayak with seals at Abel Tasman

Paddle through the coastal paradise of Abel Tasman National Park, heading out by kayak from Torrent Bay to the seal colony at Tonga Island. Combine your trip with lunch on a golden sandy beach, plus a walk along the coastline back to Kaiteriteri.

DAY TOUR FROM £91 PER ADULT



TORRENT BAY



4 Kaikoura Whalewatch

Travel to Kaikoura to one of New Zealand's leading eco-tourism destinations, renowned for its variety of marine mammals. Spot sperm & humpback whales, dolphins and seals which are all attracted by the rich feeding grounds.

DAY TOUR FROM £91 PER ADULT



KAIKOURA



FOX GLACIER

5 Fox Glacier Half Day Walk

Combine the excitement of walking on the ice at Fox Glacier with a spectacular heli flight. Departing from Fox Glacier, circle the upper icefall before landing on a remote part of a glacier. Your experience guide will lead you past crevasses and ice ridges and into the middle of the glacier for incredible views of this glacier wonderland.

HALF DAY TOUR FROM £270 PER ADULT



STEWART ISLAND

6 Stewart Island

Ulva Island is a unique predator-free environment, a real nature sanctuary and a must for anyone interested in New Zealand birds and flora. Travel by water taxi just 10 minutes from Golden Bay on Stewart Island before taking a guided walk to discover rare and endangered birds and plants.

DAY TOUR FROM £77 PER ADULT



7 Routeburn Track – Guided Walk from Queenstown

Explore World Heritage Fiordland and Mount Aspiring National Park with some of the most spectacular alpine scenery in New Zealand.

DAY TOUR FROM £123 PER ADULT

8 Hollyford Track – 3 Day Wilderness Journey

This journey is a combination of hiking, jet-boating and flying, and follows a spectacular route through the mountains to the sea.

DAY 1: Travel from Te Anau to Pyke River Lodge, via native beech forest and a glowworm colony.

DAY 2: Cross Fiordland's longest swing bridge before a jetboat to the historic site of Jamestown and an overnight stay at Martins Bay Lodge.

DAY 3: Travel by jetboat to the beach, followed by a scenic helicopter to Milford Sound and Mt Tutoko, Fiordland's highest peak, before returning to Te Anau.

3 DAY TOUR FROM £1,085 PER ADULT





LUXURY NEW ZEALAND

Experience luxury New Zealand with our collection of boutique hotels, lodges and villas, found in some of New Zealand's most picturesque and breathtaking surroundings. Here are our hand-picked properties so you can treat yourself to the very best service and accommodation for your stay in New Zealand.



The Boatshed

WAIHEKE ISLAND

★★★★★

Away from the hustle and bustle of the city lies Auckland's best kept secret. Just 35 minutes from the heart of Auckland, Waiheke Island is truly a world away, with some of the most beautiful beaches caressing its shores. Drop anchor in Oneroa Bay and come and enjoy a slice of island paradise. The Boatshed, overlooking Little Oneroa, is the perfect place to catch up on a bit of "me time". Access is by regular ferry from Auckland Harbour.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

FROM £197 PER ADULT



Solitaire Lodge

ROTORUA

★★★★★

Luxurious accommodation and stunning views on the shores of Lake Tarawera just 30 minutes from Rotorua. Executive Suites boast a wall of windows overlooking the lake, private balconies and exemplary service. Renowned for its fine dining, Solitaire Lodge serves contemporary New Zealand cuisine and world-class wines in the fabulous dining room.

INCLUDES MEALS - Selected dates

FROM £446 PER ADULT

The Sanctuary

BAY OF ISLANDS

★★★★★

The Sanctuary is a peaceful haven just 5 minutes from the centre of Paihia, set on a private native bush reserve. Every room has uninterrupted views towards the bay and to historic Russell, with large private balconies.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

FROM £140 PER ADULT



Azur

QUEENSTOWN

★★★★★

Azur is a distinctively contemporary lodge with a hilltop location overlooking some of the most spectacular scenery in New Zealand. Set within natural bush and with stunning panoramic vistas of Lake Wakatipu, the Remarkables and Queenstown, it is known for privacy, discretion and serenity. With just nine villas, each designed to let you soak in the incredible views, an intimate and personalised feel resounds. If visiting Queenstown this is the perfect hideaway!

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £398 PER ADULT



Te Waonui Forest Retreat

FRANZ JOSEF

★★★★★

Wake up to the melodic call of native birdsong and majestic mountains rising out of lush rainforest from your luxury accommodation. This unique lodge-styled hotel is surrounded by some of the West Coast's finest natural wonders. Enhanced by soft timbered detailing, natural colour schemes and recycled local materials make this hotel at one with its surroundings.

FROM £205 PER ADULT

Hapuku Lodge

KAIKOURA

★★★★★

Nestled between the Kaikoura seaward mountain range and the Pacific Ocean, the contemporary Hapuku Lodge is just a 10 minute drive north of Kaikoura. Hapuku Lodge features five luxury tree houses with sensational views to the mountains and the sea, plus cosy lodge rooms.

FROM £242 PER ADULT





AVIS NEW ZEALAND



It's so easy to drive in New Zealand – good roads, clear signs and you're on the same side as the UK. With a range of cars from the compacts to a 4WD, Avis New Zealand can get you from A to B with ease – and you will see lots on the way too!

Austravel and Avis have used our specialist knowledge to create essential self drive itineraries – with all your overnight accommodation pre-booked. All these self drives come with a handy backpack containing maps, day by day driving instructions and even hints on where you should stop for photo opportunities.



ANTIGUA BOAT SHED, CHRISTCHURCH



KINGSTON TO QUEENSTOWN



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- Motor Vehicle Insurance
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Prices Exclude:-

(Payable at time of pick up)

- Miscellaneous Charges
- Petrol Bond of \$150
- Optional extras (e.g child seats)

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TOP NEW ZEALAND SELF DRIVES

- **BEST OF NEW ZEALAND**
The essential route for any visitor to the Land of the Long White Cloud – covering both the North and the South Islands this is all you need! (see pages 96-97).
- **FOLLOW THE GRAPEVINE**
A must do for any wine lover – expert or novice. From Auckland set off south towards the capital city of Wellington, with leisurely stops at Napier, in the Hawke's Bay region, and Martinborough for the Wairarapa, you will sample some of the best Pinot's that's for sure (see page 118).
- **SOUTH ISLAND WANDERER**
This showcases just how different the South Island is – with snow capped peaks, wild coastlines and tranquil fiordlands (see page 131).

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The backpack comes complete with maps and guide - make sure you book a night before your self drive to plan your trip and we will deliver your backpack to your hotel.



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APOLLO NEW ZEALAND

A motorhome holiday allows you the freedom to explore New Zealand in your own time, stopping when and where you want. Driving is on the left-hand side and traffic is generally quieter than in the UK. Apollo feature one of the newest fleets of motorhomes in New Zealand and all vehicles are expertly maintained and serviced.



Apollo Motorhome Benefits

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- 24 hour roadside assistance
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Apollo Motorhomes feature the following:

- Fridge/freezer
- Sink
- Gas stove
- Power supply: 12/240V
- Microwave
- Power steering
- Kitchen equipment & bedding
- Radio/CD player
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Upgrade to Apollo Inclusive Package From £47 per day Includes:

- VIP cover (liability reduction option 2)
- LP gas refill fee
- Camp chairs and table (on request)
- Baby/booster seat (on request)

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It is possible to book a campervan for any of the routes included in our self drive tours – ask your expert Travel Designer for details!



Interislander Ferry – Wellington to Picton

Whatever time of day you choose to cross the Cook Strait, you'll experience one of New Zealand's finest journeys.

The Interislander offers a convenient daily service across the twelve mile Strait separating the North and South Islands. In three hours, you'll cruise across Wellington's stunning harbour, around the remote North Island coastline and into the peaceful Marlborough Sounds – which is the breathtaking entrance to the South Island.

PASSENGER SEAT FROM £43 PER ADULT

MOTORHOME CROSSING FROM £264 PER VEHICLE

Top Experiences – Upgrade to the Kaitaki Premium Plus lounge from £19 per adult each way



2 BERTH - HI - TOP
from £28 per day



2 BERTH - EURO TOURER
from £46 per day



4 BERTH - EURO CAMPER
from £55 per day



4 BERTH - EURO STAR
from £65 per day



6 BERTH - EURO DELUXE
from £60 per day





APT ESCORTED TOURING NEW ZEALAND

APT provide a whole range of escorted touring options to help you discover the incredible delights for which New Zealand is known. Sit back, relax, and allow your expert guide to ensure that all those famous sights – plus some lesser known ones – are not missed. With two tour levels to match all budgets, there is something to suit everyone.

On these pages are a small selection of APT's escorted tours available for New Zealand, but for a full range please ask for a copy of Austravel's Essential Touring brochure, or refer to Austravel.com

The APT Difference:

- Experienced Guides, Drivers and Tour Directors
- Two levels of guided touring
- Sightseeing and more!
- Hand picked accommodation
- Unique dining experiences



TAUPO

The Southern Tourer

9 Day Luxury Tour from £2,369 per adult

With soaring mountains, ancient glaciers and gentle fiordlands, the contrast of scenery in the South Island captures the hearts and minds of all who visit. Let APT guide you through this awe-inspiring land – so you can make sure you capture plenty of pictures to remember... or share! (NCC09)

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- TranzAlpine Rail journey to Arthurs Pass
- Overnight stays in Franz Josef, Dunedin, Te Anau, Mount Cook and Christchurch
- Milford Sound Cruise - a highlight of any visit to New Zealand
- Relaxing two night stay at Queenstown with time at leisure for a range of activities
- Freedom of Choice Touring options: 15 to choose from including Jet Boating in Queenstown, Mt Cook guided nature tour or visit to New Zealand's only castle in Dunedin
- All transportation, overnight accommodation, 8 breakfasts and 4 feature meals

BOOK EARLY AND SAVE - SELECTED DATES



LAKE WAKATIPU, QUEENSTOWN

TOURING

New Zealand Getaway

15 Day Premium Tour from £2,545 per adult

This fifteen day guided tour encompasses both the North and South Islands of New Zealand, from Auckland to Christchurch, and is the perfect option for any first time visitors who want to make sure that they don't miss a thing! Starting in Auckland the tour takes in the famed sights and sounds of the Bay of Islands, steaming geothermal Rotorua, the Glacier region, Queenstown and so much more. (NT15)

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Relaxing two night stay in the Bay of Islands, plus day cruise to spot dolphins
- Authentic Maori Hangi and Cultural performance in Rotorua
- Overnight in Wellington and Interislander Ferry Cruise through the Marlborough Sounds
- Day of leisure to explore the adrenaline capital of Queenstown
- Cruise the full length of Milford Sound viewing cascading waterfalls and spectacular sheer cliffs
- All transportation, overnight accommodation, 14 breakfasts and 3 feature meals

BOOK EARLY AND SAVE - SELECTED DATES



BAY OF ISLANDS



New Zealand Wonderland

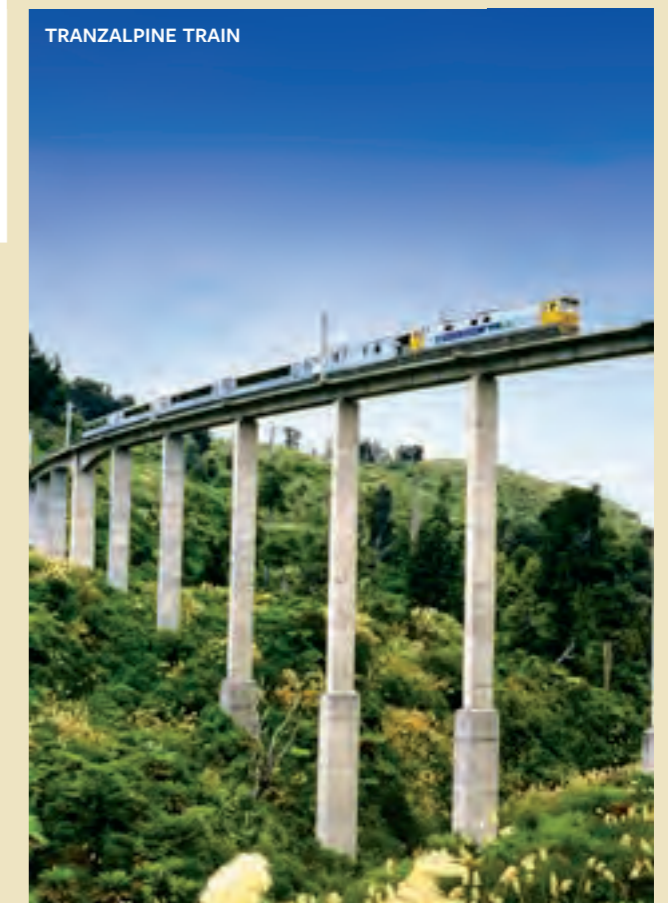
17 Day Luxury Tour from £4,095 per adult

An extraordinary journey through the highlights of this unique country, take 17 days to explore both islands and a host of fantastic experiences. Begin in the city of sails in Auckland and journey to Australasia's highest peak at Mount Cook before finishing in Christchurch. (NCC17)

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Visit the historic Waitangi Treaty Grounds and look out for dolphins on a magical Hole in the Rock cruise
- Immerse yourself in Maori culture at a Hangi Feast in Rotorua
- Cruise to the South Island aboard the Interislander ferry
- Ride on the famous TranzAlpine train
- Stay at the Hermitage Mount Cook plus Te Waonui, Franz Josef
- Marvel at the impressive icy contours of Franz Josef Glacier
- Cruise the full length of Milford Sound
- All transportation, overnight accommodation, 16 breakfasts and 7 feature meals

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TRANZALPINE TRAIN

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GRAND PACIFIC TOURS

Grand Pacific Tours are market leaders and recognised as New Zealand Coach Holiday Specialists. They offer five styles of touring to choose from and all departure dates are guaranteed to operate which gives you peace of mind when you are booking your extended holiday.



TSS EARNSLAW, QUEENSTOWN

16 Day Highlights of New Zealand (Affordable): Christchurch - Auckland

From £2,999 per adult

One of our most popular tours! Best value for money including the sub-tropical region of the Bay of Islands.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Haggis Ceremony & Gift
- Larnach Castle*
- Milford Sound Cruise & Lunch
- Cruise Lake Wakatipu on the TSS Earnslaw
- Lakes District Museum
- TranzAlpine Rail Journey
- Cruise on the Interislander Ferry
- Te Papa, NZ's National Museum
- Skyline Rotorua Gondola & Luge Ride
- Agrodome
- Thermal mud pools & geysers*
- Traditional Maori Hangi & Concert
- Dolphin / Hole in the Rock Cruise
- Kauri Museum*
- City sights tour of Christchurch, Dunedin, Wellington & Auckland

Guaranteed Departures available until May 2018.

Please note: Includes modern touring coach with 2 door access, professional Coach Captain, 3 to 3.5 star accommodation, 29 delicious meals, sightseeing and pre-paid attractions. *Guided tour is included with 1 guide per 24 travellers.



19 Day New Zealand Rail & Coach Holiday (Luxury): Auckland - Christchurch

From £4,045 per adult

Fully escorted featuring 4 breathtaking rail journeys and scenic Milford Sound overnight cruise.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Glenbrook Vintage Railway
- Coastal Pacific Rail Journey
- TranzAlpine Rail Journey
- Silver Fern Seaside Rail Journey
- Waitangi Treaty Grounds*
- Dolphin / Hole in the Rock Cruise
- Kauri Museum*
- Paradise Valley Springs*
- Skyline Rotorua Gondola & Luge Ride
- Agrodome
- Thermal mud pools & geysers*
- Te Puia traditional Maori Hangi & Concert
- Te Papa, NZ's National Museum

- Cruise on the Interislander Ferry
- International Antarctic Centre
- Christchurch Tram
- Cruise Lake Wakatipu on the TSS Earnslaw
- Lakes District Museum
- HIGHLIGHT Milford Sound Overnight Cruise
- Cruise Lake Te Anau, visit Glow Worm Caves
- Haggis Ceremony & Gift
- Larnach Castle*
- Glenfalloch Restaurant
- Olveston House*
- City sights tour of Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch & Dunedin

Guaranteed Departures available until May 2018.

