

# pottertravel

## SOUTH GIPPSLAND

### 7 DAY TOUR

Departing: Monday 01 February 2021

Returning: Sunday 07 February 2021



### TOUR COST:

\$1975.00 per person Twin/Double Share

\$2440.00 Sole Occupancy

Please call the office for Direct Deposit details

### **PICK UP TIMES:**

**7.10am** Riggall Place, Lyneham  
**7.20am** West Row Bus Stop, City

**7.40am** Bay 1, Woden Interchange  
**8.00am** Crawford St, Queanbeyan

***Idyllic Countryside and local identities. Plunge into awe-inspiring scenery and discover there is more than meets the eye. Settle in at the Prom Country Lodge and spend your days exploring the rolling hills and spectacular shorelines of South Gippsland! Journey into Wilsons Promontory and cruise along the beautiful granite coast, immersing yourself in its natural wonder. Take a walk back in time as you unearth the gripping history of Victoria's oldest Port; and together we shall meet the colourful locals whose passion for the region and love for community makes South Gippsland a must-see destination.***

#### **DAY 1: (LD): CANBERRA TO LAKES ENTRANCE: Monday 1 February 2021**

In anticipation for an adventure we board the purple coach. Setting off from Canberra and Queanbeyan we set our sights on Cann River where we stop for lunch. Making our way through to Lakes Entrance we have time to visit the Orbost Exhibition Centre. The exhibition is all about timber including the National Collection of Wood Design on display. Wander through the retail showroom and the gallery for professional artists to get a feel for the love and workmanship put into retaining the region's timber to live on for decades to come. The top level of the building offers us views over Forest Park. Arriving into our overnight destination of Lakes Entrance we check in and enjoy our first dinner together on tour.

*Esplanade Motel Lakes Entrance (03 5155 1933)*

#### **DAY 2: (BLD): LAKES ENTRANCE - PORT ALBERT - FOSTER: Tuesday 2 February 2021**

Heading into South Gippsland, we have a fascinating day planned at the idyllic coastal fishing village of Port Albert. We start meeting Warren Curry later this morning. A local artist in his own right, Warren will tell us more about Port Albert. After listening to the fascinating stories of the past we head to lunch at the Wild Fish Restaurant. A visit to the Regional Maritime Museum for afternoon tea and a guided tour of its extensive collection follows. Feeling that we have relived the history of this seaside village we begin to head towards Foster. Along the way we stop at the Welshpool Long Jetty, an iconic destination in the Prom Country. Stretching out to the waters of Corner Inlet, on a clear day it provides a delightful photo opportunity. From here we journey deeper into the rolling hills, arriving at the Prom Country Lodge in Foster.

*Prom Country Lodge Foster (03 5682 2022)*

#### **DAY 3: (BLD): WILSONS PROMONTORY CRUISE: Wednesday 3 February 2021**

Today is going to be a spectacular day! Winding our way through the Wilsons Promontory National Park, we arrive at Tidal River. Board Pennicott Wilderness Journey's amphibious boat and cruise a rugged and raw coast like no other, marvelling at its prehistoric boulders. Become speechless by the iconic granite monolith that is Skull Rock. Sculpted by waves and surrounded by crystal blue waters, Skull Rock's eerie facade becomes even more mysterious the closer we get. After an amazing morning cruising the inspiring coastline, we return to dry land where a welcoming picnic lunch awaits. Afterwards we will return to the Foster where some of us might to explore the town at their own pace while others may wish to relax back at the Lodge before dinner.

*Prom Country Lodge Foster (03 5682 2022)*

#### **DAY 4: (BLD): LOCALS & THEIR PASSIONS: Thursday 4 February 2021**

Today is all about the wonderful produce and fertile lands of South Gippsland. Situated on the hills overlooking the Tarwin River we visit Blue Tree Honey Farm. Get to know these busy bees and taste the sweetness they produce before a delightful Devonshire Tea. Afterwards we visit Golden Creek Olives where our hosts introduce us to the exquisite aromas and flavours of their oils. Then nestled within a picturesque valley, we find Waratah Hills Vineyard. Be warmly greeted by Neil and Judy Travers and enjoy the relaxing atmosphere while getting to know them and their story. Enjoy lunch,

tastings and the surrounding vale before heading out to meet a true Gippsland identity at Beloka Kelpies Stud. Paul has been breeding and training dogs since the early nineties and here you'll get to witness him and his four-legged co-workers in action. From veterans to pups it will be a fun and intriguing afternoon. Thanking Paul, we then return to our hotel and relax before dinner.

*Prom Country Lodge Foster (03 5682 2022)*

**DAY 5: (BLD): LOCAL INDUSTRIES: Friday 5 February 2021**

We are off to Wonthaggi this morning to visit the State Coal Mine. Here some of us may like to journey into the mine with an enthusiastic volunteer, while others may prefer their feet firmly on top soil uncovering the story through a presentation and self-guided surface tour. Morning tea follows before discovering another iconic gourmet product at Prom Country Cheeses. This modern cheesery set amongst the dairy pastures is a great place to experience the flavours of unique regional cheeses. We stay for lunch then travel back to Foster via Meeniyan to browse the specialty stores. Tonight we refresh for our special evening. At Promontory Restaurant and Winery, situated on what feels like the top of the world, we enjoy expansive views and fine hospitality. The prefect way to farewell this picturesque part of Gippsland.

*Prom Country Lodge Foster (03 5682 2022)*

**DAY 6: (BLD): WILSON'S PROMOTORY TO WANGARATTA: Saturday 6 February 2021**

After breakfast we depart "The Prom" and head to Caldermeade Farm & Café, an ideal place to begin our day. After morning tea we let our guide take us on a journey as we learn, laugh and taste our way through the Dairy. Bypassing Melbourne we stop for lunch at the impressive Olinda Tea House in the midst of the Dandenongs – stunning! This afternoon we travel to Wangaratta for our last overnight stay on tour.

*Quality Hotel Wangaratta (03 5721 8399)*

**DAY 7: (BL): WANGARATTA TO CANBERRA: Sunday 7 February 2021**

After breakfast we set our sights on home. First we travel to Howlong to meet Mac Maxwell and his fascinating Wood Carving Museum. Each piece is made from a single block of wood that was placed in mud for up to three years to dry it out and prevent it from cracking. It will be an unexpected visit! Further on in Holbrook we break for lunch then continue our journey. Safely arriving back in Canberra with fond memories of a great holiday, we farewell our travel buddies and head for home.



# 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:** FRIDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2020

Tour reference for  
Direct Deposits:  
Surname P12803

## **CANCELLATION TERMS & CONDITIONS:**

Reservations that are cancelled prior to **Fri 27 Nov 2020**. Full refund of deposit less \$50.00 administration fee.

Reservations that are cancelled on or after **Fri 27 Nov 2020** and prior to **Fri 01 Jan 2021**: loss of 50% of total tour cost.

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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:** 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.

**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.

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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.

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**Potter Travel has completed the Covid-19 Safety Plan and we are registered as a Covid Safe Business with the NSW Government to help protect our staff and customers.**

## RESERVATIONS AND ENQUIRIES

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