

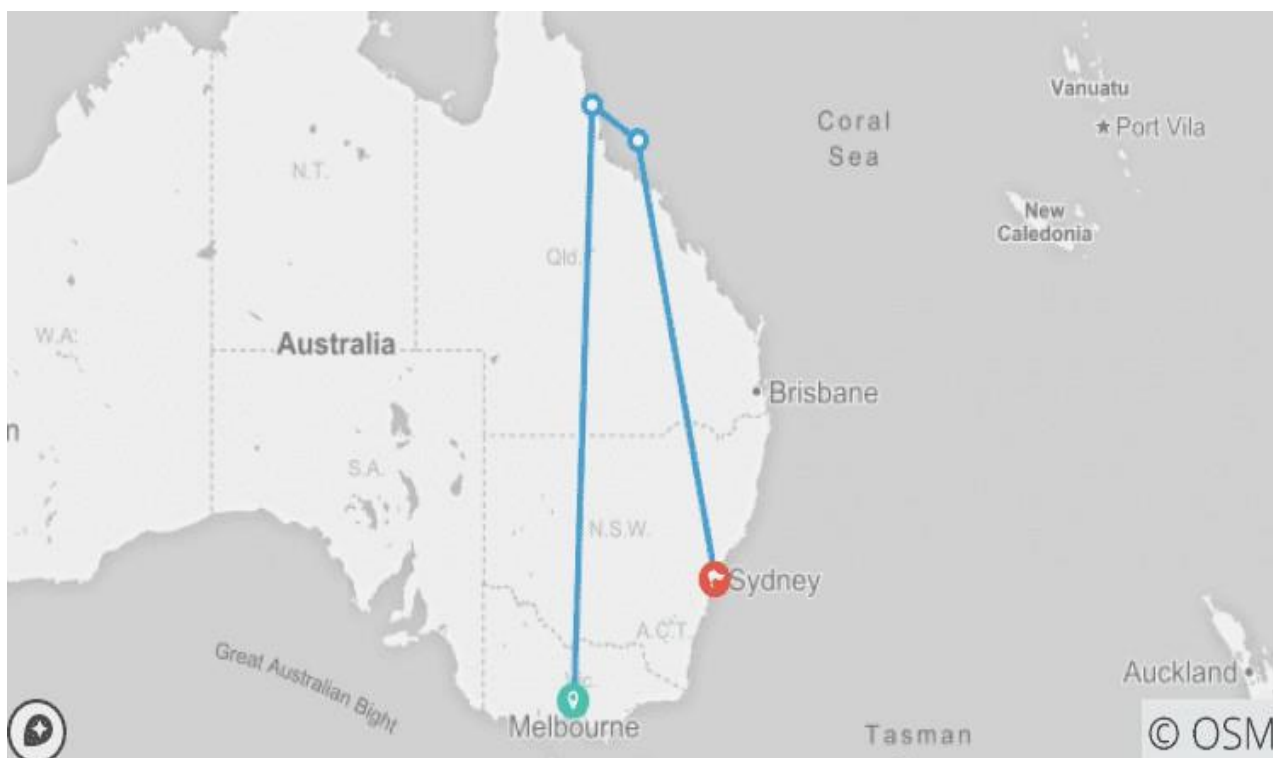


Full Itinerary & Trip Details

Contrasts of Australia

- ✓ Dip your toes in the Pacific Ocean at iconic Bondi Beach
- ✓ Admire the sunset on a dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour
- ✓ Discover Melbourne's bustling colourful hidden laneways
- ✓ Snorkel and see the colours of the Great Barrier Reef

Trip Overview

**PRICE STARTING FROM**

\$2,714

DURATION

9 days

IDEAL AGE

5 to 99 year olds

STARTS IN ☐ **ENDS IN**Melbourne ☒ Sydney**STYLE**

Discovery

OPERATOR

AAT Kings

TOUR CODE

#137162

Itinerary

Introduction

Time to explore the many exciting aspects that make up Eastern Australia. Visit the cosmopolitan city of Melbourne which is home to great food, shopping and history. Take a flight to the Northern Queensland city of Cairns for some cultural and natural experiences. See the World Heritage Great Barrier Reef and learn about the Indigenous people of the rainforest. Travel to Sydney and see the iconic sights including The Sydney Opera House and Bondi Beach.

Day 1: Welcome to Melbourne

Start Point



Melbourne,
Australia

Welcome to Melbourne! On arrival you will be transferred to your hotel. This evening join your Travel Director for a welcome reception and dinner at the South Wharf riverside pub, The General Assembly. It's a great opportunity to get to know everyone in a unique setting.