Please note: Includes modern touring coach with 2 door access, professional Coach Captain & Tour Guide, 4 star accommodation, 34 delicious meals, sightseeing and pre-paid attractions. *Guided Tour is included with 1 guide per 24 travellers.



TRANZALPINE RAIL



ULTIMATE COACH

UPGRADE OPTION (SMALL GROUP TOURING)

Upgrade your 16 Day Highlights Tour or 19 day New Zealand Rail and Coach Holiday by travelling on the most deluxe coach available. Travel in style on the Ultimate Coach and enjoy small group touring with a maximum of only 20 travellers complemented with a handpicked collection of 4.5 star stylish hotels.

The Ultimate Coach features include:-

- 20 luxury leather fully reclining seats (Business Class on wheels)
- Panoramic viewing, air-conditioning and seat belts
- Wood grain timber tray table with built in cup holder
- Seat side personal storage area providing easy access to your travel bag
- Personal audio control unit with multiple music channels and complimentary set of headphones
- Individual USB point for charging camera, mobile phone etc
- Stylish centre galley area equipped with refrigerated drinking fountain and fridge units
- Complimentary daily on board wi-fi allowance
- Onboard restroom

Please enquire for further details on this small group touring holiday. Ultimate tour inclusions and dates can vary from standard itineraries.

The Grand Pacific Tours Difference:

- The company only sells one destination so you are dealing with a specialist
- All departure dates featured are "guaranteed" to operate
- Tours are all inclusive which saves you time and money
- Professional crew trained to perform Grand Pacific Tours itineraries
- Five styles of touring to choose from, something for everyone
- Unique dining experiences

We have featured 2 of our most popular tours, for a full range of our tours contact Austravel who can provide you with a copy of the comprehensive E-brochure.

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AUCKLAND

Known as the 'City of Sails' for its love of the water, Auckland's urbanites are extremely lucky – they live just half an hour from beautiful beaches, hiking trails and holiday islands. The city itself is a hive of activity. Head to the top of the Sky Tower for panoramic city views, lunch with the locals in popular Ponsonby, and admire the superyachts along Viaduct Harbour. Then hop over to Waiheke Island for its excellent wineries and secluded beaches – the perfect place to relax.

DAY TOURS



Wine on Waiheke

Head out of the city and cruise over to Waiheke Island where you will enjoy premium wine tastings. Travel to Ridgeview Estate with breathtaking views across the harbour to Auckland city, before tasting at Te Whau vineyard with outstanding architecture. You may choose to extend your stay and take advantage of the complimentary all day bus pass, allowing you to discover the island further.

FROM £82 PER ADULT

Wilderness Experience: Bush and Beach

Explore both the city and the countryside surrounding Auckland in just one day. Spend the morning visiting Auckland's most spectacular sights, before crossing the Harbour Bridge to Auckland's North Shore. In the afternoon continue to the Waitakere Ranges, just 30km from downtown Auckland. At the Arataki Centre admire the magnificent Maori carvings, before exploring the rugged west coast, home to giant tree ferns and native birds.

FROM £88 PER ADULT

Auckland Harbour Sailing Cruise with Fullers

Take to the sparkling waters of Auckland's harbour and view the city landmarks and skyline. The cruise also includes a return ticket to Devonport across the harbour - where you can discover the historic naval base. Jump off at Rangitoto Island and see the unique volcanic rocks, before sailing back to the wharf.

FROM £44 PER ADULT

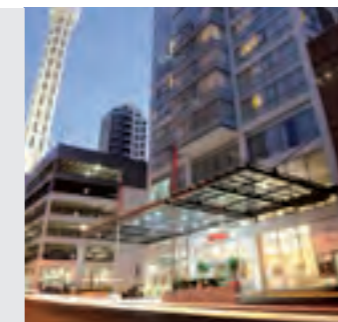
Rydges Auckland

★★★★★

Spacious, comfortable and modern rooms offer views of either the Sky Tower or out towards Waitemata Harbour.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

FROM £65 PER ADULT

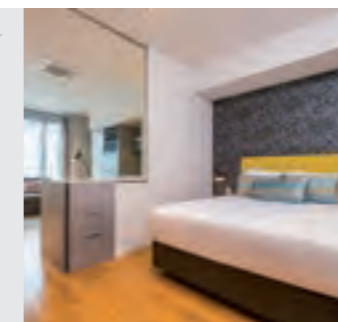


Adina Britomart

★★★★★

Close to the harbour and the trendy Britomart Precinct, this new hotel boasts modern and spacious apartments.

FROM £66 PER ADULT



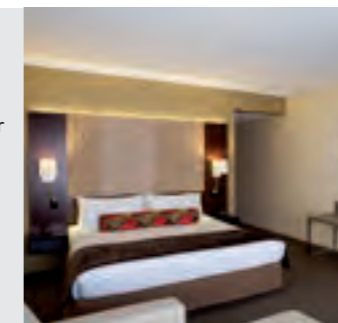
Grand Millennium

★★★★★

Located in the city centre close to Queen Street, all rooms have floor to ceiling windows. Relax in the impressive lobby bar or take a dip in the indoor heated pool.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £67 PER ADULT



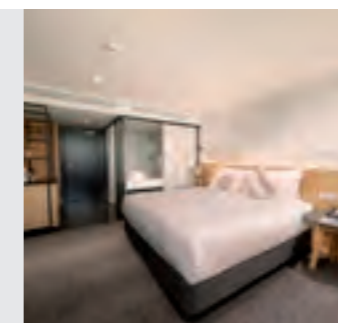
M Social Auckland

★★★★★

Situated on the waterfront close to Viaduct Harbour, this brand new hotel has contemporary rooms and one of Auckland's coolest bars.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £89 PER ADULT



SKYCITY

★★★★★

Situated in the heart of the entertainment complex with bars, restaurants and the casino, all rooms have great views out over the city.

FROM £67 PER ADULT



The Boatshed, Waiheke Island

Just 35 minutes ferry ride from the heart of Auckland, the Boatshed is home to chic luxury accommodation and panoramic ocean views.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

FROM £197 PER ADULT



NORTH ISLAND

TOP EXPERIENCES

- Cruise from Auckland Harbour to Waiheke Island and discover the ultimate island retreat – and the great wine!
- Immerse yourself in the Maori culture with a traditional Hangi feast and show.
- Enjoy a natural spa bath on Coromandel Peninsula's Hot Water Beach.
- Explore the geothermal mud pools, geysers and volcanic crater lakes of Rotorua.

FACT FILE

Climate: The North Island enjoys a subtropical climate with seasons opposite to those of the UK. Summer is from December to February with temperatures ranging from 20 - 30°C and winter is from June to August with lows of 10 - 15°C.

Flying time to Auckland: 27 hours + 1 stop

Driving times:

Auckland to Rotorua – 3 hours 30 minutes

Auckland to Bay of Islands – 4 hours 30 minutes

Auckland to Coromandel Peninsula – 2 hours 30 minutes

GMT: +12 hours (Apr - Sep) or +13 hours (Sep - Apr)



New Zealand's North Island is home to vibrant cities, rolling hills, sprawling forests and rich Maori influences, creating a fascinating tapestry of landscape and culture. From the beaches of the Bay of Islands, to the mud pools, geysers and Maori heritage of Rotorua. The deserted bays and Kauri forests of the Coromandel Peninsula, to the world-class wines of Hawke's Bay, all accessed by the exciting cities of Auckland and the country's capital, Wellington. You're sure to be impressed by this captivating and varied island.



BAY OF ISLANDS

To the north of Auckland lies the Bay of Islands – an aquatic playground of adventures. With over 140 islands and countless beautiful bays and coves, much of its extensive coastline remains untouched. Waitangi, on the mainland, is the seat of Maori culture where New Zealand’s founding document was signed. Take the time to cruise around these stunning islands before heading back on land where you can venture into Opua Forest to stand in awe of the huge kauri trees.



BAY OF ISLANDS



WAIPOUA FOREST

Copthorne Hotel & Resort ★★★★★
This waterfront hotel is situated in the Waitangi National Trust Reserve and shares sixty acres of sub-tropical parkland with the historic Waitangi Treaty House.
FREE UPGRADE - Selected dates
FROM £41 PER ADULT



Scenic Hotel Bay of Islands ★★★★★
A short stroll from the main wharf at Paihia, this resort-style retreat is the ideal base from which to explore the area with modern, spacious rooms.
FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £47 PER ADULT



The Sanctuary ★★★★★
The Sanctuary is a peaceful haven just a 5 minute drive from the centre of Paihia, every room has uninterrupted views towards the bay and to historic Russell, with large private balconies.
MEAL CREDIT - Selected dates
FROM £140 PER ADULT



Flagstaff Lodge ★★★★★
Located in historic Russell, Flagstaff Lodge is home to just four sumptuous suites all with stunning views across the bay.
FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £127 PER ADULT



TOURING



Spectacular Bay of Islands: AAT Kings

4 Day Escorted Tour from £289 per adult

Travel with AAT Kings to see all the highlights of northland, from bustling Auckland to the picturesque Bay of Islands.

DAY 1: AUCKLAND – BAY OF ISLANDS

Drive out of Auckland up the west coast of northland and visit Waitangi Treaty House and Grounds, where local guides will provide you with a history of this area. A cruise will then take you across the bay to the spectacular Hole in the Rock, where you'll hold your breath as the skipper navigates you through the narrow space. (D)

DAY 2: BAY OF ISLANDS AT LEISURE

A day where the itinerary is up to you – perhaps travel up to Cape Reinga, the most northern point of New Zealand, where the Tasman Sea and the Pacific Ocean meet. You'll also have the option to visit Ninety Mile Beach, enjoy a day's sailing or even head onto the water on a guided kayak trip. (B)

DAY 3: BAY OF ISLANDS - AUCKLAND

There's time to wander along the beachfront at Paihia, join the locals at a waterfront café, or hop on the ferry to Russell, the first capital of New Zealand with its unique whaling history, before returning in the afternoon to Auckland. (B)



DAY 4: DEPART AUCKLAND

After breakfast you'll be transferred to Auckland airport for your onward journey, or ask our expert Travel Designers about options to continue your journey south to Rotorua or the Coromandel Peninsula.

Please Note: Prices are per person and include three nights twin share accommodation, selected meals, and touring as mentioned. Accommodation, board bases and prices are subject to change with availability. Tour departs daily at 6.45am from Auckland hotels. (ZB4)

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options.

DAY TOURS



Cape Reinga and 90 Mile Beach

Wander the boardwalks through the Puketi Kauri Forest, head to the magnificent Ninety Mile Beach, and explore the famous lighthouse. With the opportunity to sledge or board down the dunes, take a dip in the ocean, or dig for shellfish, you'll soon build up an appetite in time for an exclusive BBQ lunch overlooking the stunning Houhora Harbour.

FROM PAIHIA FROM £83 PER ADULT



Hole in the Rock Cruise

Cruise along the picturesque coastline to Cape Brett to sail through the famous 'Hole in the Rock' natural stone archway. Ask your Travel Designer for prices to upgrade to swim with the dolphins. This cruise is also available as a day tour from Auckland travelling up the Hibiscus Coast past uncrowded beaches and native forests.

FROM PAIHIA FROM £58 PER ADULT
FROM AUCKLAND FROM £136 PER ADULT

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ROTORUA

Rotorua is the heartland of New Zealand's Maori culture and an astonishing place of spouting geysers, bubbling mud pools and steam vents. With a backdrop of volcanic mountains and crater lakes, this thermal wonderland is one of the most popular Kiwi attractions. Take part in a traditional Maori Hangi feast and watch the haka, or enjoy a soothing natural mud bath.



TAMAKI MAORI SHOW, ROTORUA



WAIMANGU VALLEY

Sudima Hotel Lake Rotorua ★★★★★
A location second to none, next door to the Polynesian Spa and set on the shores of Lake Rotorua, upgrade to a Superior room for additional space and comfort.
FROM £50 PER ADULT



Novotel Rotorua Lakeside ★★★★★
With commanding views over the lake and surrounding hinterland, the Novotel is just a short stroll to the city centre.
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £49 PER ADULT



Millennium Hotel Rotorua ★★★★★
Ideally situated to enjoy the many activities in this region including the Polynesian Spa. This impressive deluxe lakeside hotel offers well-appointed rooms and comfortable accommodation.
FREE UPGRADE - Selected dates
FROM £58 PER ADULT



Regent of Rotorua ★★★★★
In the heart of town, this designer boutique hotel offers stylish and luxury accommodation, with quirky modern rooms and fantastic service.
FROM £51 PER ADULT



TOURING

Rotorua Highlights: AAT Kings



4 Day Escorted Tour from £372 per adult

Short on time? Travel with AAT Kings to discover the 'City of Sails' - Auckland, as well as the phenomenon of Rotorua, with rising steam and spouting geysers.

DAY 1: AUCKLAND - ROTORUA

Travel south through rolling green farmland to the Waikato and King Country regions, stopping off for morning tea at Rangiriri, the location of an historic Maori War site. Join a local guide to travel through the Waitomo Glow Worm Caves, where you'll hop aboard a small boat to float silently through the subterranean cavern lit by thousands of tiny glow worms - a unique experience.

DAY 2: DISCOVER ROTORUA

A day exploring Rotorua, first head to Te Puia, a place of Maori culture with an impressive thermal wonderland with geysers and mud pools, and a fascinating Maori carving and weaving school. Explore Rainbow Springs with native flora and fauna, and the chance to spot a kiwi! Finish your day at the Agrodome



with a sheep shearing display, and sheep dog trials, before an evening of celebration at an authentic Hangi feast cooked deep in the thermally heated ground. (B, D)

DAY 3: ROTORUA - AUCKLAND

The day is at leisure to explore Rotorua. Why not head to the Polynesian Spa for a soothing dip in the thermally heated waters? Later travel through Waikato farmlands on your return to Auckland. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART AUCKLAND

After breakfast you'll be transferred to

Auckland airport for your onward journey, or ask our expert Travel Designers about options to continue your journey through New Zealand. (B)

Please Note: Prices are per person and include three nights twin share accommodation, selected meals, and touring as mentioned. Accommodation, board bases and prices are subject to change with availability. Tour departs daily at 6.45am from Auckland hotels. (ZR5)

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options.

DAY TOURS



Hobbiton Movie Set

Perfect not just for fans of the movie trilogy, but also for those who've never set foot on a film set before. Based on some of New Zealand's most picturesque farmland, take a 2 hour guided tour to learn the tricks of the camera, secrets of Hollywood, explore the Hobbit holes, and finish with food in the Shires Rest Café.

FROM £47 PER ADULT



Tamaki Tours Hangi & Concert

Enjoy a night of truly authentic, traditional Maori culture and entertainment, where you'll be introduced to a world of ancient Maori and proud warriors. Journey back in time through the Maori village of 'Te Tawa Ngahere Pa' and experience pre-European lifestyle and customs with tribal songs, dances and activities. As the night unfolds share a Hangi feast, cooked the traditional way on hot stones in an earthen oven.

FROM £67 PER ADULT



Te Puia

Situated in Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve just 5 minutes drive from central Rotorua, watch the famous Pohutu Geyser as it bubbles and shoots water high into the sky, and view Native Kiwi in a nocturnal enclosure. Within this interactive guided tour guests can hand pick their own lunch which is then cooked in a traditional steam vent in the geothermal area.

FROM £60 PER ADULT

Floatplane to Mt Tarawera Volcano

From Lake Rotorua take to the skies in a floatplane and see the area from a different perspective. Head towards the Crater Lakes district, and wonder at Mount Tarawera, where a massive volcanic eruption changed the landscape in 1886. Continue south past the steaming cliffs and hot lakes of the Waimangu Volcanic Valley, before returning to Rotorua over the Blue and Green Lakes and the geysers of Whakarewarewa.

FROM £143 PER ADULT



COROMANDEL PENINSULA

The Coromandel Peninsula is one of New Zealand's best-loved holiday destinations. It's a dramatic combination of rainforest, volcanic hills and beaches, while further down the coast you'll find the Bay of Plenty, home to beautiful harbours, excellent surf and an easy-going lifestyle.



HAHEI COAST



— DAY TOURS —



Glass Bottom Boat Whitianga

Explore the breathtaking volcanic coastline of the Coromandel and watch the amazing marine life up close as your skipper takes you on an adventure through the Marine Reserve. Including a fun commentary enriched with local history and culture, spot dolphins, seals and penguins – with equipment provided if you fancy snorkelling!

