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# **CELUKAN BAWANG (BALI)**

#### **CEL-001 BRAHMAVIHARA & HOT SPRINGS**

Duration: 6.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$79.00 Retail Price: \$229.00

Date: December 06, 2023 08:30 AM, 10:00 AM

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Revel in the serenity of the largest Buddhist temple in Bali and then completely relax your body by easing into the hot springs nearby. The temple and monastery Brahmavihara clings to a hillside by the village of Banjar, a naturally beautiful setting for worship and meditation. As you meander through the various levels and gardens of this sacred place, you will surely feel a great sense of calmness and mindfulness. Although adorned with Buddhist images, Brahmavihara also features an abundance of decorative Balinese carvings that reflect the local culture. Be sure to visit the highest level, where you will find a miniature replica of Borobudur, the world's largest Buddhist archaeological site. To complement your spiritual experience at the temple, you will also take a soothing dip at Banjar Hot Springs. Its heated water is mineral-rich with therapeutic benefits that may reduce tension, increase circulation and improve skin conditions. If nothing else, it will be immensely relaxing.

- ·Spend time reflecting on the beauty and spirituality of the Buddhist temple Brahmavihara.
- See a miniature replica of Borobudur, the world's largest Buddhist archaeological site.
- Ease into the soothing hot springs at Banjar and enjoy their therapeutic effects.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing. Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour includes a moderate amount of walking mainly at the guest's discretion. It is not available to guests who utilize a collapsible wheelchair as there are over 80 steps throughout the tour. Those guests with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina.

CEL-002 HIGHLIGHTS OF SINGARAJA

Retail Price: \$199.00 Duration: 6.75 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00

Date: December 06, 2023 08:30 AM, 10:00 AM

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Gain a remarkably in-depth understanding of the Balinese culture by visiting diverse attractions in the port town of Singaraja, beginning with the royal palace. Built in the 17th century, the palace once served the Kingdom of Bulelong that ruled northern Bali. You will learn more about the island's history at Gedong Kirtya, a library museum with a collection of manuscripts written on lontar, a paper-like substance made from dried palm leaves. For a glimpse at contemporary daily life, you will browse the stalls of Pasar Anyar, the largest traditional market in Singaraja. The variety of exotic produce and seafood is extraordinary. Although Hinduism is the prominent religion in Bali, Confucianism, Taoism and Buddhism are practiced at the temple Ling Gwan Kiong. One of the few Chinese temples on the island, it overlooks the old, now-defunct port and the remains of several Dutch colonial buildings. Don't miss the hand-carved, painted deities on the temple's wooden gates.

- ·See a variety of attractions in Singaraja that reflect the diversity of the Balinese culture.
- Gain an understanding of Balinese history at the royal palace and at a library museum.
- Recognize the influence of the Chinese at one of the few Chinese temples on Bali.
- ·Browse a bustling traditional market for a glimpse at daily life in Singaraja.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing. Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour includes approximately 2 hours of walking. It is not available to guests who utilize a wheelchair. Those guests with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina.

CEL-003 RICE TERRACES, TEMPLE VISIT & ORGANIC FARM VILLAGE

Duration: 7.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$109.00 Retail Price: \$259.00

Date: December 06, 2023 08:30 AM, 10:00 AM

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See how many of the crops essential to Bali are grown and then delve into Buddhism at the island's largest Buddhist temple. The terraced rice fields near Kekeran demonstrate how farmers now successfully produce rice on steep land that was once unusable. It's fascinating to see how the farmers have reshaped the land and devised a system of community water sharing. Similarly, at a farm near Bengkel village, you will become familiar with the agricultural techniques used to grow organic produce and medicinal herbs. Brahmavihara temple sheds light on Buddhism and how it's practiced in Bali. Of all the temple's Buddhist imagery, none is more impressive that the miniature replica of Borobudur, the world's largest Buddhist archaeological site. A traditional Balinese lunch follows. after which you will spend free time shopping at Krisna Oleh-Oleh, a large mall with a wide range of merchandise such as sarongs, handicrafts and traditional souvenirs, known as "oleh-oleh."

- ·Observe the ingenious terraced rice fields that maximize the steep land's potential.
- See how farmers grow organic produce and medicinal herbs using traditional techniques.
- Spend time reflecting on the beauty and spirituality of the Buddhist temple Brahmavihara.
- ·Shop for locally produced merchandise at the Krisna Oleh-Oleh mall.
- · Dress in weather-appropriate clothing. · Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour includes approximately 2 hours of walking. It is not available to guests who utilize a wheelchair. Those guests with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina.













CEL-006 HERITAGE OF NORTH BALI

Duration: 6.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$199.00





Date: December 06, 2023 08:30 AM, 10:00 AM

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Delve into the rich heritage of northern Bali at destinations that reflect how the Balinese have adapted to the influence of colonists and other ethnic groups. Although most of Bali's population is Hindu, the Chinese temple Ling Gwan Kiong welcomes those who practice Confucianism, Taoism and Buddhism. While there, you will see the remains of Dutch colonial houses around the old port in Singaraja. On the outskirts of town, you will find Beji, a Hindu temple built with white sandstone in the 15th century. It is dedicated to Dewi Sri, the goddess that protects the rice fields. You will visit another Hindu temple in the village of Jagaraga. The stone carvings there depict the cruelty of the Dutch colonists that imposed their rule on Bali in the early 20th century. These dramatic carvings are not to be missed, as most carvings in Balinese temples are of tropical flora and mythical beings. Afterwards, you will enjoy a traditional Balinese lunch.

- Explore the rich Balinese heritage and how the island has adapted to outside influences.
- Gain insight into the multiple religions practiced at one of the few Chinese temples on Bali.
- Visit a traditional Hindu temple dedicated to the goddess that protects the rice fields.
- Browse a Hindu temple with rare carvings that depict the cruelty of the Dutch colonists.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing. Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour includes approximately 2 hours of walking. It is not available to guests who utilize a wheelchair. Those guests with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina.

## CEL-007 BEST OF WEST BALI

Duration: 8.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$199.00



Date: December 06, 2023 08:30 AM, 10:00 AM Date: December 07, 2023 08:00 AM, 09:30 AM

Explore the most characteristic attractions on the westernmost tip of Bali, where the island's natural beauty takes center stage. For starters, you will visit Segara Rupek, a Hindu temple nestled in the Bali Barat National Park. Besides seeing the stone temple and numerous sculptures of deities, you may also catch sight of monkeys and deer roaming freely about the grounds. In the nearby village of Palasari, you will stop at a cave dedicated to Saint Mary and at a Catholic cathedral that Dutch colonialists built. Its architecture is Gothic and Balinese, an unusual combination. Palasari is one of the few places in Bali where Catholicism is more prevalent than Hinduism. You will have time to reflect on all that you have seen over lunch at Taman Wana, an extraordinary resort within the mountainous national park. The protected national bird Bali myna is only found in this park, but sightings are extremely rare.

- ·Take in the stunning natural beauty of west Bali, especially in Bali Barat National Park.
- Recognize Bali's religious tolerance at a Hindu temple and a Dutch-built Catholic church.
- ·Enjoy a leisurely lunch at Taman Wana resort in the heart of the national park.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing. Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour includes approximately 2 hours of walking. It is not available to guests who utilize a wheelchair. Those guests with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina.

## **CEL-008 MANGROVE AND VILLAGE TOUR**

Duration: 8.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$179.00 Retail Price: \$339.00

Date: December 06, 2023 08:30 AM, 10:00 AM

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Discover the charms of western Bali by visiting traditional villages and cruising through the mangrove-rimmed waters of Gilimanuk Bay. As an introduction to this naturally beautiful area, you will stop at Segara Rupek, a Hindu temple within the Bali Barat National Park. You may delve even deeper into the island's cultural and religious history by browsing the Museum of Ancient Man in the village of Gilimanuk. Its collection includes jewelry, tools and prehistoric artifacts. A meandering cruise through the mangroves that rim Gilimanuk Bay will present an enlightening close-up view of the surrounding natural world. The intertwined root systems of these ecologically beneficial trees support an abundance of birds such as Sacred Kingfishers and Savanna Nightjars. For a glimpse into traditional Balinese life, you will visit a village that still practices customs handed down from generation to generation. Seeing western Bali's diverse attractions will give you plenty to discuss over lunch at the seaside Plataran Menjangan Resort.

- ·Look for wildlife while cruising through mangrove-rimmed Gilimanuk Bay.
- ·View traditional Balinese life at a village that practices time-honored customs.
- ·Browse enlightening Balinese artifacts at the Museum of Ancient Man.
- ·Enjoy a Balinese lunch at the spectacular Plataran Menjangan Resort on Bali Bay.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing. Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour includes approximately 2 hours of walking. It is not available to guests who utilize a wheelchair. Those guests with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina.





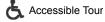












## CEL-009 ESCAPE TO NATURE PLATARAN MENJANGAN RESORT

Duration: 6.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$99.00 Retail Price: \$249.00

Date: December 06, 2023 08:30 AM, 10:00 AM

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Enjoy the considerable amenities at the luxurious Plataran Menjangan Resort and explore the surrounding national park for an experience that will leave no stone unturned. The day will begin with an invigorating walk through the forest with a naturalist guide that will point out the indigenous flora and fauna and describe their unique characteristics. As an alternative immersion into the natural world, you may opt for a birdwatching adventure at a sanctuary that is home to the rare Bali myna, the national bird. Lunch follows at the resort's Octagon Ocean Club, an eight-sided restaurant shaped to offer spectacular views of the surrounding natural beauty and the sea beyond. During free time, you can indulge in other activities as you see fit. You might take a refreshing swim in the pool and snorkel the coral reef at the resort's jetty. The waters are typically crystal-clear and teeming with colorful tropical fish.

- ·Spend a delightful day relaxing at the luxurious Plataran Menjangan Resort on Bali Bay.
- Delve into the natural world by trekking through the surrounding forest or birdwatching.
- ·Enjoy endless views of the natural beauty while dining in an octagonal-shaped restaurant.
- ·Swim and snorkel in the bay's crystal-clear waters if you wish.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing. Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour includes approximately 2 hours of walking. It is not available to guests who utilize a wheelchair. Those guests with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina.

