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BROKEN HILL

7 DAY TOUR

DEPARTING: MONDAY 02 SEPTEMBER 2024

RETURNING: SUNDAY 08 SEPTEMBER 2024



TOUR COST:

\$2390 per person Twin/Double Share

\$2850 Sole Occupancy

PICK UP TIMES:

7.10am Crawford Street, Queanbeyan

7.30am Platform 6, Woden Bus Interchange

7.50am West Row Bus Stop, City

8.00am Riggall Place, Lyneham

Day 1: (LD): CANBERRA TO HAY: Monday 02 September 2024

Welcome, fellow adventurers, to our tour to Broken Hill. While we load luggage, we invite you to step aboard our touring coach, settling into your seats in anticipation of the tour ahead. We make our way through to the vibrant city of Wagga Wagga where we'll stretch our legs and have a lunch break. Resuming our travels, we continue to Hay quietly nestled by the meandering waters of the Murrumbidgee River. Following dinner, retire for the evening in preparation for our onward journey to Broken Hill tomorrow.

Bishops Lodge Motor Inn, Hay (02 6993 3001)

Day 2: (BLD): HAY TO BROKEN HILL: Tuesday 03 September 2024

Embracing the well-deserved Sunraysia district title, Mildura basks in an abundance of sunshine, creating the perfect haven for citrus crops of Oranges and the cultivation of grapes. A delightful surprise awaits us at Orange World where we embark on a guided tour wandering the grounds adorned with avocado trees and a variety of citrus fruits. Hopping aboard the tractor train we'll be entertained by our guide and his juicy sense of humour. With a picnic lunch under our belts, we are ready for the afternoon travel as we watch the landscape change from the fertile lands of the Riverina to the dramatic and rugged scenery of Broken Hill. Arriving at our hotel, we check in and unpack for the next 4 nights.

Hilltop Motel, Broken Hill (08 8088 2999)

Day 3: (BD): BROKEN HILL: Wednesday 04 September 2024

Broken Hill embodies the essence of the Australian outback. With its captivating charm, this living breathing time capsule blends a bygone era of mining prosperity with the cultural hub it proudly boasts today. Joined by a knowledgeable local expert, we'll be guided through this remarkable town revealing its hidden treasures. We begin with the awe-inspiring Line of Lode, a monumental strip where silver, lead and zinc deposits once reigned supreme. Towering above us this imposing structure stands as a testament to the town's mining heritage. At the top we find the Miners Memorial, a poignant tribute to those who helped support the pursuit of progress. Venturing to the Silver City Mint and Art Centre, a masterpiece awaits us. The astonishing Big Picture is an expansive acrylic painting transporting us into a world of boundless skies and the red earth of ancient riverbeds, adorned with majestic gum trees leading our gaze towards the distant Flinders Ranges. Afterwards explore Argent Street and purchase lunch – perhaps wander through the Palace Hotel used for the Bar scenes in the movie 'Priscilla - Queen of the Desert'. Our final adventure today leads us to the engaging Geo Centre. Greeted by mesmerising displays, the minerals, gems and intriguing artefacts all shed light on the rich mining history of Broken Hill.

Day 4: (BLD): BROKEN HILL: Thursday 05 September 2024

We have the opportunity this morning to visit the Broken Hill Mining Museum, where we can witness the incredible artistry that emerges from crushed minerals transformed into collages. Exploring the museum, we'll view Kevin's artwork which beautifully portrays the iconic buildings of Broken Hill, each piece a testament to his unique talent. Next we pay homage to the renowned Royal Flying Doctor Service, a vital lifeline for those residing in the vast Australian bush. During a visit by her Majesty the Queen in 1954 the 'Royal' prefix was bestowed on the service. Today the centre combines a museum, theatre and shop with interactive displays that pay tribute to the doctors, pilots and flight nurses who serve under the RFDS banner. Lunch awaits us at Bells Milk Bar which can trace its roots back over a century as a confectionery store. Amongst the nostalgia, we indulge in a delicious lunch from a menu that will evoke

memories of a simpler time. Later today we honour the legendary 'Brushmen of the Bush' and visit the art galleries of Jack Absalom and Pro Hart. The surrounding countryside, with its vibrant light and awe-inspiring landscapes, has long been a muse for artists, contributing to the fame that Broken Hill proudly holds. Our day complete, we return to our accommodation to relax prior to dinner.

Day 5: (BLD): SILVERTON: Friday 06 September 2024

A magnet for production crews from across the globe, this morning we are off to explore the intriguing town of Silverton. The virtual ghost town has attracted film crews such as Mad Max 2 and Priscilla Queen of the Desert with commercials being shot here often. At the Silverton Gaol and Historical Museum echoes of the past reverberate through the rooms as we uncover the tales of its history. Making our way to Beyond 39 Dips, this delightful craft shop is brimming with glass and leather creations inspired by the light of the outback. An amusing detail of the shop's name is that there are 39 dips in the road between Broken Hill and Silverton. Not far is the Mundi Mundi Lookout perched on the edge of the vast plains that stretch across the wide heart of the outback. Extend your gaze into the seemingly endless horizon, where the curvature of the earth is visible on a clear day. We pause for lunch at the Silverton Pub where we might encounter the Silverton donkeys. These friendly, albeit mischievous, creatures have become a fixture in the town and are very happy to say hello to its visitors. On our return to town, our final stop leads us to the captivating Living Desert Sculptures. Amidst the skyline, thirteen magnificent sandstone sculptures stand proudly atop the hill, offering a profound connection to the surrounding landscape. Back in our hotel, we refresh for our last dinner in Broken Hill.

Day 6: (BLD): BROKEN HILL TO NYNGAN: Saturday 07 September 2024

We have a travel day today as we commence our journey home. Our path leads us to Wilcannia, nestled along the banks of the Darling River. The town rose to prominence as one of the major ports within the Murray Darling system. However, with the advent of rail and road transport, the bustling paddlesteamer trade faded and the town's former glory waned. We break for lunch before continuing our eastward travels. Passing through the township of Cobar, the road stretches ahead, guiding us towards Nyngan, our destination for the evening.

Country Manor, Nyngan (02 6832 1447)

Day 7: (BL): NYNGAN TO CANBERRA: Sunday 08 September 2024

We awaken to the concluding leg of our adventure. Pressing forward via Tullamore to Forbes, we gather for an early lunch at the local club. As we begin to navigate the familiar roads nearing Canberra, we have time to reflect on the experiences and memories we have accumulated along the way. Farewelling our friends, we head for home to complete our tour to Broken Hill.



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