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## O'REILLY'S RAINFOREST RETREAT NSW NORTH COAST JACARANDAS

**8 DAY TOUR**

**Departing: Monday 28 October 2024**

**Returning: Monday 04 November 2024**



### **TOUR COST:**

\$3130 per person Twin/Double Share

\$3760 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

*From the seclusion of the O'Reillys Rainforest Retreat our enchanting escapade also takes in the NSW north coast and the Jacaranda Festival*

### **Day 1 (LD) CANBERRA TO MAITLAND: Monday 28 October 2024**

Boarding our touring vehicle, we are warmly greeted by our coach captain and find our comfortable seats. Excited for the journey that lies ahead we get underway travelling through Sydney and the Central Coast, heading towards our first overnight stop in Maitland.

1 night | Old Maitland Inn, Maitland (02 4932 5255)

### **Day 2 (BLD) MAITLAND TO TENTERFIELD: Tuesday 29 October 2024**

With breakfast under our belts, we resume the next leg of our adventure tracking via the picturesque **Upper Hunter Valley** passing Muswellbrook and into the New England town of Tamworth. Our lunch destination is the charming small town of **Bendemeer**, located on the Macdonald River. As we traverse the scenic New England region, we make our way to **Tenterfield**, a town immortalised by Peter Allen in his tribute song, The Tenterfield Saddler, dedicated to his grandfather, George Woolnough. It was also here, back in October 1889 that Sir Henry Parkes delivered his historic speech, setting in motion the popular movement that ultimately led to the federation of Australia. Reaching our accommodation, we take some time to refresh ourselves before indulging in a delightful dinner at the motel's restaurant.

1 night | Henry Parkes Motel, Tenterfield (02 6736 1066)

### **Day 3 (BLD) TENTERFIELD TO O'REILLYS: Wednesday 30 October 2024**

Travelling through Warwick and the **Scenic Rim** region of Queensland, our lunch venue is in **Beaudesert** before arriving at the **Canungra Valley Vineyard** for a delightful wine tasting experience. As we ascend into **Lamington National Park**, the iconic **O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat** comes into view. Nestled in seclusion, it remains isolated due to its establishment as private property prior to its declaration as a national park, a distinction further elevated by Lamington National Park's recognition as a World Heritage site in 1994. This prestigious status acknowledges its remarkable biodiversity and its role as a living museum showcasing the evolutionary development of Australia's modern-day flora. On arrival, we settle into our accommodation. In the late afternoon, a special highlight awaits us as we embark on a **Private Sunset Experience** before returning for our evening meal together.

2 nights | O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat (07 5502 4900)

### **Day 4 (BLD) O'REILLYS RETREAT: Thursday 31 October 2024**

Our morning is dedicated to leisurely indulgence in the breathtaking scenery surrounding O'Reilly's. Multiple short nature walks await, including the renowned **Tree Top Walk** and the **Bird Walk**. Lunch will be served before our afternoon **4WD tour**, taking us to Moran's Falls, the Wishing Tree and Pats Bluff. Upon our return, there's the option to unwind in your room, take in the surroundings, enjoy a complimentary afternoon tea or catch a film in the theatre\*. After an exhilarating day in the mountains, we savour an early dinner

before boarding a 4WD bus for a guided rainforest tour of the mystical **Glow Worm Grotto**. Perched beside a secluded gully, this magical place is home to millions of ancient glow worms, illuminating the cliff face into a mesmerizing canvas of twinkling stars. Truly it's been an incredible unforgettable day.

*\*subject to timings – program available at reception*

### **Day 5 (BLD) O'REILLYS TO BALLINA: Friday 1 November 2024**

Heading to **Mount Tamborine** we explore the stunning rainforest scenery and the **Skywalk**. Nestled within acres of pristine rainforests alongside the crystal-clear rock pools of Cedar Creek, we have the opportunity to immerse ourselves in a diverse array of flora and fauna. One of the highlights is the exhilarating 40 metre bridge that soars above the creek and the lush rainforest below. A short distance from here is **Cedar Creek Estate** where we enjoy a delicious lunch. We now set off, spending the afternoon meandering our way to our overnight destination of **Ballina**.

