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Our Mission

To exceed expectations in providing unique travel experiences while operating with the unwavering core values of a family business. To utilize our destination expertise and passion for travel, develop customized trips that create lasting memories, broaden the awareness of other cultures and enrich the lives of our clients.



Queensland
Cover Photo: Victoria by Johan Lolos

A letter from the President

Over 32 years ago, my wife Linda and I moved from my home in Queensland, Australia, to the United States. We settled in the Greater Philadelphia Area, where Linda was born and raised. Having lived on two continents, we both had a strong passion for adventure, which we wanted to share with others. Seeing a need for more accessible travel, Swain Australia Tours was formed, offering customized travel experiences to my home country in the South Pacific. As the demand for international travel grew, so did our destination portfolio.

Throughout the years, our team has explored the globe, uncovering distinctive offerings and destinations to share with our travelers. Swain Australia Tours ultimately evolved into Swain Destinations, offering the same personalized and unique experiences for over 30 countries.

I could not be any prouder of our team and the tailored travel experiences that we curate. Our focus remains on our in-depth product knowledge, personalized service and deep-rooted relationships. We remain a family-owned and operated company and maintain those core values within every aspect of our brand.

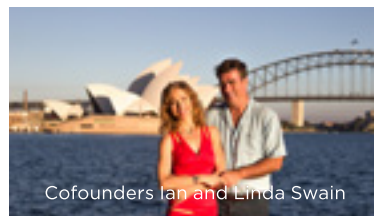
Travel, to me, is the most wonderful gift we have on this planet. Immersing yourself into different communities, exploring unique lands and meeting friendly locals opens our eyes to diverse viewpoints and worldly understandings. I feel so fortunate that I can fulfill so many people's dreams and provide them with lasting memories, as they explore foreign destinations and cultures in the regions of the world that our team and I are immensely passionate about. Here at Swain Destinations, we share an affection for travel and for serving our customers the best possible experience, no matter where in the world you wish to go.

We look forward to welcoming you into our Travel Community.

Happy Travels!



Ian Swain
President & Owner



The Swain Destinations Experience

A journey with Swain Destinations is more than just a vacation; it is a total travel experience. Our dynamic Swain Destinations Team is made up of Travel Specialists who have lived, worked, studied, and in many instances, were born in the countries for which they tailor travel adventures every day. From Australians to Zimbabweans, we share a passion and commitment to providing our travelers with our own local knowledge and exceptional service to ensure that every individual enjoys the trip of a lifetime.

During all our trips, we ensure that our travelers have peace of mind on the ground through our network of local support offices and partnerships with our preferred suppliers. With Swain Destinations, you are looked after every step of the way.

Whether celebrating a special occasion such as an anniversary, planning the ultimate family getaway or simply looking to go on a one-of-a-kind adventure, traveling with Swain Destinations means a personalized experience from start to finish. We treat all our Swain Destinations travelers with an extraordinary level of care and service to ensure an incredible experience, no matter where your journey takes you.





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The Fine Print

How to Read Our Brochures

These travel catalogs contain our preferred activities, experiences and destination information. With our wide selection of touring types, our sample itineraries within this brochure can be fully personalized to your individual tastes and style.

South Australia



Destination Info

All of the facts, boiled down for easy navigation. We have put together maps, travel times, local weather, travel styles and regional highlights for each of our destinations.



Experiences

A selection of our top touring experiences across our destinations. Ask about the different options for each experience, including small group and private touring.



Unique Escapes

A selection of our favorite properties. These accommodations offer exceptional atmospheres and experiences throughout our destinations.



Customizable Sample Itineraries

Our most popular itineraries. Use these as a starting point, and go from there. Everything we offer can be completely customized to fit you.



Travel Styles

A variety of suggestions of different things to see and do in each of our destinations—to match all types of travel styles.

Superior

Well-equipped hotels with a superior level of comfort. These properties are often in fairly central locations or near major sightseeing destinations.

Deluxe

Boasting luxurious and spacious surroundings, these properties offer a high level of quality accommodations and services.

Luxury

Premier accommodations in choice settings offering exquisite surroundings, the finest guest services and indulgent amenities.

Lodges & Luxury Tents

These properties offer superlative dining options, personalized, attentive service and luxury accommodations in spectacular areas. Each property embodies the destination through its design, service and atmosphere.

Touring Styles



Private Touring

Enjoy the intimate feel of your own private vehicle and guide.



Small Group Touring

Join up to 16 travelers in a guided touring experience in a coach or van.



Coach Touring

Join up to 40 passengers on a guided touring experience in a coach.

Price Guide

under \$100	\$
\$100 – \$199	\$\$
\$200 – \$349	\$\$\$
\$350 – \$599	\$\$\$\$
\$600+	\$\$\$\$\$

Accommodations: price based per room, per night. Activities and tours: price based per person. All pricing is based on low-season travel.

Our 2019 Bucket List



Australia Wildlife Journeys, Australia

A collection of expert wildlife tour guides connect you with local ecosystems across Australia. This unique and diverse group of passionate naturalists are setting the standard for interpretation of wildlife experiences.



Field of Light, Northern Territory, Australia

This magical installation from renowned artist Bruce Munro transforms the Outback into a field of solar-powered lights. The light colors change in small clusters, as if the installation is alive. This interactive art takes you on an inspired journey of imagination.



Great Barrier Reef Diving, Queensland, Australia

Quite possibly Australia's most revered icon, the Great Barrier Reef consumes over 133,000 square miles of the Pacific Ocean. This World Wonder is made up of over 2,900 individual reef systems, providing "wow" moments for all of its visitors.



Kangaroo Island, South Australia

Located southwest from Adelaide, Kangaroo Island remains pure, unspoiled and untouched. It is one of the only places in Australia where you can see a great number of native wildlife within their natural habitat. Nowhere else has nature in such a serene setting.



Knife Making, South Australia

Hand-craft your very own one-of-a-kind knife in South Australia. This one-day workshop at the JamFactory with acclaimed Barry Gardner immerses you in the complete process, from picking the shape and material, to grinding and sharpening the blade.



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Milford Highlights Heli Tour, South Island, New Zealand

Be whisked out to Milford Sound for the opportunity to view seals in their natural colonies. Fly inland over glaciers and frozen lakes to a secret wilderness site to enjoy a gourmet lunch while absorbing the beauty of this area.



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New Year's Eve in Sydney, New South Wales, Australia

This experience is one of the most spectacular shows that takes place in the world's top open theater. Fireworks launch from barges, skyscraper rooftops and across the iconic arch of the Sydney Harbour Bridge for a display unlike any other.



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Opera on the Harbor, New South Wales, Australia

Whether it's theater, musical, opera, contemporary dance, ballet or any style of music you like, allow yourself to be whisked away in the wonder that is the Sydney Opera House. Take a tour, view a performance and even stay for dinner.



09

Routeburn Track, South Island, New Zealand

Located in Fiordland National Park, the Routeburn Track is one of the country's most popular hiking trails. From weaving through meadows to amazing vista views, this 20-mile hiking track is the ultimate alpine adventure.



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Skydiving and Bungee Jumping, South Island, New Zealand

Are you ready to take the leap towards ultimate adventure? Nothing will have your adrenaline pumping faster than a 440-foot jump, or an 8-second free fall over a dramatic New Zealand canyon.



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Tawny Port Tasting in Seppeltsfield, South Australia

Within the iconic Centennial Cellar, taste your own birth-year's vintage Tawny from the barrel. The Centennial Cellar comprises an unbroken lineage of every vintage back to 1878.



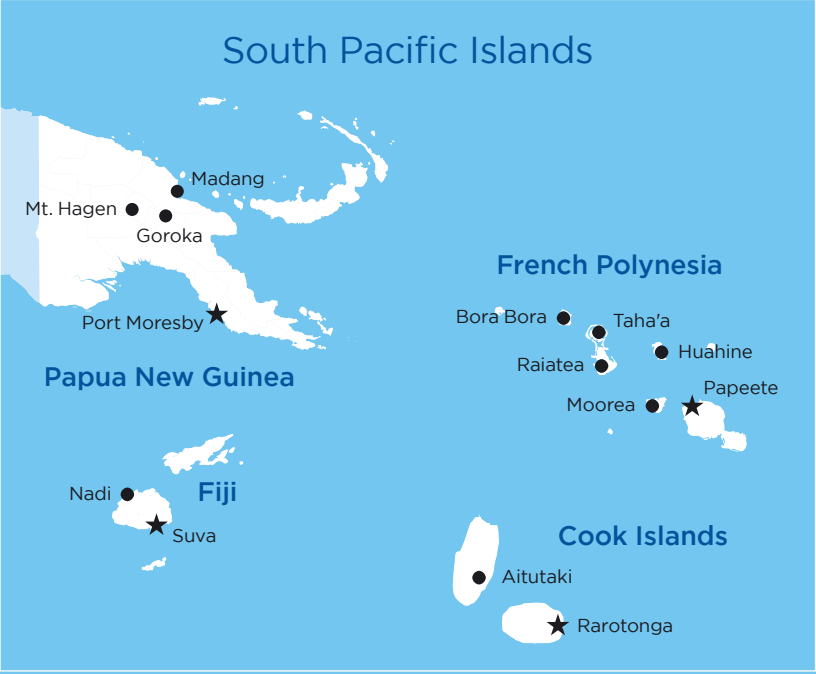
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Whale Shark Swimming, Western Australia

Don't let the name fool you; these gentle giants are wonders of the sea. You can find Whale Sharks swimming peacefully along the coast of Western Australia during their annual migration. Snorkel alongside these gracious creatures for a humbling and memorable experience.

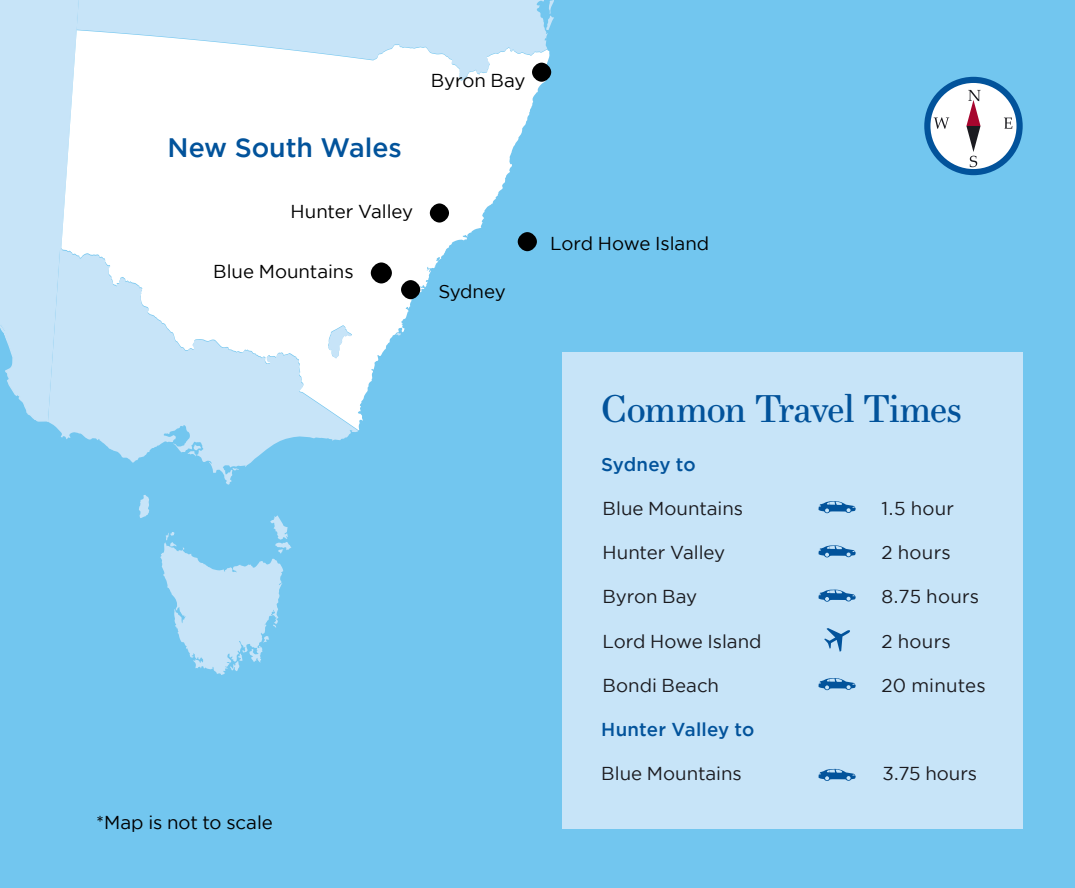


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NEW SOUTH WALES





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2019 Highlights

BridgeClimb Sydney

Venture to the top of the Sydney Harbour Bridge to see panoramic views of the famous city.



The Blue Mountains

Experience the natural "blue haze" of the beautiful mountain range located west of Sydney.



Hunter Valley Vineyards

Travel north of Sydney to explore some of Australia's oldest vineyards. Sample a diverse range of wines.



Byron Bay

Known for its beautiful beaches and laid-back locals, Byron Bay is a popular destination for all travelers.



Welcome to New South Wales

Australia's most visited state, New South Wales partly owes its popularity to the glamorous city of Sydney. With its harbor beaches and an intoxicating blend of bushland and bustling cosmopolitans, New South Wales is a perfect snapshot of Australia.

Beyond the glow of Sydney, New South Wales becomes a sweeping landscape of quaint beachside hamlets, inland opal-mining towns and alpine hideaways. The Hunter Valley is world-renowned for wine making, offering unique tasting opportunities. Visitors can take a surfing lesson on world-famous Bondi Beach or explore the streets of Sydney.

Average Monthly Weather

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Low	66	67	64	59	54	49	47	49	53	57	61	65
High	79	79	77	74	69	64	63	65	69	72	75	78
Rain (in.)	5.1	5	6.4	5.2	4	5.5	2.2	3.9	2.5	3.5	4.6	3.3

● Popular Travel Periods. Weather based on Sydney.



Currency:
Australian Dollar (AUD)



Time Zone:
UTC +10:00



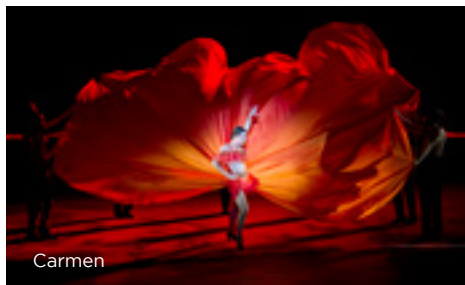
Main Arrival Airport:
Sydney (SYD)



Flight Time from Los Angeles:
15 hours



Sydney Harbour



Carmen



Insider Tip

Each year, Opera Australia puts on a spectacular show on Sydney Harbour. Iconic productions like *Carmen* have graced the stages of Handa Opera on Sydney Harbour.

Experience incredible performances and stunning visuals with the backdrop of the world-renowned Sydney Opera House and Harbour Bridge. Let the sights and sounds move you as you enjoy a unique and unforgettable experience.



Sydney

The iconic Opera House, Sydney Harbour Bridge, Sydney's neighborhoods, beaches and famous landmarks offer a fascinating preview of the Aussie lifestyle. Get intimate with Sydney on a walking tour of The Rocks area, a visit to Sydney's Fish Market or dinner at one of the city's famed restaurants. Visitors can also indulge in a memorable cruise along Sydney Harbour aboard a luxury yacht or sailboat with a glass of fine Australian wine.



The Hunter Valley

The Hunter Valley offers world-class wineries where you can enjoy the finest vintages and culinary treasures found in Australia. This area is located just two hours away from Sydney's hustle and bustle. As the most visited wine region in Australia, The Hunter Valley not only boasts one-of-a-kind culinary experiences, but also a stunning landscape for a spa weekend or a round of golf. Wander through the maze of leafy vineyards, or float above it all in a hot air balloon.



Blue Mountains

Named after the blue-green hue of the eucalyptus trees that flourish in its valleys, the Blue Mountains are the epitome of Australian wildlife and exploration. This wonderland of waterfalls and winding rivers, cheerful cottages and cavernous canyons is a comfortable 90-minute drive from Sydney. Learn about Aboriginal mythology or marvel at the Three Sisters rock formation from the World Heritage area at Echo Point lookout. You can also gear up for a bush walk or 4WD eco-tour.



Byron Bay

Byron Bay is a funky and chic seaside town, born from the authentic surf culture and an alternative-minded spirit; it is bordered on one side by beautiful coastline and on the other by magnificent rainforests. Byron Bay is ideally positioned as a center for relaxation, activity and exploration. Visit the historic Byron Bay lighthouse for stunning coastal views. And perhaps you'll even see humpback whales on their annual migration, if the time is right.



Lord Howe Island

Situated in the South Pacific Ocean, only a two-hour flight from Sydney, Lord Howe is a small, breathtakingly beautiful island that is less than seven miles long. Added to the World Heritage List in 1982, the island is bordered by a reef-fringed lagoon, pristine rolling surf and the world's southernmost coral reef. With its rich green forests, tranquil beaches and incredibly blue seas, the island is never crowded and is a true paradise for walkers, bird watchers and anglers.

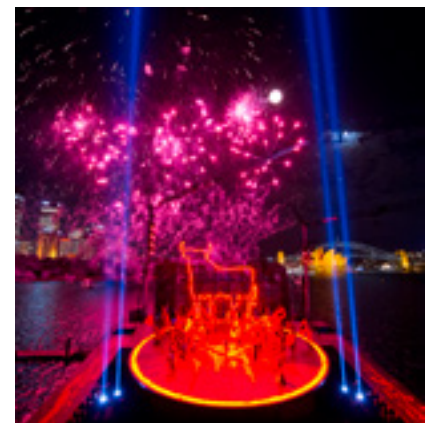
Handa Opera on Sydney Harbour



This new tradition began as an effort to diversify and expand the typical opera-going audience. Handa Opera on Sydney Harbor is performed in a beautiful outdoor setting, with the iconic Sydney Opera House and Harbor Bridge illuminating in the background. The event consists of extravagant costumes, a beautiful set, world-renowned actors and a beloved show.



Themed food and drinks add to the excitement of the experience. All factors together have led to success for Handa Opera and Opera Australia's effort to attract a more diverse audience.



Experiences



Sydney Harbour

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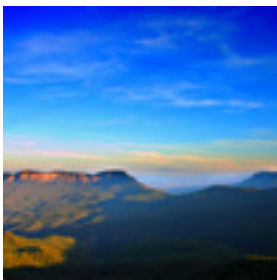
An Evening at the Opera House

The iconic Sydney Opera House is home to theater performances, opera, ballet, symphony concerts and more. Swain Destinations can prebook your theater tickets, as well as touring, dinner and show packages so you can enjoy your evening with ease. Pricing on Request



BridgeClimb

On the thrilling BridgeClimb adventure, ascend to the top of the Sydney Harbour Bridge and stand over 427 feet above sea level. Enjoy the 360-degree view across Sydney from this exceptional engineering feat. Small Group from \$\$\$



Blue Mountains Tour

Visit historic Katoomba, scenic Echo Point and Three Sisters Rock Formations and learn about the "blue haze" effect that gives the Blue Mountains their name. A stop is made at a wildlife park to see some Aussie animals. Small Group from \$\$\$



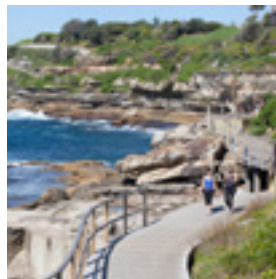
Hunter Valley Tour

The Hunter Valley boasts over 70 wineries, each providing a unique and memorable wine tasting experience. Stop at some local vineyards and enjoy tastings from one of Australia's oldest wine-producing areas. Small Group from \$\$\$



Bondi Surfing

With this introductory course, you will be riding waves in no time! Your day in Bondi includes a group lesson, surf lifesaving club tour and a casual beachside lunch. Small Group from \$\$



Off the Beaten Track Bush Walk

Stretch your legs on Sydney's most stunning coastal bushwalk. It's hosted by an Aussie local. This relaxed guided tour takes you through lesser known routes through this iconic city. Private Tour from \$\$\$



Rocks Walking Tour

The story of the first settlement of New South Wales is brought to life. See some of Sydney's oldest dwellings by exploring the narrow alleyways and beautiful surroundings as you stroll deep into the city.
Small Group from \$



Sydney City Touring

See the highlights of downtown Sydney before venturing into some of the exclusive harborside residential areas. Continue to the famous Bondi Beach and Paddington to round out your day in Sydney.
Small Group from \$\$



Sydney Classic Bicycle Tour

See the heart of Sydney on two wheels! Pedal past the Opera House, Sydney Harbour Bridge, the Royal Botanic Gardens and over 30 more attractions, including a stop at a friendly pub to mingle with the locals.
Small Group from \$\$



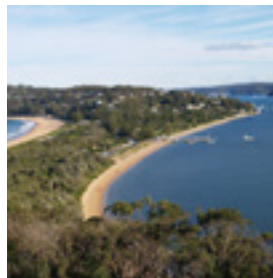
Sydney Harbour Cruises

The Sydney Harbour Bridge, the world-renowned Sydney Opera House, Mrs. Macquarie's Chair—just some of the sights to see while cruising on Sydney's famous harbor. Choose from a lunch or evening cruise floating along the iconic harbor.
Small Group from \$\$\$



Taronga Zoo, Wild Australia Experience

This exclusive journey is ideal for those interested in Australian animals and their environment. The zoo keepers lead this tour and provide intimate and detailed knowledge of all the animals you will see.
Small Group from \$\$



Wilderness and Aboriginal Explorer Tour

Head to Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park. Enjoy ocean views over Broken Bay, Lion Island, Palm Beach, Pittwater and the Central Coast. Experience an Aboriginal welcome ceremony.
Small Group from \$\$

New Year's Eve in Sydney

December 30th

Welcome to Sydney, Australia. Home to world icons like the Sydney Opera House and Sydney Harbour Bridge, Sydney is Australia's most famous city.

Sydney around the New Year is a unique experience. The energy of the city is buzzing as everyone looks forward to a brand-new year. The city is busy around the harbor, setting up for the main event. With this day at leisure, you are able to explore the city at your own pace.



December 31st

This evening you will experience one of the most incredible sights in the world, New Year's Eve on Sydney Harbour. The city of Sydney plans the Midnight Fireworks 15 months in advance, and the hard-work is proudly shown as the clock strikes midnight. Celebrate like a local with your friendly Australian hosts aboard Magistic II, a luxurious motor yacht.

Before the show, embark on a leisurely cruise until the captain brings you to the perfect area to drop anchor. A gourmet Australian buffet dinner is served with regional wines and local beers. Enjoy drinks and dining, and come 9:00 pm, the family fireworks show begins over the Opera House and the Sydney Harbour Bridge. The fireworks simply light up the Harbour—it is truly incredible. Beautifully choreographed, the fireworks are set off from barges around Sydney Harbour, coupled with plenty of special pyrotechnic effects.

After the family fireworks show, the Harbour of Light Parade leads up to the world's most famous fireworks display at midnight. With champagne in hand, the countdown begins as you welcome the New Year!

January 1st

Welcome to the New Year! After a morning of rest, enjoy a day at leisure. The vibrance felt the night before still pulses throughout the city. Locals and travelers alike start their new year with inspiration and excitement.

January 2nd

Culminate your stay in Sydney with an iconic view as you climb the Sydney Harbour Bridge. The Bridge Climb is a 3.5 hour guided journey that takes you along the outer arch of the Bridge to the summit, over 400 feet above Sydney Harbour. Reaching the top will give you a sense of achievement to remember forever—you've conquered an Australian icon! From there, you can look out over the harbor and towards the new year.

Moment Spotlight

The atmosphere in Sydney is incredible as the fireworks go off. You can hear the roars of celebration echo along the water's edge and throughout the boats anchored on the harbor.

—Ian Swain II, Vice President



Unique Escapes

New South Wales



Capella Lodge



Byron at Byron Resort and Spa

Location: [Byron Bay](#)

Set within a stunning 45-acre subtropical rainforest, this perfect weekend escape features 91 suites, a multi-award-winning day spa and a restaurant overlooking the rainforest. The resort provides an atmosphere of tranquility and the opportunity to completely relax and unwind.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Capella Lodge

Location: [Lord Howe Island](#)

Inspired by the carefree spirit of the Australia beach house, the nine-suite Capella Lodge is a haven of understated luxury. Service is relaxed and the cuisine features fresh island produce, while recreations span mountain walks and explorations of the world's most southern coral reef.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Emirates One&Only Wolgan Valley

Location: Wolgan Valley

Emirates One&Only Wolgan Valley is an ultra-luxury conservation-based resort, located a 90-minute drive away from Sydney in the World Heritage-listed Greater Blue Mountains. Set on a 7,000-acre carbon-neutral wildlife reserve, the resort offers a quintessentially Australian bush experience. \$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Pretty Beach House

Location: Bouddi Peninsula

Awarded Condé Nast Gold List 2018, Pretty Beach House is the epitome of luxury and truly a rare find. This small hotel (only four pavilions) strikes the perfect balance between intimacy, privacy and highly personalized service. Guests feel a true sense of Australia and experience Aboriginal culture and rock art firsthand. The cuisine, inspired by the native surrounds, is a highlight and a true culinary experience. \$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Lilianfels Blue Mountains Resort & Spa

Location: Blue Mountains

Lilianfels Blue Mountains Resort & Spa is a five-star hotel housed in a historic country mansion. Set amidst two acres of manicured gardens, this grand mountain resort combines the best of both worlds: stylish living and fine dining, with the pampering delights of a magnificent spa and health club. \$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Spicers Vineyard Estate

Location: Pokolbin

Spicers Vineyard Estate is a luxuriously appointed estate set among rolling vineyards and native bushlands, just a two-hour drive from Sydney. It is a place where great food and wine provide the perfect recipe for relaxation, and the spa treatments add a feeling of rejuvenation and revitalization. \$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Sky, Land & Water

in New South Wales

BridgeClimb

Climb the Sydney Harbour Bridge—all the way to the top. You start at street level and then ascend above the cacophony of traffic and city sounds. On the way, your guide will tell you about the structure you are climbing and about its unique and storied history. At the top there is only a soft breeze and a vast, soundless horizon. From here you can hold the Sydney Opera House in the palm of your hand and, if dusk is approaching, watch the sun melt into the water.

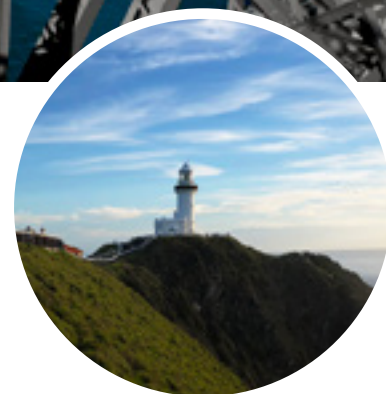


Explore Chippendale and Redfern

Few tourists venture into Chippendale and Redfern—neighborhoods that were once slums but are now undergoing an urban revitalization. The architecture is eclectic, the neighborhood’s gritty past pushing up against a future that is smooth and sleek. Locally owned shops line the streets, offering everything from coffee to exotic furniture. Wall murals are commonplace, and each tells a story. Explore the past, present and future in these relatively unknown but eclectic areas.

From Pot to Plate

Step on a boat in Byron Bay and venture into the past, experiencing the traditional cultural and hunting practices of the Aboriginal people. At the Terranora Lakes, you leave the boat and wade in the water up to your waist with a spear, trying to spot fish in the clear water



against a lush green island backdrop. On the muddy shores, you can find crabs to catch. Then, the guides cook them over an open flame.

You step back on the boat and are driven to the pots of crab, eating oysters along the way. When you reach the pots, you haul them up one by one and lunch is served.



Explorer’s Account by:
Max Wasserman
Product Specialist

Best Brekkie Spots in Bondi Beach



1 *Porch and Parlour*

17-18/110 Ramsgate Avenue
North Bondi, NSW 2026 Australia

Porch and Parlour typifies the “local Bondi” breakfast scene—gorgeous customers, beautifully presented food and a chilled-out, bohemian ambiance. The cafe specializes in healthy, wholesome choices. Try and grab a seat at the wooden tables outside for a sweeping view of Bondi’s glistening waters from its north end.

A favorite of many is the green brekkie bowl. This bowl is packed with an antioxidant-rich mixture of kale, silver beet, spinach, coriander, mint and parsley. Quinoa, two soft-boiled eggs, avocado and a slice of lemon are also served with the bowl.



2 *Trio*

56 Campbell Parade
Bondi Beach, NSW 2026 Australia

Set on the bustling Campbell Parade, Trio has perfected brunch. Elegant touches, like the seamless white tablecloths, glass water jugs stuffed with fresh mint leaves and polished silverware allow this restaurant to stand out amongst the plethora of eateries along Bondi’s main strip.

The menu is brimming with savory and sweet options and caters to all sorts of eaters. Prime position is out on the sidewalk, which allows you to take in the panoramic views of Bondi Beach. If you can’t get a seat outside, the floor-length windows allow the sea breeze to waft in.

3 *Brown Sugar*

106 Curlewis Street
Bondi Beach, NSW 2026 Australia

This small eatery whips up tasty brunch items with a Mediterranean twist. The black and white checkered floors, dark lacquer tables and chalkboard walls create a contemporary, casual vibe. My top choice from the Brown Sugar menu is the black stone eggs: a fluffy English muffin topped with a hearty slice of bacon, broiled tomatoes and a free-range poached egg. It comes with crispy golden hash brown balls, which knock traditional, bland breakfast potatoes out of the park!



Food for Thought by:
Kathryn Fischer
Travel Consultant

QUEENSLAND





2019 Highlights



Common Travel Times

Brisbane to		
Gold Coast		1 hour
Cairns		2.5 hours
Sydney		1.5 hours
Melbourne		2.5 hours
Hamilton Island		2 hours
Cairns to		
Port Douglas		1 hour
Hamilton Island		1.25 hours

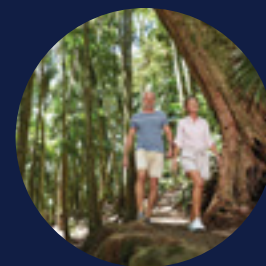
Great Barrier Reef

Located off the coast of Queensland, the Great Barrier Reef is the largest reef system in the world.



Daintree Rainforest

The oldest rainforest in the world, Daintree Rainforest is home to a diverse range of flora and fauna.



Mossman Gorge

Mossman Gorge is one of the few places in Australia where tourists can see indigenous culture firsthand.



Heart Reef

Fly by helicopter or seaplane over the reef to see the natural heart shape surrounded by the ocean.



Welcome to Queensland

Justifiably known as the “Sunshine State,” Queenslanders enjoy a lifestyle that leaves other Australians green with envy. Along with its year-round warm climate and sleepy seaside towns, Queensland is also home to a 110-million-year-old rainforest and one of the natural wonders of the world, the Great Barrier Reef.

Queensland’s travel experiences are as diverse as the destination itself. Coastal rainforests, the World Wonder reef and vibrant cities make Queensland a must-visit for any first-timer to Australia.

Average Monthly Weather

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Low	70	70	67	63	57	52	49	50	55	60	65	68
High	85	84	83	79	75	70	69	71	75	78	81	84
Rain (in.)	6.7	5.8	5.5	4.1	3.8	2.9	2.7	1.8	1.3	4.1	4.3	5.2

● Popular Travel Periods. Weather based on Brisbane.



Currency:
Australian Dollar (AUD)



Time Zone:
UTC +10:00



Main Arrival Airport:
Brisbane (BNE)



Flight Time from Los Angeles:
14 hours



Forts Walk



Brisbane



Insider Tip

One of the most scenic drives in all of Australia is along the Pacific Coast Touring Route. This stretch from Brisbane to Cairns is perfect for self-drive travelers. Taking roughly six days to complete, the drive stops by small towns with a lot to explore. Some highlights include Fraser Island and Mackay, where you can see the friendly kangaroos that hang out on the beach.



Brisbane

Brisbane tempts visitors with its welcoming Queensland architecture, subtropical climate and creative atmosphere. Culture flourishes in South Bank with cheerful markets, a lively nightlife and botanical gardens. Experience panoramic views of this cosmopolitan city as you ride the Wheel of Brisbane and soak up the sun at Australia's only inner-city beach.



