



OUTBACK BY AIR

TASMANIAN EXPERIENCE

LAUNCESTON - FREYCINET NATIONAL PARK - HOBART -
STRAHAN - KING ISLAND - FLINDERS ISLAND

DAY 1

SYDNEY - LAUNCESTON

The Tasmanian Experience air safari begins as we board our private aircraft and set course South to the Apple Isle.

Take in the views from a completely different perspective as we pass over the spectacular Blue Mountains. Our Cessna Grand Caravan's high wings and oversized windows are perfect for 'flight seeing'.

We stop for lunch in Traralgon, Victoria before making our way across the Tasman Sea, enjoying stunning vistas over the rugged coastline and Flinders Island.

This evening we will dine at a waterfront restaurant along the Tamar River in our destination city, Launceston. At Grain of The Silos you will find foods from local farmers delivering world class produce, a real paddock to plate experience.

7:00am: Check-in at Bankstown

8:00am: Bankstown to Latrobe Valley - *Flight Time: 2hr 20min*

12.00pm: Lunch in Traralgon

2.00pm: Latrobe Valley to Launceston - *Flight Time: 2hr*

4.00pm: Pick up from Launceston Airport to Hotel Verge

6.30pm: Dinner at Grain of The Silos

Destination: Launceston

Accommodation: Hotel Verge

Inclusions: Lunch, Dinner



DAY 2

LAUNCESTON - FREYCINET NATIONAL PARK

Our guide meets us this morning to take us on a journey through the rolling hills of the Tamar Valley. Famous for its cold climate wines, the valley has over 60 vineyards.

We visit Velo, a small family operated vineyard which retains the traditional methods of harvesting and winemaking. Enjoy sampling the wines which are carefully selected from classic French varieties.

The charming boutique vineyard of Loira Vines is the setting for today's lunch before an opportunity to appreciate the beautiful Cataract Gorge. This urban wilderness is a 5km stretch of forested river reserve wrapped around a dramatic 65-million-year-old gorge. There are walking trails or if you feel like relaxing you can park yourself under a 130-year-old tree - there's something for everyone.

We make our way back to the airport for a short flight across to Wine Glass Bay, located in the picturesque Freycinet National Park.

This breath-taking coastline is famous for its untouched natural beauty, with pristine waters and an abundance of wildlife. We spend the evening relaxing at the luxurious waterfront Freycinet Lodge. Sundowners with the sun setting over the bay are not to be missed.

8:30am: Breakfast at the hotel

10.00am: Tamar Valley winery tour

12:00pm: Lunch at Loira Vineyard

5.00pm: Launceston to Friendly Beaches - *Flight Time:* 30min

7:30pm: Dining at the Bay Restaurant, Freycinet Lodge

Destinations: Tamar Valley, Freycinet National Park

Accommodation: Freycinet Lodge

Inclusions: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Tour of Tamar Valley



DAY 3

FREYCINET NATIONAL PARK - HOBART

We board the Schouten Passage II, a Tasmanian built, 150 seat catamaran and enjoy uninterrupted views of Coles bay from the Sky Lounge.

Our cruise takes us across the bay to discover white sandy beaches only accessible by boat. Delight in the little penguins at Schouten Island.

We then explore the nearby Tasman Sea, a remarkable landscape with sheer cliffs, blow holes and hidden sea caves. Enjoy lunch in the Sky Lounge with local oysters, alongside salmon and smoked meats served with wines from Tasmania's east coast and artisan brews.

Following a morning of adventure on the water we board our private plane for a cruising flight down to the vibrant capital of Hobart.

We spend the evening relaxing with dinner and drinks at the Drunken Admiral, one of the city's iconic restaurants.

8:30am: Breakfast at Freycinet Lodge

9:50am: Check in to the Wine Glass Bay cruise. Lunch onboard.