## CEL-010 CELUKAN BAWANG ON YOUR OWN

Retail Price: \$79.00 Duration: 5.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00



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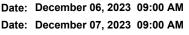
Spend hours browsing the seemingly endless array of stores at Krisna Oleh-Oleh, a large shopping mall with an incredible selection of merchandise. The Indonesian phrase "oleh-oleh" refers to traditional souvenirs that travelers typically purchase for friends and family back home, so the mall's name couldn't be more appropriate. You will find most everything imaginable there, even for those who are hard to buy for. If you are looking for casual clothing, there are countless shops selling sun hats, flip-flops, swimsuits and brightly colored sarongs with beautiful batik designs. In Bali, those designs tend to reflect the beauty of nature and geometric patterns. Souvenir doesn't necessarily mean low quality, as plenty of shops in the mall sell fine jewelry, leather goods and original art work. However, if you are looking for more traditional "oleh-oleh," you can be sure that Krisna Oleh-Oleh carries it.

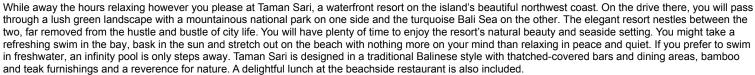
- ·Spend hours shopping on your own at the mall Krisna Oleh-Oleh.
- ·Find casual clothing such as batik sarongs, swimsuits and sun hats.
- ·Browse an array of shops selling fine merchandise such as jewelry and accessories.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing. Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour includes limited walking, mainly at the guest's discretion. It is available to guests who utilize a collapsible wheelchair, can make their way on and off the coach and have a companion to assist them.

## CEL-004 SEA, SUN AND RELAXATION

Duration: 5.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$189.00

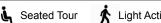




- Spend hours relaxing as you please at the elegant beachfront resort Taman Sari.
- ·Enjoy the naturally beautiful setting nestled between the bay and the mountains.
- Swim in the sea and infinity pool, bask in the sun and dine at the beachfront restaurant.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
   Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

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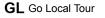


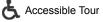












CEL-005 SINGARAJA COUNTRYSIDE

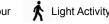
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Marvel at the stunningly beautiful countryside surrounding Singaraja, a provincial capital that was once under Dutch colonial rule. Along the way, you will visit some of Bali's most gorgeous settings, perhaps none so iconic as the terraced rice fields at Pupuan. Rice has been harvested there for 2,000 years with much of the land being terraced to maximize the steep terrain. Organic farming also flourishes, as you will discover at a farm near Bengkel village that is known for its fresh, flavorful vegetables and medicinal herbs. Some of the produce grown there will likely be ingredients in your lunch in the Munduk area. To reach the spectacular mountain setting, you will pass through plantations growing clove, cocoa and coffee, all a testament to the fecundity of Bali's volcanic soil. Not far away, you will pause for photos from the Twin Lake lookout—the lakes being Tamblingan and Danau Buyan.

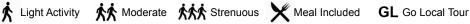
- ·Enjoy a panoramic drive through the gorgeous countryside that surrounds Singaraja.
- See iconic terraced rice fields and stop at a farm that grows organic produce and herbs.
- Dine inland in a lush mountainous setting among clove, cocoa and coffee plantations.
- ·Gaze out over Tamblingan and Danau Buyan lakes from an elevated lookout.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing. Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour includes approximately 2 hours of walking. It is not available to guests who utilize a wheelchair. Those guests with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina.

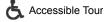












# GILI MAS(LOMBOK), INDONESIA

## GIL-001 SENGGIGI ON YOUR OWN

Duration: 5.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$119.00





Date: December 08, 2023 08:00 AM, 09:30 AM

Spend hours relaxing on Senggigi Beach as you please, with no schedule to follow other than your own. This stretch of white sand couldn't be more appealing as it rims one of the most picturesque parts of the island of Lombok. You will have a spectacular view of the natural beauty as you travel up the coast, through the provincial capital of Mataram and on to Senggigi. Over the next several hours, you will luxuriate on the white-sand beach, doing whatever you want. You might bask in the sun, take a refreshing swim in the cobalt-blue sea and read in the shade of a coconut palm. Senggigi Beach is six miles long so there is plenty of room for a leisurely stroll along the shore. The surrounding area has been tastefully developed with luxury hotels, one-of-a-kind shops and charming cafés with ethnic cuisines.

- ·Enjoy free time doing whatever you want on beautiful Senggigi Beach on Lombok Island.
- ·Bask in the sun, read in the shade and stroll along the shore, which stretches for six miles.
- ·Spend time taking browsing the nearby shops and dining, if you wish.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

Walking on this tour is mainly at the quests' discretion at the stops they choose to visit The tour is not available to wheelchair quests and may not be suitable for those with mobility concerns who are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Weather appropriate clothing; an umbrella; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are suggested.

## GIL-002 CRAFT VILLAGE OF LOMBOK

Duration: 4.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$129.00





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Shop for handmade arts and crafts in two village markets renowned for their highly skilled traditional artisans. Wooden products are the specialty of the craftspeople at the Sesela Art Market, and you may see them hand-carving intricate friezes, lacquering boxes and inlaying wooden furniture with decorative shells. The process is slow and that meticulousness shows in the merchandise. Colorful textiles, beaded jewelry and woven rattan goods are also plentiful at the art market. Songket weaving is the signature technique practiced at the Sukarara Craft Village. To create songket fabric, the artisans hand-weave metallic threads together with silk or cotton yarn. As you will discover, the technique is so exacting that it can take a month to make one item. Songket fabrics usually feature traditional motifs and are brightly colored with natural dyes that resist fading. Weaving is so important to the village that nearly every house has its own

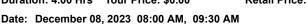
- ·Shop for handmade goods ranging from jewelry to wooden crafts at the Sesela Art Market.
- ·Browse the Sukarara Craft Village for fine apparel made with songket fabric.
- ·Watch the artisans in Sukarara painstakingly weave the songket fabric on hand looms.
- ·Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour includes approximately 2 hours of moderate uphill walking/standing; There will be some inclines, steps and uneven surfaces to. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and may not be suitable for those with mobility concerns who are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

# GIL-003 SEKOTONG VILLAGE & SUNDANCER BEACH

Duration: 4.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$139.00





Watch grass roof thatch being woven in the village of Sekotong and spend a relaxing hour or so lounging on Sundancer Beach. While driving toward the village, you will notice that many of the residences have grass roofs. A tour of the factory that makes the thatching will be enlightening, as you will watch how rice straw and bundles of Kunai grass, known locally as alang-alang, are woven into roof panels. Although made entirely of natural materials, the thatched roofs are leak-proof and last up to 20 years, even in tropical conditions. Free time follows at Sundancer Beach, a tranquil setting near the southwestern tip of Lombok Island. You will have the opportunity to swim in the crystalline waters of Lombok Strait and stroll along the shore with nothing on your mind but enjoying yourself. Or simply stretch out on a beach towel and bask in the sun.

- ·Watch how eco-friendly roof panels are manufactured from rice straw and Kunai grass.
- Lounge about Sundancer Beach doing pretty much whatever you like.
- ·Enjoy an invigorating swim in the crystal-clear waters of Lombok Strait.
- ·Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour includes approximately 1 hours of moderate uphill walking/standing; There will be some inclines, steps and uneven surfaces to negotiate plus any additional walking at the guests' discretion during free time. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and may not be suitable for those with mobility concerns who are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.





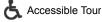












#### **GIL-004 MATARAM HIGHLIGHTS**

Duration: 5.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$129.00





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Become familiar with the most intriguing landmarks in and around Mataram and come away with a broad cultural understanding of Lombok. Just outside the provincial capital, you will find Lingsar Temple, a Hindu shrine that also welcomes people of other faiths. It is said to be good luck if you can lure one of its pond eels to eat a hard-boiled egg, which vendors sell nearby. For a glimpse into the creative side of the island, you will browse Sesela Art Market, a center for fine wooden handicrafts. Furniture inlaid with polished shell fragments is the specialty, while pearl jewelry is the most popular merchandise at the next destination. Still, few places lend more insight into the local culture than the Nusa Tenggara Barat Museum. Its collection contains a remarkable variety of artifacts such as divining stones that ward off evil, ethnic wedding costumes and Chinese pottery from the 10th century.

- ·See attractions that best represent the cultural diversity in Mataram, the provincial capital.
- ·Shop for local merchandise such as handmade wooden crafts and pearl jewelry.
- ·Visit Lingsar Temple, a Hindu shrine that welcomes people of other faiths, as well.
- ·Browse a museum with thousands of unusual artifacts that reflect the local culture.
- ·Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour includes approximately 2 hours of moderate uphill walking/standing; There will be some inclines, steps and uneven surfaces to. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and may not be suitable for those with mobility concerns who are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

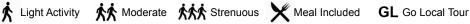












# KOMODO, INDONESIA

#### **KOM-001 KOMODO DRAGONS**

Duration: 2.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$149.00





Walk through the tropical vegetation on Komodo Island, looking for Komodo dragons, massive lizards that can weigh more than 300 pounds. You will follow a park ranger through Komodo National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage site that is home to these rare lizards. Thought to be remnants of an ancient order of monitor lizards, the dragons are fierce, ominous-looking creatures with sharp, saw-like teeth and menacing eyes. See one in the wild, and it will leave a lasting impression. The dragons live on the deer and pigs that inhabit the island and are surprisingly agile and fast when covering short distances. They are also good swimmers and relentless when tracking prey. As you walk the dirt paths, the park ranger will describe the intriguing habits of the Komodo dragons and the island's other animals.

- ·Follow a park ranger through Komodo Island, seeking Komodo dragons in the wild.
- ·Hear the blood-curdling details of how these giant lizards relentlessly hunt their prey.
- ·Listen as the park ranger describes the lizards' physical characteristics.
- ·Dress in weather-appropriate clothing that is not red.
- ·Wear flat comfortable walking shoes that can easily be cleaned.
- Bring a plastic bag to protect valuable items in case of a sudden downpour.

Tour duration can vary, depending on the pace of the participants and the trail that the rangers choose to find Komodo dragons. The tour may include up to 11/2 hours of walking over dirt paths that can become muddy and strenuous with rain. The tour is not suitable for wheelchair guests, those with mobility concerns or guests with open wounds, as Komodo dragons are easily attracted to blood. Participants must stay with the groups and not try to get close to the dragons or to feed them. Only guests on tour are allowed ashore; no independent guests are permitted. Komodo dragons roam the island freely and wildlife sightings are not guaranteed.

