

AUSTRALIA & the Outback Tour

DEPARTURE MONTHS

March & April 2028

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DAYS 1-2 • GOODBYE CANADA, G'DAY SYDNEY!

Enjoy a private car ride to the airport and fly to Sydney. It's a long way to Sydney, but don't worry, in-flight entertainment helps time fly by! Upon your arrival, meet your Group Guru and fellow travellers before our coach brings you to your hotel. Get settled into your hotel before joining your group for a welcome cocktail and an extravagant dinner 82 floors above the city in Sydney Tower. Overnight in Sydney. (D)

DAY 3 • SYDNEY HARBOUR & THE ICONIC OPERA HOUSE

Dive into the heart of Sydney with a morning tour through The Rocks and along Macquarie Street, where the bustling city comes to life. Pause at Mrs Macquarie's Chair for a postcard view of Sydney Harbour. Drift across its sparkling waters on a leisurely lunch cruise, the coastline slipping by on every side. In the afternoon, step inside the sail-shaped Sydney Opera House on a guided tour, then wander the buzzing waterfront precincts of Barangaroo and Darling Harbour. Overnight in Sydney. (B,L,D)

DAY 4 • BLUE MOUNTAINS & PLUNGING VALLEYS

Head west into the Blue Mountains, where eucalyptus haze paints the ranges a deep blue. Spot the Three Sisters rising dramatically above Echo Point. Wander scenic trails past tumbling waterfalls and deep green valleys while hearing stories of the region's natural wonders and Aboriginal heritage. On the way back to Sydney, Featherdale Wildlife Park offers a rare chance to connect with Australia's extraordinary native wildlife. Wander through open enclosures, hand-feed kangaroos, and admire sleepy koalas nestled in the trees before dinner wraps up the day. Overnight in Sydney. (B,L,D)

DAY 5 • SYDNEY TO MELBOURNE (FLIGHT)

After breakfast, fly south to Melbourne, Australia's capital of culture and coffee. Check into your hotel and settle in, taking a moment to rest before heading out for dinner (accompanied by an interactive show)! Tonight in the trendy Yarra district, you'll be surrounded by the lively atmosphere of one of Melbourne's most fashionable and entertainment-packed neighbourhoods. Overnight in Melbourne. (B,L,D)

DAY 6 • GRAND ARCHITECTURE, LIVELY MURALS & STREET FOOD TOUR

Explore Melbourne's Victorian-era architecture with visits to the neo-Gothic St. Patrick's Cathedral, the tranquil Fitzroy Gardens, and the grand Parliament House of Victoria. Browse the stalls of the historic Queen Victoria Market at your leisure over lunch, then spend the afternoon sipping and sampling your way through the city's coffee scene on a food tour. Wander down Hosier Lane to admire ever-changing, vibrant murals by local and international street artists. Overnight in Melbourne. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 • FOLLOW THE GREAT OCEAN ROAD

Set out along one of the world's most spectacular coastal drives, passing the Memorial Arch, a touching tribute to World War I soldiers. Gaze at the Twelve Apostles while learning about their importance in Aboriginal traditions before hearing the crash of waves against dramatic cliffs

at Loch Ard Gorge. After lunch, wind your way back to Melbourne, enjoying the expansive views of the Southern Ocean the whole way. Overnight in Melbourne. (B,L,D)

DAY 8 • MELBOURNE TO ADELAIDE

Head to the airport for a short flight to Adelaide. Land in time for lunch near Glenelg Beach, then stroll the sand and soak up the seaside atmosphere. After checking in, feast on fresh seafood paired with South Australian wine in Adelaide's Central Market precinct and on Gouger Street, the city's culinary heart. Overnight in Adelaide. (B,L,D)

DAY 9 • ADELAIDE'S BOTANIC BEAUTY & BAROSSA'S VINES

Stroll through the Adelaide Botanic Garden, where native Australian flora, heritage glasshouses, and peaceful gardens offer a lush escape in the heart of the city. After exploring the city centre, head into the rolling hills of the Barossa Valley for an afternoon of world-class wine tasting among some of Australia's oldest vineyards. Overnight in Adelaide. (B,L,D)

DAY 10 • INTO THE RED CENTRE (FLIGHT)

Fly into the heart of the Outback and land in Alice Springs, known for its desert landscape and rugged ranges. After lunch, step back in time at the Old Telegraph Station and discover native wildlife at the Alice Springs Desert Park, home to open enclosures, native birds, nocturnal reptiles, and marsupials. Overnight in Alice Springs. (B,L,D)



KANGAROO SANCTUARY



ULURU

DAY 11 • KANGAROOS & THE ROAD TO ULURU (468 KM)