If you suffer from motion sickness please ensure you have your medication with you

2:30pm: Cruise concludes at Coles Bay

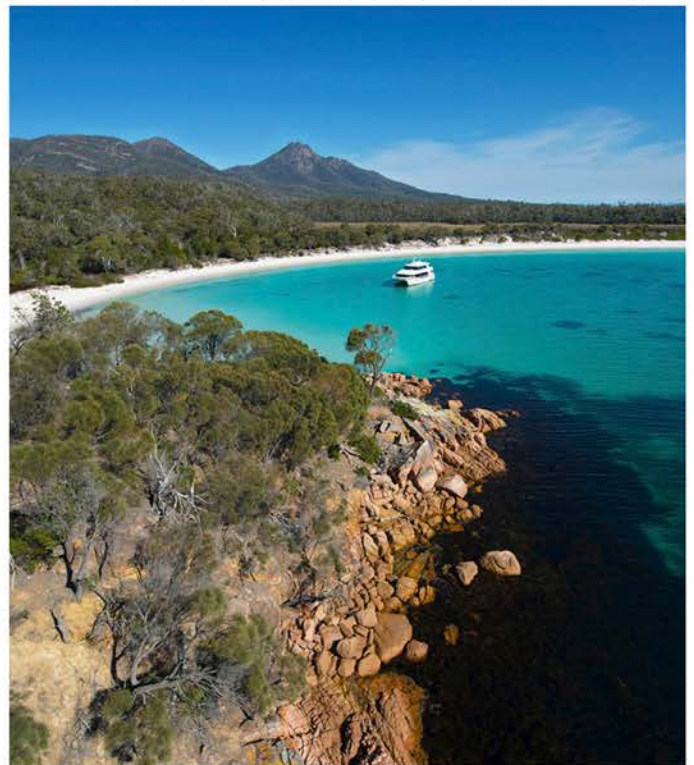
4:00pm: Friendly Beaches to Hobart - *Flight Time: 45min*

7:45pm: Dinner at The Drunken Admiral Restaurant

Destination: Hobart

Accommodation: Luxury waterfront hotel, MACq01

Inclusions: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Tours




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DAY 4

HOBART - TASMAN ISLANDS - PORT ARTHUR

A day of discovery awaits as we explore Hobart and its surrounding landscapes. We are spending the day out and about amongst nature so make sure you dress warmly for today's adventures.

A coach transports us to Eaglehawk Neck where we join our cruise to explore the dramatic coastline and wildlife of the region. Witness the highest vertical sea cliffs in the Southern Hemisphere at Cape Pillar. We explore waterfalls, rock formations, archways and deep-sea caves.

Cruise amongst an abundance of wildlife, including seals and sea birds in their thousands. Our cruise takes us into areas where we are likely to see the feeding frenzy of diving gannets, albatross and sea eagles wheeling on the wind, cliff-nesting cormorants and peregrine falcons, or a pod of playful dolphins surfing the bow wave of the boat. There are lots of photo opportunities on this exciting ride.

We disembark at the historic site of Port Arthur. Learn the fascinating history of the Port, spanning from the convict stories of the penal settlement to the ship building trade.

Our coach will transport us back to Hobart where we will enjoy dinner at MACq01.

6:00am: Breakfast at the Hotel

7:15am: Check in at Pennicott Wilderness Centre (150m walk from accommodation)

7:30am: Bus departs for the cruise

9:15am: Arrive at Tasman Peninsula, Morning Tea

10:00am: Climb aboard for a 3 hour adventure

1:30pm: Explore Port Arthur, including light lunch

4:30pm: Bus departs for Hobart

6:00pm: Arrive back in Hobart

7:30pm: Dinner at MACq01

Destinations: Tasman Peninsula, Port Arthur, Hobart

Accommodation: MACq01

Inclusions: Breakfast, Morning Tea, Lunch, Dinner, Tours



DAY 5

HOBART - STRAHAN

Awaken in your waterfront room and enjoy a relaxing start to the day. The morning is yours to explore at your leisure. You may wish to stroll along the beautiful harbour foreshore and check out Mawson's Hut, take a short taxi ride up to historic Battery Point to walk the charming streets or jump on the Hobart Hop-on Hop-off bus tour.

Our group meet for lunch and then make our way to the airport for our next flight across to the harbourside village of Strahan.