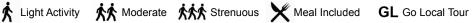


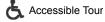












## DARWIN, AUSTRALIA

#### **DRW-003 DARWIN HARBOR CRUISE**

Duration: 2.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$169.00

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Sit back and relax on a delightful orientation tour of Darwin harbor, twice the size of Sydney's and full of history. While this Northern Territory capital is both cosmopolitan and charming, it's so distant from the rest of Australia that most visitors know little about it. This leisurely, narrated cruise aboard a chartered tour vessel is an ideal way to fill in those gaps. You'll learn about the flurry of Japanese air attacks Darwin endured during 1942-43, costing 300 lives and sinking a dozen ships in the harbor. And how the tides here vary by as much as 26 feet between high and low. Traveling through a saltwater loch and into the harbor, you'll pass the suburb of Larrakeyah, the Naval Patrol boat base and Doctors Gully, home to an unusual local attraction – the hundreds of fish that come to shore at high tide to be fed by hand. Rounding the Darwin Esplanade, you'll be able to see your ship berthed in the wharf precinct. Watch the sights glide by, enjoy some refreshment on board, and be on the lookout for naval vessels from all over the world in the waters of this decidedly multicultural city.

- ·Step aboard a chartered vessel for a relaxing, panoramic cruise of Darwin harbor.
- See the sights and hear the stories behind them as you tour this sprawling body of water.
- Learn about the military action that took place here in WWII and the extreme tides that sweep in and out daily
- ·See the new East Arm Port, the Darwin rail terminal and line, and naval vessels flying all flags.
- ·Enjoy a complimentary refreshment on board.
- ·Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat shoes with non-slip soles are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour is primarily panoramic in nature with walking at the guest's discretion. It is not available to guests who utilize a wheelchair. Those guests with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina. The vessel used on the tour has both air-conditioned and non-air-conditioned areas

## DRW-005 HIGHLIGHTS OF DARWIN'S HISTORICAL PAST

Duration: 4.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$99.00

Date: December 11, 2023 10:00 AM



Enjoy a journey through Darwin and its history, visiting sites that chronicle a rich, multicultural past. This cosmopolitan, relaxed capital of the Northern Territory has ties not just to Australia but to the Asian nations just across the Timor Sea to its north - many of which have imparted their flavor to the melting pot here. You'll see this laid out in artistic terms on a visit to the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory – its collection brimming with Aboriginal, Southeast Asian and Oceanic artworks as well as modern Australian fine art. The sizable Indigenous artifacts gallery reveals much about the peoples who were living in the area long before the HMS Beagle called in 1839 and left behind the name Darwin. Another gallery presents a realistic recreation of what happened when Cyclone Tracy came to call on Darwin on Christmas Eve, 1974. Visiting the Fannie Bay Gaol Museum, you'll see a cruder side of Darwin's heritage. Active from 1883 through 1979, this prison – complete with chilling old gallows section – kept the local peace with a harsh hand. A drive with photo stops at the botanic gardens and scenic East Point rounds out this well-rounded city survey.

- Enjoy a drive through the city with visits to key venues where Darwin's colorful history is the focus.
- ·Visit Fannie Bay Gaol Museum, housed in Darwin's original and not inviting penal institution.
- Tour an eclectic museum where Aboriginal artifacts, Southeast Asian crafts, Oceanic art, and one very large stuffed crocodile are just part of the offerings.
- Learn about the whirlwind visit of Cyclone Tracy in 1974, and the spirited rebuild that followed.
- Stop by the botanic gardens and admire East Point, scenically perched at the harbor's entrance.
- ·Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour contains a moderate amount of walking; it is available to wheelchair quests and those with mobility concerns who are able to make their way on and off the coach. Museum exhibits may be upgraded, added or removed without notice. Order of sights visited may vary and the itinerary may be reversed.

## DRW-007 DARWIN MUSEUM & CROCODYLUS PARK

Duration: 4.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$159.00





Tour a museum renowned for its multicultural art collections, then visit a venue where the exhibits have big teeth and leap out of the water for their lunch. Positioned on Australia's far north coast, Darwin has always had deep ties to its Asian neighbors just across the Timor Sea. You'll see ample evidence of this as you tour the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, brimming with eclectic collections of Aboriginal, Southeast Asian and Oceanic artworks as well as Australian fine art. Balanced against this refined esthetic and cultural experience, your visit to Crocodylus Park outside the city will be a bit wilder. Actually, a lot wilder. Operated by wildlife research consultants and famous for its work in the reptile field, Crocodylus is wriggling with crocodilians. Not only will you have the chance to observe its toothy residents plying the waters of the park lagoon, but you'll witness a feeding. In a surprising and astounding show of muscular gymnastics, full-grown crocs literally vault several feet up in the air for their food. Looking for something to impress the family back home or shipboard friends over cocktails? Have your photo taken with while holding a juvenile crocodile.

- ·Tour the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, known for its excellent collection of Aboriginal, South-East Asian and Oceanic art.
- Also see major Australian fine art, maritime artifacts and natural science exhibits in this eclectic venue.
- Travel outside the city to Crocodylus Park for a fascinating presentation on these awesome reptiles.
- Observe dozens of crocodiles doing what crocs do in the park lagoon, and witness the astounding spectacle of them leaping high into the air for their food.
- ·Enjoy a brief panoramic coach tour of Darwin's essential sights on the return to the pier.
- ·Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, insect repellant, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes a moderate amount of walking mainly at the guest's discretion. It is available to guests who utilize a collapsible wheelchair, can both make their way on and off the coach and have a companion to assist them. Those guests with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina. The order of sights visited may vary and the itinerary may be reversed.

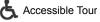












DRW-001 TERRITORY WILDLIFE PARK

Duration: 5.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Date: December 11, 2023 10:30 AM

Retail Price: \$169.00





Visit a 1,000-acre natural bushland park where every manner of Aussie wildlife can be encountered. After a scenic coach drive from Darwin to Territory Wildlife Park, you'll be oriented by park staff equipped with maps and helpful suggestions, then see loose to chart your own preferred course through the array of native animal exhibits and experiences available here. There's no need to hike the four miles of trails that wind among the woodlands, wetlands and tropical forest, either - shuttles circulate around the entire park, providing informative commentary as they move from one stop to another. Among the most popular are the underwater walk-through aquarium, where you're surrounded by gliding whip rays and other colorful marine life, and a Nocturnal House that offers a rare glimpse into the curious lives and habits of many species seldom seen in the wild. Another special enclosure holds impressive scheduled performances where the park's birds of prey show off their skills in full flight. At a pre-determined time, you'll return to the designated pick-up point for the return to Darwin.

- ·Travel by coach across scenic Northern Territory terrain to a native Aussie wildlife park large enough to qualify as a territory of its own.
- Equipped with a map and ideas of what you'd most like to see, explore the park independently.
- Use convenient park trolley shuttles and walking paths to move between exhibits and experiences.
- Stroll a walk-through aquarium, enter a fascinating Nocturnal House, watch a thrilling birds of prey demonstration, tour an enormous rainforest aviary, and more
  - ·Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
  - ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
  - ·Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes a moderate amount of walking mainly at the guest's discretion. It is available to guests who utilize a collapsible wheelchair, can both make their way on and off the coach and have a companion to assist them. Those quests with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina. It is important that guests return to the designated pick-up point at the time advised by the driver.

## DRW-004 JUMPING CROCODILE CRUISE

Duration: 4.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$149.00



Date: December 11, 2023 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM

Travel by coach through Australia's tropical Top End to the Adelaide River, then embark on a cruise that brings you nearly face-to-jaws with jumping crocodiles. Yes, you read that right: jumping, snaggle-toothed, claw-footed crocs. And we're not talking about little hops, these are full-tilt leaps of almost a full body length out of the water. But first things first: the Adelaide is one of eight Northern Territory rivers whose expansive floodplains create a great expanse of coastal wetland – a perfect habitat for all sorts of unique animals and plant life. Including crocodiles. En route to the cruise, you'll stop in at the Window on the Wetlands Visitors Center for a brief opportunity to learn more about life in these parts. Then it's on to the main event, your cruise along the Adelaide. It will be very relaxing - but don't relax too much because any minute you might see the tell-tale ripples signaling an approaching reptile. You'll want to have your camera poised in hopes of capturing that breathtaking moment when the croc breaks the water and vaults out in a shower of spray, scales and muscle. It's a primal, surprising thrill you won't soon forget.

- ·Travel by coach into tropical wetlands where all sorts of unique animals and plants feel at home.
- Get your bearings on the terrain with a brief stop at the Window on the Wetlands Visitors Center.
- ·Head for the Adelaide River for a cruise along this watercourse known for its...jumping crocs.
- Watch the waters as toothy, full-grown adult crocodiles spontaneously leap out of the water by as much as their body length.
- Keep your camera ready to capture this at least once, since otherwise, no one at home will believe you.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes with non-slip soles are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, insect repellant, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour is not recommended for wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of ability before participating. The order of sights visited may vary and the itinerary may be reversed. This tour does not operate with a separate guide, but rather with a driver/quide.

# **DRW-006 DARWIN'S MILITARY PAST**

Duration: 4.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$129.00



Date: December 11, 2023 10:30 AM

You don't need to be a buff to be blown away by this tour of sights showcasing Darwin's wartime heritage. This tropical city on the Timor Sea played a pivotal role in the battle against the Japanese during World War II, as Northern Territory airfields were used to carry out bombing and anti-intruder sorties. But war always has its cost, and these provocations of the enemy made Darwin a constant target for retaliatory bombings. Some 64 air raids rained down on Darwin over a two-year period, resulting in many lost Australian lives and 12 sunken ships in the harbor. You can see actual film footage of the bombings along with many other wartime artifacts during your visit to East Point Military Museum, out on a scenic spit of land at the harbor entrance. Heading further inland, you'll tour the sprawling aircraft collection at the Australian Aviation Heritage Centre. The showstopper here is a massive B-52 bomber on permanent loan from the U.S., but also on display are a B-25 Mitchell, Mirage and Sabre jet fighters, a US Army Huey Cobra with rocket pods and Gatling gun, a Mark VIII Spitfire replica and the fascinating wreckage of a Japanese Mitsubishi Zero.

- ·Travel by coach to East Point for panoramic photos of Darwin Harbor, twice the size of Sydney's.
- Tour the East Point Military Museum, filled with photos and artifacts from Darwin's wartime history.
- Watch footage of repeated Japanese bombing raids that rained down on Darwin during 1942-43.
- Visit the Aviation Heritage Centre, housing one of Australia's foremost collections of military and civil aircraft from early pioneers to jet-age exotics like delta-wing Vulcans and Concorde.
- ·See a rare B-52 bomber, Mirage and Sabre fighters, a fully-armed Huey Cobra and many others.
- ·Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour involves a moderate amount of walking; it is available to wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns who are able to make their way on and off the coach. The Aviation Heritage Centre is not air-conditioned. Museum exhibits may be upgraded, added or removed without notice. The order of sights visited may vary and the itinerary may be reversed.