Gold Coast

The Gold Coast is Australia's version of Miami Beach; it offers waterfront resorts, gourmet restaurants and a unique beach culture. The city is lined with 35 miles of sandy beaches, making it the perfect destination to pick up a surfboard and ride the waves. Wander around Surfers Paradise, stopping in quaint coffee shops and quirky boutiques.



Cairns

Cairns features a combination of outdoor living and access to adventure, with the Great Barrier Reef at its doorstep and the Daintree Rainforest in its backyard. It is the hub for activity in this area. Al fresco restaurants symbolize the tropical lifestyle that is further enhanced by the sense of liveliness in the air.



Great Barrier Reef

Spanning over 132,000 square miles and roughly the size of Japan, the Great Barrier Reef offers plenty to explore. Scuba dive or snorkel to see the sea life up close. For a different view, paddle across the water on a kayak or see the sights from the sky on a scenic helicopter tour. There is no wrong way to unearth the reef's natural glory.



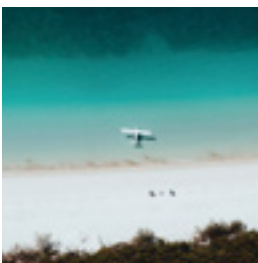
Daintree Rainforest

The Daintree Rainforest is Australia's equivalent of the Amazon. Exotic and lush, this rainforest is home to a high number of both rare and endangered plant and animal species. Keep an eye out for the unexpected while voyaging through the rainforest on a river cruise. Zoom across the diverse treetop canopy on a zip-lining excursion that offers a unique perspective of this flourishing ecosystem.



Port Douglas

What used to be a sleepy fishing village is now home to the famous Four Mile Beach and Macrossan Street lined with five-star restaurants, fashionable art galleries, farmers markets and village shops. Natural wonders create an atmosphere of adventure in Port Douglas, while the charming locals inspire an irresistible laid-back lifestyle.



Whitsundays

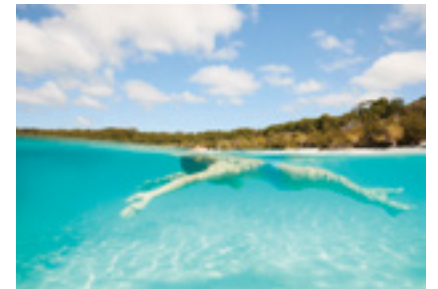
Located in the heart of the Great Barrier Reef are the 74 islands of Whitsunday. Spend the day on the award-winning Whitehaven Beach, where sunbathers cool off in the clear waters and scuba divers rejoice at the underwater world at their fingertips. Fly over the famous Heart Reef, or sail the waves on a private charter boat.

Fraser Island



World Heritage-listed Fraser Island is the largest sand island in the world. The diverse island consists of an ancient rainforest, giant sand formations, 75 miles of beach and over 100 freshwater lakes. An adventurer's dream, the activities on Fraser Island seem endless.

Not to be missed, the majestic Lake McKenzie is easily the most visited natural site on the island. Walk barefoot through the pristine white sand and admire the hue of the clear blue-green water. Don't miss the opportunity to swim in pure rainwater.



Fraser Island is great for animal lovers. See the purest dingoes remaining in eastern Australia, spot baby humpback whales swimming peacefully with their mothers and even take a nighttime wildlife tour to spot rare creatures moving through the dark.



Experiences



SOUTHERN QUEENSLAND



Australia Zoo

Take a scenic trip to the Australia Zoo, founded by Steve Irwin. The zoo is home to more than 1,000 animals from around the globe, as well as a state-of-the-art wildlife preservation and a conservation hospital.
Coach Tour from \$\$

NORTHERN QUEENSLAND



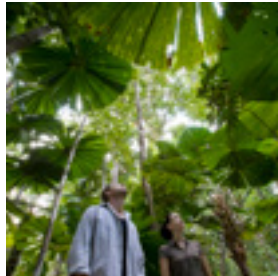
Aquarius Outer Great Barrier Reef Luxury Sail

Explore the coral gardens with an experienced crew on a guided snorkeling trip. For nonswimmers, hop on the coral viewing boat for a crystal-clear view of the reef. Enjoy lunch before sailing back to Port Douglas.
Full-day Cruise from \$\$\$



Brisbane City Touring

Get a feel for Brisbane's convict past before heading to the subtropical suburbs. Visit Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary, with an opportunity to cuddle a koala. Enjoy views of the city, bay and islands from Mount Coot-tha.
Coach Tour from \$\$



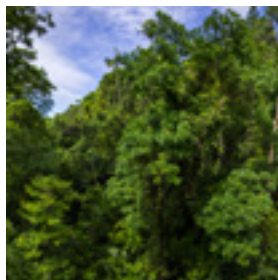
Cape Tribulation and Daintree Rainforest

Visit the Daintree Discovery Centre, walk on the rainforest beach at Cape Tribulation and cruise the Daintree River, home to birds, tree snakes, unique plants and the estuarine crocodile.
Small Group from \$\$\$



O'Reilly's & Lamington National Park

Travel to Lamington National Park, taking in panoramic views of the Gold Coast. Visit nature lover's paradise, O'Reilly's. Walk high above the rainforest canopy and hear stories of Queensland's earliest settlers.
Coach Tour from \$\$



Cape Tribulation and Jungle Surfing Canopy

Travel via Port Douglas and the wildlife habitat to Cape Tribulation. Fly through the trees on flying fox zip lines, stopping at six platforms with bird's eye views of the world's oldest rainforest from above the treetops.
Small Group Tour from \$\$\$



Tangalooma Dolphin Adventure

Take a catamaran over to Tangalooma Resort for the day. Enjoy an island buffet lunch before venturing out for the 4WD desert safari. A highlight of the day is getting to hand-feed wild dolphins at sunset.
Small Group from \$\$



Cultural Tour

Spend the day with a local Aboriginal tour guide. Visit a number of culturally significant areas and learn about the relationships the Kuku Yalanji people have with their land through the history, culture and traditions.
Small Group from \$\$



Cape Hillsborough Nature Tourist Park



Daintree Dreaming

Explore Mossman Gorge and the World Heritage-listed Daintree Rainforest with pristine waterfalls. Enjoy enchanting stories and the rich indigenous heritage, a coastal walk and an art gallery visit.
Small Group from \$\$\$



Kuranda Rail & Skyrail

Ride the region's oldest railway past plunging falls to Kuranda Village. Glide over the rainforest with Skyrail Rainforest Cableway, then visit Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Park for a guided indigenous tour.
Rail and Skyrail from \$\$\$



Hartley's Crocodile Adventure

Take a wetlands cruise to see abundant wildlife, including water birds, turtles, wallabies and cassowaries. See crocodiles at the Attack Show and discover venomous snakes at the Snake Show.
Small Group from \$



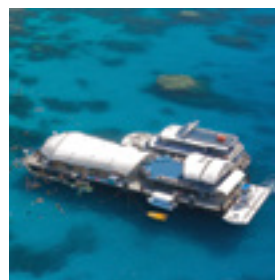
Ocean Spirit – Michaelmas Cay

Sail aboard the Ocean Spirit Catamaran to Michaelmas Cay, a reef-sand island teeming with a diversity of marine life. Snorkel from the shallows of the cay, which is also a protected seabird sanctuary.
Full-Day Cruise from \$\$\$



Helicopter Excursion

Discover from above the opal-like coral formations and the marine life on the Outer Great Barrier Reef. Fly over the rainforest-clad coastline, or plan a day on a sand cay.
30-minute flight from \$\$\$\$



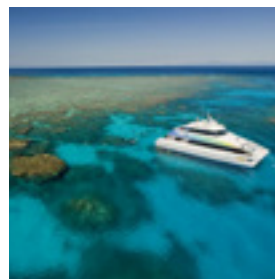
Quicksilver Outer Reef Tour

Head to Agincourt Reef at the outer edge of the Great Barrier Reef. Here, you will find an underwater world of color and brilliance. Choose to dive, snorkel or view the reef from a semisubmersible.
Full-Day Cruise from \$\$\$



Hot Air Ballooning

Experience the thrilling sensation of hot air ballooning over the rainforest and Atherton Tablelands area. Take in views of the Pacific to the east and mountains to the west while soaring over Queensland.
30-minute flight from \$\$\$



Tusa Dive

Visit two of Tusa's 16 spectacular dive and snorkel sites, spending over five hours on the reef. Explore vast coral gardens and drop-offs with an array of colorful marine life while diving or snorkeling.
Small Group from \$\$

Unique Escapes

Queensland



Crystalbrook Lodge



Crystalbrook Lodge

Location: Crystalbrook

Crystalbrook Lodge is your quintessential Australian outback oasis delivering adventure and escape in rugged red-dirt outback Queensland. Perched on a spectacular lake, it offers an exclusive, fully hosted experience for a maximum of ten guests in five beautifully appointed rooms. \$\$\$ per room, per night



Kewarra Beach Resort & Spa

Location: Northern Beaches

A private beachfront hideaway set on 30 acres of lush rainforest, Kewarra Beach Resort & Spa provides the ultimate holiday experience. The beautifully appointed deluxe bungalows and spacious suites are discretely situated both on the beach and throughout lush tropical gardens. \$\$\$ per room, per night





Silky Oaks Lodge

Location: Daintree Rainforest

Experience the ancient wonders of the rainforest at Silky Oaks Lodge. The lodge is an oasis of elegance and beauty sitting on the edge of the World Heritage-listed Daintree National Park and on the banks of the Mossman River. Accommodations include stand-alone treehouses with private balconies.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Spicers Peak Lodge

Location: Main Range National Park

Experience the height of luxury in Queensland's High Country, a naturally inspired Australian wilderness region. Perched atop a mountain on 9,000 acres, enveloped by World Heritage-listed Main Range National Park and the Great Dividing Range, the lodge offers an exclusive Australian wilderness lodge experience.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Tangalooma Island Resort

Location: Moreton Island

Less than an hour by ferry from Brisbane, you arrive on the doorstep of this family-friendly resort for a complete leisure experience. Here, you may hand-feed a pod of wild bottlenose dolphins, enjoy over 75 tours and activities and stay in comfort just a few feet from the beach. \$\$\$ per room, per night



Spicers Clovelly Estate

Location: Sunshine Coast Hinterland

Hidden on a hill in the lush hinterland 90 minutes from Brisbane lies a place that is part retreat, part European estate, part luxury lodge and part home away from home. With just ten exclusive suites, this is an intimately unique hideaway.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Spicers Tamarind Retreat

Location: Maleny

Spicers Tamarind Retreat combines Western luxury with Eastern tranquility in an elegant rainforest retreat. This unique escape offers indulgent relaxation surrounded by natural beauty, as well as a spa and a cooking school.

\$\$\$ per room, per night



Thala Beach Nature Reserve

Location: Port Douglas

Thala Beach Nature Reserve is a deluxe eco-beachfront retreat in Tropical North Queensland. Spacious tree houses offer a peaceful sanctuary. Guests enjoy complimentary guided walks and amazing vistas with modern Australian cuisine at the iconic Osprey's Restaurant.

\$\$\$ per room, per night

Great Barrier Reef



Lizard Island

Port Douglas ●
Palm Cove ●
Cairns ●

Orpheus Island ●

Townsville ●

Hayman Island ●
Hamilton Island ●

● Heron Island

An icon around the world that can even be seen from space, the Great Barrier Reef is the world's largest underwater reef system. Off Australia's coast in the state of Queensland, the reef consists of over 3,000 individual reef systems and coral cays. The reef is home to thousands of islands with pristine beaches, turquoise waters and incredible natural wildlife. Larger in distance than the Great Wall of China, the Great Barrier Reef offers up diving, snorkeling and sailing.

Luxury beach retreats have found their home on the Great Barrier Reef's islands. With everything from relaxed family escapes to over-the-top luxury, the islands of the Great Barrier Reef are as diverse as they are plentiful. Let us help you decide which island retreat is the perfect fit for your Australian adventure.



Coral Expeditions

Let Coral Expeditions introduce you to the hidden jewels of the Great Barrier Reef. The three-, four- and seven-night small ship cruises allow you to swim, snorkel and scuba dive amid the fish and corals in the clear tropical waters. Or you may join a marine biologist aboard the glass bottom boat, stroll golden sandy beaches on remote coral cays or visit secluded tropical islands and ancient rainforests. While on-board, experts interpret the natural wonders of the reef, rainforest and island habitats. See the reef most visitors never see and choose to be as adventurous or as relaxed as you please.



Pro Dive Cairns

Specializing in all levels of dive education and live-aboard dive trips, Pro Dive provides a personalized experience and showcases a great variety of dive sites, including 16 exclusive sites on five different reefs. These sites provide some of the best outer reef diving available and have been selected for their variety and quality of both coral and marine life, as well as great visibility. All vessels are fully air-conditioned, offering comfortable and spacious living conditions with private amenities for every four guests. Private cabins allow seclusion and time to relax between diving and snorkeling.



Mike Ball Dive Expeditions

Setting standards in the Australian dive industry, Mike Ball Dive Expeditions boasts exceptional live-aboard expeditions to the Great Barrier Reef and Coral Sea. Trips suit both novice and more adventuresome divers seeking pelagic fish, deep walls or wreck diving. The dive vessels are roomy and stable with a large well-equipped dive deck, spacious sundeck, al fresco deck and saloon. Dive with a family of giant potato cod, Māori wrasse and moray eels at the renowned Cod Hole. Cruise the turquoise chain of Ribbon Reefs with pristine coral gardens. Embark on a three- to 13-night dive adventure from Cairns.

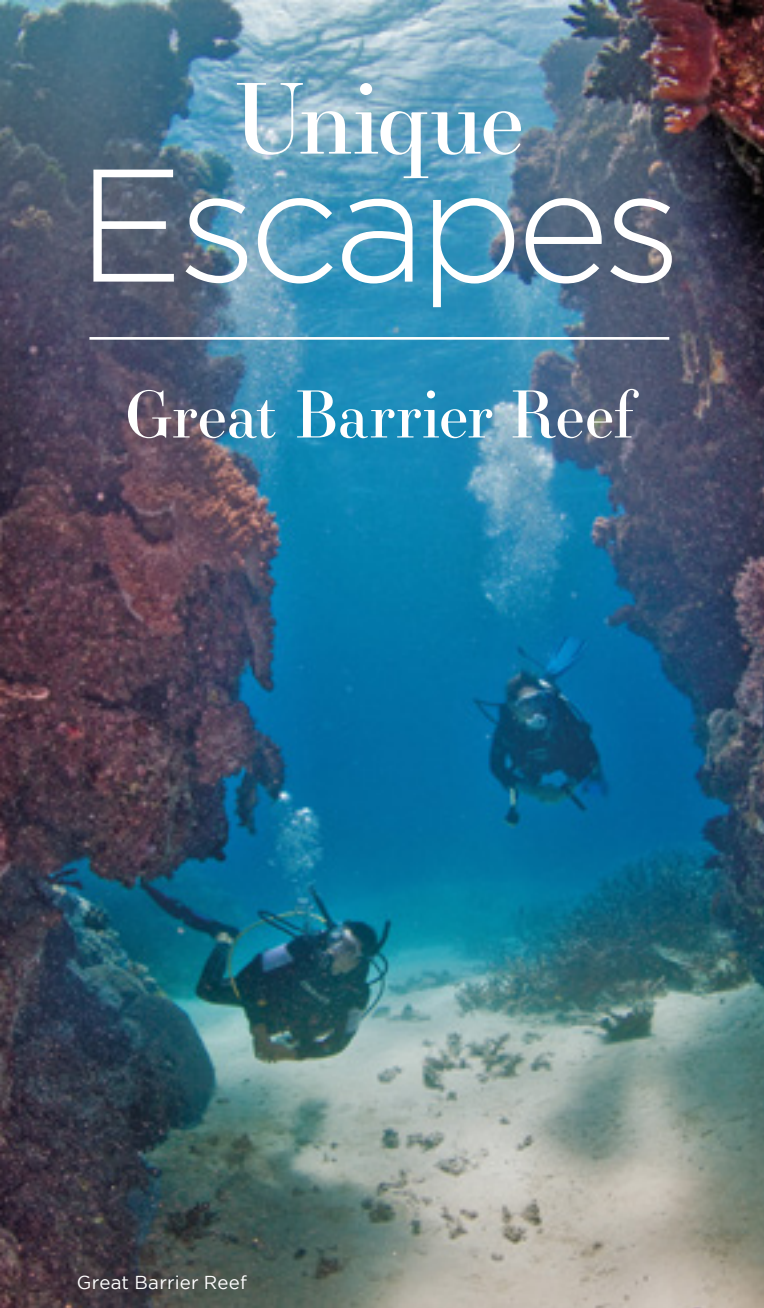


Spirit of Freedom

Offering the best in live-aboard dive cruising to some of Australia's most iconic and remote dive destinations. Trips of three-, four- and seven-day duration depart from Cairns to dive the clear waters of renowned sites such as the Cod Hole, Ribbon Reefs, North Horn and Osprey Reef—all abundant tropical reefs, rich with marine biodiversity. On board, there are three decks of living space and generous cabins with private bathrooms. First-class meals are complemented by outstanding service, a sun deck, lounge and bar. A large dive deck houses every convenience to ensure comfort, safety and freedom in your diving.

Unique Escapes

Great Barrier Reef



Great Barrier Reef



The Beach Club

Location: Hamilton Island

Beach Club is an adults-only oasis, offering the ultimate couples getaway. Set in landscaped tropical gardens, all 57 rooms face directly onto Catseye Beach, and each with its own private courtyard or balcony. Exclusive guest facilities include a restaurant, lounge, bar and an infinity-edged pool.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Hamilton Island

Location: Hamilton Island

Situated on the edge of the Great Barrier Reef among the Whitsunday Islands, Hamilton Island offers warm weather, brilliant beaches, fine food and wine and a wealth of entertainment. With 60 activities, more than ten restaurants, six swimming pools and over 20 shops and boutiques, Hamilton Island is ideal for families and couples alike.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



InterContinental Hayman

Location: Hayman Island

Surrounded by cliffs, crescent-shaped white sand beach and blue sea, InterContinental Hayman will immerse you in elegant island luxury. Discover an idyllic destination of privacy and pampering where you can experience diving the Great Barrier Reef, swimming in your private pool, sailing the Coral Sea, the culinary artistry and personalised spa treatments.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Orpheus Island Resort

Location: Orpheus Island

Orpheus is a Queensland island hideaway set in the heart of one of the world's natural wonders, the Great Barrier Reef. With only 14 rooms, suites and villas, Orpheus Island is the ultimate secluded, unspoiled paradise, and stretches across seven miles of immaculate turquoise coastline.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Lizard Island Resort

Location: Lizard Island

Lizard Island, Australia's northernmost island-beach resort, is truly secluded from the rest of the world. Located right on the Great Barrier Reef, Lizard Island offers 24 powdery white beaches, over 1,000 hectares of national park, 40 understated beach-luxe suites, Azure Spa and The Restaurant, perfect for dining, with crystal-clear blue ocean views from every angle.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



qualia, Great Barrier Reef

Location: Hamilton Island

Situated in the heart of the Great Barrier Reef, qualia is nestled in the most pristine and secluded position on the island. Immerse yourself in a relaxed atmosphere where everything has been meticulously considered to relax the mind and completely spoil the senses.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night

A woman with dark hair, wearing a white short-sleeved button-down shirt and dark trousers, is sitting on a large, textured rock formation. She is looking off to the side. The background shows a sunset over a valley with green hills and a rocky cliffside. The sky is filled with soft, golden light and clouds. The overall mood is serene and natural.

EXPERIENCE ABORIGINAL AUSTRALIA

The Aboriginal people of Australia have a rich living culture stretching back at least 50,000 years. Throughout the country, unique experiences crafted by locals have offered a glimpse into the ancient traditions of the Aboriginal people.

In Aboriginal culture, **Dreamtime** is a term you will encounter throughout Australia. **Dreamtime** represents a network of relationships between the sacred world, the human world and the physical world. It describes the connection between all things seen and unseen, the Great Spirit Ancestors and the culture today.



Voyages Indigenous Tourism Australia *Northern Territory*

The Voyages program offers unique experiences and cultural immersion across Australia. In the Northern Territory, the program works collaboratively with local communities, respecting and supporting the local indigenous cultures with tour offerings.



The Rocks Dreaming Aboriginal Heritage Tour *New South Wales*

Join a walkabout with an Aboriginal guide to explore the center of Sydney from an Aboriginal perspective. Go on a journey into the Dreamtime to discover how ancient Aboriginal culture is still alive within the modern Sydney landscape.



Walkabout Cultural Adventures *Queensland*

Travel to secret spots others don't get to see and learn about Aboriginal history. Your guide will give you insight into the marine life along the Port Douglas coast and show you the waterfalls and hidden swimming spots inside the rainforest.



Aboriginal Heritage Walk *Victoria*

Local Aboriginal guides take you on a journey that interprets the spirit of the land. Hear about the culture of the original inhabitants and learn about traditional foods and medicine.



Aboriginal Cultural Tours *South Australia*

From coast to vines, come walk in the footsteps of Australia's ancestors. Gain insight into this ancient culture. See and touch the past as you connect with nature and share Dreamtime stories that bring South Australia's landscape to life.



Kimberley Wild Expeditions *Western Australia*

Gain a deep and enriching insight into the land and culture of the extraordinary Kimberley Region. Indigenous guides provide a privileged local insight into Mimbi Caves, Tunnel Creek, One Arm Point, Kakadu and Katherine.

NORTHERN TERRITORY





Darwin
Kakadu National Park



Northern Territory

- Alice Springs
- Kings Canyon
- Uluru (Ayers Rock)

*Map is not to scale

Common Travel Times

Alice Springs to

- Uluru (Ayers Rock)  5.75 hours
- Kings Canyon  5.5 hours

Uluru (Ayers Rock) to

- Kings Canyon  3.5 hours

Darwin to

- Kakadu  1.75 hours



The Top End

The perfect cosmopolitan and outback experience with national parks, ancient culture and wildlife.



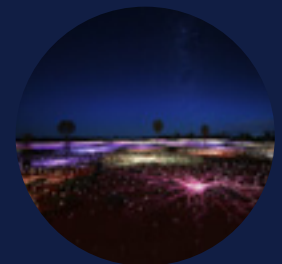
The Outback

Home to many of Australia's indigenous communities, the Outback occupies central Australia.



Field of Light

Field of Light is an installation that turns on at sunset, and a sea of lights shines bright beside the stars.



Welcome to Northern Territory

Most famous for the ancient monolith Uluru, formerly known as Ayers Rock, the Northern Territory is rich with history and wildlife. Awaken your senses with an ever-changing landscape ranging from the red plains of Alice Springs to the outback rainforests of Kakadu National Park. The Northern Territory is where ancient Aboriginal culture blends fluidly with its surroundings.

The Northern Territory is Australia's outback in every sense of the word. The towns and national parks feel isolated from the world, with a stark contrast of terrain. The sense of adventure and exploration is strong as you venture to the vast reaches of this diverse state.

Average Monthly Weather

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Low	70	69	64	55	47	41	39	43	50	59	64	68
High	97	95	90	82	73	68	67	72	80	88	93	96
Rain (in.)	1.7	1.5	2	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.8	1.1	1.4

● Popular Travel Periods. Weather based on Alice Springs.



Currency:
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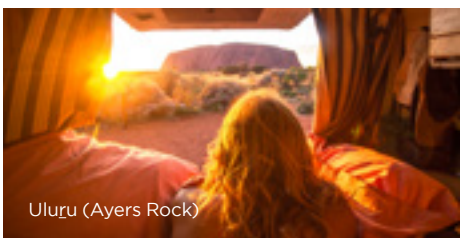
Main Arrival Airport:
Alice Springs (ASP)



Flight Time from Los Angeles:
N/A



Kakadu National Park



Uluru (Ayers Rock)



Staff Tip

For those travelers looking to immerse themselves in another culture, Uluru is the perfect spot. There is a feeling there that is timeless, beautiful and calming. You feel connected to where you are in a way I've never felt anywhere else in Australia. Plus, the stargazing is fantastic.

—Cathi L., *Travel Consultant, South Pacific*



Alice Springs

Alice Springs is an outback town where travelers learn about both the history and present-day life of the town's communities. The traditional owners of the region, the Arrernte people, believe that the mountain ranges were formed in the "Dreamtime" by mythical creatures that roamed the rocky lands. Study the ecology of the red desert, visit Aboriginal museums and eat at one of the many unique Alice Springs' restaurants or bars.



Uluru (Ayers Rock) and Kata Tjuta (The Olgas)

The stars of the Northern Territory include the undeniably magnificent monoliths known as Uluru (Ayers Rock) and its sister formation, Kata Tjuta (The Olgas). Towering over the desert landscape like beacons, these two icons hold immense spiritual meaning to the local Aboriginal communities. These majestic formations will leave you with a renewed sense of spirituality.



Darwin

This casual town has become an enchanting combination of tradition and originality, set in a relaxing tropical atmosphere. Explore the region's diversity while dining on delicious local cuisine and shopping at Parap Markets. Set sail on the Darwin Waterfront for a fun-filled day of fishing, swimming and boating. End the evening soaking up the scent of frangipanis while watching the sunset over Mindil Beach.



Arnhem Land

Aboriginal culture is alive and well in Arnhem Land, a region that has been owned by the Yolngu people for at least 60,000 years. An authentic cultural experience is guaranteed as visitors learn how to play the didgeridoo and listen to Aboriginal stories. Journey to Gunbalanya to purchase indigenous pieces from the Injalak Art and Craft Center to display in your home and remind you of your trip to Australia's wild outback.



Kakadu National Park

Kakadu National Park is known for its magnificent Aboriginal rock art and its vast natural landscape; it holds the title of Australia's largest national park. With over 8,000 square miles of ever-changing terrain teeming with wildlife, it is understandable why Kakadu is one of the few places on earth to receive the rare distinction of being on the World Heritage List for both its natural and cultural importance.



Kings Canyon

Hidden within the Watarrka National Park, Kings Canyon has more than 600 species of plant and animal life that highlight the region's biodiversity. Rising over 300 feet off the ground are the sandstone walls of Kings Canyon, which boast sweeping views of the outback below. What started as a small crack in the earth has eroded over millions of years to form this outback oasis. Awaiting your descent from the top of the canyon lies the magical Garden of Eden, a waterhole surrounded by lush plant life.

Aboriginal Lands



As one of Australia's last strongholds of traditional Aboriginal culture, East Arnhem Land is paradise redefined. Explore stretches of remote and rugged coast filled by white sand beaches while learning about the local culture first-hand from the natives.



To truly experience the culture of the land, visit Milingimbi Art & Culture Centre. In Yolgnu culture, art is a crucial part of social life. Appreciate the impressive works of art while helping to contribute to the financial security of a sacred community.



Experiences



Uluru (Ayers Rock)

ALICE SPRINGS



Alice Town Tour

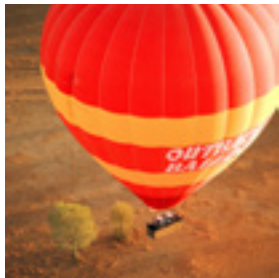
Visit the Aboriginal Cultural Museum and Gallery, home to a private collection of Aboriginal artifacts. Take in panoramic views from Anzac Hill, then visit the Royal Flying Doctor Base, School of the Air and Telegraph Station. Coach Tour from \$

ULURU (AYERS ROCK)



Kata Tjuta Sunrise Tour

Enjoy a picnic breakfast, then stroll between the mighty conglomerate rock walls of Kata Tjuta as the guide explains how the environment and the geology have evolved over millions of years. Small Group from \$\$



Hot Air Ballooning

Soar 1,000 feet in the air for panoramic views of the Outback landscape. Watch the sunrise over the mountain ranges during your morning flight. 30-minute flight from \$\$\$



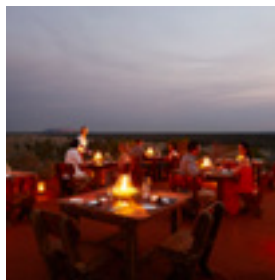
Sounds of Silence Dinner

Listen to sounds of the didgeridoo, taste the outback cuisine and feel the "sounds of silence." Enjoy a three-course BBQ buffet meal before the lanterns are dimmed for a "star talker" tour of the southern night sky. Dinner Excursion from \$\$



Palm Valley 4WD Safari

Travel by 4WD through West MacDonnell and Owen Springs. Explore the Finke Gorge National Park. Here, you will uncover spectacular rock formations, white sands and an oasis of rock pools and palm trees. Small Group from \$\$



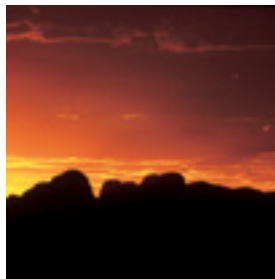
Tali Wiru

Tali Wiru is an intimate dining experience under the stars. Enjoy champagne and canapés at sunset before an intimate four-course dinner with Australian wines, accompanied by local stories and sounds of the didgeridoo. Small Group from \$\$\$



Western MacDonnell Ranges

Explore the 200-mile stretch of the ranges' rugged gorges, gaps and chasms and experience the unspoiled serenity of this region. Learn the local history and stories from your knowledgeable guide. Coach Tour from \$\$



Uluru Base & Sunset Tour with BBQ Dinner

Travel around the base of Uluru by motor coach before taking in Aboriginal culture at the Uluru-Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre. Then witness the striking colors of Uluru at sunset with cocktails and canapés before a BBQ dinner. Coach Tour from \$\$



Uluru Camels

Ride for one hour on camelback in this spectacular desert region offering great views of Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. Your guides describe the flora and fauna throughout your tour, and refreshments are offered at the end of your ride.

Camel to Sunrise or Sunset from \$\$



Uluru by Segway

Get up close and personal with the picturesque landscape, learn about the flora and fauna and ancient Aboriginal rock art. Immerse yourself in the history and culture that is Uluru and the Central Australian region.

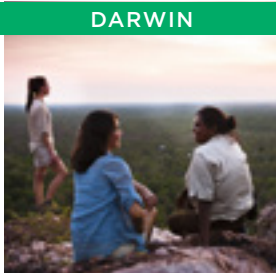
Small Group from \$



Uluru Sunset Tour

Visit waterholes, see ancient rock art and learn of Uluru's cultural significance to the Anangu (local Aboriginal people). End the tour at a special viewing area for an unobstructed view of Uluru at sunset.

Small Group from \$\$

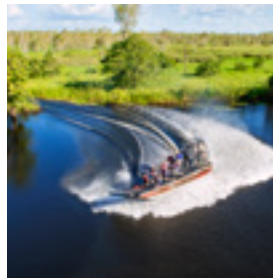


DARWIN

Litchfield Indigenous Tour

Discover local landscapes, pioneer heritage and Aboriginal tradition. Taste fresh cooked bush tucker barramundi, crocodile and kangaroo. Explore waterfalls, ancient rainforests and unspoiled woodlands.

Coach Tour from \$\$\$



Outback Floatplane - Ultimate

This ultimate tour starts with a scenic flight, complete with a spectacular floatplane landing on the waters of Sweets Lagoon. Just picture an experience that combines a floatplane, a helicopter, an airboat and a cruise, all in one adventure!

Small Group from \$\$\$\$



Tiwi Island Culture Tour

Board your flight to Bathurst Island for the rare opportunity to experience the modern-day Aboriginal community of Nguiu. Spend time in the community to learn about the history and the culture of the Tiwi people.

Small Group from \$\$\$\$



Two-Day Kakadu Highlights

Enjoy a full two days of touring while you discover Kakadu's river ecosystems and experience an ancient culture up to 40,000 years old. Touring and overnight hotel accommodations are included.

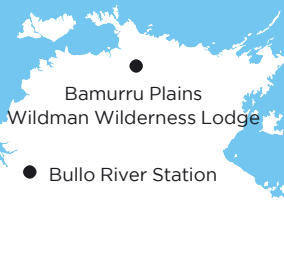
Coach Tour from \$\$\$\$\$

What is the Outback?

The outback refers to the remote and rugged interior of Australia. Water is scarce and deserts span as far as the eye can see. You can drive hours between little towns without seeing another traveler.

