

TRAVEL TALK

FEBRUARY 2024 EDITION

Dear Travel Club Members,

Happy New Year, and welcome to 2024! We hope you all had a wonderful and safe Christmas and New Year.

2024 is off to a great start, with Alana escorting 21 Potter Travel members on a 12 Day Southern Discovery Cruise which was enjoyed by all in early January. Bob came out of retirement and was behind the wheel for The Tamworth Country Music Festival Tour which was fantastic and well enjoyed.

There are two **new** musicals—**Chicago** and **Hamilton**—see page 4 for details. We also have an additional date for the musical **Grease**, see page 3.

You made the suggestions and we have listened—There are a number of shorter extended tours on offer such as a 3 Day Christmas in July at **Wisemans Ferry**; 5 Day **Snowies & Alpine Sculptures** Tour; 3 Day **Northern Beaches** Tour; and a 3 Day **Hunter Valley Gardens** in December to see the dazzling Christmas lights display.

And on repeat due to popular demand, 3 Day **Riverboat Postman's Cruise** in May and our ever popular 3 Day **Mystery Tour** in October.

There are a few tours to the right with seats available, but with bookings closing soon, don't delay to confirm your booking.

Looking forward to a great year of coach touring! Happy travelling!

MEMBERSHIP REMINDER

Potter Travel Memberships are per household and are \$20 per year or \$35 for two years. Keep your membership current to receive monthly tour update emails and to keep receiving our quarterly Newsletter. Don't forget to wear your name badge on tour, it helps recognise our group when we are visiting attractions. If you have misplaced your name badge, replacement badges can be ordered through the office.

AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA



Our very popular Annual Morning Tea is back! We will be hosting Australia's Biggest Morning Tea on **Thursday 13 June**, starting at **10am**. A gold coin donation to the Cancer Council is all you need to attend. All staff will be available to book your tours, make payments, answer any touring questions, and you will enjoy a presentation of upcoming tours. Please note that the venue is to be advised. RSVP by 6 June is essential for catering purposes. Call the office to book-6297 8585.

WAITLISTED TOURS

These tours are fully booked—Waitlist Only

AUTUMN MYSTERY TOUR

Departs: Tuesday 5 March 2024

LORD HOWE ISLAND TOUR

Departs: Monday 15 April 2024

BOOKINGS CLOSING SOON

Last minute availability on the following tours:

JERVIS BAY DOLPHIN CRUISE

Departs: Thursday 15 February 2024

PHILLIP ISLAND, STH GIPPSLAND & WILSONS PROM

Departs: Saturday 16 March 2024

DUBBO EASTER TOUR

Departs: Friday 29 March 2024

WEST SIDE STORY

Departs: Tuesday 2 April 2024

19 DAY NEW ZEALAND NORTH & SOUTH ISLAND COACH TOUR

Departing: Tues 17 September 2024

Interested in travelling to New Zealand in 2024/2025? Hosted by a representative from Grand Pacific Tours. Information session at **The Kangaroo's Club, Stuart Street, Queanbeyan** on **Tues 26 March**, starting at **10am**. Numbers are limited. RSVP is essential for catering purposes by 19 March on 6297 8585.

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INTERNATIONAL TOURING



19 DAY NEW ZEALAND North & South Island

Tuesday 17 September 2024

Twin/Double Share: \$9,579 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$12,279 pp



Coach Features

- Premium Economy Comfort
- Max 32 Travellers
- Two Door Access
- Air Conditioning
- Restroom
- Individual Seat Back Tray
- Cup Holder
- Overhead Storage
- USB charging port
- Onboard Wi-Fi

Potter Travel in conjunction with **Grand Pacific Tours**, the New Zealand Coach Holiday Specialist, are pleased to offer you the opportunity to explore this magnificent destination.

Flights ex Canberra included on all NZ Tours.