Day 2: Melbourne Sights

Join your Travel Director for a city sights tour that includes a private walk through Melbourne's famous hidden laneways. You'll discover the city's eclectic little lanes, arcades, café society and fascinating street art. There's time afterwards to explore the city on your own, enjoy an optional experience or simply relax and watch the world go by.

Day 3: Melbourne - Cairns

This morning you will be transferred to Melbourne Airport for your flight to Cairns, Queensland. On arrival join a private wildlife journey at Hartley's Crocodile Adventures. Enjoy a boat cruise and encounter koalas, wallabies, birds, crocodiles and more! There will be time to partake in regenerating the rainforest particular to the Wangetti Valley which Hartley's is located in. Feel free to join in as much or as little as you can with this tree planting project and be a part of keeping the World Heritage listed Wet Tropics alive! This evening is free for you to choose from the numerous restaurants that Cairns has to offer.

Day 4: Great Barrier Reef

Get ready for an experience of a lifetime - board a high speed catamaran and cruise out to the Great Barrier Reef. You can snorkel and view this natural living wonder up close (equipment provided) or stay dry and explore the stunning reef from the comfort of a semi-submersible craft, just one metre underwater. Enjoy a tropical buffet lunch before you return to Cairns.

Day 5: Cairns 'Free Time' and Be My Guest Dinner

Today is a free day to do as you choose. A great option is the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway to Kuranda, be amazed as you travel over and through World Heritage rainforest, explore quaint Kuranda village and later board the Kuranda Scenic Rail for this historic rail journey. If you'd prefer to spend the day relaxing by your hotel pool or sitting back at a local café you can do that too! In the evening re-join your travelling companions for a Be My Guest dining experience at Tjapukai Cultural Park. Hear dreamtime stories, witness a high impact dance performance and enjoy dinner with your local host to the sounds of the didgeridoo.

Day 6: Cairns to Sydney

This morning you'll fly to Sydney! On arrival there's time to relax at your hotel or explore this exciting city before boarding a Magistic Cruises Dinner Cruise. Enjoy a contemporary two course a la carte meal and the mesmerising views of Sydney at night. You'll pass magnificent waterfront homes, beaches and parklands and all the main harbour attractions including the Harbour Bridge and Opera House.

Day 7: Sydney Sights

Kick off this highlight day of sightseeing on a guided tour of iconic Sydney Opera House. Later, your destination is famous Bondi Beach, for an iconic Australian experience. You'll be greeted by a local surf lifesaver before enjoying a delicious lunch at an Aussie institution, the Returned Servicemen's Club, with its views over the sparkling Pacific Ocean. Your host will take you on an exclusive tour through Australia's oldest surf lifesaving club and share with you the history of Bondi and surf lifesaving. Later enjoy some free time to do some shopping, enjoy and Optional Experience or maybe just take a stroll along the harbourfront.

Day 8: Sydney 'Free Time'

Today is free for you to do as you choose. Why not take a day trip to the spectacular Blue Mountains for fresh mountain air and stunning scenery? You'll visit the charming village of Leura, see the famous Three Sisters rock formation and visit a Wildlife Park to get up close and personal to some of Australia's cuddly native animals. If you've always wanted to climb Sydney Harbour Bridge, today could be your chance on a thrilling 'Bridge Climb'. This evening join your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a farewell dinner on the harbour front.

Day 9: Farewell from Sydney

End Point



Sydney,
Australia

Bid farewell to your fellow traveller when your holiday comes to an end after breakfast.

What's Included

Accommodation

Your Guided Holiday includes a range of quality accommodation for your comfort.

The accommodation you will enjoy on this tour includes:

- Crowne Plaza Hotel Melbourne
- Pacific Hotel Cairns
- Hyatt Regency Darling Harbour

Guide

Experienced, fun and knowledgeable Travel Director and Driver Guide included.

Meals

Meals as stated in itinerary:

- 8 Full buffet
- breakfasts 1 Lunch
- 1 Highlight Lunch
- 1 Be My Guest
- dinner 1 Highlight dinner
- 2 Dinners with
- wine 1 Farewell Dinner

Transport

Luxury coach equipped with modern features such as comfortable reclining seats with footrests, panoramic windows, an on-board restroom, DVD player, and cold water.