Unique Escapes

Northern Territory



Northern Territory

Longitude 131°



Bamurru Plains by Wild Bush Luxury

Location: Kakadu National Park

Inspired by Africa's luxury camps, this exclusive ten-bungalow safari lodge offers an immersive experience in a superb bush setting. Located on the coastal floodplains on the edge of Kakadu National Park, Bamurru's focus is sharing one of the most significant ecosystems in Australia.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Bullo River Station

Location: Gregory National Park

Situated on the border of Western Australia, Bullo River Station is a quintessential Australian outback ranch. Encounter rugged hills inscribed with Aboriginal rock art, gushing streams and crystal-clear swimming holes. Termite mounds, boab trees and wild buffalo round out this wildlife-centric experience.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Longitude 131°

Location: Uluru (Ayers Rock)

This gathering of pavilions overlooking Uluru offers an essential experience of Australia's spirited heartland. Discovery of the dual World Heritage-listed wilderness is offset with refined dining, intuitive service and a contemporary take on laid-back luxury to create an exclusive outback encounter.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Wildman Wilderness Lodge

Location: Kakadu National Park

Amidst the lush wilderness of Australia's Top End, Wildman is a small-scale safari lodge featuring a variety of environmentally sensitive exploration options. When the time comes to relax after a full day of touring, the main lodge offers a restaurant, bar, lounge and swimming pool.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night

Kakadu

National Park



Kakadu National Park is a treasured Australian destination best known for its natural beauty, the vast number of native wildlife species and its coveted Aboriginal rock art sites. A major draw to the park, this rock art is known to be one of the longest historical records of any group in the world. It is also regarded as one of the world's largest collections of Aboriginal rock art.

For a genuine traditional experience exploring the land, an indigenous guide will direct you through the park, offering priceless insight into their culture that stretches back thousands of years.



WESTERN AUSTRALIA





Western Australia

Common Travel Times

Perth to

Fremantle		30 minutes
Margaret River		3 hours
Alice Springs		2.75 hours
Sydney		4.25 hours

*Map is not to scale

Welcome to Western Australia

Enjoy the best of both worlds in this corner of the globe where golden fields of wheat and vast desert give way to lush, green terrain bordered by azure seas. The largest of all Australian states, Western Australia has a wealth of unique experiences for you to enjoy.

Swim with the gentle giant of the sea, the whale shark, at Australia's second largest reef, Ningaloo Marine Park. Explore Margaret River's acclaimed wineries on horseback, or unwind on one of Perth's picture-perfect beaches and enjoy the plentiful Western Australian sun.

Average Monthly Weather

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Low	63	64	61	56	51	49	47	47	48	51	55	59
High	89	89	85	77	71	66	64	65	68	72	78	84
Rain (in.)	0.4	0.6	0.6	1.9	4.1	6.6	6.2	4.4	2.8	1.8	0.9	0.4

● Popular Travel Periods. Weather based on Perth.



Currency:
Australian Dollar (AUD)



Time Zone:
UTC +8:00



Main Arrival Airport:
Perth (PER)



Flight Time from Los Angeles:
N/A

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2019 Highlights

Whale Shark Encounter
Swim peacefully alongside the whale shark for an experience that is sure to leave you feeling humble.



Ningaloo Reef
Observe a diverse congregation of turtles, tropical fish, manta rays, humpback whales and whale sharks.



Margaret River Wineries
Margaret River Wineries produce a diverse range of wines that account for almost 20% of Australia's output.



Pinnacles Desert
An icon of Western Australia, the limestone pillars of the Pinnacles Desert contrast the blue ocean.





Mettams Pool



Fremantle Harbour



Insider Tip

Perth is regularly ranked among the top ten most livable cities around the world. It is easy to see why, with its own premium wine region, 19 white-sand beaches and rich tradition pulsing throughout the city. Start your Western Australia adventure with an Arcades and Laneways tour for an introductory immersion into the culture and energy of the destination.



Perth

Perth is an intriguing destination known for its Mediterranean climate and booming development. Known as the sunniest state capital, Perth has an average of 3,000 hours of sunshine each year. Bask in all of that extra sunlight on one of the 19 beautiful beaches, or in Kings Park, which is larger than New York City's Central Park. Listen to the melodic music from the Swan Bells, one of the world's largest musical instruments, and visit the many museums and art galleries that give the city its character.



Margaret River

The town of Margaret River boasts its own magnificent scenery while also serving as the ultimate destination for epicurean connoisseurs. Margaret River produces over 15% of Australia's premium wine that can be best paired with the local cheese and chocolate selection. Visitors can also discover the depths of Jewel Cave, an ancient limestone cave, wander between the tall timber forest trees or watch the sun set over the Indian Ocean at Surfer's Point.



Kimberley

Home to the beehive-shaped rock formations known as the Bungle Bungles, the Kimberley region was unknown to non-Aboriginals until the early 1980s. The history and natural beauty of the Kimberley differentiates the region from the rest of Western Australia, making it a must-see stop on any vacation down under. Experience this region from the sky as you fly from Cape Leveque to the Bungle Bungle Range and El Questro Wilderness Park, all in a day's expedition.



Broome

Known for its natural beauty, Broome is a destination that draws in travelers with its bright beaches and South Sea pearls. Sunsets from Cable Beach are one-of-a-kind. Here, the phenomenon called the "Staircase to the Moon" comes to life. Cruise to a local pearl farm to learn how these famous gems are cultured and pick up one of the finished products in Chinatown. Surrounded by Aboriginal culture that contrasts with the contemporary laid-back lifestyle, Broome is in a league of its own.



Ningaloo Reef

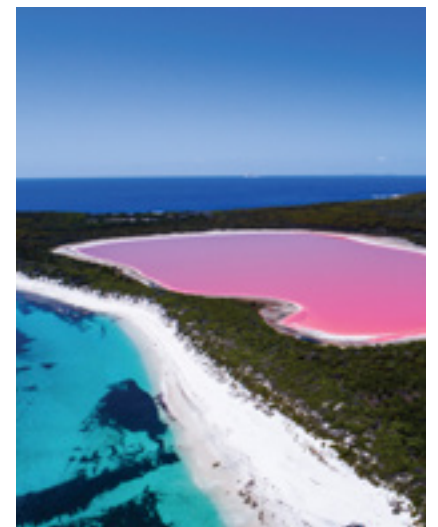
Discover what creatures live below the azure waters and explore the coral formations they call home on the Ningaloo Reef. Over 500 species of fish, manta rays and turtles greet the scuba divers and snorkelers who explore this vibrant underwater world. Have a close encounter with a whale shark or track the migration of humpback whales as they journey through the waters. Glass-bottom boat tours are another way to travel along the Ningaloo Reef, a 180-mile paradise below the waves.

The Pink Lakes

Right in Port Gregory lies Hutt Lagoon, better known as the Pink Lake. This body of water showcases an unusual pink hue that changes throughout the day and seasons: shifting from red to lilac, to a bubblegum pink. Scientists speculate that the vibrant color comes from a dye naturally created by bacteria that live in the salt crusts. The best way to view this uniquely beautiful lake is from a scenic flight during mid-morning or sundown.



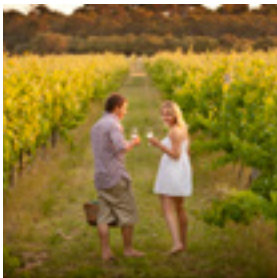
Another natural wonder of the pink variety is Lake Hillier, a colorful lake on Middle Island. From above, it appears to be a solid bubblegum pink. This "strawberry milk" lake looks good enough to drink, but it is among the saltiest bodies of water in the world. At 1900 feet long, it is surrounded by a rim of sand and dense woodland of paperbark and eucalyptus trees. Only a narrow strip of sand dunes covered by vegetation separates the lake from the blue Southern Ocean.



Experiences



Frenchman's Peak, Cape Le Grand National Park



Margaret River Tour

Taste the wines and tour the underground caves of Western Australia's finest wine region. The area is home to stunning beaches, the inland waterway and small wine growing villages and towns. Coach Tour from \$\$\$



Perth Arcades and Laneways

Explore the almost two miles of arcades and various lesser known laneways throughout the city. Adventure through churches, shopping malls and public areas for an immersion into Perth. Shared Group from \$



Pinnacles Desert Tour

Experience off-road driving, sand boarding on huge sand dunes and swimming in the Indian Ocean. See wildlife up close, with the opportunity to photograph koalas and hand-feed kangaroos. Small Group from \$\$\$

WHY WE LOVE

Whale Shark Swimming

Western Australia is known for many things, but perhaps one of the most adventurous and thrilling Western Australia experiences is jumping in the ocean and snorkeling with whale sharks. World Heritage-listed Ningaloo Reef is one of the few places on Earth where you can interact with these gigantic creatures.



Unique Escapes

Western Australia



El Questro Homestead



Cape Lodge

Location: Margaret River

Positioned in the heart of the great wine region of Margaret River, Cape Lodge attracts those who are seeking a private, stylish and sophisticated retreat and those with a yearning to discover outstanding food and wine. Cape Lodge neighbors include several great wineries for easy exploration.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Sal Salis

Location: Ningaloo Reef

Sal Salis Ningaloo Reef is a tented camp in the remote Cape Range National Park. Each of the 15 spacious tents include an en-suite eco-bathroom and overlook the pristine Ningaloo Reef. Drinks from the bar and chef-prepared meals are served in the main lodge. Guided activities focus on nature and extraordinary wildlife.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



El Questro Homestead

Location: Kununurra

The luxury of El Questro Homestead sits in stark contrast to the rugged Kimberley landscape. Explore hidden locations, unwind in the thermal Zebedee Springs, curl up under an ancient boab tree with a book or simply join the local wallaby population while lounging in the shade.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



True North

Location: Kimberley Coast

An adventure on the True North is not just another expedition cruise. The ship is purpose-built to go where others cannot. Carefully crafted itineraries provide the opportunity to truly experience the destination. Daily activities on offer include scenic walks, helicopter flights, fishing, snorkeling, culture, picnics, diving, exploring and much more.

\$\$\$\$\$ per cabin, per night

SOUTH AUSTRALIA







South Australia
Coober Pedy ●

Flinders Ranges ●
Port Lincoln ●
Barossa Valley ●
Adelaide ●
Kangaroo Island ●

Common Travel Times

Adelaide to

- Barossa Valley  1 hour
- Kangaroo Island  40 minutes
- Coober Pedy  2 hours
- Port Lincoln  50 minutes
- Flinders Ranges  5.5 hours

*Map is not to scale



Wine Regions

South Australia and its capital city of Adelaide are home to some of the best wine in the world.

Kangaroo Island

Explore beautiful intimate beaches while seeking out local animals in this haven of native wildlife.



Flinders Ranges

Visit kangaroos and wallabies as you experience pure nature in South Australia's highest mountain range.



Eyre Peninsula

Luxury accommodations and great food, wine and water-based activities are staples of the area.



Welcome to South Australia

Wine, outback and wildlife could serve as a succinct description of South Australia. A wine connoisseur's delight, the lush landscape of the Barossa Valley has produced some of the world's finest blends. The rugged terrain of the Flinders Ranges is just hours outside of the bustling city of Adelaide. With its flourishing farmlands, ancient outback landscape, lively wildlife and the famed Flinders Ranges, nature has thrived in South Australia, offering an unimaginable Aussie adventure.

For a dose of wildlife, travel to Kangaroo Island and meet Australia's cutest residents. This untouched southern island offers authentic Australian safaris and an enchanting sense of isolated adventure.

Average Monthly Weather

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Low	60	60	58	53	49	45	45	46	48	51	55	58
High	82	82	78	72	65	61	59	60	64	70	75	78
Rain (in.)	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.5	0.9	2	2.6	2	1.6	1.5	0.9	1

● Popular Travel Periods. Weather based on Adelaide.



Currency:
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Time Zone:
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Main Arrival Airport:
Adelaide (ADL)



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Kangaroo Island

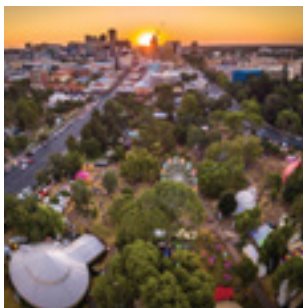


Tasting Australia



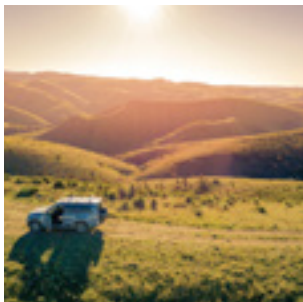
Insider Tip

Spring in South Australia is the perfect time to thaw out from any long winter. Festivals block up the calendars and flower trails sprout up throughout the state. Adelaide in particular embraces the seasonal spirit, with restaurants debuting their spring menus and craft beer and specialty bars unveiling their cocktails.



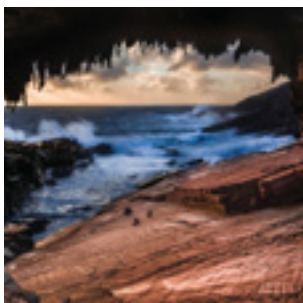
Adelaide

Adelaide regularly serves as the jumping off point for the famous wine regions of South Australia. Stroll through picturesque streets of this walkable city and explore museums that offer a clear perspective into the vibrant history of the area. Adelaide's Central Market is the perfect place for an afternoon lunch with the freshest produce and the friendliest vendors.



Barossa Valley

The Barossa Valley is a perfect place to kick back and relax with a glass of Australia's best wine. Get a true taste of gourmet Australian cuisine at Maggie Beer's Farm Shop, where you can pick up fresh local produce. Visitors to the Barossa Valley often enjoy day trips cycling through the vineyards, sampling fine wines and artisanal foods along the way.



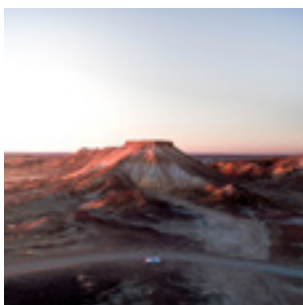
Kangaroo Island

Kangaroo Island is home to an abundance of wildlife in a completely unspoiled setting. Flinders Chase National Park is the biggest park on the island, home to the Remarkable Rocks. Before heading back to mainland Australia, make sure to try the world-renowned seafood found in the local waters. A Kangaroo Island getaway is not the usual sun, sand and surf you'd expect to find on a typical island, but it differs in the best way possible.



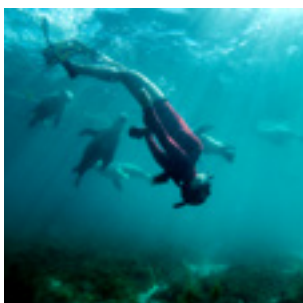
Coober Pedy

As the opal capital of the world, Coober Pedy is a geologist's treasure chest. While the red dust landscape is comparable to the ground of Mars, it's what lies beneath the surface that makes this town famous. The multicolored opals began to form here millions of years ago, as the land once covered by oceans became dry and rugged. Visitors can take cave tours and visit galleries to learn more about Coober Pedy and the opals' impact on the region.



Flinders Ranges

The Flinders Ranges is perfect for action-packed adventure. Fly above Wilpena Pound or Lake Eyre for incredible views of the changing landscape below. Mother Nature was not lazy when it decorated the Flinders Ranges, but what puts this area over the top is the culture. Visit Aboriginal hubs like the Oodnadatta Track to see Aboriginal rock art and gain a deeper appreciation for their heritage.



Port Lincoln

Right along the edge of Eyre Peninsula lies the seaside escape of Port Lincoln, known for fresh seafood and a relaxed Aussie lifestyle. There are many places to explore, including fishing beaches, national parks, shopping centers and outdoor markets. Test your bravery while cage diving with sharks, or swim alongside the friendly Australian sea lions. Port Lincoln comes alive at night with gourmet restaurants and swanky bars where visitors can sample some of the region's best wines and unique brews.

South Australia's Food & Wine



Fleurieu Peninsula

Just south of Adelaide lies a coastal paradise: Fleurieu Peninsula. Home to Australia's finest coastal, scenic and culinary experiences, Fleurieu Peninsula is a hidden gem, and no trip to Australia is complete without a visit here. It is known as nature's playground, and there is no limit to the outdoor activities available. For the more adventurous traveler, take the plunge and swim among wild tuna. For a more laid-back experience, sip on world-famous wine in the renowned McLaren Vale wine region. And for those travelers eager to get to the beach, there is plenty of pure sand and sun to make your stay at Fleurieu Peninsula unforgettable.



McLaren Vale

Known as the birthplace of the South Australian wine industry, McLaren Vale is home to some of the world's oldest grape vines. Although the region is best known for Shiraz, McLaren Vale excels in producing a variety of wine. The region emphasizes sustainability and quality, which is evident through its high-quality product.

Walk or bike the Shiraz Trail to experience the region from a unique point of view. Follow the scenic path along the old railway as you taste wine from renowned vineyards. On Saturday, be sure not to miss the Willunga Farmers Market to taste some of the region's famous olive oil.

Experiences



Flinders Ranges



Adelaide Market Tour

Join the hustle and bustle at Adelaide's famous Central Market. Uncover an assortment of irresistible fresh produce, gourmet foods and native and exotic delights, reflecting Adelaide's multicultural influences. Small Group from \$



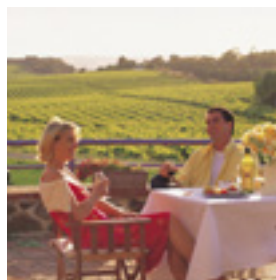
Kangaroo Island Tour

Kangaroo Island is a pristine wilderness with a large population of native Australian animals, soaring cliffs, dense forest, towering sand dunes, wetlands and beautiful beaches. Tour for a day, or explore over several days. Private Tour from \$\$\$



Barossa Valley Wine Tour

Be consumed by the flavors of the Barossa. Enjoy a day exploring the wine, wineries and scenic countryside found at every turn. The day includes tastings at iconic wineries, large and small. Small Group from \$\$\$\$



McLaren Vale Food & Wine

In the morning, visit Coriole Winery, d'Arenberg Winery and Wirra Wirra Winery. Sample some of the unique styles, as well as olives, oils and cheeses. In the afternoon, several more boutique wineries and gourmet foods highlight the rest of your day. Small Group from \$\$\$



Fleurieu Peninsula Tour

Travel the rugged southern coast along adventurous 4WD-accessible terrain. You will make your way through conservation parks teeming with wildlife before heading to the shores of the Great Southern Ocean. Small Group from \$\$\$\$



Morning Dolphin Cruise

Get ready to see frolicking dolphins on your morning cruise. You will have the option to swim with the dolphins or easily enjoy their playful displays from the close proximity of the boat. Small Group from \$\$

A DAY ON Kangaroo Island



Morning

Wake up with an introduction to island life. In the early morning, have a “cuppa” (cup of tea) with some homemade cakes before taking a walk through tall Eucalyptus trees, where koalas snooze overhead. Spotting Aussie wildlife on Kangaroo Island is as exciting as it is easy, and it will be the theme throughout the day.



Afternoon

Break for lunch and enjoy a delicious meal featuring King George whiting (a local fish), fresh salads and fine South Australian wines at a private bush location. After lunch, head towards Seal Bay Conservation Park, where you will walk with your guide among Australian sea lions on a beautiful sandy beach.



Midday

The remainder of the afternoon will be spent exploring more of the southeast region of the island. These experiences change seasonally, but they include exploring iconic rock formations, tracking kangaroos hopping along the hillsides or finding that perfect vantage point to see the island.



Evening

After an adventurous day in the wild, retreat back to your accommodation for some canapés and cocktails. Recount your favorite moments with each other, or simply sit back with your feet up and enjoy the peace and tranquility of Kangaroo Island life.



Unique Escapes

South Australia



The Louise



Arkaba by Wild Bush Luxury

Location: Flinders Ranges

Arkaba's true luxury comes in sharing a five-room heritage homestead and 60,000 acres of private wildlife conservancy with just ten guests. Safari days are capped off with sundowner drinks on top of the ranges with the scale and grandeur of outback Australia laid out for miles around.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Desert Cave Hotel

Location: Coober Pedy

Coober Pedy has long lured those who seek the elusive opal found in this vast semidesert area. Many locals live in dugouts (underground homes) as the earth offers natural temperature control. The Desert Cave Hotel allows you to experience dugout-style living, with underground shops, a bar and opal displays.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night





Southern Ocean Lodge

Location: Kangaroo Island

Globally celebrated, the 21-suite lodge blends pristine nature, contemporary design, superb fine dining and a personalized itinerary of exhilarating adventures to create a sensational tribute to the wildly beautiful surrounds.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



The Louise

Location: The Barossa Valley

Food, wine, luxury accommodations and a warm welcome await you at The Louise Barossa Valley. Ideally situated in the heart of the legendary Barossa wine country in South Australia, you will find absolute luxury and inspired design with private spaces and breathtaking vineyard views.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night

WHY WE LOVE

The Barossa Valley

The Barossa Valley is a contemporary Australian region with a European flair that celebrates food and wine spanning seven generations. The region has a long history of making full-bodied reds and fortified and robust white wines, giving the area its recognition.

At the top of our charts for exclusive wine experiences is Taste Your Birth Year at Seppeltsfield Winery, where you can sample vintage Tawny, directly from the barrel from the year you were born. Sometimes in life it is best to be the oldest in your group! While in the Centennial Cellar, you will receive a fascinating insight into the aging process of premium fortified wine.



Another must-do experience is "Make Your Own Blend" at Penfolds Barossa Valley Winery. Here, guests are invited to the Winemaker's Laboratory to try blending their own wine from Grenache, Shiraz and Mourvèdre. Mix and match flavors to make a blend totally unique to you. The finished product will be bottled for you to take home and enjoy.



VICTORIA





Victoria



Common Travel Times

Melbourne to

Yarra Valley		1 hour
Mornington Peninsula		1 hour
Great Ocean Road		3 hours
Phillip Island		1.75 hours

*Map is not to scale

Melbourne

The streets of Melbourne are filled with art and music, drawing many tourists to visit for its vibrant culture.



Great Ocean Road

Drive along this beautiful coastal road to experience some of the best views Victoria has to offer.



Yarra Valley

Yarra Valley offers quality local food and wine, breathtaking scenery, romantic hideaways and adventures.



Phillip Island Penguins

Each night at sunset you'll be amazed by little penguins returning ashore after a day's fishing.



Welcome to Victoria

Victoria's comprehensive road network makes seeing the region's diverse sights a breeze. The famed Great Ocean Road hugs Victoria's dramatic coastline. A short trip to Victoria's Mornington Peninsula is rewarded with magnificent coastal views, luxurious European-style country retreats and a variety of activities.

Victoria is highlighted by the simultaneously eclectic and cosmopolitan city of Melbourne. Livable and lively, Melbourne's funky laneways and happening café scene keep its residents happy. After a cosmopolitan immersion, escape to the vineyards of the Yarra Valley where winemaking finds its home.

Average Monthly Weather

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Low	57	58	55	50	50	43	41	42	44	47	50	53
High	79	79	75	69	60	57	55	57	61	66	71	75
Rain (in.)	2.2	1.7	1.8	2.1	2.4	1.3	2	2	1.9	3	1.7	2.3

● Popular Travel Periods. Weather based on Melbourne.



Currency:
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Time Zone:
UTC +10:00



Main Arrival Airport:
Melbourne (MEL)



Flight Time from Los Angeles:
16 hours



Mornington Peninsula



Melbourne



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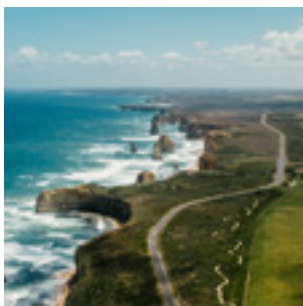
Personally, one of the most amazing parts of Melbourne is her hidden secrets. The famous lanes and arcades within the city limits hold some mysteries that might just pop out and surprise you, but you have to walk with open eyes or you may miss something. When I visit Melbourne, I like to “lose” myself in the mystique of those hidden spots.

-Izzy N., Travel Consultant, South Pacific



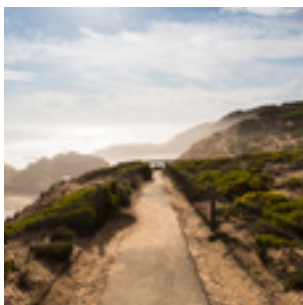
Melbourne

As Australia's second-largest city, Melbourne is considered Australia's capital of sports, fashion and arts. The city has an artistic charm that can be discovered by wandering the famous narrow, colorful laneways dotted with hole-in-the-wall coffee shops, contemporary art galleries and lively boutiques. This bustling city has something for everyone, whether you want to relax with a good book in the park or dance along to a live music performance.



Great Ocean Road

A trip along the Great Ocean Road offers a window into majestic coastal scenery. Stop and stare at the soaring Twelve Apostles or venture to the Tower Hill Wildlife Reserve to meet snuggly koalas and charming kangaroos. Seaside villages are the perfect lunch stop while driving down this 151-mile road along the southeastern coast.



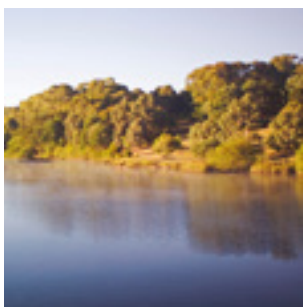
Mornington Peninsula

Mornington Peninsula is the perfect beachside escape. Lose yourself in Ashcombe Maze and Lavender Gardens, the world's oldest circular rose maze, or enjoy some rest and relaxation at the natural thermal springs. With a variety of activities—including scuba diving and surfing, golfing options, wine tasting and energetic markets—being bored is not an option on the Mornington Peninsula.



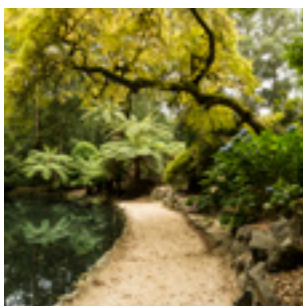
Phillip Island

Just a few hours from Melbourne, Phillip Island is home to over 5,000 fur seals and the Koala Conservation Centre, as well as the daily "Penguin Parade." Catch dinner straight from the ocean on a fishing trip in Newhaven, or watch the chefs shine at a seafood restaurant in San Remo. Be part of the action at the Australian Motorcycle Grand Prix with go-karting. You'll end the day at Cape Woolamai, where sunsets light up the surrounding pink granite cliffs.



Daylesford and Hepburn Springs

Retreat to Daylesford to awaken the mind, body and soul at one of the famous mineral spas or wellness resorts. The historic streets host brilliant restaurants where visitors can indulge in delectable cuisine and local wines made at the nearby vineyards. Closely located to Daylesford is the quaint artist village of Hepburn Springs.



Yarra Valley & Dandenong Ranges

Take off on an early-morning balloon flight, meet passionate food and wine producers and encounter a platypus at Healesville Sanctuary in the Yarra Valley. Wander the walking trails, meander the villages and discover the hidden delights of the Dandenong Ranges among its scenic winding roads, abundant artist studios, craft stores and renowned gardens.

Destination Dining in Victoria



From the renowned wineries of the Mornington Peninsula and Yarra Valley to Melbourne's pop-up restaurants and the Murray's scenic riverside eateries, eat and drink your way through Victoria.

Explore the city of Melbourne to find everything from Mexican cuisine, Spanish tapas and Chinatown delights to coffee dens, rooftop bars and modern Indian flare.



Grab some beers and a steak at an inner-city pub, indulge in an eight-course degustation menu or hit the road for a weekend of foodie exploration. Victoria has a variety of wineries to discover. Sample local produce and fine wines—straight from the producers. From cool climate varietals and rosés to full-bodied reds, Victoria is rich with vintage wineries producing a diverse range of wine.



Experiences



Twelve Apostles



Great Ocean Road

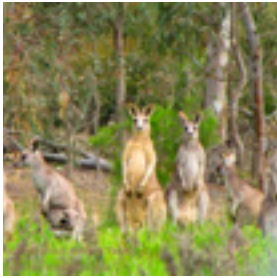
The Great Ocean Road is a 151-mile stretch of road hugging Victoria's coastline. Enjoy scenic views along the winding terrain, stopping at several prominent landmarks along the way, including the Twelve Apostles and Loch Ard Gorge.

Small Group from \$\$\$



Melbourne After Dark

Witness the panoramic views at Eureka Skydeck 88. Enjoy the atmosphere at one of Melbourne's hottest dining spots, or grab a sidewalk table in Little Italy. Cocktails, soft jazz and dazzling views await. Private Tour from \$\$\$\$



Koalas & Kangaroos, in the Wild

This naturalist-guided eco-tour gives you quality time to learn about wildlife and enjoy the area's wide open spaces. Learn about koala research and see the natural behavior of wild kangaroos, koalas and a variety of bird life.

Small Group from \$\$



Sports Lovers' Tour

Visit exclusive areas, smell the liniment in the changing rooms and walk on hallowed turf. Head to the home of the Melbourne Cup, drive on the Grand Prix circuit and visit the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

Small Group from \$\$



Lanes & Arcades Walking Tour

Discover local designers and specialty retailers on a three-hour guided walk through Melbourne's beautiful lanes and arcades. A little history and attention to architecture inspire locals and visitors alike.

Small Group from \$\$



Yarra Valley Wineries

Renowned for quality wines, the Yarra Valley is a great place to escape the city. Visit several wineries for tastings and enjoy lunch overlooking the vineyards. Finish the day at Domaine Chandon with a glass of bubbly.

Small Group from \$\$\$



Little Penguin Tour

See the little penguins emerge from the sea and waddle to their sand dune burrows. Head to a separate boardwalk for "Penguins Plus," away from the main stands, for up-close views and ranger commentary.

Small Group from \$\$\$

Wade with the Platypus

It's not every day you get to see a platypus close up! At Healesville Sanctuary, get up close to these incredibly playful and affectionate animals and learn more about this unique Australian mammal.

Unique Escapes

Victoria



Jackalope



Chateau Yering

Location: Yarra Valley

In the heart of the Yarra Valley lies the iconic Chateau Yering. This World Heritage-listed Victorian mansion bordering the Yarra River is set amidst historic gardens and dates from 1854. The 32-suite hotel is a gracious five-star property with period fittings throughout, offering luxury accommodations, service and dining.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Lake House

Location: Daylesford

The iconic Lake House is one of Australia's most awarded retreats set among six acres of gardens on Lake Daylesford. As a Luxury Lodge of Australia, it features one of Australia's best restaurants, cooking school, Salus Day Spa, an infinity pool, tennis court and a 13,000-bottle cellar.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Jackalope

Location: Mornington Peninsula

The new standard in Australian accommodation, Jackalope promises an experience to remember. Set on a pristine vineyard amid the Mornington Peninsula wine region—one hour from Melbourne—highlights include 45 designer dens, immersive experiences and a 30-meter infinity pool overlooking the vines.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Woodman Estate

Location: Mornington Peninsula

Woodman Estate is a stunning landmark on the Mornington Peninsula, with a reputation for excellence in terms of luxury accommodations, dining and indulgent spa treatments. The warm, welcoming style makes it ideal for a romantic getaway, a casual catch-up with friends and family or to celebrate a special occasion.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night

TASMANIA





2019 Highlights

Bay of Fires Walk

Walk along the vivid orange cliffs lining the Tasman Sea. Spot wildlife as you discover this hidden gem.



Wineglass Bay

Wineglass Bay has become an icon of Tasmania, attracting tourists to witness the natural beauty.



Salamanca Market

This outdoor market is open to the public every Saturday, offering a wide range of products.



MONA

The Museum of Old and New Art is a unique experience that will broaden any art lover's point of view.



*Map is not to scale

Common Travel Times

Hobart to

- Launceston 2.5 hours
- Port Arthur 1.5 hours
- Cradle Mountain 4 hours
- Freycinet Peninsula (Saffire) 2.5 hours

Launceston to

- Cradle Mountain 2 hours
- Freycinet Peninsula (Saffire) 2.5 hours

Cradle Mountain to

- Freycinet Peninsula (Saffire) 3.75 hours

Welcome to Tasmania

With an atmosphere all its own, Tasmania is one of the world's most mountainous islands. While its peaks do not tower to great heights, they are unique in their serrated profile. In the city of Hobart, colorful markets, as well as charming colonial cottages that line narrow streets, are set against the dramatic backdrop of Mount Wellington.

