



TRAVEL TALK

2022 WINTER EDITION

Dear Travel Club Members,

We continue to enjoy some normality with our tours and again we thank you, the Potter Travel Club members, for your ongoing support. A look at the 'waitlist' tours in the adjacent column is a great indication of the fabulous support you continue to provide.

Many other tours we currently have on offer have had fantastic support and are close to being fully booked. So as we keep saying, if you are thinking of booking a tour, do not hesitate as you might miss out if you leave it to the last minute.

We have some Extended Tours planned for **August** and **September** that include an air component which means we have to close the bookings earlier than we normally would due to airline booking deadlines. **Fraser Island** and the **Tweed Valley** in August plus the **Flinders Ranges** in September are three such tours, so if you are thinking about booking on these tours please don't hesitate to call us (see page 4 & 5).

This Newsletter outlines our extended tour program through to the end of March 2023 as well as some suggestions as to what longer tours we are looking at in 2023.

If you are looking to spoil yourself a little before Christmas why not enjoy our 2 day trip to Sydney for the **Handa Opera, Carmen** on **Cockatoo Island** in **Sydney Harbour**. Alternatively take in the new **Snowy Valley Sculpture Trail** from **Tooma** to **Adelong** after an overnight stay in **Tumbarumba** and a great lunch at **Courabyra Wines** and a stroll through **Bramont Gardens** (see page 6).

Brad & Shelley want to show you around their backyard '**Melbourne & It's Surrounds**' in late March 2023. We have added the **Melbourne International Flower Show** to this tour as an added extra (see page 7).

There has been good interest in **Queensland** over recent years so we thought we might bring back a good old fashion coach tour from **Canberra** to **Cairns** with multiple 2 night stops along the way to break up the journey and make this a memorable tour. Then we will head '**Across the Top**' from **Cairns** to **Darwin** taking in the **Gulf Of Carpentaria**, before finishing with a **Top End** tour that sees you fly into Darwin, visit Litchfield, Kakadu and Katherine before finishing in **Alice Springs** (see page 8).

Some great new days trips as well, **Shane Tapper** will entertain us with his fabulous **Neil Diamond Tribute** in August, we head back to **Fairground Follies** in August as well plus we have 2 tours, the usual and unusual with **Tulip Time**, as we include **Tulips After Dark** for the first time (see page 2).

Thank you for travelling, Karen, Bob, Alana, David, Col, Brad & Shelley

WAITLISTS

The following tours are currently fully booked:

MOULIN ROUGE THE MUSICAL

Departs: Wed 15, Wed 22 June & Sat 02 July

6 DAY AIRLIE BEACH & WHITSUNDAYS

Departs: Thursday 23 June 2022

MARY POPPINS THE MUSICAL

Departs: Wednesday 29 June 2022

CAMDEN VALLEY INN XMAS IN JULY

Departs: Tuesday 12 July 2022

3 DAY BLUE MOUNTAINS XMAS IN JULY

Departs: Tues 19 & Tues 26 July 2022

8 DAY NORFOLK ISLAND

Departs: Friday 26 August 2022

3 DAY SPRING MYSTERY

Departs: Friday 09 September 2022

8 DAY LORD HOWE ISLAND

Departs: Friday 14 October 2022

4 DAY END OF YEAR MYSTERY

Departs: Friday 02 December 2022

ISLAND ADVENTURES

We are planning the following tours for 2023. Please call us and put your name down as an expression of interest if you would like to go. We will send you an itinerary when completed.

8 DAY LORD HOWE ISLAND

Departs: Monday 17 April 2023

8 DAY NORFOLK ISLAND

Departs: Monday 18 September 2023

MEMBERS CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Cost: \$155 pp

Our annual Members Christmas Lunch will be at the **Panorama Restaurant** on the top of the Illawarra Escarpment on **Thursday 15 December**. Enjoy fabulous views, food and entertainment. Call the office to make a booking.

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DAY OUT IN 2022



PURE DIAMOND
LIVE
SHANE TAPPER
and PLATINUM DUO
present ...
a Tribute to
the music of
Neil Diamond
Potter Travel Luncheon
Carrington Inn, Bungendore
Thursday 11th August

NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE SHOW THURSDAY 11 AUGUST 2022

Enjoy a day out to **Bungendore** where we have a delicious lunch at **The Carrington** and a tribute to the life, music and immense talent of song writing genius of Neil Diamond. Close your eyes and listen to the voice of **Shane Tapper** - you'll swear you are listening to the man himself. Shane will take you on a musical voyage from Diamond's early days as a songwriter with Bang Records in New York City in the mid 60's, to his hit songs as a solo artist in L.A. All the hits from Neil Diamond's self-titled albums to Hot August Night and the Jazz Singer in the late 70's. This show will have you singing and dancing along. Afterwards there is a little time to explore historic Bungendore before heading home.

Member Cost: \$180 pp
Non-member: \$200 pp

FAIRGROUND FOLLIES WEDNESDAY 31 AUGUST 2022

Fairground Follies features a most exciting and unique collection of fairground and mechanical music. Enjoy the 'happiest music on Earth' at Fairground Follies - sing, dance or reminisce amongst the greatest collection of self-playing instruments in the Southern Hemisphere. You'll marvel at the sight and sounds of antique street organs, European dance hall organs, the rockin' robot band, the 100 year old steam merry-go-round, the self-playing violins and the grand Taj Mahal - one of the world's largest, most elaborate self-playing instruments. Finish this tour with a nostalgic ride on the elaborately carved 100 year old carousel with its stirring music.