Airport transfers

Others

- Melbourne Laneways Walking Tour
- Hartley's Crocodile Cruise
- Great Barrier Reef Full Day Experience
- Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Park
- Sydney Harbour Sunset Dinner Cruise
- Sydney Opera House Locally Guided Tour
- Be My Guest – Bondi Beach Surf Club Experience and lunch
- Mrs Macquarie Chair with spectacular views of Sydney Opera House & Sydney Harbour Bridge
- Quality accommodation
- Travel in luxury coach
- Experienced Travel Director and Driver Guide
- Airport Transfers (see flight information below)

Departure Dates

STARTING IN Melbourn	→	ENDING IN Sydney
14 January 2021		22 January 2021
21 January 2021		29 January 2021
28 January 2021		05 February 2021
04 February 2021		12 February 2021
11 February 2021		19 February 2021
18 February 2021		26 February 2021
25 February 2021		05 March 2021
04 March 2021		12 March 2021
11 March 2021		19 March 2021
18 March 2021		26 March 2021
25 March 2021		02 April 2021
15 April 2021		23 April 2021
13 May 2021		21 May 2021
03 June 2021		11 June 2021
01 July 2021		09 July 2021
02 September 2021		10 September 2021

16 September 2021

24 September 2021

30 September 2021	08 October 2021
14 October 2021	22 October 2021
11 November 2021	19 November 2021
18 November 2021	26 November 2021
02 December 2021	10 December 2021
16 December 2021	24 December 2021
13 January 2022	21 January 2022
20 January 2022	28 January 2022
27 January 2022	04 February 2022
03 February 2022	11 February 2022
17 February 2022	25 February 2022
24 February 2022	04 March 2022
03 March 2022	11 March 2022
10 March 2022	18 March 2022
17 March 2022	25 March 2022

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1 Review

Overall rating	☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐	Guide	☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Transportation	☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐	Accommodation	☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Meals	☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐		



Deborah Broeker

Review on February 22nd, 2020



This was an excellent tour! Our tour guide, Tony, was extremely funny and thoroughly organized and prepared. I was assigned a roommate with whom I was very compatible. Everything went very smoothly with our excursions and plane trips. It was a wonderful way to see Australia! Thank you!

Question & Answers



Do I need to advise you if I have any mobility issues or a serious medical condition?

It's essential you advise our team of Travel Experts at the time of booking if you have any mobility issues or serious medical conditions, so that we can ensure, as much as possible, your needs are met on your tour. Unfortunately, due to space considerations on this tour it is not possible to accommodate motorised scooters and non-collapsible wheelchairs.

**Do you cater for special dietary requirements?**

If you have a special dietary requirement such as gluten-free, vegetarian etc. please advise our team of Travel Experts at the time of booking to ensure the tour operator can do their best to accommodate your request.

**When will I receive my travel documents?**

Your travel documents will be posted to you in a travel wallet which will contain your documents and luggage tags to you approximately four weeks before your departure date.

**Can airport transfers be arranged?**

Arrival and departure transfers can be arranged for you once you have a confirmed booking. Please contact our team of Travel Experts if you would like a transfer added to your tour booking or for more information.

**I am travelling alone, is there a single supplement?**

If you are a single traveller, you can either choose to share a room with another guest of the same gender at no extra cost or if you prefer the privacy of your own room you can pay a single supplement to upgrade to a single room. If you would like to book a single room, please make sure to choose this option on the booking page or simply contact our team of Travel Experts.

**Am I able to bring my children on this tour?**

Children are welcome on all AAT Kings tours however they are required to be a minimum age of 5 years or older. It is recommended that if you are travelling with children to consider whether the itinerary is suitable and in particular the activities involved.

**Where do I meet the tour and tour manager?**

Your tour will start from a centrally located hotel on day 1 of the tour, as this hotel is subject to change it is recommended to contact our team of Travel Experts for more information once your booking is confirmed.

**Can I join the tour later or finish the tour earlier?**

You can choose to join the tour at a later date or finish the tour early however, it is important to note that AAT Kings is unable to offer a discount for choosing to do as the tour is a set package with a strict itinerary.

**On travelling days how often do we get a break?**

On travelling days, you will stop every 2 to 3 hours either at a rest stop or for sightseeing, activities or free time.

**What is the maximum luggage allowance?**

Due to strict Government vehicle weight restrictions you are allowed one medium size suitcase per person, with dimensions not to exceed H76cm x W46cm x D25cm. The maximum weight of all luggage must not exceed 23kg (50lbs). You are also allowed one piece of hand luggage on-board the coach: however, it must be able to fit in the overhead compartments or under the seat in front of you if required.



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