

# 10 Night Taste of Tasmania Explorer Tour

# Thursday, 7 May 2020 - Sunday, 17 May 2020 **EX BRISBANE**







Tour Cost from: \$4199.00 per person twin share (Single Supplement \$915.00)

# Tour Price based on minimum 20 paying passengers.

Please note that the itinerary is subject to change without notice.

# Day 1 – Thursday, 7 May 2020 Depart Brisbane – Arrive Hobart

- This morning you travel from the South Burnett by coach to Brisbane Domestic Airport for your Virgin Australia flight to Hobart.
- ° Upon arrival into Hobart your coach and driver will be waiting to greet you and introduce you to Tasmania.
- In the afternoon enjoy an afternoon tour of the city and surrounds, including historic Battery Point, Salamanca Place and the Botanical Gardens.
- ° Check in to your accommodation at Ibis Styles Hobart, a vibrant modern hotel centrally located with an Asian Cuisine restaurant, heated indoor pool and fitness centre.
- This evening you will enjoy a welcome dinner at Mr Good Guy Restaurant located at the hotel, a great opportunity to meet your fellow travellers on tour.

### Day 2 – Friday, 8 May 2020 Hobart to Strahan

- After breakfast, you will travel to the West Coast exploring the rugged beauty of this region. Stop at the halfway point and see iconic Lake St Clair, the deepest lake in Australia, located at the southern end of the world-famous Cradle Mountain.
- Whilst in the area at Derwent Bridge you will visit The Wall in the Wilderness, a handmade wood carved sculpture telling a story of this area.
- \* Continue your journey to Strahan, arriving late afternoon for check in to your accommodation at Strahan Village. Strahan is a former port located at the West Coast World Heritage area now a major tourism hub.
- ° This evening enjoy a delicious buffet focussing on fresh seafood at View 42 Restaurant, located at Strahan Village.

Overnight – Strahan Village - Hilltop Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, Dinner

# Day 3 – Saturday, 9 May 2020 Strahan

- Start your day with a full buffet breakfast at your accommodation.
- This morning the group will experience one of the highlights of the tour, the Gordon River Cruise (main deck seating). Cruising aboard *Spirit of the Wild* on the award-winning Cruise, you will take in the history of this remarkable place as you cruise across Macquarie Harbour to Hells Gates and then on to the Gordon River. The cruise includes dedicated on-board guides, two walking tours (Heritage Landing and Sarah Island) and a delicious chef prepared buffet lunch.
- <sup>°</sup> Concluding the tour at 2:30pm, you will have the opportunity to stroll around the village of Strahan, a visit to the Huon Pine Mill is certainly a great place to pick up some souvenirs.
- ° This evening is yours to spend as you wish.

Overnight – Strahan Village - Hilltop Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, Lunch

# Day 4 – Sunday, 10 May 2020 Smithton via Cradle Mountain

- Following breakfast and after check out you travel to the far North West Coast via Cradle Mountain. Arriving at Cradle late morning you will have the opportunity to take the shuttle bus into Dove Lake, at the foot of Cradle Mountain. If you prefer you can choose to walk the 6 kilometre track that offers one of Tasmania's best walks which is board-walk part of the way.
- Depart Cradle Mountain and continue your journey, arriving into Smithton late afternoon.
- ° Check into Tall Timbers at Smithton, the gateway to the North West Coast, with fabulous facilities including a great restaurant, bar areas, indoor heated swimming pool and gymnasium.
- ° This evening join your group for a 2-course dinner at Kauri Bistro with a menu showcasing fresh Tasmanian produce.

Overnight – Tall Timbers Smithton Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, Dinner

# Day 5 – Monday, 11 May 2020 Smithton and Stanley

- <sup>o</sup> Enjoy an early breakfast this morning before meeting your group at 8:30am.
- An experienced Tall Timbers Guide will join your coach on a half day Tarkine Experience / Edge of the World morning tour.
- You will travel into the Tarkine region including to the Edge of the World Lookout, returning back to Tall Timbers at 12:30pm.
- Opon your return enjoy a delicious 2 course lunch at Tall Timbers, before travelling to the gorgeous historic township of Stanley. A perfectly preserved village with colonial buildings, cafes and quality B & B cottages, all sheltering in the imposing shadow of the Nut, a volcanic rock formation rising 143m from the sea to the top. A return chair lift ride to the top of The Nut (250 meters in distance) is included Stanley's famous landmark where you will enjoy breathtaking views of the historical and picturesque coastal village of Stanley.
- <sup>°</sup> Return back to Tall Timbers for an evening at your leisure.