Not to be missed is the historic penal colony of Port Arthur, featuring grand architecture amongst its convict-built walls. Here, you will also find enchanting gardens and a chilling history to explore.

Average Monthly Weather

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Low	54	55	53	49	45	41	40	42	44	47	50	52
High	71	71	68	64	59	54	53	56	59	63	65	68
Rain (in.)	1.6	1.5	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.5	2.4	2.4	2	2.3	2.1	2.1

● Popular Travel Periods. Weather based on Hobart.



Currency:
Australian Dollar (AUD)



Time Zone:
UTC +10:00



Main Arrival Airport:
Hobart (HBA)



Flight Time from Los Angeles:
N/A



Goats Beach



Handmark Gallery



Staff Tip

When in Hobart, be sure to visit the Handmark Gallery, located in the historic Georgian warehouses in Salamanca Place. The gallery represents Tasmanian artists whose work is also shown in national and international galleries, and it showcases paintings, sculpture, glass, ceramics, works on paper, textiles and jewelry. Be sure not to miss this treasure trove!

-Anne P., Virtuoso Relationship Manager



Hobart

Settled in the foothills of Mt. Wellington, Hobart is a great destination from which to explore the Tasmanian landscape. Hobart is the picturesque capital city of Tasmania, where visitors can stroll down Elizabeth Street or visit the world-famous Salamanca Market. The River Derwent curves its way through the city, opening up to the waterfront buzzing with locals and travelers enjoying the al fresco lifestyle.



Port Arthur

Port Arthur features grand architecture in its convict-built walls. Site entry tickets are valid for two days, giving plenty of time to discover more than 30 historical sites like the Point Puer Boys' Prison and the Isle of the Dead. Port Arthur also has natural wonders to explore. Tasman National Park has sights like Devils Kitchen, the Tasman Arch and the Lookout—rare beauties that epitomize Tasmanian topography.



Freycinet Peninsula

Featuring spectacular pink granite cliffs and the breathtaking Wineglass Bay, Freycinet National Park is a one-of-a-kind Tasmanian adventure. The trek to the Wineglass Bay Lookout offers one of Tasmania's most photographic views. This area of earthly phenomena also has many black-swan-filled lagoons and crystal-clear secluded bays to discover. There is definitely no shortage of adventure when exploring Freycinet Peninsula.



Cradle Mountain

Located in the geologically diverse Lake St. Clair National Park, Cradle Mountain is a must-visit destination for hikers to discover deep gorges, wild moorlands and lakes carved out by glaciers some 20,000 years ago. The mountain is a World Heritage-listed site due to its grand stature and the ranging ecosystems that surround it. Towering over the rich vegetation below, Cradle Mountain represents the sense of adventure that captivates Tasmania and all those who visit this effervescent and lively island.



Strahan

Sitting on the shores of the Macquarie Harbour on the edge of Franklin-Gordon Wild Rivers National Park, Strahan is a destination of choice for exploration. It also has an intriguingly eerie history, as this town used to be home to the notorious convict prison on Sarah Island. These days, tourists can walk among the locals on streets lined with artisanal shops and restaurants. Spending a day at Strahan's beaches is also an option for those who want to relax and soak up the sun.

Oysters in Tasmania



Nowhere in the world can you find oysters as fresh and flavor-filled as in Tasmania. Mere hours separate the time from harvesting until the oysters are ready to eat. Many oyster farms line the coast of Tasmania, so no matter where you go, you are guaranteed a fresh meal.



For a truly unforgettable experience, visit Saffire on the Freycinet Peninsula. Guests are offered a tour of the Freycinet Marine Farm and are given the opportunity to taste oysters as they are being harvested.



Experiences



Wukalina Walk Kangaroos

HOBART



Southwest Wilderness Experience

Fly above the rugged coast that borders the Great Southern Ocean for spectacular bird's eye views of the untouched wilderness frontier below. Land at Melaleuca to board a vessel and cruise the pristine waterways of Bathurst Harbour. Small Group from \$\$\$\$



Bruny Island Touring

Embark on an eco-adventure cruise at Bruny Island, taking you through some of Tasmania's unspoiled coastline. Bruny Island boasts natural cliff formations and an array of sea and coastal wildlife. Small Group from \$\$



Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary

Join a guided tour with an experienced wildlife keeper to meet wombats, Tasmanian devils and koalas. Watch them being fed, take close-up photos and learn how they came to live in the park. Private Tour from \$\$\$\$



Port Arthur Tour

Visit Australia's foremost historical site, Port Arthur. In the 19th century, Port Arthur was the British Empire's penal settlement. Take a guided walk through the site to learn its fascinating history. Small Group from \$\$\$



Russell Falls

Travel the Derwent Valley to Mount Field National Park, home to the double cascade of Russell Falls, the most photographed waterfall in Tasmania. Head on to Lake Dobson and Pandani Grove rainforest walk. Small Group from \$\$\$



STRAHAN

Gordon River Cruise

See Hell's Gate, opening to the Southern Ocean and Tasmania's renowned salmon farms. Visit notorious Sarah Island, the feared penal colony. Walk among the ruins as your guide brings the past to life. Small Group from \$

LAUNCESTON



Cradle Mountain National Park

Travel into the Tasmanian forest and experience the solitary wilderness of waterfalls, glacial lakes, rainforest, wildlife and beauty of this World Heritage-listed national park. Coach Tour from \$\$

Did You Know?

Most popularized by the Warner Bros. cartoons, the Tasmanian Devil is more than just a big-screen character. These nocturnal scavengers are native to Tasmania; the only place in the world where they are found in the wild.

Unique Escapes

Tasmania



Freycinet Lodge



Freycinet Lodge

Location: Freycinet National Park

Freycinet Lodge is an environmentally sensitive development located inside Freycinet National Park. Well-appointed cabins nestle themselves in a secluded bush setting. The lodge lies within a natural playground with many things to see and do, including bushwalking, rock climbing, sailing, fishing, diving and playing golf.

\$\$\$ per room, per night

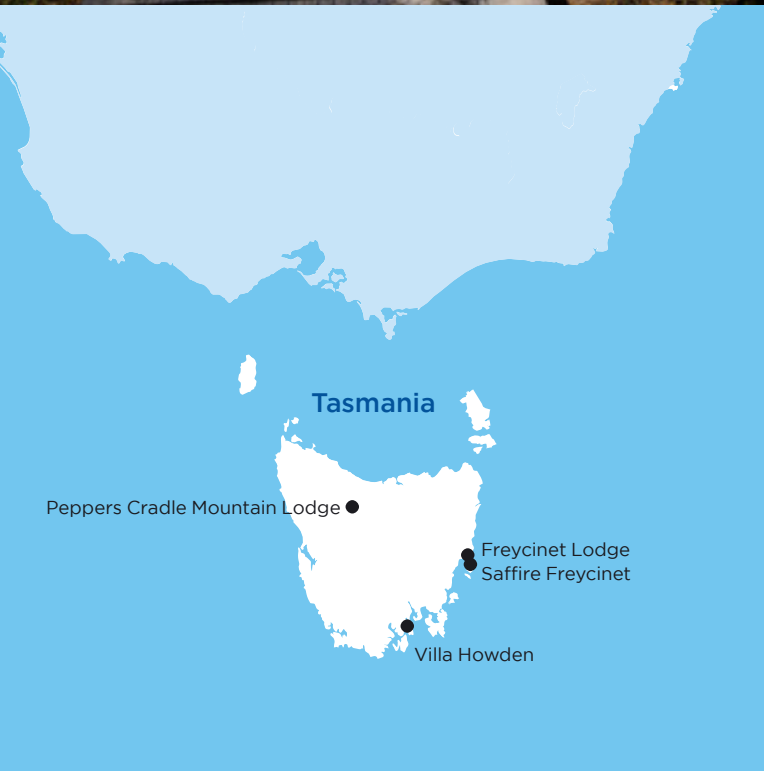


Peppers Cradle Mountain Lodge

Location: Cradle Mountain National Park

Peppers Cradle Mountain Lodge is a unique wilderness experience. Set right on the edge of the spectacular World Heritage-listed Cradle Mountain in Lake St. Clair National Park, the lodge is just a two-hour drive from Launceston and a one-and-a-half-hour drive from Devonport.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Peppers Cradle Mountain Lodge ●

Freycinet Lodge
Saffire Freycinet

Villa Howden



LUXURY
LODGES
OF AUSTRALIA

Saffire Freycinet

Location: Freycinet Peninsula

Saffire Freycinet is a luxury coastal sanctuary on Tasmania's east coast, delivering sophisticated and intimate style and an inspirational experience. Discreetly positioned overlooking the Hazards Mountains, Freycinet Peninsula and the pristine waters of Great Oyster Bay, Saffire blends mankind and nature with breathtaking beauty.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Villa Howden

Location: Northwest Bay

One of Tasmania's finest luxury boutique hotels, Villa Howden is located just 15 minutes south of Hobart. It is a tranquil hideaway with beautifully presented suites, manicured gardens and stunning views over the North West Bay. Villa Howden offers guests true Tasmanian hospitality and unique local experiences.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night

Tasmanian Devil Rehabilitation

A Tasmanian icon, the Tasmanian Devil has been classified as endangered in recent years. Many Australians have taken responsibility to fight for the conservation and rehabilitation of the beloved animal. The Save the Tasmanian Devil Program began in response to recent health threats on the population.



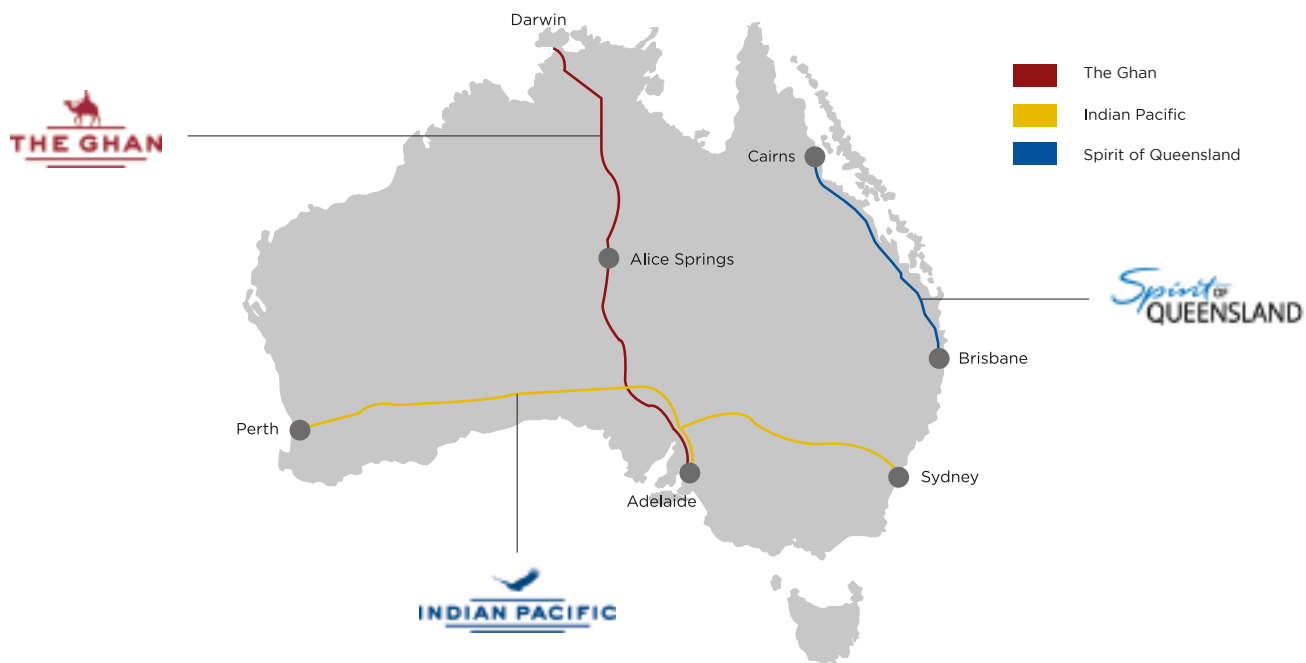
Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary is one of the many organizations working to save Tasmanian Devils. Bonorong is also home to many species of Australian wildlife. Join a daily guided tour to get up close with some of the sanctuary's most popular inhabitants.





Australia's Rail Journeys

The Ghan





The Ghan

Traveling between Adelaide, Alice Springs and Darwin, The Ghan is truly one of the most spectacular train journeys of the world and an incomparable way to travel between some of Australia's most iconic destinations. Once the route of Afghan cameleers for whom it was named, The Ghan will take you from one edge of this continent to the other, through the very heart of Australia in three magical days.

Off-Train Experiences include the natural beauty of Nitmiluk Gorge (Katherine Gorge) and the outback town of Alice Springs. Back on the train, relax in the comfort and solitude of your private cabin, lose yourself in conversation with newfound traveling companions or simply gaze out of the window taking inspiration from the ever-changing landscape. The Ghan offers two classes of service to suit each individual taste and budget: ranging from Gold Service with private en suite facilities to premium Platinum Service with its spacious private cabins and on-call cabin service. These fares include restaurant-quality meals, beverages and Off-Train Experiences.

Gold Service from \$\$\$



Indian Pacific

Traversing the Australian continent between two great oceans for which it was named, the mighty Indian Pacific journey covers 2,704 miles between Perth, Adelaide and Sydney in four days, and is symbolized by the magnificent Wedge-Tailed Eagle that often soars about it. Whether your destination on the Indian Pacific is west to Perth or east to Sydney, you will enjoy many opportunities to disembark the train and take in some of the true highlights of Australia. Travelers who prefer a shorter journey have the option to select individual segments between Sydney, Adelaide and Perth.

Off-Train Experiences include the majestic Blue Mountains, the legendary outback town of Broken Hill, dining under the stars in Rawlinna or visiting the mining town of Kalgoorlie. The Indian Pacific offers two classes of service to suit each individual taste and budget: ranging from Gold Service with private en suite facilities to the premium Platinum Service with its spacious private cabins and on-call cabin service. These fares include restaurant-quality meals, beverages and Off-Train Experiences.

Gold Service from \$\$\$



The Spirit of Queensland

The superb Spirit of Queensland journey, which snakes its way along Queensland's coastline from Brisbane to Cairns, offers options to suit every traveler, from the budget-conscious through to the most discerning traveler. Beautiful Queensland, with its spectacular landscapes and wonderfully diverse destinations, rides high on the worldwide wish list of places to visit. Discovering it by train is the most enjoyable way of experiencing the landscape, absorbing and appreciating every nuance along the way.

Contemporary, comfortable and designed for relaxation, the newest addition of the Queensland Rail fleet offers new features that will redefine the modern rail travel experience, traversing the state's coastline from Cairns to Brisbane and all regions in between. Passengers can choose from two classes of service: either a Premium Economy Seat or a Rail Bed. Premium Economy seats feature a state-of-the-art personal entertainment system, as does the Rail Bed. In addition, the Rail Bed features bed linens, advanced personal amenities and meals served directly to your seat.

Premium Economy from \$\$\$ per person



Self Drive Through Australia & New Zealand

Great Southern Touring Route

Budget offers a wide selection of categories: all the latest-model cars and vans, four-wheel drives and sports vehicles. The fleet is constantly being updated, averaging less than six months of age, and it is maintained to the highest standards to ensure driving comfort and safety. Budget has the most extensive network of vehicle depots in both Australia and New Zealand, along with the ability to combine rentals to lower daily rates.



Recommended Routes in Australia



Sydney-to-Melbourne Coastal Drive

The dramatic coast between Sydney and Melbourne is one of Australia's best-kept secrets. Enjoy the natural beauty of the region and taste the local cool-climate wines, freshest seafood and fine local produce from farmers markets and restaurants. Then learn of the rich Aboriginal cultural traditions of the area.



The Great Ocean Road

This famous scenic road winds along the western coast of Victoria and offers stunning ocean views, beachside activities, laid-back coastal towns and maritime villages. From Torquay to Nelson, almost 186 miles to the west, the road snakes past cliffs, scenic lookouts, waterfalls, rainforests and sunken ships.



Tasmanian Treasures

Tasmania is a natural island, a land of dramatic coastlines, rugged mountains, tall forests and sparkling highland lakes. Filled with national parks and the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area, it is a refuge and habitat for rare plants and animals. With all there is to see and do in Tasmania, a self-drive trip is ideal.

Recommended Routes in New Zealand



Great New Zealand Touring Route

This touring route is comprised of two themed highways: the Pacific Coast Highway through the Coromandel to the Bay of Plenty and Hawke's Bay regions, and the Thermal Explorer Highway with its volcanic loop extension. Both routes offer amazing highlights in one compact area to ensure a varied and fascinating trip.



Classic New Zealand Wine Trail

Passing through an area that produces 70% of New Zealand's annual wine, this trail travels 320 miles through the regions of Hawke's Bay, Tararua, Wairarapa and Wellington in the North Island. The trail goes on to Marlborough in the South Island. Knowledgeable cellar door staff is complemented by seasonal food, farmers markets and food trails.



West Coast Wander

The West Coast stretches 375 miles north to south, with two accessible glaciers as a highlight. With towering mountains, clear and clean rivers and lakes, temperate forests, diverse wetlands, wild beaches and captivating caves, the West Coast is a wonderland of natural opportunities just waiting to be explored.

NORTH ISLAND





Common Travel Times

Auckland to

Coromandel Peninsula		2.5 hours
Rotorua		3 hours
Bay of Islands		3 hours

Rotorua to

Napier		2.75 hours
Wellington		5.75 hours

*Map is not to scale

2019 Highlights

Māori Cultural Immersion

Immerse yourself in the culture and history of the Māori, New Zealand's indigenous people.



Sailing Bay of Islands

One of the world's best sailing destinations, the Bay of Islands is a delight for those who love the sea.



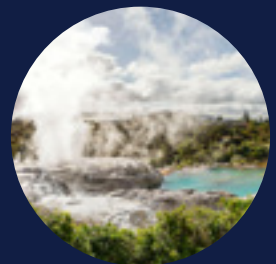
White Island

Experience the humbling effects of standing on the end of a live volcano on White Island.



Rotorua Thermal Hot Springs

The natural hot pools found at the edge of Lake Rotorua are praised for their healing powers.



Welcome to North Island

The North Island of New Zealand serves as the gateway to this picturesque country. From the magnificent Waitemata Harbour that surrounds Auckland, to the charming harborside towns sprinkled throughout the waters of the Bay of Islands and Bay of Plenty, the landscape of the North Island ranges from lush rainforests to charming coastal hamlets.

Here lies a rich heritage of the local Māori people, which can be felt throughout the region. There is a variety of wildlife waiting to be spotted, including the rare kiwi, as well as white heron, seal and penguin colonies. For wine enthusiasts, the North Island has no shortage of award-winning wineries.

Average Monthly Weather

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Low	61	62	59	55	52	48	46	47	50	53	55	59
High	74	75	72	69	63	59	58	59	61	64	67	71
Rain (in.)	3.1	3.1	3.9	4	4.4	5.4	5.6	5.2	4.1	3.5	3.6	3.6

● Popular Travel Periods. Weather based on Auckland.



Currency:
New Zealand Dollar (NZD)



Time Zone:
UTC +13:00



Main Arrival Airport:
Auckland (AKL)



Flight Time from Los Angeles:
13 hours



Rotorua



Coromandel Peninsula

✓ *Staff Tip*

Sometimes quickly bypassed by visitors, the Coromandel Peninsula has a lot to offer. Amazingly beautiful scenery, great walks and hikes, caves—you name it! It is located on the northern part of the North Island and temperatures are mild midwinter.

-Sarah D., Vice President of Product



Auckland

Auckland is a unique city that redefines urban living. The mix of contemporary and Polynesian culture creates an atmosphere that has contributed to the music, art and cuisine of Auckland. Explorers can journey through the expansive rainforest of pohutukawa trees or stroll along the black sand beaches that line the coast. In Auckland, every day is a new adventure.



Bay of Islands

As the name suggests, the Bay of Islands is a collection of 144 islands where the best way to explore is, of course, on the water. Cruises, chartered yachts and sea-kayak tours depart daily to shuffle guests to the islands to observe native wildlife. Small Kiwi towns, like Paihia and Russell, call these islands home and are lovely seaside pit stops to enjoy the subtropical climate.



Rotorua

Rototura is dotted with rainforest, geysers, lakes, hot springs, mud pools and more, and immersing yourself in all of nature's glory here is unavoidable. Spend the day at a wellness spa or wind your way through the rainforest on a mountain bike. Another defining characteristic of Rotorua is the Māori culture. A welcoming visit to the Mitai Māori Village will teach visitors about their indigenous traditions and lifestyle.



Wellington

Those seeking a more cosmopolitan flavor will appreciate the eclectic harborside of New Zealand's capital city, Wellington. Spectacular views of the harbor and city wait atop Makara Peak, where explorers can hike to the viewing platforms. After working up an appetite from a scenic stroll, eat at one the many gourmet restaurants and cafés.



Napier

A city lost in history, Napier is an architecturally stunning destination. Due to a massive earthquake in the 1930s, Napier needed to rebuild much of the city. The Art Deco style used on the buildings has been appreciated and maintained throughout the years, characterizing the time when it was rebuilt and symbolizing the resilience of the locals.



Coromandel Peninsula

Home to unique art and adventure, this area will leave you awestruck. Discover the remarkable natural archway of Cathedral Cove, a protected marine reserve that is perfect for kayaking or a tranquil swim. Relax in a spa made by your own two hands on Hot Water Beach where the naturally heated mineral water emerges to create a custom beach oasis.



Taupo

The small town of Taupo contrasts with the local landscape as it sits on the banks of Australasia's largest lake. Visit the famous geothermal parks heated by the dormant volcano that lies below the surface. A short drive from the city to the mountains, skiing and snowboarding from Mount Ruapehu will get the adrenaline flowing and provide unobstructed views of beautiful Lake Taupo below.

Fellowship

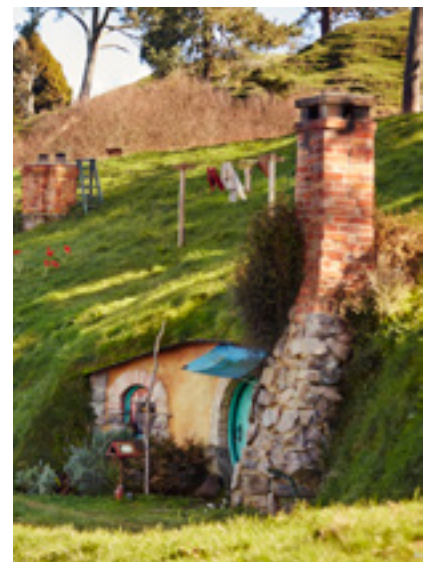
Traveler



Travel to Hobbiton and immerse yourself in the world of *Lord of the Rings*. Step into the majestic landscapes as you begin your own Middle-Earth adventure.



Walk through the hobbit holes and visit your favorite sets from the movies. With a guided tour, you can listen to tales of how Hobbiton came to be.



Experiences



Auckland

AUCKLAND



Auckland Māori Luxury Tour

Experience Auckland and its fascinating Māori culture through the eyes of an indigenous guide. Tour Auckland's well-known cityscapes with its numerous volcanoes, historic Devonport and the amazing West Coast with its subtropical rainforest and black sand beaches. Small Group from \$\$\$



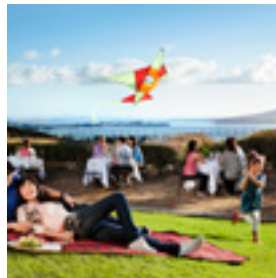
Coast and Rainforest Walk

Enjoy panoramic views from the sweeping decks at Arataki Visitor Centre and admire the Māori carvings standing guard. Walk with a guide through a region of Auckland's coastal rainforest. Small Group from \$\$\$



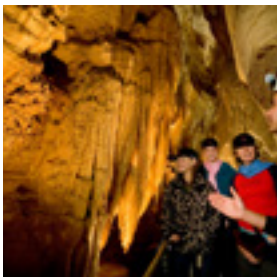
Auckland Harbour Sailing

Experience the thrill and adventure of sailing. Sit back or take the wheel and help the crew trim the sails. The more the wind blows, the greater the fun. Sailing experiences and dinner cruises are available, as well as private charters. Small Group from \$



Waiheke Island Explorer

Take the scenic 40-minute ferry trip through the Hauraki Gulf to Waiheke Island. Enjoy a guided tour highlighting the scenery, culture and history that make up the diverse island. Then, discover the island by bus. Small Group from \$



Auckland to Rotorua (via Waitomo)

En route from Auckland to Rotorua, enjoy a boat ride through the Waitomo Glowworm Caves, a subterranean cavern lit up by thousands of tiny glowworms. Coach Tour from \$\$\$



West Auckland Wine Tour

Enjoy a day of fantastic wine, food and stunning coastal scenery. Visit a handful of selected wineries from the historic Kumeu wine region. Take in the rolling green farmland and native bush scenery. Small Group from \$\$\$

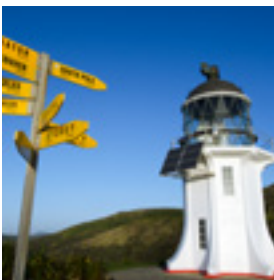


BAY OF ISLANDS



Cape Brett Hole in Rock Cruise

Journey through game-fishing waters to the Cape Brett Lighthouse. Cruise to Motukokako Island and the famous Hole in the Rock. Take in the Grand Cathedral Cave before heading back into the waters of the bay. Cape Brett Cruise from \$



Cape Reinga Tour

Journey to the top of the North Island to Cape Reinga. Highlights of the tour include a drive along the mighty Ninety Mile Beach and a careful navigation of the Te Pahi Quicksand Stream. Coach Tour from \$\$



Swim with the Dolphins

Snorkel with majestic and inquisitive dolphins within the waters of the bay. Delight in watching as they interact with on-board staff, who have years of experience finding dolphins and an in-depth knowledge of their behavior. Cruise from \$\$

WHY WE LOVE

Tongariro Alpine Crossing

The Tongariro Alpine Crossing is one of New Zealand's most spectacular hiking tracks. The Tongariro National Park is a World Heritage site, acknowledged for both its natural and cultural significance. The crossing passes over the volcanic terrain of the multicratered active volcano Mt Tongariro, passing the eastern base of Mt Ngauruhoe. The 12-mile walk is renowned for its barren yet beautiful "moon-like" volcanic landscape, unusual geological features, visible volcanic activity and views of the surrounding countryside below.



Experiences



Lake Tarawera, Rotorua

ROTORUA



Eco-Thermal Tour

Visit Rotorua's natural and geothermal parks. Learn about the huge colorful hot springs, erupting geysers and active boiling mud pools, spectacular volcanoes and a lush native forest on a fully guided tour.

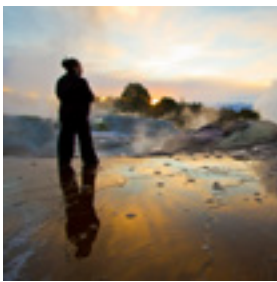
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White Island Volcano Landing

Words cannot express the experience of walking on the active crater floor of this unique lunar landscape. Lively volcanic vents, bubbling hot streams and desolate mining ruins combine to create a surreal experience.

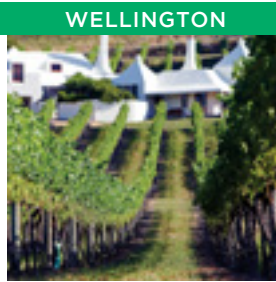
Small Group from \$\$\$\$



Hangi Dinner & Concert

Discover Māori art forms, ancient rituals and traditions with an evening at a traditional Māori village. Experience thrilling songs and dances and then share in a three-course meal with your Māori hosts.

Coach Tour from \$



WELLINGTON

Martinborough Wine Tour

In the heart of the Wairarapa wine region are Martinborough's boutique wineries. This guided tour includes tastings at award-winning boutique wineries, an opportunity to talk with local winemakers and a visit to an olive processing estate.

Small Group from \$\$\$



Hobbiton Movie Set and Farm Tour

Visit the Hobbiton movie set from *The Lord of the Rings* and *Hobbit* film trilogies. Follow the journey as you immerse yourself into scenes from the movies.

Small Group from \$



Middle Earth Film Locations

This day tour reveals key locations from *The Lord of the Rings* films. See Rivendell, where Frodo recovered from his knife attack, the Gardens of Isengard, the Anduin River where the Fellowship voyaged to Amon Hen and many more.

Small Group from \$\$



Walking Gourmet Tour

Take a relaxed walking tour around Wellington's top food stops. Tour content varies seasonally, and the guide may also introduce other aspects of the capital, ranging from iconic city architecture to great places to shop and eat. Small Group from \$\$\$



Gannet Safari

Travel from Napier to Te Awanga to experience the world's largest, most accessible gannet colony. Get within a few feet of these remarkable birds while taking in the scenery from your position at the brink of the cliff's edge. Small Group from \$\$



Wellington City Highlights

From its dramatic, unearthly south coast to its bizarre central Beehive, the contrasts and quiriness of Wellington's wonders are unequalled anywhere on Earth. Designed for visitors with limited time in Wellington, this day tour features the city highlights. Small Group from \$\$



Māori Culture Tour

Guided by a Māori personality, spend time with the Ngati Kahungunu people, talk about their culture and hear their stories, myths and legends. Visit a Marae, experience a Pōwhiri (Māori welcome) and engage in storytelling. Small Group from \$\$\$

NAPIER



A Twilight Odyssey

Take a scenic drive through the vineyards as you learn about the region and its wines. Enjoy an interactive wine tasting alongside gourmet platters. Take in the views from Te Mata Peak while enjoying a glass of champagne at sunset. Small Group from \$\$\$

COROMANDEL



Three-Day Kiwi Dundee Package (Coromandel Tour) Auckland | The Coromandel Peninsula Bay of Plenty | Rotorua

Enjoy spectacular scenery, history and culture. Sit back and drive to some off-the-beaten-track places and take walks into the rainforest. Small Group from \$\$\$\$\$

Unique Escapes

North Island



The Farm at Cape Kidnappers



The Farm at Cape Kidnappers

Location: Hawke's Bay

A 6,000-acre working farm in Hawke's Bay, this cluster of luxury lodge buildings and suites at Cape Kidnappers boasts a main lodge featuring many warm and welcoming common areas to relax. Enjoy gourmet cuisine and indulge in the many activities available, including golf, farm tours, hiking, 4WD tours, wine tours, mountain biking, trout fishing, Māori heritage tours and gannet colony visits.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Greenhill Lodge

Location: Napier

Greenhill Lodge is an intimate historic homestead, ideally situated in the heart of New Zealand's food and wine country. Located on a hilltop with mature trees overlooking lush farmland, Greenhill offers a personalized luxury lodge experience in Hawke's Bay.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night





Greenmantle Estate

Location: Wellington

This spacious two-story lodge is set amid lush gardens that have been lovingly tended for generations. Greenmantle Estate is beautifully appointed throughout and will envelop you in luxury. Suites spill over onto balconies and terraces for an intimate feel. It is a wonderful destination for those seeking the ultimate in privacy and relaxation.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Huka Lodge

Location: Taupo

Huka Lodge is considered to be the iconic New Zealand retreat. With just 25 rooms, the lodge offers an exclusive hospitality experience. The secluded Owner's Cottage sits on an elevated promontory above the spectacular Waikato River. Cuisine defines the nature of the Huka Lodge experience, with over 20 private dining venues.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Helena Bay

Location: Helena Bay

This luxury resort in one of New Zealand's most beautiful areas encapsulates the nearby natural wonders while offering exceptional service. The architecture reflects the timelessness of the region, with inspiration coming from the Treaty House in Waitangi, Pompallier Mission House in Russell, Te Waimate Mission House in Kaikohe and the Stone Store in Kerikeri.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Kauri Cliffs

Location: Bay of Islands

Resting on a pristine coastline, Kauri Cliffs affords spectacular 180-degree views of the Pacific Ocean. Nestled on the edge of a native forest, only 22 suites make up the lodge, each featuring its own private porch, comfortable bedroom with sitting area and open fireplace. Adding more beauty to the dramatic backdrop are the inspiring Cavalli Islands and Cape Brett.