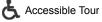












# CAIRNS, AUSTRALIA

#### **CNS-001 BUTTERFLY SANCTUARY & AUSSIE WILDLIFE**





Duration: 4.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Date: December 15, 2023 12:30 PM

Enter an aviary fluttering with butterflies, mingle with free-roaming wallabies and koalas, and tour a colorful township nestled in the very heart of Tropical North Queensland. Just about a half-hour inland from Cairns is the mountain village of Kuranda, surrounded by World Heritage rainforest and sporting a frontier history dating back to the logging and mining heydays of the 1800s. Your brief orientation drive through town will reveal much charm and also a distinctly artsv modern character. At the Australian Butterfly Sanctuary, the art has wings - of every imaginable color. This walk-in aviary is a naturally recreated habitat with a running stream and over 1,500 iridescent residents, including the electric blue Ulysses butterfly and yellow-green Cairns Birdwings. All are local rainforest species, and a few have surprisingly elaborate behaviors, including courtship dances and battles over territory. Shifting to another branch of the animal kingdom, you'll visit the Koala and Wildlife Sanctuary, where you can wander among kangaroos and wallabies, visit a curious nocturnal environment, and encounter that most adorable of Down Under icons, the koala. As an extra-cost option, you can even have a keepsake photo taken while cuddling one. The koala may not smile but you sure will.

·Travel by coach to rainforest-surrounded Kuranda and enjoy an introductory drive through this charming mountain township.

Retail Price: \$149.00

- Step inside the natural aviary at Australian Butterfly Sanctuary to meet its colorful residents; wear something bright and they might land on you.
- Encounter kangaroos, wallabies and irresistibly cuddly koalas at the Koala and Wildlife Sanctuary.
- Catch great Coral Sea and Green Island views on the way down the mountain and back to Cairns.
- ·Wear casual, weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 90 minutes of walking and standing, and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina before participating. The order of sights visited may vary and the itinerary may be reversed. This tour does not operate with a separate guide, but rather with a driver/guide.

#### CNS-004 JUNGLE TRAIN & AMPHIBIOUS ARMY DUCK

Duration: 5.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$149.00 Retail Price: \$299.00

Date: December 15, 2023 12:30 PM

Go all-out Aussie as you journey aboard the Kuranda Scenic Railway, explore Rainforestation Nature Park, and ride on a WII Army Duck. This truly memorable experience begins with a drive out of town to the Freshwater Railway Station, where you'll board the heritage Kuranda Scenic Railway for an incredible 90-minute journey, ascending 1,076 feet, passing magnificent waterfalls, transiting 15 tunnels and crossing 40 bridges as you traverse an ancient rainforest reserve. Arriving in colorful Kuranda, you'll head for Rainforestation nature park to be properly introduced to the jungle's flora and fauna as your Duck Captain splashes his amphibious vessel along the water's edge. Don't be surprised if you see scaly goanna lizards soaking up the sun, a python slithering up a tree or eels swimming around the vessel. You'll also visit the Koala and Wildlife Sanctuary within the park, where you can wander among kangaroos and wallabies, see crocs and wombats, visit an exciting nocturnal environment, and encounter adorable koalas. As an extra-cost option, you can even have your photo taken while cuddling one of these drowsy Down Under icons. After this immersive excursion, you'll be inspired to protect the rainforest more than ever.

- Experience an unforgettably scenic 90-minute journey through the rainforest by heritage railway.
- Pass by waterfalls, cross 40 bridges, enter 15 tunnels and ascend over 1,000 feet to arrive in Kuranda.
- Explore Rainforestation Nature Park via WWII Army Duck, with great commentary by your captain and slithery jungle fauna all around you.
- ·Visit the Koala and Wildlife Sanctuary, encounter free-roaming kangaroos and wallabies, and meet some irresistibly cuddly koalas.
- Catch great Coral Sea and Green Island views during the drive down the mountain and back to Cairns.
- ·Wear casual, weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour is not recommended for wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of ability before participating. The Kuranda Scenic Railway is rustic and non-air-conditioned, with high-backed benches. The order of sights visited may vary and the itinerary may be reversed due to the train schedule. This tour does not operate with a separate guide, but rather with a driver/guide.





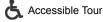












## CNS-008 GREAT BARRIER REEF ADVENTURE

Date: December 15, 2023 12:30 PM

Duration: 8.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$229.00

Retail Price: \$379.00





Spend time on a spacious pontoon moored atop the Outer Reef, and discover the exquisite beauty waiting below in the world's richest marine habitat. Your adventure begins with a scenic 90-minute sail by luxury catamaran to the Marine World activity platform on one of the Outer Great Barrier Reef's most pristine and versatile sites. You'll enjoy about three hours on this floating resort, dividing your time among several inclusive activities that showcase this breathtaking environment. Perhaps you'll take a ride on the semi-submersible to observe the reef's intricate coral gardens and colorful fish without getting wet. Or slip into the inviting aquamarine water with provided snorkel and mask to explore the reef al fresco. Optional scuba diving and escorted snorkeling tours are also available at an extra charge. The comfortable Marine World platform has multiple decks with sun lounges up top, ample undercover seating, freshwater showers and changing rooms, and its own Underwater Reef Viewing Observatory. Reef life is just meters away, making this a suitable choice for guests of all ages and swimming/snorkeling abilities. Morning and afternoon tea complement your day aboard, and an extensive hot and cold buffet lunch will be laid out for you.

- ·Enjoy a leisurely 90-minute sail to the Outer Great Barrier Reef by luxury catamaran.
- Arrive at a pontoon atop the world's lushest marine habitat, your playground for the next few hours.
- Choose from a range of activities offered semi-submersible ride, independent snorkeling, onboard underwater viewing chamber, optional scuba or escorted snorkeling, and more.
  - Experience breathtaking views of colorful reef fish and intricate coral gardens.
  - Graze an extensive buffet lunch with soft drinks included; bar drinks are available for an additional cost.
  - ·Wear comfortable clothing and/or swimsuit with cover-up.
  - ·Flat, rubber-soled walking shoes are strongly recommended.
  - ·Bring a hat, towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.
  - Use of snorkeling equipment is complimentary; rental wetsuits are available.
  - Do not bring valuables; no security lockers are available on the catamaran or the pontoon.
- Do bring along a credit card or Australian cash for purchasing optional items.

This tour is subject to weather/tide conditions. Although boat transfer is always exclusive for our guests, the pontoon might not be. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible chair and a companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their own level of ability before participating. Guests must follow safety procedures outlined by staff members while participating in any of the reef activities. Those taking part in any swimming activities do so at their own risk and responsibility. Consumption of alcohol before or during water activities is not recommended. Guests prone to seasickness should take preventative measures and keep in mind that refunds due to seasickness are not provided. SCUBA DIVING: Wetsuits and diving equipment are available for rent at an additional cost. Certified divers must bring C-Card & log book. All diving is subject to successful completion of a medical questionnaire. Certain medical conditions (asthma, epilepsy, high blood pressure or select medications) may exclude individuals from diving. The minimum age for diving is 12 years.

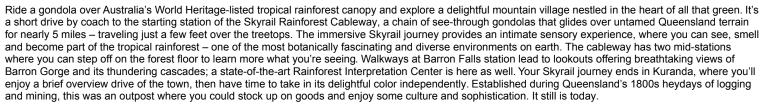
CNS-006 SKYRAIL, KURANDA & CAIRNS

Duration: 5.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00

Retail Price: \$159.00



Date: December 15, 2023 01:00 PM



- ·Experience a thrilling treetop-level glide over miles of World Heritage rainforest on Skyrail Cableway.
- Be immersed in the sights, smells and wonders of one of the earth's most vibrantly alive environments.
- ·Take time at two mid-stations to walk the forest floor and discover dramatic Barron Gorge lookouts.
- Disembark in Kuranda, a historic township with a distinctly artsy vibe, nestled in the heart of the forest.
- Explore this colorful village at your leisure, browsing its markets, cafés, galleries and shops where opals and aboriginal crafts are among the offerings.
- ·Wear casual, weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, insect repellant, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 90 minutes of walking and standing, at times over uneven natural surfaces. There are some steps to negotiate and guests must step up to board Skyrail. This tour is not available to wheelchair quests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina before participating. The Skyrail seats 6 guests per gondola, and a slight delay during loading and unloading is normal. The order of sights visited may vary and the itinerary may be reversed. This tour does not operate with a separate guide, but rather with a driver/guide.













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## CNS-007 CAIRNS, KURANDA, ABORIGINALS & ARMY DUCK

Duration: 5.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00

Retail Price: \$149.00





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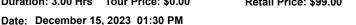
This fun, informative tour calls on attractions where Cairns' nature and culture both take center stage. A scenic half-hour ride by coach brings you to Rainforestation Nature Park, where you'll board an amphibious World War II Army Duck for a tour like no other. Piloting the vessel through the rainforest over land and water with equal ease, your Duck Captain will identify and explain fascinating plants and wildlife as you pass by. Don't be surprised to see scaly goannas soaking up the sun, a python slithering up a tree or eels swimming around the Duck. That rollicking ride is followed by a visit to the park's amphitheater for a show performed by indigenous Pamagirri Aboriginal dancers who depict animals, food-gathering and hunting though spirited music and dance. Still more local color awaits at Kuranda, a delightful village nestled in the heart of the rainforest. Established in the 1800s during the region's logging and mining heydays, this was an outpost where you could stock up on goods and enjoy some culture and sophistication at a frontier hotel. Today, Kuranda is still a haven for shops, cafés and local culture. After a brief town overview, enjoy time to explore at leisure here.

- ·Take a wild, amphibious tour of extraordinary Rainforestation Nature Park via WWII Army Duck.
- See and learn about the flora and fauna that live in this unspoiled, World Heritage-listed jungle.
- ·Watch indigenous dancers perform a fascinating live show at the rainforest amphitheater.
- Spend some free time in Kuranda, a remote mountain township with markets, cafés and shops where artwork, opals and crafts are sold.
- Enjoy fine Coral Sea and Green Island views and a panoramic spin through Cairns on the way back.
- ·Wear casual, weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, insect repellant, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes a moderate amount of walking, at times over uneven natural surfaces. Guests must be able to negotiate some high steps getting onto and off the coach and be agile enough to enter and exit the Army Duck. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina before participating. The order of sights visited may vary and the itinerary may be reversed. This tour does not operate with a separate guide, but rather with a driver/guide.

