

OPERA BY THE LAKES

FRIDAY 19TH MARCH 2027 - TUESDAY 23RD MARCH 2027



5 Days



Lakes Entrance, VIC



\$3450 pp Twin/Double Share
\$3680 Sole Occupancy

Opera by the Lakes is a highlight event that brings people together, set in one of the most breathtaking locations in Victoria!

Experience the beauty of East Gippsland on this unforgettable 5-day escape to Lakes Entrance, featuring the spectacular Opera by the Lakes at stunning Nyerimilang Heritage Park overlooking the Gippsland Lakes. This much-loved event has run for over 10 years and showcases world-class Opera Australia performers in a breathtaking outdoor setting, blending opera favourites, musical theatre classics and contemporary entertainment. Along the way, enjoy beautiful lake and coastal scenery, local food and wine, a relaxing cruise, and visits to regional highlights including Wyanga Park Winery, the Sea Shell Museum and Orbost Exhibition Centre. Combining music, nature and regional hospitality, this tour promises a truly memorable getaway.

PICK UP TIMES

7:00 am Riggall Place, Lyneham
7:20 am Canberra City Bus Stop
7:50 am Platform 6, Woden Bus Interchange
8:00am Crawford Street, Queanbeyan

*Potter Travel Team and
the Deane Family x*

INCLUSIONS

- Luxury Coach Travel
- 4 nights motel accommodation
- 4 motel cooked breakfasts
- 2 motel two course dinners
- Lunch at Mallacoota Hotel Motel Bistro
- Guided town tour of Lakes Entrance (step on guide)
- Wine tasting, lunch and one way cruise (45min) with Wyanga Park Winery
- Dinner at Central Hotel
- Dinner at Soda Fish -Seafood on the lake
- Ticket to Opera by the Lakes including boxed lunch
- Visit to Jemmys Point Lookout
- Entry to Griffiths Sea Shell Museum
- Entry, talk and tea/coffee at Orbost Exhibition Centre
- Lunch at The Marlo Hotel
- Lunch in Bombala





CANBERRA TO LAKES ENTRANCE

Day 1 - Friday 19th March 2027 (LD)

Welcome aboard our tour to Lakes Entrance, where we base ourselves for the incredible Opera by the Lakes. Sit back and enjoy the ever-changing scenery as we travel through Cooma to the beautiful coastal town of **Mallacoota**, surrounded by pristine waterways, national park and untouched wilderness. Enjoy time here for our lunch break before continuing on to Lakes Entrance, one of Victoria's most loved seaside destinations.



After settling into our accommodation, perhaps take a stroll along the Esplanade, admire the impressive timber artwork of the unique World War I Avenue of Honour. Carved by local artist John Brady from dead cypress trees. Soak in the atmosphere as the sun sets over the fishing fleet and sparkling waterways. Dinner tonight is at the hotel.

Lakes Entrance RSL Glenara Motel | 4 nights



LAKES ENTRANCE

Day 2 - Saturday 20th March 2027 (BLD)

This morning a **local expert** joins us on the coach for a captivating exploration of the town, delving into its stories and legends. Later this morning we head across to **Wyanga Park Winery** which overlooks the North Arm at Lakes Entrance. It is the oldest vineyard in East Gippsland and is a beautiful venue for lunch. We can try some of the excellent wines this mild, maritime climate helps to produce and enjoy the eye-catching exhibition of art that decorates the winery walls. Return to Lakes Entrance via a relaxing cruise from the winery. Dinner tonight will be at the **Central Hotel**.





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Day 3 - Sunday 21 March 2027 (BLD)

We have the morning to ourselves before heading to **Nyerimilang Heritage Park for Opera by the Lakes**. Set on a clifftop with sweeping views over the lake system, this stunning natural amphitheatre is home to soaring white-bellied eagles and 167 hectares of National Park, including historic buildings and an 1890s homestead. Featuring world-class opera singers and music theatre performers, this will be a highlight of the tour. Seating will be provided, with wine and afternoon tea available for purchase. It's an afternoon of music, nature and exceptional regional hospitality. Dinner tonight is at the hotel.



LAKES ENTRANCE AND ORBOST

Day 4 - Monday 22nd March 2027 (BLD)

After a wonderful day at the opera yesterday we have a slightly later start as we stop at **Jemmys Point Lookout** for great views of the lakes and Bass Strait. Then we have time to visit the **Sea Shell Museum** with its amazing treasure trove of shells and marine life and surprisingly a miniature train on display. Late morning we make our way to Orbost where we take time to view the **Orbost Exhibition Centre**. Located on the Snowy River, the exhibition is all about timber and includes the National Collection of Wood Design, which is on permanent display here. Ready for lunch we venture on to Marlo, where the Snowy meets the sea. Perched on the hill overlooking the estuaries, the **Historic Marlo Hotel** offers a wonderful view as we enjoy our lunch before returning to Lakes Entrance. Tonight we have a farewell dinner on the wharf at **Sodafish seafood restaurant**.



HOMeward BOUND

Day 5 - Tuesday 23rd March 2027 (BL)

Farewelling our Lakes Entrance hosts, we begin our journey home, travelling through the picturesque landscapes of East Gippsland and the Monaro region. Along the way, enjoy views of rolling farmland, forests and the open high-country scenery surrounding Bombala and the Southern Tablelands. We'll stop in **Bombala** for a relaxing lunch break before continuing on to Canberra, completing our memorable tour.



BOOKING TERMS & CONDITIONS

It is important that you read these conditions carefully to ensure that You understand Your rights and obligations. Payment of deposit or other charges constitutes acceptance of these terms. This applies equally to all persons included in the reservation.

Payments: A non-refundable, non-transferable deposit is required within 7 days of receiving written confirmation of your booking. Potter Travel may cancel the booking if this deposit is not received within that time. **The deposit for this tour is \$250 per person.** The final payment is due by **Friday, 15 January 2027.**

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- 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.
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- A fee not greater than 5% of the booking value to compensate us for processing the cancellation and any associated refund.
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