FROM £56 PER ADULT



Kiwi Dundee - Nature & Coast Full Day Walk

Highlights of your day will be a leisurely walk through beautiful regenerating Kauri forest. Full of fern trees, glowworms in an old gold cave, a visit to Hotwater beach (tide permitting) or depending on fitness a walk down in to the famous Cathedral Cove.

FROM £162 PER ADULT

Pauanui Pines Motor Lodge ★★★★★

Within easy walking distance of the beach, and spread amongst trees, gardens and open spaces, this is a lovely destination to relax and unwind.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £46 PER ADULT



Marina Park Apartments ★★★★★

All 1, 2 and 3 bedroom apartments are of a modern design and are perfect for a luxury stay in the Coromandel region.

FROM £44 PER ADULT



Grand Mercure Puka Park ★★★★★

Guests are accommodated in elegant and luxurious chalets, each with private balcony. Superb dining and a spectacular beach all add up to a very special experience.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £83 PER ADULT



TAUPO AND TONGARIRO

Located in the centre of the North Island, Lake Taupo is an adrenaline hub. The list of activities is endless, from jet boating to skydiving and geothermal hikes, to the more relaxed trout fishing and exciting kayak expeditions where ancient rock carvings can be spotted. Slightly south, you'll find World Heritage-listed Tongariro National Park with its three mighty volcanoes, it hosts one of the finest day walks in the world.



— DAY TOURS —



Huka Falls Jet Boat

Travel past native bush and natural hot springs as you speed towards the impressive Huka Falls at up to 80km an hour. Test your nerve with 360° spins on a 30 minute adrenaline rush. Ask your Travel Designer for details of combo packages which include heli flights over spectacular scenery.

FROM £79 PER ADULT



Tongariro Crossing Day Walk

The Tongariro Crossing is renowned as one of the world's finest day walks and, although steep in places, it is well worth the effort. The trail leads you past volcanic craters, lava flows, thermal vents and colourful lakes, offering unsurpassable views over central North Island.

FROM TONGARIRO FROM £149 PER ADULT
FROM TAUPO FROM £158 PER ADULT



LAKE TAUPO

Millennium Hotel ★★★★★

Located on the shores of Lake Taupo, offering views of the lake and mountains. The lakefront rooms are tastefully decorated in French provincial style.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £61 PER ADULT



Hilton Lake Taupo ★★★★★

With sweeping views out over the lake, the original hotel dates back to 1889; Heritage Wing rooms feature private balconies, or upgrade to a spacious apartment.

FREE UPGRADE - Selected dates
FROM £68 PER ADULT



Château Tongariro Hotel ★★★★★

Situated at the foot of Mount Ruapehu, retaining many original features dating back to 1929, this is a perfect retreat following a day in the Tongariro National Park.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £62 PER ADULT





HAWKE'S BAY AND WINE TRAILS

Hawke's Bay is one of New Zealand's premier wine regions, with its main city of Napier boasting an outstanding collection of 1930's Art Deco architecture. Other special attractions include the gannet colony at Cape Kidnappers and as the first stop on the Classic New Zealand Wine Trail, a bicycle vineyard tour is a must. Take time to savour the lifestyle in one of the unique accommodations in and around Napier, and make sure you sample the sensational cabernet sauvignons, merlots and other varietals of this region.



WHANGARA, EAST CAPE



GOLF AT CAPE KIDNAPPERS

DAY TOURS



Takaro Trails – Cycle the Vineyards

With routes catering for all levels of fitness, cycling in Hawke's Bay is really easy - cycling is on trails rather than roads, and trails are predominantly flat. Guided options include visits to some of the most popular vineyards in the region, Austravel recommends the 16km trail to Havelock North and the Cape Coast, visiting 7 wineries on the way.

SELF GUIDED TOUR FROM £58 PER ADULT

Scenic Hotel Te Pania

★★★★★

The hotel enjoys a desirable, central waterfront location on Marine Parade, just two minutes from Napier's famous art deco style main street.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

FROM £56 PER ADULT



The Crown Hotel, Napier

★★★★★

Overlooking the waterfront in the village of Ahuriri, the hotel offers luxury boutique accommodation. The hotel has 43 stylish and unique guest suites.

FROM £77 PER ADULT



The Farm at Cape Kidnappers

★★★★★

The boutique luxury lodge is a combination of rustic materials and luxurious style. Located on the breathtaking coastline of Hawke's Bay.

FREE BREAKFAST AND DINNER - Selected dates

FROM £476 PER ADULT



DAY TOURS



Twilight Odyssey Tour

Experience Hawke's Bay at its best with this progressive three course meal across some of New Zealand's top winery restaurants. Start your evening at a boutique brewery before participating in a wine tasting, indulge in gourmet platters and enjoy a Champagne sunset on Te Mata Peak. Complete your meal at New Zealand's oldest winery, the Mission Estate.

WINE AND GOURMET ODYSSEY FROM £91 PER ADULT

V.I.P. PLATINUM TWILIGHT ODYSSEY FROM £185 PER ADULT

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TOURING



Follow The Grapevine

6 Day Self Drive from £677 per adult

DAY 1: AUCKLAND - TAUPO

Drive via the geothermal region of Rotorua, famous for its mud pools and geysers before arriving at Taupo, the main centre of the region.

DAY 2: TAUPO – NAPIER

Continue on your gourmet trail to the Hawke's Bay region, renowned for its vineyards and orchards. Today you'll take part in the Twilight Odyssey wine tastings and dinner.

DAY 3: NAPIER

Spend the day at leisure in Napier enjoying the many vineyards and wonderful restaurants in the area.



Craggy Range

DAY 4: NAPIER – MARTINBOROUGH

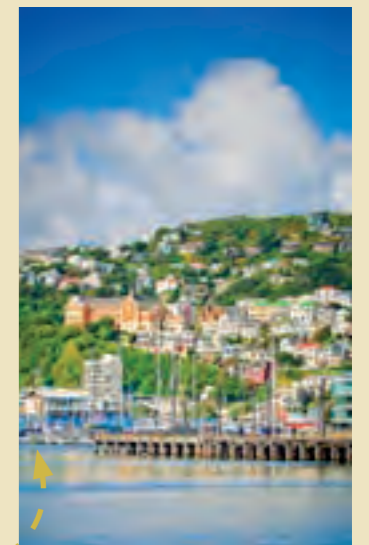
Travel south to the picturesque village of Martinborough, via the small country towns of Carterton, Greytown and Featherston. Here you can walk or cycle to the numerous vineyards nearby and enjoy fine dining in what has become an increasingly popular gourmet destination.

DAY 5: MARTINBOROUGH AT LEISURE

With a day free why not join a Gourmet Wine Escape Tour, where you can enjoy tastings at four Martinborough vineyards and lunch in a vineyard café, with sample tastings of the world famous Pinot Noir.

DAY 6: MARTINBOROUGH – WELLINGTON

Drive to the capital city Wellington through beautiful rolling hills; head up to the botanical gardens via the cable car or join a Gourmet walking tour where you will visit a boutique coffee roaster and food stores.



Please Note: Itinerary valid from 1st April 2017 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 G 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. (AK16)

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options.



WELLINGTON

Wellington is New Zealand's compact capital city boasting a chic, creative atmosphere and vibrant café culture along with great shopping and live entertainment. As New Zealand's cultural centre, a visit to Te Papa – the national museum – is a must. And for stunning views over the city and harbour, head to Mount Victoria Lookout in the east. Within an easy drive of the city you'll also find Martinborough, home to numerous vineyards and further along the coast is Palliser Bay – an area of beautiful wilderness.



WELLINGTON WATERFRONT



Ibis Wellington ★★★★★

Located between the ferry terminal and city centre, a fantastic value hotel with comfortable rooms, Vivant Restaurant and bar and guest parking on site.
FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £40 PER ADULT



Copthorne Hotel Oriental Bay ★★★★★

Situated in an enviable position right on the waterfront, only two minutes walk from Te Papa Museum, rooms boast a city or harbour view from the balcony.
MEAL CREDIT - Selected dates
FREE BREAKFAST - ADULT
FROM £77 PER ADULT



Intercontinental Wellington ★★★★★

Take a dip in the heated indoor swimming pool or relax in the spa; rooms are recently renovated and are luxurious and contemporary.
FREE UPGRADE - Selected dates
FROM £83 PER ADULT



Peppers Parihua Country Estate, Wairarapa ★★★★★

Little more than an hour by road from Wellington is this grand estate on the outskirts of this historic village. Cottages and villas are set in scenic grounds.
FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £53 PER ADULT



— DAY TOURS —



Visit Zealandia

This unique eco-sanctuary is located in a 225 hectare site on the outskirts of Wellington. Take the day to explore, with guided tours around the sanctuary, spot native plants and wildlife, and hike to the upper reservoir – where you'll find yourself a world away from the city! For those keen on extending their day, book Zealandia by Night as you endeavour to seek out the elusive nocturnal New Zealand mascot, the Kiwi.

GENERAL ADMISSION FROM £13 PER ADULT
ZEALANDIA BY NIGHT FROM £50 PER ADULT

Martinborough Wines

Step onboard a 90 minute train journey to the world-class wine region, Wairarapa. Lunch is included at one of the delightful cafés, before continuing to the remainder of the days' selected wineries.

FROM £113 PER ADULT



Zest Walking Tour: Capital Tastes

Explore the tastes of the capital city with a 3 hour walking tour including a visit to a boutique coffee roastery and tastings at specialist stores. Also included is a 3 course tasting lunch with matching wines. A great way to explore the city and get your bearings, whilst enjoying the foodies paradise!

FROM £108 PER ADULT

Interislander Ferry – Wellington to Picton

Whatever time of day you choose to cross the Cook Strait, you'll experience one of New Zealand's finest journeys.

The Interislander offers a convenient daily service across the twelve mile Strait separating the North and South Islands. In three hours, you'll cruise across Wellington's stunning harbour, around the remote North Island coastline and into the peaceful Marlborough Sounds – which is the breathtaking entrance to the South Island.

PASSENGER SEAT FROM £43 PER ADULT

Top Experiences – Upgrade to the Kaitaki Premium Plus lounge from £19 per adult each way



Auckland to Wellington by rail

What better way to savour the New Zealand countryside than to travel by rail. Take the strain out of a longer journey and travel from Auckland to Wellington with an optional stopover in Tongariro National Park.

AUCKLAND TO TONGARIRO FROM £69 PER ADULT
AUCKLAND TO WELLINGTON FROM £112 PER ADULT

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PICTON AND MARLBOROUGH

With year-round sunshine, stay in the picturesque port town of Picton and explore the sunken river valleys of Marlborough Sounds. Choose to discover these ancient waterways by kayak or take in the wonderful views by walking the Queen Charlotte Track. Journey inland and you'll find the world-class wineries of New Zealand's largest wine region producing 90% of New Zealand sauvignon blanc.



DAY TOURS



Marlborough Wine Tours

Experience the magic of Marlborough with a visit to a world famous winery, taste the wines, olive oils and the foods that make this region a gourmet province. Travel through the iconic vineyards while your guide gives you an insight into how these great wines are crafted.

FROM £47 PER ADULT



Seafood Odyssey Cruise

A must for any seafood lovers! Cruise into the Marlborough Sounds, taking in the natural beauty and tranquility of this picturesque area. Visit a King Salmon farm with the opportunity to hand feed and learn of the fascinating farming process. After seeing Oysters and Mussels growing in the fresh waters, it's of course time to taste a selection of beautiful seafood, complete with a glass of Sauvignon Blanc.

FROM £87 PER ADULT



TOP EXPERIENCES

- Stay in the adrenaline capital of Queenstown, home to jet boats, bungee jumping and canyon swings.
- Swim with dolphins and go whale watching in Kaikoura.
- Experience one of the world's most scenic rail journeys, the TranzAlpine, from Christchurch to Greymouth.
- Discover New Zealand's most stunning natural attraction – Milford Sound in Fiordland National Park.

FACT FILE

Climate: South Island is temperate with seasons opposite to those of the UK. Summer is from December to February with temperatures ranging from 12 - 22°C and winter is from June to August with lows of 2 - 12°C.

Flying time to Christchurch: 27 hours + 1 stop

Driving times:

- Christchurch to Kaikoura – 3 hours
- Christchurch to Nelson – 5 hours 30 minutes
- Queenstown to Te Anau – 2 hours 30 minutes
- Queenstown to Dunedin – 4 hours

GMT: +12 hours (Apr - Sep) or +13 hours (Sep - Apr)



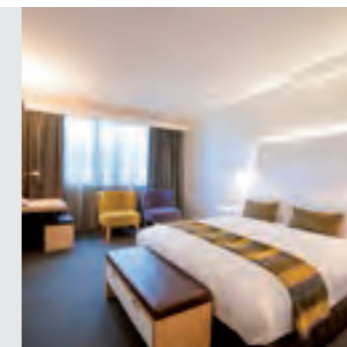
Soaring snow-capped mountains, spectacular coastline, tumbling glaciers and tranquil fiordland are but a few of the attractions of New Zealand's South Island. Experience the thrill of swimming with dolphins or whale watching in Kaikoura, heli-hiking a glacier on the west coast, kayaking with seals in Abel Tasman National Park or cruising the breathtaking Milford or Doubtful Sound – the list is endless.

Scenic Hotel

Marlborough ★★★★★

Conveniently located just a few minutes walk from the centre of Blenheim. Having recently undergone a renovation, it now boasts contemporary rooms.

FROM £52 PER ADULT

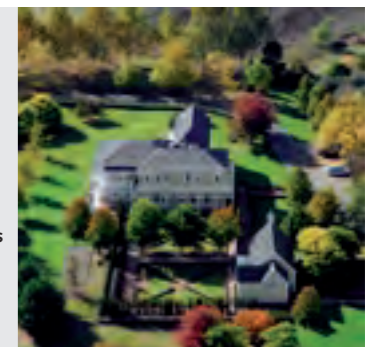


Marlborough Lodge

★★★★★

The small boutique hotel offers accommodation in a former convent heritage building, and with just 10 rooms this is the perfect Marlborough experience.

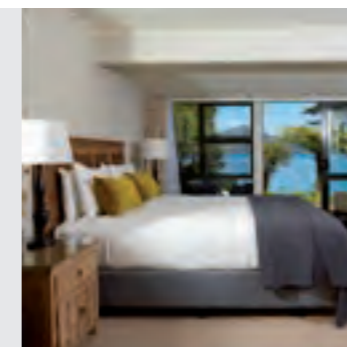
FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £346 PER ADULT



Raetihi Lodge ★★★★★

Catch a water taxi from Picton, or the launch from Havelock out to Raetihi Lodge, nestled in the Marlborough Sounds.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £81 PER ADULT



Bay Of Many Coves

★★★★★

At this small luxury property, dine at the restaurant, swim in the freshwater pool, or enjoy a short bush walk, with spacious hillside apartments in the unspoilt Marlborough Sounds.

SPA CREDIT - Selected dates
FROM £152 PER ADULT





NELSON AND ABEL TASMAN

Located at the top of the South Island, Abel Tasman National Park basks under the most sunshine hours in the country. With scenery ranging from golden beaches to forests and valleys, you can go hiking, sailing, kayaking and much more, the park is rife with adventure. However, one of the best ways to experience Abel Tasman National Park is by a multi-day guided kayaking trip. Abel Tasman is an absolute must on any South Island itinerary.



ABEL TASMAN NATIONAL PARK



— DAY TOURS —



Abel Tasman: Kayak, Seals and Walking

After a scenic boat trip to Torrent Bay, paddle to "Split Apple Rock", followed by lunch on a golden sandy beach. After a cruise to Onetahuti, passing the seal colony on Tonga Island, you will disembark and enjoy a two hour coastline walk before returning to Kaiteriteri.

