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WELCOME TO OUR SUMMER NEWSLETTER

What a year 2018 was and thank you all for travelling with us. We hope you had a great Christmas and New Year. We are looking forward to a fantastic year of touring in 2019 and hope to see you onboard for a day tour, a musical, an extended tour or a trip overseas.

There are some great tours on offer in 2019 to all parts of Australia as well as the **Pacific** and the **UK**. Our **Airlie Beach** and **Far North Qld** tours are filling fast. The **West Coast** is popular and bookings on the **UK tour** close at the end of February. If you are considering any of these please **call the office** sooner rather than later. The local tours to **Armidale**, **Gloucester** and **Port Stephens** are also popular with seats available. Be quick if you want to see **Charlie and Muriel's Wedding!** We now have a second departure for **Retford Estate** in April. All the details on these tours and more are in the following pages.

Happy travelling from the Potter Travel team: Bob, Karen, Alex, Col & David

IN THE PIPELINE



This **new segment** of our newsletter tells you about tours we are currently planning. If there is enough interest then it will be in the next newsletter. **Pages 3 to 8** in this newsletter outline tours that you can **now** book on, so call us today.

CHINA'S TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

Enjoy a short break to **Melbourne** in early **October 2019** to visit this Masterpiece series at the National Gallery of Victoria. **Terracotta Warriors: Guardians of Immortality** will present key works from the vast underground necropolis surrounding the tomb of Qin Shi Huang, the first Emperor of China, which was uncovered by farmers in Shaanxi province in 1974.

GREAT ALPINE ROAD & ALPINE WAY

We are currently planning a tour for **November 2019** that heads across to the coast, then to **Eden** before a few days around **Lakes Entrance** and **Orbost**. Then we travel across the **Great Alpine Road** via **Omeo** and **Dinner Plains** to **Bright**. We head home through **Khancoban** then via the **Alpine Way**, **Thredbo** and **Jindabyne**. If you are interested there will be details in the **winter newsletter**. Let us know if you would like an itinerary when it is ready.

SHOULD WE GO BACK TO KING ISLAND?

We have had a number of successful tours to **King Island** in **Bass Strait** over the years. Let us know if you think it's time to go back and visit in **February 2020**.

PORTUGAL & CROATIA

We've had a fantastic response to this tour and we are still taking names! We are looking at a **June 2020** departure with details in the winter newsletter. The **month-long** tour will include a **coach tour** of **Portugal** and a **cruise** in **Croatia**, as well as stop overs to and from **Europe**.

SUMMER / AUTUMN INFORMATION SESSION

We are running **three information sessions** a year, about four weeks after you get the newsletter. **Each session** will be held at a different location around Canberra—this session will be in **Belconnen**. The sessions include presentations on upcoming tours with time to ask questions about these tours on offer—plus have a cuppa! You will also be able to make tour and membership payments. The Belconnen session is limited to 40 people so you need to ring and book if you want to come along. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided. Details on our next get together are:

Date: **Wednesday 06 March 2019**

Time: **10.00am**

Venue: **Belconnen Community Centre**
Cnr Chandler St and Swanson Crt (entry off Swanson Crt)

Call 6297 8585 if you would like to attend. **Bookings are essential.**

2 DAY WEST SIDE STORY ON THE HARBOUR



Departs Thursday 11 April 2019

In 2019, the landmark musical, **West Side Story**, takes the iconic stage at **Handa Opera on Sydney Harbour**, with famous songs including **'Tonight'**, **'I Feel Pretty'** and **'America'** ringing out into the balmy night air. Featuring fireworks every night and a pop-up venue with comfortable grandstand seating, **West Side Story** on Sydney Harbour will be a night to remember. **Get in quick—there are still seats available!**

Member Cost: \$560.00 pp twin share \$660.00 sole use

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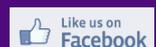
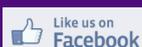
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TOURS

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IT'S IMPORTANT TO PAY YOUR DEPOSIT: Deposit requirement is now **payment** within **14 days** of making a booking on all tours. Members who do not pay a **deposit within 14 days** of making a booking, will be released to a **waitlist** and the **seat is not guaranteed** on that tour. Please remember to pay your deposit so as to confirm your booking!

