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Tasmania Tour

*7 Nights *$2470 ppts*

- ***This tour requires a minimum of 26 passengers***

This is a fully escorted tour using the services of premier Tasmania Coach Charter Company – Redline Coaches

Departing Saturday October 21, 2023

Returning Saturday October 28, 2023

This Tasmania Discovery Tour visits both the East Coast and West Coast as well as Hobart and Launceston. Highlights include: Cradle Mountrain – Lake St Clair National Park – Dove Lake – breathtaking Gordon River luncheon cruise into Tasmania's Wilderness World Heritage Area inc. Macquarie Harbour – Queenstown – Port Arthur (including harbour cruise around the infamous "Isle of Dead") - Tasman Peninsula – Mt Wellington – historic Richmond – Swansea – Bicheno – Scamander – Sheffield – Mt Field National Park inc. Russell Falls – Cataract Gorge – Special Dinner Cruise on the Derwent River – see the night lights of Hobart City.

Saturday October 21, 2023

Melbourne to Launceston – Midland Highway – St Marys – East Coast - Scamander

We depart Bentleigh RSL approx. 8.30am and travel to Melbourne Airport via shuttle service or maxi cabs. We travel Melbourne to Launceston via Virgin Airlines departing Melbourne approximately 11.30am – arrive Launceston 12.35pm (Flight departure times and details to be confirmed). Our Tasmanian Coach Charter – Redline Coaches will meet and greet us on arrival at Launceston Airport to begin our adventure journey around the "Apple Isle". This afternoon we travel along the Midland Highway towards Campbell Town and then across to the East Coast via St Marys to the coastal town of Scamander for our overnight stopover. Our accommodation is at the Scamander Beach Resort Hotel situated on the beachfront with spectacular ocean views. Tonight we enjoy a delicious 2-Course dinner served in the hotel restaurant.

Sunday October 22, 2023

East Coast – Tasman Highway – Bicheno – Swansea – historic Richmond – Hobart @ 3 nights

This morning we travel south along the East Coast via Bicheno to Swansea for morning tea. We then continue south along the Tasman Highway to the historic Georgian Village of Richmond – this unique town is classified by the National Trust. Here we see the two prominent and iconic landmarks of St John's Church and the Richmond Bridge – Australia's oldest Catholic Church and

oldest bridge still in use today (lunch in Richmond). We then travel onto Hobart – our destination for the next three nights. Our accommodation is at the Allurity Hotel situated in the centre of Hobart. Tonight dinner at own expense. Many restaurants located walking distance from hotel.

Monday October 23, 2023

Hobart & District Sightseeing – Waterfront Precinct – Battery Point – Mt Wellington

Today we explore Hobart & District – founded in 1804 as a penal colony Hobart located on the estuary of the Derwent River is Australia's second oldest capital city after Sydney. We explore Hobart's oldest district – Battery Point. We also visit Mt Wellington for spectacular views overlooking Hobart, the Derwent River and surrounding district (Mt Wellington rises 1270 metres above Hobart's Harbour). We also explore the Huon Valley south of Hobart visiting the towns of Huonville – Cygnet and Snug. Other highlights will be included in our sightseeing day of Hobart & District. This afternoon we return to our hotel. Tonight we enjoy a Hobart Dinner Cruise along the Derwent River – *see the night lights of Hobart!* Our cruise departs Hobart Wharf 6.00pm and returns 8.00pm – includes 2-Course dinner & glass of wine.

Tuesday October 24, 2023

Tasman Peninsula – Eaglehawk Neck – Port Arthur Historic Site – "Isle of Dead" Cruise

Today we travel south of Hobart along the Arthur Highway into the Tasman Peninsula – a place of breathtaking scenery, spectacular sea cliffs and wild ocean views. We visit the breathtaking lookout at Eaglehawk Neck. We then travel to the World Heritage Listed Port Arthur Historic Site – see the most famous of Australia's convict settlements. Our visit includes a historical walking tour (this walking tour is optional, or take your own self guided tour) and a twenty minute harbour cruise around the infamous "Isle of Dead" (lunch café facilities at Port Arthur). This afternoon we leisurely return to Hobart. Tonight dinner at own expense. Many restaurants located walking distance from hotel.

Wednesday October 25, 2023

New Norfolk – Mt Field National Park – Russell Falls – Derwent Valley – Lake St Clair National Park – Queenstown @ 2 nights

This morning we farewell Hobart and travel to New Norfolk – many of the town's early pioneers resettled from Norfolk Island during the early 1800's. We then travel to Mount Field National Park and visit Russell Falls (short walk from the Visitor Centre to the falls) - cafe facilities available for morning tea. We then travel along the Lyell Highway to Derwent Bridge for lunch. This afternoon we visit Lake St Clair National Park, which is part of the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area (there is a short walk from the Visitor Centre to the shores of Lake St Clair). We then travel onto Queenstown – our destination for the next two nights. Our accommodation is at the Silver Hills Motel situated close to the centre of town. Tonight we enjoy a delicious 2-Course dinner served in the motel licensed restaurant.

