

12 DAY TASMANIAN EXPLORER

Departing 13 February 2019





Gordon River Cruise

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Day 1: Wednesday 13 February 2019 Arrive Hobart (D)

Welcome to Tasmania! On arrival at Hobart airport you will be transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure for you to explore Australia's most southern city. This evening meet your Evergreen Tour Director and fellow travellers for a tour briefing and enjoy a welcome dinner. Two Night Stay: Hobart

Day 2: Thursday 14 February 2019 Hobart (B)

Today is at leisure for you to explore. Discover More: Hop On Hop Off Bus Tour, Bruny Island Adventure, Tour of MONA, Historic Hobart Walking Tour, Peppermint Bay Cruise or Cascade Brewery Tour (must be pre-booked, own expense). All tours are subject to availability and seasonal operation (enquire for details).

Day 3: Friday 15 February 2019 Hobart – Port Arthur (B,D)

This morning travel through the Derwent River Valley and visit Bonorong Wildlife Park to get up close and personal with a Tasmanian Devil and many other native animals. Take a step back in time as you visit Richmond, one of Australia's most charming Georgian villages. Enjoy free time to stroll along the town's quaint streets and admire its delightful sandstone buildings. Then travel along the Tasman Peninsula to the Port Arthur Historic Site, once the home of up to 12,500 convicts. Visit the Interpretation Gallery and play the Lottery of Life, a unique way to learn about convict life. Join your Local Guide for a walking tour amongst the buildings and ruins. Cruise around the harbour to see the Isle of the Dead. Overnight Stay: Port Arthur

Day 4: Saturday 16 February 2019

Freycinet National Park – St Helens (B,D)
Stop at Tasman Arch and Devil's Kitchen and
continue travelling north through beautiful
coastal towns. Visit the village of Swansea
to see the convict built Spiky Bridge. Prepare

yourself for the breathtaking beauty of Freycinet National Park. The dramatic peaks of the Hazards welcome you as you enter the park and enjoy spectacular scenery, azure bays and white sandy beaches. The Visitors Centre introduces the natural and cultural heritage of this region through creative displays. A Ranger Guide joins you for a short walk at Cape Tourville along the boardwalk track around the cliff line to the lighthouse. Enjoy the beautiful coastal drive to St Helens. Overnight Stay: St Helens

Day 5: Sunday 17 February 2019

St Helens – Launceston (B,D)

Leaving the coast traverse the scenic Weldborough Pass and drive through the lush Myrtle rainforest. See Legerwood's WW1 memorial tree carvings, and the townsite of Scottsdale. Experience the colour of Bridestowe Lavender Farm, the largest and oldest lavender plantation in the southern hemisphere (Note: lavender is in bloom December and January only). Visit Beaconsfield, a town full of history and interesting old buildings. Here you'll visit the Mine & Heritage Centre, a museum showcasing the history and heritage of the local area. Learn about gold mining and the miraculous survival of miners Webb & Russell during 2006. Then your included tour of Platypus World will give you a chance to see platypus up close. Two Night Stay: Launceston

Day 6: Monday 18 February 2019

Woolmers Estate - Cataract Gorge (B)

Your journey starts this morning with a visit to historic Woolmers Estate, regarded as Australia's most significant colonial property with a collection of buildings, photographs, art and furniture. Join the Local Guide for a tour of the main house and spend time exploring the National Rose Garden which covers 1.5 hectares and is planted with over 3,000 roses. Next visit the Tasmanian Gourmet Sauce Company and sample their delicious range of locally made sauces, jams and conserves. Return to

Launceston and visit the famous Cataract Gorge Reserve. Explore its wonderful scenery through the network of walking trails. Discover More: Tamar River Cruise (must be pre-booked, own expense). All tours are subject to availability and seasonal operation (enquire for details).

Day 7: Tuesday 19 February 2019

Sheffield – Stanley 'The Nut' – Cradle Mountain (B,D)

This morning learn about the art of cheese making and taste some delicious produce at the Ashgrove Farm Cheese Factory. Then on to the House of Anvers, for a guided tour of the chocolate factory. Watch the confectionery staff mould and enrobe fine chocolates, truffles, pralines, fudges and more. Travel to the town of Sheffield, renowned for its street murals which depict its pioneering history, geography, wildlife and the people of this region. Visit the far north-west reaches of Tasmania and see 'The Nut' - a striking rocky outcrop rising over 137 metres, at Stanley. This old volcanic plug was discovered by the explorers Bass and Flinders in 1798. Afterwards arrive into the stunning alpine scenery of Cradle Mountain National Park. Overnight Stay: Cradle Mountain