TERMS & CONDITIONS: There has been changes to our terms and conditions on the back of each itinerary; please take time to read these. We are now including the tour code which is required for direct deposit payments; this is noted also on the back page of every itinerary.

DAY TOURS

A DAY IN JOADJA Tuesday 12 February 2019



Joadja Creek is a ghost town - a decaying reminder of a century ago when this isolated town housed a thriving mining community nestled in a valley outside of Mittagong. Joadja Creek was originally the site of the **Australian Kerosene Oil and Mineral Company**. Today we visit the historic town, refinery and shale mines of Joadja, once home to 1,200 Scots in the 1800s—many families also came from

England, Ireland and Australia. Discover the fascinating history of its ruins, retorts, mining shelves, railway and inclines. Joadja is set on 800 acres of glorious park land. Enjoy the beauty of the surrounding ecology, flora and fauna.

Member Cost: \$125.00 pp Non-member: \$145.00 pp

CHARLIE & THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY Wed 20 Mar & Sat 27 Apr 2019

Roald Dahl's delicious tale, **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory**, is a delectable treat featuring songs from the original film, including **'The Candy Man'** and **'I've Got a Golden Ticket'**, alongside a brand new Broadway score. Willy Wonka is opening his marvellous chocolate factory to a lucky few. That includes

Charlie Bucket, whose bland life is about to sweeten with colour and confection beyond his wildest dreams. He embarks on a mesmerising joyride through a world of pure imagination. Get ready for the Oompa-Loompas, incredible inventions, costumes and sets at this everlasting showstopper! **Travel on this day tour for a chance to win your own golden ticket!**



Wed: Member Cost: \$195.00 pp Non-member: \$215.00 pp
Sat: Member Cost: \$255.00 pp Non member: \$275.00 pp



CHARLOTTE PASS Tuesday 12 March 2019



Due to popular demand we are repeating this very successful day tour. A day out in the beautiful **Kosciuszko National Park** with a visit to **Charlotte Pass Village**, Australia's highest ski resort. Snowbound for most of winter, during summer we can drive to the village. It is Australia's oldest and highest resort and is

named after Charlotte Adams who was the first woman to climb **Mt Kosciuszko**. Enjoy lunch at the **Kosciuszko Chalet**, the birthplace of modern skiing in Australia; also enjoy a morning visit to the **Gaden Trout Farm**, and the **Snowy Regions Visitor Centre** at **Jindabyne** on the way home.

Member Cost: \$110.00 pp Non-member: \$130.00 pp

RETFORD PARK ESTATE Monday 29 April 2019



Our first tour here is fully booked so we have a second departure. **Retford Park** has great heritage significance. Its European history extends back to grants of land to Edward Riley senior by **Governor Macquarie** in 1821. The house built in 1887 is a grand rendered brick Italianate style residence. **James Fairfax** bought it in 1964 and turned it from an agricultural property to a gentleman's residence. The garden is a delight to wonder through. As you venture up the driveway the grand **Victorian Italianate** homestead appears from a towering arboretum of a magnificent collection of evergreen and deciduous trees. Surrounding the eastern side of the homestead is a patchwork of hedged gardens showcasing everything from a detailed knot garden and sculptures demanding centre stage.