Member Cost: \$165 pp
Non-member: \$185 pp



BOWRAL TULIPS AFTER DARK SATURDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2022

No flower is as well-known and loved as the **tulip**. Once the most expensive flower bulb in the world, tulips continue to hold their fascination. In the **Southern Highlands**, **Tulip Time** heralds the arrival of Spring. This year we are trying something a little different with both a daylight visit to **Corbett Gardens** followed by dinner then **Tulips After Dark** where you can take an evening stroll around the Gardens to see the magnificent tulips displays lit up. A Tulip Time Bar will feature Southern Highland wineries and bands will be playing on the Victorian pagoda. We will depart Canberra around the middle of the day and get back late evening but it is Tulip Time with a difference.

Member Cost: \$150 pp
Non-member: \$170 pp

BOWRAL TULIP FESTIVAL TUESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2022

For those who would just prefer a day out to see the Tulips and some of the gardens in the Southern Highlands we will also be running a more traditional Tulip Time day tour. Enjoy a morning visit to **Red Cow Farm**, a unique cool climate garden set on 2.5 hectares in the picturesque rural village of Sutton Forest that has been described as one of the best in the world. We then head to Bowral where there is plenty of time to enjoy the displays at **Corbett Gardens** and wander the Bowral shops which are right next door. We return home late afternoon after spending the day in the Bowral.

Member Cost: \$135 pp
Non-member: \$155 pp



RETFORD PAK ESTATE Friday 07 October 2022

Retford Park was acquired by Samuel Hordern in the 1880s, who named the property in recognition of his family links to Retford in England. Retford Park House was completed in 1887. Following the death of Samuel Hordern III in 1960, the American Company, King Ranch, purchased the property. Over the years architect Espie Dods added architecturally sympathetic extensions to the home and Melbourne landscape architect David Wilkinson contributed the Knot Garden, the Green Room and the Millennium Canal to Retford Park's tranquil gardens. In April 2016 John Fairfax gifted this historic home to the National Trust of Australia.

Member Cost: \$150 pp
Non-member: \$170 pp

FISH 'N' CHIPS ON THE CLYDE WEDNESDAY 12 OCTOBER 2022

The Clyde River is pristine, flowing through over 100km of NSW national park and state forests. Enjoy the famous Innes Fish 'n' Chips on board the **MV Merinda** as you sit back and watch the river meandering slowly, each bend revealing the river's many moods and faces. Our cruise takes us up river to the historic little river port of **Nelligen**, where in past times sailing and steam ships plied their trade. We have half an hour to stretch our legs and take a wander around the village before cruising back down the river to Batemans Bay. After disembarking we reboard the coach and travel to Braidwood for an afternoon stop before heading home.

Member Cost: \$145 pp
Non-member: \$165 pp

DAY OUT IN 2022

WARBIRDS AT TEMORA SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER 2022

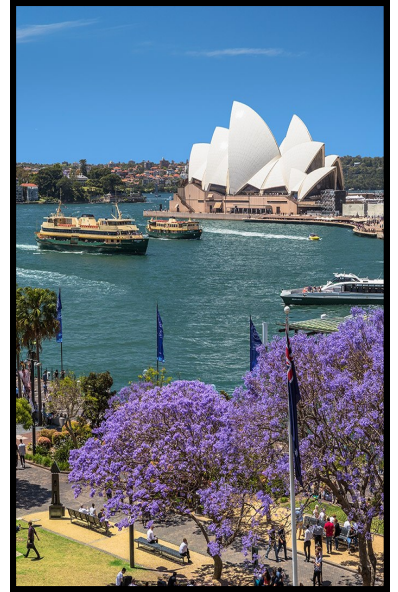
The largest **Warbirds Air Show** in the Southern Hemisphere will once again take flight over **Temora** in October 2022. This event is jam-packed with action, in the air and on the ground, making for a great day out. The day is filled with a curated program of historical warbird flight, the full line-up of aircraft will be published as the airshow approaches. The program will offer an array of aircraft from trainers to jets. It will include the full on-site RAAF 100 Sqn collection of working warbirds housed at Temora Aviation Museum, and many more rare and unique former and current military aircraft.

Member Cost: \$160 pp
Non-member: \$180 pp

SYDNEY JACARANDA CRUISE SUNDAY 06 NOVEMBER 2022

See the most beautiful harbour in the world with breathtaking Jacarandas in full flower. Hear the stories about Sydney's early days on the waterfront from **renowned gardener and TV personality, Graham Ross**. Graham's passion for Sydney Harbour has seen him escort over 60 Jacaranda cruises since 1988. Graham is a horticulturist, plantsman and garden media presenter. He started the Garden Clinic Radio Show on 2GB in 1980, and has been gardening presenter on **Better Homes and Gardens TV** since 1995. He's only the 4th Australian to receive the Veitch Memorial Medal from the Royal Horticultural Society in London.