#### **CNS-002 CAIRNS PANORAMA**

Duration: 3.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$99.00



Lean back and relax on this panoramic coach tour of friendly, tropical Cairns - set spectacularly between the mountains and the Coral Sea. Your driver/guide will provide informative commentary about this cosmopolitan city that's perhaps best known as the gateway to the northern rainforests and the Great Barrier Reef but has ample attractions of its own. You'll travel past some of them right in the bustling town center and others as you head out into some of the suburbs including Bungalow and Manunda, which feature charming old Queenslander-style houses - not too different from the 1920s bungalows of California and other warm climes. A stop at lush Cairns Botanic Gardens provides a refreshing opportunity to stretch your legs and breathe in some very fresh air. Back on the road, you'll pass views of the Centenary Lakes while en route to the northern beaches and the exclusive suburb of Palm Cove. This trendy beachfront retreat, besides being well-appointed in fronds, is home to elegant boutiques and chic cafés – both of which you can graze at your leisure during free time here. Eventually, you'll reboard for the return drive, traversing Redlynch to Brinsmead Gap for lovely views over Cairns along the way.

- ·Enjoy a panoramic coach-driven survey of Cairns and its surrounds, with a few stops along the way.
- See the landmarks and get the lowdown from your driver/guide as you tour busting downtown Cairns.
- ·Leave the city center behind and visit leafy suburbs where the Queenslander bungalows are beautiful.
- Admire lush Aussie flora and perhaps some fauna on a stroll through the botanic garden.
- Drive by the northern beaches and spend awhile grazing the chic boutiques and cafés of Palm Cove.
- ·Wear casual, weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

The order of sights visited may vary and the itinerary may be reversed. This tour does not operate with a separate guide, but rather with a driver/guide.

## CNS-009 REEF AND RAINFOREST OVERFLIGHT

Duration: 2.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$499.00 Retail Price: \$699.00

Date: December 15, 2023 01:30 PM

Spend an exhilarating hour flying in a helicopter over the Great Barrier Reef and the rainforest that rims the coastline along much of its length. The ride to the helipad will only touch on the natural beauty. Once you are airborne, the sights will be even more spectacular as you will enjoy them from a unique aerial perspective. Looking down from just above the treetops will give you an idea of just how dense the mountainous rainforest can be, especially since most of it is protected national parkland. The Great Barrier Reef lies just offshore and stretches more than 1,400 miles, making it the world's largest coral reef system. UNESCO declared almost the entire ecosystem a World Heritage site for its remarkable biodiversity and beauty. It will be easy to see the endless coral beneath the surface, swirling shades of turquoise water and countless sugar-white islands. You may even spot large marine creatures such as sharks and dugongs.

- ·Fly over the Great Barrier Reef and coastal rainforest in a helicopter.
- Marvel at the natural wonders that surround Cairns from a unique aerial perspective.
- See why UNESCO declared the reef a World Heritage site for its beauty and biodiversity.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
   Wear flat comfortable walking shoes with non-slip soles.

This tour is not available to guests who utilize a wheelchair. Those guests with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina. Participants must be able to board the helicopter on their own, maximum weight cannot exceed 299 lbs. (136 kg.) per seat. Body weight must be advised prior to confirmation. Weight variance greater than 10% may incur 100% cancellation charge. Cancellation must be advised at least 48 hours prior to flight. Flight paths and timings may vary due to weather or air traffic control. Due to safety reasons, the pilot makes the final decision regarding the continuation of flight and may terminate flight at any time, if deemed unsafe to fly.

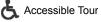












# TOWNSVILLE, AUSTRALIA

## TSV-002 CHARTERS TOWERS GOLD RUSH

Duration: 8.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$179.00





Date: December 16, 2023 09:00 AM

Head across the mountains and into the Outback to tour a heritage gold rush town that still shines with boom-time grandeur. It all started in 1871 after three itinerant prospectors struck gold here in Charters Towers. Over the next 40 years, some 7,000,000 ounces were extracted from this dry scrubland and a suitably glistening city emerged, home to 30,000 residents at the rush's peak. A magnificent stock exchange building went up, along with grand hotels, banks and other buildings of the era still in use today. It's a fabulous place for getting an in-person sense of what boom time life must have been like. Aside from exploring the swank town that nuggets built, you'll also tour a more rustic venue - the Venus Battery Mill, sole survivor of the 25 reducing mills that prospered here at the end of the 19th century. Gold is still being found in the area, but the richest veins have long been worked out. So modern, mechanized methods are required to tease it out – a far cry from the classic pick and shovel days and steam-driven ore processing of old. A casual café lunch and afternoon sightseeing round out

- Journey by coach to a gold-rush mecca in the Outback beyond Townsville's western mountains.
- Experience the enduring boomtime grandeur of Charters Towers, where some 7 million ounces came out of the ground between 1871 and 1911.
- Explore the shining town landmarks, and visit the crusty old Venus Battery Mill, where a local guide will share colorful tales of the olden, golden days.
- Enjoy casual lunch at a local café and spend the afternoon soaking up more of the local atmosphere.
- ·Wear casual, weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

Lack of wheelchair access at sites on this tour make it unavailable to wheelchair guests. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned that they may experience uneven areas and some slight inclines. Beverages are not included with lunch and are at guests' own expense. The order of sights visited may vary and the itinerary may be reversed. This tour does not operate with a separate guide, but rather with a driver/guide.

## TSV-004 WORLD HERITAGE RAINFOREST DISCOVERY

Duration: 8.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$159.00 Retail Price: \$309.00

Date: December 16, 2023 09:00 AM

Walk through the world's oldest surviving rainforest accompanied by a naturalist who will point out plants and animals found nowhere else on Earth. The Wet Tropics Rainforest of Queensland is not merely picturesque, or any ordinary forest - it's a designated UNESCO World Heritage site recognized for its exceptional natural beauty and biodiversity. It also happens to be an unforgettable place to take a nature walk. Departing by coach from the pier, you'll settle back for a picturesque drive up the coast before turning inland. Ascending to McLelland's Lookout in Paluma Range National Park, the rainforest gets denser and the road more circuitous. Stopping at the lookout, perched some 3,300 feet up on Mount Spec, you'll catch spectacular views of the coastline and Halifax Bay. Then it's time to hit the rainforest trails with your naturalist guide leading the way. The Wet Tropics habitat is a true wonderland, and the experience of walking within this natural cathedral is mesmerizing. More than 2,800 species of plants thrive here, including some of the world's first flowering plants, and some very unique animals, including green possums, tree kangaroos and tooth-billed catbirds. After the walk, enjoy lunch at the scenic Hidden Valley Cabins.

- ·Enjoy a scenic coach drive along the Tropical Coast and inland to Paluma Range National Park.
- Ascend to a high lookout for an amazing overview, then enter the UNESCO-listed Wet Tropics Rainforest for a trail walk.
- Accompanied by a naturalist, hike through an extraordinarily biodiverse green cathedral.
- See a rich array of plants and animals, and learn about species that exist here and nowhere else.
- ·Relax after your walk over lunch served at an eco-friendly mountain lodge nearby.
- ·Wear weather-appropriate clothing, including a light jacket.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking or hiking shoes with a closed toe are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, insect repellent, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes over 2-hours of moderate walking/standing. There will be some uneven surfaces that can be slippery, and a significant number of steps to negotiate. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and not considered suitable for those with mobility concerns.

# TSV-005 MUNGALLA ABORIGINAL CATTLE STATION

Duration: 8.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$259.00 Retail Price: \$409.00

Date: December 16, 2023 09:00 AM

Meet the indigenous Nywaigi Aboriginal people who run Mungalla cattle station and learn of their cultural history and passion for restoring the integrity of the land. It's about a two-hour drive north of Townsville, with ample coastal scenery to keep your eyes occupied along the way. At the other end of the ride, 2,500-acre Mungalla Station sits is a gorgeous area where the Nywaigi have lived in harmony with their environment for 45,000 years - even after European settlers disrupted their natural lifestyle in other parts of North Queensland. You will learn the fascinating story of how Irish pioneer James Cassady forged a protective relationship with the local Nywaigi when he established the station in 1901, and how the ownership of these lands has been returned to them. Over the years since, the wetlands have been restored, indigenous wildlife is flourishing once again, and the Nywaigi have grown more willing to share their cultural heritage with visitors. While here, you'll encounter many aspects of their lifestyle and enjoy a traditional communal feast where various meats, seafood and vegetables are slow-cooked in a "Kup Murri" underground oven lined with palm leaves and heated stones. You can also try your hand at boomerang-tossing.

- ·Travel north by coach to Mungalla Station and be immersed in the Nywaigi Aboriginal culture.
- ·Tour the property where wetlands and wildlife flourish, and the Nywaigi live in harmony with nature.
- Learn the heartening story of how this indigenous group regained ownership of land their ancestors occupied for tens of thousands of years.
- Share in a communal feast deliciously slow-cooked in a traditional ground oven lined with palm leaves.
- Shop for authentic Aboriginal arts and crafts and throw a boomerang, maybe even getting it to return.
- ·Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes with a closed toe are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 3-1/2 hours of travel by coach. Your visit at Mungalla Station is approximately 3.5 hours and includes moderate walking and standing with some uneven surfaces and steps to negotiate. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of ability before participating.















## **TSV-003 TOWNSVILLE & BILLABONG SANCTUARY**

Duration: 4.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00

Retail Price: \$149.00





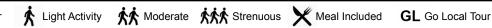
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OVERVIEW: Take a ranger-led tour of a wildlife sanctuary where Australia's mots iconic animals can be seen, then catch the sights of cosmopolitan Townsville. Billabong Sanctuary is something of a Noah's Ark of Down Under – Set amongst lush rainforest, wetlands, and eucalyptus trees about 10 miles south of urban Townsville. Its an ideal environment for wildlife, and at the same time allows for close-up viewing of its residents. While here, you'll enjoy both a personalized tour from a ranger with expert insights into Australia's fascinating fauna and free time to wander the sanctuary's habitats at your own pace. The pathways lead to all sorts of discoveries, including kookaburras, dingoes, Australian black swans, cassowaries, cockatoos, and more. You'll also have the chance to watch menacing crocodiles being fed. Once back in Townsville, you'll be treated to a brief driving tour of some of its top landmarks such as: the palm-lined Strand beachfront esplanade, grand 19thcentury building along Flinders Street, the modern museum and aquarium, and panoramic views from atop Castle Hill.