Member Cost: \$135.00 pp Non-member: \$155.00 pp



SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER Wed 01 & Sat 25 May 2019



Since it debuted the musical adaptation of **Saturday Night Fever** has set pulses racing around the world. The music is infectious and defined the distinctive disco era for a whole generation. You will love this new reimagined version with its high-octane dancing and glorious collection of **Bee Gees hits**. Based on the 1977 movie starring John Travolta, this is the story of Tony Manero and his quest to break free from conformity and become king of the club. Packed with disco classics including

the Bee Gees' hits **'Stayin' Alive'**, **'How Deep Is Your Love'**, **'Night Fever'**, **'Tragedy'** and **'More Than A Woman'**, this is Saturday Night Fever revitalised for a new generation with explosive energy and sensational choreography.

Wed: Member Cost: \$195.00 pp Non-member: \$215.00 pp
Sat: Member Cost: \$235.00 pp Non-member: \$255.00 pp

ALPACA MAGIC Monday 13 May 2019



Alpaca Magic began in 1997 with just a couple of alpacas. They are one of the first Llama Studs in NSW and are the largest Llama Stud in NSW with around 200 camelids (alpacas and llamas). Alpaca Magic consists of 100 hectares of prime rural land set in picturesque rolling hills, providing a tranquil and relaxing



place to visit. Meet the alpacas and llamas. Enjoy a barbecue lunch with the Japanese Koi Carp in the waterfall garden. Our lunch is followed by a visit to **Hillgrove Pottery** in Murrumbateman, a local handmade pottery studio, where we will enjoy some afternoon tea and a tour of the gallery and studio.

Member Cost: \$115.00 pp Non-member: \$135.00 pp

DAY TOURS



ST. CLEMENT'S MONASTERY Friday 21 June 2019



Due to popular demand we are running this tour again. The tradition of hospitality to all began at **Galong** when Irish transportee Edward 'Ned' Ryan settled there in the late 1820s. Eventually the property was passed onto the **Redemptorist Congregation** who established a monastery and a juvenate named for St Clement Hofbauer (1751-1820), in 1918. Some 2,000 young men were educated at

Galong before the college closed in 1975 and a retreat house was established. The Ryan legacy includes examples of interesting architecture, some of which has survived for almost 160 years. The Redemptorist's strong sense of the history of the site in all its previous manifestations has been encouraging and instrumental in the development of the museum.

Member Cost: \$120.00 pp Non-member: \$140.00 pp



CARRINGTON INN XMAS IN JULY Thursday 25 July 2019



It was during 1884 and 1885 that **William Daniel Winter** built this inn by his own hands. During the construction process, he made, on-site, the 20,000 bricks required for his building. It is clear that the vision that sustained him, was to create the best country hotel for coach travellers there could be locally. He completed the inn by the end of 1885, and in early 1886 declared the premises

would be known by 'the sign of **The Lord Carrington Hotel**', after Lord Charles Robert Carrington who had been appointed Governor of NSW in December 1885 (the name was later shortened). Enjoy a delicious 2-course **Christmas in July lunch** while being **entertained by the local talent!**

Member Cost: \$145.00 pp Non-member: \$165.00 pp



WEST SIDE STORY Wednesday 21 August 2019



West Side Story returns to the Sydney Opera House in August 2019. Encounter the wildness of youth and ecstasy of love as this **modern day Romeo and Juliet** unfolds under a starlit sky. On the mean streets of **New York's West Side**, two rival gangs strut their stuff. But when a Jet falls for a Shark, the stage is set for a rumble. Their wistful love story is studied with infectious songs including

'**Somewhere**', '**Maria**', '**I Feel Pretty**', '**America**', '**Cool**' and of course, '**Tonight**'. An all-singing, all-dancing supporting cast takes on Bernstein's brilliant score and Jerome Robbins' original electrifying choreography. **Please note this show is at the Sydney Opera House and there is some walking involved.**

Member Cost: \$195.00 pp Non-member: \$215.00 pp

MURIEL'S WEDDING Wed 10 & Sat 13 July 2019

Muriel Heslop is back, this time at the Sydney Lyric Theatre. Stuck in **Porpoise Spit**, Muriel dreams of the perfect wedding, but there's one thing missing—a groom! Following her dreams to Sydney, Muriel ends up with everything she ever wanted but then things start to go wrong. The film's original writer-director PJ Hogan has updated his screenplay into a dazzling stage show, bringing the story into the present but keeping all the irreverence and naughtiness of the film along with its dark edge. There will of course, be many **ABBA hits** that so beautifully embody Muriel's hopes and dreams, as well as an incredible soundtrack of addictive new songs.



