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NORFOLK ISLAND

8 DAY TOUR

Departing: Sunday 01 March 2020

Returning: Sunday 08 March 2020



TOUR COST:

\$2695.00 per person Twin/Double Share

\$3195.00 Sole Occupancy

Please call the office for Direct Deposit details

Pickups:

11.40am: Crawford Street, Queanbeyan

12.00pm: Bay 3, Woden Interchange

12.20pm: West Row Bus Stop, City

12.30pm: Riggall Place, Lyneham

DAY 1: (D) CANBERRA TO SYDNEY: Sunday 01 March 2020

Our flight to Norfolk Island is tomorrow morning so we will need to transfer to Sydney by coach this afternoon. Settle into your airport hotel and relax before dinner.

Mantra Hotel, Sydney Airport | 02 8398 0700

DAY 2: (BD): SYDNEY TO NORFOLK ISLAND: Monday 02 March 2020

This morning we make our way to the Sydney International Terminal to board our Air New Zealand flight to Norfolk Island. Upon arrival we are met by Baunti Escapes and transferred to our accommodation at the South Pacific Resort. Set in subtropical gardens with mountain and valley views, the South Pacific Resort is centrally located in the township of Burnt Pine. Settle in, then have the remainder of the afternoon to relax or to take a look at the shops before dinner at the hotel.

South Pacific Resort, Norfolk Island | +672 3 22166

DAY 3: (BD) NORFOLK ISLAND: Tuesday 03 March 2020

Following breakfast we are collected by Baunti Escapes for their Discover Our World Tour, a must for every visitor! Baunti Escapes will introduce you to the beauty and diversity of their island paradise. We tour the island with an informative local guide to set the scene for your stay. After our tour we stop into visit Cyclorama. Here we walk inside a continuous 360 degree panoramic painting and feel as though we are standing on a pier or a ships' deck. A spectacular 3D effect is achieved with realistic perspective and detailed artwork stretching all the way to the visitor's feet. Storyboards, lists and maps explain the history in an easy to understand way. After this tour we enjoy a little free time as well as time for lunch (own expense). This afternoon we enjoy the Colleen McCullough Home Tour. Colleen McCullough, world renowned author of 24 books called Norfolk Island home for almost 36 years. She and her husband, Norfolk Islander, Ric Robinson, created a luxurious hideaway and maintained their privacy to ensure that Colleen had the perfect environment for her writing. Some of her most powerful titles were created in this much loved sanctuary. Sadly, Colleen passed away in 2015 after a long battle with illness. Nevertheless, she stoically continued writing for as long as she possibly could and fulfilled her great wish to remain on Norfolk Island. Her beloved property 'Out Yenna' is now open exclusively to Baunti Escapes customers. You are escorted through her magnificent home and are able to view Ric and Colleen's priceless collection of artefacts gathered on their travels all over the world. You will see where her books were researched and where she worked into the wee hours creating the incredible tales that have sold in their millions in so many different languages. You will learn about how Colleen enjoyed her Norfolk paradise and how it inspired her with its rich history and natural beauty. Learn to how she gave back to Norfolk and touched many people's lives. This is a glimpse into the life of a modern day literary icon. If you have read her amazing books, you will love the experience of sharing the world of Colleen McCullough, author of Tim, The Thornbirds and Morgan's Run.

DAY 4: (BD) NORFOLK ISLAND: Wednesday 04 March 2020

Following breakfast this morning we learn about how the island works with the Norfolk Today Tour. Learn how Norfolk Islanders live in the 21st Century and the essential services that make life on a tiny South Pacific island possible. This tour shows you what other tours only refer to in passing – so you can understand what really makes Norfolk tick. How do they reap the ocean's bounty; bring petrol and gas onto the island; power their world; deal with their waste; forecast the weather; keep themselves informed and make a global contribution? The Norfolk Today Tour will make it all clear! Your guide will share with you how they catch their fish; show you how they store fuel and convert the diesel into power; explain what they do with any waste products, including some great recycling stories; demonstrate the role Norfolk plays in worldwide weather monitoring; show you their community radio station, share their favourite watering hole and relate the island's significant contributions to the ANZAC tradition. Not only will you go to installations and parts of the island that few tourists ever see, you will meet the locals who make sure all of these daily miracles and services keep happening. This is a real behind the scenes experience that answers so many of the questions that people go home wondering about. This afternoon Baunti Escapes take us on their Convict Kingston Tour. Learn about World Heritage Listed Kingston. Hear about the first settlers, the Polynesians who came 900 years ago. Learn about the First and Second Convict Settlements and the facts and legends associated with each. Learn how Norfolk became home to descendants of