- ·Visit the Billabong Sanctuary for an immersion in iconic Aussie wildlife.
- Enjoy a guided walk with a ranger and free time to explore the habitats on your own.
- ·See birds of prey, kookaburras, dingoes, black swans, cassowaries, cockatoos and more.
- ·Back in Townsville, sit back for a brief orientation spin past many of the city's top sights.
- ·Wear casual, weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Comfortable, rubber-soled walking shoes are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, insect repellent, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

PLEASE NOTE: Tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair and are able to make their own way on and off transportation. Guests must be self-sufficient or if assistance is required, they should travel with a companion who can provide this. Amount of walking on this tour is mostly at guests' discretion, on packed earth paths with some slight slopes. Weather appropriate clothing, adequate sun protection, insect repellent, a bottle of water from the ship and flat, rubber-soled walking shoes are recommended. Tour may be conducted by a driver-guide.



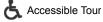












# **AIRLIE BEACH, AUSTRALIA**

## AIR-001 GREAT BARRIER REEF ADVENTURE

Duration: 7.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$159.00 Retail Price: \$309.00

Date: December 17, 2023 07:30 AM

Travel by catamaran to an exclusive pontoon floating atop the Outer Reef, and discover the exquisite beauty waiting below in the world's richest marine habitat. Your adventure begins with a two-hour waterborne transfer by luxury cat right from the ship, with morning tea and coffee served as you sail to the reef. Once at the pontoon, essentially a floating resort designated for your exclusive use, a range of activities are available for experiencing this breathtaking environment. Perhaps you'll take a spin on the semi-submersible and see the reef's colorful fish and intricate coral gardens from its underwater viewing windows without getting wet - or have a snorkel in these inviting aquamarine waters to see what's up down under for yourself. The pontoon itself also has a convenient underwater viewing chamber available whenever you like. Looking for something even more immersive? Sign on for an optional scuba dive or escorted snorkeling tour, offered at an extra charge. While enjoying the reef, an extensive buffet lunch will be set out for you as well as soft drinks, with Australian wine and beer available for purchase. In time, you'll bid the Great Barrier reef farewell - for now - and return by catamaran to the ship.

- ·Enjoy a leisurely two-hour transfer directly from the ship to the Outer Reef via luxury catamaran.
- Arrive at a pontoon atop the world's lushest marine habitat, your playground for the next few hours.
- ·Choose from a range of activities offered semi-submersible ride, independent snorkeling, onboard underwater viewing chamber, optional scuba or escorted snorkeling, and more.
- Experience breathtaking views of colorful reef fish and intricate coral gardens.
- ·Graze the extensive buffet lunch and soft drinks set out for you, with Australian wine and beer available for purchase.
- ·Wear a swimsuit with cover-up.
- ·Comfortable, flat, rubber-soled shoes are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.
- ·Use of snorkels, masks, fins and flotation devices is complimentary.
- ·Do not bring valuables; no security lockers are available on the catamaran or the pontoon.
- Do bring along a credit card or Australian cash for purchasing optional items.
- This tour is designated non-smoking.

This tour is not considered suitable for wheelchair guests or those prone to motion sickness. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their own level of ability carefully, as it is likely that assistance will be required. Seas can be rough during the catamaran ride; guests prone to seasickness should take preventative measures and keep in mind that refunds due to seasickness are not provided. All trips are subject to weather and tidal conditions. Guests who wish to snorkel will be asked to sign a waiver. Guests must follow safety procedures outlined by staff members while participating in any of the reef activities. Those taking part in any swimming activities do so at their own risk and responsibility. Consumption of alcohol before or during water activities is not recommended. SCUBA DIVING: Wetsuits and diving equipment are available for rental, at an additional cost. Certified divers must bring C-Card & log book. All diving is subject to successful completion of a medical questionnaire. Certain medical conditions (asthma, epilepsy, high blood pressure or select medications) may exclude individuals from diving. The minimum age for diving is 12 years.

## AIR-006 WHITEHAVEN RIB ADVENTURE

Duration: 4.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$149.00 Retail Price: \$359.00

Date: December 17, 2023 08:00 AM

Discover the wild side of the Whitsunday Islands by zipping across the sea to Whitehaven Beach on a rigid inflatable boat known as a RIB. It will be an exhilarating, adrenaline-charged experience as you race through the water to the idyllic uninhabited beach, which is known for its exceptionally white sand. Because of its high silica content, the sand is extremely fine and soft and doesn't retain heat like most sand. Feel free to beachcomb, bask in the sun and enjoy a refreshing swim in the remarkably clear waters. Wildlife is plentiful in this remote spot, especially water birds. You will also have access to Hill Inlet Beach, a spectacularly scenic cove where tidal currents swirl the turquoise sea and white sand together to form ever-changing picture-perfect mosaics. This natural phenomenon is especially stunning when viewed from the elevated lookout when the tide is low.

- ·Race across the sea in a rigid inflatable boat known as a RIB.
- ·Relax on Whitehaven Beach's exceptionally fine, soft and sparkling white sand.
- Look for wildlife, which is abundant around remote Whitehaven Beach.
- ·Watch the tidal current form colorful mosaics in the sea at Hill Inlet Cove.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing with a swimsuit underneath.
- ·Bring a towel and sun protection.
- ·Wear flat comfortable walking shoes with closed toes.

RIB travels at high speed and ride can be bumpy at times. Tour is not recommended for pregnant women, guests with back or neck problems or other physical limitations. Please wear your swimsuit under clothing, bring a towel from the ship and use suitable sun and foot protection. Closed rubber soled shoes are highly recommended. Participants are required to sign a waiver. Those who participate in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility and must know how to swim, be comfortable in the water and able to cope with occasional currents.



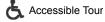












## AIR-007 SAILING & SNORKELING THE WHITSUNDAYS

Duration: 6.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$159.00

Retail Price: \$309.00



Date: December 17, 2023 08:00 AM

Cruise around the Whitsunday Islands on a magnificent catamaran that will bring you to a prime spot for snorkeling the crystal-clear waters. The Whitsundays consist of more than 70 islands, most of them uninhabited, blanketed with dense rainforest and rimmed by white-sand beaches. The largest island in the archipelago is Whitsunday, which famed English captain James Cook - who was a lieutenant at the time - named in 1770 when he mistakenly thought he sailed there on the Christian holiday Whit Sunday. Lunch will be served on board as you sail around the islands on the way to a protected coral reef teeming with marine life. The snorkeling through the Whitsundays is extraordinary, and you may spot large hump-headed wrasses, brightly striped clownfish and neon-colored parrotfish. If you see dark-banded fish nibbling on algae on the reef, they may be batfish. They are considered a keystone species that benefits the environment

- ·Sail through the Whitsunday Islands on a sleek catamaran, taking in the gorgeous scenery.
- Observe an ever-changing parade of marine life while snorkeling along a coral reef.
- ·Enjoy a hearty lunch on board the catamaran.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing with a swimsuit underneath.
- ·Bring a towel and sun protection.
- ·Wear flat comfortable walking shoes with closed toes.

Guests must be able to walk on and off the catamaran and manage boat stairs unassisted. Please wear your swimsuit under clothing, bring a towel from the ship and use suitable sun and foot protection. Closed rubber soled shoes are highly recommended. Participants in snorkeling activity are required to sign a waiver

## AIR-002 CROCODILE SAFARI

Duration: 7.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$109.00 Retail Price: \$259.00



Date: December 17, 2023 08:30 AM

Observe saltwater crocodiles by cruising the Proserpine River and see other indigenous wildlife while crossing the Goorganga Plains in a tractor-drawn wagon train. This guintessential Australian eco-adventure presents a close-up look at Queensland's most iconic creatures. From the comfort of the boat, you will watch countless crocodiles and perhaps newly hatched babies in the river estuaries and learn about their vital role in helping to balance the wetlands environment. Although much maligned, crocodiles are fascinating reptiles with the ability to hold their breath up to six hours underwater. You will also discover much about the unique habitats that fringe the river by riding through the surrounding melaleuca forests and pastures in an open-air wagon. Birds and kangaroo-like wallabies are particularly prevalent. You can discuss what you've seen afterwards while enjoying a lunch of bush tucker, which consists of native foods found in the wilds. They offerings include a bread known as damper and billy tea boiled over a campfire.

- ·Cruise the Proserpine River, which is teeming with saltwater crocodiles.
- Learn about crocodile behavior and how these massive reptiles help the environment.
- Observe other indigenous wildlife while riding across the plains in an open-air wagon.
- ·Dine on bush tucker, a lunch made with native ingredients gathered in the wild.
- ·Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

Tour has very limited participation and operates with a driver/guide. Although there is little walking on this tour, guests must be able to load and unload the coach, trolley and boat unassisted and manage some uneven natural surfaces and a few steps. Weather conditions tend to be hot and humid. Guests with mobility challenges are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina. Comfortable lose clothing appropriate for the weather, sun protection, insect repellent and closed toe shoes are recommended. Wildlife sightings, although likely, cannot be guaranteed.

# AIR-005 AIRLIE BEACH THEN & NOW

Duration: 3.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$99.00



Date: December 17, 2023 08:30 AM, 12:45 PM

Step back in time to Airlie's earlier days on a tour that visits a venue steeped in local history, then surveys the area's contemporary sights. True time travel may not yet be possible, but this is the next best thing. You'll begin with a visit to Proserpine Historical Museum, where you can relive the days when sugar was this area's primary cash crop. The exhibits also highlight the Whitsunday region's historic cattle industries and the coffee trade that thrived here from the late 1800s until it took a back seat to tea-drinking. Cycles being what they are, things have changed again, and coffee is back - more popular than ever. You'll get a sense of this in person on your tour of Whitsunday Gold Coffee Plantation, which farms about 90 acres of premium Arabica coffee. Of course, you won't leave without being treated to a cup of their delicious joe and a snack. On the return drive, get current on a brief sightseeing jaunt through both Cannonvale and Airlie Beach's local shopping district. You'll have the option to disembark at the local markets to browse for souvenirs, but if so, you'll need to make your own way back to the pier.

- ·Travel by coach about 20 minutes inland from Airlie Beach to Proserpine Historical Museum.
- ·See exhibits that tell the story of the days when the Airlie and Whitsunday regions' economies were tied to sugar, cattle and coffee.
- Visit and tour Whitsunday Gold Coffee Plantation, an award-winning contemporary grower and roaster.
- Enjoy a fresh-brewed cup of coffee before heading out on a sightseeing drive through Cannonvale and into Airlie Beach's local shopping district.
- Ride with the coach back to the pier, or step off to do some souvenir shopping and return on your own.
- ·Wear light, weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour operates with a driver/guide. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible chair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them.