Contact us for a copy of the **NEW Brochure!**

10 DAY NEW ZEALAND South Island

Thursday 10 April 2025

Twin/Double Share: \$6179 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$7659 pp

9 DAY NEW ZEALAND North Island

Tuesday 11 March 2025

Twin/Double Share: \$5579 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$6929 pp

Sensational Singapore

Expressions of Interest August/September 2024

Let us plan for you an unforgettable exploration of Singapore's diverse attractions, including the following highlights:

- Historical Exploration: Delve into Singapore's poignant history with visits to **Lim Chu Kang** and **Kranji War Cemetery**, paying respects to fallen heroes. Explore the compelling narrative at **Changi Chapel & Museum**.
- Cultural Extravaganza: Indulge in the opulence of a **High Tea at Tiffin Room/Raffles Hotel**.
- Sentosa Adventure: Soar above the city with a **Cable Car Ride to Sentosa Island**, where the **SEA Aquarium**, **Maritime Experiential Museum**, and leisurely lunch await.
- City Story Tour: Unravel the city's narrative through visits to **Singapore City Gallery**, **Chinatown Heritage Centre**, and the iconic **Pinnacle @ Duxton**.
- Floral Marvels at **Gardens by the Bay**: Explore the lush Gardens by the Bay with the **Flower Dome and Cloud Forest**.
- Flights and transfers to and from Airport in Singapore
- Central 4 Star Accommodation



ALANA'S CRUISE NEWS



At the beginning of the year, I played captain to our Potter Travel Group aboard the Ms Noordam on our Southern Australia Cruise. Thanks to Jack's impeccable chauffeuring, we were practically beamed onto the gangway and whisked away upon disembarking, turning the whole Sydney shuffle into a breeze. With smooth sailing, enchanting entertainment and exceptional service, between you and me, we're all itching for a return ticket to this seafaring escapade and below are our latest cruise offerings:

4 Day Escape to Moreton Island

P&O Cruises

Pacific Adventure

Embarkation 23 July 2024
Disembarkation 27 July 2024

Sydney - At Sea - Moreton Island - At Sea - Sydney

Contact us for Prices and Cabin Selection



Includes:

- Luxury coach transfers to and from ship
- Potter Travel Tour Escort accompanying group
- Meals, Entertainment and accommodation onboard
- GST, Port Fees and Taxes

10 Day Tokyo Kyushu Spring Flowers



Princess Cruises

Diamond Princess

Embarkation: 15 March 2025
Disembarkation: 25 March 2025

Cruise available to book in April 2024 with Princess Cruises Ezy Air and packaged with Potter Travel coach transfers and tour escort.

Princess Ezy Air allows you to:

- Cancel flexible airfare up to 45 days prior to departure with no fees. Plus, book flights once available with no amount due until cruise final payment.
- Same Day Late Arrival Protection
- Rest easy that you'll make your cruise if flights are delayed or canceled on the day of travel and get home if you miss flights because of your cruise or transfer.

**Prices and itineraries are subject to change.*

**Minimum numbers apply*

Contact us to join our
cruise mailing list!



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DAY TOURS



RAMSES & GOLD OF THE PHARAOHS **WEDNESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2024 (FULL)** **TUESDAY 7 MAY 2024 (NEW DATE)**

Transport yourself back 3,300 years across the sands of the Sahara Desert where you reach the heartbeat of Ancient Egypt ruled by the most celebrated pharaoh of the country's storied history. Experience one of the greatest collections of its kind in this **Australian-first exhibition**. The exhibit **features 181 priceless artefacts** including many which have never left Egypt before. You will discover a stunningly preserved collection of magnificent jewellery, spectacular royal masks, exquisite amulets and ornate golden treasure of the tomb show casing the superb workmanship of Egyptian artisans. Dinner is **included** at the Campbelltown Catholic Club.

Member Cost: \$190 pp
Non-member: \$210 pp

JUGIONG COUNTRY EXPERIENCE **TUESDAY 12 MARCH 2024**

Nestled amongst towering hills on the banks of the Murrumbidgee River, **Jugiong** is a progressive village that is fast becoming a popular tourist destination and the location for this day tour. Upon arrival meet your charismatic tour guide, Brian. He'll show you the sights and dazzle you with information on Jugiong's history and all the village has to offer. You'll see and hear about the Murrumbidgee River, historic buildings—including the bush school that Richie Benaud attended—pioneering history, bushranger past, aboriginal heritage, spectacular scenery and much more. After the tour you'll enjoy lunch and **live entertainment** with lots of laughs.

