

9 Day GREAT OCEAN ROAD & KANGAROO ISLAND Escorted by Tracy Whiting - Departing 26th March, 2020

Local Home Pick Up/Drop Off Guaranteed*

The above tour includes:

- Home pick up/drop off*
- Fully Escorted helloworld Laurieton
- Return economy airfares Ex Port Macquarie via Sydney to Melbourne - Adelaide via Sydney to Port Macquarie including taxes/fees
- Luxury Coach Travel Melbourne to Adelaide - experience Coach Captain
- 8 Nights ensuite accommodation as per itinerary including Breakfast & Dinner Daily + meals as per itinerary
- Entry to Werribee Open Range Zoo & 40 minute safari tour
- Entry & lunch at Otway Fly Tree Top Walk
- 3 course dinner & "Ship Wrecked" sound & light show at Flagstaff Hill Maritime Museum



- 2 hour Glenelg River lunch cruise
- Return passenger fare for Sealink/coach crossing, Cape Jervis to Penneshaw
- Entry, tour & ice cream from Clifford's Honey farm, Kangaroo Island
- Entry, tour & lunch at Emu Ridge Eucalyptus Distillery, Kangaroo Island
- Full day locally guided tour of Kangaroo Island
- Guided Ranger beach walk at Seal Bay, entry to Flinders Chase National Park, Kangaroo Island
- Lunch at the Chase Café, Kangaroo Island
- Wine Tasting at Hardy's McLaren Vale Tintara Winery
- Half day locally guided tour of Adelaide
- Guided tour & afternoon tea at Adelaide Oval

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Exclusions:

- Items of a personal nature (e.g. room service, phone calls, drinks, additional meals, etc)
- Travel insurance is not included & is recommended.

Cancellation fees:

- Deposit is non-refundable & non transferrable
- 06JAN20 to 03APR20 - 100% non-refundable

PAYMENT:

A non refundable deposit of \$1250.00 per person is required to confirm booking within 7 days. Final payment will fall due no later than the 6th January, 2020. Travel Insurance is strongly recommended as cancellation fees apply.

CONDITIONS: helloworld Laurieton:

- Minimum group numbers apply to operate tour.
- Seat Rotation is operated on all Coach Tours. *Home Pick subject to local area.
- Advises price is effective for the dates specified but maybe subject to change without notice. Printed MAY2019
- Cancellation Fees apply to all bookings. Travel Insurance is strongly recommended. Ask helloworld LAURIETON for a policy that best suits your requirements
- Reserves the right to vary the itinerary in anyway at anytime deemed necessary
- Accepts no responsibility for damage or loss of personal belongings & suggests that suitable insurance be effected for protection of the same
- Accepts no responsibility or liability for delays, accidents, injury, irregularity or damage caused by other transport/touring companies used as part of the tour.



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Day 1 (D): Home to MELBOURNE/GEELONG (D)

Welcome to our 9-day tour along the *Great Ocean Road and Kangaroo Island*. This morning we fly via Sydney to Melbourne, where our local coach will be waiting for us to start the tour. From the airport we head to the *Werribee Open Range Zoo*. The zoo has a special focus on African animals so we'll board our special safari bus to take a tour amongst some of the world's iconic grassland animals. We will be completely immersed in the sights, smells and sounds of the savannah as we travel across the Zoo's open plains. The magnificent wildlife, including rhinos, giraffes, zebras and antelopes will seem almost touchable. After our tour we have some free time to enjoy a stroll along the walking tracks to see other animals such as the Meerkats. From Werribee we drive down to Geelong and check into our accommodation for the night and enjoy dinner with the group. **1 Night Rydges Geelong - Ph. 03 5223 6200**

Day 2 (BLD): THE GREAT OCEAN ROAD (BLD)

This morning we head to *Torquay* and start driving along the *Great Ocean Road* through to the coastal town of *Lorne*, which was the first place to be declared an area of Special Significance and Natural Beauty by the Victorian Government. From Lorne we continue onto Apollo Bay, where the road leaves the coast and winds through the slopes of the Otway Ranges and the *Otway National Park*. Our lunch stop is at the spectacular *Otway Fly* – a tree top walk, the longest and highest canopy walk of its kind in the world. There is a 300-meter flat walk from the carpark to the Visitors Centre so wear some comfortable shoes. There are also a number of steps but there is some buggy style transportation if you need it – and the tree tops view of the Otways is an experience well worth the effort! This afternoon we travel the western section of the *Great Ocean Road*, along the full length of the Port Campbell National Park. Here there is the chance to see the *Twelve Apostles* - huge pillars that loom out of the surf, carved over time by the fury of the ocean, *Loch Ard Gorge*, the ill-fated *London Bridge* and many more coastal attractions. More than 100 ships and boats were wrecked within 80 kilometres from Warrnambool, hence the current name for the area - *The Shipwreck Coast*. Tonight we relive that era and we visit the *Flagstaff Hill Maritime Village*. The night time sound and laser show called *"Shipwrecked"* it recreates the tragic story of the Loch Ard Shipwreck that took place in local waters more than 120 years ago. It will be one of our highlights of our holiday.

**1 Night Deep Blue Hotel & Hot Springs, Warrnambool
Ph. 03 5559 2000**

Day 03 (BLD): WARRNAMBOOL – GLENELG RIVER – MT GAMBIER: (BLD)

Checking out of our hotel we farewell Warrnambool and head to *Port Fairy*. Port Fairy's rich maritime history and its colonial character have been faithfully preserved. Seaman's blue-stone cottages rub shoulders with gracious commercial and administrative buildings.