Wed: Member Cost: \$200.00 pp Non-member: \$220.00 pp
Sat: Member Cost: \$250.00 pp Non-member: \$270.00 pp

HOTEL BINALONG XMAS IN JULY Wednesday 31 July 2019



Built around a village square the historic heritage village of **Binalong** is nestled in wooded hills north-west of Yass. In 1821 Hamilton Hume was the first known European in the area. It was also home to **AB 'Banjo' Paterson** who was raised just outside the town. Australian bushranger, Johnny (Flash) Gilbert, lies buried near Binalong. Once a major stopping place for Cobb & Co Coaches, Binalong is now home to some outstanding examples of colonial architecture. The Black Swan Inn (1847) is now a gallery, the original Paterson Pub (1840's), is a private residence, as is the old railway station (1876). Today we enjoy a 2-course **Christmas luncheon** at Hotel Binalong.



Member Cost: \$110.00 pp Non-member: \$130.00 pp

JERVIS BAY DOLPHIN CRUISE Wednesday 25 September 2019



Our **March** day tour **sold out** so we are doing it again. **Jervis Bay** is one of the true gems of the NSW south east region. It's **brehtaking beauty**, rich cultural and natural significance have long been recognised and appreciated by locals and visitors alike. Jervis Bay is reputed to have the **clearest waters** and **whitest sands** in not only this country, but in the world. These beautiful blue waters are home to many **dolphins** and the opportunity to sight these graceful locals is one of the major features that make this area a magnet for lovers of nature. We arrive in time for lunch at The Huskisson Hotel, then enjoy the cruise accompanied by commentary from the expert dolphin 'watchers' on board. We cruise all over the bay and enjoy a lovely day out on the water.



Member Cost: \$125.00 pp Non-member: \$145.00 pp

EXTENDED TOURS

7 DAY GIPPSLAND & PHILLIP ISLAND Saturday 23 March 2019



Enjoy 3 nights in **Traralgon** as we take in some of the sights of **Gippsland**. From **Miner's View** look over the vast and deep open cut coal mine with the gigantic bucket wheel excavators for Victoria's biggest power station, the **Loy Yang Power Station**. We also take in the lush landscapes and stunning valleys around historic **Walhalla**. From here we travel to **Phillip Island** for a 2 night stay. Enjoy a **Wildlife Coast Cruise** to experience **Phillip Islands'** amazing coastline from the sea. Visit the **Koala Conservation Centre**, historic **Churchill Island** and of course the famous **Penguin Parade**. Our journey home takes us via the fascinating **Sand Sculpture Festival** in **Macedon**.

Member Cost: \$1,575.00 pp twin share \$1,965.00 sole use

3 DAY TUMUT EASTER TOUR Saturday 20 April 2019



Tumut is the most northern town in the Snowy Scheme and sits on the picturesque **Tumut River**. **Adaminaby** holds an **Easter Fair** and this will be our first stop on day one. The main street comes alive with plenty to see including dog high jump, wacky quacky duck race and tug of war. Visits also include **Bonnie B's Shaker Shed** which holds an eccentric collection of over 3000 salt and pepper shakers. Included are visits of **Tumut Valley Violets** and **Montreal Theatre** which opened in 1930. We visit the National Trust town of **Adelong**, visiting the **Adelong Alive Museum** before making our way home after an enjoyable three day break over Easter.