Take in the spectacular sights as we fly across to Tasmania's west coast. Rugged mountains and abundant lakes are plenty. Keep an eye out for Lake Gordon and Lake Pedder, which once were glacial outwash lakes.

Our aircraft touches down in picturesque village of Strahan in the afternoon, with plenty of time to settle in at our waterfront accommodation and watch the sunset.

Breakfast at your leisure at MACq01

12.00pm: Lunch

2:00pm: Hobart to Strahan - *Flight Time: 1hr*

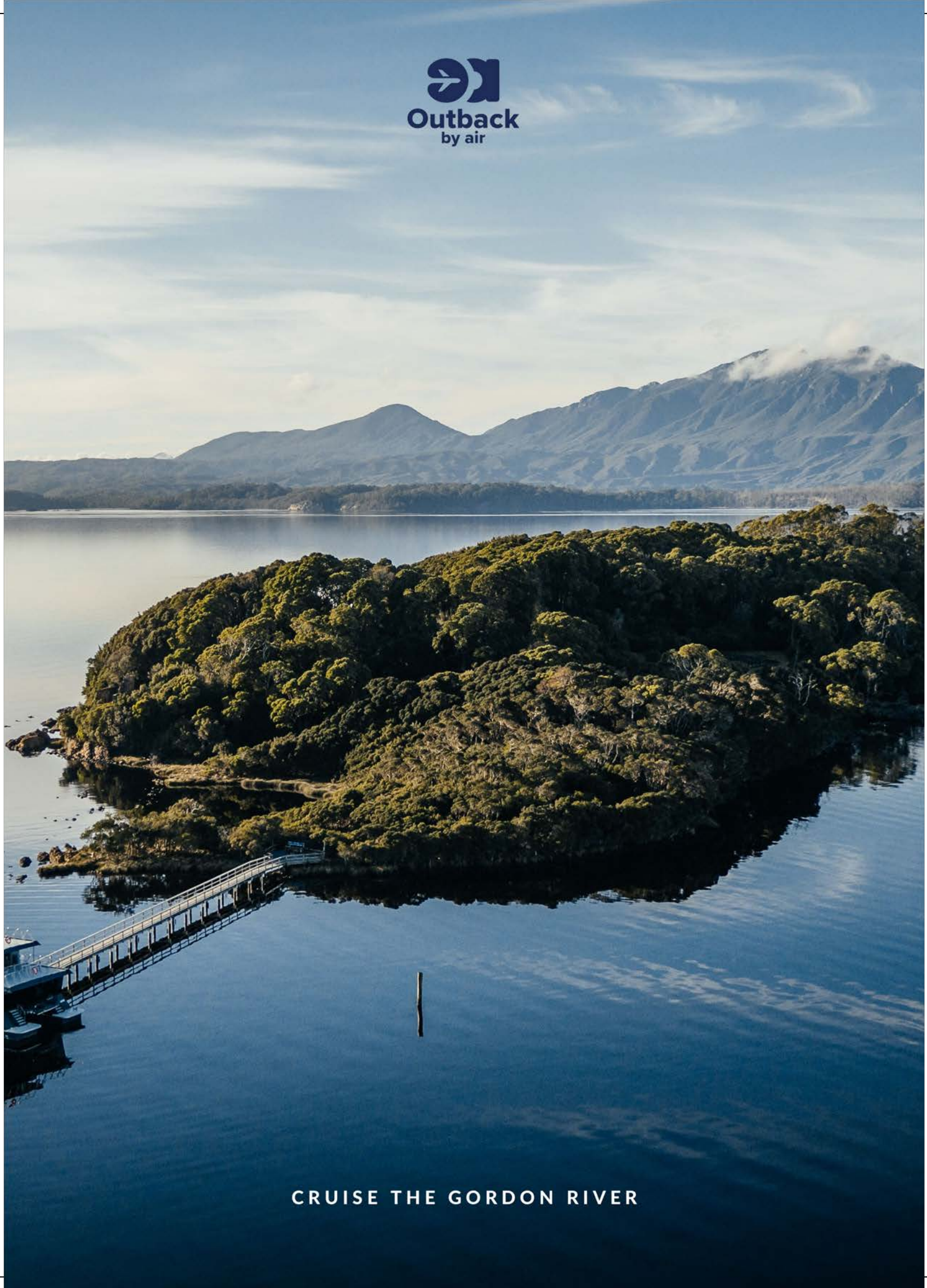
6:30pm: Dinner at Hamers Bar & Bistro

Destination: Strahan

Accommodation: Strahan Village

Inclusions: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner





CRUISE THE GORDON RIVER

DAY 6

STRAHAN - KING ISLAND

A day of serenity amongst nature as we cruise the magnificent Gordon River, in the heart of the UNESCO Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area.

Enjoy the award winning service aboard the Spirit of the Wild as it glides across the river and Macquarie Harbour in "Whisper Mode" to experience the sounds of nature. Sit back and relax in the luxurious Premier Upper Deck with floor to ceiling windows that capture the magnificent views that surround us.