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Thursday October 26, 2023

Strahan – Gordon River Wilderness Cruise – Macquarie Harbour – Sarah Island

This morning we travel to the coastal town of Strahan situated on the Tasmania West Coast for our Gordon River Wilderness Cruise – *one of the special highlights of our tour!* Our cruise aboard "World Heritage Cruises" currently departs at 8.30am and returns approximately 2.30pm. From Strahan we take an unforgettable journey across Macquarie Harbour to deep within the rainforest of the Gordon River. We disembark at Heritage Landing and see a 2000-year-old Huon Pine, and explore the crumbling ruins of the Sarah Island convict settlement through the extraordinary interpretation of a local guide. We also see Atlantic Salmon Fish Farms and the notorious Hells Gates (our cruise includes a delicious on-board buffet lunch). We then return to Queenstown. Tonight we enjoy another delicious 2-Course dinner served in the motel restaurant.

Friday October 27, 2023

World Heritage Area of Cradle Mountain – Dove Lake – Sheffield " town of murals" - Deloraine – Launceston

This morning we farewell Queenstown and travel to the World Heritage Area of Cradle Mountain Lake St Clair National Park – Tasmania's accessible wilderness. Here we board a local shuttle bus that will take us into Cradle Mountain to Dove Lake. The view of Cradle Mountain on a clear day is just breathtaking! After our return from the National Park we enjoy lunch at the "Wilderness Cafe" (the cafe is situated at the entrance to the National Park). This afternoon we travel to Sheffield – the town of murals. We then travel through Deloraine to Launceston for our overnight stopover. Our accommodation is at the Tamar Valley Resort situated at the Swiss Village of Grindelwald on the outskirts of Launceston. Tonight we enjoy 2-Course dinner served at the Tamar Valley Resort Hotel.

Saturday October 28, 2023

Launceston sightseeing – Cataract Gorge – Launceston to Melbourne - Home

This morning we enjoy some Launceston sightseeing including a visit to Cataract Gorge. The Cataract Gorge Reserve on the South Esk River is a unique natural formation just minutes from central Launceston. The gorge has walking tracks, swimming pool, the world's longest single-span chairlift, suspension bridge and panoramic lookouts with spectacular views. Peacocks and native wildlife add to the experience. We then travel to Launceston Airport for our return journey. Flight details to be confirmed – approx. early/mid afternoon. Coach transfer return to Bentleigh RSL.

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Tasmania Tour Includes:

- ✓ ***Seat-belt equipped coach travel throughout Tasmania with premier coach company – Redline Coaches – coach greet and meet at Launceston Airport***
- ✓ ***Return airfares with Virgin Airlines – Melbourne to Launceston and Return***
- ✓ ***Coach transfer to and from Bentleigh RSL – Melbourne Airport***
- ✓ ***7 nights quality hotel/motel accommodation in Tasmania including:***
  3 nights @ The Allurity Hotel – Hobart – lift access to all rooms
  2 nights @ Silver Hills Motel - Queenstown
  1 night @ Scamander Beach Resort - Scamander
  1 night @ Tamar Valley Resort - Launceston
- ✓ ***Delicious 2-Course dinners served motel restaurants at Scamander – Queenstown and Launceston***
- ✓ ***Hobart Dinner Cruise on the Derwent River – Day 3***
- ✓ ***Shuttle Bus – Cradle Mountain – Visitor Centre to Dove Lake***
- ✓ ***Cooked buffet style breakfasts served each morning at hotel/motel restaurants***
- ✓ ***Buffet lunch aboard "World Heritage Cruises" – Gordon River Cruise***
- ✓ ***All admissions – cruises and sightseeing as per itinerary***

- ➢ ***The tour price quoted requires a minimum of 26 passengers. Should passenger numbers fall below 26 passengers the tour price will need to increase according to the number of passengers.***
- ➢ ***The single supplement is an additional $65 per night (Total $455).***
- ➢ ***The tour price quoted does not include travel insurance, lunches (exc. Buffet lunch on Gordon River Cruise) or morning teas.***
- ➢ ***Designer Tours recommends that all passengers have suitable travel insurance.***
- ➢ ***Please note that should unsuitable or unsafe conditions not allow the tour to visit a particular attraction or place of interest or an attraction on the itinerary has now closed or is closed on the day then a suitable alternative will be substituted. Designer Tours and/or Redline Coaches reserves the right to make a decision on unsuitable or unsafe conditions.***
- ➢ ***Designer Tours reserves the right to change the itinerary should changes to air travel schedules occur before and/or during the tour***
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