Member Cost: \$620.00 pp twin share \$740.00 sole use

6 DAY AUTUMN IN NEW ENGLAND Saturday 27 April 2019



Autumn in **New England** is a delight — blue skies and crisp sunny days. Stay overnight in **Gulgong** then travel via **Tamworth**, the country music capital of Australia, to **Armidale** for our 3 night stay. The area abounds with a stunning array of **national parks** full of spectacular deep gorges and amazing waterfalls. We visit both **Wollomombi** and **Ebor Falls** as well as **Dorrigo National Park** with its spectacular **Skywalk** to enjoy the beauty and serenity of the rainforest and the spectacular lookout. A locally guided tour of **Armidale** is included as well as a visit to the historic **Saumarez Homestead**. Our journey home takes us to **Uralla** then an overnight stay in the **Hunter Valley** to complete a great autumn tour.

Member Cost: \$1,375.00 pp twin share \$1,625.00 sole use

5 DAY GLOUCESTER & BARRINGTON TOPS Monday 20 May 2019



The pretty township of **Gloucester** was first established in 1855 and named after Gloucester in England as the area resembled the countryside. It sits in a picturesque river valley surrounded by hills at the junction of the **Avon, Gloucester** and **Barrington Rivers**. It's the closest town to **Barrington Tops National Park** - an extinct volcano that is World Heritage listed. We travel up the **Buckets Way** to the **Gloucester Country Lodge**, our base for 4 nights. Our touring includes **Gloucester, Hillview Herb Farm, the Barrington Tops, Dungog** and its museum. We enjoy a picnic lunch at **Chichester Dam** and visit a nearby working dairy.

Member Cost: \$1,095.00 pp twin share \$1,310.00 sole use

3 DAY VIVID LIGHT FESTIVAL Tuesday 04 June 2019



Enjoy a 3 day tour to Sydney that includes the annual **Vivid Light Festival**. **Vivid Light** transforms Sydney into a wonderland of 'light art' sculptures, innovative light installations and grand-scale projections for all to enjoy. It is a magical celebration of light-design excellence and the world's largest outdoor 'art-gallery', a unique **Vivid**

Sydney experience. Lighting artists, designers and manufacturers from around the world illuminate, interpret and transform Sydney's urban spaces through their creative vision. We have a panoramic view from a dazzling **Vivid Lights Dinner Cruise**. **New to this tour in 2019** is a guided tour of the **E.G. Waterhouse National Camellia Gardens** which overlooks beautiful **Yowie Bay**.

Member Cost: \$795.00 pp twin share \$955.00 sole use

6 DAY PORT STEPHENS WINTER GETAWAY Saturday 15 June 2019



Our **winter getaway** is to **Port Stephens**, which is often referred to as the '**Blue Water Paradise**! Enjoy 5 nights at the newly refurbished **Marina Resort** at **Nelson Bay**, overlooking the pristine blue waters of Port Stephens. Enjoy a visit and lunch at the **Hunter Valley Gardens** followed by an afternoon visit of the **Hunter Valley Zoo**, where you can wander around the interactive yards. The next day we board the **Moonshadow Whale Watching Cruise** in search of the ocean's gentle giants. Visit **Morpeth**, a town frozen in time right down to the street kerbs and guttering of sandstone block.

Member Cost: \$1,395.00 pp twin share \$1,715.00 sole use

EXTENDED TOURS

6 DAY AIRLIE BEACH & WHITSUNDAYS Sunday 23 June 2019



Enjoy **5 nights** in **Airlie Beach** at the beautiful **Coral Sea Resort**. **Escape** to the **Whitsundays** in **tropical Queensland**, a remarkable pristine **World Heritage** preserved part of the world. The town of **Airlie Beach** on the mainland is the region's central hub

and our base during our stay. There is time to enjoy the local sights of **Airlie Beach** and nearby **Bowen**, plus a fantastic day cruising the beautiful **Whitsundays**. We also enjoy the day at magnificent **Earlando**, a private property not often visited, boasting 6,000 acres of private **Whitsunday** coastal land, a paradise all to yourselves for the day. Time also to relax and enjoy our resort and **Airlie Beach** which is an easy walk along the boardwalk. Return airfares ex Canberra are included.