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



GREASE THE MUSICAL **WEDNESDAY 27 MARCH 2024 (FULL)** **WEDNESDAY 22 MAY 2024 (NEW DATE)**

Grease is back in an all-new production that promises to be slicker, sexier and more electrifying than ever before! The No. 1 Party Musical Grease returns to the Australian stage in a new, multi-million dollar live production. Featuring dazzling costumes and all those unforgettable songs including: Summer Nights, Sandy, Hopelessly Devoted to You, You're The One That I Want, Greased Lightnin', and Grease is the Word. Get ready to dust off your leather jackets, pull on your bobby-socks as 'bad boy' Danny and 'the girl next door' Sandy fall in love all over again. Dinner is **included** at the Campbelltown Catholic Club.

Member Cost: \$240 pp
Non-member: \$260 pp

BUNDANOON IS BRIGADOON **SATURDAY 6 APRIL 2024**

This annual event in the Southern Highlands has evolved from its 1978 origins into a cornerstone tradition. **Bundanoon is Brigadoon** continues to flourish and the gathering is non-profit, directing \$1.5 Million toward local volunteer and charity groups. Many events during the day including Heavy Weight Distance Stone Putt & Hammer Throw, Bonnie Bairns Highland Dress Competition, Southern Highlands Kennel & Obedience Club, Scottish Highland Dancing as well as individual pipe bands perform throughout the day and much more. A fun day out for all ages.

Member Cost: \$155 pp
Non-member: \$175 pp



COWRA JAPANESE GARDENS **THURSDAY 18 APRIL 2024**

We travel to Boorowa for our morning tea stop then onto Cowra to visit the **Japanese Garden and Cultural Centre**. It is classified by the National Trust as 'A place of Significant Cultural, Architectural and Historic Significance'. The gardens cover 5 hectares, the largest in the southern hemisphere and was built here because of Cowra's special significance to the Japanese. The unique relationship of Cowra and Japan originated on a cold night in August 1944, when more than a thousand Japanese POWs broke out of the prison camp. We enjoy lunch and time to enjoy the gardens then take in some of the other local sights before heading home.

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

& JULIET THE MUSICAL **WEDNESDAY 15 MAY 2024**

From the Emmy-Winning writer of Schitt's Creek; David West Read, this hilarious, inspiring and poignant new musical is a celebration of self-discovery and second chances! Shakespeare gets remixed with some of the world's most loved and glittering pop anthems from legendary songwriter and #1 Hitmaker; Max Martin. Starring Lorinda May Merrypor, Rob Mills, Casey Donovan and Amy Lehpamer. The international smash hit **& JULIET** is coming to Sydney for a strictly limited season! Dinner is **included** at the Campbelltown Catholic Club.

Member Cost: \$230 pp
Non-member: \$250 pp

DAY TOURS



PURE DIAMOND— NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE SHOW THURSDAY 20 JUNE 2024

Today we enjoy a tribute to the life, music and immense talent of song writing genius, **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 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. Today's lunch and entertainment venue is **The Goulburn Soldiers Club**.

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

CHICAGO THE MUSICAL WEDNESDAY 17 JULY 2024

Murder, greed, corruption, exploitation, adultery and treachery.... So begins the international multi-award winning musical, **Chicago**. The longest running musical on Broadway, this scorching hot masterpiece is returning to Australia in 2024. Starring **Anthony Warlow** as Billy Flynn, **Zoe Ventoura** as Velma Kelly, **Lucy Maunder** as Roxie Hart, **Peter Rowsthorn** as Amos Hart and **Asabi Goodman** as Matron 'Mama' Morton. With a glittering score that includes 'All That Jazz' and 'Razzle Dazzle', it would be a crime to miss it!

**Purchase your own dinner at the Campbelltown Catholic Club.*

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



CHRISTMAS IN JULY AT THE ROBERTSON HOTEL THURSDAY 25 JULY 2024

Built in 1924, The Robertson Hotel, located in the Southern Highlands, is steeped in history, with much of it documented in history books and newspapers, but also coming to life by way of locals dropping by with fondly remembered anecdotes and warm nostalgic tales. The Robertson Hotel was named the 'most luxurious Hotel in the Commonwealth' back in 1925. Today, this Hotel remains true to much of its original ambience, but with a fresh modern twist. Enjoy a 3-course traditional Christmas lunch including a welcome drink.