DAY TOUR FROM £46 PER ADULT



KAITERITERI BEACH

— TOURING —

Abel Tasman 3 Day Kayak and Walk

3 Day Package from £679 per adult

DAY 1: NELSON/MOTUEKA - AWAROA

Begin with a cruise from Kaiteriteri along the coastline of the Abel Tasman National Park, disembarking at Totaranui for a two hour walk through mature forests and along secluded golden beaches. Walk or cruise across the scenic expanse at Awaroa Inlet – depending on the tides. Stay the night at the Meadowbank Homestead with pre dinner drinks and fine food. (L, D)



DAY 2: AWAROA – TORRENT BAY

After a hearty breakfast, walk over to Tonga Saddle where you'll settle into your kayaks – with a full training session this is perfect for all abilities. Visit the Seal Colony on Tonga Island, and paddle through the clear waters of the National Park before lunch at sheltered Bark Bay. After lunch and a swim continue to Falls River, beach hopping until you reach Torrent Bay for a hot shower and dinner. (B, L, D)



DAY 3: TORRENT BAY - KAITERITERI

This morning paddle along the coast to pristine bays and beaches for a 4.5 hour kayak, visiting Te Pukatea and Appletree Bay stopping for lunch along the way. At Kaiteriteri board the coach for a return trip to Nelson. (B, L)

Please Note: Prices are per person and include two nights twin share accommodation, selected meals, and touring as mentioned. Accommodation, board bases and prices are subject to change with availability. Tour departs Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat and Sun – itinerary may operate in reverse on some days. Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options.

Grand Mercure Monaco Apartments ★★★★★

Located across from Waimea Inlet, this resort offers hotel rooms and fully self-contained cottages, overlooking gardens and the village green.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £44 PER ADULT



The Resurgence, Motueka ★★★★★

This eco lodge is situated on the edge of two national parks, with luxury rooms in the main lodge or in bush chalets tucked away in the forest.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £214 PER ADULT



Peppers Awaroa Lodge ★★★★★

Close to one of the best coastal walks in New Zealand, with 26 villa rooms - all boasting private outdoor decks. Explore the National Park with sea kayaking, estuary walks and sailing all close by.

FROM £84 PER ADULT



Mahana Villa, Nelson ★★★★★

Perched atop the Mahana Hills, the villa offers sweeping views across the vineyards to the Southern Alps, whilst perfectly placed to explore Nelson and Abel Tasman.

INCLUDES MEALS - Selected dates
FROM £876 PER ADULT





CHRISTCHURCH AND CANTERBURY

Stretching from Kaikoura on the east coast, the region of Canterbury encompasses Christchurch and the surrounding mountains of Mount Cook National Park. Christchurch is a vibrant, ever-evolving city which still retains its English heritage as seen within the beautiful Hagley Park or the Botanic Gardens. Further afield lies the seaside retreat of Akaroa where you can swim with dolphins, or head inland to soak in the natural thermal spas of Hanmer Springs.



DAY TOURS



TranzAlpine Train - Christchurch to Greymouth

Embark on one of the top ten train journeys in the world. Travel through the pastoral scenes of the Canterbury Plains before passing through the Southern Alps climbing up to Arthur's Pass.

CHRISTCHURCH TO ARTHURS PASS FROM £91 PER ADULT

CHRISTCHURCH TO GREYMOOUTH FROM £120 PER ADULT



Whale Watch Kaikoura

One of New Zealand's leading eco-tourism destinations, Kaikoura is renowned for its variety of marine mammals. Spot sperm and humpback whales, dolphins and seals (weather permitting) which are all attracted by the rich feeding grounds. Ask your Travel Designer for details to upgrade to a scenic flight.

FROM KAIKOURA FROM £91 PER ADULT

FROM CHRISTCHURCH FROM £193 PER ADULT

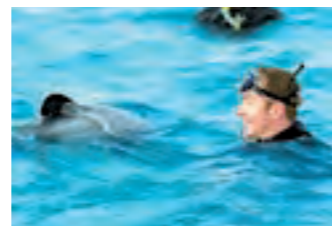


Coastal Pacific - Picton to Christchurch

Take the Coastal Pacific train for unforgettable views. The Coastal Pacific train links the quaint port town of Picton with the garden city of Christchurch, stretching along 98 kilometres of ruggedly beautiful coastline and passing the famous whale watching town of Kaikoura. With stunning views of the surging Pacific Ocean, travel through vast wine growing regions, and the rich farming patchwork of the Canterbury Plains.

KAIKOURA TO CHRISTCHURCH FROM £60 PER ADULT

PICTON TO CHRISTCHURCH FROM £106 PER ADULT



Dolphin Swim Akaroa

On arrival in Akaroa join Black Cat 2 for a cruise on the harbour, sighting dolphins, penguins and seals en route. On spotting the dolphins, you will join them in their natural habitat and swim with the rare and endangered Hector's Dolphin in the open sea.

FROM £98 PER ADULT

TOURING

The Alpine Adventure: AAT Kings

6 Day Escorted Tour from £516 per adult

Short on time? Travel with AAT Kings to discover the picturesque Southern Alps, the majestic glacier at Franz Josef, and the alpine adventure town of Queenstown.

DAY 1: ARRIVE CHRISTCHURCH

Welcome to Christchurch where AAT will greet you at the airport with transport waiting to take you to your hotel, before dinner at your hotel. (D)



DAY 2: EXPLORE CHRISTCHURCH

Join your group on a classic 1960s London Double Decker for an informative journey around Christchurch, learning of the fascinating history and how the city is moving on from the devastating earthquake in 2011. (B)

DAY 3: CHRISTCHURCH - MT. COOK

Travel through lush farmlands to Lake Tekapo, visiting the iconic Church of the Good Shepherd, before some great photo opportunities in Mt Cook National Park, home to New Zealand's tallest mountain. There's also the chance to take a scenic flight over this alpine region (own expense). (B,L,D)

DAY 4: MT. COOK - QUEENSTOWN

Spend the morning in the national park, before travelling south across the Lindis Pass and the small township of Cromwell. Arrive into Queenstown for your first views of this spectacular alpine town. (B)



DAY 5: QUEENSTOWN

Visit one of New Zealand's growing wine regions, learning how the wine is made and of course sample some of the local drops. There's also the chance to visit an underground wine cave and taste some local cheeses. (B,L)

DAY 6: DEPART QUEENSTOWN

Your tour concludes after breakfast; however there's so much more to discover in this scenic part of New Zealand - ask your Travel Designer for details. (B)

Please Note: Prices are per person and include five nights twin share accommodation, selected meals, and touring as mentioned. Accommodation, board bases and prices are subject to change with availability. Tour departs daily. (ZQC6)

Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options.

The White Morph

★★★★★

On the esplanade in Kaikoura just a short walk from the visitor centre, upgrade to the Premium Spa rooms for full ocean views.

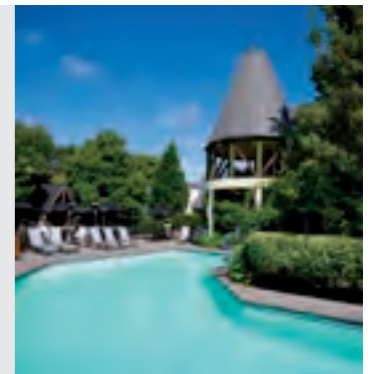
FROM £55 PER ADULT



Château on the Park, Christchurch ★★★★★

Set amongst 5 acres of tranquil surroundings with gorgeous gardens, the hotel offers a welcome retreat and is a 20 minute stroll through Hagley Park to the city centre.

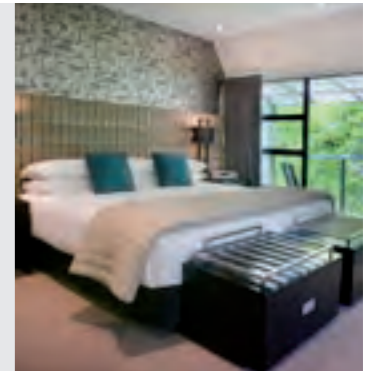
FREE UPGRADE - Selected dates FROM £50 PER ADULT



The George, Christchurch ★★★★★

This boutique hotel is renowned for its luxurious style, warm personalised service and attention to detail. Also noted for its award winning cuisine offered in both restaurants.

FROM £113 PER ADULT



The Hermitage Hotel, Mount Cook ★★★★★

Lying deep within the national park, rooms offer breathtaking views of Aoraki Mount Cook, and the hotel has some of the finest dining options in the South Island.

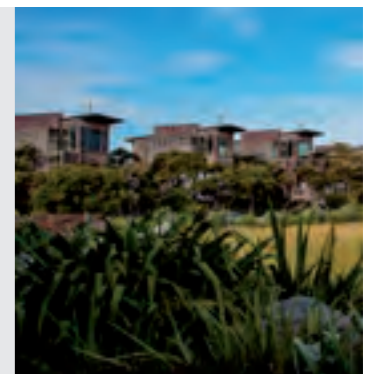
FROM £60 PER ADULT



Hapuku Lodge ★★★★★

Nestled between the Kaikoura seaward mountain range and the Pacific Ocean, the contemporary Hapuku Lodge is just a 10 minute drive north of Kaikoura. Hapuku Lodge features five luxury tree houses plus lodge rooms.

FROM £242 PER ADULT





WEST COAST AND GLACIERS

Head on over to the South Island's west coast and you'll find some of the most beautiful, rugged coastline in the world. Witness Punakaiki's unique rock formations to the north and explore the majestic glacier region of Franz Josef and Fox Glacier in the south.



FRANZ JOSEF GLACIER



DAY TOURS



Fox Glacier Heli Hike

Combine the excitement of walking on the ice at Fox Glacier with a spectacular heli flight. Departing from Fox Glacier, circle the upper icefall before landing on a remote part of the glacier. Your experienced guide will lead you past crevasses and ice ridges and into the middle of the glacier for incredible views of this glacier wonderland.

FROM £270 PER ADULT

Punga Grove, Franz Josef

★★★★☆

Offering a selection of warm studios and one and two bedroom motel units. Also available are Executive Studios featuring a luxurious spa bath & underfloor heating.

FROM £41 PER ADULT



Glenfern Villas

★★★★☆

Just a few kilometres north of the township of Franz Josef, Glenfern has spacious, chalet style villas for a home from home stay.

FROM £54 PER ADULT



Distinction Te Weheka, Fox Glacier

★★★★★

This is a friendly and welcoming hotel with a relaxed atmosphere. The hotel is surrounded by a mountainous backdrop with magnificent views.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

FROM £89 PER ADULT



Te Waonui Forest Retreat

★★★★★

This unique lodge-style hotel is surrounded by fine natural wonders. Enhanced by soft timbered detailing and natural colour schemes, this hotel is at one with its surroundings.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

FROM £205 PER ADULT



WANAKA

Sitting on the lakefront with the Southern Alps as a backdrop, Wanaka is one of the most scenic towns in New Zealand. Go for a relaxing stroll along the shores of Lake Wanaka, fly high above the surrounding mountains by helicopter or enjoy an exhilarating jet boat ride on the Clutha River. Take advantage of the adventures on Wanaka's doorstep or simply sit back and absorb the tranquil surrounds.



DAY TOURS



Siberia Experience

The half day Siberia Experience leaves from Makarora, at the head of Lake Wanaka, and guides you through some of New Zealand's untouched scenery from the air, land and water. Take to the skies on a twenty-five minute scenic flight to see the unspoiled glaciers, mountain lakes, valleys and vast rainforests. Next spend three hours bush walking through the wilderness of the Siberia Valley. End the adventure with a 30 minute thrilling jet boat ride on the Wilkin River.

FROM £229 PER ADULT



Rob Roy Glacier Walk

Begin this full day walk in the Matukituki Valley west of Lake Wanaka in the Mount Aspiring National Park. Walk up through beech forest to view the magnificent backdrop and the beautiful river valley, surrounded by snow-capped mountains. View the Rob Roy glacier, along with a wide variety of ancient forest, bird life, waterfalls and river gorges.

FROM £168 PER ADULT



MOUNT ASPIRING NATIONAL PARK

Mercure Oakridge Resort, Wanaka

★★★★☆

This resort features 174 hotel rooms and apartments, a superb restaurant and swimming pool with pool bar.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

FROM £49 PER ADULT



Edgewater Resort

★★★★★

On the shores of Lake Wanaka, choose from hotel and studio rooms, plus large apartments, all with fantastic views of the lake and Southern Alps.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £59 PER ADULT





QUEENSTOWN

Renowned for its epic scenery, Queenstown is the 'Adventure Capital of New Zealand'. It's a lively town situated on the shores of Lake Wakatipu where you can choose to throw yourself into high-energy activities from 4x4 safaris into The Remarkables mountain range, jet boating on the Dart River to helicopter landings in Mount Aspiring National Park. Or opt for a slower pace with gentle bike rides around the lake's tranquil shores or a cruise on a restored steamship. Either way, Queenstown will take your breath away.



— DAY TOURS —



Shotover Jet Boat

Speed through the narrow canyons of Shotover on an adrenaline fuelled Jet Boat ride. Highly skilled drivers take you just centimetres from the edges of the sheer cliffs on a journey that has thrilled over 3 million people since opening in 1970. Ask our expert Travel Designers for Combo packages which include heli flights and the gondola to the top of the mountain.

FROM £79 PER ADULT

QUEENSTOWN



TSS Earnslaw Lake Cruise

Cruise across Lake Wakatipu on a coal fired vintage steamship – the only way to truly see just how spectacular Queenstown is! Disembark at Walter Peak country homestead for a hearty BBQ lunch before time to explore and see the working farm, and returning back to Queenstown.

FROM £34 PER ADULT



Skyline Gondola and Luge

Rise 450 metres high above Queenstown to the top of Bob's Peak, on the steepest gondola lift in the Southern Hemisphere. With breathtaking views of Coronet Peak, the Remarkables Mountain Range, and Lake Wakatipu below, you won't get a more spectacular view! Also included is a (slightly more sedate!) downhill ride on the luge, a 3 wheeled cart for all ages – ask for upgrade to include lunch, dinner or a traditional Kiwi Haka performance.

FROM £33 PER ADULT



Dart River Wilderness Jet Boat

Travel from Queenstown into the heart of the river and forests of the Dart River Valley, through backroad country and past scenes from the Lord of the Rings, and walk in the ancient forest. Board a high-speed wilderness jetboat and skim the clear glacial waters on your journey back home on this full day adventure.

FROM £145 PER ADULT



Safari of the Scenes by 4WD

This scenic 4WD tour gives a spectacular look at the diversity of the local scenery, including several of the sites where filming took place for the Lord of the Rings. These are real places, not film sets, they are areas of outstanding natural beauty. Here it is possible to experience the magical atmosphere captured in Peter Jackson's Trilogy, The Lord of the Rings.

FROM £103 PER ADULT



Doubtful Sound Day Cruise

Enjoy a relaxing drive along the shores of Lake Wakatipu and the rolling countryside to Pearl Harbour, Manapouri. Cruise across picturesque Lake Manapouri to West Arm and then travel by coach over the Wilmot Pass to Doubtful Sound, where you'll join the brand new catamaran 'Patea Explorer' for a three hour cruise. View awe-inspiring waterfalls, rainforest, mountains and wildlife such as Bottlenose dolphins, fur seals and at times, rare penguins.

FROM £175 PER ADULT



Milford Sound Nature Cruise

Board a luxury glass-roofed coach and enjoy a relaxing drive along the shores of Lake Wakatipu to Te Anau and on to Milford Sound. Enjoy spectacular views in this stunning area, including waterfalls, rainforests, towering mountains and wildlife in abundance. Following the cruise, return by coach or for the ultimate experience enjoy a panoramic sightseeing flight back to Queenstown.

FROM £111 PER ADULT

RETURN BY SCENIC FLIGHT FROM £286 PER ADULT



WHERE TO STAY IN QUEENSTOWN

With Queenstown being a popular year-round destination, there's a host of different accommodation options on offer. Choose from lakeside hotels, spacious self-catering apartments or splurge on a luxury boutique hotel set high up the mountainside for superb panoramic views.