'Bounty' mutiny. This evening we enjoy the Commandants Dinner. This factual yet fun dinner theatre is Norfolk Island's newest interactive show and a great way to learn about Norfolk's history. The cast of actors will take you on an entertaining journey back in time. You will be enthralled by the Commandant's stories about the notorious convict settlements on Norfolk Island and how the convicts were treated by sadists and reformers. Listen to a chilling recall of one of the infamous rebellions. Marvel at how the Commandants and their families adapted to life in a Norfolk Island penal colony, recreating a little piece of England in the Pacific. Explore their great challenges, impressive successes and shameful secrets. Our venue, The Paradise Hotel, has created a special three course dinner menu of traditional English fare to compliment the theatrical setting. Hearty, wholesome, British tucker fit for a Commandant and his good lady wife – fortunately prepared by free men in a modern kitchen not a poor convict over a wood stove! The Commandant's Dinner is a night of great entertainment, delectable food and loads of fun.

DAY 5: (BD): NORFOLK ISLAND: Thursday 05 March 2020

This morning we start the day with the Breakfast Bushwalk (which caters to all levels of walking—or, alternatively, we can arrange for you to be collected). The Breakfast Bushwalk is a relaxed amble through the national park with a local guide—a BBQ breakfast and ocean view await us at the end. After breakfast we enjoy a free morning to explore the island. After lunch we are picked up from our accommodation for the Taste of Norfolk tour. Taste of Norfolk will take us to a bee keepers home where we view flow hives and learn about the fascinating local honey bees and view their incredible flight path to their hives. Next stop is a local farm and finally a cooking demonstration where we will create green banana fritters flavoured with local honey. Tonight we head to local homes for our Progressive Dinner. The dinner is legendary, and a fixture on Norfolk Island itineraries. The perfect way to get a taste of the real Norfolk lifestyle, Baunti's progressive dinner, takes you to three lovely homes in three completely different parts of the island. Your hosts will entertain you with stories of their life on Norfolk, their family, Norfolk's history and cultural heritage, and historical practices and industries.

DAY 6: (BLD) NORFOLK ISLAND: Friday 06 March 2020

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast at the hotel as today is Foundation Day on Norfolk Island. We will be transferred from our hotel to the local festivities for the day, including a re-enactment of first settler's to land on Norfolk Island in 1788. Enjoy your packed lunch before returning to the hotel for an afternoon at leisure. This evening's dinner is a 'Night With The Mutineers'. Laugh, cheer, and sing along with the talented descendants of the Bounty Mutineers, as the crew regales you to a night of fun you'll never forget. Savour the culture, music, and laughs while you enjoy a delicious, two-course feast, fit for a mutineer. This new and spectacular tour on Norfolk Island is located in an island home, where you will be entertained by descendants of the Bounty Mutineers.

DAY 7: (BD) NORFOLK ISLAND: Saturday 07 March 2020

Today's touring starts with a visit to the Pitcairn Settlers Village. Experience the proud history of the Pitcairn Island Settlers. The tour includes the original Bailey homestead and gardens, a stroll through the barn, dairy and out-buildings, the oldest working forge in the Pacific, the ex New Zealand Army hut with war-time memorabilia and an exclusive film of Norfolk Island interest. This afternoon we are picked up by Baunti Escapes for their Moo'tineers Cheese Tour, a boutique cheesery founded by island brothers Glen and John Christian. Milking a small herd of organic cows on pristine Norfolk Island Glen and John produce a range of tempting cheese. The tour includes a visit to the dairy farm, a local sawmill and an introduction to honey production. The afternoon concludes at a large Island home overlooking the ocean as you sample organic Feta, Houlimi, tasty cheddar and pure local honey. Complimentary wine is included. We then return to the hotel to freshen up before heading out to an Island Fish Feast for dinner. A place for 'angels and eagles' was La Perouse's description of Norfolk Island when he failed to find a suitable landing place back in the eighteenth century. Perched on the clifftop above Anson Bay, you will have an eagle-eyed view of the tiny crescent-shaped beach and the magnificent spread of ocean stretching to the far horizon. The beautifully set tables will delight you – it's the most glamorous picnic you will ever attend! And then the food! Scrumptiously fresh, local fish is prepared the local way in golden beer batter and accompanied with a range of seasonal island dishes including those passed down from the Polynesian fore-mothers. See how the locals make the most of their home grown produce and enjoy paddock to plate freshness. This extends even to dessert which is Norfolk Island pies made from local eggs and fruit in season. A cash bar offers wine, beer and juice, so you don't even have to worry about bringing your own. The feast kicks off with an entertainer and a very talented group of Tahitian-style dancers, silhouetted against the setting sun. And even when the sunset fails to dazzle, the singing and dancing will definitely set the tone for an evening of fun and relaxation. After a great evening we return to the hotel for our final night on the island.