Grab your sun hat and get ready for a true Outback morning! Start the day up close with one of Australia's most iconic residents during an unforgettable visit to a kangaroo sanctuary. Wander among free-roaming kangaroos and see firsthand how wildlife carers nurse them back to health. Then hit the open road towards Uluru as the scenery transforms around you, with the earth growing deeper and redder the farther you travel into Australia's Red Centre. Overnight in Uluru. (B,L,D)

DAY 12 • SACRED ULURU & KATA TJUTA

Learn about Uluru's deep spiritual significance to local Indigenous communities at the Aboriginal Cultural Centre. Then enjoy a stroll around the base, feeling tiny next to this awe-inspiring monolith. Continue to Kata Tjuta, where domed rock formations stretch up to 1,066 metres above sea level. As night falls, look up and lose yourself in a sky blazing with stars. Overnight in Uluru. (B,L,D)

DAY 13 • SUNRISE AT ULURU & TROPICAL CAIRNS (FLIGHT)

Rise early to watch dawn break over Uluru, painting the rock in shifting shades of red and gold. After breakfast, fly to tropical Cairns, gateway to the Great Barrier Reef. Once you've checked in, sample fresh coral trout and Queensland seafood specialities. Overnight in Cairns. (B,L,D)



SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE



ATHERTON TABLELANDS

DAY 14 • THE GREAT BARRIER REEF

Today is dedicated to the world's largest structure built by living organisms, boasting 344,000 square kilometres and supporting an extraordinary diversity of marine life. Board a boat bound for the Outer Reef, where vibrant coral gardens teem with marine life just beneath the surface. Try to spot clownfish, giant clams, or even sea turtles! Spend the day swimming and snorkelling at one of the world's great natural wonders, with lunch served right on board. Overnight in Cairns. (B,L,D)

DAY 15 • RAINFOREST & SKYRAIL ADVENTURE

Climb aboard a historic railway and wind through lush rainforest to the Atherton Tablelands. This fertile highland region is known for its rolling green countryside, waterfalls, volcanic landscapes, and tropical farms. Along the way, take in sweeping views over the Pacific coastline. Afterwards, explore Kuranda Village, surrounded by the world's oldest living tropical rainforest. Learn more about the traditions of the region's Indigenous peoples before returning to Cairns aboard the Skyrail. The longest cableway in the Southern Hemisphere carries you high above the rainforest canopy. Keep your eyes peeled for colourful tropical birds and

rare butterflies! In the evening, browse the Cairns Night Markets for local crafts, street food, and fresh tropical fruit. Overnight in Cairns. (B,L,D)

DAY 16 • CULTURAL IMMERSION & A FESTIVE FAREWELL

Meet the Mandingalbay clan, the traditional owners of the land, for a hands-on cultural experience where you'll learn about ancient Aboriginal food, medicine, and how they practice environmental protection. Afterwards, enjoy free time to explore Cairns at your own pace before gathering for a festive farewell dinner complete with local entertainment. Overnight in Cairns. (B,L,D)

DAYS 17-18 • HOME SWEET HOME

After breakfast, make your way to the airport for your return flight home. Still in awe, say goodbye to your fellow travellers who opted out of our included group flights and embark on your return flights to Canada, arriving the next day. Your driver will meet you at the airport to help you with your luggage and drive you home. What a truly amazing experience! (B)



GREAT BARRIER REEF

18 DAYS

ALL-INCLUSIVE

\$18,495

Per person in double occupancy

Single supplement: \$3,000



Difficulty Rating:
High

EVERY APPROACH TOUR INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING PERKS:

Private car service to and from your home airport

International and domestic flights

Meals and excursions that are typically sold separately

Tips for all service providers

24/7 Group Guru (in addition to tour guide and local guides)

Extensive travel insurance with Manulife Financial

TOTAL VALUE OF PERKS

\$6,210

THIS TOUR INCLUDES



TOUR ESSENTIALS

- International flights with Air Canada
- 15 nights in first-class hotels, and 4 internal flights
- Dedicated English-speaking tour guide and local guides
- Carefully selected visits, including entrance fees
- Luxury coach bus transfers and luggage portorage where available



FOOD & DRINK

- All 44 meals, including: 15 breakfasts, 14 lunches and 15 dinners
- Farewell dinner (included in meal count)
- Welcome cocktail
- Lunch cruise on Sydney Harbour (included in meal count)
- Hosier Lane coffee and food tour (included in meal count)
- Barossa Valley wine tasting (included in meal count)
- Bottled water daily (2 x 500ml)



UNIQUE MOMENTS

- Come face to face with kangaroos at a sanctuary
- Swim through a living kaleidoscope of coral, tropical fish and sea turtles on the Great Barrier Reef
- Journey to Uluru, an iconic red-rock monolith and a deeply significant cultural landmark
- Learn centuries of Indigenous traditions through a hands-on cultural experience

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