Member Cost: \$195 pp
Non-member: \$215 pp



PADDOCK TO PLATE TUESDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2022

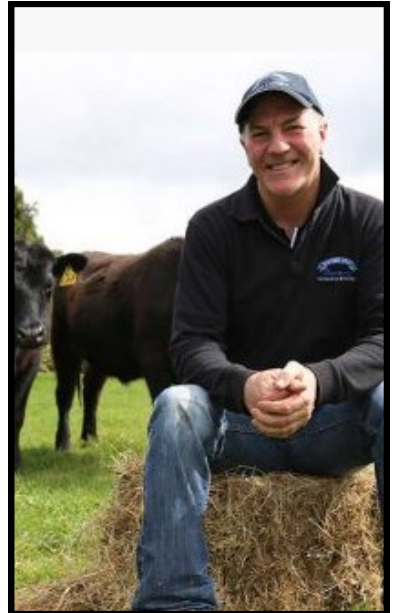
Visit **Laurel View** to learn more about grass-fed beef and lamb production. Our tour is hosted by **John and Vicki Mauger** and includes morning tea followed by an introduction to the farm, the Mauger family and their grass-fed beef and lamb farming methods. **'Meet the Mob'** and see the grazing animals amidst breathtaking Southern **Highlands** views. This is followed by the 'Art of Butchery' demonstration, where the master butcher breaks down beef, explaining each cut, what to look for when you are buying your meat and taking questions. Then the plate part! A sumptuous lunch of slow roasted Maugers produce.

Member Cost: \$175 pp
Non-member: \$195 pp

CAMDEN INN END OF YEAR LUNCH TUESDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2022

Enjoy an **End Of Year lunch and show** at the newly refurbished **Camden Valley Inn**, located in the Camden-Macarthur Region, a picturesque location at the foot of the Razorback Mountains. Built in the 1930's Camden Valley Inn was originally a popular milk bar and still holds this charm to this day. Today we will be entertained by **Roland Storm**. Roland has over the years proven to be the true performer and a popular favourite with a career spanning from the sixties to the present. His performances are dynamic grabbing the attention of his audience incorporating piano. This is sure to be a great day out filled with great entertainment and a lovely 2 course luncheon.

Member Cost: \$170 pp
Non-member: \$190 pp



CHERRIES AT YOUNG TUESDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2022

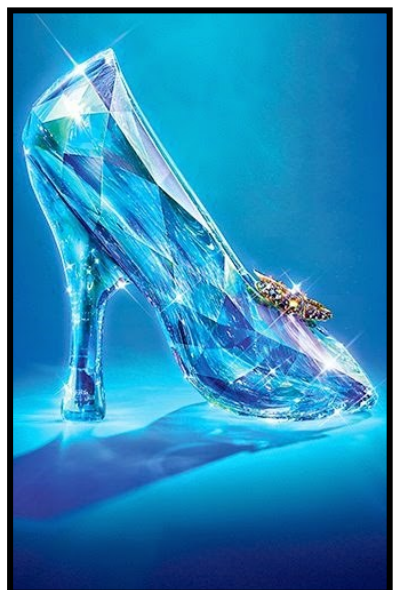
We are again heading to **Young**, the '**Cherry Capital of Australia**', an area that boasts many cherry and stone fruit orchards. Our first stop today is at **Poppa's Fudge Factory**. Enjoy morning tea served from the coach before going inside Poppa's store where there will be a sample bar of fudges and jams for you to taste and lots of goodies to purchase. After our visit we head to **Allambie Orchard** where we enjoy lunch including cherry pie, a tour and a talk on cherries. Here you can pick your own cherries, or there will be pre-packed cherries for sale.

Member Cost: \$130 pp
Non-member: \$150 pp

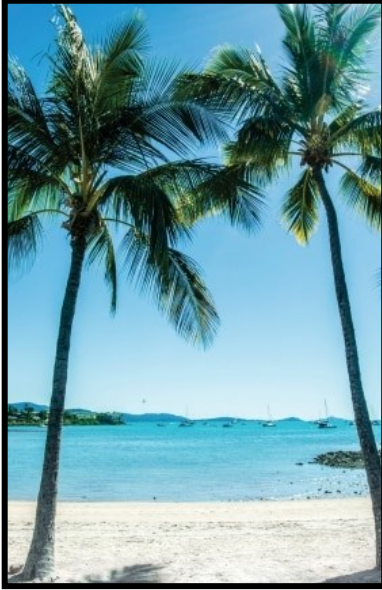
CINDERELLA THE MUSICAL WEDNESDAY 07 DECEMBER 2022

CINDERELLA is the Tony Award winning Broadway musical from the creators of The Sound of Music that delighted audiences with its surprisingly contemporary take on the classic tale. It features incredible orchestrations, jaw dropping transformations, and all the moments you love—the **pumpkin**, the **glass slipper**, the **masked ball** and more—plus some surprising new twists! Be transported as you rediscover some of Rodgers and Hammerstein's most beloved songs, including 'In My Own Little Corner,' 'Impossible/It's Possible' and 'Ten Minutes Ago' in this hilarious and romantic experience for anyone who's ever had a dream.