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

CHRISTMAS IN JULY WITH DJ SUE AT THE MURRUMBATEMAN PUB WEDNESDAY 31 JULY 2024

With a later departure time our first stop is **Poachers Pantry** to browse the shop and purchase a warm drink. **DJ SUE** loves to 'party' and knows the songs that people want to hear. With over 12 years in business locally here in Canberra, and at 63 years young, **Sue Freeman** has gone **viral** across the globe with her DJ skills. Featuring on radio and 9 news, the Today Show, and even Australia's Got Talent! Our 2 course Christmas in July Lunch is at the historic **Murrumbateman Country Inn**. Come and sing and dance along with DJ Sue (yes, she is Alana's Auntie) and she can't wait to see you all again!

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



DISCOVER WOLLONDILLY THURSDAY 15 AUGUST 2024

A nice day out to uncover historical and rural charm in the scenic town of **Picton**. Situated in the fertile **Wollondilly Region**, Picton is home to abundant natural beauty, railway heritage, rich history, and delightful streetscapes full of colonial architecture. At Picton Station Precinct, a brief walk to the viaduct offers a closer look at the area's heritage. Our expert guide will delve into local history at sites like Vault Hill, Jarvisfield Estate, Razorback Inn and show us the breathtaking **Razorback Lookout**. Finishing up at St Marks Church with the option to explore the church and cemetery. Lunch is included at a local establishment.

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

HAMILTON THE MUSICAL WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2024

The revolution returns to the Sydney Lyric Theatre. **Hamilton** is the epic saga that follows the rise of Founding Father Alexander Hamilton as he fights for honour, love and a legacy that would shape the course of a nation. With 11 Tony Awards it has also won an unprecedented special citation from the Kennedy Center Honors. With a score that blends hip-hop, Jazz R&B and Broadway, Hamilton has a profound impact on culture, politics and education.

**Purchase your own dinner at the Campbelltown Catholic Club.*

Member Cost: \$250 pp
Non-member: \$270 pp

EXTENDED TOURS



8 DAY PHILLIP ISLAND & GIPPSLAND SATURDAY 16 MARCH 2024

BOOKINGS CLOSING SOON

Idyllic countryside and local identities awaits us as we overnight in Lakes Entrance on our way to Phillip Island. Discover there is more to **South Gippsland** and **Phillip Island** than meets the eye. We visit **Phillip Island**, home of the largest Little Penguin colony in the world where we experience the magic of watching these amazing seabirds waddle home from the ocean to their burrows. Spend your days exploring rolling hills and spectacular shorelines. Journey into **Wilson's Promontory** and cruise along the beautiful granite coast, immersing yourself in its natural wonder. Also visit **Caldermeade Farm and Café** and lunch at the impressive **Fortnums Restaurant** in the midst of the Dandenong's.

Twin/Double Share: \$2895 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$3495 pp

4 DAY DUBBO EASTER TOUR FRIDAY 29 MARCH 2024

BOOKINGS CLOSING SOON

Soak up **Dubbo's** rich culture and natural beauty, packed with scenic landscapes, historic sites and wildlife encounters. Travel via **Grenfell** to visit the Chrysler Car Museum. While in Dubbo witness majestic animals roaming free at the **Taronga Western Plains Zoo**. Visit **Dundullimal Homestead** bearing testimony to the hardships and conditions of colonial life and the heritage listed **Old Dubbo Gaol**. The **Dubbo Regional Botanic Gardens**, the **Royal Flying Doctor Service** and the **Western Plains Cultural Centre** are also on our itinerary. We head home via **Yeoval** and visit the extraordinary **Banjo Paterson Exhibition and Museum**.

Twin/Double Share: \$1275 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1525 pp



2 DAY WEST SIDE STORY TUESDAY 2 APRIL 2024

BOOKINGS CLOSING SOON

Don't miss the wildly popular **West Side Story on Sydney Harbour** with its electrifying, larger-than-life staging, returns to the outdoor harbour stage in 2024. Experience one of the greatest scores ever written for musical theatre, dynamic dance numbers that soar through the open air, and a love story for the ages, complete with live orchestra and fireworks. Perhaps enjoy drinks at one of the pop-up bars as the setting sun glimmers over the city skyline. Then take your seats to enjoy the musical masterpiece that thrills with its electrifying choreography and catchy, complex score including: 'America', 'Tonight', and the enduring 'Somewhere'.