QUEENSTOWN



Copthorne Lakefront ★★★★★

Standard rooms offer stunning mountain or beautiful garden views from the balcony. At the end of the day relax in the bar, which offers superb lake views.
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £61 PER ADULT



Novotel Queenstown Lakeside ★★★★★

This lakeside hotel is in the perfect location to discover the town, upgrade to a Lake View Room for stunning views from your balcony.
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £61 PER ADULT



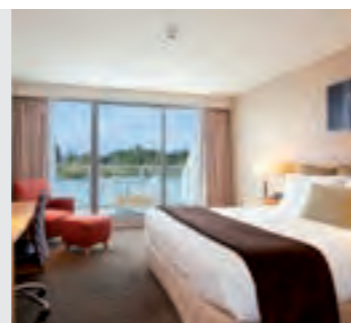
Scenic Suites Queenstown ★★★★★

Relax in your spacious, modern apartment, with all the amenities of a home from home. The Scenic Suites are just a 5 minute walk from the centre of town.
FREE UPGRADE - Selected dates
FROM £65 PER ADULT



Crowne Plaza Queenstown ★★★★★

Just across the road from the bars and restaurants of Steamer Wharf, all rooms boast a private balcony with mountain or lake views.
MEAL CREDIT - Selected dates
FROM £69 PER ADULT



— TOURING —

South Island Wanderer

AVIS



12 Day Self Drive from £1,067 per adult

DAY 1: CHRISTCHURCH – BLENHEIM

Depart from Christchurch and head north to Kaikoura, one of the few places in the world where whales can be seen all-year-round. Continue to Blenheim, gateway to the Marlborough wine region and home to 65 wineries.

DAY 2: BLENHEIM – NELSON

Leaving Blenheim, drive northbound via the Queen Charlotte Drive on the edge of the Marlborough Sounds region where there are numerous walks and boating activities.

DAY 3: NELSON

Take a harbour cruise or perhaps venture to nearby Abel Tasman National Park with spectacular ocean views and a popular coastal track walk.

DAY 4: NELSON – HOKITIKA

From Nelson journey through scenic reserves to Westport, a historic coal-mining settlement. Visit the seal colony or explore Punakaiki Pancake Rocks and Blowholes before continuing to Hokitika.

DAY 5: HOKITIKA - GLACIER REGION

Visit the aquarium, Kiwi House or the local museum before continuing your journey to Franz Josef, an area of mountain peaks and glaciers.

DAY 6: GLACIER REGION – QUEENSTOWN

Leaving the west coast, travel through the scenic wilderness of Haast Pass to Lake Wanaka, and the snow-capped peaks of Mount Aspiring National Park towards Queenstown.

DAY 7: QUEENSTOWN

Spend the day at leisure in Queenstown, nestled in a picturesque valley. See page 147 for ideas!

DAY 8: QUEENSTOWN – TE ANAU

Travel through mountains and alongside lakes to Te Anau, with the afternoon free to explore the lakeside area.



DAY 9: TE ANAU

Take a day trip to the stunning Milford or Doubtful Sound, not to be missed!

DAY 10: TE ANAU – DUNEDIN

Depart Te Anau and drive via the Catlins to Dunedin, with an abundance of wildlife and some of the world's rarest marine animals in this region.

DAY 11: DUNEDIN

Spend the day in and around Dunedin. Perhaps visit the wildlife area on Otago Peninsula to see the royal albatross and yellow-eyed penguin colonies.

DAY 12: DUNEDIN - CHRISTCHURCH

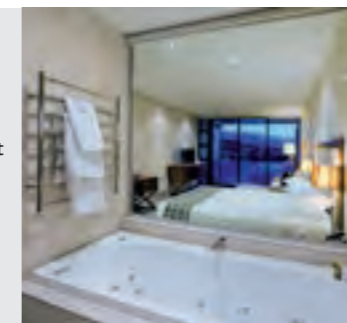
Return your Avis car in Christchurch, or continue your onward journey. Please see austravel.com for full details of accommodation options

Please Note: Itinerary valid from 1st April 2017 and may alter prior to this. Prices are per person and include eleven nights twin share accommodation, an information pack and are based on a Group G 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. (CH7)

The Rees ★★★★★

This luxurious hotel is home to a fine dining restaurant, private wharf, and sophisticated rooms and apartments you'll never want to leave!

FROM £71 PER ADULT



Millbrook Resort, Arrowtown ★★★★★

A 15 minute drive from Queenstown, this hotel is located on the outskirts of historic Arrowtown. Upgrade to a villa suite with private balcony or courtyard.

FROM £72 PER ADULT

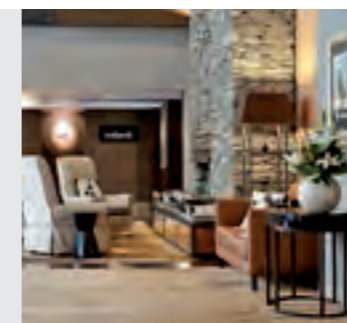


St Moritz Queenstown ★★★★★

This alpine style boutique hotel is a 10 minute walk along the lake from the bars, cafés and restaurants of central Queenstown.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

FROM £82 PER ADULT



Azur ★★★★★

A distinctively contemporary lodge with a hilltop location. With just nine villas, each designed to let you soak in the incredible views, the lodge has an intimate atmosphere.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £398 PER ADULT





FIORDLAND AND TE ANAU

The Fiordland National Park is a World Heritage Site and home to Milford and Doubtful Sound. Put simply, it is absolutely breathtaking! In these sublime fiords you will cruise by waterfalls, ancient rainforests, towering mountains and shimmering lakes. Just two hours drive from Queenstown, Te Anau is the gateway to Fiordland.



MILFORD SOUND



MILFORD TRACK

Kingsgate Te Anau

★★★★★

Set amongst manicured gardens near the centre of the town, an ideal base from which to explore the scenic wonders of the Fiordland region.

FROM £37 PER ADULT



Distinction Te Anau Hotel & Villas

★★★★★

Just a short stroll from the town centre on the lakefront, upgrade to a villa set in the expansive gardens for a spacious lounge area.

FROM £57 PER ADULT



Fiordland Lodge

★★★★★

Tucked away on the road to Milford Sound, this peaceful retreat can accommodate just 29 guests. All lodge rooms have picture windows framing the lake.

FROM £252 PER ADULT



— TOURING —



Doubtful Sound Overnight Cruise

Manapouri from £265 per adult
Te Anau from £271 per adult
Queenstown from £301 per adult

Cruise on board the Fiordland Navigator combining overnight comfort with a great opportunity to explore this beautiful fiord once the day-trippers have gone home.

DAY 1: Travel by coach to your departure wharf at Manapouri for a short launch transfer to West Arm and coach over Wilmot Pass. Board the Fiordland Navigator, with spacious decks which allow great viewing of the wilderness scenery and wildlife. Spot fur seals, dolphins, and in season, rare penguins. Once the crew drop anchor in one of Doubtful's hidden arms, take to the waters in a kayak or small tender and explore the coastline. After a buffet-style dinner retire to your en-suite cabin.

DAY 2: Wake up to a full breakfast before continuing to Deep Cove for the trip back to Manapouri and your onward journey.

Please Note: Cruise does not operate between mid May and mid Sept. Price includes breakfast, dinner and guided touring.

Milford Sound Overnight Cruise

Milford Wharf from £184 per adult
Te Anau from £213 per adult
Queenstown from £244 per adult

An overnight stay in the long southern twilight on board the Milford Mariner provides a very special experience in magnificent surroundings.

DAY 1: Board the coach in either Queenstown or Te Anau and travel through the rolling countryside before arriving at Milford where you will embark on the Milford Mariner. At a leisurely pace, the vessel explores points of interest, so there is plenty of time to view

waterfalls, mountains and wildlife with an experienced nature guide. Once you reach the open sea, the vessel will hoist the sails (subject to weather conditions), and later you will return to the fiord and anchor at Harrison Cove. Take this opportunity to enjoy kayaking and explore the shoreline on the tender craft before a delicious buffet evening meal.

DAY 2: After a hearty cooked breakfast, continue cruising this stunning water arena before returning to Milford Wharf. After disembarking, return to Queenstown or Te Anau by coach, or alternatively why not upgrade to a return flight over spectacular Fiordland.

Please Note: Cruise does not operate between May and mid Sept. Price includes breakfast, dinner and guided touring.



ALL PRICES ARE A GUIDE. PRICES AND SUPPLEMENTS CAN INCREASE OR DECREASE. Prices in £ per person per night based on 2 adults sharing a room or per person for day tours where shown. Prices shown are a starting price and will vary according to departure date and time of booking. Package prices do not include international flights unless stated. Accommodation prices will be dependant on date of occupancy and not date of departure. Hotel and peak supplements may apply. Important: See the back of the brochure for terms and conditions - a full version can be found on our website and must be read prior to booking.



SOUTHLAND

Invercargill is New Zealand's most southerly town and a ideal base to explore the spectacular Catlins Coast and Stewart Island. This wild island offers unique accommodation and amazing walks to discover the kiwi – New Zealand's native bird – and other endemic species. Day trips are available; however we recommend an overnight stay to properly experience this remote, rugged land.



STEWART ISLAND

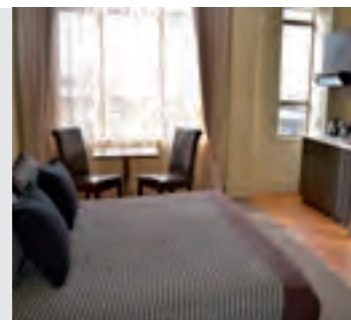


Quest Apartments

★★★★★

Redeveloped from the old Post Office in the centre of Invercargill, all apartments feature fully equipped kitchens, and are close to all amenities.

FROM £58 PER ADULT



Stewart Island Lodge

★★★★★

Stewart Island Lodge is a retreat nestled in a bush setting in Halfmoon Bay, with unsurpassed views of the bay and surrounding hills.

FROM £76 PER ADULT



Ulva Island Bird Sanctuary

Ulva is a unique predator-free environment, a real nature sanctuary and a must for anyone interested in New Zealand birds and flora. Travel by water taxi from Golden Bay before taking a guided walk to discover rare and endangered birds and plants.

FROM £78 PER ADULT



DUNEDIN

Dunedin is the main town of the Otago region, renowned for having the world's only mainland albatross breeding colony. This area is superb for wildlife spotting including ocean birdlife, seals and the endangered yellow-eyed penguin. The region is also famous for its historic limestone buildings, and Dunedin itself is full of well-preserved Edwardian and Victorian heritage.



— DAY TOURS —



Peninsula Cruise and Penguins with Monarch Wildlife Cruises

Cruise the length of the beautiful Otago Harbour; enjoy the wildlife cruise of spectacular Taiaroa Head and a scenic Otago Peninsula bus tour. Also included is a guided tour of the award-winning Yellow Eyed Penguin Reserve.

FROM £75 PER ADULT



Speights Brewery and Cadbury World

Visit this award-winning, informative and interactive tour through a working brewery; join an appreciation session of six of Speights' beers and stock up on your favourites in the brewery shop. After this head to Cadbury World to indulge in chocolate heaven!

FROM £18 PER ADULT

Scenic Hotel Southern Cross

★★★★★

Enjoying a premium location in the heart of the city centre, close to the Octagon, theatres and shops.

FROM £65 PER ADULT

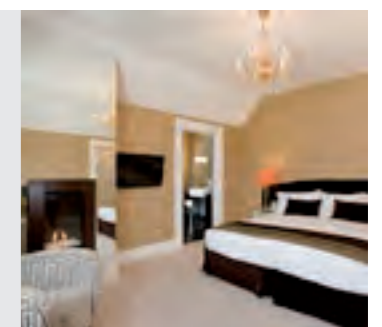


The Lodge at Larnach Castle

★★★★★

Only 20 minutes from Dunedin City lies New Zealand's only castle. The boutique lodge is located in a renovated colonial building all with splendid views.

FROM £73 PER ADULT



Hotel St Clair

★★★★★

On one of the finest surf beaches in the southern suburb of St Clair, rooms at this luxury hotel boast views of the surrounding hills or the beach.

FROM £80 PER ADULT





SOUTH PACIFIC AND STOPOVERS

Discover the South Pacific's tropical islands with crystal-clear waters and white-sand beaches, the hustle and bustle of a Far East city, or the deserts of the Arabian Gulf.





WORLDWIDE STOPOVERS

With a multitude of stopover options available on flights to Australasia, you can tailor make your holiday to include a whole host of experiences. From the gleaming skyscrapers of Southeast Asian cities, to the deserts of the Arabian Gulf or bright lights of California, the choice is yours. Here we've showcased some of the most popular, but contact us for more destinations.



1 Dubai

A desert metropolis combining city life and beachside relaxation, Dubai embodies the style, glamour and wealth of the Middle East. Shop till you drop or escape the city with a sand dune safari followed by sunset and a traditional barbecue dinner.



2 Bangkok

Bangkok offers the full Thai experience – ancient temples, saffron-robed monks, and bustling markets. One of the best ways to explore is on the water. Ride a longtail boat along the small canals for a backstage pass of local life.



3 Hong Kong

Explore this vibrant harbourside city where east meets west and ancient meets modern. Enjoy breathtaking harbour views after a tram ride to Victoria Peak, meander through bustling Stanley Market, and not forgetting a sunset cruise on an authentic Chinese junk.



4 Hawaii

Relive the historic moment that thrust the USA into World War II at Hawaii's most visited attraction – Pearl Harbour. Sure to be a poignant and memorable trip.



5 Los Angeles

The 'City of Angels'. See all the best bits with a hop-on hop-off bus pass covering four loops, including Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Santa Monica and Downtown LA.



6 Kuala Lumpur

With the soaring Petronas Towers, KL boasts one of the most iconic skylines in the Far East. Take time to explore the city's colonial buildings, religious temples and mosques, and a visit to the National Museum is also a must.



7 Singapore

With a lively mix of Chinese, Malay, Indian and British colonial history, Singapore is a fascinating place to break up your journey. Plus, don't forget to try a Singapore Sling at the Long Bar in Raffles Hotel, where the famous cocktail was first created.



8 Bali

Escape the throngs and head north to Ubud, where the heart of Balinese culture beats. Pass through rice terraces to the holy spring waters at Tampaksiring for a taste of the real Bali or head south to see the crashing surf at Uluwatu.



9 Fiji

With over 300 islands and a warm, year-round climate, you're sure to find your own piece of paradise in Fiji. Sail out to Tivua Island and take part in a traditional Fijian Kava ceremony, before snorkelling amongst pristine coral gardens.



10 Cook Islands

Tear yourself away from the turquoise waters to explore inland on a 4-wheel drive tour overlooking the Muri lagoon. Travel ancient rainforest roads before enjoying a traditional meal cooked underground in an umu oven.



11 French Polynesia

With secluded beaches and crystal-clear waters, the islands of Tahiti, Moorea and Bora Bora boast some of the most exclusive hotels in the world. Explore the marine life with a fantastic snorkelling trip to spot turtles and manta rays





LUXURY SOUTH PACIFIC

If you're looking for that quintessential exotic island escape with a bit of added indulgence, then these are for you. You'll be the envy of all your friends in these postcard-perfect paradises, with beautiful beachfront suites, private pools and glass-floored overwater bungalows surrounded by azure waters. This is the ultimate in luxury.