Member Cost: \$195 pp
Non-member: \$215 pp



EXTENDED TOURS



**8 DAY PORT DOUGLAS
TROPICAL NORTH QUEENSLAND
SATURDAY 16 JULY 2022**

BOOKINGS ON APPLICATION

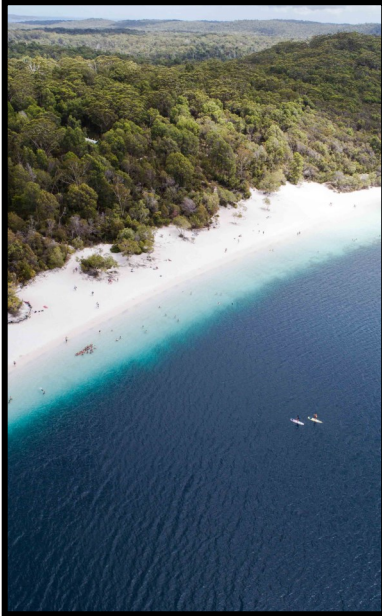
Enjoy 7 nights in the tropical town of **Port Douglas**, surrounded by the turquoise waters of Tropical North Queensland, the breathtaking **Daintree Rainforest** and the palm fringed golden sands of Four Mile Beach. 'Breakfast with the Birds' at **Wildlife Habitat**, **Mossman Gorge**, the **Daintree Discovery Centre** and a **Daintree River cruise** are all part of our tour. Ride the **Skyrail Rainforest Cableway** and the historic **Kuranda Scenic Railway**. Enjoy the historic **Bally Hooley Rail**, **Hartley's Crocodile Adventures** and the **Cairns Aquarium**.

**Twin/Double Share: \$3495 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$4195 pp**

**6 DAY NORTH COAST WINTER GETAWAY
MONDAY 01 AUGUST 2022**

Nambucca Heads sits at the mouth of the river with its sparkling estuary being home to playful dolphins. Take in the sights of the beautiful **Bellinger River Valley**. Enjoy lunch in the historic town of **Bellingen** then take in the beauty and serenity of the rainforest in the **Dorrigo National Park** and the spectacular views provided by the **Skywalk**. Enjoy a visit to **Perry's Lemon Myrtle** for a talk on the farm and their products, followed by lunch at the famous **Pub With No Beer**. South West Rocks, Trial Bay Gaol, the NSW Mid North Coast and the Central Coast are part of the itinerary as we journey home from our north coast winter break.

**Twin/Double Share: \$1675 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1930 pp**



**9 DAY FRASER ISLAND
SATURDAY 06 AUGUST 2022**

BOOKINGS CLOSING VERY SOON

Explore the World's largest sand island, which is full of Natural Wonders and a perfect getaway. With unspoilt beaches as far as they eye can see, amazing freshwater lakes and a unique hinterland. Visit the **Fraser Coast Discovery Sphere** then catch the ferry to Kingfisher Bay Resort on Fraser Island for 3 nights. Take a **4WD tour** and see **Lake McKenzie** and the **Maheno Shipwreck**. Enjoy a **Whale Watching Cruise** in the **Hervey Bay National Marine Park**. From Fraser Island we head to the **Gold Coast** for a 2 night stay and complete our tour at the **Australian Outback Spectacular** then fly home.

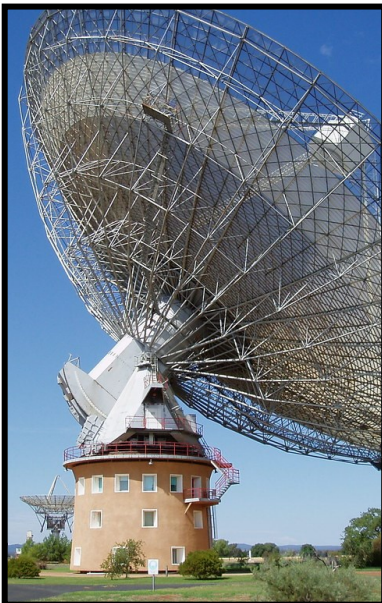
**Twin/Double Share: \$3295 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$3895 pp**

**8 DAY TWEED COAST
TUESDAY 16 AUGUST 2022**

BOOKINGS CLOSING VERY SOON

The **Tweed Coast** is a vibrant area with famous fresh produce and incredible scenery. Fly to Coolangatta and stay 6 nights at the Twin Towns Resort. Visit **Tropical Fruit World** and enjoy lunch at **Tumbulgum** on the Tweed River. Also visit **Murwillumbah**, the **Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Art Centre** and **Tweed Valley Whey Farmhouse Cheeses**. Take a **River & Rainforest Lunch Cruise** with **Tweed Eco Cruises**. Visit a bush tucker garden at **Banana Cabana** and lunch at **Flutterbies Cottage Café**. Cruise the **Brunswick River**, visit to **Byron Bay** and ride the **Solar Train** then head for home via the mid north coast.

**Twin/Double Share: \$2875 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$3430 pp**



**4 DAY PARKES & THE CENTRAL WEST
TUESDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2022**

Stay three nights in **Parkes**, as we explore this area of the NSW Central West. Take in the unusual **Utes in the Paddock**, visit the **CSIRO Radio Telescope**, known as 'The Dish' to explore the astronomy and space science exhibitions and the **Henry Parkes Centre**. Enjoy a visit to **Taronga Western Plains Zoo** in Dubbo, home to a huge variety of animals from around the world. See the **Open Cut Mine Experience** set against the backdrop of the Peak Hill township. Visit **Forbes**, where the notorious bushranger Ben Hall was killed, then **Grenfell**, the town that gives us Heritage, History and Henry Lawson!