Member Cost: \$2,450.00 pp twin share \$2,990.00 sole use

3 DAY CHRISTMAS IN JULY Wednesday 17 July 2019



We are heading back to the ever popular **Wisemans Ferry** for our Christmas in July tour this year. Day 1 sees us visiting the fascinating **Guide Dog Centre** at **Glossodia** before settling into the **Retreat At Wisemans** on the banks of the **Hawkesbury River**.



A local historian who will take us back in time through the rich history of this area before a visit to **Tobruk Sheep Station** on one of the most beautiful locations in the area. Soak up the station atmosphere and enjoy an entertaining show and lunch. We will have time to enjoy the village of **Wisemans Ferry** before our **Christmas in July celebrations** at the resort. As we head home a local guide will show us around historic **Windsor** as we explore its historic sites on the banks of the **Hawkesbury River**.

Member cost: \$685.00 pp twin share \$825.00 sole use

4 DAY DOCTOR DOCTOR TOUR To WHYHOPE / MUDGEES Tuesday 13 August 2019



The fictional town of **Whyhope** is home to the '**Doctor Doctor**' TV series, filmed in part in **Mudgee**. Our tour will take in some of the famous landmarks as we explore this colonial and charming town and region. **An extra** from the **Doctor Doctor** film set will show us the town

of **Whyhope** as the TV series come to life. We'll see the **Whyhope Gazette** and the **Whyhope Police Station** as well as the **Clocktower** which is seen in many episodes. We also enjoy many of **Mudgee's** local attractions such as the **Honey Haven**, the **Olive Nest**, **Mudgee Brewing Company**, **Arts and Crafts Mudgee** and **Goree Park** a leading thoroughbred breeding ground which has the largest vineyard in the region.

Member cost: \$895.00 pp twin share \$1,100.00 sole use

6 DAY SILO ART & WESTERN VICTORIA Monday 09 September 2019



This tour is a little bit different. We are heading to the western Victorian town of **Horsham** for a three night stay. Celebrate the rich heritage and true spirit of the **Wimmera-Mallee** region through Australia's largest outdoor gallery. Journey the trail of large-scale mural portraits painted onto grain silos by brilliant international street artists that have brought life back to these rural Victorian communities. Enjoy nature's art as well with a visit to the magnificent **Grampians National Park**. We visit **Echuca-Moama** as well as smaller Victoria towns such as **Boort**, **Hopetoun**, **Inglewood**, **Goorambat** and the unusual **Old Dadswell Town**. The regional centres of **Bendigo** and **Shepparton** are also on the itinerary before our final night on tour in **Wangaratta**.



Member cost: \$1,225.00 pp twin share \$1,495.00 sole use

3 DAY SPRING MYSTERY TOUR Friday 27 September 2019



Want to disappear for the weekend? This is a tour to somewhere that we know the destination but you don't! **Mystery** is one of the great joys of travel. It keeps us **surprised, delighted**, and just unsettled enough to heighten every experience. If you are **intrigued**, you love **discovering new places** and are easily delighted, a **Mystery Tour** might be right up your alley. Everyone has a great time on our **mystery** tours, with plenty of laughs

along the way. Where will it be? The tour includes two nights accommodation, all day touring, meals and exclusive, not to be missed, **Potter Travel** staff entertainment! We promise we will bring you back home!