\$\$\$\$\$ per person, per night



Solitaire Lodge

Location: Rotorua

Solitaire Lodge offers secluded luxury accommodations and attentive hosting from a spectacular lakeside location. If you're feeling adventurous, embark on a scenic helicopter flight over surrounding volcanic landscape, hike to 200-foot waterfalls or explore tranquil waters in a kayak or motorized dinghy.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Treetops Lodge & Estate

Location: Rotorua

Treetops Lodge, with its elegant architectural style derived from the country's pioneering past, echoes the beauty and simplicity of New Zealand. The villas at Treetops are secluded havens featuring lavish lounges with fireplaces. Using the finest game and locally grown produce, the lodge offers a superb menu and an unbeatable range of activities to suit everyone's tastes.

\$\$\$\$\$ per person, per night



The Springs

Location: Rotorua

Set in a simple yet elegant garden of white Iceberg roses and sasanqua camellias, The Springs evokes a sense of restful contentment. With a central Rotorua location, guests have access to all the wonders Rotorua has to offer, including golf, forest walks, geothermal activity, Māori culture and fishing.

\$\$\$ per room, per night



Wharekauhau Country Estate

Location: Featherston

Wharekauhau is a 13-cottage luxury lodge situated on a 5,500-acre working coastal sheep station. The sweeping Pacific Ocean and mountain views make the perfect dramatic and inspirational backdrop for the property. Guests can partake in a range of outdoor pursuits, wine experiences or spa treatments.

\$\$\$\$\$ per person, per night



With most of New Zealand's Māori population living on the North Island, this is the perfect place to enjoy a cultural immersion. The Māori make up 25% of Auckland's population, and there are many activities to participate in to understand their culture and beliefs. Representations of the culture can still be seen today. Haka, the Māori war dance, is performed by the country's rugby team, the All Blacks, and the strong connection to the land resonates with Kiwis and Māori alike—all proud of the land they call home. Let us take you on a brief journey to understand some of the traditional Māori culture before your New Zealand adventure.

Learn Some Māori

"Kia Ora"

In New Zealand, the Māori language experienced a revival. Try to learn some Māori language phrases:

Hello	Kia ora
Hello everyone	Kia ora tatou
Welcome	Haere mai
How's it going?	Kei te pehea koe?
Really good	Tino pai
Farewell	Haere ra



Hongi

Hongi is a traditional Māori greeting where the foreheads and noses are pressed together. Receiving hongi means you are considered family.



Marae

The marae, or "meeting ground," is the focal point of Māori communities. It is a place to celebrate special occasions, welcome visitors and bid farewell to the dead.



Pōwhiri

The Pōwhiri, or welcome ceremonies, provide a special opportunity for visitors to experience Māori traditions in action.



Haka

The haka is a traditional war dance, cry or challenge of the Māori people. The dance is performed by a group, and it features vigorous movements with rhythmic stomping of the feet.



Kaitiakitanga

Kaitiakitanga is the strong sense of respect and guardianship for the natural environment. This can be felt through the respect both the Kiwis and the Māori have for their land.



Manaakitanga

Manaakitanga is the act of welcoming and looking after guests, offering hospitality, generosity and respect.



The Wonders of Rotorua

My husband Kyle and I visited New Zealand for the first time in December, fulfilling my long-held dream of seeing this beautiful country. Like many visitors before me, I was amazed by the diverse landscapes, crystal-clear waters and welcoming people. However, there's one particular place I fell in love with: Rotorua.

Rotorua is the spiritual heart of the North Island, home to a thriving Māori community, beautiful forests, lakes, rivers and, most famously, a unique geothermal environment. This is a must-visit destination for those seeking a glimpse of the Kiwi lifestyle, hospitality and culture.

The drive from Auckland to Rotorua takes three hours, though I highly recommend taking your time to enjoy the scenery along the way. Tune into a local radio station to listen to some delightfully quirky talk shows, and don't forget to stay on the left side of the road!

Exploration

In Rotorua, nature is never far away. Walk along the edge of Lake Rotorua, and you will find yourself in carefully preserved native woods that seamlessly coexist with the surrounding streets. In the summer, this green microcosm is fragrant with manuka flowers, though the lake itself smells vaguely of sulphur. Keep walking, and you will come across the sulphur springs themselves, bubbling from beneath the ground and emitting steam.



These alkaline and acidic waters, along with the mud, have been used by generations of the local Māori for a variety of medicinal purposes. If you don't mind the "aroma," consider visiting Kuirau Park mud pools or the Polynesian Spa.

A short drive away from city center, you will find the majestic Whakarewarewa Forest, or "The Redwoods." This mixed landscape of native ferns and North American redwoods is a perfect setting for hiking, horseback riding and mountain biking. Kyle and I are road cyclists who had never been on a mountain bike before, so we decided to find a nice beginner trail and give it a try. Having the lush forest scenery all around made me feel like I was riding in a more ancient time. The canopy provided enough shade to keep us cool. I would recommend these biking trails to anyone, from novice to expert.



Culture

No trip to Rotorua is complete without meeting the Māori people and learning about their heritage. We visited Ohinemutu Village, a living Māori community that has resided on the shores of Lake Rotorua for 800 years.

We met our guide on the Marae (meeting grounds) and set off together on a walking tour of the village. It was fascinating to see a living community where homes with modern conveniences coincide with traditional buildings. We learned the history of the tribe, including how they adapted the geothermal energy and biochemistry of the hot springs to heat their homes and treat all kinds of ailments.



With great enthusiasm, our guide answered questions on how the tribe handles matters of life and death, marriage and family, religion, local politics, civil rights and even appearances of Māori actors in Hollywood movies. I felt so privileged to have this knowledge shared with me. Next up was the Mitai Māori Village, a reconstructed traditional village with an outdoor theater for cultural performances. This is a large group tour, with a Hangi dinner and concert where charismatic hosts act out a traditional way of life.

In Rotorua, there's something for everyone, from cultural immersion to active adventures. So between landing in Auckland and pushing your physical limits in Queenstown, consider experiencing this geothermal, natural and unique wonder!

Our guides provided thorough instructions before we set off on the river. In no time at all, we were paddling along the river into the canyon. The fern-clad cliffs towering over us were alive with bird calls. The sun peeking through the thick canopy filled the canyon with green light. Where the river slowed down, we took time to marvel at the surroundings. When it picked up speed, we paddled according to the guides' commands. Our support team included a kayaker scout and a lifeguard raft, so tackling the rapids and the first two waterfalls felt perfectly safe—even for beginners.

Yet even with the expert guidance, I couldn't stop my heart from racing when we approached the mighty Tutea Falls. Were we going to flip over? Our guide didn't think so. The lifeguard raft that went ahead descended without screams. Somewhat reassured, we got down to the floor and braced ourselves, as our raft slowly approached the waterfall and tipped over the edge.



Immediately engulfed by the rushing water, we were in the most sensory-deprived free fall I've ever experienced! For a split second, my ears, nose and mouth were full of water; there was no light or sounds, only immense downward pressure. Then it was all over. We were at the base of the waterfall, safe and upright, with everyone managing to stay in their place. I would definitely do this again in a heartbeat!



Another fun experience is taking the Skyline Gondola to the top of Mount Ngongotaha for some walking trails with truly amazing views. You can even take your mountain bike into the cable car with you! In addition to hiking and biking, kids-at-heart can take a luge ride down the mountain.

Adventure

The next item on the agenda—whitewater rafting—was the most exhilarating experience during our stay in Rotorua. Although we had never done it before, our choice fell on the fast-moving Kaituna River with its Grade Five rapids and three waterfalls.



A Dream Trip by:
Tamara Demchenko
Creative Director

SOUTH ISLAND





*Map is not to scale

Common Travel Times

Christchurch to

- Dunedin 4.5 hours
- Franz Josef 5 hours
- Mt. Cook 4.25 hours
- Queenstown 1 hour

Franz Josef to

- Queenstown 4.75 hours

Queenstown to

- Dunedin 3.5 hours
- Mt. Cook 3.5 hours

Milford Sound Heli Tour
This experience connects you with nature as you soar above the waterfalls and majestic fiords.



Whale Watching in Kaikoura
Venture out to sea to encounter whales and other marine life during this unique activity.



TranzAlpine Train
Experience the pure beauty of the South Island through a relaxing yet exciting trip across the island.



Glacier Hikes
Experiencing the vast size and overwhelming beauty of a glacier is sure to humble you.



Welcome to South Island

The South Island of New Zealand is home to rugged scenery and active experiences. Scenic glacial fiords and dramatic alpine peaks provide a backdrop for enjoying a wide array of adventures, including trekking, skiing, jet-boating and bungee jumping. Natural wonders are abundant on the South Island, and popular nature-based activities include whale-watching, swimming with dolphins and trekking along alpine trails.

Those seeking a more relaxed escape will find no shortage of vibrant arts, history, culture, cuisine and therapeutic endeavors to enjoy. From dramatic scenery to world-class wine tasting, the South Island offers a range of enjoyment for all.

Average Monthly Weather

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Low	47	47	44	39	35	30	29	32	35	37	41	45
High	72	72	67	60	53	48	47	51	56	60	65	69
Rain (in.)	3	2	3.3	2.6	3.2	2.9	2.3	2.3	3	3.6	2.5	2.7

● Popular Travel Periods. Weather based on Queenstown.



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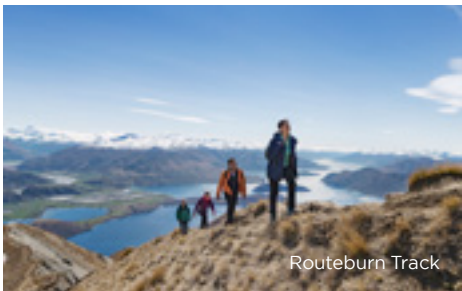
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Queenstown (ZQN)



Flight Time from Los Angeles:
N/A



Milford Sound



Routeburn Track



Staff Tip

For those staying in Queenstown that don't have the time for a Milford Track hike but want the experience, I highly recommend heading over to the quaint little village of Glenorchy, just west along Lake Wakatipu. From there, signs are well posted and you can do the gentle hike along the first leg of the Routeburn Track, up to the rest hut and back. You'll take in some of the most incredible scenery the Southern Alps of New Zealand have to offer and be back by dinner.
-Cory P., Signature Relationship Manager



Christchurch

Located in the Canterbury region of New Zealand's South Island is the creative and eccentric town of Christchurch. This award-winning city has a contagious Kiwi energy and tons of local attractions. Shop and dine at the Re:START Mall, innovatively made entirely from old shipping containers or trek through lush Orana Wildlife Park or visit 150-year-old Botanic Gardens.



Mount Cook

The South Island landscape reaches its peak at Mount Cook, the tallest mountain in New Zealand. This wonderland has year-round glaciers, snowcapped mountains and skiing. Boat tours travel across the turquoise waters to the Tasman Glacier, while bike paths leave from the village center for views of the stunning scenery.



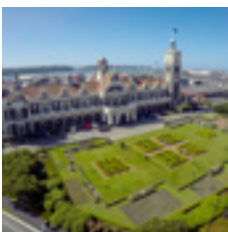
Franz Josef

Bundle up for a tour of the frosty blue Franz Josef Glacier. This unique eight-mile-long ice mass is almost 1,000 feet thick and receives up to 90 feet of snowfall each year. Grab an ice pick and warm jacket for a guided walking tour, or soar above on a heli-hike. After an afternoon of exploring this natural wonder, melt the cold away at one of the luxurious glacier hot pools.



Queenstown

Queenstown is the archetype for all things Kiwi. Its quirky personality and reputation for adventure draw in thrill seekers from around the world to the banks of the lightning-bolt-shaped Lake Wakatipu. Surrounded by towering mountains, Queenstown offers world-class skiing in the winter and hiking in the summer.



Dunedin

A city with a Scottish flair and heritage, Dunedin is a cultural experience waiting to be uncovered. The architecture has helped maintain the city's Victorian charm. Spot rare wildlife like penguin colonies and the Northern Royal Albatross. Dunedin also offers sweeping views while self-driving to the Otago Peninsula, where the best of the region's beaches and scenery are present.



Nelson

There is definitely no lack of sunshine in Nelson, the sunniest place in all of New Zealand. The beaches of Golden Bay are perfect for absorbing the hues of the lush rainforests and shimmering waters. Enjoy wine from local vineyards paired with the famous Nelson Bay scallops. Creativity mixes into Nelson's scenery with resident artists and galleries, some highlighting traditional Māori culture.



Blenheim

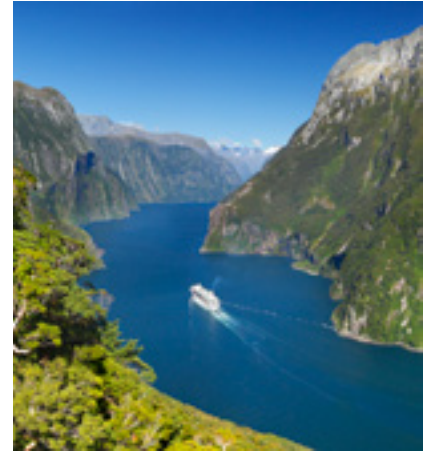
The sunny town of Blenheim is an ideal base for those who want to explore the local wine and food culture. Bike around the vineyards or catch a tour. Blenheim is situated in the heart of wine-growing Marlborough. It is one of the sunniest towns in New Zealand, with an estimated average of 2,438 hours of sunshine a year.



Marlborough

Marlborough has many diverse landscapes, from valleys of vines to the sheltered waterways of the Marlborough Sounds. This is New Zealand's largest winegrowing region, known for its world-famous Sauvignon Blanc, and the soils and enviable climate that create it. Also found in this region is fresh seafood sought by the world's finest chefs.

Fiordland National Park



A UNESCO World Heritage site, Fiordland National Park features the majestic Milford and Doubtful Sounds, which you can experience by boat, air or on foot.



Travel through the picturesque town of Te Anau to enter the park and be prepared for breathtaking sights and sounds. Impossibly tall fiords jut out of the water, leaving any visitor feeling humbled.



Experiences



Shotover River



CHRISTCHURCH

Akaroa Tour

Wander around the charming French harborside village of Akaroa, with its museum of settlers' history and arts and crafts shops. Take a harbor cruise to see the dolphins.
Small Group from \$\$\$\$



Arthur's Pass High Country

Ride the scenic TranzAlpine train through the spectacular Waimakariri Gorge to the Southern Alps and Arthur's Pass. Head into Arthur's Pass National Park for guided walks to experience forests, rivers and mountain vistas.
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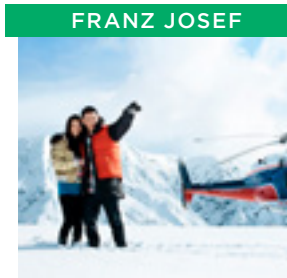
Christchurch City Garden Tour

See the Port Hills that overlook Christchurch. Take time to explore a private garden, which has been growing since 1865 and includes a variety of exotic plant life. Head back towards Christchurch city, stopping for a relaxing lunch en route.
Small Group from \$\$\$



Kaikoura Whale Watch

Travel through the rolling hills to Kaikoura, where mountains meet the sea. Take a whale watching cruise to look for the giant sperm whale the area is known for. A stop will be made at a vineyard for wine tasting.
Small Group from \$\$\$\$



FRANZ JOSEF

Heli Hike

Travel by helicopter to the Franz Josef Glacier with a guided walk among ice caves, pinnacles and seracs. Highlights of this excursion include the Franz Josef icefall and a glacier landing for majestic scenic views.
Small Group from \$\$\$



Glacier Valley Walk

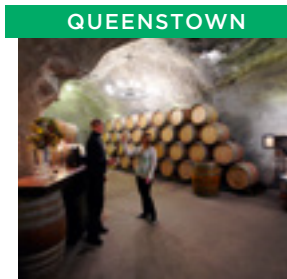
Experience Franz Josef's most dynamic side. The Glacier Valley Walk takes you alongside the mighty Waiho River bed and across a remarkable landscape as you follow the glacier's path of retreat.
Small Group from \$\$



FOX GLACIER

Twin Glacier Heli Flight

Fly over two of New Zealand's most famous glaciers, landing at the head of either the Franz Josef or Fox Glacier. During your flight, view the natural phenomenon of the glacier as it winds slowly down the carved valleys.
Small Group from \$\$\$



QUEENSTOWN

Boutique Wine Tour

A mix of stunning scenery, fascinating history and visits to a selection of wineries are the rewards of this great day. Visit four vineyards and enjoy light fare before taking a scenic drive to Kawarau Gorge.
Small Group from \$\$



Dart River Wilderness Safari

Enjoy an exhilarating jet boat ride, a guided forest walk and a back-country ride in a 4WD safari vehicle. Specialist guides bring the variety of landscapes, flora and fauna from the area to life. Small Group from \$\$



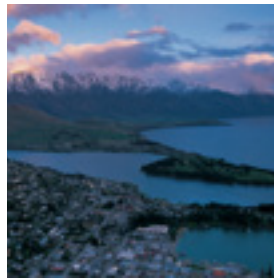
Lakeshore, Forest & Bird Walk

Encounter an array of edible and medicinal plants used by Māori and European settlers on this fun half-day guided walk. As you journey along the track, observe and hear a variety of native and energetic birds. Small Group from \$



Doubtful Sound Wilderness Cruise

Cruise along Doubtful Sound, a wilderness area of rugged peaks, rainforest and hidden inlets in the heart of Fiordland National Park. The morning views of the snow-capped peaks from the inlets are sure to be memorable. Coach Tour from \$\$\$



Queenstown Highlights

An ideal orientation of Queenstown. Enjoy the benefits of a guide's local knowledge for the best views, fascinating history, wine tasting, adrenaline-raising spectator spots and genuine insight into the region. Small Group from \$\$



Milford Sound Tour

Travel through the beautiful countryside to Milford Sound. Enjoy a leisurely cruise along the Sound to the Tasman Sea, stopping to view waterfalls, rainforest, mountains and seals. Overnight-cruise or fly-back options available. Coach Tour from \$\$



Safari of the Scenes

Explore the magical side of New Zealand and see why this beautiful country was chosen to portray Middle-Earth. There are no film sets, but merely areas of outstanding natural beauty that need no enhancement. Small Group from \$\$



Milford Ultimate Heli Flight

Discover a labyrinth of valleys and mountains flying over the Southern Alps. See Lake Te Anau as you follow the Milford Track. Experience a glacier landing before lunch at a gold miner's cottage hidden in the mountains. Private Tour from \$\$\$\$\$



Skyline Gondola

Experience the beauty of this majestic landscape from a different perspective. Ride a gondola high above Queenstown for stunning panoramic views, followed by a buffet dinner atop the mountain. Small Group from \$

Experiences



Nelson

QUEENSTOWN



Triple Challenge

A great outdoor adventure package, Triple Challenge combines three awesome activities: an exhilarating jet boat ride on the famous Shotover Jet, an action-packed helicopter ride and an adrenaline-fueled whitewater rafting adventure.

Small Group from \$\$\$

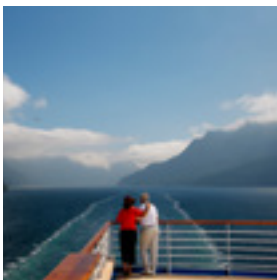
NELSON



Abel Tasman Sailing

Experience Kiwi sailing, stop at stunning beaches and take a full hour to enjoy your lunch and relax on Anchorage Beach. Visit the Fur Seal Colony, Split Apple Rock and more on your return to Kaiteriteri.

Small Group from \$\$



TSS Earnslaw & Walter Peak

Launched in 1912, the TSS Earnslaw is the grandest vessel ever to ply Lake Wakatipu. Cruise on board the heritage vessel to Walker Peak High Country Farm on the western shores of Lake Wakatipu, experiencing the magnificent alpine scenery.

Small Group from \$



A Day in Nelson

Nelson is home to thriving communities and unspoiled nature. Cruise the ruggedly beautiful coastline, embark on lazy walks or just cruise along the bay. Enjoy a return through vineyards and arts and crafts studios.

Small Group from \$\$\$



Whitewater Rafting

Enjoy the thrill of whitewater rafting on the Kawarau or Shotover rivers in New Zealand's adventure capital. While the Shotover River is the most popular, the Kawarau River also provides stunning scenery and is ideal for first-timers.

Small Group from \$\$



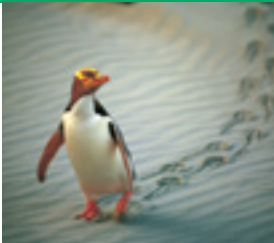
Kayak Tonga Island, Seals and Guided Walk

Journey to the calm blue waters of the sheltered bay to witness the seal colony of Tonga Island. Paddle south past the sculptured granite coastline, tidal lagoons and native bush before a guided walk down to Torrent Bay.

Small Group from \$\$\$



DUNEDIN



Cruise, Albatross and Wildlife

Enjoy the Albatross land tour, then transfer to Wellers Rock for a guided cruise. See a wealth of wildlife in their natural habitat before visiting the penguin reserve for a Yellow-Eyed Penguin tour. Small Group from \$\$



Moeraki Boulders and Blue Penguins

Visit the small fishing settlement of Moeraki to see huge smooth round rocks sitting on the beach like giant bowling balls. Travel to Oamaru, home to a colony of Blue Penguins. Small Group from \$\$\$



The Otago Peninsula Experience

Travel the scenic Peninsula High Road to the historic Larnach Castle for a guided tour. Visit the fine craft shops of the Peninsula and enjoy Royal Albatross and Yellow-Eyed Penguin guided tours. Small Group from \$\$\$



Tekapo, Canterbury

Unique Escapes

South Island



Annandale

Location: Pigeon Bay

Sample rural New Zealand at its best as you travel off the tourist trail and into one of the world's most spectacular coastal locations. A 4,000-acre sheep and cattle farm, Annandale offers exclusive use of four distinctive luxury villas with relaxed Kiwi-style informality. Guests have an opportunity to relax in total privacy and make the experience their own.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Azur Lodge Queenstown

Location: Queenstown

Azur Lodge is a contemporary lodge consisting of nine private villas overlooking some of the most spectacular scenery in New Zealand. Whether guests are looking for privacy, extreme activities, experiencing the local scene or the tranquility of being part of nature, Azur is the place to stay in Queenstown.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night





Blanket Bay

Location: Glenorchy

Blanket Bay sits at the northern end of Lake Wakatipu, framed by a crystal lake and majestic mountains. Located outside of Queenstown, the lodge was built in the grand style of the finest alpine lodges. Accommodations are provided in five intimate Lodge Rooms featuring a balcony or terrace, three generous Lodge Suites in the Main Lodge and four Chalet Suites.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Hapuku Lodge + Treehouses

Location: Kaikoura

Hapuku Lodge + Tree Houses is a contemporary country hotel located on a deer breeding farm in the South Island of New Zealand. It sits snugly at the base of the Kaikoura Seaward Mountain Range, with the Kaikoura coast and famed Mangamaunu Bay nearby. The Lodge provides luxurious accommodations on Kaikoura's rugged coastline and a place from which to explore the maritime landscape of Kaikoura.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Eichardt's Private Hotel

Location: Queenstown

Eichardt's Private Hotel is Queenstown's distinctive waterfront icon. The hotel reflects contemporary provincial elegance, combined with the finest accommodations and uncompromising personal service. The opulent suites invite guests to soak up a sense of quiet, and the adjacent Lakefront Apartments offer stunning views of Lake Wakatipu and nearby mountain ranges.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



The Marlborough Lodge

Location: Marlborough

Located in the heart of the Marlborough wine region, this grand country estate is nestled amongst 16 acres of park-like grounds and Marlborough's famous Sauvignon Blanc vineyards. Enjoy a stay in one of ten modern stylish suites, over two levels. While here, you will be wowed by Marlborough during the day and be spoiled by the lodge chefs in the evening.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Matakauri Lodge

Location: Queenstown

Situated on the banks of Lake Wakatipu, Matakauri Lodge is the perfect lakeside alpine retreat. Luxury accommodations exist in just 11 suites, each with a private terrace looking out to dramatic New Zealand scenes. Guests can choose from a range of dining spots, including the main lodge and the outdoor terrace. Activities on offer include skiing, hiking and adrenaline sports.

\$\$\$\$\$ per person, per night



The Spire Hotel

Location: Queenstown

Located in the heart of Queenstown, this intimate and inviting boutique hotel delivers guests a superior level of personalized service. Ten spacious and luxurious rooms are featured, so you experience total comfort with a contemporary design. Each room features a fireplace and a large balcony, and it is the perfect place to relax after exploring New Zealand's pristine surrounds.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Otahuna Lodge

Location: Christchurch

Otahuna Lodge is an exclusive intimate Relais- and Chateaux-member property set in New Zealand's largest and most important historic homestead. Originally built in 1895 this lodge is situated at the base of the Banks Peninsula. The lodge is the ideal base from which to explore the many wonders of Canterbury.

\$\$\$\$\$ per person, per night



Westhaven Retreat

Location: Golden Bay

Engulfed by miles of pristine wilderness, national parks and marine reserves, Westhaven Retreat offers an unmatched experience on the living, breathing edge of nature. This lodge is a labor of love; it features five guest rooms and two lodge suites, offering a luxurious and personalized atmosphere, complete with hand-crafted furniture.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Adventure in Queenstown

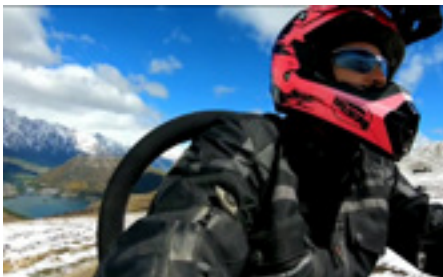
Queenstown will always be one of my favorite places on earth. Home to never-ending mountain views, pristine lakes, a small-town feel and more restaurants and shops than imaginable. Queenstown on the South Island of New Zealand will always be a place I long to call home. Whether it's jumping off a mountain or out of a plane, hitting the trails on a day hike or skiing trip, tasting wines, jetboating or simply relaxing; Queenstown truly has something for everyone.

Through the Mountains

A must-do for those with prior dirt bike or ATV experience, Nomad Safari's Quad Safari was an outing that I'd absolutely do again. Per the norm with activities in New Zealand, first came the safety briefing and gear fitting. We were advised that quad biking is the most dangerous activity you can do in Queenstown.

After a brief tutorial on how to operate the ATVs, we drove out to the test track to polish up on our skills. Here, they determine if anyone is unfit to journey on their own ATV—and if so, they will simply ride on the back of one of the guides' bikes.

After a few rounds on the test course, we were off and ascending Queenstown Hill. Delighted to find fresh snow, we quickly made our way through powder and mud puddles. We stopped at every gorgeous outlook imaginable. We enjoyed hot chocolate and biscuits over the most beautiful snow-capped mountains. Riding through hills, we made our way through more puddles of mud and slush. All too quickly it was time to head home.



On the Water

I had never been white water rafting, but it was high on my list. We went for the ambitious Shotover River, graded 3-5, and had a blast. After a safety briefing and wet suit fittings and the treacherous journey on the road through Skippers canyon, we arrived at the launch site. They broke us up into groups of five to eight, and paired us up with our guide. Then we got right in the rafts and were advised of the basic rafting commands. After practicing the slew of commands and ensuring we were ready, we paddled off and braced for the rapids. The river had five or six main rapid sections, broken up by calm stretches of the river. We were even given the ability to hop in and go for a swim. I didn't have to be asked twice to jump in the Shotover River!



Although it was freezing, it was sparkling clean—and when was I going to get this chance again?! After getting back in the raft, we headed for the highlight of the river: the cave.



This is one of only two rivers in the world that have a cave you raft through. At the end of the cave was the biggest rapid of the river, and after ducking down and surviving, our incredible journey had come to a close. Out of all of the experiences on my trip, this is the one I would do again in a heartbeat.

In the Air

Milford Sound is one of those iconic “must-do’s” for every visitor to Queenstown. In my opinion, there’s no better way to see it than hopping in a helicopter and flying there. By road, the trip to Milford is around 4.5 hours one way. By helicopter, it’s about 30 minutes. We flew over the mountains and into

the fiord and were surrounded by unmatched beauty. On the flight back, we landed on top of a glacier where they stopped the engine of the helicopter so that we could simply enjoy the serene setting and breathe

in the fresh air. After snapping some photographs and relishing in the moment, it was back in the chopper and back down to Queenstown.

The Big Swing

If you’re looking for an adrenaline rush, look no further than AJ Hackett’s experiences in Queenstown. They have a handful of bungies and swings to choose from, and we chose the biggest swing of all: the Nevis Swing.

After traveling out to the site, we waited our turn and contemplated our lives—our choices, our regrets—okay, but seriously watching the people go in front of you is

terrifying! Once harnessed into the swing, we were slowly brought out over thin air and stared down at the canyon below—an over 500 foot drop.

It began with a misleading countdown of “5...4...3...2...” before we were dropped and free falling for a few seconds, before swinging toward the other side of the canyon. The total arc of the swing is just shy of 1,000 feet. After swinging back and forth a few times and wiping the tears from our eyes, we were able to spot a few goats at the bottom of the canyon while we were pulled back up to safety.

Returning to Queenstown brought a rush of adrenaline and tons of adventure activities, something that Queenstown specializes in!



Thrilling Adventure by:

Sarah Herman

Travel Consultant
Support Specialist



Bora Bora

Welcome to French Polynesia

The mention of French Polynesia evokes visions of the island paradise you have always dreamed of. Only eight hours from Los Angeles but seemingly a world away, this South Pacific destination of 118 islands and atolls continues to seduce vacationers in search of a tranquil escape.

The island of Tahiti, towering over the ocean like a proud queen, is crowned by a circle of majestic peaks. The mountainous interior shelters deep valleys, clear streams and waterfalls, all bathed in the green iridescence of Mother Nature's light. The flat coastal lands, edged with a rugged coastline, are home to fields of tropical flowers and most of the island's population.

Staff Tip

Make sure you include the shark viewing experience in Bora Bora. Though I thought I'd never swim with sharks, it was a beautiful experience. Wade in warm waters so blue your camera can't capture the beauty. With your snorkel gear in tow, get ready for feeding time. Watch on in amazement, from a comfortable distance, as the sharks gather. Form lasting memories as you observe these unbelievable creatures and become a part of their world.

-Cory P., Signature Relationship Manager



Currency:
French Polynesia Frank (CFP)



Time Zone:
UTC -10:00



Main Arrival Airport:
Papeete (PPT)



Flight Time from Los Angeles:
8.5 hours

2019 Highlights

Tahitian Black Pearl

These treasures are found only within the warm lagoon waters of Tahiti.



Sailing Charters

Witness unique and unobstructed views while sailing around the French Polynesian islands.





Tahiti

Regarded as the "Queen of the Pacific," Tahiti is the largest of the French Polynesian Islands. Its landscape ranges from rainforest-covered mountains to beaches of white sand with azure waters. Decorated with tropical flowers, Tahiti is the ideal island escape. The colorful capital city of Papeete is the cultural center of French Polynesia. Tahiti hosts most of the islands' native population, and there are many markets and restaurants to explore.



Bora Bora

The island of Bora Bora is a paradise of tropical forest, private lagoons and cascading waterfalls. Mount Otemanu watches over the beaches below and marks the center of the island. Known as the most romantic island of French Polynesia, guests can celebrate love and relaxation in a private over-water bungalow or thatched roof villa. Picture yourself surrounded by hibiscus flowers, palm trees, white sand and clear waters.



Moorea

Take off on an island-hopping tour with a visit to Moorea, a 30-minute catamaran trip from Tahiti. Shallow blue lagoons majestically contrast with the island's soaring mountains, contributing to the nickname, "The Magical Island." Journey through the tropical rainforest that is home to rare plants and animals, including ornately beautiful birds of paradise.