1 night | Comfort Inn All Seasons, Ballina (02 6686 2922)

### **Day 6 (BD) BALLINA TO NAMBUCCA HEADS: Saturday 2 November 2024**

Heading south we arrive in **Grafton** eagerly anticipating the vibrant **Jacaranda Festival** that pays homage to the town's hundreds of lilac-blossomed trees. The streets and parks are transformed as the Jacarandas explode in all their purple glory along with lively street markets, captivating exhibitions and entertaining performers in Market Square. We'll have time to wander through the markets and enjoy the festivities and atmosphere. As the afternoon unfolds we set our course toward the coast, making our way to Nambucca Heads for our next overnight stay by the seaside.

1 night | The Cubana Resort, Nambucca Heads (02 6568 8044)

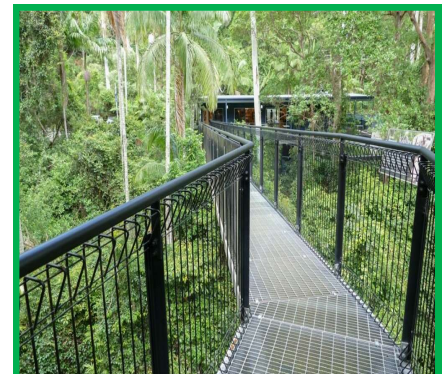
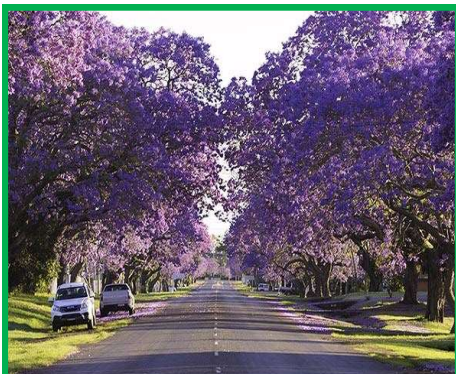
### **Day 7 (BLD) NAMBUCCA HEADS TO DIAMOND BEACH: Sunday 3 November 2024**

Travelling onward to **Forster**, we embark on a scenic exploration of one of Australia's purest lakes. Boarding a delightful **luncheon cruise** we set sail on Wallis Lake, renowned for its pristine beauty and silver waters, which owes its charm to its shallow depth. As we glide along these crystal-clear waters, framed by rugged volcanic headlands, listen to how the famous Wallis Lake oysters are sourced from their natural habitat. Back on dry land we head to our overnight haven of nearby Diamond Beach.

1 night | Serenity Diamond Beach Resort (02 6559 2719)

### **Day 8 (BL) DIAMOND BEACH TO CANBERRA: Monday 4 November 2024**

Today our tour has come to an end. Boarding our coach we commence the return journey. We'll stop for lunch at the **Blacktown Workers Sports Club**. Arriving back into **Canberra** we head for home with fond memories of our Queensland adventure.



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**FINAL PAYMENT: MONDAY 26 AUGUST 2024.**

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2. where we operate any of the services included in your travel arrangements (for example, coach travel), a reasonable amount attributable to such services which we determine we cannot resell;
3. a fee which is the greater of the deposit and 20% of the booking value to compensate us for work performed up until the time of cancellation;
4. a fee not greater than 5% of the booking value to compensate us for processing the cancellation and any associated refund.

Cancellation fees and charges will not exceed payments received by us at the time of cancellation. If after the application of these fees and charges there is a surplus of payments you have made to us, we will refund this to you within a reasonable time. You agree that these cancellation fees and charges are reasonable and required to protect our legitimate business interests. Any payments we have made to third parties will only be refunded to you once we have deducted the above cancellation fees and charges and once we have actually recovered the amounts from the third parties. We will use reasonable endeavours to recover third party payments, but we make no guarantee that we will be able to make recoveries.

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