Member Cost: \$675.00 pp twin share \$785.00 sole use

7 DAY SOUTH AUST. RIVERLAND RENMARK ROSE FESTIVAL Tuesday 15 October 2019



We start with 2 nights at **Leeton** so we can take in the **Griffith Spring Festival** with the amazing street sculptures. Then it's onto **Barmera** to stop and smell the roses as we explore the **Riverland** and celebrate 25 years of the **Renmark Rose Festival**. We stay 3 nights in **Barmera** and enjoy a **luncheon cruise** on the magnificent **Murray River**, a visit to historic **Loxton**, a visit to the **Bella Lavender Estate** and of course the **Renmark Rose Festival**, the largest festival of its type in the Southern Hemisphere which is held in the **Jarret Memorial Garden** and **Ruston's Rose Garden**. Our journey home from the **Riverland** takes us via the historic riverport town of **Echuca-Moama**.



Member cost: \$1,525.00 pp twin share \$1,870.00 sole use

EXTENDED TOURS



INTERNATIONAL

24 DAY ENGLAND, WALES AND SCOTLAND TOUR Departs Monday 20 May 2019

We have rescheduled our tour to the United Kingdom to May 2019 and it will now include **The Chelsea Flower Show**, a world famous annual flower show held in the grounds of the Royal Hospital Chelsea. Our diverse tour takes in some of the finest cities and natural sites on offer in the **United Kingdom**. Visit the capital cities of **England, Wales and Scotland**, as well as quaint towns and villages, to get a real taste of the history and culture of these proud people! We spend about 18 days exploring many of the key attractions of the UK along the way! We visit **London, Bristol, the West Country, Cardiff and Wales**. We also visit **Liverpool and Beatles country** before making our way through the **Lakes District and Yorkshire**. Visit **Hadrian's Wall** before leaving **England for Scotland**. **Glasgow, Edinburgh Castle and Inverness** (including **Loch Ness**) are part of our tour of **Scotland**. From Scotland we enjoy a trip by rail to **York** which is one of the most beautiful cities in England. Our tour of the UK concludes in **Manchester** a heritage city known as the birthplace of the Industrial Revolution. **We fly from Canberra** and our journey both to and from the UK includes stopovers in **Singapore**. A detailed itinerary is available from the office.

Member Cost: \$12,495.00 pp twin share \$14,885.00 sole use

Don't miss out! Bookings must close on Friday 22 February 2019



10 DAY NORTHERN TERRITORY TOP END TOUR Departs Wednesday 07 August 2019

We arrive into **Alice Springs** and join our purple coach before heading north to the **Top End**. After the sights of 'Alice' we visit **Barrow Creek, The Devils Marbles and Tennant Creek** on our way to the **Top End**. We visit **Mataranka**, made famous by the novel **We of the Never Never** and renowned for its sandy-bottomed thermal pool which we will have time to enjoy if you wish. Next is the town of **Katherine** and a cruise through the stunning **Katherine Gorge** in the **Nitmiluk National Park** which covers a vast area of escarpment country, including 13 gorges carved from the ancient sandstone country. From here we venture onto **Kakadu National Park** for a 2 night stay. Covering nearly 20,000 square kms of exceptional natural beauty and unique biodiversity, **Kakadu National Park** is teeming with wildlife, home to important Aboriginal rock art sites, and takes in diverse and exotic landscapes. This has earned it a World Heritage listing for both its cultural and natural values. **The Yellow Waters cruise and Ubir Rock** are two of the many Kakadu attractions. From here it is onto **Darwin** via **Litchfield National Park**. Return flights ex Canberra are included.

Member Cost: \$4,995.00 pp twin share \$5,895.00 sole use



18 DAY WEST COAST: DARWIN TO PERTH TOUR Departs Monday 19 August 2019

Join us on this epic journey down the **West Coast of Australia**, it is one of many 'bucket list' destinations. We begin our journey in **Darwin** then visit the spectacular **Katherine Gorge** before heading into Western Australia and to **Lake Argyle, the Ord River and Kununurra** for a 2 night stay. From here we continue across the **Kimberley's**, visit the **Argyle Diamond Mine and Halls Creek**, then experience the wonder of **Geikie Gorge** before 2 nights in **Broome**. Watch the sunset over the **Indian Ocean** as we enjoy this frontier town. We continue down the coast to **Port Hedland** then onto **Karratha and Dampier** before heading onto the beautiful **Coral Bay**. We continue south visiting **Carnarvon, Monkey Mia, Kalbarri, Geraldton** and the **Pinnacles** near **Cervantes**. We also visit the monastery town of **New Norcia** before completing our tour with 2 nights in **Perth**. Return airfares ex Canberra are included.