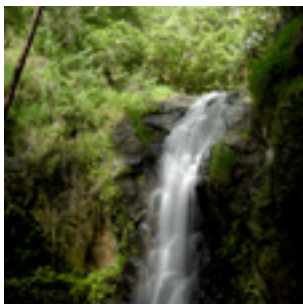
Taha'a

Taha'a, "The Vanilla Island," is a small flower-shaped island. The island's fertile ground has allowed for the farming of watermelon, copra, and most important, vanilla. Tour a sweet-smelling plantation to learn about the process of curing one of the island's most delectable exports. On Taha'a, guests will get a glimpse at traditional Tahitian life and have the opportunity to explore both quiet beaches and mountainous terrain.



Tetiaroa

Less than five miles in diameter, Tetiaroa is exclusivity at its finest. Lined with coconut trees and coral reefs, this island also has a unique wildlife population. Known as "The Birds' Island," Tetiaroa's lack of a native human population is compensated for in the large number of tropical bird species. Captivated by the privacy and beauty of Tetiaroa, Marlon Brando was once the owner of the island and the eco-resort, The Brando.



Marquesas

Made up of two small islands, Nuku Hiva and Hiva Oa, the Marquesas have been untouched since European exploration. If you listen closely, you can hear the native Marquesan language being spoken between locals. Embark on a rainforest adventure as you stumble across 1,000-foot waterfalls and volcanic cliffs. Enjoy cuisine from the source at a Marquesan restaurant for an authentic dinner.

WHAT IS YOUR TRAVEL STYLE?

Spa Retreat

Tahiti is an iconic spa destination. World-class luxurious spas can be found in abundance throughout the island accommodations. Flower baths, body wraps and herbal rain showers will rejuvenate you against the backdrop of pristine beaches and turquoise waters.



Live to Scuba

Tahiti is one of the best-kept secrets in scuba diving. Both beginners and experts will experience new underwater worlds among the clear waters of French Polynesia. A true sight to be seen are the gigantic manta rays, peacefully gliding through the water. Other underwater highlights include sunken ships and blossoming coral reefs.



Experiences



Bora Bora

PAPEETE



Inner Island 4x4 Safari

Head towards the center of the island to explore the Papenoo Valley, with lush vegetation, giant ferns, colorful plants, running rivers and majestic falls.

Coach Tour from \$

MOOREA



Circle Island Tour with Belvedere

Take a guided tour of Moorea to admire stunning views around Cook Bay, Opunohu Bay and the Belvedere. Finish with a visit around the Lycée Agricole plantations.

Coach Tour from \$



Papeete City Tour

Begin at the traditional market before a walking tour around the city. From the Cathedral to the Vaima Shopping Centre, head to the City Hall before finishing at the Black Pearl Museum.

Coach Tour from \$



Tiki Village and Tahitian Feast

See and experience an old Tahitian village. Enjoy a Polynesian buffet and a show in the open-air theatre, with Polynesian women dancing under a star-filled sky.

Small Group from \$\$

BORA BORA



Shark & Ray Lagoon Safari

Standing in three feet of water, you will have the opportunity to touch sting rays before heading to the coral barrier where the black tip sharks are fed. Observe the beautiful multicolored clams, shoals and brightly colored fish and corals.

Small Group from \$\$

Insider Tip

A stay in an over-water bungalow is a one-of-a-kind treat. With your own deck to swim from, a coffee table in your room that slides open to feed the fish below, and a deck lounge to soak up the sun, you'll never have to leave the comfort of your room.

Unique Escapes

French Polynesia



The Brando

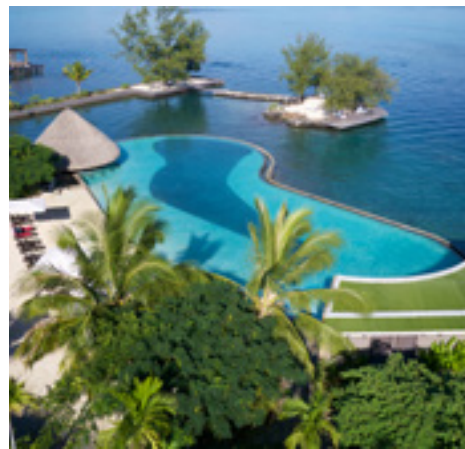


The Brando

Location: Tetiaroa

Situated atop the breathtakingly beautiful atoll of Tetiaroa, The Brando lies on one of a dozen small islands that surround a three-mile-wide lagoon. This all-inclusive resort features 35 secluded villas with private pools on beautiful white-sand beaches frequented by sea turtles and exotic birds. This Polynesian-style resort offers two restaurants and a luxurious spa.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Tikehau Pearl Beach Resort

Location: Tuamotu Atoll

Located on the Tuamotu Atoll, Tikehau is very different from the other islands of French Polynesia. Discover the exceptional blend of an exclusive hideaway, elegant informality and Polynesian hospitality. The resort features beach bungalows and over-water bungalows situated amongst the bright blue water. Diving is just one of many adventures you can seek out as you experience the incredible underwater life.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



WHY WE LOVE

The Tahitian Pearl

The name beckons mystery and allure. The Tahitian Pearls, also known as Black Pearls, are found only within the warm lagoon waters of Tahiti. The size of each pearl varies, and the colors range from dark black to shades of green and blue. There are even pink pearls. Stop at a pearl farm and learn how these beautiful pearls are created.



Le Taha'a Private Island & Spa

Location: Motu Tautau

Superbly located on Motu Tautau, the resort faces the island of Taha'a on the lagoon side and offers an unsurpassed view of Bora Bora Island on the ocean side. This traditional Polynesian-style hotel is five minutes by private boat from the main island of Taha'a, and it offers 48 over-water suites and 14 beach suites.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night

Tikehau Pearl Beach Resort ●

Le Taha'a Island Resort & Spa

The Brando ●



Likuliku Lagoon Resort

Welcome to Fiji

Consisting of 333 islands, Fiji is a small country with overwhelming beauty and vibrancy. Known for its beaches, reefs, inland forests and friendly people, this South Pacific archipelago is a treasure waiting to be discovered. You can enjoy a horseback ride in the highlands, a deep sea fishing expedition on the water or simply soak up the friendly smiles. The people of Fiji are among the destination’s most alluring attractions. The locals are as welcoming as they are laid-back. Visitors will be consumed by the slower pace of life demonstrated by the locals, who carry on the traditions and culture of their ancestors from centuries past.

The outer islands of Fiji offer some of the most intriguing destinations in this island chain. From resorts with over-water bungalows to secluded luxury hotels built on crystal-clear lagoons, these islands are a favorite for families, honeymooners and anyone seeking an ultimate tropical escape.

✓ Insider Tip

A nonalcoholic, nonnarcotic beverage made from the root of the pepper plant, kava is a traditional Fijian drink that leaves a numb feeling on the tongue. Containing heaping amounts of Vitamin B, kava is commonly used in ceremonies and is a symbol of bringing people together.

\$ Currency:
Fijian Dollar (FJD)

🌐 Time Zone:
UTC +12:00

✈️ Main Arrival Airport:
Nadi (NAN)

🕒 Flight Time from Los Angeles:
11.5 hours

🕒 2019 Highlights

Nadi Cultural Immersion
Travel to the heart of Fiji to immerse yourself in stories told by locals and beautiful surroundings.



Island Helicopter Flights
Take a scenic flight over Fiji to see beautiful islands, vast reefs and majestic mountains.





Nadi

Nadi is the most populous city in Fiji and the main arrival point for international travelers. Wander down Main Street, lined with tropical surf shops and outdoor cafés, as traditional Fijian music provides the beat for visitors to explore the island. Spend the day in the sunshine on the dazzling beaches, or get a taste of island life at a local Fijian restaurant.



Coral Coast

The beautifully diverse landscape of Fiji is best seen when driving through the Coral Coast. Cruise from Nadi to Suva along the 50-mile route of beaches and bays, passing by local villages. Stop and meet the friendly locals and pick up authentic souvenirs at the markets. The Coral Coast also offers picturesque golf courses: so you can work on your swing amid an island backdrop.



Mamanuca Islands

The Mamanuca Islands are a chain of 20 islands that have been developed into an oasis of beachside resorts that accentuate the islands' pristine nature. Each island has its own distinct personality, as well as shared commonalities. Soar above the waves on a parasail or glide among them while windsurfing. Visitors can also meet the majestic mammals of the sea on a dolphin-watching excursion.

Fiji Experiences



Captain Cook Cruise

A cruise adventure offers a diverse range of experiences. Swim in the blue lagoon, discover ancient limestone caves, snorkel spectacular coral reefs and visit traditional villages for cultural encounters.

Three-night Cruise from \$\$\$\$



Navua River Tour

Set off on a scenic coach ride along the Coral Coast to the town of Navua. Board longboats for a swift and exhilarating cruise along the river past isolated villages and waterfalls within the Namosi Highlands.

Coach Tour from \$\$



Seaspray Day Sailing Adventure

At Mana Island, board the magnificent twin-mast schooner, Seaspray, for a day exploring the beautiful beaches and lagoons of the Mamanuca Islands. Help set the sails, take the helm or just laze around on the deck.

Small Group from \$\$



Discover Nadi

Explore the Garden of the Sleeping Giant, known for its collection of orchids and tropical plants. Visit the village of Viseisei, the landing site of the first Fijians. Travel into Nadi to see the local Hindu temple and Nadi Market.

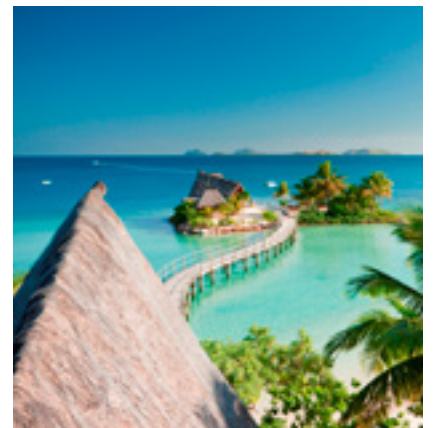
Coach Tour from \$

Happiness Lives Here



Experience true serenity while visiting Fiji. Admire the beautiful land, revel in the culture and enjoy pure tranquility while sunbathing on one of Fiji's many pristine beaches. Satisfy your sense of adventure as you charge down thundering rivers in an inflatable raft or along rugged terrain in an off-road buggy; enjoy panoramic views as you parasail over the calm South Pacific Ocean or turn up the thrill factor and take a bird's eye view of the islands as you hurl yourself out of a plane and into an adrenaline-charged free-fall.

Known as Fiji's Garden Island, Taveuni is brimming with lush jungle, beautiful beaches and diverse wildlife. An eco-tourist's dream, Taveuni is the known for world-renowned dive sites that will keep any adventurer occupied. Bouma National Heritage Park houses numerous hiking trails that exhibit the native wildlife. Taveuni is the place to go for travelers looking to immerse themselves in nature.

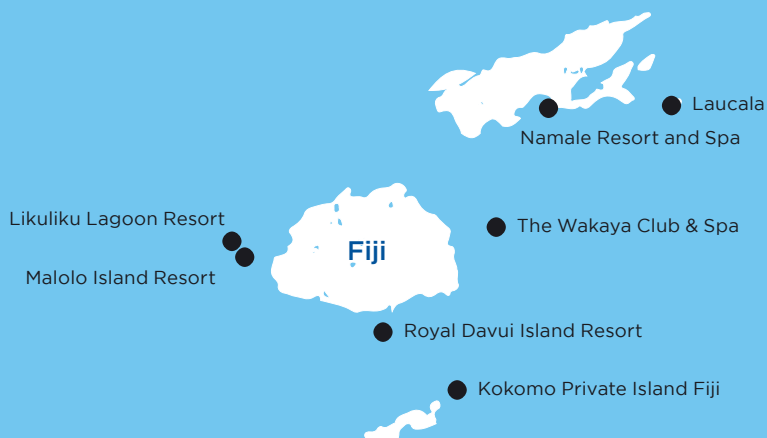


Unique Escapes

Fiji



The Wakaya Club & Spa



Kokomo Private Island Fiji

Location: Kokomo Island

With superior design, untouched beauty and relaxed luxury, Kokomo Private Island is where pristine reefs and spectacular white sand beaches set the scene for unrivaled adventures. This is a paradise for explorers in search of unique experiences, a retreat for families and a haven for honeymooners.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Laucala

Location: Laucala Island

Laucala is the perfect island escape for those who seek the total luxury of a private and relaxing atmosphere. Anything is possible on Laucala: golf, game fishing or being pampered in the spa. With just 25 residences widely spread on the northern tip of the island, the luxurious surroundings inspire the senses.

\$\$\$\$\$ per person, per night



Likuliku Lagoon Resort

Location: Mamanuca Islands

A haven of subtle luxury, Likuliku's beachfront and over-water villas feature traditional architecture and materials that use natural elements unique to the region. Surrounded by sprawling ceilings, hand-woven thatch and an exotic mix of natural and modern elements, Likuliku embodies the richness of an ancient culture with present-day touches.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Namale Resort and Spa

Location: Savusavu

A spectacular seaside locale and renowned service await at the Namale Resort and Spa. Unparalleled luxury, privacy and splendor are on offer at this Fijian all-inclusive resort. Set on 121 unspoiled acres of majestic coconut palms, lush jungles, cascading waterfalls and pristine beaches, this exceptional property will delight its guests to the fullest.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



The Wakaya Club & Spa

Location: Wakaya Island

The Wakaya Club & Spa is a serene retreat offering gracious living and unparalleled leisure. Situated on the western side of the island, this is a private 2,200-acre tropical oasis. The property is comprised of ten freestanding waterfront Fijian villas, each a luxurious hideaway just steps from the ocean.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Malolo Island Resort

Location: Malolo Island

Malolo Island Resort is an idyllic island paradise where you can escape the stress of modern living and relax amongst golden sandy beaches, abundant coral reefs, swaying coconut palms and azure seas. Each of the 50 bures feature air conditioning, tea and coffee making facilities, overhead fans and spacious verandas.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Royal Davui Island Resort

Location: Royal Davui Island

An exclusive adults-only sanctuary situated in Fiji's spectacular Beqa Lagoon; here, the world-renowned warmth and hospitality of the Fijian people await you. With just 16 exquisitely appointed villas nestled around ten acres of lush tropical landscape, every guest enjoys customized service with complete tranquility.

\$\$\$\$\$ per person, per night



Good to Know

"Bula," the Fijian word for "hello," is used in various social contexts, similar to the use of "aloha" in Hawaii. With one of Fiji's best attributes being the warm and outgoing locals, if someone yells out "bula," make sure to give a friendly shout back.



Aitutaki

Welcome to Cook Islands

A chain of only 15 islands, the Cook Islands offer the ultimate escape from the civilized world. There are no high-rises here, providing a break from the developed world that we know. The culture of the Cook Islands comes alive in the capital of Rarotonga. With its rich Māori history, seen in the art and cuisine of the island, Rarotonga is a unique tropical destination.

Develop a love for tropical tranquility on the romantic island of Aitutaki. You will not believe your eyes when you arrive at this flawless island paradise. Known for its colorful Saturday market, Aratunga Wharf is a lively hub with fresh produce stands and souvenir shops that will provide endless entertainment and memories to bring home.


Insider Tip


No visit to the Cook Islands is complete without taking a scenic flight from the main island of Rarotonga to the outer island of Aitutaki. The sense of peace and tranquility I found on this island of less than 1,000 total residents, along with the love I received from the always-happy locals, is something I'll never forget. The Cook Islands, and especially Aitutaki, will forever hold a special place in my traveling heart.

-Jayson R., American Express Relationship Manager

 **Currency:**
New Zealand Dollar (NZD)

 **Time Zone:**
UTC -10:00

 **Main Arrival Airport:**
Rarotonga (RAR)

 **Flight Time from Los Angeles:**
10 hours

2019 Highlights

Rarotonga Cross Island Walk
Walk from Avatiu valley to the south side of the island with the popular and scenic cross-island walk.



An Authentic Umu Feast
A traditional family event, food is wrapped in banana leaves and steamed underground.



Unique Escapes

Cook Islands



Pacific Resort Aitutaki



Pacific Resort Aitutaki

Location: [Aitutaki](#)

A multi-award-winning five-star resort, Pacific Resort Aitutaki is one of the premium resorts in the South Pacific, located on its own little piece of paradise. The resort is surrounded by the tranquil turquoise waters of the Aitutaki Lagoon and offers an intimate and exclusive collection of just 27 luxuriously appointed bungalows and villas.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Rumours Luxury Villas & Spa Resort

Location: [Rarotonga](#)

With individual villas that could be mistaken as personal resorts, Rumours Luxury Villas & Spa has been specifically designed to create an opulent atmosphere that caters to the most discerning of travelers. With white sandy beaches and tropical gardens just beyond the decks of each villa, Rumours will provide an unforgettable experience for all who visit.

\$\$\$\$\$ per room, per night





Lowlands

Welcome to Papua New Guinea

Papua New Guinea is truly the last untouched frontier in the world. Located in the Pacific Ocean, just south of the equator, Papua New Guinea is legendary for its native culture, highland scenery, incredible diving and its intriguing World War II history. This island nation is home to over 800 languages and a fascinating local population that continues to thrive in the present day.

Papua New Guinea's wild beauty draws visitors from all over the world who seek adventure in its dramatic terrain. Boasting some of the world's most exotic tribal cultures, the Highlands region of Papua New Guinea is a wonderland of fertile valleys separated by imposing mountain ranges.

✓ Insider Tip

Traveling through Papua New Guinea requires patience, the ability to adapt and openness for the unexpected. This is a country for adventurers, and it is one that offers a rewarding experience. A visit to Papua New Guinea takes you through dense jungles, where you will interact with thriving tribes. It is a destination that highlights unimaginable scenery among friendly locals, where the culture is felt throughout the entire country.

-Ian Swain II, Vice President

\$ Currency:
Papua New Guinean Kina (PGK)

🌐 Time Zone:
UTC +10:00

✈️ Main Arrival Airport:
Port Moresby (POM)

🕒 Flight Time from Los Angeles:
20.5 hours

🕒 2019 Highlights

Sepik River Villages

Many tribes live along the Sepik river. Explore their villages and see communities based on nature.



Kokoda Trail

A challenging hike, this trail passes through picturesque mountains, valleys and rainforests.





Sepik River

Stretching 698 miles from mountain ranges to the open sea, the serpentine Sepik River is Papua New Guinea's version of the river Nile. Cruise by stilt houses peering out from the cavernous jungle. Gaze at lakes dotted with flowers, or visit ornately carved Spirit Houses where tribesmen gather to honor their ancestors. Through your adventure you'll find yourself constantly pondering the Sepik's rugged beauty.



Lake Murray

The largest lake in Papua New Guinea, during the wet season Lake Murray spreads to occupy roughly 770 square miles. The area has a population of approximately 5,000 people scattered in villages, on islands and the lake's coast. Island communities dot the water landscape of the lake. Dugout canoes are the primary mode of transportation, and fishing is a major source of food.



Port Moresby

The evolution of Papua New Guinea is evident on the streets of Port Moresby, the country's capital. Stroll through Koki Market, where you will be enticed by mountains of fresh fruit. Visit Hanuabada Village, home of the traditional Motuan landowners of Port Moresby, and marvel at a horizon of huts balanced atop stilts.



Mount Hagen

Mount Hagen has a reputation for being the wild frontier of Papua New Guinea's Western Highlands. However, beneath the tangle of rainforest and misted peaks lies a cheerful town. Visitors relish the bountiful coffee plantations and sunken gardens, but it is the town's marketplace that garners the most attention. On Friday mornings, the market becomes a kaleidoscope of fruit and vegetables from colorful vendors.

WHAT IS YOUR TRAVEL STYLE?

Daring Diver

A renowned diving destination considered the best in the world by many, Papua New Guinea offers an incredible diversity of dive sites and reefs. Diving here is incredible year round, with high season between May and November.



Busy Birder

Papua New Guinea is a bird watcher's paradise. Out of the 43 known species of Birds of Paradise, 38 of them are found within Papua New Guinea. Trek throughout the country to remote places where the jungle is king, and the birds fly free.



Indigenous Immersion

The tribes of Papua New Guinea have only recently embraced modernization while many remain remote. As you journey deeper into the highlands or navigate down the lowlands, you will encounter tribes living as they have always been. Hunting, gathering and construction all maintain traditional practices.



Unique Escapes

Papua New Guinea



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Ambua Lodge

Location: Tari Valley

An inspired mixture of local architecture, spectacular views and modest luxury, Ambua Lodge is located in the Tari Gap area, bordering the pristine mid-montane rainforest at the beginning of the valley grasslands. This location promises the visitor eternal spring weather and views of the Tari Valley.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Karawari Lodge

Location: Sepik River

Karawari Lodge stands majestically on a lone ridge 1,000 feet above the banks of the Karawari River, overlooking a seemingly endless expanse of dense tropical lowland rainforest. This is one of the most remote and unspoiled areas of the country, with the lodge's private airstrip and the Karawari River being the only way in or out.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Lake Murray Lodge

Location: Lake Murray, Western Province

Nestled among the trees on an island spit, Lake Murray lodge overlooks beautiful Lake Murray. The lodge has found its home in this very remote area and on the largest lake in Papua New Guinea. Guests are accommodated in one of 12 individual cabin rooms overlooking the lake. In keeping with an eco-friendly philosophy, the entire lodge operation is powered with the latest technology in solar energy.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Rondon Ridge

Location: Western Highlands Province

Set 7,100 feet above sea level on the outer fringes of the Kubor Range lies Rondon Ridge. Boasting panoramic views of the Wahgi Valley below, Rondon Ridge is the pinnacle of luxury in a remote and rural setting.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Malolo Plantation Lodge

Location: North Coast, Madang

Set amidst palm trees and lush tropical gardens overlooking volcanic islands in the Bismark Sea, you will find a magical and peaceful retreat at Malolo Plantation Lodge. Guests are accommodated in 14 air-conditioned rooms, each with en suite bathroom, private balcony and ocean views.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night



Sepik Spirit

Location: Sepik River

The MV Sepik Spirit sets off from the village of Kaminimbit, located in the middle of the Sepik region. Inspired by the architecture of the "haus tambaran," or spirit house, the MV Sepik Spirit is a floating lodge with a unique design. The Sepik Spirit offers great flexibility, enhanced touring programs and even more comfort.

\$\$\$\$ per room, per night





Customizable Sample Itineraries

Sample Itineraries are routes that we have developed over many years to reflect the most frequent and favored requests of our independent travelers. Completely customizable, these suggestions allow you to depart any day of your choice, choose your accommodations level and add extra nights and tours as desired.

Australian Experience

12 nights



Sydney

CITIES

Melbourne | Northern Beaches | Sydney

INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip transfers
- 12 nights accommodations
- Lanes & Arcades Walking tour
- Yarra Valley Wine experience
- Great Barrier Reef tour
- Cultural day tour
- Aboriginal Heritage tour
- Sydney Harbour cruise
- Aussie Gold Tour
- 5 lunches

Days 1-2: Fly USA to Melbourne

Today will begin your customized itinerary as you fly to Melbourne, Australia, crossing the International Date Line.

Days 3-7: Melbourne

At first glance, Melbourne may resemble any other modern city with its skyline full of concrete and glass. Look a little closer and you will find the real Melbourne, a city of unique charm. The many attractions vary from the spectacular parklands and gardens that surround the city to the museums and festivals that are a continuing part of the city's life. Excellent restaurants are on every corner and cater to every taste in the world.

Explore Melbourne's beautiful back streets and become oriented with the life of the city that locals love. Some of the quirkiest cafés, street art, architecture and historical tales are found in these walkways. There is something for everyone here, locals and visitors alike. Take to the Yarra Valley for the day to swirl, sniff and sip some of the region's award-winning benchmark classic Australian wines. With tasty light platters and views that will leave you in awe, this is a great way to take in the culture and escape the city.

Days 7-11: Palm Cove

Palm Cove is a glorious beachside community with a relaxed seaside atmosphere. Only 25 minutes from Cairns

and 40 minutes from Port Douglas, Palm Cove is the ideal location to explore Northern Queensland.

Set sail to Michaelmas Cay on the Great Barrier Reef. With its spectacular coral reef and thriving marine life—including giant clams and brilliant fish species—this is a top spot to see some of the wonders of the reef.

During your stay, discover some of the fascinating secrets of one of the world's oldest rainforests. Spend the day with a local Aboriginal tour guide, visiting a number of culturally significant areas and learning about the amazing relationships the Kuku Yalanji still have with their land.

Walk through the rainforest and coastal habitats, learning about the environment and different foods and medicines utilized from nature to gain a deeper understanding of the local people.



Yarra Valley



Melbourne



Great Barrier Reef

Days 11-15: Sydney

Sydney boasts golden beaches and bush land, and it is the home of one of the most famous bridges in the world. Most of the major attractions of the city are easily accessible, including the Sydney Opera House, Darling Harbour, Centrepont Tower, Circular Quay and The Rocks.

Go behind the scenes at the Taronga Zoo on an exclusive small group tour. Encounter hand-raised Australian animals and fill your camera memory cards with Aussie wildlife shots.

For a different view of Sydney, cruise on the harbor enjoying a lively commentary aboard your lunch excursion. Learning about Sydney's history and plans for the future, you will take in the city's incredible coast from the boat.

Day 15: Fly Sydney to USA

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight to the USA.

All itineraries are customized to your preferences. Prices are based on travel season.

	Low Season	Shoulder Season	High Season
Standard	\$2,275	\$2,325	\$2,750
Superior	\$3,085	\$3,240	\$3,635
Deluxe	\$4,995	\$5,540	\$5,770

Price includes land arrangements, per person/twin share. Add internal airfare from approximately \$500 per person. Call for lowest international airfares. For additional travel dates, visit us online.

Aussie Adventure

17 nights



Adelaide

CITIES

Melbourne | Adelaide | Kangaroo Island | Uluru (Ayers Rock) | Port Douglas | Sydney

INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip transfers
- 17 nights accommodations
- Koalas & Kangaroos, in the Wild
- 2 days Kangaroo Island touring
- Fleurieu Peninsula tour
- Uluru Sunset tour
- Kata Tjuta Sunrise tour
- Cultural day tour
- Hot Air Ballooning
- Great Barrier Reef tour
- Sydney Classic Bicycle tour
- BridgeClimb
- 2 breakfasts, 6 lunches

Days 1-2: Fly USA to Melbourne

Today will begin your customized itinerary as you fly to Melbourne, Australia, crossing the International Date Line.

Days 3-6: Melbourne

Arrive into Melbourne and transfer to your accommodations. Melbourne is Australia's second-largest city, boasting an edgy vibe and unique charm. At first glance, Melbourne may resemble any other modern city with its skyline full of concrete and glass. Look a little closer and you will find the real Melbourne, a city of quaint charm. The many attractions vary, from the spectacular parklands and gardens that surround the city to the museums and festivals that are a continuing part of the city's life. Excellent restaurants are on every corner and cater to every taste in the world.



Kangaroo Island



Venture out of the city to learn about Australia's native animals and plants. Search for kangaroos, koalas and bird life and discover the area's rich Aboriginal heritage. Your wildlife guide will help you find and understand the local animals and show you how to search for wildlife wherever you travel in Australia.

Days 6-7: Adelaide

Transfer to the airport for your onward flight to Adelaide, the "City of Churches." Orderly streets, manicured parks and superb restaurants make up this South Australian city. Spend the night in town before heading out the next morning.

Days 7-8: Kangaroo Island

Travel to Kangaroo Island for an overnight adventure. Pure, unspoiled and untouched, Kangaroo Island is one of the few places in Australia where you can see an abundance of native wildlife in its natural habitat. Visit Seal Bay to walk amongst a colony of rare Australian sea lions; stop at Flinders Chase National Park, a sanctuary for many native Australian animals. Visit Remarkable Rocks and Admiral's Arch for great photographic opportunities.

Days 8-10: Adelaide

Adelaide is an orderly, airy city ringed by beautiful parks and gardens and graced with elegant sandstone buildings and cottages. There are more restaurants per person here than in any other Australian city. Adelaide is best explored on foot to properly experience the wealth of art galleries and museums, festivals, markets, café society and superb shopping.

Venture to the internationally acclaimed Fluerieu Peninsula. Begin by exclusively exploring off-road tracks, journeying through beautiful bush landscapes, passing world-class vineyards and visiting incredible ancient geological sites.

Days 10-12: Uluru (Ayers Rock)

This is where nature is at its grandest, and one discovers that the landscape blends fluidly with Australia's Aboriginal culture. Learn about the Aboriginal Dreamtime stories and witness the dramatic sunset over Uluru. The following morning, travel to the 36-domed rock formation of Kata Tjuta and watch the desert come alive at sunrise. In the evening, an outback dining experience to remember is accompanied by the sounds of the didgeridoo, the taste of outback cuisine and the "sounds of silence."

Days 12-16: Port Douglas

Head to Port Douglas, one of the gateways to the Great Barrier Reef, with isolated palm-fringed beaches and within close proximity to the World Heritage-listed Daintree Rainforest. Cruise to Agincourt Reef, the most southerly link in the chain of ribbon-like outer reefs on

the extreme edge of continental Australia. Here, you will view some of Australia's most beautiful reef life. Join a local Aboriginal tour guide to visit a number of culturally significant areas. Learn about the amazing relationships the Kuku Yalanji still have with their land as you explore the history and traditions of these local people and the area. Then, take to the skies, flying gently over the Atherton Tablelands for a scenic view from above in a hot air balloon.



Days 16-20: Sydney

See Sydney's iconic sights. Visit the Sydney Opera House, Darling Harbour, the Royal Botanic Gardens, Hyde Park, Chinatown, Sydney Tower and over 30 more great attractions, before climbing the world-renowned Sydney Harbour Bridge.

Make your way to the height of Sydney's famed bridge. The steady incline to the summit leaves you free to focus your attention on your Sydney experience, with opportunities to witness 360-degree views of Sydney—including east to the Sydney Opera House and west to the Blue Mountains and the harbor city surrounds. When you reach the top, you will have a sense of achievement that you will remember forever.

Day 20: Fly Sydney to USA

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight to the USA. Venture out of the city to learn about Australia's native animals and

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	Low Season	Shoulder Season	High Season
Standard	\$4,790	\$4,875	\$5,145
Superior	\$6,090	\$6,590	\$6,835
Deluxe	\$8,385	\$8,490	\$8,860

Price includes land arrangements, per person/twin share. Add internal airfare from approximately \$1,430 per person. Call for lowest international airfares. For additional travel dates, visit us online.

Australia Uncovered

16 nights



Field of Light, Northern Territory

CITIES

Melbourne | Adelaide | Alice Springs | The Ghan | Uluru (Ayers Rock) | Port Douglas
Sydney

INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip transfers
- 16 nights accommodations
- Koalas and Kangaroos, in the Wild
- Lanes & Arcades Walking tour
- Colonial Tramcar Restaurant
- Kangaroo Island tour
- Adelaide Culture & Heritage tour
- The Ghan Train
- Uluru Sunset tour
- Kata Tjuta Sunrise tour
- Bush Tucker Experience
- A Night at Field of Light
- Opal Reef Snorkel
- Daintree Dreaming Ngadiku tour
- Totally Sydney tour
- Taronga Zoo Aboriginal Discovery tour
- 5 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 3 dinners

Days 1-2: Fly USA to Melbourne

Today will begin your customized itinerary as you fly to Melbourne, Australia, crossing the International Date Line.

Days 3-6: Melbourne

Melbourne is Australia's second-largest city, boasting an edgy vibe and unique charm. At first glance, Melbourne may resemble any other modern city with its skyline full of concrete and glass. Look a little closer and you will find the real Melbourne, a city of quaint charm. The many attractions vary from the spectacular parklands and gardens that surround the city to the museums and festivals that are a continuing part of the city's life. Excellent restaurants are on every corner and cater to every taste in the world.

Venture out of the city to learn about Australia's native animals and plants, search for kangaroos, koalas and bird life and discover the area's rich Aboriginal heritage. Your wildlife guide will help you find and understand the local animals and show you how to search for wildlife wherever you travel in Australia.

Spend a morning weaving throughout the colorful arcades and laneways of Melbourne. Within these walkways, you will encounter some of the quirkiest cafes, independent designers, street art, architecture and historical tales. Dine in style aboard the unique Colonial Tramcar Restaurant. Enjoy fine Australian cuisine and wines as you travel around the city aboard this specially renovated tram car. The tracks take you all over the Melbourne area, past the city center and into the more exclusive suburbs Melbourne is known for.