Overnight – Tall Timbers Smithton
Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, Lunch

#### Day 6 – Tuesday, 12 May 2020 Smithton - Launceston

- Enjoy a full breakfast at your accommodation prior to checking out.
- Today you will travel to Launceston via the beautiful north coast of Tasmania, travel via the seaside towns of Burnie, Ulverstone and Devonport. You will also be lucky enough to take in the Cradle to Coast tasting trail with rolling green hills and stunning coastal vistas as a backdrop you will be welcomed into a world of award winning produce visits including Ashgrove Cheese, Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm and Anvers Chocolate
- Arrive into Launceston mid-afternoon, Tasmania's second major city with a vibrant hub for food and wine, culture and nature.
- Check into Mercure Launceston for the evening.
- Dinner will be at one of Launceston's fabulous restaurants (to be advised).

Overnight – Mercure Launceston

Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, Dinner



# Day 7 – Wednesday, 13 May 2020 Launceston

- Following breakfast, you will have the opportunity to experience one of Tasmania's premier wineries Josef Chromy Wines. At 11.00am you will join the 2.5 hour "Go Behind the Label Tour" to explore the winemaking process from grape to glass. You will taste some wines in their unfinished state before heading to the Cellar Door for a 2-course lunch of fine Tasmanian produce with matched wines.
- After the tour your driver will show you popular sights of Launceston including Cataract Gorge and City Park.
- Return back to Mercure Launceston for an evening at your leisure.

Overnight – Mercure Launceston

Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, Lunch

# Day 8 – Thursday, 14 May 2020 Launceston – St Helens

- Enjoy a good breakfast prior to checking out and departing Launceston.
- Today you will travel to the East Coast of Tasmania, via Scottsdale and Pyengana making your way to St Helens. Along the way you will stop at Pyengana, a village in North East Tasmania which is a cheese-lovers' haven and home to some of Tasmania's most spectacular waterfalls. Here you will have the opportunity to stretch your legs and walk the 4.5km return track to one of Tasmania's tallest waterfalls, St Columba Falls. You will then travel to Pyengana Dairy Farm where you can purchase some produce and also a great spot to enjoy lunch if you wish at the Pyengana Dairy Farm Gate Cafe.
- Continue your journey to the East Coast arriving at St Helens (the largest town on the East Coast) midafternoon. Home to the slice of coastal heaven that is the Bay of Fires, stretching over 50 kilometres from Binalong Bay
- Check in to your accommodation at Tidal Waters Resort where you will enjoy dinner this evening.

Overnight – Tidal Waters Resort St Helens Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, Dinner

# Day 9 – Friday, 15 May 2020 St Helens - Hobart

- Full breakfast at your accommodation before checking out.
- Depart St Helens making our way down the Great Eastern Drive, arriving into Freycinet Peninsula, home to Wineglass Bay, late morning. The view from Wineglass Bay lookout is certainly worth the steep 1.5 hour return walk to the top. Alternatively, there is a shorter 20 minute less challenging walk, the Cape Tourville circuit, offering fabulous views of Freycinet National Park.
- Lunch today will be enjoyed at Freycinet Marine Farm, an opportunity to taste some of Tasmania's best fresh seafood, enjoyed fresh on the deck at the Marine Farm.
- <sup>°</sup> Continue your journey down the Great Eastern Drive, arriving into Hobart late afternoon, for check in to Ibis Styles.
- ° Enjoy a free night in Hobart.

