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TOUR ITINERARY



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DAY 1

Destination	Cairns
Meals included	Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Your tour opens in Cairns, the tropical gateway to one of the world's most spectacular natural attractions – the Great Barrier Reef (UNESCO). Established as a marine park in 1975, the reef is a haven for thousands of species of sea life, as well as turtles and birds.

DAY 2

Destination	Cairns
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Rise high on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway for an unforgettable ride over the rainforest canopy. Embrace the opportunity to explore the forest floor up close with access to specially designed boardwalks. Your evening is at leisure to enjoy your tropical surroundings.

DAY 3

Destination	Cairns 🚢 Great Barrier Reef 🚢 Cairns
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch
Accommodation	N/A

Board a catamaran and sail to the Low Isles to explore the fascinating underwater world of the Great Barrier Reef. Choose how you want to spend your day in paradise by making your time as educational or as laid back as you like. Perhaps you will relax and independently explore the pristine shores of this tiny island located on the outer reef. Maybe you are a bit more adventurous and choose to snorkel, revealing a wealth of vibrant sea life. Or you may opt to join an expert for a walk along the beach and heritage trail. You also have the opportunity to meet with a marine biologist during an informative presentation.

DAY 4

Destination	Cairns ✈️ Uluru
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

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Fly to Uluru (the Aboriginal name for Ayers Rock) in the heart of the Australian Outback. Tour the sandstone domes known as Kata Tjuta and the beautiful area surrounding the base of "The Rock." Later, witness a stunning sunset over a glass of champagne as the Rock's hues change dramatically with the setting sun.

DAY 5

Destination	Uluru → Alice Springs
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Hop over the "Red Centre" on a short flight to Alice Springs. Immerse yourself in Aboriginal culture with a memorable bush dinner, set against the unique environment of the Outback desert.

DAY 6

Destination	Alice Springs
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Access the history and culture of the Aboriginal people during a "Dreamtime Tour." A specialist guide shares Aboriginal creation stories and explains everyday life, even providing a taste of the native cuisine. Your glimpse into the culture continues with a tour of the area. Visit the School of the Air to find out more about how the Australian educational system serves students living in remote areas of the Outback. Learn how people once communicated in the remote Outback at the Old Telegraph Station, dating back to the 1800s.

DAY 7

Destination	Alice Springs → Melbourne
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Transfer to the Alice Springs airport for your flight to the beautiful Victorian city of Melbourne.

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DAY 8

Destination	Melbourne
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Set out on a city tour and see Fitzroy Gardens and bustling “laneways” of Melbourne. There is time at leisure to explore the city independently. Later, arrive at Phillip Island to see koalas in their natural setting during a stop at a koala conservation centre. Continue to the renowned nature reserve and home of the world's largest colony of Little Penguins. Protected and studied by rangers, hundreds of them waddle out of the sea and cross the beach to their burrows in the dunes. At the interpretation centre, you have a chance to learn about the lives of the Little Penguins and their significance to the region.

DAY 9

Destination	Melbourne ✈️ Hobart
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

A flight to Hobart, Tasmania brings you to Australia's second oldest city. The rugged and pristine beauty of Tasmania provides the backdrop to your 3-night stay.

DAY 10

Destination	Hobart
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Visit the Tasmanian Devil Conservation Centre and learn about this unique marsupial, its fight for survival, and the efforts in place to save it from extinction. Later, take a guided tour of the Port Arthur Historic Site, the best-preserved example of Australia's original penal colonies and home to stabilized ruins and restored buildings dating back to 1833. En route, witness the spectacular coastal rock formations known as Tasman Arch, Devil's Kitchen and the Blow Hole.

DAY 11

Destination	Hobart
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

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Enjoy a free day to explore Tasmania's capital city. Indulge in the city's up-and-coming café culture, meander along the lively harbour, or just take some time to relax.

DAY 12

Destination	Hobart ✈ Sydney
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Return to mainland Australia today and arrive in the bustling city of Sydney. This evening, its Diner's Choice: choose from a variety of local restaurants along bustling Darling Harbour.