Days 6-9: Adelaide

Spend a full day exploring Kangaroo Island. Start out in the Cygnet Valley, a great koala habitat. Enjoy a morning tea overlooking the Island's best farming country before taking a bushwalk through the habitat of kangaroos, wallabies and birdlife. Break for an elegant barbecue lunch with great local wines at a private lunch site before heading on to Seal Bay. Walk with your guide Galapagos-style amongst dozens of seals and learn about their lifestyle and ecology.

After a day of Island adventure, learn about the culture and heritage throughout Adelaide. Visit the central markets, local hot spots and eclectic eateries. Learn about what makes Adelaide tick.

Days 9-10: The Ghan

Join the Ghan Train for a legendary journey. The Ghan is internationally recognized as one of the world's most famous long-distance trains. Named after the Afghan camel drivers who did so much to open up the heart of Australia last century, this magnificent train is of great historical significance to the nation. Relax and watch the vast Australian Outback unfold as you journey from Adelaide to the "Red Centre."

Days 10-11: Alice Springs

Overnight in Alice Springs with an afternoon at leisure to relax or explore this historic outback town.

Days 11-13: Uluru (Ayers Rock)

Witness the sights of the vast Australian Outback and the iconic rock formations of Uluru (Ayers Rock) and Kata Tjuta. Set off on a sunset journey to Uluru. Walk with your guide to a place of tranquility at the base. The closer you wander, the more you surrender to the realization of the sheer size of this monolith.

At dawn, travel through the landscape to Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park. Walk to the best vantage point to see the 36 domes that comprise Kata Tjuta while watching the sun's morning glow as the desert comes alive. Your guide will lead you to the western side of Kata Tjuta, where you will have the opportunity to relax and enjoy a picnic breakfast.

Head off for an adventure into the outback bush environment to discover the importance of traditional bush food to the local people. You will learn how they live in such a hot desert climate and have survived on a variety of bush seeds and animals. Grind native seeds, try your hand at throwing a spear and taste a selection of these bush seeds—traditional and contemporary. Meet the reptiles and learn about these amazing creatures that roam the desert landscape.

In the evening, experience "A Night at Field of Light." World-renowned artist Bruce Munro has illuminated the heart of Australia with 50,000 solar-powered lights. Enjoy a self-guided walk among the lights before a dinner overlooking the installation.



Days 13-16: Port Douglas

Cruise right from Port Douglas to the Great Barrier Reef. Stop at spectacular sites for snorkeling or to soak in the Australian sun. Enjoy morning tea, reef education and a tropical buffet lunch on board.

Experience the region's rich Aboriginal history and culture on this exclusive day-tour adventure. Travel along one of Australia's most scenic coastal drives as you head north of Port Douglas to Cooya Beach (Kuku Kuku). Here, one of the Kubirri Warra brothers of Kuku Yalanji will teach you how to throw a spear and demonstrate other Aboriginal hunting techniques. Walk along Aboriginal traditional lands as your guide demonstrates how to track and hunt for fish, mud crabs and mussels. Travel to Mossman Gorge and explore the wonders of the World Heritage-listed Daintree Rainforest.

Days 16-19: Sydney

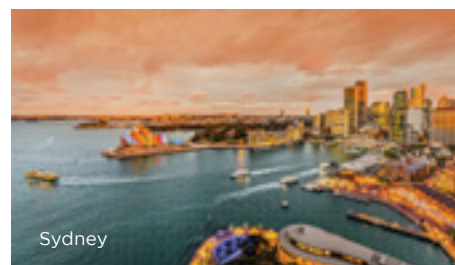
Sydney boasts golden beaches and bush land, and it is the home of one of the most famous bridges in the world. Most of the major attractions of the city are easily accessible, including The Sydney Opera House, Darling Harbour, Centrepont Tower, Circular Quay and The Rocks.

Experience the "Sydney Icons" on both sides of the harbor through the eyes of someone who lives there. Learn about local treasures, listen to the stories of Sydney's history and saunter along the historic Rocks area. Uncover everything there is to know about Sydney.

Enjoy a guided tour through Taronga Zoo. Your Aboriginal guide will tell you stories and facts about echidnas, reptiles, kangaroos and more. During your tour, discover more about the Cammeraiigel people, their country, spirit and traditions. Listen to stories of the Dreaming, a time of creation, when landscapes, plants and animals took shape. Learn about the strong bonds between people, plants and animals, and responsibilities for the land they all share.

Day 19: Fly Sydney to USA

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight to the USA.



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	Low Season	Shoulder Season	High Season
Deluxe	\$10,395	\$10,560	\$10,815

Price includes land arrangements, per person/twin share. Add internal airfare from approximately \$1,115 per person. Call for lowest international airfares. For additional travel dates, visit us online.

Sydney, Rock and Reef

9 nights



Queensland

CITIES

Sydney | Uluru (Ayers Rock) | Cairns

INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip transfers
- 9 nights accommodations
- Sydney Highlights tour
- Uluru Sunset tour
- Kata Tjuta Sunrise tour
- A Night at Field of Light
- Great Barrier Reef tour
- Cape Tribulation and Daintree tour
- 1 breakfast, 2 lunches, 1 dinner

Days 1-2: Fly USA to Sydney

Today will begin your customized itinerary as you fly from the USA to Sydney, Australia, crossing the International Date Line.

Days 3-6: Sydney

The picturesque harbor city of Sydney is the oldest settlement in Australia, and it is blessed with beautiful harbor beaches, bushland and a bustling city life. Discover the highlights of Sydney—including the historic Rocks area, the harbor’s icons, Chinatown and Darling Harbour—before venturing into the exclusive suburbs.

Days 6-8: Uluru (Ayers Rock)

Situated in the massive inland desert of Australia’s Northern Territory, the iconic destinations of Alice Springs and Uluru

(Ayers Rock) define the genuine outback experience. This is where nature is at its grandest, and one discovers that the landscape blends fluidly with Australia’s Aboriginal culture.

Learn about the Aboriginal Dreamtime stories and witness the dramatic sunset over Uluru. The following morning, travel to the 36-domed rock formation of Kata Tjuta and watch the desert come alive at sunrise. In the evening, enjoy an outback dining experience combined with observing the once-in-a-lifetime Field of Light art installation. End the night’s experience with an engaging talk about the stars above.

Days 8-12: Cairns

Head to Cairns, a gateway to the Great Barrier Reef and World Heritage-listed Daintree Rainforest. The city of Cairns features an eclectic combination of tropical outdoor living, cosmopolitan sophistication and easy access to adventure.

During your visit to Northern Queensland, set sail to Michaelmas Cay on the Great Barrier Reef. With

its spectacular coral reef and thriving marine life, this is a top spot to see some of the wonders of the Reef.

For a different side of Cairns, discover fascinating secrets of one of the world’s oldest rainforests, the Daintree. Continue to Cape Tribulation before heading to lunch in a rainforest setting. Join a calm-water cruise where you may spot the elusive and fearsome estuarine saltwater crocodile. The rest of your time in Cairns, feel free to relax or enjoy one of the area’s many available activities.

Day 12: Fly Cairns to USA

Transfer to Cairns Airport for your flight to Sydney, where you will connect to your departure flight to the USA.



Sydney

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	Low Season	Shoulder Season	High Season
Standard	\$2,185	\$2,225	\$2,340
Superior	\$2,690	\$2,740	\$2,830
Deluxe	\$3,745	\$3,990	\$4,385

Price includes land arrangements, per person/twin share. Add internal airfare from approximately \$1,050 per person. Call for lowest international airfares. For additional travel dates, visit us online.

Circle Australia

12 nights



Twelve Apostles

CITIES

Melbourne | Uluru (Ayers Rock) | Cairns
Sydney

INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip transfers
- 12 nights accommodations
- Colonial Tramcar Restaurant
- Great Ocean Road day tour
- Uluru Sunset tour
- Kata Tjuta Sunrise tour
- Sounds of Silence dinner
- Great Barrier Reef tour
- Kuranda tour
- Hot Air Balloon Flight
- Sydney Highlights tour
- Opera House Backstage tour
- 2 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners

Days 1-2: Fly USA to Melbourne

Today will begin your customized itinerary as you fly to Melbourne, Australia, crossing the International Date Line.

Days 3-6: Melbourne

Melbourne, Australia's second-largest city, is a cultural hub, known for the finer things in life: fashion, food, entertainment and sports. As the sun rises, embark on a day tour along the Great Ocean Road. Visit Apollo Bay, the Otway Mountain Ranges and the Twelve Apostles. In the city, enjoy fine Australian cuisine and wines as you make your way around Melbourne in the city's traveling Tramcar Restaurant.

Days 6-8: Uluru (Ayers Rock)

This is where nature is at its grandest, and one discovers that the landscape blends fluidly with Australia's Aboriginal culture.

Learn about the Aboriginal Dreamtime stories and witness the dramatic sunset over Uluru. The following morning, travel to the 36-domed rock formation of Kata Tjuta and watch the desert come alive at sunrise. In the evening, an outback dining experience to remember is accompanied by the sounds of the didgeridoo, the taste of outback cuisine and the "sounds of silence."

Days 8-12: Cairns

Welcome to Cairns, a gateway to the Great Barrier Reef and World Heritage-listed Daintree Rainforest. During your visit, set sail to Michaelmas Cay with its spectacular coral reef that's thriving with marine life such as giant clams and brilliant fish species.

Enjoy a scenic rail journey through tunnels and alongside waterfalls to Kuranda. Explore the local village and markets before boarding the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway back to Cairns and the Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Centre. Round out your stay in Cairns with a spectacular sunrise hot air balloon ride above the beautiful landscape.

Days 12-15: Sydney

The picturesque harbor city of Sydney is blessed with beautiful beaches and a bustling city life. As a Sydney highlight, venture behind the scenes of one of the world's iconic performing arts complexes, the Sydney Opera House. Later, discover the highlights of Sydney, including the historic Rocks area, the heads of the harbor, Chinatown, Darling Harbour, the exclusive suburbs of Sydney and famous Bondi Beach.

Day 15: Fly Sydney to USA

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight to the USA.

All itineraries are customized to your preferences. Prices are based on travel season.

	Low Season	Shoulder Season	High Season
Standard	\$3,240	\$3,355	\$3,515
Superior	\$4,095	\$4,150	\$4,240
Deluxe	\$6,035	\$6,505	\$6,675

Price includes land arrangements, per person/twin share. Add internal airfare from approximately \$1,208 per person. Call for lowest international airfares. For additional travel dates, visit us online.

Luxury Islands Escape

12 nights



Queensland

CITIES

Great Barrier Reef | Adelaide | Kangaroo Island | Tasmania | Melbourne

INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip transfers
- 12 nights accommodations
- Best of Both Worlds Heli tour
- Kangaroo Island touring
- Schouten Island tour
- Lanes and Arcades tour
- 12 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 9 dinners



Tasmania

Days 1-2: Fly USA to Hamilton Island

Today will begin your customized itinerary as you fly to Hamilton Island, Australia, crossing the International Date Line.

Days 3-6: Great Barrier Reef

qualia, Great Barrier Reef

Experience the World Heritage-listed Great Barrier Reef during your stay at qualia, Great Barrier Reef. Discover the island's beauty with pure relaxation while surrounded by the beautiful waters of the reef. Hamilton Island is home to tropical gardens, beautiful accommodations and world-class luxury.

See an aerial view of the iconic reef as you soar through the skies in a helicopter. Enjoy a 60-minute flight with views of the reef below, then stop on a secluded beach for a champagne picnic. Time is allowed to snorkel or scuba dive, or you may choose to just laze on the shore.

Days 6-7: Adelaide

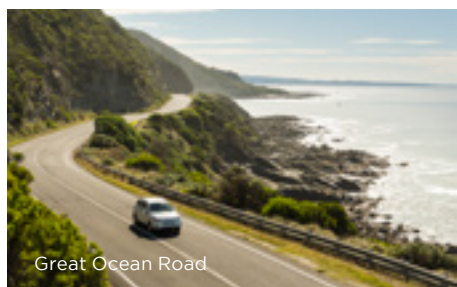
InterContinental Adelaide

Spend a night in Adelaide, the capital of South Australia, before you head on to Kangaroo Island.

Days 7-10: Kangaroo Island

Southern Ocean Lodge

Australia's "zoo without fences," Kangaroo Island is home to wildlife, whisky distilleries and a variety of stunning landscapes. See and visit natural bush land sanctuaries rich in wildlife, dramatic coastlines, and sea lion



Great Ocean Road



qualia, Great Barrier Reef



Kangaroo Island

and fairy penguin colonies. Visits to the well-known Seal Bay, Remarkable Rocks and Flinders Chase National Park are also highlights of your time on the island.

Enjoy a personalized experiential touring itinerary of the island's unique natural attractions. Encounter rich and varied wildlife and indulge in world-class food and wine. Discover the island's unique natural attractions, often with exclusive access and always with a touch of luxe.

Days 10-13: Tasmania

Saffire Freycinet

Coles Bay, on the island of Tasmania, is situated amongst spectacular coastal scenery in a secluded location. Discover Freycinet National Park, where azure bays and rustic beaches collide. Adventure is the big draw to Tasmania, and there is no shortage of activities. Kayak, cycle or hike to take in the island's fascinating landscape.

Sail to Schouten Island, a vast and abundant ecosystem that has played a part in early Aboriginal settlement, farming, mining and fishing in the area. Now it is part of the Freycinet National Park, a rarely explored, wild, unpredictable, delicate and unforgettable place both above and below the sea. Be engaged by close-up interactions with soaring sea birds, playful marine mammals and a diversity of life on Tasmania's temperate reefs.

Step into the waters of the Tasman Sea for an oyster and champagne experience. Plucking oysters directly from the sea, you will experience a whole new level of freshness. Schouten Island also has much to see. This early Aboriginal settlement is now a farming and fishing haven.

Days 13-15: Melbourne
Crown Towers

Melbourne is Australia's second-largest city, boasting an edgy vibe and unique charm. At first glance, Melbourne may resemble any other modern city with its skyline full of concrete and glass. Look a little closer and you will find the real Melbourne, a city of quaint charm. The many attractions vary from the spectacular parklands and gardens that surround the city, to the museums and festivals that are a continuing part of the city's life. Excellent restaurants are on every corner and cater to every taste in the world.

Enjoy a privately guided tour wandering through the iconic laneways and arcades, learning about the city's heritage and secrets. Your walk through Melbourne's beautiful back streets will help you become orientated to the life of the city that locals love.

Day 15: Fly Melbourne to USA

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight to the USA.

All itineraries are customized to your preferences. Prices are based on travel season.

	Low Season	Shoulder Season	High Season
Luxury	\$13,500	\$14,370	\$14,370

Price includes land arrangements, per person/twin share. Add internal airfare from approximately \$1,325 per person. Call for lowest international airfares. For additional travel dates, visit us online.

All Over Australia and New Zealand

18 nights



Queenstown

CITIES

Auckland | Rotorua | Queenstown
Christchurch | Melbourne | Uluru (Ayers Rock) | Cairns | Sydney

INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip transfers
- 18 nights accommodations
- Waitomo Caves tour
- Eco-Thermal tour
- Hangi Dinner and Concert
- Milford Sound cruise
- Dart River Wilderness safari
- Christchurch city tour
- Phillip Island Penguin Parade
- Uluru Sunset tour
- Kata Tjuta Sunrise tour
- Sounds of Silence dinner
- Great Barrier Reef tour
- Blue Mountains tour
- 1 breakfast, 5 lunches, 2 dinners

Days 1-2: Fly USA to Auckland

Today will begin your customized itinerary as you fly to Auckland, New Zealand, crossing the International Date Line.

Days 3-4: Auckland

Upon arrival in Auckland, you will be met and transferred to your accommodations. Auckland, the City of Sails, is located between two stunning harbors and is the country's largest urban area. It offers exciting activities and great shopping.

Days 4-6: Rotorua

Travel onward to the rich Waikato area, famous for its dairy farms, kiwi fruit orchards, thoroughbred horses and the Waitomo Caves. Here, you will enter subterranean limestone caverns to view the Glowworm Grotto. Continue over the bush-clad Mamaku Ranges to Rotorua. Tour the best of Rotorua's man-made and natural attractions, including Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve. Spend an evening

enjoying a spiritual experience with Marae protocol, entertainment, Māori culture and New Zealand feasting.

Days 6-9: Queenstown

Known as New Zealand's year-round resort, Queenstown offers the scenery of Lake Wakatipu and a backdrop of the Remarkable Mountains. Cruise along Milford Sound to the Tasman Sea, stopping to gaze at waterfalls, rainforests, mountains and seals. You may even see dolphins frolic alongside the boat. Enjoy an adrenaline rush as you board a jet boat and thread your way through a maze of channels between river flats on only inches of water.

Days 9-11: Christchurch

Christchurch, a town devastated by earthquakes in 2010 and 2011, is known as the most English city in New Zealand. Tour Christchurch's highlights while learning about the rebuilding efforts and innovative developments since the natural disasters.



Days 11-13: Melbourne

Melbourne is Australia's second-largest city, boasting an edgy vibe and unique charm. At first glance, Melbourne may resemble any other modern city with its skyline full of concrete and glass. Look a little closer and you will find the real Melbourne, a city of quaint charm. The many attractions vary from the spectacular parklands and gardens that surround the city, to the museums and festivals that are a continuing part of the city's life. Excellent restaurants are on every corner and cater to every taste in the world. A highlight of your time in Melbourne is a visit to the penguin colony on Phillip Island. Watch the "Penguin Parade" as the penguin colony returns home at sunset.



Days 13-15: Uluru (Ayers Rock)

Fly to Uluru (Ayers Rock) in the heart of the Northern Territory's Red Center. Spend your first day learning of the Aboriginal Dreamtime stories and witness the dramatic sunset over Uluru. The following morning, travel to the 36-domed rock formation of Kata Tjuta and watch the desert come alive at sunrise. Stroll between the rock walls as you learn about the evolution of the environment over millions of years. In the evening, enjoy an outback dining experience accompanied by the sounds of the didgeridoo, outback cuisine, the "sounds of silence" and the Milky Way.



Days 15-18: Cairns

Isolated palm-fringed beaches and a World Heritage-listed rainforest make up Cairns' diverse setting. During your visit, set sail to Michaelmas Cay and explore the spectacular coral reef. After your reef adventures and sun-kissed excursions, enjoy a day to yourself to relax or enjoy one of the area's many activities and experiences.

Days 18-21: Sydney

Culminate your Down Under experience in Sydney, Australia's premier city. Home to the iconic Sydney Opera House and Sydney Harbour, this city pulses with energy and Australian culture. Visit a wildlife park to see Australian animals and reptiles up close, before continuing your journey to the Blue Mountains. After a walk through the bush, visit historic Katoomba, Echo Point and the iconic Three Sisters rock formation before returning to the city.

Enjoy a full day at leisure to explore Sydney at your own pace. Additional tours and experiences are available as well.

Day 21: Fly Sydney to USA

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight to the USA.



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	Low Season	Shoulder Season	High Season
Standard	\$4,590	\$4,780	\$5,075
Superior	\$5,965	\$6,140	\$7,195
Deluxe	\$8,470	\$9,045	\$9,220

Price includes land arrangements, per person/twin share. Add internal airfare from approximately \$1,108 per person. Call for lowest international airfares. For additional travel dates, visit us online.

All Over New Zealand

17 nights



Te Puia, Rotorua

CITIES

Auckland | Rotorua | Napier | Wellington
Nelson | Franz Josef | Queenstown
Dunedin | Christchurch

INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip transfers
- 17 nights accommodations
- Waitomo Caves tour
- Hangi Dinner and Concert
- Eco-Thermal tour
- Wellington city tour
- Interislander ferry
- Franz Josef Glacier walk
- Dart River Wilderness safari
- Otago Peninsula Wildlife tour
- 2 lunches, 1 dinner

Days 1-2: Fly USA to Auckland

Today will begin your customized itinerary as you fly to Auckland, New Zealand, crossing the International Date Line.

Days 3-4: Auckland

Auckland, the City of Sails, is located between two stunning harbors and is the country's largest urban area. Spend the evening here exploring the bustling city center.

Days 4-6: Rotorua

Tour the rich Waikato area, known for its dairy farms, kiwi fruit orchards and thoroughbred horses. Explore the subterranean limestone caverns known as the Waitomo Caves. See the walls illuminate as you wander through the Glowworm grotto. Immerse yourself in Kiwi culture with a Hangi dinner and



Queenstown

concert. Witness—or join in—a fierce Haka, or war dance, stick games and other cultural entertainment.

Days 6–7: Napier

Head towards the Art Deco town of Napier, the center of the Hawke’s Bay region that boasts wineries, art galleries and fascinating wildlife.

Days 7–9: Wellington

Continue south to New Zealand’s capital city of Wellington, where you will visit Parliament buildings, Old St. Paul’s Cathedral, the National Art Gallery, Museum of New Zealand, Oriental Bay, Wellington Harbour and Marine Drive.



Nelson



Rotorua



Waitomo Caves

Days 9–11: Nelson

Take the Interislander Ferry to Picton on the South Island. One of the world’s most scenic cruises, your journey across the Cook Strait is a memorable one. Once in Nelson, enjoy the beautiful scenery, amazing art, seafood, wine and boutique breweries.

Days 11–13: Franz Josef

Travel to Franz Josef on the scenic West Coast. Embark on a two-mile interpretive walk to the terminal face and explore the lower reaches of the glacier. The Glacier Valley Walk takes participants alongside the mighty Waiho River bed following the glacier’s path of retreat in this remarkable landscape. Here, learn about the glacier’s history and see what is left behind by this majestic giant.

Days 13–16: Queenstown

Queenstown is the adventure capital of New Zealand. Take an exciting jet boat ride through a maze of channels between the river flats on only inches of water. Spend time exploring Queenstown and its offerings—bungee jumping, rafting,

scenic helicopter flights, shopping and wonderful cuisine. Milford and Doubtful Sound are all within reach for an adventurous day amid natural icons.

Days 16–18: Dunedin

Continue towards Central Otago by bus transfer. Enjoy a guided Albatross land tour at the Royal Albatross Centre, while uncovering the wealth of wildlife in the surrounding area. Afterwards, head towards a penguin reserve for a close encounter with Yellow-Eyed Penguins.

Days 18–20: Christchurch

Journey north to Christchurch, the South Island’s largest city. Spend the days wandering the buzzing streets, or stop in one or two of the local wine bars or street cafés. Christchurch offers a variety of unique city-inspired activities.

Day 20: Fly Christchurch to USA

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight to the USA, via Auckland.

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	Low Season	Shoulder Season	High Season
Standard	\$3,865	\$3,800	\$4,065
Superior	\$4,635	\$4,820	\$5,165
Deluxe	\$5,705	\$5,950	\$6,440

Price includes land arrangements, per person/twin share. Add internal airfare from approximately \$205 per person. Call for lowest international airfares. For additional travel dates, visit us online.

Luxury in New Zealand

11 nights



Otahuna Lodge

CITIES

Auckland | Taupo | Wellington
Queenstown | Christchurch

INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip transfers
- 11 nights luxury accommodations
- Waitomo Caves tour
- Helicopter transfer, Wellington to Palliser Bay
- Milford Sound helicopter flight
- 11 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 10 dinners

Days 1-2: Fly USA to Auckland

Today will begin your customized itinerary as you fly from the USA to Auckland, New Zealand, crossing the International Date Line.

Days 3-4: Auckland *SKY CITY Grand*

On arrival into Auckland, you will be met and transferred to The SKY CITY Grand. Auckland, City of Sails, is located between two stunning harbors and is the country's largest urban area. With a unique undertone of Māori influence, this waterfront city is a cultural and architectural gem, filled with bustling markets, world-class restaurants and locals who are known for their welcoming attitude and laid-back lifestyle.



Auckland



Lake Wakatipu

Days 4–6: Taupo

Huka Lodge

Travel through the Waikato area, famous for its dairy farms, kiwi fruit orchards, thoroughbred horses and the Waitomo Caves. Enter subterranean limestone caverns to view the Glowworm Grotto. Continue the journey toward Taupo and the exceptional Huka Lodge. Explore the manicured gardens that line the banks of the Waikato River. Spend your time indulging in a range of experiences that thrive off the lodge's surroundings.



Huka Lodge

Days 6–9: Wellington

Wharekauhau Lodge

Board your helicopter in Wellington for the flight along the coastline of Palliser Bay to the exclusive Wharekauhau Lodge. Experience the New Zealand outdoors or simply relax and unwind. Take to a hiking trail encompassing native forest, idyllic lakes, rivers and farmland. Try a 4WD safari, horse trekking or trap shooting, set in spectacular rural terrain.

Days 9–12: Queenstown

Blanket Bay

On arrival at Queenstown, transfer to the magnificent Blanket Bay, located on the shores of Lake Wakatipu, near the town of Glenorchy. During your stay, enjoy an indulgent helicopter excursion over the Milford Track and Sutherland Falls to Milford Sound. From the Tasman Sea, fly inland over glaciers and frozen lakes to an exclusive wilderness site for a gourmet lunch.



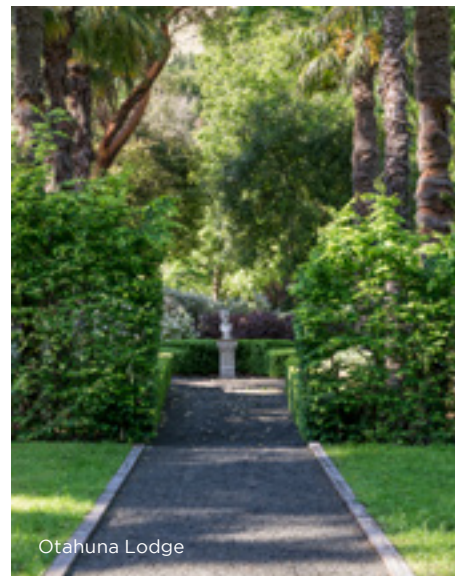
Blanket Bay

Days 12–14: Christchurch

Otahuna Lodge

Tucked away in Tai Tapu, just 20 minutes from Christchurch, is Otahuna Lodge. Built in 1895 for Sir Heaton Rhodes, a

high-profile pioneer of Canterbury, the homestead is considered one of the best examples of unspoiled Queen Anne architecture in Australasia. It is praised for its irregular shape, romantic rooflines, extensive use of New Zealand timber and elaborate architectural detail.



Otahuna Lodge

The wide vistas over the lawns and the lake contrast the scenery seen on intimate walks through the heavily wooded areas. The gardens of the country estate offer a range of guest amenities and activities, including swimming, tennis, croquet and petanque, among others.

Day 14: Fly Christchurch to USA

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight to the USA, via Auckland.



Christchurch

All itineraries are customized to your preferences. Prices are based on travel season.

	Low Season	Shoulder Season	High Season
Luxury	\$14,155	\$17,180	\$20,360

Price includes land arrangements, per person/twin share. Add internal airfare from approximately \$770 per person. Call for lowest international airfares. For additional travel dates, visit us online.

Kiwi Highlights

10 nights



Champagne Pool, Rotorua

CITIES

Auckland | Rotorua | Queenstown | Franz Josef | Christchurch

INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip transfers
- 10 nights accommodations
- Waitomo Caves tour
- Eco-Thermal tour
- Hangi Dinner and Concert
- Milford Sound cruise
- Dart River Wilderness safari
- TranzAlpine Train
(Greymouth to Christchurch)
- Akaroa tour and cruise
- 3 lunches, 1 dinner

Days 1-2: Fly USA to Auckland

Today will begin your customized itinerary. Fly to Auckland, New Zealand, crossing the International Date Line.

Days 3-4: Auckland

Upon arrival in New Zealand, you will be transferred to your hotel. Auckland, City of Sails, is located between two stunning harbors and is the country's largest urban area. With a unique undertone of Māori influence, this waterfront city is a cultural and architectural gem, filled with bustling markets and world-class restaurants.

Days 4-6: Rotorua

Travel through the rich Waikato area, famous for its dairy farms, kiwi fruit orchards, thoroughbred horses and the

Waitomo Caves. Enter subterranean limestone caverns to view the Glowworm Grotto. Continuing over the bush-clad Mamaku Ranges, you will reach Rotorua. Tour the best of Rotorua's manmade and natural attractions, including Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve, and enjoy an evening spiritual experience with Marae protocol, entertainment, Māori culture and feasting.

Days 6-9: Queenstown

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Queenstown, New Zealand's year-round resort, which is nestled beside the deep blue waters of Lake Wakatipu at the foot of the Remarkable Mountains. Cruise along Milford Sound to the Tasman Sea, stopping to view waterfalls, rainforests, mountains and seals. Continue your adventure in Queenstown on board a jet boat as you thread your way through a maze of channels between river flats in only inches of water.

Days 9-11: Franz Josef

Depart Queenstown for Franz Josef and take in the spectacular scenery of Kawarau Gorge, Lake Hawera, Haast Pass and Fox

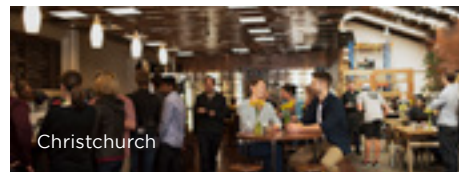
Glacier. Franz Josef is set between the stormy expanse of the Tasman Sea and the unbroken chain of the Southern Alps.

Days 11-13: Christchurch

Board the TranzAlpine Train to travel through the Southern Alps, across the Canterbury Plains and on to the "English" city of Christchurch. This train ride is one of the most beautiful journeys in New Zealand. Travel to the fishing town of Akaroa, and along the way, visit the extinct volcanoes of Banks Peninsula, beautiful harbors and green farmland. Sample cheeses at the Barrys Bay Cheese Factory and board a nature and harbor cruise at Akaroa to explore the volcanic harbor and look for local wildlife.

Day 13: Fly Christchurch to USA

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight to the USA, via Auckland.



Christchurch

All itineraries are customized to your preferences. Prices are based on travel season.

	Low Season	Shoulder Season	High Season
Standard	\$2,585	\$2,705	\$3,010
Superior	\$3,320	\$3,350	\$3,880
Deluxe	\$4,645	\$4,810	\$5,265

Price includes land arrangements, per person/twin share. Add internal airfare from approximately \$510 per person. Call for lowest international airfares. For additional travel dates, visit us online.

Kiwi Culture

12 nights



Hongi Greeting

CITIES

Auckland | Rotorua | Wellington | Blenheim
Christchurch | Queenstown

INCLUSIONS

- 12 nights accommodations
- 12-day Budget car rental
- Auckland Māori tour
- Eco-Thermal tour
- Hangi Dinner and Concert
- Capital Tastes Walking tour
- Māori Highlights tour
- Interislander ferry (Wellington to Picton)
- Marlborough Icons tour
- Christchurch City Garden tour
- Gourmet Wine tour
- 7 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 1 dinner

Days 1-2: Fly USA to Auckland

Today will begin your customized itinerary. Fly to Auckland, New Zealand, crossing the International Date Line.

Days 3-4: Auckland

Auckland, City of Sails, is located between two stunning harbors and is the country's largest urban area. Tour the city learning about important historic sites and the fascinating Māori culture along the way.

Days 4-6: Rotorua

Drive approximately four hours to Rotorua with an optional stop at the famous Waitomo Caves and Glowworm Grotto. Alternatively, take the road via

the Coromandel Peninsula for some breathtaking scenery. This evening, enjoy a Hangi Dinner and concert—a spiritual experience with Marae protocol, entertainment, Māori culture and feasting.

Days 6-8: Wellington

Drive through the center of the North Island to Wellington, New Zealand's capital and gateway to urban and rural culture. Considered the café capital, Wellington will allow you to discover fresh tastes as you are introduced to local favorites on a walking tour of the city. Next, onto a cultural experience at the Te Papa Museum for a highlights tour of Māori culture.

Days 8-10: Blenheim

Board the Interislander ferry from Wellington to Picton, one of the world's great scenic cruises. Tour the renowned Marlborough wine region, stopping for tastings at two of the area's wineries, including the iconic Cloudy Bay.