**Twin/Double Share: \$1055 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1190 pp**

**15 DAY MURRAY RIVER & FLINDERS
FRIDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2022**

Uncover the largest river in Australia, the **Murray River** which provides a spectacular backdrop to a number of Australian towns. Soak up the rich river heritage, hop aboard an iconic paddle wheeler, sample each regions gourmet treats and cruise the **Coorong**, where the river meets the sea. From the River to the Ranges the second part of the tour explores some of the most dramatic and beautiful landscapes in the country. Towering ancient cliffs, dusty red roads and special landscapes are all part of the **Flinders Ranges** experience. It's also a place rich in Aboriginal history and home to a vast array of wildlife, making it one of South Australia's iconic destinations.

**Twin/Double Share: \$4995 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$5995 pp**

EXTENDED TOURS

10 DAY TOOWOOMBA FLOWERS THURSDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2022

This tour takes in the **Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers** and **O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat**. We travel via northern NSW to **Toowoomba** for a three night stay. The Carnival of Flowers is Australia's longest-running annual horticultural event, a cultural party featuring spectacular gardens and all things spring. Enjoy many of the activities associated with the festival as well as some of the other local attractions then head across to **O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat** for a two night stay. Located in the **Lamington National Park** it has been welcoming travellers for over 93 years to relax, experience and connect with nature. We head home via the **New England Tablelands** and **Maitland**.

Twin/Double Share: \$3365 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$4095 pp

10 DAY FLINDERS RANGES WEDNESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2022

Explore the most dramatic and beautiful landscapes in the country, a mixture of ancient wonders and rugged scenery. Towering ancient cliffs, dusty red roads and special landscapes are all part of the **Flinders Ranges** experience. It's also a place rich in Aboriginal history and home to a vast array of wildlife, making it one of South Australia's iconic destinations. Enjoy a night in the **Adelaide Hills** after our flight from Canberra before 2 nights at **Rawsley Park Station** in the southern **Flinders Ranges** then 2 nights at **Arkaroola** in the Gammon Ranges National Park, one of Australia's tourist gems. From the **Flinders Ranges** we make our way home via the **Clare Valley** and **Broken Hill**.

Twin/Double Share: \$3495 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$4130 pp



12 DAY PERTH & SOUTH WEST WA MONDAY 10 OCTOBER 2022

We fly to **Perth** and base ourselves for 4 nights in historic **Fremantle** while you explore Perth and its surrounds including the city, **Kings Park** and **Rottneest Island**. From Fremantle head north to visit the **Pinnacles** and stay at Cervantes before travelling via **New Norcia** to **Wave Rock**. Take in the wildflower areas and the stunning **Stirling Ranges National Park** before 2 nights in **Albany**. Explore the 'Valley of the Giants' and ride the scenic Pemberton Tram before another 2 nights at **Busselton**. Visit **Mammoth Cave** and explore the **Margaret River** area including a visit to **Aravina Estate**. Enjoy as cruise at **Mandurah** then a final night in Perth before flying back to Canberra.

Twin/Double Share: \$4985 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$5835 pp

15 DAY TASMANIAN TOUR SATURDAY 22 OCTOBER 2022

Our Tasmanian tour includes a cruise on the remote **Arthur River**, **Stanley** and **The Nut** in the North West. We visit **Cradle Mountain National Park** and stay 2 nights in **Strahan**. Ride the **West Coast Wilderness Railway** and take a **cruise** on **Macquarie Harbour**. Visit **Mount Field National Park** and the **Wall in the Wilderness** before four nights in Hobart. Visit the famous **Salamanca Markets** plus a day trip to **Bruny Island** and **Port Arthur**. Enjoy a two night stay at **Swansea**, with a **luncheon cruise** on the magnificent **Wine Glass Bay** which takes us along the exquisite **Freycinet coastline**. We Visit the towns of **Bicheno** and **Scamander** then **Launceston** before we head for home.

Twin/Double Share: \$6095 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$7380 pp



7 DAY BARMERA & SA RIVERLAND SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER 2022

Explore the **SA Riverland** where glorious sunsets beckon, the **Murray River** welcomes and the food and wine celebrates local freshness. Overnight in the historic riverport town of **Echuca-Moama** then travel to **Barmera** for a 4 night stay as we explore the **Riverland**. Situated in the heart of the Riverland, **Barmera** is located on the shores of **Lake Bonney** which is renowned for its sunsets. Visit the **Wilkadene Woolshed Brewery** and **Angoves Winery**, historic **Loxton** and the charming **Pines Historical Home and Gardens**, the **Bella Lavender Estate**, the historic **Overland Corner Hotel** and **Banrock Wine & Wetland Centre**. Our journey home takes us via Balranald and Hay.

Twin/Double Share: \$1885 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$2215 pp

7 DAY KING ISLAND & YARRA VALLEY MONDAY 31 OCTOBER 2022

LIMITED SEATS AVAILABLE

Discover the unspoilt natural beauty of **King Island** and the sights, and flavours of the **Yarra Valley**. King Island is wildly rugged, windswept and attractive with unusual variety of seabirds and wildlife. Situated in **Bass Strait** it enjoys a reputation of excellence for food products. Beef and dairy farms cover the island plus there is a small fishing industry. Enjoy sensational scenery, plentiful wildlife and amazing shipwreck stories. The **Yarra Valley** also offers quality local food and wine and breathtaking scenery. Visit Yarra Valley Chocolaterie & Ice Creamery, Coldstream and Coombe Yarra Valley plus Blue Lotus Water Garden with over fifty varieties of lotus.