Overnight – Ibis Styles Hobart

Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, Lunch

# Day 10 – Saturday, 16 May 2020 Hobart / Port Arthur

- Full breakfast at your accommodation.
- This morning explore one of Australia's best outdoor markets Salamanca Markets, a delightful market full of colour, fresh produce, art, craft and fantastic coffee.
- Late morning you will meet your coach and make your way to Port Arthur. Explore the Peninsula where you will visit one of Australia's most visited tourist attractions, Port Arthur Historic Site. Hear the story of Tasmania's famous UNESCO world heritage listed convict settlement. Feel the sense of isolation experienced by the convicts and discover the history of the early Australian Penal system.
- Your Port Arthur entry includes an introductory walking tour and a harbour cruise.
- As you return to Hobart you will take in more sights of the Tasman Peninsula with stunning scenery such as Devil's Kitchen, the Tasman Arch, Tessellate Pavement & the Remarkable Caves which are all natural rock formations.
- \* This evening join your group for a farewell dinner at one of Hobart's iconic restaurants (venue to be advised).

Overnight – Ibis Styles Hobart

Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, Dinner

# Day 11 – Sunday, 17 May 2020 Depart Hobart – Arrive Brisbane

- Enjoy breakfast prior to checking out.
- <sup>°</sup> Bid farewell to Tasmania as your coach transfers you to Hobart Airport for your return flight home.
- On arrival into Brisbane, you will be met for your return journey to the South Burnett with Pursers Coaches.

Meal Inclusions - Breakfast



#### **Important Information:**

#### **General Information/Health and Fitness**

There is no age limit or fitness standard required to participate in the Tasmania Tour.

In some destinations there are sightseeing excursions by foot. It is suggested that if you are elderly or have recently suffered a serious illness that you consult your doctor to see if you are fit to travel. Please be aware that a variety of temperatures may be encountered on the tour. Any disability or medical condition requiring special attention must be advised at the time of booking.

Pursers Coaches Pty Ltd is not responsible for any loss of enjoyment, loss of touring or loss of monies should the passenger be unable to participate in the tour or in any or all of the activities.

Pursers Coaches Pty Ltd will endeavour to assist all passengers but are unable to guarantee provision of individual assistance to any passenger for walking, dining, boarding or alighting coaches or other transportation vehicles or other personal needs.

Pursers Coaches Pty Ltd welcomes passengers with disabilities or special needs provided they are accompanied by a companion capable of providing all necessary assistance. It is the passenger's responsibility to advise of their circumstances to ensure the selected tour is suited to their individual needs.

#### Airline Check in

Passengers may be requested to show photo identification upon check-in at the airport. Photo identification can be in the form of a driver's licence or passport.

#### Luggage:

Checked luggage is limited to 23kg per person.

A limit of 7kg per person carry-on luggage is permitted.

All bags must be clearly labelled with a name.

#### **Seat Rotation:**

For the enjoyment of all passengers the tour operates a daily seat rotation system which all travellers must participate in as a condition of booking.

#### **Dress:**

Casual/comfortable clothes are suggested for the duration of the tour. Suitable footwear is recommended. Please ensure you pack a hat/visor, sunglasses and sunscreen

#### **Dietary Requirements:**

Special dietary requests (eg: Vegetarian, Gluten Free, Lactose Intolerant and Diabetic) should be advised at the time of booking. These requirements will be requested to the accommodation providers. Any further intolerances needing to be managed are the responsibility of the passenger.

#### **Special Requirements:**

Please ensure you bring any prescription medication needed.

#### **Tour Price Includes:**

Return coach transfers from South Burnett to Brisbane Domestic Airport Return economy airfares and taxes from Brisbane Airport to Hobart Airport Return coach transfers from Hobart Airport to Hobart CBD Accommodation 10 Nights accommodation in quality 4\* properties Breakfast daily

4 Lunches

6 Dinners

Gordon River Cruise (Main Deck seating)

Tarkine Wilderness / Edge of the World Half Day Tour

The Nut Chairlift (return ticket)

Josef Chromy Wines - Go Behind the Label Tour

Port Arthur Historic Site Entry

**National Parks Pass** 

#### **Tour Price Excludes:**

Beverages
Optional tours and services
Travel Insurance
Excess Luggage
Meals and drinks not specified
Items of a personal nature - laundry etc.

Non-refundable deposit of \$500.00 per person is due at time of booking to confirm your place on this tour together with a completed booking form.

Tour Balance Due – Friday, 21 February 2020

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