Days 10-12: Christchurch

Drive past the snow-capped peaks of the Kaikoura Ranges and through the Marlborough region to Christchurch. Christchurch is considered New Zealand's

most English City, and no visit here is complete without a tour of the gardens and surrounding areas.

Days 12-15: Queenstown

Drive further south to Queenstown, New Zealand's adventure capital. Stop at Lake Tekapo and take an optional scenic flight over Mt. Cook. Nestled beside the waters of Lake Wakatipu, at the foot of the Remarkables Mountain Range, Queenstown is a year-round resort.

Join a gourmet wine tour to savor the hidden delights of the world's southernmost winegrowing region in comfort and style. A mix of spectacular New Zealand scenery, fascinating regional history and a chance to visit a selection of delightful boutique wineries are the rewards of a truly great day out!

Day 15: Fly Queenstown to USA

Return your rental car before boarding your flight to the USA, via Auckland.

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	Low Season	Shoulder Season	High Season
Superior	\$4,580	\$4,770	\$4,970

Price includes land arrangements, per person/twin share. Add internal airfare from approximately \$200 per person. Call for lowest international airfares. For additional travel dates, visit us online.

Middle Earth Explorer

10 nights



Hobbiton

CITIES

Auckland | Rotorua | Wellington
Queenstown | Christchurch

INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip transfers
- 10 nights accommodations
- Hobbiton tour
- Eco-Thermal Park tour
- Marae Hangi & Concert
- Middle Earth in Wellington tour
- Dart River Wilderness safari
- Safari of the Scenes tour
- Mt. Cook tour
- *Lord of the Rings* Edoras tour
- 3 lunches, 1 dinner

Days 1-2: Fly USA to Auckland

Today will begin your customized itinerary. Fly to Auckland, New Zealand, crossing the International Date Line.

Days 3-4: Auckland

Spend a night in Auckland before heading off on your New Zealand adventure.

Days 4-6: Rotorua

Enjoy a magical journey through Middle-earth on a guided tour of the Hobbiton movie set from *The Lord of the Rings*

trilogy. From Rotorua, visit Wai O Tapu and Waimangu Volcanic Valley. The two parks offer a variety of thermal activity. Pass the famous Lady Knox geyser and see the spectacular geothermal park at Waimangu Volcanic Valley. The warmth of the Māori people is felt during an evening of ceremonial rituals, powerful cultural performances, storytelling and “hangi” feasting.

Days 6-8: Wellington

The capital of New Zealand, Wellington sits on the bottom tip of the North Island. Visit the filming locations of the Shire, the Gardens of Isengard, the River Anduin, Helms Deep, Minas Tirith and where the Hobbits raced to the ferry. Be spellbound at the site of Lothlorien, the majestic Fernside Lodge.

Days 8-11: Queenstown

The adventure capital of the world, Queenstown offers a mix of action and adventure. Board a jet boat and thread

your way through a maze of channels between river flats in only inches of water. Head back on land to check out the diverse scenery of historic Arrowtown. Take in sites from *The Lord of the Rings* as you continue your Middle Earth adventure.

Days 11-13: Christchurch

Scenic experiences are a highlight of Christchurch. Cross the Lindis Pass into Mackenzie Country to visit Mount Cook Village at the base of New Zealand’s highest mountain, Mount Cook. Continue on a *Lord of the Rings* tour to several film locations. Immerse yourself in the natural unspoiled beauty of this breathtaking area with its sparkling clear lakes, glistening blue rivers and fresh, crisp mountain air.

Day 13: Fly Christchurch to USA

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight to the USA via Auckland.

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	Low Season	Shoulder Season	High Season
Superior	\$3,670	\$3,950	\$4,030

Price includes land arrangements, per person/twin share. Add internal airfare from approximately \$590 per person. Call for lowest international airfares. For additional travel dates, visit us online.

Society Islands Explorer

9 nights



Bora Bora

CITIES

Papeete | Moorea | Bora Bora

INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip transfers
- 9 nights accommodations
- Meeting service with flower lei on arrival
- Circle Island Tour with Belvedere
- Shark & Ray Lagoon Safari
- 8 breakfasts, 1 lunch



Moorea

Day 1-2: Fly USA to Papeete

Today will begin your customized itinerary as you fly to Tahiti. On arrival, you will be met and greeted with a traditional flower lei and transferred to your overnight accommodations in Papeete.

Days 2-6: Moorea

Take a 10-minute flight to Moorea, an island of lush mountain slopes covered with rainforests, pineapple plantations and white sand beaches bordering crystalline lagoons. During your stay, travel to Belvedere Point and experience the magnificent view overlooking the Cook and Oponohu Bays. Return through a pineapple plantation before arriving at the village of Cook Bay. Enjoy time at leisure on the island to explore, horseback ride, hike to a hidden waterfall or simply laze under the sun.

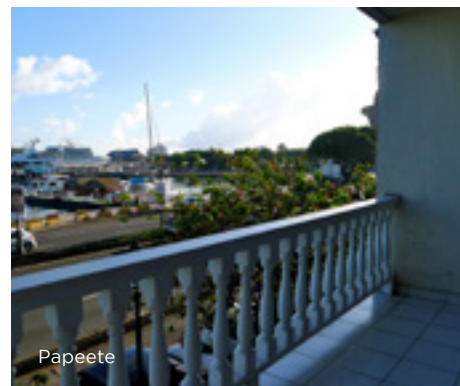
Days 6-10: Bora Bora

Travel onward to Bora Bora. Cruise around the island of Bora Bora on an outrigger canoe. Glide over the crystal blue lagoon

and colorful reefs as you wait for young sharks to swim by. Continue on to the natural lagoonarium. Here, each species of tropical fish has its own park. Rays and sharks, turtles, giant mussels, lobsters and many other varieties of multicolored fish call this lagoon home. Spend time encountering them all.

Day 10: Fly Bora Bora to USA

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight to the USA via Papeete.



Papeete

All itineraries are customized to your preferences. Prices are based on travel season.

	Low Season	Shoulder Season	High Season
Deluxe	\$5,630	\$7,125	\$7,420

Price includes land arrangements, per person/twin share. Call for lowest international airfares. For additional travel dates, visit us online.

Recommended Properties

New South Wales, Australia

Location	Hotel	Category	Price
Bouddi Peninsula	Pretty Beach House	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Byron Bay	The Byron at Byron Resort and Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Katoomba	Lilianfels Blue Mountains Resort & Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Lord Howe Island	Capella Lodge	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Pokolbin	Hunter Valley Resort	Superior	\$\$
Pokolbin	Spicers Vineyard Estate	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Sydney	Four Seasons Hotel Sydney	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Sydney	Harbour Rocks Hotel	Superior	\$\$\$
Sydney	Holiday Inn Darling Harbour	Superior	\$\$\$
Sydney	Hyatt Regency Sydney	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Sydney	InterContinental Sydney	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Sydney	The Langham Sydney	Luxury	\$\$\$\$
Sydney	Park Hyatt Sydney	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Sydney	PARKROYAL Darling Harbour	Superior	\$\$\$
Sydney	Quay West Suites Sydney	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Sydney	Sydney Harbour Marriott Hotel at Circular Quay	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Wolgan Valley	Emirates One&Only Wolgan Valley	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$

Queensland, Australia

Location	Hotel	Category	Price
Brisbane	Hilton Brisbane	Superior	\$\$\$
Brisbane	Royal on the Park Hotel Brisbane	Superior	\$\$
Brisbane	Spicers Balfour Hotel	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Cairns	Pacific Hotel Cairns	Superior	\$\$
Cairns	Pullman Cairns International	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Cairns	Shangri-La Hotel, The Marina, Cairns	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Daintree Rainforest	Silky Oaks Lodge	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Gold Coast	Crowne Plaza Surfers Paradise	Superior	\$\$
Gold Coast	Peppers Soul Surfers Paradise	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Gold Coast	QT Gold Coast	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Hamilton Island	Hamilton Island Reef View Hotel	Superior	\$\$\$
Hamilton Island	qualia, Great Barrier Reef	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Heron Island	Heron Island Resort	Superior	\$\$\$
Lizard Island	Lizard Island Resort	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Main Range National Park	Spicers Peak Lodge	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$
Moreton Island	Tangalooma Island Resort	Superior	\$\$\$
Northern Beaches	Kewarra Beach Resort & Spa	Superior	\$\$\$
Orpheus Island	Orpheus Island Resort	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$
Palm Cove	Alamanda Palm Cove by Lancemore	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Palm Cove	Pullman Palm Cove Sea Temple Resort & Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Palm Cove	The Reef House	Superior	\$\$
Port Douglas	Port Douglas Peninsula Boutique Hotel	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Port Douglas	Pullman Port Douglas Sea Temple Resort & Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Port Douglas	QT Port Douglas	Superior	\$\$\$
Port Douglas	Thala Beach Nature Reserve	Deluxe	\$\$\$

Northern Territory, Australia

Location	Hotel	Category	Price
Alice Springs	Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters	Superior	\$\$
Alice Springs	DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Alice Springs	Superior	\$\$
Darwin	DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Darwin Esplanade	Superior	\$\$
Darwin	Hilton Darwin	Superior	\$\$
Darwin	Mantra on The Esplanade	Superior	\$\$
Darwin	SKYCITY Darwin	Deluxe	\$\$
Gregory National Park	Bullo River Station	Superior	\$\$\$\$\$
Kakadu National Park	Bamurru Plains	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$
Kakadu National Park	Wildman Wilderness Lodge	Superior	\$\$\$\$\$
Kings Canyon	Kings Canyon Resort	Superior	\$\$\$
Uluru (Ayers Rock)	Desert Gardens Hotel	Superior	\$\$\$
Uluru (Ayers Rock)	Longitude 131°	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Uluru (Ayers Rock)	Sails in the Desert	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$

Western Australia, Australia

Location	Hotel	Category	Price
Kununurra	El Questro Homestead	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Margaret River	Cape Lodge	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Ningaloo Reef	Sal Salis	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$
Perth	COMO The Treasury	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Perth	Crown Metropol	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Perth	Crown Towers	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Perth	Hyatt Regency Perth	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Perth	Pan Pacific Perth	Superior	\$\$\$

South Australia, Australia

Location	Hotel	Category	Price
Adelaide	Adina Apartment Hotel Adelaide Treasury	Superior	\$\$\$
Adelaide	Crowne Plaza Adelaide	Superior	\$\$
Adelaide	InterContinental Adelaide	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Adelaide	Majestic Roof Garden Hotel	Superior	\$\$
Adelaide	Mayfair Hotel	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Barossa Valley	The Louise	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Coober Pedy	Desert Cave Hotel	Superior	\$\$\$
Flinders Ranges	Arkaba by Wild Bush Luxury	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Kangaroo Island	Southern Ocean Lodge	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$

Victoria, Australia

Location	Hotel	Category	Price
Daylesford	Lake House	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Melbourne	Crown Promenade Melbourne	Superior	\$\$\$
Melbourne	Crown Towers Melbourne	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Melbourne	Hotel Lindrum Melbourne	Superior	\$\$\$
Melbourne	The Langham, Melbourne	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Melbourne	Park Hyatt Melbourne	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Melbourne	Rydges Melbourne	Superior	\$\$\$

South Island, New Zealand

Location	Hotel	Category	Price
Mornington Peninsula	Jackalope	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Mornington Peninsula	Woodman Estate	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Yarra Valley	Chateau Yering Hotel	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$

Tasmania, Australia

Location	Hotel	Category	Price
Cradle Mountain National Park	Peppers Cradle Mountain Lodge	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Freycinet National Park	Freycinet Lodge	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Freycinet Peninsula	Saffire Freycinet	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Hobart	Islington Hotel	Luxury	\$\$\$\$
Hobart	The Henry Jones Art Hotel	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Hobart	Lenna of Hobart	Superior	\$\$\$
Hobart	Macq1	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Hobart	MONA Pavilions	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Hobart	Villa Howden	Luxury	\$\$\$
Launceston	Hotel Grand Chancellor Launceston	Superior	\$\$
Launceston	Peppers Seaport Hotel	Superior	\$\$

North Island, New Zealand

Location	Hotel	Category	Price
Auckland	Cordis, Auckland	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Auckland	Hilton Auckland	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Auckland	Rydges Auckland	Superior	\$\$
Auckland	SKYCITY Grand Hotel	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Auckland	Sofitel Auckland Viaduct Harbour	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Auckland	St Marys Residence	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Bay of Islands	Cophorne Hotel and Resort Bay of Islands	Superior	\$\$
Bay of Islands	Kauri Cliffs	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Bay of Islands	Paihia Beach Resort & Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Coromandel Peninsula	Grand Mercure Puka Park Resort	Superior	\$\$\$
Hawke's Bay	The Farm at Cape Kidnappers	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Helena Bay	Helena Bay	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Napier	The Crown Hotel	Superior	\$\$\$
Palliser Bay	Wharekauhau Lodge	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Rotorua	Millennium Hotel Rotorua	Superior	\$\$
Rotorua	Novotel Rotorua Lakeside	Superior	\$\$
Rotorua	Peppers on the Point	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Rotorua	Regent of Rotorua	Superior	\$\$
Rotorua	Solitaire Lodge	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$
Rotorua	The Springs	Superior	\$\$\$
Rotorua	Treetops Lodge & Estate	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Taupo	Huka Lodge	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Wellington	The Bolton Hotel	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Wellington	Cophorne Hotel Wellington Oriental Bay	Superior	\$\$\$
Wellington	Greenmantle Estate Lodge	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Wellington	InterContinental Wellington	Deluxe	\$\$\$

Location	Hotel	Category	Price
Arthur's Pass National Park	Wilderness Lodge Arthur's Pass	Superior	\$\$\$\$
Christchurch	Annandale	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Christchurch	The Classic Villa	Superior	\$\$\$
Christchurch	The George	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Christchurch	Hotel Montreal	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Christchurch	Novotel Christchurch Cathedral Square	Superior	\$\$
Christchurch	Otahuna Lodge	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Christchurch	Rendezvous Hotel Christchurch	Superior	\$\$\$
Dunedin	Distinction Dunedin Hotel	Superior	\$\$\$
Dunedin	Fletcher Lodge	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Dunedin	Larnach Castle	Superior	\$\$\$
Glacier Region	Distinction Hotel Fox Glacier	Superior	\$\$\$
Glacier Region	Te Waonui Forest Retreat	Superior	\$\$\$\$
Glacier Region	Westwood Lodge	Superior	\$\$\$
Glenorchy	Blanket Bay	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Golden Bay	Westhaven Retreat	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Marlborough	The Marlborough Lodge	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Mount Cook	The Hermitage Hotel	Superior	\$\$\$
Nelson	Te Koi - The Lodge at Bronte	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Nelson	Cambria House	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Nelson	Grand Mercure Nelson Monaco	Superior	\$\$
Queenstown	Azur Lodge	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$
Queenstown	Bay of Many Coves	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Queenstown	Crowne Plaza Queenstown	Superior	\$\$\$
Queenstown	Eichardt's Private Hotel	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Queenstown	Hotel St Moritz	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Queenstown	Hulbert House	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Queenstown	Matakauri Lodge	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$
Queenstown	Novotel Queenstown Lakeside	Superior	\$\$
Queenstown	Sofitel Queenstown Hotel and Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Queenstown	The Spire Hotel	Luxury	\$\$\$\$

French Polynesia

Location	Hotel	Category	Price
Bora Bora	Bora Bora Pearl Beach Resort & Spa	Superior	\$\$\$\$\$
Bora Bora	Conrad Bora Bora Nui	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Bora Bora	InterContinental Bora Bora Resort & Thalasso Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$
Bora Bora	The St. Regis Bora Bora Resort	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Moorea	Hilton Moorea Lagoon Resort & Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Moorea	Manava Beach Resort & Spa Moorea	Superior	\$\$\$\$
Moorea	Sofitel Moorea la Ora Beach Resort	Superior	\$\$\$\$
Motu Tautau	Le Taha'a Island Resort & Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$
Tahiti	InterContinental Tahiti Resort & Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Tahiti	Le Meridien Tahiti	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Tahiti	Manava Suite Resort Tahiti	Superior	\$\$\$
Tetiaroa	The Brando	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$
Tuamotu Atoll	Tikehau Pearl Beach Resort	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$

Fiji

Location	Hotel	Category	Price
Fiji	InterContinental Fiji Golf Resort & Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Fiji	Outrigger Fiji Beach Resort	Superior	\$\$\$
Fiji	Shangri-La's Fijian Resort and Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Fiji	Sofitel Fiji Resort and Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$
Kokomo Island	Kokomo Private Island Fiji	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Laucala Island	Laucala	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Malolo Island	Malolo Island Resort	Superior	\$\$\$\$
Mamanuca Islands	Castaway Island Fiji	Superior	\$\$\$\$
Mamanuca Islands	Likuliku Lagoon Resort	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$
Royal Davui Island	Royal Davui Island Resort	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$
Savusavu	Namale Resort and Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$
Wakaya Island	The Wakaya Club & Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$

Cook Islands

Location	Hotel	Category	Price
Aitutaki	Aitutaki Lagoon Resort & Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Aitutaki	Pacific Resort Aitutaki	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$\$
Rarotonga	Crown Beach Resort & Spa	Deluxe	\$\$\$\$
Rarotonga	Pacific Resort Rarotonga	Superior	\$\$\$\$
Rarotonga	Rumours Luxury Villas & Spa Resort	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$
Rarotonga	Te Vakaroa Villas	Luxury	\$\$\$\$\$

Papua New Guinea

Location	Hotel	Category	Price
Lake Murray	Lake Murray Lodge	Superior	\$\$\$
Madang	Malolo Plantation Lodge	Superior	\$\$\$
Sepik River	Karawari Lodge	Superior	\$\$\$
Sepik River	Sepik Spirit	Superior	\$\$\$
Tari Valley	Ambua Lodge	Superior	\$\$\$
Western Highlands Province	Rondon Ridge	Superior	\$\$\$

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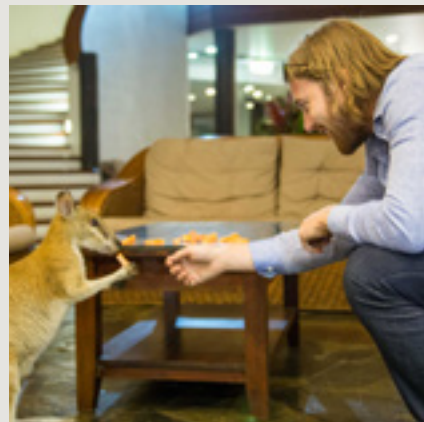
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One of our consultants, Kat, went skydiving in Wanaka, New Zealand. This was captured just before taking the leap of a lifetime!



This girl hopped up in the middle of dinner to join us, as if she owned the place. She then proceeded to leave with our hearts.



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A. Limited Principal and Agent Relationship

These Terms and Conditions establish a relationship of principal and agent between you, as principal, and Swain, as agent. As your agent, Swain acts pursuant to your authority and may bind you only to the extent of such authority. Swain may dispose of funds received from you only with your express authorization. By these Terms and Conditions, you grant Swain such express authorization for the purpose of booking travel. Swain is also an agent of transportation carriers and other third-party suppliers of services ("suppliers"). All suppliers are independent contractors. When coordinating travel services, Swain receives funds from you and transmits those funds to suppliers. In exchange, suppliers provide you with travel services, which are coordinated by Swain. Swain is a broker between suppliers and customers. Swain receives only a portion of the funds collected from you as a commission, which compensates Swain for services it has rendered to you.

B. Payment Schedule

For airfare arrangements, the full fare must be paid at time of booking. All airfare payments are in addition to the booking deposits for land arrangements.

All travelers must pay a \$500 non-refundable land deposit, per person, at the time of reservation and, if applicable, the non-refundable insurance premium. Certain special or customized itineraries may require an additional deposit. Final payment is due 60 days prior to departure. For Africa Travel, a 25% land deposit of the total booking cost is due at time of reservation and, if applicable, the non-refundable insurance premium. Final payment is due 100 days prior to departure. Certain special or customized itineraries may require an additional deposit. For late bookings within 30 days of departure, full payment is due immediately. An additional fee of \$50 per person will be charged for rush handling. Festive seasons vary by destination and calendar year. Travel during festive seasons may require an earlier deposit date or increased deposit. This will be advised at time of quote.

C. Cancellations, Revisions and Changes

All deposits are non-refundable. All booking cancellations, revisions, and changes are subject to terms and limitations.

Independent Travelers. If you cancel 60 or more days prior to departure, only the deposit is forfeited. If you cancel 59 to 7 days prior to departure, you forfeit 30% of the total cost. If you cancel 6 days or less prior to departure, you forfeit 100% of the total cost. For Africa Travel: If you cancel 100 or more days prior to departure, only the deposit is forfeited. If you cancel 99 days or less prior to departure, you forfeit 100% of the total cost.

Escorted Tours. If you cancel 60 or more days prior to departure, only the deposit is forfeited. If you cancel 59 to 15 days prior to departure, you forfeit 30% of the total cost. If you cancel 14 to five days prior to departure, you forfeit 35% of the total cost. If you cancel four to one days prior to departure, you forfeit 60% of the total cost. If you cancel on or after the date of departure, you forfeit 100% of the total cost. For air-only itineraries, all cancellations are subject to a \$100 Swain processing fee, and are further subject to the terms and conditions of the airline(s).

Swain will make no refund for elements of a travel package not used by the customer. In all cases, all travelers are solely responsible for charges assessed by land suppliers, cruise companies, and airlines. A handling fee of \$50 per person plus any fees charged by the supplier will be charged for any alterations or revisions to a reservation. Spelling corrections to clients' names after tickets have been issued are subject to airline revision fees. A change of trip date will be treated as a cancellation and new booking and regular cancellation fees will apply.

Swain reserves the right to cancel an escorted tour prior to departure, and in such cases, all payments made to-date will be refunded and shall constitute full settlement.

D. Additional Price and Service Terms

Prices are quoted per person, double occupancy, and do not include U.S. or foreign government fees and taxes, or airline or airport surcharges. Price does not include airfare unless otherwise stated. Swain reserves the right to cancel a trip, change the itinerary or adjust rates whenever in its sole judgment conditions warrant, or if Swain deems it necessary for your comfort, convenience or safety. Every effort will be made to operate itineraries as planned, but alterations may occur after an itinerary has been finalized. Swain reserves the right to adjust prices due to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates. Swain reserves the right to substitute hotels of similar quality at any time or to make changes in itinerary of similar quality. Please understand that not all museums and attractions are open every day of the year. Swain reserves the right to vary the sequence of

sightseeing and/or to re-route the order of cities if that will enable you to visit all listed excursions. Swain reserves the right to decline or accept any person as a member of an escorted tour, or to require any participant to withdraw from an escorted tour at any time who presents a significant risk to the health or safety of himself or others, or whose behavior is, in the sole judgment of Swain, unreasonable or inappropriate.

E. Credit Card Payments

Credit card payments are accepted through the Swain website. You state that you are an authorized user of the credit card and that the associated information entered (account holder name, account number, billing address, etc.) is accurate. You authorize Swain to charge the amount you have requested to your credit card. You also authorize Swain to return to your credit card any funds due to you.

Credit card transactions are administered by a third-party service provider. You accept and consent to your personal data being provided to the third-party service provider for sole purpose of offering and administering the credit card transaction. If a charge is declined or reversed by the credit card issuer or network, you agree to pay Swain a service charge and to reimburse Swain for all reasonable costs of collection and all costs incurred as a result of the charge being declined or reversed. You further agree that Swain may refuse to book travel on your behalf and may terminate any or all services to you.

F. Authority to Contract

You represent and warrant that (i) you are at least 18 years of age; (ii) you possess the legal authority to create a binding legal obligation; (iii) you will use the services provided by Swain in accordance with these terms and conditions; (iv) you will only use Swain to make legitimate reservations for you or for another person for whom you are legally authorized to act; and (v) you will inform such other persons about these Terms and Conditions that apply to the reservations you have made on their behalf.

G. Consent to Be Contacted

You expressly consent and give your permission to be contacted by Swain, its agents, employees, and assigns, including by telephone call, text message, email, fax, U.S. mail, and private parcel carrier, at any phone number, fax number, email address, or physical address provided to Swain. This express consent and permission extends to calls placed to cellular telephones using an automatic telephone dialing system and/or prerecorded message.

H. International Travel, Visas and Passports

You acknowledge that you are solely responsible for ensuring that you meet foreign entry requirements and that your travel documents, such as passports and visas, are in order. A valid passport is required for U.S. citizens traveling outside of the U.S. Passports must be valid for six (6) months after the return of your journey as well as have sufficient blank passport pages for entry and exit stamps. Travelers are advised to consult with their appropriate government authority to determine any necessary documents, allowances and requirements for travel to their intended destination. Many destinations require a visa for U.S. citizens. You may be refused boarding or country entry without liability for refund, payment, compensation, or credit of any kind if you do not have proper documentation. You acknowledge that you are solely responsible for obtaining vaccinations and other appropriate medical care prior to departure. Swain is not a medical authority. Medical advice should be obtained from your travel doctor.

I. Liability Disclaimer & Unconditional Release

You acknowledge that travel carries with it certain risks, including risks which may not be foreseeable, and that you are responsible for your own health and safety. Swain makes no representation or warranty regarding your health or safety during or as a result of your trip. Swain is not responsible for your health and safety.

You agree to hold harmless and release Swain from any direct, indirect, punitive, incidental, special or consequential damages arising out of any acts, errors, omissions, representations, warranties, breaches or negligence by Swain, its officers, directors, agents, or employees. By arranging travel to particular countries and regions, Swain does not represent or warrant that travel to such areas is advisable or safe, and is not liable for damages or losses that may result from travel to such destinations. Risks such as political instability, crime, terrorism, war, disease, and natural disasters are not confined to particular countries or regions, and may impact travelers anywhere in the world. As such, travelers are advised to seek reliable and timely health and safety information prior to traveling, including from the U.S. State Department's travel website (<http://travel.state.gov/>), and the Centers for Disease Control travel website (www.cdc.gov/travel/).

By arranging for particular activities, Swain does not represent or warrant that such activities are advisable or safe, and is not liable for damages or losses that may result from such activities. There are many inherent risks in adventure travel of the type involved here, which can lead to illness, injury, or even death. These risks are increased by the fact that these trips take place in remote locations, far from medical facilities. Guest assumes all such risks associated with participating in these trips.

Photographs seen in Swain brochures or on Swain's website may not necessarily depict the same experience that travelers will have due to the very nature of travel. Pictures and descriptions of locations, facilities, and activities do not constitute an implied or express warranty.

The airlines, hotels and other suppliers providing travel, lodging, or other services are not agents or employees of Swain. Swain in no way owns or operates the vehicles or facilities to be used during the trip. Swain is not liable for the acts, errors, omissions, representations, warranties, breaches or negligence of any such suppliers or for any personal injuries, death, property damage, or other damages or expenses resulting therefrom. This liability falls on the supplier. Swain has no liability in the event of any delay, cancellation, overbooking, strike, terrorism, force majeure or other causes beyond their direct control, and they have no responsibility for any additional expenses, omissions, delays, re-routing or acts of any government or authority.

If, despite the disclaimers and release above, Swain is found liable for any loss or damage which arises out of or in any way connected with travel arranged by Swain, then the liability of Swain will in no event exceed, in the aggregate, the greater of (a) the fees you paid to Swain, or (b) One-Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). The disclaimers, release, and limitation of liability reflect the purposeful allocation of risk between the parties.

J. Copyright & Trademark Notices

Unless otherwise indicated by us, the Swain website and all content and other materials therein, including, without limitation, all logos, designs, text, graphics, pictures, information, data, software, and sound files are the proprietary property of Swain, or its licensors, and are protected by U.S. and international copyright and trademark laws.

K. Disputes with Swain

In the event that a dispute arises between you and Swain in connection with or related to travel services provided to you by Swain, you consent to the jurisdiction of and venue in the Court of Common Pleas of Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, United States. These Terms and Conditions shall be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, United States of America without regard to conflict of any law's provisions that would result in the application of the laws of any other jurisdiction.

L. Supplier Rules and Restrictions

Many suppliers are likely to impose their own terms and conditions, which are separate and apart from these Swain Terms and Conditions. Please read these additional terms and conditions carefully. In particular, if you have purchased an airfare, please ensure you read the full terms and conditions of carriage issued by the airline, which can be found on the airline's website.

Some hotel suppliers may require you to present a credit card or cash deposit upon check-in to cover additional expenses incurred during your stay. Such deposit is unrelated to any payment received by us for your hotel booking.

You acknowledge that some third-party providers offering certain services and/or activities may require you to sign their liability waiver prior to participating in the service and/or activity they offer. You understand that any violation of any such supplier's rules and restrictions may result in cancellation of your reservation(s), in your being denied access to the applicable services, in your forfeiting any monies paid for such reservation(s), and/or in our debiting your account for any costs we incur as a result of such violation.

M. Cancellation Charges

All cancellation fees are per person. Charges assessed by land suppliers, cruise companies, airlines and third parties are additional to fees. All deposits and money paid is non-refundable. Special event periods may incur additional event-specific penalties. Air-only cancellations incur a \$100 penalty in addition to the cancellation penalties of the airfare carrier.

Independent Travel	
Days prior to departure	Cancellation charges
60 days or more	\$500
59 to 7 days	30% of tour cost
6 days to departure date	100% of tour cost
For Africa Travel Only	
100 days or more days	Deposits paid
99 days to day of departure	100% of tour cost
Escorted Tours	
60 days or more	\$500
59 to 15 days	30% of tour cost*

14 to 5 days	35% of tour cost*
4 to 1 day	60% of tour cost*
On or after departure date	100% of tour cost*
For Africa Travel Only	
101 days or more days	Deposits paid
100 to 15 days	30% of tour cost*
14 to 1 day	60% of tour cost*
On or after departure date	100% of tour cost*
Customized Group Tours	
All deposits and money paid is non-refundable.	

N. Travel Insurance

As sometimes the unexpected does occur, all guests should purchase some form of travel protection to cover for losses in the event you need to cancel your vacation. Swain Destinations Travel Protection or Swain Destinations Preferred Travel Protection through Arch Insurance Company for Itineraries with a trip cost under \$15,000. You can review your state-specific insurance policy by visiting <https://archinsurancesolutions.com/coverage/Swain> or <https://archinsurancesolutions.com/coverage/SwainPreferred>. The plan cost amount must be paid at time of deposit, and if desired, is priced as follows:

Trip Cost (per person)	Travel Protection	Preferred Protection
Up to \$1000	\$89.00	\$124.00
\$1,001 - \$2,000	\$119.00	\$154.00
\$2,001 - \$3,000	\$179.00	\$214.00
\$3,001 - \$6,500	\$299.00	\$334.00
\$6,501 - \$8,000	\$439.00	\$474.00
\$8,001 - \$14,999	6.5% of trip cost	6.5% of trip cost
\$15,000 and above	On request	On request

For itineraries with a trip cost of \$15,000 or above, Swain Destinations Travel Protection or Swain Destinations Preferred Travel Protection is offered through Allianz. These plans vary by itinerary details, and are available on request.

O. This is a Binding and Complete Contract

This is a binding and complete contract, executed when you electronically indicate that you accept these Terms and Conditions. In calculating the cost of your trip, Swain has relied on your agreement and consent to these Terms and Conditions, and in the absence of these Terms and Conditions, the trip cost would have been higher. Swain expressly disclaims any warranties, representations, or statements contrary to the express terms of these Terms and Conditions.

Consumer Disclosure Notice

Please read the Terms & Conditions carefully, as your deposit and payment for a trip constitutes consent to all conditions and general information contained in this brochure. These Terms and Conditions are current as of printing date of November 1, 2017. For the most up to date Terms and Conditions, visit www.swaindestinations.com/terms

Brochure Pricing

All pricing within this brochure is an approximation, per person, twin/double share in USD. Although not expected, published prices may be modified due to unexpected significant external factors not forecasted at the time of printing. Travel may be restricted to certain days of the week. Hotels and tours remain subject to availability. Please note blackout dates may apply to Christmas, New Year's Eve and local special event periods. Pricing may increase over Holiday and special event periods and may not be reflected in price grid. Prices indicated remain subject to change without notice. Prices are not guaranteed until full payment is received and processed.

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