Twin/Double Share: \$3395 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$3930 pp



EXTENDED TOURS



4 DAY MUDGEES & THE MELBOURNE CUP MONDAY 31 OCTOBER 2022

Every year, on the first Tuesday in November, most of Australia comes to a standstill for the **Melbourne Cup**. In 2022 Potter Travel will also enjoy the occasion – not at Flemington but in **Mudgee**, where we have arranged 3 night's accommodation and a special **Melbourne Cup lunch celebration** at the beautiful and historic **Goree Park**, for one of Australia's most iconic sporting events. But its not just the great race that we will enjoy on this tour – we are also going shopping! We have sourced a range of craft and opportunity shops not normally on the tourist itinerary. Get ready for some surprises as we explore Mudgee, celebrate The Cup and discover some local shopping gems.

Twin/Double Share: \$1330 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1640 pp

5 DAY LAKE MACQUARIE & HUNTER MONDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2022

Spend 4 nights in the **Lake Macquarie** and **Hunter Region**. The largest saltwater lake in the southern hemisphere, Lake Macquarie is an aquatic playground. Enjoy the sights on both the water and the foreshore. The vibrant city of **Newcastle** and the fabulous **Hunter Valley** wine region are nearby. Take a morning tea cruise on Lake Macquarie and a fascinating guided tour of the area and the City of Newcastle. Visit **Kurri Kurri** to view the outdoor public artworks on display and the unique town **murals** plus **Mortels Sheepskin Factory** and the charming village of **Morpeth**. A day in the **Hunter Valley** and the **Hunter Valley Gardens** including the **Christmas Lights spectacular** rounds off this trip.

Twin/Double Share: \$1475 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1830 pp



7 DAY ADELAIDE HIGHLIGHTS SUNDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2022

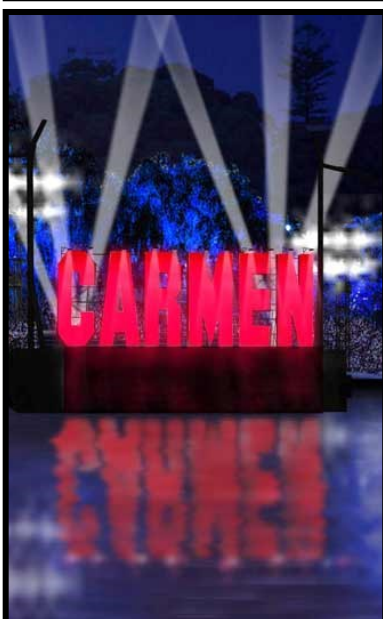
Fly to **Adelaide** for six nights in a city centre hotel. Explore the icons of **Adelaide**, including **Ayers House**, **The Botanic Gardens**, **Adelaide Oval** and the opulent **Carrick Hill**. All board the **Popeye** vessel, a constant sight on the **Torrens River** since 1935. Visit **Victor Harbor** and ride on the historic **Horse Drawn Tram** across the causeway to **Granite Island**. Take the **Cockle Train** via **Port Elliott** to **Goolwa**. Enjoy a day in the **Adelaide Hills** visiting **Jurlique Farm**, **Hahndorf**, **Woodside Cheese Wrights** and **Melba's Chocolate & Confectionery Factory**. We complete our stay with a day in the **Barossa Valley**.

Twin/Double Share: \$2395 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$2825 pp

2 DAY HANDA OPERA ON SYDNEY HARBOUR, CARMEN SATURDAY 10 DECEMBER 2022

Located in Sydney Harbour, **Cockatoo Island** gives us the perfect backdrop to take in Bizet's gritty tale of fate and freedom. **Carmen** tosses her hair, stamps her feet and the whole world falls under her spell. Revel in the irresistible Spanish tunes, sultry story and dark undercurrent of **Carmen**. You'll hear the flirty Habanera and famous Toreador song amid a spectacle featuring fire-twirling, car crashes and fireworks. Step off the boat and you're surrounded by layers of history. Once a meeting place for the Eora Nation, the site is now dotted with century-old relics of shipbuilding and architectural marvels dating back to a convict past.

Twin/Double Share: \$630 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$750 pp



2 DAY TUMBY PRE CHRISTMAS BREAK MONDAY 19 DECEMBER 2022

Spoil yourself with a pre Christmas Getaway to **Tumbarumba**. Enjoy a great lunch at **Courabyra Winery**, located in the foothills of the Snowy Mountains and part of only a handful premium cold climate wine regions in Australia. Walk off lunch with a wander around **Braymont Gardens** a unique 6 acre garden featuring a tree church and large dam. On Day 2 we take in part of the new **Snowy Valleys Sculpture Trail** that now sprawls across the region. It showcases more than 25 giant works by Australian and international artists, all thanks to the team behind Bondi's Sculpture by the Sea. We follow the trail from **Tooma** through **Batlow** to **Adelong** before enjoying lunch in **Gundagai**.