Its fine antique shops, pubs and restaurants are all housed in original Victorian buildings - The National Trust has classified 50 of them. From here we travel onto Nelson which is located just before the SA Border. *Nelson* is a pretty village on the *Glenelg River*. It's here this beautiful river, which flows through the *Lower Glenelg National Park*, enters the Southern Ocean. The very best way to see the national park is by boat and so today we have arranged a luncheon river cruise to see, close up, this dramatic region. We then arrive in *Mt Gambier* and check in to our hotel for the night.

Quality Inn Presidential, Mount Gambier Ph. 0887249966

Day 04 (BLD): MT GAMBIER TO VICTOR HARBOR:

From Mount Gambier we head to the town of *Robe* for our morning break and time to stretch our legs. As we drive to *Meningie* for our picnic lunch stop, we'll see a different view of the *Coorong National Park* on our left. The whole area is a superb natural bird sanctuary with vast numbers of waterbirds. The remake of 1976 movie *Storm Boy*, a film about a young boy's friendship with a pelican, has recently been shot on the Coorong. This afternoons drive takes us past Lake Albert and we cross the Murray River and make our way to Victor Harbor for our overnight stay, that is also a perfect location to head over to *Kangaroo Island* tomorrow morning.

McCracken Country Club, Victor Harbor Ph. 08 8551 0200

DAY 5 (BLD): TO KANGAROO ISLAND:

This morning we travel through to *Cape Jervis* and board the Sealink Ferry Service to *Kangaroo Island*. It takes just 50 minutes to complete the crossing to *Penneshaw* and whilst aboard we have some time to stretch our legs and have a cuppa. Once the coach is unloaded on the Island we are ready to begin our touring. We plan to visit a few unique ventures today - run by some unique Kangaroo Island characters! The first one is *Clifford's Honey Farm* – home to Kangaroo Island's own population of Ligurian bees (the only pure strain in the world) producing 10,000 kilograms of delectable honey each year. The bees were imported in 12 hives from the Italian province of Liguria in the 1880s, and remain protected from other breeds of bee by the island's isolation. Just up the road is the *Emu Ridge Eucalyptus Distillery*. Eucalyptus Oil distilling was once one of Kangaroo Islands major industries. It began in the 1880's, and was a supplementary income for the farmers clearing their land for sheep farming. In the 1930's it reached its peak with 48 stills employing over 600 people and over the eucalyptus distilling era there were around 100 stills on the island. We are taken on a tour and enjoy lunch here and then we make our way to our accommodation in *Kingscote* for the next two nights. Kingscote is the main town on Kangaroo Island. In fact it was the first free settlement in Australia but it was dogged by the lack of water and suitable building timber. After 4 years it was abandoned in favour of Adelaide.

2 Nights Seaside Inn, Kangaroo Island Ph. 08 8553 2707



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DAY 6 (BLD): KANGAROO ISLAND:

There are two major wildlife areas we have planned to visit today – *Seal Bay* and the *Flinders Chase National Park*. First up we meet our guide and head for famous Seal Bay for our chance to walk on the beach amongst the colony of Australian Sea Lions who live here all year round. It is an unforgettable experience to be guided by a National Parks Ranger, along the beach, within metres of the bulls, cows and sea pups as they rest on the beach. We then head towards the south western end of Kangaroo Island to Flinders Chase National Park. We stop for lunch at The Chase Café and a look at the Visitors Centre and gift shop. This afternoon we visit *Remarkable Rocks*, *Cape du Couedic* and *Admirals Arch* where, via a spectacular board walk, we can see close up a colony of New Zealand Fur Seals who live in the sea and the rocks just below us. At Rocky River we should see plenty of Cape Barren Geese and maybe a Tamar Wallaby or two. From here we head back to *Kingscote* for our final night on the island.

Day 7 (BD): KANGAROO ISLAND TO THE SOUTHERN VALES & ADELAIDE:

This morning we check out of our hotel and return to *Penneshaw* where we join the 10.30am ferry service back to the mainland. From Cape Jervis we drive to *McLaren Vale* and have some free time to purchase lunch (*passengers own expense*) and have a look through the various shops. Whilst in the *McLaren Vale Wine region* we have a wine tasting at *Hardys Tintara Winery* and take a drive past the very unusual *D'Arenberg Wines Cube*, then commence our journey into Adelaide. Following check in the remainder of the afternoon is free for personal shopping or sightseeing.

2 Nights Adelaide Meridien PH. 08 8267 3033

Day 8 (BD): ADELAIDE:

Today we will be spending the day exploring *Adelaide*. We meet our local guide who will spend the morning with us. The city's Central Business District is surrounded by Parklands, or the Green Belt as it's known. For an excellent overview of the city and its Parklands we make a stop at *Montefiore Hill*. It was from this spot that Colonel Light planned a great city of the future in the sweeping valley below. Easily seen from the Hill is *Adelaide Oval*, one of the most beautiful Cricket Ovals in the world. Another landmark close by is *St Peters Cathedral*, which overlooks the city from North Adelaide.

Late morning, we arrive at the *Adelaide Central Markets* which are visited by more than 8.5 million people a year, making it one of the largest undercover markets in the Southern hemisphere. Established in 1869 and still thriving, this is a true icon for South Australians, so is a must visit during our program and a great location to buy our lunch. Later this afternoon, we have arranged a tour to the *Adelaide Oval*. The redeveloped oval offers a unique blend of new and old – from the latest in stadium design to the famous features such as the heritage listed scoreboard, the century-old Moreton Bay Fig trees and the grassed northern mound. Our tour will take us behind the scenes to the inner workings of this iconic ground. We will see the old score board that is still in use today.

Day 9 (B): HEADING HOME:

We farewell our hosts and South Australia today. We transfer to the Adelaide airport for our flights home via Sydney and arrive back late afternoon. Upon arrival you will be transferred home.



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