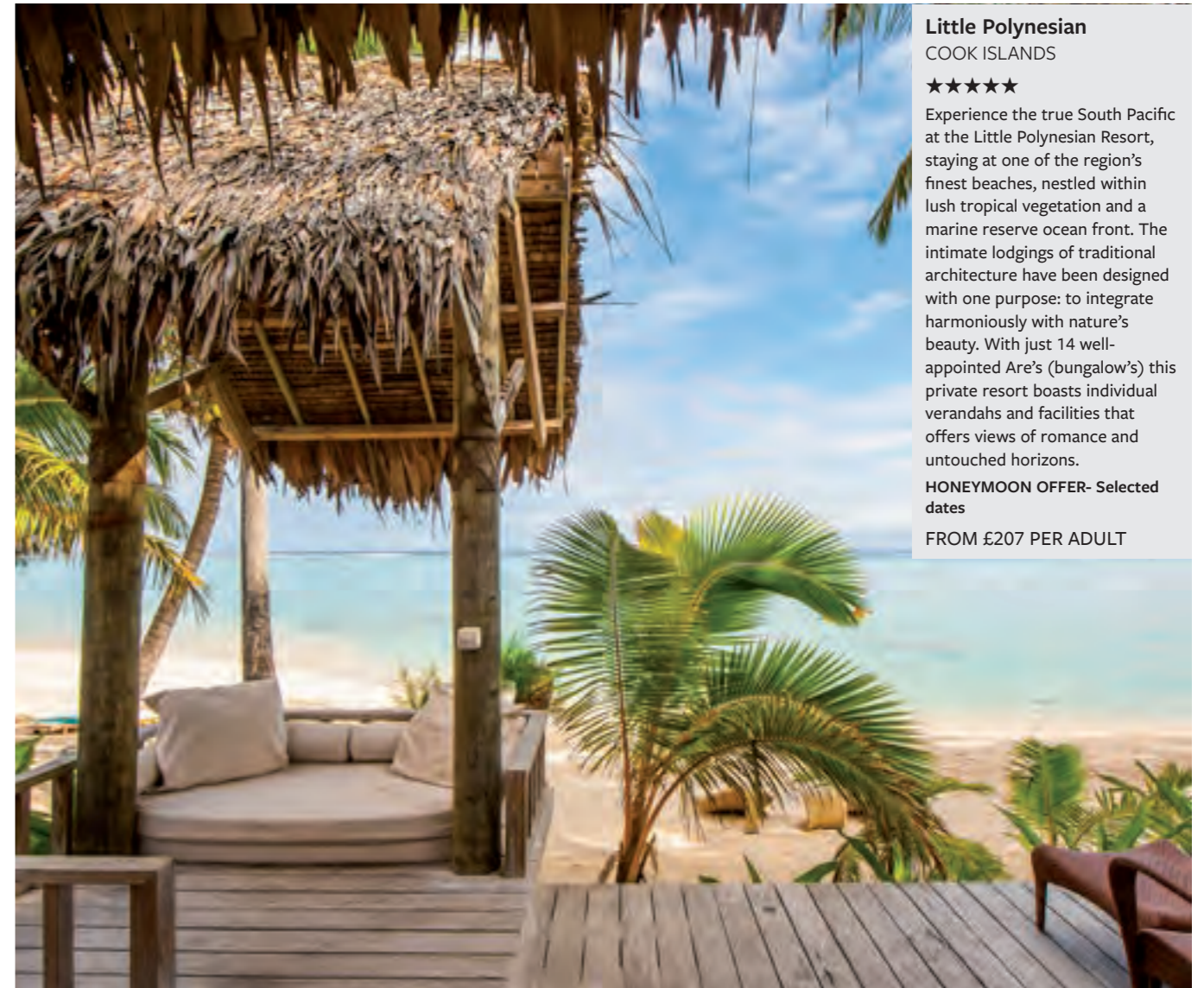


The Brando, Tetiaroa Private Island
FRENCH POLYNESIA

★★★★★
The ultimate in South Pacific luxury, the Brando is exclusively located on the atoll of Tetiaroa, a 20 minute flight to the north of Tahiti. Formerly the private retreat of the late Marlon Brando, this luxury property is now home to 35 villas, each with a private pool just a few steps from the beautifully sparkling waters and a stunning white sand beach.
INCLUDES MEALS - Selected dates
FROM £1,382 PER ADULT

Royal Davui Island Resort
FIJI

★★★★★
The adults only sanctuary of Royal Davui Island is located a 30 minute speedboat ride across the Beqa Lagoon off the south coast of Viti Levu. Home to just 16 exquisitely appointed villas, this remote, romantic escape is the epitome of rustic island luxury. All villas boast private plunge pools, beach access, and stunning views of the lagoon and reef system.
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £480 PER ADULT



Little Polynesian
COOK ISLANDS

★★★★★
Experience the true South Pacific at the Little Polynesian Resort, staying at one of the region's finest beaches, nestled within lush tropical vegetation and a marine reserve ocean front. The intimate lodgings of traditional architecture have been designed with one purpose: to integrate harmoniously with nature's beauty. With just 14 well-appointed Are's (bungalow's) this private resort boasts individual verandahs and facilities that offers views of romance and untouched horizons.
HONEYMOON OFFER- Selected dates
FROM £207 PER ADULT



Likuliku Lagoon Resort
FIJI

★★★★★
Setting a new standard of Fijian subtle luxury, Likuliku Lagoon Resort is a unique resort and a haven of relaxed refinement, offering Fiji's first and only over-water burees. This resort is for couples only where you can choose to relax in the Spa or recapture the essence of the inescapable beauty as you take a bush walk. We recommend you reserve an Overwater Bure well in advance to avoid disappointment.
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £480 PER ADULT



FIJI

With over 300 tropical islands to discover, Fiji is the ideal island-hopping destination. The main island of Viti Levu offers a combination of beach resorts surrounded by lush mountain scenery. Or for a true ‘cast away’ experience, head to one of the outer islands of the Mamanucas or Yasawas to enjoy some of the best snorkelling and diving in the world.



DAY TOURS



Flavours of Fiji Cookery School

Take a journey of discovery through authentic Fijian homestyle cookery, learning traditional techniques and using freshly bought produce. Recreate delicious dishes with recipes you can take home! With no more than 12 participants this is a unique experience.

HALF DAY TOUR FROM £86 PER ADULT

Tivua Island Cruise

Sail to Tivua Island, surrounded by a circle of white sand beach and over 500 acres of stunning coral gardens. Enjoy a tropical buffet lunch plus a traditional Fijian Kava ceremony, before exploring the island by canoe, or taking a guided snorkelling tour or glass bottomed boat to see the reef and tropical marine life.

FROM £95 PER ADULT



TOURING

With over 60 years experience cruising the islands of Fiji, Blue Lagoon Cruises know how to show you the best of the South Pacific. With a maximum of 4 hours cruising per day there is more time for exploring onshore - visit remote island villages, discover ancient Fijian culture, enjoy our breathtakingly beautiful private beach on Nanuya Lai Lai Island. Swim with manta rays (seasonal), and stop off at the Sacred Islands and Sawa-I-Lau Caves. Our boutique ship, Fiji Princess accommodates 68 passengers, meaning our cruises are always personal and friendly, complimented by our 100% Fijian crew.



5 Day Wanderer Cruise

Hibiscus Deck From £938 per person
Orchid Deck From £1,206 per person

Book early and save 25%

DAY 1: Head out from Port Denarau on a dedicated high speed vessel to the Sacred Islands, a breathtaking backdrop for an afternoon of swimming, snorkelling and relaxation. Enjoy the Captain's Welcome dinner at Yalobi Bay, our anchorage for the night.

DAY 2: The private island peninsula and stunning azure waters of Blue Lagoon are your next port of call. Watch as the crew position the vessel right up to the beach and tie her off to the coconut trees! Spend the evening under the stars feasting on a traditional Lovo meal.

DAY 3: Start the day with a guided island walk with panoramic views, before cruising to Sawa-I-Lau Island. From here you can visit the sacred caves and Tamasua village where villagers host the evening's food and entertainment.

DAY 4: The last island stop is Drawaqa, which offers a chance to snorkel with the magnificent manta rays between May and October. Visit the local island school or relax on board. Dinner this evening is served under the stars.

DAY 5: Time to cruise back to Port Denarau for your onward journey.

Please Note: Departs Monday at 12.15pm.

Combine both of these itineraries for a 7 night Escape to Paradise cruise.

Please Note: Prices are per person and based on twin share accommodation. Choose between Hibiscus or Orchid Deck Cabins. Orchid Deck Cabins include a welcome fruit platter, Nespresso coffee machine and tea selection, daily stocked mini-bar and Pure Fiji sun care gift. All cruises depart from Port Denarau. Alternatively it is possible to organise direct transfers from selected Mamanuca resorts so you can enjoy the best combination of island resort and cruising.



4 Day Explorer Cruise

Hibiscus Deck From £704 per person
Orchid Deck From £906 per person

Book early and save 25%

DAY 1: Set sail aboard Fiji Princess, heading to Modriki Island, where the Tom Hanks' movie Castaway was filmed. There's time for a swim before enjoying the Captain's Welcome dinner and performances by the crew.

DAY 2: Beach walk, snorkel or perhaps swim with sharks, and visit the chiefly village of Soso. Tonight the anchorage is Soso Bay, where you can enjoy cocktails on the sun deck and a Thali dinner.

DAY 3: Sunday is a day of rest, so relax and enjoy the island way of life. Visit an island village church for a humbling and quintessential Fijian experience, or join the chef for a Fijian cooking lesson. Tonight, our anchorage is Naukacuvu Island.

DAY 4: After an early morning snorkel, swim or kayak trip, cruise to the Sacred Islands, boasting some of the most beautiful beaches and coral reefs in Fiji. After lunch on board, say farewell to your friendly crew and take the high speed catamaran for Port Denarau.

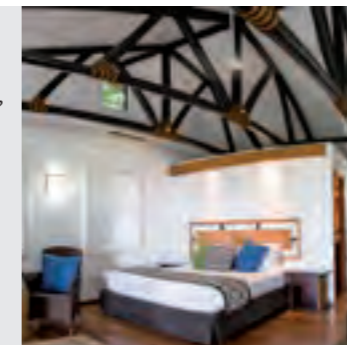
Please Note: Departs Fridays at 3pm.

First Landing Resort

★★★★★

Just 15 minutes from the airport, First Landing is the perfect choice for your stay before hopping out to one of Fiji's paradise islands.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £95 PER ADULT



Outrigger on the Lagoon

★★★★★

Located just one hour from Nadi airport on the Coral Coast, nestled in an enchanting garden setting of fragrant blossoms with incredible ocean views.

REDUCED RATES - Selected dates
FROM £101 PER ADULT

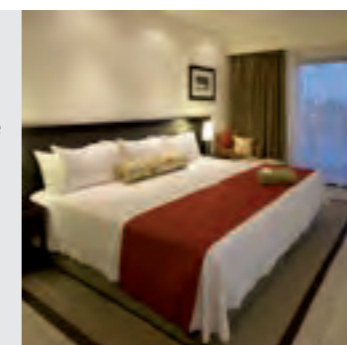


Radisson Blu Resort

★★★★★

Set on 10 acres of beachfront at Denarau Marina, facilities include five lagoon pools, a retreat Spa and an 18 hole golf course.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £175 PER ADULT



Intercontinental Fiji Golf Resort

★★★★★

Located 45 minutes from Nadi on Natadola Beach, this luxury hotel boasts five restaurants, four pools and an 18 hole championship golf course.

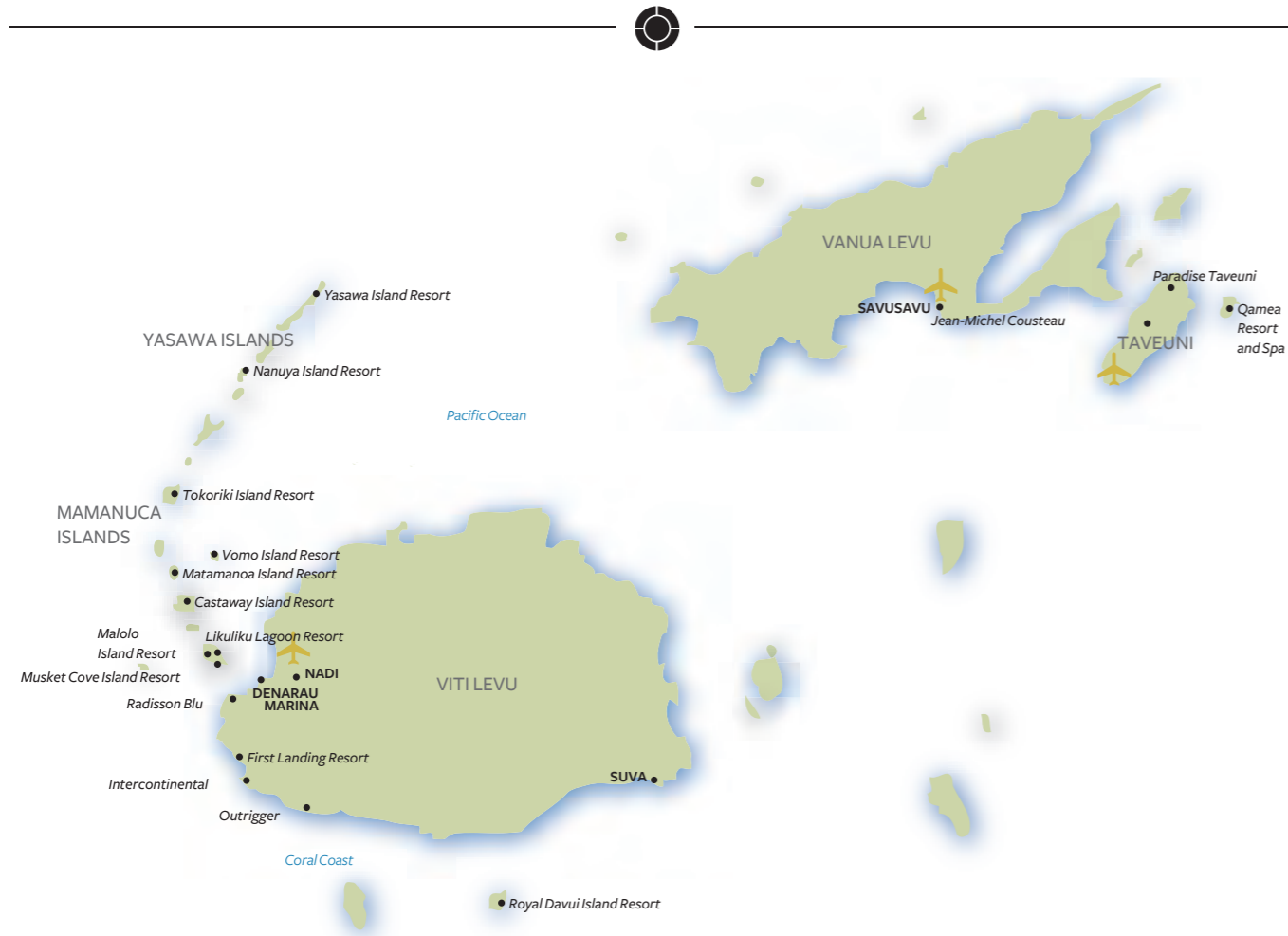
FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates
FROM £126 PER ADULT





ISLANDS OF FIJI

Fiji's main island of Viti Levu is home to lush rainforest and home to beautiful Coral Coast. However, to truly experience the magic of Fiji, combine your stay with a visit to the paradise islands of the Mamanucas and Yasawas. With porcelain-white beaches and stunning reefs just offshore, both island groups are a must-visit and easily accessible from the main island. For remote resorts with untouched beaches, abundant wildlife and eco-friendly nature reserves, head to Vanua Levu and Taveuni in northern Fiji.



Tokoriki Island Wedding Mamanuca Islands, Fiji

Stay 6 nights at Tokoriki for free beach wedding package*

Your Luxury Package includes:

- Ceremony by Minister or Celebrant
- Floral decoration in bure on arrival
- Floral turndown in bure on Wedding/ Vow renewal night
- Decorated wedding table with flowers
- Toast – one bottle of French Sparkling Wine

*Selected dates apply



Matamanoa Island Resort

★★★★★

Found in the Mamanuca Group just 30km from the main island of Viti Levu, spacious bures open onto patios overlooking the ocean. Resort rooms are set amongst beautiful tropical gardens.

FREE BREAKFAST - Selected dates

FROM £136 PER ADULT



Musket Cove Island Resort

★★★★★

This island sanctuary is just 50 minutes from Viti Levu, all spacious rooms have spectacular ocean views, and private balcony overlooking tropical gardens.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £165 PER ADULT



Malolo Island Resort

★★★★★

An idyllic island where you can escape the stress of modern living and bask in total peace and serenity on your own rustic island paradise.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £189 PER ADULT



Castaway Island Resort

★★★★★

This private island resort offers individual thatched bures set amongst tropical gardens, surrounded by white sand beaches and coral reefs.

HONEYMOON OFFER - Selected dates

FROM £242 PER ADULT



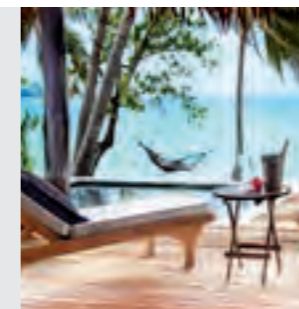
Tokoriki Island Resort

★★★★★

A boutique resort on the most northern of the Mamanuca Islands. All rooms are 'stand alone' ocean-facing, with private outdoor decks.

