POTTER TRAVEL

CHRISTMAS IN NAGAMBIE

GOULBURN RIVER & RANGES
6 DAY TOUR

DEPARTING: FRIDAY 22 DECEMBER 2017 RETURNING: WEDNESDAY 27 DECEMBER 2017







TOUR COST

\$1395.00 per person Twin/Double Share \$1675.00 Sole Occupancy



PICK UP TIMES:

7.10am Crawford St, Queanbeyan **7.50am** West Row Bus Stop, City

7.30am Woden Bay 18 **8.00am** Southwell Park (northbound)

The historic Mitchell Shire is nestled in the scenic plains, valleys and mountains of the Goulburn River and Ranges. This 'geographical heart' of Victoria surrounds the Campaspe and Goulburn Rivers and contains many hidden treasures. With some delightful accommodation in Nagambie, our touring each day will 'crisscross' the Mitchell Shire – famous for its picturesque valleys, flowing rivers and breathtaking backdrops.

Day 1 (LD): CANBERRA TO NAGAMBIE: Friday 22 December 2017

Welcome to our 6 day *Christmas tour* to *Nagambie*. Today is a travel day so sit back and relax whilst our *Potter Travel* touring coach takes us through to our destination of Nagambie. We'll stop in Albury for a *lunch* break then continue on, bypassing Wangaratta and Benalla into *Nagambie*. The township sits on the shores of the picturesque Lake Nagambie. Upon arrival we check into our accommodation and settle in for the next 5 nights.

Nagambie Waterfront Motel (03 5794 1410)

Day 2 (BLD): NAGAMBIE: Saturday 23 December 2017

Following breakfast we take a look around the town of *Nagambie*. It is home to the legendary race horse *Black Caviar*, the mare that was born here in 2006 and finished her career unbeaten, winning all 25 of her races and claiming almost \$8 million in prize money. In October 2013 a full-size statue of the racehorse was unveiled and the town came to a stand-still as thousands of people, some dressed in the horse's racing colours of salmon and black, gathered for the ceremony, along with trainer Peter Moody and jockey Luke Nolen. We have a *local guide* join us on the coach this morning who will introduce us to the area. Dropping off our guide we then board a sightseeing cruise to explore *Lake Nagambie* followed by a light lunch. This afternoon we enjoy some *wine tastings* and a visit to a winery perched on the banks of the Goulburn River. We then head back to our motel to relax for the remainder of the day.

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Day 3 (BLD): LOCAL TOURING: Sunday 24 December 2017

This morning our touring takes us south. We'll travel via Broadford then east into **Strath Creek** where we visit the **Village Green & Pavilion** (formerly the Hume & Hovell Cricket Ground). Whilst here we enjoy an informative **talk** and our **morning tea**. From here we head towards Kerrisdale for a visit to the **Kerrisdale Mountain Railway & Museum.** This is a unique railway built on a zig zag formation with an initial steep climb. The precipitous track, cut into the mountainside, wends its way through tall trees for a







panoramic view over King Parrot Valley and further to the distant peaks of the Victorian Alps. We also have time for a *live demonstration* at the Steam Museum and a *sausage sizzle lunch*. Our afternoon is a drive through to *Yea* to visit the *Y Water Discovery Centre*. Opened in August 2014, this information centre features interactive environmental interpretive displays to inform us about the importance of water and local wetland ecology. Located adjacent to the beautiful *Yea Wetlands* the Centre is a striking, architecturally designed building incorporating sustainable design elements and native landscaping. We take an interesting *guided walk* through the Wetlands before *afternoon tea*. There's also a range of local produce, gifts and artworks to see. From her we head back to Nagambie and freshen up for dinner.

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Day 4 (BLD): CHRISTMAS DAY: Monday 25 December 2017

Merry Christmas! This morning we have time to attend church services if we wish before some touring north to **Shepparton**. The town is the major centre of the Goulburn Valley as well as the headquarters to the Goulburn Valley irrigation system. It began as a sheep station and river crossing in the mid 19th century before undergoing a transformation as a railway town. Today it is an agricultural and manufacturing centre producing fruit, vegetables, cereals and milk products. We have time to take a look around before returning to Nagambie; ready to sit down to our **Christmas lunch** at our motel with all the trimmings and a game or two! A relaxing afternoon is followed by a light supper to finish up our day.

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Day 5 (BLD): CASTLEMAINE: Tuesday 26 December 2017

Today our touring takes us west to *Castlemaine*. We head to *Buda Historic Home and Garden*, set high above Castlemaine for *morning tea* and a *tour*. The gracious historic home is surrounded by one of the most important large 19th century suburban gardens surviving in Victoria. The house was built in 1861 and from 1863 it was the home of noted gold and silversmith Ernest Leviny and his family. Complete with the family's art and craft collections, furnishings and domestic effects, Buda is a unique record of this creative family who occupied it for the period of 118 years. Our *lunch* venue is also our afternoon visit at the *Old Castlemaine Gaol*. Built in 1861 and active for over 130 years, the gaol has seen men, women and children of all ages pass through its imposing wooden gates. We now pass through the same gates for a *guided tour* after lunch today. We then make our way back to Nagambie for our final night on tour.

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Day 6 (BL): NAGAMBIE TO CANBERRA: Wednesday 27 December 2017

We farewell our hosts today and begin our return journey home. We'll break for *lunch* with a stop in *Holbrook*. We'll arrive back in Canberra later this afternoon, having had a wonderful Christmas tour to *Nagambie*.









TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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FINAL PAYMENT: TUESDAY 07 NOVEMBER 2017

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