DAY 13

Destination	Sydney
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

See where the original English colonists first settled in 1788 during a city tour of Sydney. Highlights of your tour include Kings Cross, the Harbour Bridge, Chinatown, the Rocks, Circular Quay, the Botanic Gardens and the fashionable suburb of Darlinghurst. Discover one of the world's most fascinating architectural sights as you take a guided tour of the Sydney Opera House, poised majestically on Sydney Harbour. Then you're in for a unique experience as you learn firsthand about opals during a special presentation at the National Opal Collection. In the evening, you may go on an optional excursion which includes dinner and a once-in-a-lifetime performance at the famous Sydney Opera House.*

DAY 14

Destination	Sydney
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Enjoy a day at leisure. Marvel at the scenic vistas of the harbour showcasing Sydney's magnificent skyline, the iconic Sydney Opera House and the Harbour Bridge.

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DAY 15

Destination	Sydney ✈️ Queenstown
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Fly to one of the world's best-kept secrets – New Zealand! Arrive in gorgeous Queenstown. Tonight gather for dinner with your fellow travellers.

DAY 16

Destination	Queenstown 🚗 Milford Sound 🚗 Queenstown
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch
Accommodation	N/A

En route to Milford Sound, enjoy the rugged grandeur of the Hollyford Valley as you travel through a beech forest via the Homer Tunnel. During a cruise of the breathtakingly beautiful Milford Sound, you'll see why this fjord is one of the most visited sights on the South Island. With rock faces that rise nearly 4,000 feet on either side, the scenery will take your breath away. Following your cruise, you return to Queenstown. You may choose to return via a short optional flight (weather permitting) for spectacular views of New Zealand's Southern Alps.

DAY 17

Destination	Queenstown
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

A free day in Queenstown offers limitless diversions set amidst breathtaking Alpine scenery. Shop in the charming village centre or enjoy an optional and exhilarating jet boat ride on the Shotover River. Or, perhaps you will join an optional tour through the charming Queenstown countryside, which showcases the filming locations of many blockbuster movies.

DAY 18

Destination	Queenstown 🚗 Arrowtown 🚗 Mt Cook National Park
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Set out for the beautiful turn-of-the-century gold rush settlement of Arrowtown. Take time to explore independently

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and stroll its quaint, historic streets. Next, follow the Kawarau River and cross Lindis Pass before arriving in New Zealand's most famous national park, Mt. Cook. Revel in the Alpine paradise of Mt. Cook – a larger-than-life experience. You may choose to take a nature walk, enjoy an optional glacier flightseeing tour (weather permitting) or simply meditate on the beauty of the Southern Alps.

DAY 19

Destination	Mt Cook National Park 🚗 Christchurch
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Travel to the historic city of Christchurch, the “Garden City”. Enjoy some free time to explore. Perhaps you'll stroll the city's magnificent gardens or learn about its more recent history at the Quake City exhibition. This evening, join a local Kiwi family for a home hosted dinner.

DAY 20

Destination	Christchurch 🚗 Picton 🚗 Wellington
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

On your journey to Picton, admire the coastal views, scenic river valleys and vineyards. From there, sail across Cook Strait to experience what has been called “the most beautiful ferry ride in the world.” Your final destination is Wellington, New Zealand's capital city.

DAY 21

Destination	Wellington
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A


Come to know Wellington on a tour viewing the Beehive, New Zealand's Parliament; historic St. Paul's Church; and the Old Government Building – the largest wooden building in the Southern Hemisphere. Later you will have the opportunity to explore the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongawera, a fascinating centre dedicated to art, history and the Maori culture.

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DAY 22

Destination	Wellington  Rotorua
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Drive to Rotorua with its dramatic geothermal landscape. Over one-third of its population boasts Maori roots making it known as the Maori capital of New Zealand.