Member Cost: \$7,795.00 pp twin share \$9,490.00 sole use

There are two other tours available:

9 DAY KIMBERLEY: DARWIN TO BROOME—DEPART MON 19 AUG 2019: \$4,650.00 per person twin share, \$5,490.00 sole use
13 DAY WEST COAST: BROOME TO PERTH—DEPART SAT 24 AUG 2019: \$5,775.00 per person twin share, \$6,990.00 sole use

EXTENDED TOURS



15 DAY WESTERN AUSTRALIA AND NULLARBOR TOUR

Departs Sunday 08 September 2019

Crossing the Nullarbor is another 'bucket list' event! We start in **Perth** then traverse this great country **from west to east** across the head of the **Great Australian Bight**. Although **Nullarbor** comes from the Latin words meaning 'no' and 'trees' it becomes obvious that the definition is not accurate. If you have not done the trip, it will be a memorable experience. We fly into **Perth** to join the purple coach and enjoy the sights of the capital of the west before heading south through **Bunbury** to **Busselton** and **Margaret River** area. Then it's **Albany, Esperance** before crossing the **Nullarbor** through **Eucla** to **Streaky Bay**. Flights ex Canberra are included.

Member Cost: \$4,795.00 pp twin share \$5,585.00 sole use



2 DAY THE ROYAL EDINBURGH MILITARY TATTOO

Departs Thursday 17 October 2019 and Friday 18 October 2019

The **Edinburgh Military Tattoo** is coming back to **Sydney** in **2019**. The ultimate live experience, **The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo**, will return to Sydney at ANZ Stadium, Sydney Olympic Park. Direct from its annual sell-out season on the esplanade of Edinburgh Castle, Scotland where it continues to boast **sell-out performances** delighting more than 220,000 people each summer. Set against the amazing backdrop of a **full-size replica of Edinburgh Castle** its 1,200 international performers bring together a thrilling mix of music, ceremony, military tradition, theatre and dance from the world's best-massed pipes and drums. It will also feature traditional Scottish favourites including pipers, fiddlers, highland dancers and precision drill teams, together with representatives from around the globe and members of the Australian Defence Force. We have tickets and hotels booked for **two dates: Thursday 17 and Friday 18 October 2019**. We are running just the **two tours** to this event—itineraries are available by calling the office.

Member Cost: \$525.00 pp twin share \$670.00 sole use



8 DAY NORFOLK ISLAND

Departs Sunday 24 November 2019

Norfolk Island lies about 1700kms east of Sydney and is only 5 kms by 8 kms in size. It is a volcanic island made up of undulating hill country, with steep cliffs rising out of the ocean, patches of sub-tropical rainforests and a fascinating history. Discovered by Captain Cook it was twice settled as a **Convict Settlement** and twice abandoned. The original buildings of these settlements are beautifully restored and on display today. Its third and permanent settlement came with the relocation of the descendants of the famous mutineers of the **Bounty**. The mutineers settled on the tiny island of Pitcairn, about 3000 miles to the east and their descendants relocated to Norfolk Island in the mid 1800s when their community began to outgrow this small island. Today the families of these descendants are prominent. The history, the scenery and the hospitality will make this a memorable holiday. Our accommodation on **Norfolk Island** is at the **South Pacific Resort** and our touring on the island is with **Baunti Escapes**.

Member Cost: \$2,695.00 pp twin share \$3,195.00 sole use