RESORT CREDIT- Selected dates

FROM £272 PER ADULT



Vomo Island Resort ★★★★★

Beachfront Villas are only steps from the water's edge, whilst Hillside Villas are privately placed on the gentle slopes of Mount Vomo. Also home to a 5 star kids club.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £475 PER ADULT



Likuliku Lagoon Resort

★★★★★

Offering Fiji's first and only over-water bures whilst capturing the true essence of the ancient culture. Choose to relax in the Spa or snorkel from the beach.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £480 PER ADULT



Royal Davui Island Resort

★★★★★

Located off Fiji's southern coast, Royal Davui is an adults only sanctuary with just 16 villas, all boasting paradise ocean views.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £480 PER ADULT



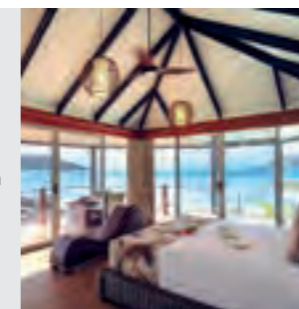
Nanuya Island Resort

★★★★★

Nestled in the pristine Yasawa Group, fringed by palms and azure waters, Tree Top bures are up on the hillside with bay views, and Deluxe Villas are in the tropical gardens.

RESORT CREDIT- Selected dates

FROM £110 PER ADULT



Yasawa Island Resort

★★★★★

An exclusive retreat with 18 luxury bungalows, set amongst some of the most remote and unspoilt islands, why not take a private picnic to a deserted beach paradise.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates

FROM £433 PER ADULT

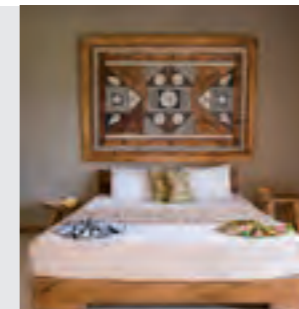


Paradise Taveuni ★★★★★

A 90 minute flight from Nadi will take you to the island of Taveuni, accommodation is in bures plus new Oceanfront vales with outdoor showers and Jacuzzis.

RESORT CREDIT- Selected dates

FROM £217 PER ADULT



Jean-Michel Cousteau

★★★★★

An oasis of clear water, unspoilt reef and tropical gardens alongside the calm waters of Savusavu Bay. Renowned for gourmet cuisine and first class diving.

INCLUDES MEALS - Selected dates

FROM £435 PER ADULT





COOK ISLANDS

A place of warm smiles and friendly locals, the atmosphere and glorious beaches of the Cook Islands are unforgettable. Combine the idyllic islands of Rarotonga and Aitutaki for a taste of traditional Polynesian culture and some of the best island hopping in the South Pacific.

DAY TOURS



Captain Tama's Lagoon Cruise

Join a tour of the inner lagoon of Rarotonga with Captain Tama's, where you will be snorkelling with thousands of colourful reef fish and viewing magnificent coral. Head to the island of Koromiri for a BBQ fish lunch on the beach and plenty of time to relax on the beautiful white sands!

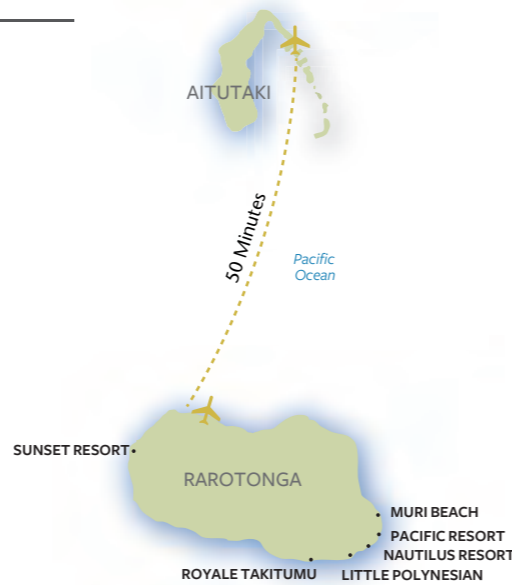
FROM £51 PER ADULT



Aitutaki Day Tour

Take a 50 minute flight over to Aitutaki with its spectacular turquoise blue lagoon, and visit the main township of Arutanga. Board a traditional catamaran and slowly make your way past offshore motus and sandbars. After a BBQ lunch on One Foot Island, enjoy swimming and snorkelling in the crystal clear waters before a late afternoon flight back to Rarotonga.

FROM £333 PER ADULT



Te Vara Nui Cultural Village

Enjoy a full tour of the cultural village before the overwater show with dinner – learning about the culture, history and local traditions of the Cook Islands.

FROM £76 PER ADULT



PACIFIC RESORT, RAROTONGA

Sunset Resort ★★★★★

Spacious apartments are set amongst tropical gardens, take time to relax with a cocktail at the poolside bar.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £94 PER ADULT



Muri Beach Club ★★★☆☆

On a fantastic stretch of beach, perfect for swimming and snorkelling due to calm waters. Upgrade to a Deluxe Beachfront room for stunning ocean views.

HONEYMOON OFFER - Selected dates
FROM £158 PER ADULT



Royale Takitumu Villas ★★★★★

Located right on the fabulous Titikaveka lagoon, protected by a living coral barrier reef and with azure blue, crystal clear waters, this is a snorkellers paradise and a haven for tropical fish.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £158 PER ADULT



Pacific Resort, Rarotonga ★★★★★

Set in beautiful gardens on Muri Beach, Rarotonga's finest white-sand beach. An ideal option for those travelling with younger families due to a kids' club.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £196 PER ADULT



Little Polynesian ★★★★★

With just 14 well-appointed Are's, this private resort boasts individual verandahs and facilities that offers views of romance and untouched horizons.

HONEYMOON OFFER - Selected dates
FROM £207 PER ADULT



Nautilus Resort, Rarotonga ★★★★★

Set in beautiful gardens on Muri Beach, Rarotonga's finest white-sand beach, all villas at this luxury resort boasts an individual plunge pool.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £208 PER ADULT





AITUTAKI

Surrounded by powder-white sands and the bluest lagoon you'll ever see, this island is a breathtaking holiday haven. First discovered by Captain Bligh on the 11 April 1789, this exquisite atoll is arguably the most beautiful in the world.



ONE FOOT ISLAND, AITUTAKI

Tamanu Beach Village

★★★★★

Featuring traditional Cook Island style thatched roofs, each bungalow is just steps from the stunning lagoon.

FREE NIGHTS- Selected dates
FROM £151 PER ADULT



Aitutaki Lagoon Resort

★★★★★

An intimate resort of just 35 bungalows, including 7 overwater bungalows with stunning views across Aitutaki Lagoon, all rooms feature a private verandah and charming Polynesian decor.

HONEYMOON OFFER - Selected dates
FROM £299 PER ADULT



Pacific Resort, Aitutaki ★★★★★

The resort is home to only 27 rooms, all units are individual buildings conveniently located to maximise privacy and the best views. The spacious rooms are colonial in ambience with polished wooden floors, thatched roofs and expansive cool verandas.

FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £346 PER ADULT

TOURING

Island Hopping Essentials

8 Day Package from £1,139 per adult

DAY 1: Transfer to your chosen Rarotonga hotel.

DAY 2: After a day of exploring the island, head to a cultural evening show and dinner.

DAY 3: Spend the day relaxing on the beach, or discover more of Rarotonga with a scenic flight or 4WD tour of the island (additional expense)

DAY 4: Catch a flight to Aitutaki and enjoy a panoramic view over the island (flight cost additional). Check in at your chosen hotel.

DAY 5: Day at leisure to snorkel and swim the turquoise waters.

DAY 6: Explore the islands of the atoll on a lagoon cruise complete with a tasty BBQ lunch.

DAY 7: A free day – either relax on the beach, or why not try a half day deep sea fishing tour (at own expense).

DAY 8: You will be transferred to meet your scenic flight back to Rarotonga and your onward flight.

Please Note: Prices are per person, and include airport transfers, three nights on Rarotonga, tours as mentioned, four nights in Aitutaki, and daily breakfast. The return flight between Rarotonga and Aitutaki is not included.



DAY TOURS



Aitutaki Punarei Cultural Tour

Take this half day tour to explore the culture and traditions of Aitutaki, travelling to an ancient historic site created before the arrival of Christianity, before enjoying a traditional Umukai feast onsite at the cultural village.

FROM £51 PER ADULT

Aitutaki Lagoon Cruise

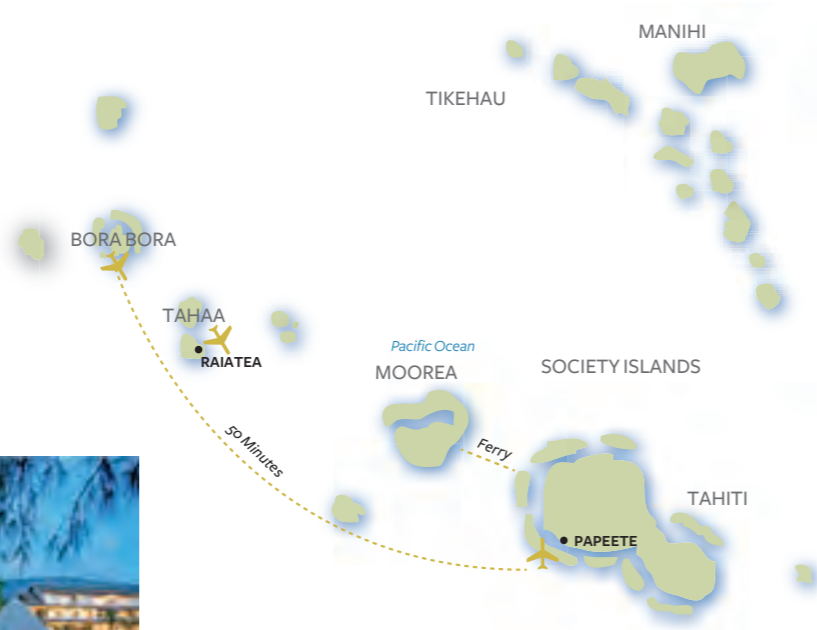
Cruise one of the world's most beautiful lagoons with the crew from The Vaka Cruise who know the history of this unspoilt wonder and are happy to share it with you. Cruise on a Polynesian style vessel, with snorkelling, swimming and sunbathing, before a fresh BBQ lunch of ocean seafood.

FROM £89 PER ADULT



THE ISLANDS OF TAHITI

Tahiti is the largest of the French Polynesian islands, encircled by a stunning blue lagoon, fringed by pristine beaches and crowned by a series of majestic peaks. The mountainous interior hides deep valleys, fresh-water streams and tranquil waterfalls – a paradise that is second to none. The rugged coastline is home to most of the island’s population, as well as an abundance of wildlife and tropical flowers.



Manava Suite Resort

★★★★★

With the largest infinity swimming pool on the island, this is the perfect place to relax prior to a visit to one of the stunning islands.

REDUCED RATES - Selected dates
FROM £92 PER ADULT

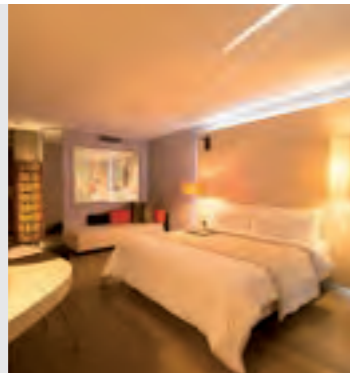


Le Meridien Tahiti

★★★★★

A modern and luxurious luxury resort on the edge of the lagoon on one of Tahiti’s most beautiful beaches. Each room captures a view of the turquoise waters.

REDUCED RATES - Selected dates
FROM £113 PER ADULT



Intercontinental Resort

★★★★★

A Polynesian style resort with its own spectacular sand pool offers views of unforgettable sunsets over the volcanic peaks of sister island Moorea.

REDUCED RATES - Selected dates
FROM £144 PER ADULT



DAY TOURS

Sunset Cruise

Enjoy incredible lagoon views from the comfort of your catamaran’s trampoline, whilst sipping cocktails with the wind billowing in the sails. Learn about the island’s history and legends before settling in for an unforgettable sunset.

MOOREA FROM £46 PER ADULT
BORA BORA FROM £161 PER ADULT



Snorkelling Tour

The best way to explore marine flora and fauna on a trip for swimmers of all levels. Snorkel amongst the coral gardens and spot leopard and manta rays on this half day adventure.

MOOREA FROM £76 PER ADULT
BORA BORA FROM £97 PER ADULT

TOURING



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Archipel Cruises

Cruise through some of the most beautiful islands and lagoons of the South Pacific with Archipels, on a luxurious catamaran designed to accommodate up to just 8 guests. With options ranging from four to eleven days there is something to suit any itinerary, and all cruises include a wide range of activities, touring on local islands and sumptuous meals aboard.

Bora Bora Pearl Dream Cruise

4 Day Cruise from £591 per adult

A perfect snapshot of paradise! Begin your adventure by exploring the lagoon at Taha’a with plenty of time for snorkelling in the crystal clear waters. After a night at anchor sail to iconic Bora Bora where you’ll spend the next few days discovering the barrier reef, visiting a motu and snorkelling in the coral gardens.

Please Note: Departs Saturdays at 12pm in Raiatea and concludes on Tuesdays at 8am in Bora Bora.

Bora Bora Dream Cruise

8 Day Package from £983 per adult

Visit Taha’a lagoon, Bora Bora, and then Huahine with Archipels. There’s time for swimming with lemon sharks, visiting a black pearl farm, discovering the temples and waterfalls of Raiatea, and spotting the resident Manta Rays on this 8 day voyage.

Please Note: Departs Saturdays at 12pm in Raiatea and concludes on Saturdays at 8am in Raiatea.

Polynesia Dream Cruise

11 Day Package from £1,512 per adult

Depart from Tahiti and over the course of your 11 day adventure you will visit Moorea, Huahine, Bora Bora and Taha’a, before your cruise finishes in Raiatea. With opportunities to snorkel the coral gardens, kayaking tours, and the option for a BBQ lunch on a private motu on one of the afternoons in Bora Bora, this is likely to be the sailing trip of a lifetime.

Please Note: Departs Wednesdays at 12pm in Tahiti and concludes on Saturdays at 8am in Raiatea. Also available in reverse.

Please see austravel.com for full details

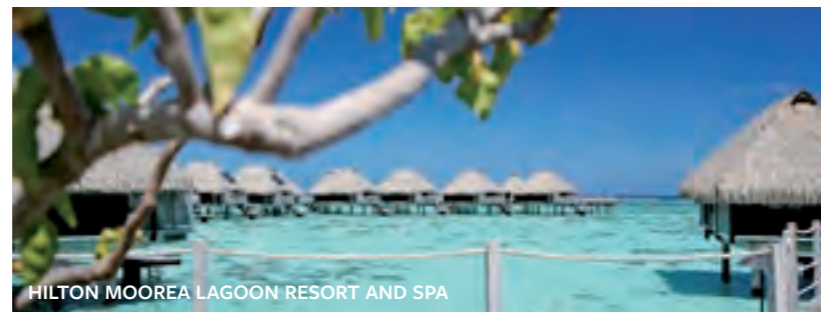
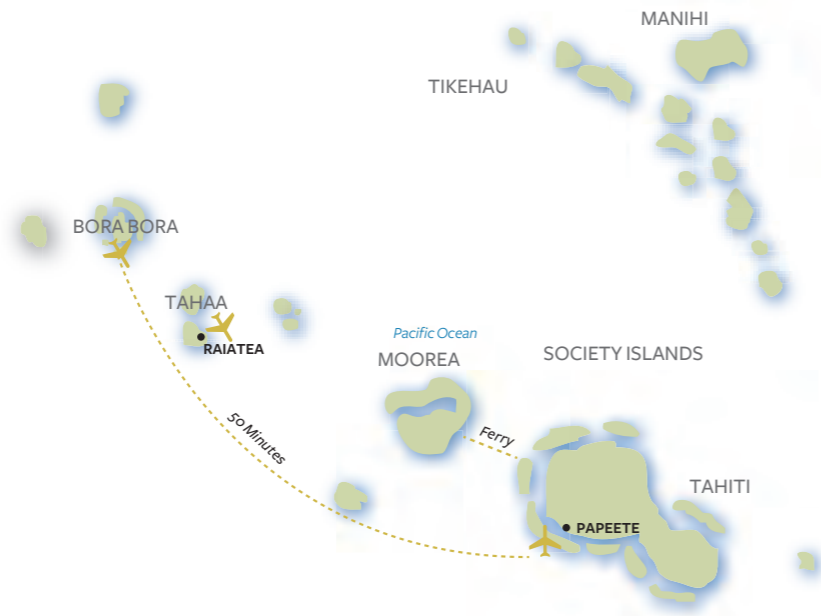


MOOREA

Just off the coast of Tahiti, Moorea sits in a shallow lagoon surrounded by coral reefs and translucent waters. Dominated by eight mountain peaks where waterfalls tumble down fern-softened cliffs and pastel-coloured houses nestle in tranquil meadows, Moorea – meaning ‘yellow lizard’ – is said to be the inspiration behind the award-winning book *Tales of the South Pacific*.



