

SYDNEY HARBOUR ESCAPE

Lady Hopetoun Jacaranda Cruise and Sydney Cooking School



WEDNESDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2026 – FRIDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2026



3 Days



Sydney, NSW



\$1680 pp Twin/Double Share
\$2090 Sole Occupancy

Sydney turns purple every November! ❤️ Experience three unforgettable days surrounded by Sydney's spectacular jacarandas in full bloom — plus a brand NEW Sydney Cooking School experience, and some Christmas shopping!

Experience the magic of jacaranda season on this showstopping Sydney getaway! Travel in comfort from Canberra straight to Sydney's Fish Market for a private Aussie Seafood Barbecue class, cooking up the freshest catch before sitting down together to enjoy it. Settle into your central hotel for two nights, then cruise the harbour's purple-fringed bays aboard the historic steam launch Lady Hopetoun. Enjoy a picnic lunch on deck, followed by boutique browsing at Birkenhead Point and a relaxed group dinner.

The colour keeps coming on day three! Early risers can catch Sydney's famous jacaranda display at Kirribilli before brunch at Farm Cove Eatery, surrounded by the beauty of the Australian Botanic Gardens. From there, it's on to historic Camden for lunch and a drive among its famous jacaranda-lined streets, before the scenic run back to Canberra.

INCLUSIONS

- Two nights Accommodation, Sydney Central
- Private cooking class at Sydney Seafood School, with sit-down lunch and wine.
- Recipe booklet and apron to take home
- Two-hour Jacaranda Harbour cruise aboard the Lady Hopetoun, Sydney Heritage Fleet, with picnic lunch on board
- Group dinner at the hotel
- Brunch at Farm Cove Eatery, Royal Botanic Gardens
- Lunch at Camden Valley Inn
- Free time at Birkenhead Point Outlet Centre
- Luxury coach travel, entry fees and GST

PICK UP TIMES

- 6:00 am** Crawford Street, Queanbeyan
6:30 am Woden Bus Interchange, Platform 6
6:50 am Canberra Theatre Centre
7:00 am Riggall Place, Lyneham





A PRIVATE COOKING CLASS AT SYDNEY FISH MARKET

DAY 1 | Wednesday 4 November 2026 (L)

We travel up from Canberra straight to Sydney's striking new Fish Market for a private group session at Sydney Seafood School — the school all to ourselves, with no other guests to share it with. Settle into the light-filled auditorium for an entertaining cooking demonstration from the school's expert presenters, then tie on your apron and get hands-on in small groups of four or five, working with the freshest daily catch straight off the market floor. There's something wonderful about a kitchen full of the sizzle and smell of a good Aussie seafood barbecue — and even better when you sit down together afterwards to enjoy the meal you've made, with a glass of wine and a recipe booklet and apron to take home as a memento. By mid-afternoon we're settling in for two nights at Rydges Sydney Central, perfectly placed in Surry Hills just minutes from Central Station, with a long, unhurried afternoon to explore the neighbourhood's cafes and laneways.

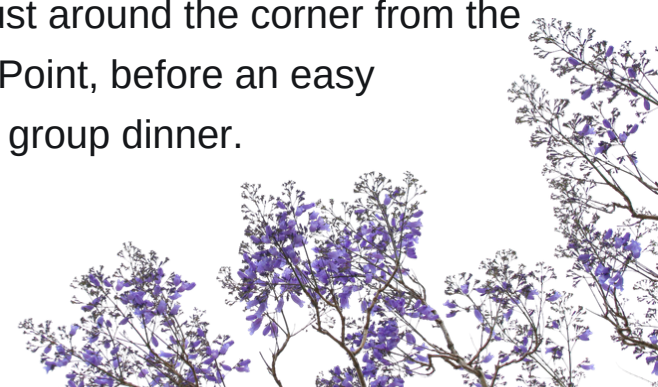
Sydney CBD Accommodation | 2 nights



JACARANDAS FROM THE WATER, THEN SHOPPING

DAY 2 | Thursday 5 November 2026 (BLD)

There's no better seat for jacaranda season than the deck of a heritage steam launch. The Lady Hopetoun is no ordinary boat — built in 1902 and one of the oldest vessels in the Sydney Heritage Fleet, she has carried governors, royalty and generations of Sydneysiders across this harbour. Join her for a two-hour cruise past the Opera House and under the Harbour Bridge, gliding through the purple-fringed bays of the Parramatta River as jacaranda blooms drift on the breeze, with a beautifully packed picnic lunch served right on board — just you, your fellow travellers, and one of the most photographed harbours on earth. Afterwards, just around the corner from the wharf, we browse the boutiques of Birkenhead Point, before an easy afternoon back at the hotel ahead of a leisurely group dinner.





A JACARANDA BRUNCH, THEN HOME

DAY 3 | Friday 6 November 2026 (BL)

An easy morning to start — or, for early risers, an optional self-paced walk to see Sydney's most famous jacaranda display on McDougall Street, Kirribilli, before the crowds arrive, with the coach waiting nearby to bring everyone back together. Everyone comes together for a relaxed brunch at Farm Cove Eatery, tucked beside a garden pond in the Royal Botanic Garden, with time afterwards to wander the Gardens' own spring colour. From there we head out to historic Camden for a hearty lunch at the Camden Valley Inn and a stroll among the town's own jacaranda-lined streets and parkland, before the final scenic run back to Canberra.

Activity Level: Moderate (Level 2)

This 3-day tour combines comfortable coach travel with light to moderate walking on Day 3 (approx. 1–2 km, all on flat, sealed paths). Days 1 and 2 are Easy Pace, built around a private cooking class and a seated harbour cruise. Please note Lady Hopetoun has no wheelchair or walker access. One optional early-morning excursion on Day 3 includes an uneven, sloped terrain section (Wendy Whiteley's Secret Garden) — this is entirely optional and not required to enjoy the rest of the day. Guests who use a walking aid can participate in the full core itinerary; please contact us to discuss the optional Kirribilli excursion specifically.

DEPOSIT

\$500 per person

Due within 3 days
from booking.

FINAL PAYMENT

Due by

Friday 25th September 2026

40 days prior to departure.

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