Twin/Double Share: \$895 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1055 pp

4 DAY MAYFIELD GARDENS AUTUMN FESTIVAL THURSDAY 11 APRIL 2024

Enjoy the magical celebration of the Autumn Festival at **Mayfield Gardens** and spend a day here at Australia's largest privately owned cool climate garden. Inspired by the grand estates of England, be a part of the Autumn Festival and get lost in the English inspired maze, see the Croquet Court, the family Chapel and the Chook Hilton amongst many other interesting sights. Our journey takes us via the historic village of Taralga and also enjoy a full day exploring **Bathurst** visiting **Abercrombie House** and **Miss Traill's House**. Visit **Poppa's Fudge & Jam Factory** and also the **Hawkesbury Kelpie Farm**.

Twin/Double Share: \$1295 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1495 pp



5 DAY MULWALA & THE MURRAY MONDAY 20 MAY 2024

Join us on an adventure to the township of **Mulwala** with her very own man-made lake. Witness the unforgettable sight of **Lake Mulwala** with its majestic and ghostly red river gums watching over us in quiet peacefulness, disturbed only by the unmistakable sound of the laughing kookaburra. We stay 4 nights at the **Club Mulwala**, cruise on the quiet waters of Lake Mulwala aboard the '**MV Paradise Queen**' and lunch at **All Saints Estate**. The **Big Strawberry**, **Aintree Farm Organics** and the charming **Byramine Homestead** are on our itinerary. As is the **Museum of Vehicle Evolution**, lunch at the **Tungamah Hotel** and the amazing **Cactus Country**.

Twin/Double Share: \$1295 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1645 pp

3 DAY RIVERBOAT POSTMAN WEDNESDAY 29 MAY 2024

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 at **The Quarters Forrester's Beach**, visits include the **Ken Duncan Gallery**, **Mt Penang Botanical Gardens**, **Henry Kendall Cottage** and the **Gosford Factory Nougat and Chocolate**.

Twin/Double Share: \$995 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1215 pp

EXTENDED TOURS



3 DAY SYDNEY VIVID FESTIVAL TUESDAY 04 JUNE 2024

The **Vivid Light Festival** transforms Sydney into a wonderland of 'light art' sculptures, innovative light installations and grand-scale projections for all to enjoy. It is a magical celebration of light-design excellence and the world's largest outdoor 'art gallery'. Lighting artists, designers and manufacturers from around the world illuminate, interpret and transform Sydney's urban spaces. We have a panoramic view from a dazzling **sunset dinner cruise**. As well as Vivid we enjoy a visit to the new **Allianz Stadium**, the even newer **Sydney Modern Museum** and the **Newington Armory**.

Twin/Double Share: \$1185 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1495 pp

10 DAY BUNDABERG /CORAL COAST TUESDAY 11 JUNE 2024

A journey of discovery that unveils the charms of **Bundaberg** and the southern **Great Barrier Reef**. **Bundaberg** is a quintessential Qld country town with modern city elements just minutes from the coast. Famous for its natural attractions – turtles, whales, manta rays, beaches, rivers and the Great Barrier Reef, which starts here. It is also known for its breweries and distilleries, and the sugarcane and fresh produce that inspired them. Explore the wonder of **Agnes Water** and **Seventeen Seventy** including the 1770 Larc Tour. Visit **Lady Musgrave Island** a protected Island and reef lagoon haven, nestled within the Southern Great Barrier Reef and enjoy the coastal gems of **Bargara** and **Mon Repos**.

Twin/Double Share: \$4575 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$5395 pp



3 DAY CHRISTMAS IN JULY TUESDAY 2 JULY 2024

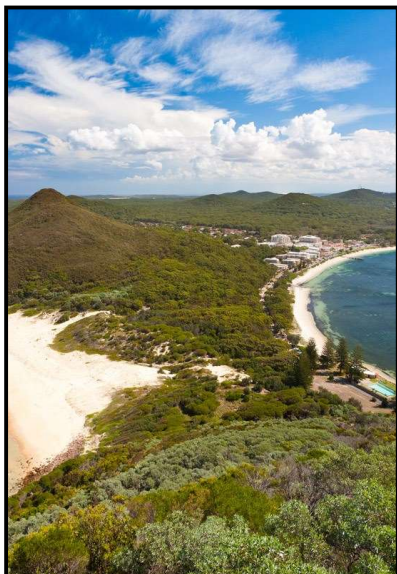
Don't miss our Christmas in July tour to **Wisemans Ferry**. Surrounded by beautiful national parks, it is a rustic village on one of Australia's famous **Hawkesbury River**. Travel via the historic river town of **Windsor** before 2 nights at the **Retreat At Wisemans Ferry**. A highlight is our **Christmas In July luncheon cruise** on the **Nepean Belle**, with the opulent scenery of the **Blue Mountains National Park** around us. The **Nepean Belle** is a romantic old-world style paddlewheeler, reflecting the grace and charm of yesteryear. Sit back and take in the glorious views as we meander through the spectacular **Nepean Gorge**, a wonderful and unique way to celebrate Yulefest!