DAY 8: (B) NORFOLK ISLAND: Sunday 08 March 2020

Enjoy a morning at leisure before we head home. Why not check out the local Island Markets? Early afternoon we transfer to the airport to board our flight back to Sydney. On arrival our Potter coach is on hand to take us home to Canberra.

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 **\$300.00 per person**.

FINAL PAYMENT: FRIDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2019

Tour reference for Direct
Deposits: Surname
PT8176

CANCELLATION TERMS & CONDITIONS:

Reservations that are cancelled prior to **FRI 22 NOV 2019**. Full refund of deposit less \$50.00 administration fee.

Reservations that are cancelled on or after **FRI 22 NOV 2019**: Full refund of deposit less \$50.00 administration fee & \$100 airfare deposit.

Reservations that are cancelled after **FRI 20 DEC 2019**: no refund, loss of 100% of total tour cost.

The taxable component of the airfare is subject to change without notice. The \$50.00 Potter Travel administration fee only occurs when a refund cheque is issued. There is no administration fee for funds transferred to another Potter Travel tour. No shows on day of departure or cancellations whilst on tour will be charged a 100% cancellation fee. Where Potter Travel cancels the tour as a result of insufficient numbers or due to reasons within Potter Travel's control, a full refund of any monies paid at the time of cancellation will be given. Any changes to airfare details will incur a fee of \$125.

Photo ID is required for travel to Norfolk Island. An Australian Passport or a Certificate Of Identification obtained from a post office are the recommended forms of identification for this tour. The operation of the tour is subject to minimum numbers. Once inside the final payment date, full payment is required at the time of booking.

The operation of the tour is subject to minimum numbers. Once inside the final payment date if your cancellation affects our minimum group numbers, Potter Travel reserves the right to impose further cancellation fees in addition to those noted above. Potter Travel reserves the right to pass on any additional fees or surcharges imposed by the airlines or wholesaler with or without notice.

Tour Includes: Return coach transfers to Sydney from Canberra, return economy flights to Norfolk Island from Sydney with Air New Zealand, bed and breakfast accommodation at the Hotels mentioned in the Itinerary, hotel or themed dinners each evening as nominated on the itinerary, local touring on Norfolk Island with Baunti Escapes as nominated on the itinerary. 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.

Forced Singles are not permitted on our tours. If you wish to twin share you will need to organise your own travelling companion, otherwise single supplement is payable.

Potter Travel recommends that Travel Insurance be taken to protect against unforeseen circumstances. Travel Insurance is available through Potter Travel.

Potter Travel reserves the right to alter itineraries without notice due to weather, road conditions or any other reason which is seen to be in the best interest of passengers travelling. The price is **subject to any changes imposed by other tour operators and carriers included in the itinerary**. The operation and provision of services from other tour operators and carriers included in the itinerary is the responsibility of these operators and no responsibility is taken by Potter Travel for the failure of such operators to provide the nominated service.

No guarantees will be given as to the exact arrival and departure times for carriers and operators used by Potter Travel. Drop offs may be in the opposite direction to the pickups depending on the touring route taken.

Daily **seat rotation** will take place on all extended tours, which all travellers must participate in as a condition of booking. Passengers suffering from motion sickness are advised to take the necessary precautions as seat rotation is compulsory.

Potter Travel accepts no responsibility for damage, loss of personal belongings or liability for delays, accidents, injury, irregularity or damage caused by other transport companies used for connecting tours operated by this company. Potter Travel reserves the right to cancel or postpone the tour due to insufficient numbers or as the result of circumstances outside the company's control.

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Where tours are fully booked any future enquiries will be put onto a waitlist and as cancellations occur the person at the top of the waitlist will be contacted first and offered the seat followed by the second, the third and so on. In the instance that you are unable to be contacted on a daytime telephone number, the seat will be offered to the next person on the waitlist.

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.

RESERVATIONS AND ENQUIRIES

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