## AIR-008 WHITEHAVEN BEACH BY HELICOPTER

Duration: 3.25 Hrs Tour Price: \$249.00 Retail Price: \$399.00



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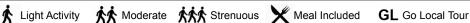
Fly in a luxury helicopter to Whitehaven Beach to enjoy one of the most pristine and unusual stretches of sand in the Whitsunday Islands. The helicopter holds a maximum of six guests, which will make the experience all the more private and pleasurable. The flight will be wonderfully scenic, as you will fly over uninhabited wilderness and incredibly turquoise seas. After you land right on Whitehaven Beach, a glass of champagne will be served to toast the occasion. You will then be free to enjoy this idyllic setting as you see fit. The sand there is almost entirely made of silica, which is why it is so soft and snow-white. You will notice that it's much cooler than conventional sand and because it's so fine the sand actually squeaks when you walk on it. Another draw of the beach is the crystal-clear water that rims it, so leave time for a refreshing swim.

- ·Fly to Whitehaven Beach by helicopter and take in the magnificent scenery.
- ·Relax on Whitehaven Beach's exceptionally fine, soft and squeaky white sand.
- Toast the occasion with a glass of champagne and swim in the sea, if you like.
- ·Look for wildlife, which is abundant around remote Whitehaven Beach.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing with a swimsuit underneath.
- ·Bring a towel and sun protection.
- ·Wear flat comfortable walking shoes with closed toes.

Guests must be able to get on and off the helicopter unassisted. Maximum weight for participants is 280 lbs. Amount of walking and level of exertion during free time is at guest's discretion. Please wear your swimsuit under clothing, bring a towel from the ship and use suitable sun and foot protection. Closed rubber soled shoes are highly recommended. Those who participate in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility and must know how to swim, be comfortable in the water and able to cope with occasional currents.

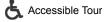












# **MOOLOOLABA, AUSTRALIA**

#### MOO-022 NOOSA & THE SUNSHINE COAST

Duration: 6.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Date: December 19, 2023 08:30 AM

Retail Price: \$149.00





Travel up Australia's naturally beautiful Sunshine Coast and explore Noosa, an eco-friendly township with a laid-back ambiance. On the way, you will stop at the Ginger Factory theme park, much of which revolves around the area's high-quality ginger plants. You will discover how ginger is grown and harvested and have time to browse a gift shop with everything from zesty, chocolate-covered ginger to ginger-flavored soft drinks. Once in Noosa, you will board the ferry for a relaxing cruise down the Noosa River. The captain will provide enlightening commentary about the area history and the aboriginal people that lived there for 40,000 years before the Europeans arrived in the 1800s. Noosa is a Kabi tribal word that means "shadows," a reference to the tall forests that shade the ground. You will also enjoy free time on Hastings Street, a delightful hub for shopping and dining

- ·Discover the many uses for locally grown ginger while browsing the Ginger Factory.
- Learn about the history of the Sunshine Coast while cruising the Noosa River.
- ·Enjoy free time on Hastings Street, a hub of shopping and dining in Noosa.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour is not available for wheelchair quests and those with mobility concerns should evaluate their ability and stamina before joining the tour. The amount of walking and level of exertion during free time is at the guests' discretion. Guests who go ashore do so with the understanding that they will be mixing with members of the general public.

## MOO-024 AUSTRALIA ZOO

Duration: 6.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$79.00 Retail Price: \$229.00

Date: December 19, 2023 09:00 AM

Explore the zoo that Steve Irwin founded on your own, which will allow you to concentrate entirely on the attractions that are most fascinating to you. With a map of the Australia Zoo in hand, you can create an experience completely suited to your interests. All sorts of indigenous animals live in the zoo, including dingoes, koalas and wombats, a slow-moving herbivore that is closely related to the koala. To see how crocodilians behave in the wild, just visit the Crocoseum, an attraction with clear water instead of the murky water that crocodilians typically use as camouflage. A variety of African species such as giraffes and zebras live harmoniously in an open-range exhibit where they can interact with each other. You can also learn about the different species of plants that provide a natural habitat for the animals. Plenty of time will be allotted to fully immerse yourself in the zoo that the Irwin continues to operate.

- ·Spend hours on your own exploring the zoo that adventurer Steve Irwin founded.
- Interact with indigenous animals such as koalas, wombats and kangaroos.
- ·Concentrate on different areas of the zoo to see your favorite animals.
- ·See how injured and orphaned animals are cared for at the zoo's wildlife hospital.
- ·Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair and are able to make their own way on and off transportation. Guests must be self-sufficient or if assistance is required, they should travel with a companion who can provide it. The amount of walking and level of exertion during free time is at guests' discretion. Guests who go ashore do so with the understanding that they will be mixing with members of the general public.

# MOO-021 DISCOVER BRISBANE

Duration: 7.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$99.00



Date: December 19, 2023 09:30 AM

Get acquainted with Brisbane on a panoramic drive through the downtown, which will help you maximize the time spent exploring the capital of Queensland on your own. During the introductory drive, you can expect to see landmarks such as the Queensland Parliament, the Customs House that is now an entertainment venue and the Botanical Gardens, a lush wonderland of exotic plants. Along the way, the guide will describe the history of Brisbane's transformation from a penal colony to Australia's third largest city. Because of its size, there will be plenty to do during free time. You may browse the countless one-of-a-kind boutiques or head straight to the massive Queen Street Mall, home to about 700 stores with every type of merchandise imaginable. Restaurants are just as abundant, and if you are looking for recommendations the guide will be happy to provide them.

- Settle in for an introductory drive through Brisbane, taking note of attractions to visit later.
- Spend free time exploring the areas of the city that sound most intriguing to you.
- ·Follow the guide's suggestions to make the most of your leisure time.
- ·Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair and are able to make their own way on and off transportation. Guests must be self-sufficient or if assistance is required, they should travel with a companion who can provide it. The amount of walking and level of exertion during free time is at guests' discretion. Guests who go ashore do so with the understanding that they will be mixing with members of the general public.



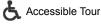












## MOO-025 ARTS, CRAFTS, WINE & CHEESE

Duration: 5.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Date: December 19, 2023 10:00 AM

Retail Price: \$119.00





Enjoy an orientation walk and free time in mountaintop Montville as a prelude to an inspired wine tasting at a nearby estate. The rural inland town in the Blackall Range was settled in 1887 and Montville still retains its quaint charm. Being high above sea level, it offers sweeping views of the surrounding hinterland, often all the way to the coast. More than anything, Montville is known for its shopping, dining and friendly casual atmosphere. During your time there, do whatever you please, whether browsing the art galleries, shopping for local crafts or simply relaxing over a drink at an outdoor café. Main Street is a great place to begin your exploration, as it runs through the heart of the town. During the wine tasting that follows, you will sample a number of locally produced wines that may include Verdelho, Pinot Gris and Shiraz.

- ·Gain an overall understanding of Montville during an introductory walk through town.
- ·Spend free time exploring further, concentrating on the areas that interest you the most.
- Sample a selection of premium wines produced along the Sunshine Coast.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour is not available for wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns should evaluate their ability and stamina before joining the tour. The amount of walking and level of exertion during free time is at the guests' discretion. Guests who go ashore do so with the understanding that they will be mixing with members of the general public.

#### MOO-026 SCENIC SUNSHINE COAST

Duration: 3.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Retail Price: \$69.00





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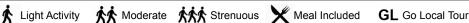
Settle in for a panoramic drive along the Sunshine Coast, passing one classic beach town after another on the way to Noosa, where you will spend free time exploring. On the way there, you will follow a road with the ocean on one side and Noosa National Park on the other. The sights along the way will be naturally beautiful and immensely scenic. You can expect to see surfers riding the waves, long stretches of sugar-white sand, remote coves rimmed by rugged cliffs and environmentally protected parkland that has changed little over the centuries. The Sunshine Coast epitomes the purity of nature when left to its own devices. After a while, you will arrive in Noosa, where you can stretch your legs by strolling along Hastings Street on your own. Being the hub of shopping and dining, it's a great starting point to discover the casual charms of Noosa.

- ·Enjoy a leisurely drive along the Sunshine Coast, taking in the natural beauty.
- ·Pass classic beach towns with the ocean on one side and a national park on the other.
- ·Spend free time exploring the center of shopping and dining in the town of Noosa.
- ·Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair and are able to make their own way on and off transportation. Guests must be self-sufficient or if assistance is required, they should travel with a companion who can provide it. The amount of walking and level of exertion during free time is at guests' discretion. Guests who go ashore do so with the understanding that they will be mixing with members of the general public.











# **NEWCASTLE, AUSTRALIA**

#### **NEC-001 STROLLING NEWCASTLE**

Duration: 3.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Date: December 21, 2023 08:30 AM





Walk through the heart of Newcastle, passing architectural landmarks and learning about the city's transformation from industrial hub to thriving cultural magnet. First a penal colony, then Australia's capital of coal mining, steel and cargo shipping, modern Newcastle is the throes of a fabulous urban renaissance. The heavy industry is gone, and progressive young entrepreneurial enterprises are blossoming. As is the food, fashion, winery, and surfing scene. This well-guided city ramble will bring you through the historic district along the Hunter River, passing lush parks and signature sights as you go. The 1877 former Customs House is an especially noteworthy example – a masterpiece of Romanesque Revival style that now houses a tony hotel and trending eateries. Its cupola-topped clock tower dominates Watt Street, one of Newcastle's oldest thoroughfares, named for the pioneer of the steam engine that helped power the 19th-century Industrial Revolution. Another stunner you'll pass is Christchurch Cathedral, nearly 200 years old and still standing proudly atop its hill despite World War II shelling and a shakeup from the 1989 earthquake - with its 70 magnificent stained-glass windows intact. At the walk's conclusion, shuttle back to the ship or stick around downtown a while longer for solo exploring.

- ·Enjoy a guided orientation walk that introduces Newcastle's landmarks and history.
- ·Learn about this reinvented city's contemporary transformation from forgotten to unforgettable.
- See the famous Victorian Customs House, stalwart Christchurch Cathedral and historic Watt Street.
- Shuttle back to the ship or stay in town for more exploring on your own. There's a lot going on here.
- ·Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Comfortable closed-toe walking shoes are required.
- Bring a hat, a bottle of water from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes over 2.5 hours of moderate walking and standing, covers a distance of about 1.5 miles and includes some steps. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and not recommended for those with mobility difficulties. Guests should be in reasonably good physical condition and able to board the shuttle coach with limited assistance.