Twin/Double Share: \$1070 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1250 pp

11 DAY NOOSA & TWEED VALLEY WARWICK JUMPERS & JAZZ FESTIVAL SATURDAY 20 JULY 2024

Discover the scenic wonders of **Southeast Queensland** and the **NSW Far North Coast** on this coastal and hinterland adventure throwing in an unusual southern Queensland Festival as well. Head north to **Stanthorpe** to spend a day at the **Warwick Jumper & Jazz Festival** then continue onto **Noosa** for 3 nights. **Cruise** the pristine **Noosa River** and into the dark, tranquil, mirrored waterways of the **Noosa Everglades** and tour the **Blackall Ranges**. Then head to the **Tweed Valley** and visit **Tropical Fruit World** and enjoy lunch at **Tumbulgam** on the **Tweed River**. We also join **Tweed Eco Cruises** and visit a bush tucker garden at **Banana Cabana**.

Twin/Double Share: \$4695 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$5835 pp



5 DAY WINTER GETAWAY TEA GARDENS & PORT STEPHENS MONDAY 5 AUGUST 2024

Join us on this gentle, unhurried tour as we unveil hidden wonders in a corner of the mid north coast. The idyllic village of **Tea Gardens** beckons us to a tranquil haven from which we explore the mosaic of its environs. Visit the **Bulahdelah Clydesdales** and take a scenic luncheon cruise on **Lake Wallis** at **Forster**. The picturesque town of **Morpeth** and the National Trust property known as **Grossman House** are on the itinerary. Take in the beauty of **Port Stephens** with visits to **Medowie Macadamias**, **Fighter World**, lunch at **Tailor Made Fish Farm** and **Cookabarra Restaurant** and a visit to **Irukandji Shark & Ray Encounters**.

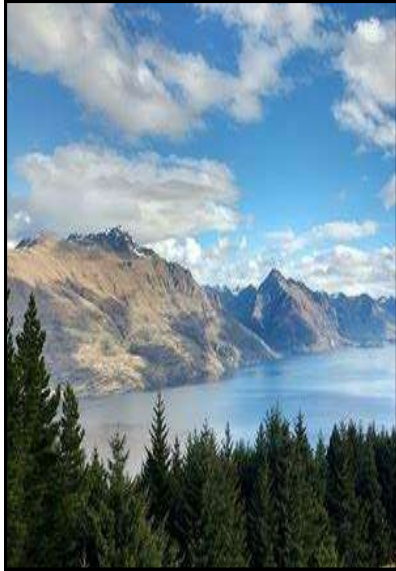
Twin/Double Share: \$1795 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$2125 pp

8 DAY LIGHTNING RIDGE & MOREE FRIDAY 16 AUGUST 2024

The 'Ridge' abounds with colourful characters, barrels of dreams, and experiences! The locals pride themselves on a wonderful sense of eccentricity, reminding us that the Australian spirit is not a thing of folklore. Travel via **Dubbo** to spend 3 nights in **Lightning Ridge**. See **Stanley**, the **Big Bird**, **Cooper's Cottage** and drop into the **Cactus Farm**. Experience an underground mine and marvel at the underground sculptures in the **Chamber Of The Black Hand**. The **Walk In Mine** and the **Hidden Gem**, a unique off grid art camp. Stay 2 nights in **Moree** seeing the many cotton farms and visit the **Pecan Farm**. Enjoy free time to visit the **Moree Artesian Aquatic Centre** before heading home.

Twin/Double Share: \$2950 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$3495 pp

EXTENDED TOURS



7 DAY BROKEN HILL MONDAY 2 SEPTEMBER 2024

Uncover stories of resilience, dedication and artistic brilliance that have shaped Broken Hill's identity. Celebrate the profound impact of art and healthcare in remote regions while honouring the rich cultural legacy that makes Broken Hill extraordinary. Travel via Hay and **Mildura** before 4 nights in Broken Hill. The town 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. See the awe-inspiring **Line of Lode**, the Silver City Mint and Art Centre, the **Royal Flying Doctor Service** and Absalom and Pro Hart galleries. Visit Silverton plus the captivating **Living Desert & Sculptures**.