MOOREA



HILTON MOOREA LAGOON RESORT AND SPA

Manava Beach Resort
★★★★★
Situated on 21-acres of white sand beach, two miles from Cook's Bay. Choose between Overwater Bungalows, Beach Bungalows or Garden Rooms.
REDUCED RATES- Selected dates
FROM £144 PER ADULT



Hilton Moorea Lagoon Resort and Spa
★★★★★
Nestled between two bays, for the ultimate indulgence overwater bungalows have direct access to the lagoon.
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £227 PER ADULT



Softel Moorea la Ora Beach Resort ★★★★★
The resort features 95 luxurious bungalows built over the water, on the beachfront or surrounded by landscaped gardens.
REDUCED RATES- Selected dates
FROM £213 PER ADULT



Intercontinental Moorea
★★★★★
An idyllic location from which to experience authentic French Polynesia, set within tropical gardens. Dive the turquoise waters or relax with a bespoke spa treatment.
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £273 PER ADULT



BORA BORA

Taking its name from the ancient phrase Pora Pora, meaning ‘first born’, Bora Bora is said to be the first of the French Polynesian islands to be discovered. An island that can only be described as paradise on Earth, where Mount Otemanu overlooks the inviting lagoon and the cascading green vegetation contrasts perfectly with the cobalt sea. Imagine brilliant white beaches, a profusion of marine life and intricate coral reefs, and you'll be somewhat close to picturing this idyllic island.



FOUR SEASONS, BORA BORA

Maitai Bora Bora
★★★★★
Located in lush tropical gardens, this friendly hotel is the perfect destination for an affordable beachfront stay.
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £79 PER ADULT



Intercontinental Thalasso Spa ★★★★★
Situated on Motu Pita Aau, ‘two hearts’ in Tahitian. This resort combines traditional Polynesia with modern interior decor, making your stay unique.
REDUCED RATES- Selected dates
FROM £498 PER ADULT



Bora Bora Pearl Beach Resort & Spa ★★★★★
Located on a small islet just ten minutes from the main island. For that extra special stay, the Overwater Bungalows are a must!
REDUCED NIGHTS- Selected dates
FROM £236 PER ADULT



Four Seasons Bora Bora
★★★★★
Wrapped by majestic views, this is surrounded by sand-fringed islets on an outer coral reef that enclose a turquoise lagoon. Steep yourself in the island's traditions, activities, and authentic cuisine.
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £619 PER ADULT



Intercontinental Le Moana ★★★★★
Choose from either beach bungalows or overwaters, at this charming Polynesian style resort on the southernmost tip of Bora Bora.
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £315 PER ADULT



Le Taha'a Island Resort
★★★★★
Offering refined cuisine, tailor-made service of the highest quality, and a stunningly beautiful location. Set in the magnificent Taha'a Lagoon, this is the perfect getaway.
FREE NIGHTS - Selected dates
FROM £405 PER ADULT





HONG KONG

One of the most vibrant and cosmopolitan city stopovers, Hong Kong is a glistening metropolis that embodies a unique fusion of Chinese culture and colonial Britain. Renowned for its five-star hotels and fine-dining restaurants, this city is a luxurious host. But whether you want to experience the panoramic views of Victoria Peak or discover the bustling markets and trams of Kowloon, Hong Kong has something for everyone.



— DAY TOURS —

Macau Day Tour

Only an hour by high speed ferry from Hong Kong, Macau could not be more different. With its relaxed Portuguese influenced atmosphere, and architecture, along with the UNESCO World Heritage listed historic centre, Macau is a unique fusion of Chinese and Portuguese culture. A day trip to Macau is a must for any visitor to Hong Kong.

FROM £197 PER ADULT

Half Day City Tour

Once a simple fishing village, today Hong Kong is one of the world's most cosmopolitan cities where East truly meets West. Be amazed by this exciting city with a half day tour including Man Mo Temple, Victoria Peak, Aberdeen Fishing Village and Stanley Market.

FROM £40 PER ADULT



Metropark Kowloon

★★★★★

Located close to Mongkok, this hotel is just a few minutes' walk away from countless restaurants and shops, as well as the famous Ladies Market.

REDUCED RATES – Selected dates
FROM £52 PER ADULT



Harbour Grand Hong Kong

★★★★★

A luxury hotel, each room enjoys unobstructed views of the famous Victoria Harbour, and is just a 2 minute walk from the nearest railway station.

ROOM UPGRADE – Selected dates
FROM £77 PER ADULT



Harbour Grand Kowloon

★★★★★

In a great location on Kowloon waterfront with panoramic views of Victoria Harbour, a spectacular rooftop pool, spa, and choice of six restaurants.

HONEYMOON OFFER – Selected dates
FROM £115 PER ADULT



SINGAPORE

One of our most popular stopover destinations, Singapore is an exciting city with a wealth of cultural attractions. Explore bustling Chinatown, shop on the fashionable Orchard Road, meet the giant pandas at Singapore Zoo and of course, visit the Raffles Hotel to try the country's national cocktail – the famous Singapore Sling.



— DAY TOURS —

Half Day Tour of Sentosa

Interestingly, Sentosa means 'peace and tranquillity' in Malay, seemingly appropriate for this Island that is the hot spot to spend your leisure time. From beaches and nature walks to theme parks and trapeze lessons, if you're looking to relax or are seeking a thrill then Sentosa Island has it all. Taking in a Sentosa sunset is a must during your visit and the perfect way to finish off your day.

FROM £69 PER ADULT

Footsteps of Raffles with Cake Tea Set

Begin at Raffles Landing Site and progress to an exhibition tracing the history of the Singapore River. Next stop is Raffles Hotel where you will enjoy light refreshments. Afterwards, take a cruise along the river and disembark at Clarke Quay, a riverside festival village.

FROM £99 PER ADULT



Furama Riverfront

★★★★★

A great value hotel conveniently located just a short walk from lively Clarke Quay. The outdoor swimming pool is surrounded by a spacious terrace.

FREE NIGHTS – Selected dates
FROM £84 PER ADULT

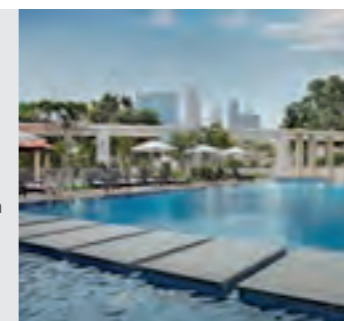


Park Hotel Clarke Quay

★★★★★

Located on historic Singapore River, a short walk from the entertainment hub of Clarke Quay, the architecture of this hotel exudes the old world charm of Singapore's colonial past.

FREE NIGHTS – Selected dates
FROM £93 PER ADULT

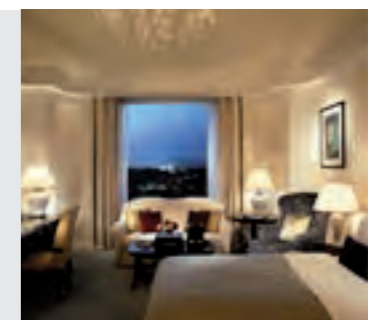


Shangri-La Singapore

★★★★★

Where it all began for this chain but still voted as one of the best hotels, the Shangri-La Singapore is set within 15 acres of greenery and found in one of Singapore's prime locations.

FREE NIGHTS – Selected dates
FROM £136 PER ADULT



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DUBAI

A modern Middle Eastern city rising for the desert, Dubai holds the title of one of the world's top luxury destinations. With an ever-changing skyline of cloud-skimming architecture, explore the bustling souks, wander the extravagant malls, or relax on the white sands of Jumeirah Beach. Dubai is sure to impress!



— DAY TOURS —

Burj Khalifa

Take the elevator up the most awe-inspiring architectural sight, the Burj Khalifa, the tallest building on Earth. Enjoy stunning views on the world's highest outdoor observation deck on the 148th floor including the famous Dubai Fountain show.

FROM £32 PER ADULT

Dune Desert Safari

Take a seat in a 4x4 Jeep and experience a thrilling ride up and over the sand dunes. Let the adrenalin subside and gaze at the stars whilst enjoying your desert barbecue and an evening show.

FROM £87 PER ADULT

Majestic Hotel Tower

★★★★★

Situated close to Bur Dubai in downtown, this hotel has modern and spacious rooms, and a fantastic swimming pool deck.

LATE CHECK OUT – Selected dates

FROM £35 PER ADULT



JA Ocean View

★★★★☆
Located on 'The Walk' at Jumeirah Beach, all rooms and suites have sea views and balconies which overlook the Arabian Gulf.

REDUCED RATES – Selected dates

FROM £98 PER ADULT



Atlantis, The Palm

★★★★★

Located on the World's largest man-made island and created to suit the whole family. From water themed amusement at Aquaventure Water Park, the underwater world of The Lost Chambers Aquarium to pristine beaches.

REDUCED RATES – Selected dates

FROM £337 PER ADULT



BANGKOK

The fascinating and chaotic Thai capital of Bangkok combines stylish bars and eateries with a unique Asian flare. For the full Thai experience, see the exquisite Grand Palace, explore the ancient temples, go souvenir shopping at one of the city's floating markets, and dine on sumptuous street food.



— DAY TOURS —

Half Day Floating Market

The colourfully clad merchants at the lively Damnoen Saduak market paddle along congested canals in canoes laden with fresh fruit and vegetables to sell to shoppers on the banks.

FROM £31 PER ADULT



Century Park

★★★★★
Within easy access for shops, restaurants and bars, the Century Park Hotel stands 24 storeys high with fantastic views across the city and boasting an impressive roof top pool and gardens.

FREE NIGHTS – Selected dates

FROM £33 PER ADULT



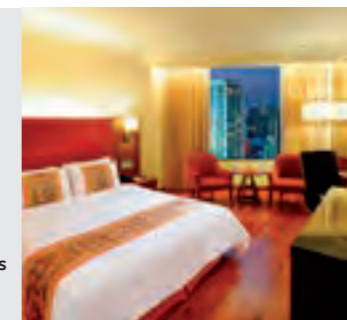
Rembrandt Hotel

★★★★★

This hotel offers a quiet sanctuary in the centre of the city. The spacious guest rooms have been recently renovated ensuring you will have a comfortable and enjoyable stay.

UPGRADE OFFER – Selected dates

FROM £37 PER ADULT



Royal Orchid Sheraton Hotel & Towers

★★★★★
This award-winning resort style hotel is renowned for luxury and exceptional service. Experience the comfort of contemporary rooms, relax by the pool or enjoy gourmet food.

REDUCED RATES – Selected dates

FROM £49 PER ADULT





Thailand Beaches

— DAY TOURS —



Full Day Phang Nga Bay Discovery, Phuket

Starting from a small pier in the mangrove forest of Phang Nga Bay, we will take a longtail boat ride to visit the world famous "James Bond Island" - here they filmed parts of the movie "The Man with the Golden Gun" starring Roger Moore as 007. We stop on Koh Panyi, a sea gypsy village raised on stilts for Thai lunch before we cruise back to dry land. As an extra bonus we will visit Suwanakuha Temple, a cave with a huge Buddha statue reclining amongst long tailed Macaque monkeys that are awaiting your banana treats.

FROM £49 PER ADULT

Apsara Beachfront Resort & Villas, Khao Lak ★★★★★

In a peaceful location, this is a perfect retreat thanks to excellent facilities and optional all inclusive package. Relax with a cocktail, take a dip in the infinity pool or chill out with a soothing massage.

FREE COOKING CLASS – Selected dates
FROM £33 PER ADULT



Pavilion Samui Villas ★★★★★

All villas are nestled in tropical gardens on the beachfront at Lamai Beach; upgrade for your own private pool.

FREE NIGHTS – Selected dates
FROM £78 PER ADULT



Centara Karon Resort, Phuket ★★★★★

Just a few minutes walk from Karon Beach, this modern resort is divided into four zones catering to couples and families alike.

FREE NIGHTS – Selected dates
FROM £38 PER ADULT



Kuala Lumpur

Berjaya Times Square Hotel ★★★★★

Located adjacent to a shopping centre with easy access to the city via monorail. The spacious rooms have separate bedroom and living areas with city views.

FREE NIGHTS – Selected dates
FROM £40 PER ADULT



Hotel Istana ★★★★★

In the heart of KL's popular Golden Triangle District, the Istana offers spacious rooms and is just a five minute walk from excellent shopping and 10 minutes from the Petronas Towers.

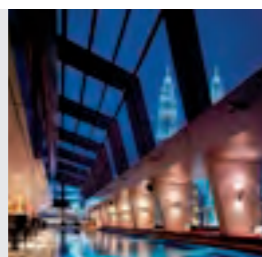
FREE NIGHTS – Selected dates
FROM £44 PER ADULT



Traders Hotel ★★★★★

Overlooking the iconic Petronas Twin Towers, the hotel offers high standards of luxury and comfort as part of the Shangri-La group. Evening cocktails at the SkyBar overlooking the Petronas towers is an experience not to be missed.

FROM £55 PER ADULT



— DAY TOURS —



Half Day City Tour

View the contrast of old Moorish architecture and modern skyscrapers such as the Petronas Twin Towers. Visit Merdeka Square, National Mosque and the New Royal Palace. Visit the National Museum and later take a stroll at the beautiful Lake Gardens located within the vicinity of the National Monument.

FROM £46 PER ADULT

Bali

— DAY TOURS —



Best of Bali

Touring is spread over two full days to allow you to experience a sunset dinner cruise, Wonders of Northern Bali full day tour, and a half day trip to Ubud Tampaksiring.

FROM £168 PER ADULT

Bali Mandira Beach Resort & Spa ★★★★★

Set in the heart of Legian opposite the beach, enjoy the new Azul Beach Club Restaurant and relax around the pools.

FREE NIGHTS – Selected dates
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Segara Village ★★★★★

With the feel of a traditional Balinese village, low rise rooms are scattered through tropical grounds, with a beachfront swimming pool.

REDUCED RATES – Selected dates
FROM £65 PER ADULT



Grand Hyatt Bali ★★★★★

With a spectacular beachfront location in Nusa Dua, this hotel has a secluded hideaway feeling. Each of its four villages has its own pool and restaurant.

REDUCED RATES – Selected dates
FROM £86 PER ADULT

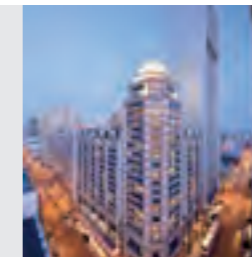


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Hilton Union Square, San Francisco ★★★★★

This hotel is located just two blocks from Union Square, making it the perfect place to experience everything San Francisco has to offer including shopping, dining and entertainment.

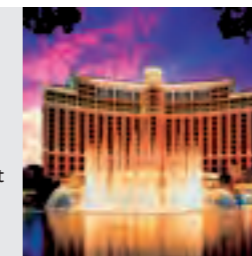
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Bellagio, Las Vegas ★★★★★

Stay in Iconic luxury with this beautifully Italian themed hotel right in the centre of the Las Vegas Strip. Watch the displays of the famous fountains dancing to music or why not upgrade your room to see this sight 24 hours a day.

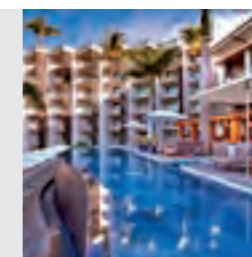
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Andaz Maui at Wailea Hawaii ★★★★★

This stylish hotel is set directly on the beachfront with four infinity pools to soak up the sunshine. Sample Maui's freshest flavours in five delicious dining options or relax at one of two pool-side bars.

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