DAY 23

Destination	Rotorua
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Discover Te Puia – New Zealand's premier Maori cultural and geothermal experience. Witness how the Maori keep their culture alive by teaching the tribal youth traditional carving and weaving. Enjoy the chance to see the Kiwi bird and learn about the preservation efforts to remove this iconic creature from the endangered species list. At the Agrodome, see a sheep shearing demonstration and learn about the importance of agriculture to the nation. Meet the skilled carvers who work with pounamu, New Zealand greenstone, at a jade factory.

DAY 24

Destination	Rotorua  Auckland
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Travel through the majestic countryside of the North Island, arriving in New Zealand's largest city, Auckland, "The City of Sails." A panoramic city tour features the America's Cup Village, the War Memorial, vibrant Queen Street, the Auckland Harbour Bridge, and spectacular views from the harbourside. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner where you will toast the end of a fabulous trip!

DAY 25

Destination	Auckland
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Your tour comes to a close in Auckland.

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Inclusions

WHATS INCLUDED

Superior twin share accommodation
Sightseeing and transportation as per the itinerary
Board the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway for a ride over the rainforest canopy
Toast Uluru at sunset with champagne
Visit Phillip Island, home to the world's largest colony of Little Penguins
Tour the famous Sydney Opera House
Overnight in Mt. Cook National Park under the shadow of New Zealand's tallest mountain
36 Meals: 24 Breakfasts - 2 Lunches - 10 Dinners

Fine Print

HOW TO BOOK & PAYMENTS

Deposit & Payments

Book now and secure your package with only a \$250 deposit per person.
Pay a 2nd instalment of \$1708 per person within 28 days.
You will then be invoiced for final payment 90 days prior to departure.

Booking Process

Select the purple 'Reserve Your Seat' tab to begin your booking (you must 'Sign Up' first by entering your email and creating a password)
Then select the purple 'Book now' tab of the tour you have selected
Select your Departure Date, Departure City, Number of Passengers, Room Configuration, any Upgrade Options, and enter any Special Requests
Click the purple 'Proceed to Secure Checkout' tab
Enter your credit card or PayPal details to secure your deposit/payment. You may also pay via BPAY (not available within 70 days of departure)
Once your order is complete, you will be prompted to complete a Booking Form so that we can fulfil your booking
Your position on the tour will be confirmed within 48 hours of completing your order. If your place cannot be confirmed, a full refund of the deposit will occur.

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OPTIONAL TOURS

Outer Reef Experience - \$195pp
 A Camel Ride, The Rock & a Sunrise - \$169pp
 Outback Ballooning - \$358pp
 Bruny Island Gourmet Adventure - \$228pp
 Dinner & Performance at the Sydney Opera House - \$364pp
 Sydney Harbour Bridge Climb - \$351pp
 A Sydney Foodie Safari - \$195pp
 Gold Seeker (Metal & Movie Discovery Tour) - \$195pp
 Take a Steamship to Dinner - \$169pp
 A Blaze of Glory on the Shotover River - \$163pp
 Dinner with the Maori - \$117pp

EXCLUSIONS

Airfares
 Personal Expenses
 Travel Insurance
 Optional activities
 Anything not mentioned in the itinerary or optional

HOTEL LIST

Cairns - Pullman International
 Uluru - Desert Gardens
 Alice Springs - Doubletree by Hilton Alice Springs
 Melbourne - Crown Promenade
 Hobart - Hadleys Orient Hotel
 Sydney - Sofitel Sydney Wentworth
 Queenstown - Heritage Queenstown Hotel
 Mt Cook National Park - The Hermitage
 Christchurch - Novotel Christchurch Cathedral Square
 Wellington - Novotel Wellington
 Rotorua - Millennium Hotel
 Auckland - Rydges

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Accommodation

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences, however, any changes are beyond our control.

Single Supplement

A single supplement is available on all nights of this trip from an extra \$3800 subject to availability.

Triple Share

Not available.

Children

Children must be 5 years old or over and share a room with parents at all times. Children are charged the same price as adults.

Tour Documentation

Final documentation will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

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