Twin/Double Share: \$455 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$495 pp

5 DAY CHRISTMAS IN ORANGE FRIDAY 23 DECEMBER 2022

This year we are spending 5 days around Christmas in the beautiful inland city of **Orange**, located in the **NSW Central West**. Unpack your bag and relax while enjoying the local sights and Christmas festivities. Perfect for any time of year, Orange is a thriving country town as rich in heritage as it is in award-winning restaurants, boutique shops, interesting attractions and magnificent gardens. Famed for its rich produce-yielding soils, cool climate wines and spectacular scenery, this gateway to Country NSW will enthral you. As well as Orange we visit the surrounding villages and hamlets of **Milthorpe**, **Manildra**, **Molong** and **Canowindra** with their array of local attractions and mixture of culinary venues.

Twin/Double Share: \$1625 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$2035 pp

EXTENDED TOURS

6 DAY TAMWORTH COUNTRY MUSIC SUNDAY 15 JANUARY 2023

We will be heading to **Tamworth** for the **country music** lovers. After an overnight stop in Maitland we travel to **Tamworth** for a three night stay, during the first week of the annual **Tamworth Country Music Festival**. Over the next few days we have plenty of time to enjoy the festival activities and watch performances of your own choosing. We also make a visit to the **Walk a Country Mile Museum** which educates us on the history of country music. Leaving Tamworth we return to Maitland for an overnight stop on our way home. This tour provides you with the chance to immerse yourself in some of the best emerging **country music** on offer in Australia.

Twin/Double Share: \$1695 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$2115 pp

3 DAY HUNTER VALLEY LIGHTS MONDAY 23 JANUARY 2023

It was popular in January 2022 so we are taking another a short break to the **Hunter Valley** that takes in the spectacular **Christmas Lights** at the magnificent Hunter Valley Gardens. We travel via **Newcastle** for a 2 night stay in nearby **Maitland**, enjoy a locally guided tour of this historic town as well as time to enjoy the village of **Morpeth**. Spend an afternoon in the Hunter Valley with plenty of daylight hours to enjoy the gardens, a wine tasting and dinner next to the gardens before returning to view the Christmas lights. Although Christmas has passed the Gardens run this spectacular from early November to the end of January each year.

Twin/Double Share: \$750 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$870 pp



4 DAY SHOALHAVEN & SOUTH COAST TUESDAY 07 FEBRUARY 2023

We are heading back to the **Shoalhaven** area for our summer getaway again but for an extra day. Stay three nights at the **Springs Resort Nowra**. Enjoy lunch and views of the **Illawarra Escarpment** coast from the **Illawarra Fly** on our first day. Day two includes a visit to **Industry World** at Port Kembla, lunch overlooking **Lake Illawarra** and visits to **Kiama** and **Berry**. Visit **Jervis Bay**, one of the true gems of the NSW south east region for a **dolphin watch cruise** then lunch in **Huskisson** before a visit to **HMAS Albatross** at Nowra. We head home via the South Coast, stopping to visit the **Fossil Centre** in **Ulladulla** then lunch in **Batemans Bay**.

Twin/Double Share: \$1195 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1465 pp

3 DAY RIVERBOAT POSTMAN CRUISE TUESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2023

On this tour we join the mail run with a difference aboard **Riverboat Postman**, as we cruise along the **Hawkesbury River**. It's one of Australia's greatest scenic waterways, with its historical isolated communities, and the Riverboat Postman has been servicing the region for over a century. Sit back and enjoy the tranquil scenery of sandy beach coves and fjord like inlets while listening to the lively commentary from the Skipper as we make our all-important deliveries. Our tour includes two nights accommodation on the magnificent **Central Coast**, a visit to the **Ken Duncan Gallery**, a guided tour of the **Mt Penang Botanical Gardens** and a visit to the **Henry Kendall Cottage and Historical Museum**.

Twin/Double Share: \$825 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$995 pp



3 DAY AUTUMN MYSTERY TOUR FRIDAY 17 MARCH 2023

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 entertaining you whenever they can! We promise we will bring you back home!

Twin/Double Share: \$760 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$940 pp

8 DAY BRAD & SHELLEY'S BACKYARD MELBOURNE, SURROUNDS & FLOWER SHOW DEPARTING MONDAY 27 MARCH 2023

Let **Brad and Shelley** show you around their part of the world. Base yourself at a centrally located hotel for seven nights to take in the sights of **Melbourne** including a tour of the **MCG**, the **Royal Botanic Gardens**, the **Skydeck**, **International Flower Show** and **Ripponlea Estate**. In the **Dandenong's** ride on **Puffing Billy** and visit the quirky town of **Sassafras**. Enjoy a day in the **Yarra Valley** visiting **Coombes Estate**, **Yarra Valley Chocolaterie** and some local wineries. Visit **Werribee Mansion** and **Free Range Zoo** and catch the ferry across **Port Phillip Bay** to Docklands. Finish off with a day on the **Mornington Peninsula**.