Twin/Double Share: \$2390 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$2850 pp

19 DAY NEW ZEALAND—NORTH & SOUTH ISLAND COACH TOUR TUESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2024 *GUARANTEED DEPARTURE DATE*

Fully Escorted tour includes return airfares from **Canberra**, Premium 32 seat touring vehicle, 4 star accommodation, most meals, sightseeing & attractions. Highlights include **Hole in the Rock**, **Dolphin Cruise**, Skyline Rotorua Gondola and Luge Ride, **Thermal Mud Pools & Geysers**, Māori Hāngi & Concert, **Marlborough Winery & Tasting**, TranzAlpine Rail Journey, **Cruise Lake Wakatipu**, Milford Sound Cruise including Lunch, **Guided Tour of Larnach Castle** including Devonshire Tea and city sights of Auckland, Napier, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin. Contact the office today to receive the glossy, full colour touring brochure.

Twin/Double Share: \$9579 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$12,279 pp



8 DAY NORFOLK ISLAND WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2024

Norfolk Island is a volcanic island made up of undulating hill country, with steep cliffs rising from the ocean and a fascinating history. Discovered by Captain Cook it was twice settled and abandoned as a **Convict Settlement**. The original buildings of these settlements are beautifully restored. Its third and permanent settlement came with the relocation of the descendants of the famous **Mutineers of the Bounty** from the tiny island of **Pitcairn**, 3000 miles to the east in the mid 1800s. Today descendants of these families are prominent on the island. We fly from Canberra and our accommodation is at the **South Pacific Resort** and our touring is with **Baunti Tours**. Return flights included in cost.

Twin/Double Share: \$3685 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$4245 pp

5 DAY SNOWIES & ALPINE SCULPTURES FRIDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2024

Tumut greets us with lush and fertile countryside, surrounded by streams and rivers. The streets of this charming town are adorned with poplars, elms, oaks and maples creating a picturesque scene. Enjoy a 4 night stay here and visit **Tumut Valley Violets**, **Tumbarumba** and lunch at delightful **Courabyra Wines**, nestled against the backdrop of the Snowy Mountains. Be captivated by the marvel of artistic expression of the **Snowy Valley Sculpture Trail**, stop at the **Southern Cloud Memorial Scenic Lookout**, a solemn tribute to Australia's greatest air mystery and enjoy lunch at **Braymont Gardens**, a haven of natural beauty spanning six acres. **Yarrangobilly Caves** and the heritage listed township of **Adelong** are also on our itinerary.

Twin/Double Share: \$1640 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1970 pp



12 DAY PERTH & SOUTH WEST WA SUNDAY 6 OCTOBER 2024

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 **Rottne 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 a cruise at **Mandurah** then a final night in Perth before flying back to Canberra. Return flights included in cost.

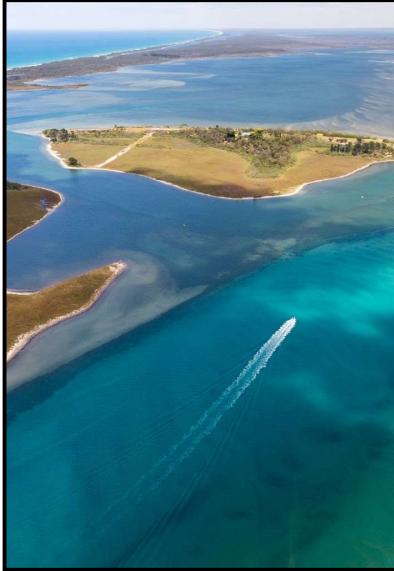
Twin/Double Share: \$5850 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$6920 pp

3 DAY SPRING MYSTERY TOUR WEDNESDAY 16 OCTOBER 2024

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: \$1020 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1250 pp

EXTENDED TOURS



3 DAY RELAXING NORTHERN BEACHES OCTOBER 2024

Join us as we base ourselves in **Manly** for 2 nights. Featuring some of the most notable beaches in the world, stunning waterways and fantastic scenery at every turn. Visits include **McLean** and **Arabanoo Lookouts**, and a visit to **Palm Beach**, where the beach scenes for 'Home & Away' are filmed. Enjoy a relaxing cruise on the waters of **Pittwater**. Travel on the ferry to **Watsons Bay** for lunch at **Watsons Bay Boutique Hotel** before returning home. With ample free time to enjoy the pristine beaches, browse the shops or simply soak up the atmosphere. Grab your girlfriends, pack your bags, lets enjoy a short trip away.