Take a walk through the temperate rainforest, learning of the local flora and fauna while wandering elevated boardwalks that thread their way between the magnificent rainforest species. Enjoy guided tours at Heritage Landing and wonder at the convict prison at Sarah Island.

This six hour cruise takes you into the wilderness of the Franklin-Gordon Wild Rivers National Park, while grazing on gourmet delicacies and fine Tasmanian wines.

From boat to plane, enjoy views of Tasmania's coastline as we fly north and across Bass Strait to the remote King Island. We land on the island, which is known as the gourmet island, in the early evening.

We experience an ocean to plate experience at the acclaimed Wild Harvest Restaurant, where seasonal changes dictate culinary delights and are harvested and gathered under the restaurant banner.

8:00am: Check in for Gordon River Cruise

Breakfast, snacks and lunch included on the cruise

2:00pm: Cruise concludes

3:00pm: Strahan to Wynyard - *Flight Time: 45min*

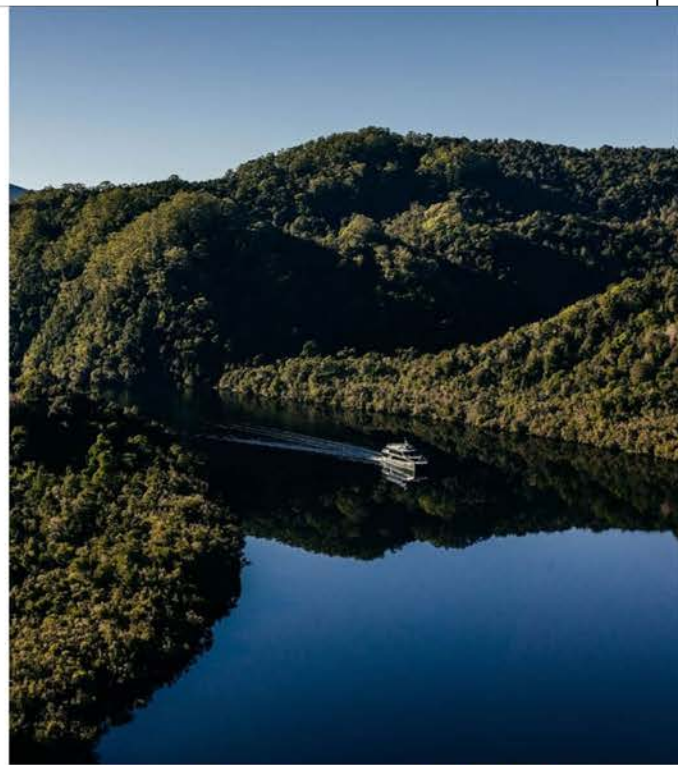
5:15pm: Wynyard to King Island - *Flight Time: 1hr*

7:30pm: Dinner at Wild Harvest, overlooking Bass Strait

Destination: King Island

Accommodation: Island Breeze Motel

Inclusions: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Tours



DAY 7

KING ISLAND

The amazing pristine scenery of the island will unfold in front of you as our guide takes us on our private tour of this rugged land.