#### NEC-004 HUNTER VALLEY RESORT EXPERIENCE

Duration: 8.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$209.00



Date: December 21, 2023 08:30 AM

Spend an amenity-filled day at the Hunter Valley Resort, a family-owned lodge in the heart of Australia's oldest wine region. The venue sits about an hour's drive from Newcastle, in a valley renowned for its epicurean delights, including some 150 vineyards, countless restaurants, premier cooking schools and artisanal workshops producing exquisite cheeses, chocolates and olive oils. Hunter Valley Resort is the area's largest winery, and after being welcomed with a gracious cup of tea and orientation chat, you'll spend the balance of the day immersed in the pleasures of this place. Tour the grounds in a horse-drawn carriage, stroll through the immaculate vineyards, and linger over a hearty lunch and wine flight. Each dish will be thoughtfully paired with a premium Hunter Valley wine and the cellar master will provide in-depth background on the grapes involved, how the wines were produced, and how their characteristics complement the food flavors. This deep dive into the resort's offerings will be complete enough to earn you a well-deserved wine appreciation certificate. Later, you might want to enhance that hands-on experience with an entertaining feet-on experience by easing into a large oak barrel and stomping grapes barefoot. Just like Lucy did.

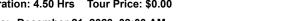
- ·Travel by coach into the Hunter Valley, home to all good things gastronomical and oenological.
- Disembark at Hunter Valley Resort, a 4th-generation family-owned lodge and vineyard in the heart of the region.
- Spend your day immersed in amenities here, including a horse-drawn carriage tour and vineyard walk
- Take your seat for a hearty food and wine-pairing lunch, with each dish accented by a Hunter Valley wine that brings out its flavors.
- Gain great wine knowledge from in-depth commentary by the cellar master as the meal progresses.
- ·Wear resort-casual, weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes over 3 hours of easy-to-moderate walking and standing, with some steps involved. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and those with mobility issues are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of ability before participating. Guests should be able to enter and exit the coach and carriage with limited assistance and must be at least 18 years of age to participate in the wine tasting.

## **NEC-002 NEWCASTLE HIGHLIGHTS & SURROUNDINGS**

Duration: 4.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00





Date: December 21, 2023 09:00 AM

Explore the history of Newcastle and surrounding Hunter Valley with stops at a 19th-century fort, a former prison and a frontier river town that still thrives today. The journey begins with a highlights drive from the pier, passing several of the city's architectural treasures, including the Romanesque Revival former Customs House and imposing Christchurch Cathedral, 200 years old and decorated with 70 beautiful stained-glass windows. Soon, you'll pause to take in the dramatic setting of Fort Scratchley, a hilltop historic treasure that overlooks the Hunter River estuary and Nobbys Beach. Before its decommission, this bastion famously returned fire on a Japanese submarine that was menacing the city in 1942. A spin out into the Hunter Valley countryside brings you to Maitland Gaol, a maximum-security prison that accumulated a 150-year-long reputation for cruelty before closing in 1998. You'll go inside to have a look around; it's suitably unpleasant but fascinating. A bit further inland along the Hunter River, the colonial frontier town of Morpeth retains much of its historic character. During free time here, you can stroll streets lined with period architecture, walk the heritage trail, or do some window-shopping along picturesque Swan Street.

- ·Enjoy a guided orientation spin through Newcastle's, seeing landmarks like the old Customs House and Christchurch Cathedral.
- Stop for a view of Fort Scratchley, built to repel the Russians but last firing its guns on a Japanese sub.
- Go inside Maitland Gaol, where many an inmate once had very bad dreams and locals now sleep over in hopes of seeing ghosts.
- Spend free time in Morpeth, a riverside town in the country that never quite left its colonial era.
- ·Back in Newcastle, shuttle back to the ship or explore the city a while on your own.
- ·Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, a bottle of water from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

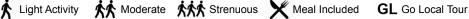
This tour includes about 75 minutes of easy-to-moderate walking and standing, plus any done at guests' discretion during free time. There will be some steps involved. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and not recommended for those with mobility difficulties. Guests should be able to enter and exit the coach with limited assistance.













## NEC-005 CHEESE AND WINE OF THE HUNTER VALLEY

Duration: 4.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Date: December 21, 2023 09:00 AM





Sample the delicious cheeses and wines produced in New South Wales' Hunter Valley, a legendary landscape of rolling hills and clear-running rivers. Traveling by comfortable coach, you'll follow the route known as Wine Country Drive toward the town of Pokolbin and the Hunter Valley Cheese Company. This family-run "factory" produces a variety of preservative-free cheeses on site and you will be tasting several of the finest. One of the most popular is their sharp, spicy Pokolbin, named in honor of the town. But as impressive as its artisan dairy products are, Hunter Valley is even more renowned for its vineyards, some 150 in number. You'll be visiting two of them for tastings, starting off with Mistletoe Winery. Established in 1989, Mistletoe quickly earned a five-star rating and legions of fans. Standouts here are the Reserve Shiraz, redolent of plums and blackberries, a spicy Noble Viognier and their White Muscat dessert wine. Not far away is the award-winning Tulloch Winery, once again family-owned and sporting a rich history. Its best-known wines include a crisp Verdelho with tropical fruit aromas and a rich Cabernet Sauvignon offering blackcurrant notes.

- ·Travel by coach from Newcastle into the rolling hills of Australia's oldest wine-producing region.
- Enjoy tastings that provide a flavorful introduction to the wines and cheeses of Hunter Valley.
- Near Pokolbin, sample several preservative-free offerings from Hunter Valley Cheese Company.
- ·Visit Mistletoe Winery and Tulloch Winery, enjoying samples of the wide range of wines produced at each of these highly regarded cellars.
- ·Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes just over two hours of easy-to-moderate walking and standing. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible chair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with mobility issues are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of ability before participating. Guests should be able to enter and exit the coach with limited assistance and must be at least 18 years of age to participate in the wine tasting.

## NEC-003 FLORA, FAUNA AND GARDENS

Duration: 4.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00 Date: December 21, 2023 09:30 AM





Wander through two beautiful and vastly different gardens - one planted in indigenous Australian bush flora, the other a lush paradise with plants from around the world. First up is Hunter Region Botanic Gardens, reached by a scenic inland drive that loosely follows the Hunter River. These fragrant gardens are arranged by theme, allowing you to seek out the sections that interest you most. You can wander the Eucalyptus Lawn, stroll a boardwalk over wetlands, or relax in the serene Palm Garden. A highlight here is the garden that features plants that the Aboriginal people historically used for food, clothing, medicine and even weapons. In contrast, the Hunter Valley Gardens, sprawling over 60 acres in the foothills of the Brokenback Range, are as exotically foreign as they come. There's a Chinese Moongate Garden filled with mulberries and kumquats, an Indian Mosaic Garden where the scent of curry fills the air, an Italian Garden with all the statuary the name implies, and other globally themed plantings. This being the heart of Hunter Valley wine country, there's even a corkscrew-shaped Rose Garden. The serenity of this botanical showplace will stay with you not just for the drive back, but for days to follow.

- Spend time exploring two contrasting botanic landmarks, one all-Aussie, the other everything else.
- Meander the bush habitats at Hunter Region Botanic Gardens, including eucalyptus field, wetlands, a palm garden and a garden of classic plants used by the
  - Step into a world of theme plantings at Hunter Valley Gardens, including Chinese, Indian, Italian and Formal Gardens.
- Stroll a corkscrew-shaped rose garden, a nod to Hunter Valley's prominence as a wine destination.
- ·Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- ·Bring a hat, a bottle of water from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes just over two hours of easy-to-moderate walking and standing. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible chair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with walking difficulties are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina before participating. Guests should be able to enter and exit the coach with limited assistance.

## **NEC-006 NEWCASTLE BY FOOT**

Duration: 2.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$0.00





Date: December 21, 2023 10:00 AM

OVERVIEW Walk through the heart of Newcastle and admire the architecture as you learn about the city's transformation from a 19th-century penal colony into a cultural center. While strolling the historical district bordering the Hunter River, you will pass verdant parks and landmarks that reveal Newcastle's past. Built in 1877, the former Customs House is a wonderful example of Victorian Romanesque architecture and Newcastle's maritime heritage. It now houses a luxury hotel. The building towers over Watt Street, the city's oldest thoroughfare, which was built atop a path that the indigenous Awabakal people used before Europeans arrived. The street is named for James Watt, a pioneer in the development of the steam engine that helped fuel the Industrial Revolution. Another highlight is the Convict Lumber Yard, one of the earliest convict workplaces in Australia. Excavations have unearthed artifacts associated with Newcastle's early 19th-century convict occupation and aboriginal artifacts found at a much deeper level.

- ·Admire the historical landmarks on a leisurely guided walk through Newcastle.
- Recognize how the city has transformed from a penal colony into a cultural center.
- ·See the former Customs House and one of the first workplaces for convicts in Australia.
- ·Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- ·Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

PLEASE NOTE: This tour includes approximately 2.5 hours of walking. It is not available to guests who utilize a wheelchair. We recommend comfortable clothing suitable for the weather conditions, hat, sunscreen, Comfortable walking shoes.













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## **General Information**

# (PRICES IN USD PER PERSON)

#### What is Included?

## **Transportation:**

Licensed and insured late model, coaches, vehicles, watercraft, and other modes of transportation are utilized.

## Meals and Refreshments:

Included when indicated in the tour description.

#### Guides

Licensed, English-speaking, local guides accompany all tours, where available.

## **Entrance Fees:**

Tours include all required admission fees, where applicable.

#### What Should I Wear?

When taking a shore excursion, comfortable walking shoes, sunglasses, a hat and sunscreen are suggested. You may consider bringing an umbrella, raincoat, sweater, or jacket. And don't forget your camera!

## **Cancellations and refunds**

- In order to ensure quality guides and sufficient transportation, we must provide the tour operator with passenger counts at least 36 hours in advance. Therefore no refunds will be given within 36 hours of the tour.
- Tours operate rain or shine.
- Tours require minimum participation levels to operate so please sign up as early as possible. Tours may be cancelled if minimum participation levels are not met.

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- The information contained in this document was current at the time of printing, however changes may occur before your scheduled departure. Please consult the Destination Services Desk onboard for information and current pricing.
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