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4 DAY LAKES ENTRANCE MONDAY 28 OCTOBER 2024

Our Spring short break takes us to spectacular **Lakes Entrance** for 3 nights. Visit the **Orbost Exhibition Centre**, located on the Snowy River then travel to Marlo where the Snowy meets the sea. The **Historic Marlo Hotel**, perched on the hill overlooking the estuaries, gives a wonderful view while enjoying lunch. Travel to **Paynesville** and join a ferry to the nature-based **Raymond Island**. Meet Wayne, a very special horseman and enjoy a live **Stockyard Show** demonstration with whip cracking, music, singing and working dogs. He was Tommy Woodcock's Foreman, so we will be regaled with stories of Phar Lap and see a collection of Phar Lap memorabilia.

Twin/Double Share: \$1080 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1230 pp



8 DAY O'REILLY'S & JACARANDAS MONDAY 28 OCTOBER 2024

From the seclusion of the **O'Reillys Rainforest Retreat** our enchanting escapade also takes in the NSW north coast. Travel via **Tenterfield**, a town immortalised by Peter Allen in his tribute song, The Tenterfield Saddle. Enjoy 2 nights in the beautiful **Lamington National Park** and the breathtaking scenery surrounding O'Reilly's. Multiple short nature walks await, including the renowned **Tree Top Walk** and the **Bird Walk** as well as a **4WD tour**, taking us to **Moran's Falls**, the **Wishing Tree** and **Pats Bluff**. From here we head to the NSW north coast for 2 nights in **Ballina** before taking in the **Grafton Jacaranda Festival** as we make our way down the coast to home.

Twin/Double Share: \$3130 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$3760 pp

3 DAY HUNTER VALLEY LIGHTS TOUR TUESDAY 3 DECEMBER 2024

Enjoy a short break to the **Hunter Valley** that takes in the spectacular **Christmas Lights** at the magnificent Hunter Valley Gardens. First we venture to **Kurri Kurri** to explore the outdoor public artworks on display that unfold a story of events that shaped the town's character. We enjoy an acclaimed cabaret-themed luncheon show at **Aunty Molly's** with laughter and singalongs starring Toni Stevens (aka Toni McLean/Aunty Molly). As the sun begins to set we visit the enchanting **Hunter Valley Gardens**. Watch as the gardens burst into brilliance with the **Christmas Lights Spectacular**. Be dazzled by over 4 million Christmas lights that illuminate the snow-dusted trees and many displays that will create lasting memories.

Twin/Double Share: \$995 pp
Sole Occupancy: \$1145 pp



KANGAROO ISLAND & ADELAIDE SPRING 2025

Create lasting memories of extraordinary wildlife encounters and nature experiences that will be cherished for a lifetime. We travel via **Echuca** and the **South Australian Riverland** to **Kangaroo Island** stopping along the way to visit the **Monarto Safari Park**. Enjoy **3 nights** on **Kangaroo Island** which offers a remarkable array of wildlife and today presents a special opportunity to engage with some of that incredible wildlife. Marvel at **Seal Bay** and the remarkable **Flinders Chase National Park** and explore local enterprise such as the delightful **Clifford's Honey Farm** and the **Emu Ridge Eucalyptus Distillery**. Enjoy an overnight stay in **Adelaide** before flying home.

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FLINDERS RANGES & LAKE EYRE SPRING 2025

Embark on an unforgettable trip to the **South Australian Outback**. Explore dramatic and beautiful landscapes, 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 a place rich in Aboriginal history and home to an array of wildlife, making it one of South Australia's iconic destinations. We also visit historic **Marree**, known as the gateway to spectacular **Lake Eyre**. Take to the skies on an incredible scenic flight to look at the spectacular **Kati Thanda - Lake Eyre** and highlights of the region such as the Dog Fence and the Marree Man. An outback adventure not to be missed!

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