We explore the northern end of the island and visit the tallest lighthouse in the Southern Hemisphere, the Wickham Lighthouse.

Learn about the island's unique Kelp Industries and visit 'Disappointment Bay'. Don't be fooled by the name, as it is one of the most spectacular spots on the island!

A picnic lunch will be enjoyed at Penny's Lagoon. Make sure you leave from room for a cheese tasting in the afternoon at the award winning King Island Dairy. Next stop is a guided artisan spirits tasting with local distiller, Heidi Weitjens at the King Island Distillery.

8:00am: Continental breakfast in motel room

9:00am: Bus pick up for King Island Tour

10:00am: Morning tea at Reekara School

12pm: Lunch at Penny's Lagoon

3:00pm: King Island Dairy Tasting

4.30pm: Gin Tasting at King Island Distillery

6.00pm: Dinner

Destination: King Island

Accommodation: Island Breeze Motel

Inclusions: Breakfast, Morning Tea, Lunch, Dinner, Tour of King Island, including tastings at King Island Dairy, King Island Distillery





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KING ISLAND

DAY 8

KING ISLAND - FLINDERS ISLAND

En-route to the airport our guide will take us through the town of Currie, with a history of shipwreck salvage, agriculture and fishing and a sleepy seaside village atmosphere.

We depart King Island for a coastal scenic flight to the spectacularly rugged Flinders Island. Rich in natural beauty and history, Flinders is the largest in the Furneaux Group of islands, which encompasses approximately 100 islands located at the eastern end of Bass Strait.

Upon landing, our local guide, James, takes us to Trousers Point Beach, at the base of Mt Strzelecki, to enjoy a picnic lunch in the fresh air. We explore the striking Fotheringate Bay with granite caves formed by emerging groundwater and marine erosion.

Visit the commercial Port of Lady Barron followed by a stretch of the legs along Yellow Beach. We then follow the coast road and the geology trail to Badger Corner before arriving at Cooma House, our home for the next few days.

7:00am: Continental breakfast in room

8:30am: King Island to Wynyard - *Flight Time: 1hr*

10:00am: Wynyard to Flinders Island - *Flight Time: 1hr 15min*

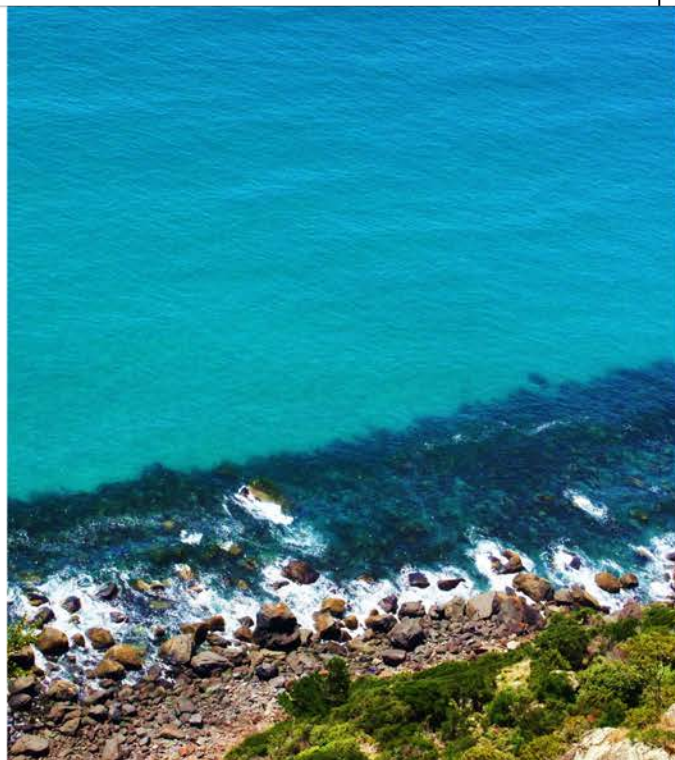
11:30am: Private tour of Flinders Island

7:30pm: Dinner at The Flinders Wharf

Destination: Flinders Island

Accommodation: Flinders Island Retreat at Cooma House

Inclusions: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Tours



DAY 9

FLINDERS ISLAND

We begin our day by exploring the remote north end of island, including castle rock and North East River. See the WW2 radar site at Palana and enjoy a picnic lunch on the beach at the dramatic Killiecrankie Bay.