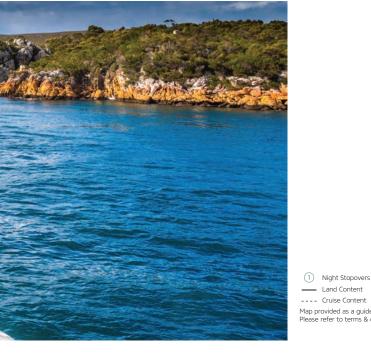
Day 8: Wednesday 20 February 2019 Cradle Mountain – Strahan (B,D)

This morning join your Local Guide for a visit to Dove Lake to see spectacular Cradle Mountain and visit Waldheim Chalet. There is also the opportunity to explore the Australian National Wilderness and Landscape Gallery. This afternoon travel south through the mining and hydroelectric towns of Rosebery and Tullah. Visit the Westcoast heritage centre before arriving in the village of Strahan, located on Macquarie Harbour, your home for the next two nights. Two Night Stay: Strahan

Day 9: Thursday 21 February 2019

Gordon River Cruise (B.L)

Board your luxury cruise vessel and enjoy the





view as you cruise breathtaking Macquarie Harbour to Hells Gate, where the harbour meets the ocean. Travel along the serene Gordon River and visit Heritage Landing for a guided walk through the rainforest amongst trees thousands of years old. Rejoin your cruise vessel for a sumptuous buffet lunch. Following lunch your journey continues with a visit to Sarah Island, where your expert guide will regale you with stories of the convicts' lives on the island as you walk through the settlement ruins.

You're Invited: This evening is your included performance of 'The Ship That Never Was', a play which highlights the history and classic characters of the convict era in Western Tasmania

Day 10: Friday 22 February 2019

Queenstown - Hobart (B,D)

This morning ascend into the lunar landscape of the old copper mining centre of Queenstown and discover its history. View 'The Wall in the Wilderness', an artwork in progress, with 100 hand carved Huon pine panels depicting the history of Tasmanian life. Travel to Lake St Clair, Australia's deepest natural freshwater lake and admire the stunning wilderness scenery.

Continue on to Mt Field National Park, one of Tasmania's oldest and most popular National Parks and explore this area as you take a short stroll through lush rainforest to stunning Russell Falls. Next, visit historic New Norfolk where you will see St Matthews, Tasmania's oldest church. This evening enjoy your farewell dinner with your fellow travellers. Two Night Stay: Hobart

Day 11: Saturday 23 February 2019

Salamanca Markets (B)

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This morning stroll through Salamanca Place and explore the colourful stalls of bustling Salamanca Markets, one of the nation's most popular markets. Some of the state's finest arts, crafts and produce can be found here. Discover More: Hop On Hop Off Bus Tour, Historic Hobart Walking Tour, Peppermint Bay Cruise or Cascade Brewery Tour (must be prebooked, own expense). All tours are subject to availability and seasonal operation (enquire for

Day 12: Sunday 24 February 2019 Depart Hobart (B)

Your tour concludes after breakfast with a transfer to Hobart airport.



Tasmanian Devil

INCLUDED IN YOUR PRICE

- Tasmanian specialist Tour Director and Coach Driver
- Tour by air conditioned coach equipped with restroom, reclining seats and large panoramic windows
- Complimentary airport transfers on Day 1 & 12 of the Tour
- All hotel service charges & baggage handling (one suitcase per person)
- · A stylish travel bag and wallet containing documents and information
- · Gordon River Cruise through pristine wilderness
- Guided tour and cruise at the infamous Port Arthur Historic Site
- · Guided tour in the Tamar Valley including Beaconsfield Mine Museum
- · Guided tour of Woolmers Estate and the National Rose Garden
- · Sample a range of locally made sauces and jams
- Explore the must see Cataract Gorge in Launceston
- · Visit Bonorong Wildlife Park and meet a Tasmanian Devil
- · Overnight stay in the World Heritage-listed Cradle Mountain National Park
- 'The Wall in the Wilderness' art work in progress
- Guided tour of House of Anvers Chocolate Factory
- Sample cheese at Ashgrove Cheese Factory
- Guided tour to Dove Lake and Waldheim Chalet
- · Lake St Clair National Park, Australia's deepest natural lake
- Mt Field National Park and Russell Falls with its lush rainforest
- Tour of Platypus World
- Explore Salamanca Markets on Saturday's 'Market Day'
- The historic village of Richmond
- · Visit Sheffield and view its unique murals

DINING HIGHLIGHTS

• 19 quality meals including: 11 Breakfasts (B), 1 Lunch (L), 7 Dinners (D)

YOU'RE INVITED

• 'The Ship that Never Was' theatre production



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Tour Price

Per Person Twin Share

Priced from

\$3,695 pp

> Please enquire for the best airfare of the day

Payments

Deposit (required within 5 days of booking)

\$500 pp

Final Payment No later than 65 days prior to departure

Other Touring Information

All prices are per person (pp), twin share in AUD and subject to availability. Does not include Airfares. Please enquire for all single pricing. Tourcode: ETA130219

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