POTTER TRAVEL Autumn in New England

6 DAY TOUR

Departing: Saturday 27 April 2019 Returning: Thursday 2 May 2019



TOUR COST:

\$1375.00 per person Twin/Double Share \$1625.00 Sole Occupancy Please call the office for Direct Deposit details

Imagine yourself in a place where the autumn colours of red and orange are boundless, hearing the sound of waterfalls rushing over ancient land and seeing history forming buildings. Armidale is our destination when we visit New England on this regional tour.

PICK UP TIMES:

7.10	am	Crawford Street, Queanbeyan	7.50am	West Row Bus Stop, City
7.30	am	Bay 3, Woden Bus Interchange	8.00am	Riggall Place, Lyneham

Day 1: (LD) CANBERRA TO GULGONG: Saturday 27 April 2019

With trees blazing red, yellow and orange, the beautiful season of autumn is particularly inspiring in New England and the perfect time to visit. In Molong we visit the Yarn Market Craft Cottage for the opportunity to view artisan crafts and the famous tapestry handcrafted by the community's young and old. A quick lunch and we're back on the road to our overnight stay in Gulgong.

Ten Dollar Town Motel, Gulgong | 02 6374 1204

Day 2: (BLD) GULGONG TO ARMIDALE: Sunday 28 April 2019

This morning we have time to explore the Australian Rail Journeys Museum. The once-bustling town of Werris Creek was known as the town "that never slept" across the region. Our senses of sight and smell will bring the rail history back to life as we recall a time of ticket stubs, iron luggage racks and conductors strolling the carriages. A lunch stop is in Tamworth before we briefly visit Walk A Country Mile. The warm, richly resonant voice of Jack Thompson will enlighten us on the story of Australian country music. Armidale is the central hub for our "stayput" allowing us to unpack for three nights.

Country Comfort Armidale, Armidale | 1800 023 962

Day 3: (BD) LOCAL SIGHTS AND MANSIONS: Monday 29 April 2019

Before we head out of the region tomorrow, we spend the day exploring Armidale. A local expert will guide us through a historic mansion, a university and tell tales of the wonderful contrast between a bustling modern commercial centre and a bygone era. Free time for lunch is next then we head out beyond the regional airfield to visit Saumarez Homestead. Set on one of the largest grazing properties in the area, this Edwardian mansion is now included on the National Trust register. Embarking on a guided tour we'll see original furnishings and take a stroll through the old-fashioned garden. Afternoon tea rounds out our day.

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Day 4: WATERFALLS AND RAINFOREST: Tuesday 30 April 2019

Today we will be visiting the waterfalls of Wollomombi Falls and Ebor Falls. From the viewing platforms we'll be listening to the sound of the cascading water and seeing the rugged country to the north. Waterfall Way takes us into Dorrigo for an enjoyable lunch at the hotel before our visit to the local national park to see some magnificent rainforest country. The Skywalk allows us to experience the beauty and serenity of the rainforest and will have us marvelling at the diversity of the region.

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Day 5: (BLD) ARMIDALE TO CESSNOCK: Wednesday 1 May 2019

Packed up and departing town, we travel through the small township of Uralla and pass one of the oldest properties in New England. Gostwyck has a beautiful little vine veiled chapel sitting on the willow bordered banks of a stream. As we approach, a wonderful image of yesteryear is created by the kaleidoscope of autumn colours adorning the Elm trees that line the avenue. Further along is the Deeargee Woolshed with a most unusual octagonal design. Registered with the National Trust as a building of significance, it has a three-tier roof with a clerestory of glass ventilators and is still in use today. Bypassing Tamworth we head to Wallabadah and the First Fleet Memorial Gardens. Consisting of eleven circular gardens, representing the ships of the First Fleet approaching a large garden in the shape of Australia, it is the perfect spot to have our picnic lunches. We enjoy a gentle meander around the garden before continuing our drive to the Hunter Valley. Our overnight stay is the Potter's Hotel Brewery and Resort in Cessnock.

Potter's Hotel and Brewery, Cessnock | 02 4991 7922

Day 6: (BL) CESSNOCK TO CANBERRA: Thursday 2 May 2019

As we make our way back to Canberra, we stop at Glenalvon House, run by the Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society. This 1840s National Trust gem is an exceptional Georgian designed residence with a heritage garden telling us of its own colonial past. Following a guided tour of the property we head to lunch nearby. Leaving here we express back to Canberra. Reflecting on the last 6 days, we arrive home with many wonderful new friends and memories of our tour to Armidale.



TERMS AND CONDITIONS

DEPOSIT is required within 14 days of booking confirming your reservation. If no deposit is received, Potter Travel reserves the right to cancel the booking. Deposit is **\$150.00 per person**.

FINAL PAYMENT: THURSDAY 14 MARCH 2019

CANCELLATION TERMS & CONDITIONS:

Tour reference for Direct Deposits: Surname + P11382

Reservations that are cancelled prior to **THUR 14 MAR 2019**: Loss of \$50.00 administration fee. Reservations that are cancelled on or after **THUR 14 MAR 2019** and prior to **THUR 28 MAR 2019**: loss of 25% of total tour cost. Reservations that are cancelled on or after **THUR 28 MAR 2019** and prior to **THUR 11 APR 2019**: loss of 50% of total tour cost. Reservations that are cancelled on or after **THUR 11 APR 2019** : loss of 100% of total tour cost.

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Tour Includes: Dinner, bed and breakfast accommodation at the Hotels mentioned in the Itinerary, some lunches, morning and/or afternoon tea supplied from the coach, entry fees and/or guided tours to all attractions as mentioned in the itinerary, tickets to shows (if applicable), luxury coach travel and GST. Meals are stated in the itinerary as B = Breakfast, L = Lunch and D = Dinner.

Not Included: Alcoholic beverages or other drinks (except wine tasting), meals not specified, room service, telephone calls, some morning/afternoon teas or any items of a personal nature.

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You must be able to embark and disembark the coach unaided to travel on a Potter Travel tour. Your deposit and final payment on our tour is acknowledgement that you have read and understood the booking terms and conditions as mentioned above.

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