This stunning section of coastline is framed by the sculptured granite range that stands guard over the northern edge of the bay.

Visit the Furneaux Museum which has artefacts dating from some of Australia's earliest European settlements. Learn of the tragic history of events that occurred at Wybalenna, the site of the Tasmanian Aboriginal settlement.

Enjoy tasting the island's handcrafted wine at the boutique Unavale Vineyard before we head back to our accommodation and enjoy our farewell dinner at Cooma House.

8.00am: Breakfast at Cooma House

9.00am: Tour pickup

10.00am: Morning Tea at North East River

12.00pm: Picnic lunch on the beach

5.00pm: Arrive back at Cooma House

7.00pm: Dinner at Cooma House

Inclusions: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Tour of Flinders Island



DAY 10

FLINDERS ISLAND

This morning we bid farewell to the Tasmania as we fly across into eastern Victoria. We enjoy our farewell lunch in the border town of Albury at the River Deck Cafe on the banks of the Murray River.

Take in the views on our last leg as we cross the Blue Mountains. Sit back, relax and enjoy the scenery from this vantage point as we take you home. Over 10 days we have covered over 3,200 kms and visited 8 destinations. We trust you have enjoyed your experience with Outback by Air and hope to welcome you back for another air safari soon.

7:00am: Breakfast

8:30am: Tour pickup

10:00am: Flinders Island to West Sale - *Flight Time: 1hr 15min*

11:45am: West Sale to Albury - *Flight Tim: 1hr*

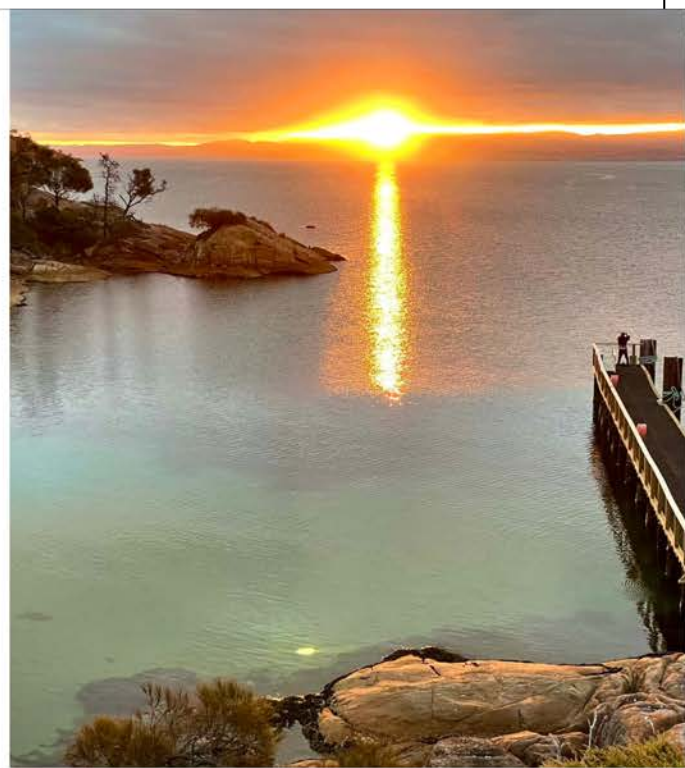
1:00pm: Lunch in Albury

3:00pm: Albury to Bankstown - *Flight Time: 2hr*

5:00pm: Landing in Bankstown

Destinations: Albury, Sydney

Inclusions: Breakfast, Lunch





TRIP CHECKLIST

- Packed bag as per the Packing guidelines
- Camera
- Hat, Sunglasses and Sunscreen
- Walking Shoes
- Water Bottle
- Warm Jacket/Wind Jacket
- Closed comfortable shoes for the flights

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