Twin/Double Share: \$3195 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$3795 pp



2023 TOURS



7 DAY HISTORIC VICTORIA GOLDFIELDS OF BALLARAT & BENDIGO DEPARTING APRIL/MAY 2023

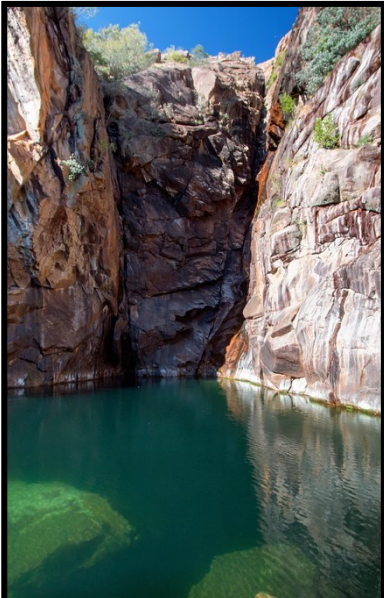
Our tour starts with an overnight stop in **Bright** as we travel to some of Victoria's most historic spots including the goldfields of **Ballarat** and **Bendigo** on this fabulous 7 Day Tour. Visit **Beechworth**, **Bright** and **Mansfield** as we make our way to **Ballarat** for 2 nights. This historic goldfield offers both natural and historical attractions such as the **Botanic Gardens** and **Sovereign Hill**. Next is 3 nights in **Bendigo** having travelled via **Castlemaine**. Bendigo with its **English Gothic Cathedral** and **Chinese heritage** is fascinating. Overnight in **Wangaratta** on the way home then take in the history of **Chiltern** before finishing your tour with lunch at a winery in Rutherglen.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

14 DAY EAST COAST AUSTRALIA CANBERRA TO CAIRNS DEPARTING JULY 2023

From the best seats in the house, witness slices of paradise as we travel **Australia's East Coast** from **Canberra** to **Cairns**. Enjoy 2 nights in **Noosa** then travel onto **Seventeen Seventy** to experience the same magnificent beauty that greeted Captain James Cook. The **LARC** takes us around **Bustard Bay**, across tidal creeks and on a scenic 4WD journey up to **Bustard Head**. Next is **Mackay** followed by **Airlie Beach** where **Whitsunday Crocodile Safaris** plus a cruise through the beautiful **Whitsundays** awaits us. Then it's **Townsville**, **Ingham**, **Cardwell**, **Tully** and **Innisfail** before arriving in **Cairns** for three nights. Take in the local sights of **Cairns** and the **Atherton Tablelands** as well as enjoying a free day to do as you please.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST



13 DAY ACROSS THE TOP THE SAVANNAH WAY, CAIRNS TO DARWIN DEPARTING AUGUST 2023

This sensational trip across the top of Australia is not to be missed. Our tour starts in **Cairns** enjoying some of the sights of **Tropical North Queensland** before heading west to the **Undara Lava Tubes**. From here its onto **Karumba** on the shores of the **Gulf Of Carpentaria** for 2 nights followed by a stop in **Mt Isa**. Farewelling Queensland we head into the **Northern Territory**. Visit **Tennant Creek** and **Katherine** including a cruise through **Katherine Gorge** before heading into **Kakadu National Park**. Take in the **Yellow Water Cruise** and the magnificent scenery of Kakadu before completing our journey to **Darwin** via **Litchfield National Park**. Enjoy a couple of nights in **Darwin** then head home.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

11 DAY TOP END TERRITORY DARWIN—KAKADU—ALICE SPRINGS DEPARTING AUGUST 2023

Discover the sparkling harbour of **Darwin**, the misty waterfalls of **Litchfield National Park**, the natural beauty of **Kakadu National Park** and the indigenous culture of the **Nitmiluk**. Then its only wide-open stretches of rich red outback before visiting the desert town of **Alice Springs**. We fly into Darwin for 3 nights then travel via Litchfield National Park into Kakadu National Park for 2 nights. Heading south we cruise **Katherine Gorge** and have lunch at the **Daly Waters Pub**. **Tennant Creek** and the **Devil Marbles** are on our journey to **Alice Springs** for another 3 nights. See the 'Alice' from Anzac Hill, visit the Old Telegraph Station, the RFDS Western MacDonnell's before flying home.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST



10 DAY LIMESTONE COAST GRAMPIANS—MT GAMBIER—ROBE DEPARTING SEPTEMBER 2023

Head through Central Victoria for 2 nights at **Halls Gap** and a day exploring some of the **Grampians National Park**. Then its onto **Mt. Gambier** for 2 nights. Our itinerary includes Umpherston Cave, the Cave Garden and the Blue Lake Pumping Station, Riddoch Art Gallery, Port Macdonnell, and a special dinner at Thyme at The Lakes. Our day to **Kingston SE** includes **Glencoe Woolshed**, the seaside town, **Southend**, lunch is at **Bompas of Beachport** and the **Old Woodgrain Store**. Enjoy a day in old port town of **Robe** on the **SA Limestone Coast**. Heading home we visit **Penola** and the **Coonawarra** before and overnight stop in **Horsham** then **Echuca** to complete a great and different 10 days away.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

8 DAY MORNINGTON PENINSULA & GREAT OCEAN ROAD SUNDAY 08 OCTOBER 2023

The **Mornington Peninsula** abounds in natural attractions including beaches and scenic sights like **Cape Schanck**, and the spectacular **Point Nepean**. Enjoy 2 nights in the village of **Flinders** on Western Port Bay. Visit Arthur's Seat, Red Hill Estate and the Ashcombe Maze. Cross **Port Phillip Bay** by ferry from **Sorrento** to **Queenscliff**, then travel the spectacular **Great Ocean Road** through **Lorne** and **Apollo Bay** to **Warrnambool**. Visit the **Otway Fly** and **Port Campbell National Park**, the **Twelve Apostles** and **Loch Ard**. Spend 2 nights in **Warrnambool** and visit **Flagstaff Maritime Village** and nearby **Portland**. Travel home through historic central Victoria.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST