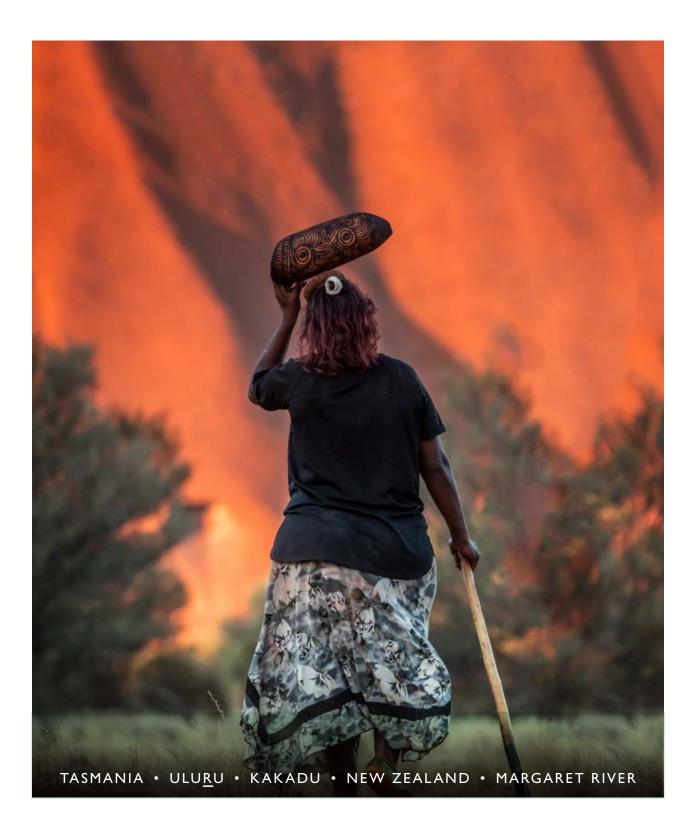


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Meet our vibrant makers and creators, and the local storytellers whose passion it is to share with you the very best of these unique lands.

Delight the senses with exclusive culinary experiences and allow your expert guide to show you the iconic sights that promise moments of awe and wonder.

Your Small Group journey will be expertly curated with no detail forgotten, ensuring your adventure is seamless, stress free and timed to perfection.

With more than 100 years' experience in showcasing these mesmerising locations, we've collected a wealth of unmatched knowledge and passion that allows us to create an unforgettable travel experience for you.



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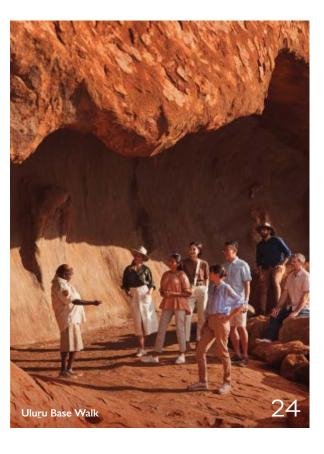


Inspiring Journeys is proud to pay respect to the continuation of cultural practices of First Nations Australian, Torres Strait Islander and Mãori peoples.

The immersive, vast beauty of Australia and New Zealand awaits.

You'll witness the many hues of an outback sunset blend into ochre natural wonders, hear ancient languages spoken and see stories written in the sand. Indulge in adventure, and when it's time to relax, embrace your idyllic surrounds.

This is where your *journey* begins.







#### AUSTRALIA

# Northern Territory Dreaming

11 days · MNCR

The wild majesty of the Top End and the dramatic landscapes of Australia's Red Centre combine on this unforgettable journey.

#### A Journey to the West

7 days · IJWA

Unique Rottnest Island, renowned wine region Margaret River and an enriching Cape Naturaliste Aboriginal cultural experience await you.

#### Outback Contrasts

6 days · CRAA

Witness the rugged landscape of the Red Centre and the ancient cultures that have cared for this land for generations. Tastes of Tasmania 7 days · IJTHBL

> Delve into the untouched landscapes of Maria Island and the Bay of Fires. Head deep into the Tasmanian wilderness and soak up panoramic views of one of the world's most beautiful beaches.

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Kakadu's Ancient Secrets 5 days · MNDD

Be awe-struck by Australia's Top End, where you'll discover untamed waterfalls, vast wetlands and ancient cultures.

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#### **NEW ZEALAND**

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Traverse the dramatic contrasts of the North and South Islands, as you discover the extraordinary natural landscapes and rich ancient heritage.	
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Experience natural wonders, from the luminous glowworms of the Footwhistle Cave and native redwood giants, and be immersed in the rich Māori culture alive in the North Island.

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# THE INSPIRING JOURNEYS EXPERIENCE



Meet Journey Director,

Countrey

'You can relax knowing that every step of the way you are in the hands of our experts, who are continuously trained and highly experienced. From start to finish, we'll be there making sure your journey is outstanding.'



Learn more about Mel & Mike's stories on Flavours of South Australia, pg 40.



Meet Winemakers,

Mel + Mike

'Down a narrow gum-lined track next to some endearing alpaca, you'll find the McLaren Vale's beautiful Gemtree vineyard. From their spectacular eco-friendly tasting room, these passionate winemakers will share stories of their unique organic and biodynamic winemaking process. Learn about the vines which are planted, grafted and harvested according to the phases of the moon, and hear how they harvest with care, respecting and nurturing the land.'

Meet Mana Wahine,

Rosie

'In the geothermal wonderland of Rotorua, cultural performer Rosie, a woman of spiritual power and strength invites you to discover the true heart and soul of Māori culture. At Te Pā Tū Māori Experience, the descendants of Māori warriors welcome you to sacred grounds, introducing you to the wisdom of their ancestors. Listen to the master storytellers, understand the language of the Moko tattoo, taste the earthy flavours of a traditional Hāngī feast and hear the echo of the Taonga Pūoro.'

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## Independent reviews from our guests

"The trip was full of highlights, there were no disappointments."

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""It was a well planned out trip. Tour guides n drivers were knowledgeable. Choice of locations great. Trip was well planned n pace was good."

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# HANDCRAFTED BY OUR EXPERTS TO CREATE YOUR JOURNEY of a lifetime.

The Inspiring Journeys experience is designed for immersion and authentic connection; it is the ultimate showcase of your chosen destination.

## Small Groups

With a maximum of 22 guests, your intimate, small group journey will grant you access to exclusive experiences and lodgings which are out of reach for larger groups.

# Only Outstanding Experiences

Crafted by our experts, each highlight has been carefully selected and seamlessly planned to deepen your connection with these mesmerising lands.

## Your Journey Director

Inspired by a passion for your destination, Journey Directors are brimming with knowledge, stories and expertise. Their captivating insights will give you a fascinating window into every part of your journey, allowing you to understand your chosen destination in depth.

## Luxury Vehicles

With vehicles designed for the rugged outback landscapes and luxury coaches with complimentary refreshments for longer coastal journeys, simply sit back, relax and enjoy the view.

## 4-5 Star Hotels

Craggy Range winery,

New Zealand

From the charm of heritage listed lodgings with tales, myths and legends waiting to be discovered, to riverside mountain view chalets, know that your premium stay will always be in the true heart of your destination.

# Included Gourmet Dining

From award-winning restaurants that will enrich your palate to distinctive flavours from the native bushland, your unforgettable dining will be perfectly paired with local wines and an experience that inspires all the senses.

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# INNERS yourself in *new* experiences

Dive in deep and absorb every small detail of your destination. Embrace the opportunity to connect with descendants of ancient cultures. Go behind the scenes to experience life like a true local. Immerse yourself in the sights, smells, sounds, and folklore that make every stop on your journey a memorable one.

Look for this icon to find Immerse highlights

**Mona, Hobart** Experience this on 'Tastes of Tasmania', pg 34

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The Old Quarry, Alice Springs Northern Territory

In the Northern Territory, enjoy an authentic Aussie BBQ under the stars. In this 1930s gold rush quarry, you'll learn how to make homemade rum and raisin damper baked on the fire, watch kangaroos rest on the quarry tops, dance to the resident bush band's rustic tunes and hear stories of life in the Red Centre.

Experience this on **Outback Contrasts, pg 32.** 



Karrke Aboriginal Cultural Experience, Northern Territory

Discover Australian Aboriginal bush tucker (mai), hear stories in the Luritja and Pertame (Southern Aranda) language and discover the importance of bush medicines, dot painting, witchetty grub and wooden jewellery near Kings Canyon in Watarrka National Park.

Discover Peter's stories Northern Territory Dreaming, pg 24.

# INDULGE your senses

Meet the growers and producers while indulging in the local delicacies of unique communities.

Savour award-winning wines, sample First Nations inspired cuisine and embark on a culinary journey as you unwind in spectacular surrounds.

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> **Agrarian Kitchen Eatery, Tasmania** Experience this on 'Tastes of Tasmania', pg 34

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# Under a Desert Moon, Kings Canyon Resort Northern Territory

Set in the wilderness under a canopy of the southern night sky, enjoy an evening Under a Desert Moon. With the fire softly burning and a degustation menu of classic Australian delicacies paired perfectly with wines, you'll fall in love with Kings Canyon, and all the Red Centre has to offer.

Experience this on **Outback Contrasts, pg 32.** 



Craggy Range Winery, Hawke's Bay North Island

Family-owned Craggy Range, in the beautiful Hawke's Bay region, is situated in the shadow of Te Mata Peak. Dine at the exceptional two-hatted restaurant, enjoying some of New Zealand's finest produce with homegrown herbs, fruits and vegetables straight from the kitchen garden, paired with wines famous for their incredible aromatics, purity and complexity.

Experience this on **The Endless Shores, pg 60.** 

# EXPLORE boundless landscapes

Embrace your adventurous spirit and embark on an epic exploration. Visit the wondrous places you've dreamt of, discover hidden gems and insider experiences that may become the highlight of your trip. Walk, cycle, swim, see wildlife – or simply just soak up the awe-inspiring scenery.

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 Explore highlights

**Milford Sound/Piopiotahi, South Island** Explore on 'The Southern Drift', pg 52

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## Nitmiluk Gorge Cruise, Northern Territory

Explore one of the most spectacular areas in Australia as you cruise down Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge in Nitmiluk National Park. Journey through these tranquil surroundings where the world of the Jawoyn culture and history comes alive. As you indulge in a three-course candlelit dinner, sparkling wine in hand, watch the sun set down the vast Gorge walls.

Experience this on Kakadu's Ancient Secrets, pg 38.



# Franz Josef Glacier/Ka Roimata o Hine Hukatere, South Island

Franz Josef Glacier/Ka Roimata o Hine Hukatere (the frozen tears of Hine Hukatere) is where ice caves and tunnels are forever changing, this beautiful formation and 'rock star' will supply you a spectacular view, unique for your eyes only. After a relaxed start your eco-lodge, explore this area with a local guide who will share stories of this mighty glacier.

Experience this on **The Long White Cloud, pg 48**.

# RELAX and recharge

Sit back and relax knowing that your experience will be seamless from the very moment you start planning your journey with us. With every detail taken care of, you can be certain that the curated encounters, scenic destinations and carefully chosen hotels are exactly what you needed.

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Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge Cruise Experience this on 'Northern Territory Dreaming', pg 24

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## Freycinet Lodge, Tasmania

Just around the corner from Wineglass Bay sits Freycinet Lodge within the picturesque National Park of the same name. Settle into your cozy cabin or curl up fireside in the main lodge and wait for an unforgettable sunset.

Experience this on **Tastes of Tasmania, pg 34.** 



Milford Sound Lodge, South Island

Renowned for its rainforests, waterfalls and towering peaks, the beauty of Milford Sound/Piopiotahi will be embedded in your mind for years to come. Take time to unwind in your eco-friendly mountain view chalet, nestled in Fiordland, an exclusive lodging out of reach for larger groups.

Experience this on **The Southern Drift, pg 52.** 

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Inspiring Journeys partners with the TreadRight Foundation, a not-for-profit organisation focused on promoting sustainable tourism.

As a joint initiative between The Travel Corporation family of brands, the TreadRight mission is clear; to have a positive impact on the people and communities we visit, to protect wildlife and marine life, and to care for the planet we call home

To **#MakeTravelMatter** and learn more, visit **TreadRight.org** 

Our goal as a travel provider is to MAKE TRAVEL MATTER<sup>®</sup>. We recognise our responsibility to ensure our impact on the planet we call home, the people we visit, and the rich wildlife we find there, is a positive one. Our work ensures that the impact of our business is positive in two ways; through our TreadRight Foundation, and our sustainability strategy, How We Tread right. The three pillars of our support are:

# PSUPPORTING COMMUNITIES & CUITURES E

We are committed to encouraging the cultures, traditions and arts of the communities we visit to thrive. We do this through our support of Indigenous businesses, and community-based tourism initiatives that build positive futures for community members and their families.

# D SUSTAINABILITY & CONSERVATION

Together with The Travel Corporation, we are dedicated to removing as many unnecessary single use plastics as possible from our supply chains in our holidays and experiences delivered. We continue to reduce most unnecessary single use plastics within all Inspiring Journeys operations and offices.

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In Australia we've partnered with the University of Tasmania in its Save the Tasmanian Devil Programme – the vaccine programme to reduce the threat of extinction of the Tasmanian devil due to Devil Facial Tumour Disease.

# FAMILY VALUES

Inspiring Journeys is a member of The Travel Corporation (TTC), a 4th generation, family-owned business with over 100 years of travel expertise and passion. With a multi award-winning portfolio ranging from luxury hotels and boutique river cruises, to independent holiday package companies and a variety of guided travel experiences, TTC offers something for everyone.

At TTC we provide travel experiences of a lifetime. With our family of 40 travel and hospitality brands that span across 70 countries to choose from, the world is open to your sense of discovery and wonder. Our commitment is to consistently deliver outstanding service, experiences and value to each and every one of our guests, every single time.

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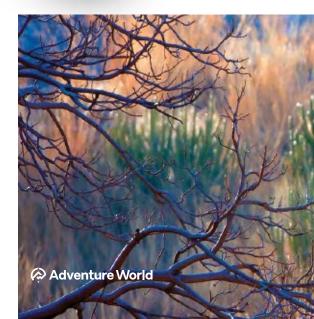


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## COMMITMENT

We are committed to establishing lasting relationships with our guests by exceeding their expectations the first time and every time.

## PASSION

We show pride, energy and determination in all that we do. We are committed to creating exceptional experiences for our guests, employees and Journey Directors.

# CUSTOMERS

We put our guests at the heart of everything we do in order to secure their engagement, loyalty and recommendation.

## RESPONSIBILITY

Through partnering with the TreadRight Foundation, we strive to enhance and protect the communities we work in and to be a good corporate citizen.



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( Kings Canyon, Northern Territory Experience this on 'Outback Contrasts', pg 32.

DELVE INTO A CONTINENT RICH WITH CONTRAST. FIND WONDER IN ANCIENT LANDS.

The diversity of Australia is truly inspiring. Experience the magic of a desert sunrise against the fiery Red Centre landscape, marvel at the kaleidoscope of marine life on the Great Barrier Reef, and walk along rugged untouched coast in Tasmania. Inspiring Journeys' Australia itineraries take you beyond the well-known to experience the hidden gems that reflect the ancient soul of the great southern land.



# NORTHERN TERRITORY DREAM

DARWIN | KAKADU NATIONAL PARK | NITMILUK (KATHERINE) GORGE | LITCHFIELD NATIONAL PARK | ALICE SPRINGS | KINGS CANYON | KATA TJU<u>T</u>A | ULU<u>R</u>U

DAYS

# IMMERSE

Learn the fine art of 'rarrk' painting and discover the ancient Aboriginal art galleries of Kakadu National Park.

# ☐ INDULGE

Unwind on an indulgent Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge dinner cruise and dine at the awardwinning Cicada Lodge.

# EXPLORE

Enter Walpa Gorge, an ancient temple crafted by nature, and keep an eye out for crocodiles on the Yellow Water Billabong.

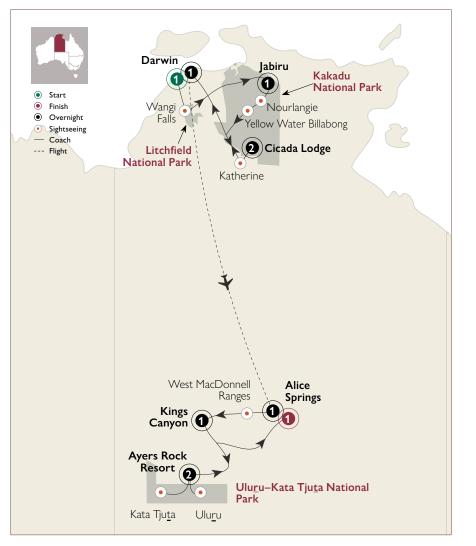
# 💯 RELAX

Unwind at Kings Canyon Resort, and stay in the heart of Nitmiluk at eco-friendly Cicada Lodge.



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Be immersed into the very heartland of Australia and experience its **most sacred landscapes, bountiful National Parks** and thundering waterfalls. Discover the Top End's striking landscape then journey to the magical Red Centre, seeing iconic Uluru, the mystical domes of Kata Tjuta, and windswept Walpa Gorge.



As this journey departs from Hilton Darwin at 7.30am, accommodation will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

#### Day 1: Darwin & Litchfield National Park

Welcome to Darwin! This morning meet your Journey Director and board your luxury vehicle to begin your journey of discovery in the Top End. Travel across the Finniss River to Litchfield National Park.
 You'll visit tumbling Florence Falls and enjoy a swim to cool off at Wangi Falls, surrounded by tropical monsoon rainforest, and hear about its importance in Aboriginal custom before stopping for lunch. This afternoon return to Darwin, where you'll get to know your fellow travellers over dinner with wine.

HOTEL Hilton, Darwin MEALS Dinner with wine

#### Day 2: Darwin – Kakadu National Park

Get ready for a cross-country journey to magnificent Kakadu National Park. Kakadu really is a diverse UNESCO world heritage site. Keep your eyes peeled for crocodiles as you cross the South Alligator River, and Brolgas, Magpie Geese and Jabiru as you traverse

along the long grasses of the marshes and wetlands. After lunch the famous Yellow Water Billabong boat cruise will be a highlight of your journey. You will see a myriad of different bird species, spot estuarine crocodiles and simply enjoy the stunning billabong and floodplains system. This afternoon check into the Crocodile Hotel where you'll have the chance to relax by the hotel's shaded pool or wander through the on-site Aboriginal Art Gallery.

**HOTEL** Mercure Kakadu Crocodile, Jabiru **MEALS** Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

#### Day 3: Kakadu – Nitmiluk National Park

This morning there's a chance to take to the air on an optional scenic flight over Kakadu; one of the best ways to experience the enormity of this wonderful National Park, as well as the diversity from waterfalls and billabongs to flood plains and wildlife. Later, visit Nourlangie to admire the ancient Dreamtime art of the Bininj and Mungguy people. Hear from your Journey Director a detailed interpretation of the art and the rich Aboriginal culture as you explore the various outdoor 'galleries' with art that dates some 20,000 years. Continue driving through the ancient lands of Kakadu National Park. Indulge in five-star luxury at Cicada Lodge, a stunning eco-lodge surrounded by nature, where each room has a private balcony that opens to the National Park. Cool off in the pool after the heat of the day, and then experience a glorious sunset.

**HOTEL** Cicada Lodge, Nitmiluk National Park, 2 nights **MEALS** Breakfast, dinner with wine

#### Day 4: Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge

- This morning meet Dalabon didgeridoo expert Manuel Pamkal and share in his passion for the rich traditional culture into which he was born. Hear about life in the bush and experience first-hand the
- fine art of rarrk (cross-hatch) painting. Later, **board a special dinner cruise on Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge** and learn about the history and culture of the local Jawoyn people.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, Local Dining Experience

#### Day 5: Katherine - Darwin

Emerge from the wilderness to journey north on your return to Darwin, stopping to cool off in the cascading and clear waters of majestic Edith Falls. Later, visit the poignant Adelaide River War Cemetery.

HOTEL Hilton, Darwin

## MEALS Breakfast, lunch

#### Day 6: Darwin - Alice Springs

After a morning flight to Alice Springs your Central Australia Journey Director will share with you their take on what life is like in such an isolated town as Alice Springs. Visit the historic Overland Telegraph Station, site of the first European settlement in the town. Then the stunning landscapes of the West MacDonnell Ranges take centre

stage, as you embark on a walk through Simpsons Gap. HOTEL Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{MEALS}}$  Breakfast, dinner with wine

#### Day 7: Alice Springs – Kings Canyon

Now we're off the beaten track exploring the 4WD Giles Track, crossing dry river beds and outback landscapes to Kings Canyon

Resort. Another unique Local Dining Experience, Under a Desert Moon, awaits you this evening. The flickering glow of the fire is the perfect accompaniment to sparkling wine and canapés followed by dinner, prepared from fresh produce and ingredients unique to the Australian outback.

HOTEL Kings Canyon Resort MEALS Breakfast, lunch, Local Dining Experience

#### Day 8: Kings Canyon - Uluru

Gaze across the deep chasm at the edge of Kings Canyon as you embark on a six-kilometre rim walk past the domed 'Lost City' and the luscious 'Garden of Eden'. If you'd prefer a more relaxed walk

you can stroll along the boulder-strewn canyon creek bed. Immerse yourself in First Nations' culture on a visit to the Wanmarra Aboriginal Community and learn about the Luritja and Pertame people's spiritual connection to the land. Discover bush food and medicine used for spirituality and healing. Leaving Kings Canyon behind travel across desert landscapes to Curtin Springs Station, a vast farming property, for lunch. Afterwards, arrive at Ayers Rock Resort, your launchpad to Australia's heart, in Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. This evening, watch as the outback sun bids a fiery farewell, the perfect backdrop for sparkling sundowners at Uluru. HOTEL Sails in the Desert Hotel, Ayers Rock Resort, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, lunch

#### Day 9: Uluru & Kata Tjuta

Enjoy a relaxed start to the day before exploring, and learning about the spiritual connection the local Anangu caretakers have with the land. Skirt the red walls of Uluru, hear ancient tales and see rock art, then visit Mutitjulu Waterhole. Relax by the resort pool or take to the skies to see Uluru from above before an afternoon visit to Kata Tjuta for a walk through Walpa Gorge. This evening enjoy dinner at Ilkari Restaurant.

MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

#### Day 10: Field of Light - Uluru - Alice Springs

Observe the shifting lights of Bruce Munro's impressive Field of Light art installation as the desert awakens and the sunrise lights up across Uluru. Traverse the vast outback to the hidden gem, Rainbow Valley, a significant site to the southern Arrente people, before arriving in Alice Springs. Enjoy free time to wander around the town. The Todd Street Mall has cafés and Aboriginal art galleries to explore. This evening, immerse yourself against the backdrop of the

outback at our open-air bush BBQ Celebration Dinner. Located off the beaten track in the heart of the East MacDonnell Ranges, you'll enjoy drinks as a bush balladeer sings classic Australian songs and shares stories of outback living, under the Southern Hemisphere's Milky Way.

**HOTEL** Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters **MEALS** Breakfast, Celebration Dinner

# FROM **\$9,725**\* P.P.

TWIN SHARE LAND & INTERNAL-HOLIDAY AIRFARE

#### DEPARTURES

2023				
May	11, 25	Aug	03, 17, 31	
Jun	08, 22	Sep	14, 28	
Jul	06, 20			

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#### INCLUSIONS

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 21+ Unforgettable experiences
- 23 included meals
- 10 Nights premium accommodation

#### NOTES

#### MNCR: DARWIN TO ALICE SPRINGS

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Day prior – flights to arrive anytime into Darwin Airport Day 11 – flights to depart anytime from Alice Springs Airport \*Internal-holiday flight: Please note that the price above

includes land and internal-holiday airfare, which is required to be booked in order to fulfil the holiday itinerary:

Day 6 – Darwin to Alice Springs

 Return airfares from your home port are not included in the price above.

#### Day 11: Farewell from Alice Springs

Relax this morning as your journey comes to an end. You might choose to take an optional hot air balloon ride to experience the scenic landscapes of the outback before your journey comes to an end. **MEALS** Breakfast



# A JOURNEY TO THE WEST

PERTH | PENGUIN ISLAND | BUNKER BAY | BUSSELTON | CAPE NATURALISTE | MARGARET RIVER | ROTTNEST ISLAND | FREMANTLE



# IMMERSE

Discover the land of Cape Naturaliste through the eyes of a First Nations custodian and learn about the history of Busselton Jetty.

# ☐ INDULGE

Discover wine-making philosophy and enjoy VIP tastings at some of Australia's best wineries in Margaret River, including the award-winning Hay Shed Hill.

# EXPLORE

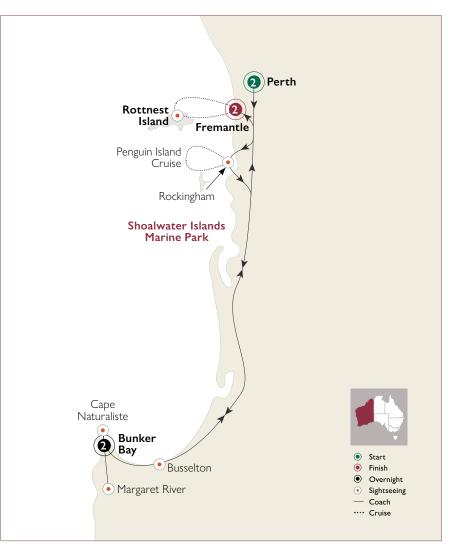
Discover Shoalwater Bay's glorious marine life and meet the colony of the world's smallest penguins, and encounter the adorable quokka.

## 💯 RELAX

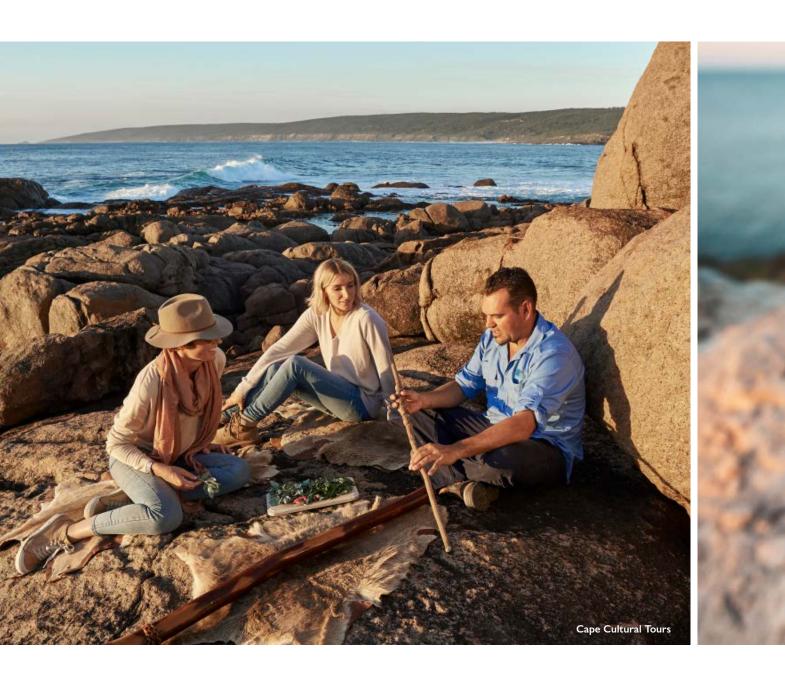
Enjoy the luxurious comfort of the 5-star Pullman Bunker Bay and unwind in the 1850s landmark Esplanade Hotel, located in the heart of Fremantle.







Relax as you enjoy VIP tastings at the Margaret River region's *most picturesque vineyards* and indulge in *exclusive dining experiences* celebrating local produce. Hear *stories of Aboriginal culture* at stunning Cape Naturaliste before discovering marine and bird life at Shoalwater Bay and the idyllic Rottnest Island.



#### Day 1: Welcome to Perth

On arrival in Perth spend time on your own to relax or explore the surroundings. This evening meet your Journey Director and new travelling companions at your hotel for a Welcome Reception with local Western Australian wine and beers along with local produce canapés.

**HOTEL** DoubleTree Perth Waterfront, 2 nights **MEALS** Dinner with wine

#### Day 2: Perth

Your Journey Director will show you the must-see sights including Elizabeth Quay, Yagan Square and you will have time to **explore** Kings Park with its sweeping city views and some of the 3,000 species of the State's unique flora. This afternoon is free for you to relax or explore more of the city. Tonight, you will dine in the

to relax or explore more of the city. Tonight, you will dine in the heart of Perth's historical, cultural and dining precinct at the State Buildings.

MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

#### Day 3: Perth - Penguin Island - Busselton - Bunker Bay

Today you'll head to world-renowned winery region of Margaret River. Your first stop is Penguin Island, which lays in the heart of the ruggedly spectacular Shoalwater Islands Marine Park. Here you (\*) (\*) will board your boat to **cruise through Shoalwater Bay's Wildlife** Sanctuary to see bottlenose dolphins, Australian sea lions and sea birds such as Spinebills and Goshawks. Afterwards, you'll continue south to explore the historic Busselton Jetty that has been standing for more than 150 years. There is the chance to explore the jetty on foot or take the Jetty Train along this 1.7km timber piled jetty that is the longest in the Southern Hemisphere. Nestled on the white sandy beaches your accommodation is the 5 star Pullman Bunker Bay. Enjoy dinner at the Other Side of the Moon Restaurant, where you will dine on an array of fresh locally sourced seasonal produce with local wines.

> **HOTEL** Pullman Bunker Bay Resort, 2 nights **MEALS** Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

#### Day 4: Margaret River & Cape Naturaliste

- Your day begins with a moving 'Welcome to Country' ceremony as part of your First Nations experience at Cape Naturaliste. Your local guide will escort you on an interactive walk around Cape Naturaliste Lighthouse precinct, where they interpret the land through the eyes of an Aboriginal custodian, followed by an artefact interpretation and didgeridoo experience. From Cape Naturaliste you'll drive through the vineyard lined roads to your Margaret River winery experience. Upon arrival, the winemakers will take you on a guided walk through the rolling vineyard, followed
- by a Local Dining Experience at a degustation lunch with matching



wines at Hay Shed Hill. After you have indulged in your long lunch, there is time to explore the quaint town of Margaret River before returning to your hotel.

**MEALS** Breakfast, Local Dining Experience

#### Day 5: Bunker Bay – Fremantle

Leaving the wine country behind you journey back up the beautiful south west coastline towards Fremantle. This afternoon you will **join your local expert guide for an immersive walking tour of historic Fremantle**. Departing from the hotel, enjoy a relaxed, informative and conversational walk and talk that is designed to entertain and educate. Walk into the past, present and future and get unique insight into the well-preserved architectural heritage.

HOTEL Esplanade Hotel Fremantle, 2 nights MEALS Breakfast

#### Day 6: Rottnest Island

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Board a catamaran and escape across the open ocean to the magnificent and historic Rottnest Island, a paradise lovingly referred to by the sun-worshipping locals as 'Rotto'. Take a leisurely stroll along the beach and keep a keen eye out for the friendliest resident, the Quokka. Join a local guide on a Discovery Rottnest tour covering the island's most spectacular locations. Delve into the island's history and culture, its marine and land environments and

# FROM \$5,450 P.P.

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#### IJWA: PERTH TO FREMANTLE

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the diverse flora and fauna. Enjoy lunch before exploring more of the beaches. This afternoon, you'll leave the pristine shoreline and cruise back to seaside Fremantle, where tonight you'll join your fellow travellers for a Celebration Dinner. What better way to toast to a mesmerising journey with Local Western Australian wines matched with the seasonal farm to table menu.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, Celebration Dinner

#### Day 7: Farewell from Fremantle

Exchange phone numbers with new friends as your inspiring Western Australia journey ends. Before you depart, you may like to visit the historic Fremantle Markets. A private vehicle will transfer you to Perth airport for your onward flight.

**MEALS** Breakfast

# OUTBACK CONTRASTS

ALICE SPRINGS | WEST MACDONNELL RANGES | KINGS CANYON | KATA TJU<u>T</u>A | ULU<u>R</u>U



# IMMERSE

Experience true outback life as you enjoy lunch on Peter Severin's million acre property in the heart of the Red Centre.

# ♥ INDULGE

Bask in the glow of the campfire as you indulge in a five course degustation with matching wines in the beautiful Kings Canyon Resort.

# ( EXPLORE

Enter Walpa Gorge, an ancient temple craf by nature, and discover the scenic wonders

# 💯 RELAX

Nestled in the rugged bush, unwind at Kings Canyon Resort, with a private balcony overlooking a beautiful rock escarpment. Witness the rugged landscape of the Red Centre and marvel at the ancient cultures that have cared for this land for generations. Experience the majesty of Uluru, Kings Canyon and view rock art dating back thousands of years, witness striking landscapes and be immersed in the stories of the Dreamtime.

#### Day 1: Welcome to Alice Springs

Meet your Journey Director who will share their take on what life is like in such an isolated town as Alice Springs. Visit the historic Overland Telegraph Station and hear how the north and south of Australia were connected by a single wire. Then **the stunning landscapes of the West MacDonnell take centre stage, as you embark on a walk though Simpsons Gap,** and later view Alice Springs and surrounds from the top of Anzac Hill. This evening join your fellow travellers for a Welcome Dinner at Tali Restaurant.

**HOTEL** Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters **MEALS** Welcome Dinner

#### Day 2: Alice Springs – Kings Canyon

- We head off along the 4WD Giles Track, crossing dry riverbeds and outback landscapes, to Kings Canyon Resort. The flickering glow of this evening's fire, dancing under the canopy of a starry Southern Hemisphere
- sky, is the perfect accompaniment to your **Local Dining Experience 'Under a Desert Moon'**. This degustation menu with matching wines is the perfect end to the day. Sit back and listen to the sounds of the outback come alive at night in the company of new friends.

HOTEL Kings Canyon Resort MEALS Breakfast, lunch, Local Dining Experience

#### Day 3: Kings Canyon - Uluru

Solution of the spellbinding 6 km sunrise Rim Walk, past the sandstone domes of the 'Lost City' and down the stairs to the lush 'Garden of Eden'. Or you can opt for a gentler stroll along the canyon creek bed, treading in the footsteps of the Luritja people who once found sanctuary amidst the ltara trees at the

canyon's base. Then we head off towards Uluru, visiting the local Wanmarra Community to learn about the Luritja and Pertame people's spiritual connection to the land. Discover bush food and bush medicine used for spirituality and healing. Now you'll wander across desert landscapes arriving at Curtin Springs Station, a vast farming property, for lunch. Feel the stirring of something bigger

than you as you arrive at Ayers Rock Resort, your launchpad to Australia's spiritual heart in Uluru-Kata Tjura National Park. As the day fades, the outback sun bids a fiery farewell. Uluru towers over the Northern Territory's remote landscape, the perfect back drop for this evening's sparkling sundowners.

**HOTEL** Sails in the Desert Hotel, Ayers Rock Resort, 2 nights **MEALS** Breakfast, lunch



#### Day 4: Uluru & Kata Tjuta

Enjoy a relaxed start to the day before exploring, and learning about the spiritual connection the local Anangu caretakers have with the land. Skirt the red walls of Uluru, hear ancient tales and see rock art, then visit Mutitjulu Waterhole. Relax by the resort pool or take to the skies to see Uluru from above before an afternoon visit to Kata Tjuta for a walk through Walpa Gorge. This evening enjoy dinner at Ilkari Restaurant.

MEALS Breakfast, Dinner with wine

#### Day 5: Field of Light - Uluru - Alice Springs

Observe the shifting lights of Bruce Munro's impressive Field of Light art installation as the desert awakens and the sunrise lights up across Uluru. Traverse the vast outback to the hidden gem, Rainbow Valley, a significant site to the southern Arrente people, before arriving in Alice Springs. Enjoy free time to wander around the town. The Todd Street Mall has cafés and many Aboriginal art

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**HOTEL** Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters **MEALS** Breakfast, Celebration Dinner

#### Day 6: Farewell from Alice Springs

Relax this morning as your journey comes to an end. You might choose to take an optional hot air balloon ride to experience the scenic landscapes of the outback before your journey comes to an end.

**MEALS** Breakfast

# FROM \$4,795 P.P.

TWIN SHARE LAND ONLY

#### DEPARTURES

2022		2023		
Oct	04, 11	Apr	04, 11, 18, 25	
		May	02, 09, 16, 30	
		Jun	06, 13, 20, 27	
		Jul	04, 11, 18, 25	
		Aug	01, 08, 15, 22, 29	
		Sep	05, 12, 19, 26	
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#### INCLUSIONS

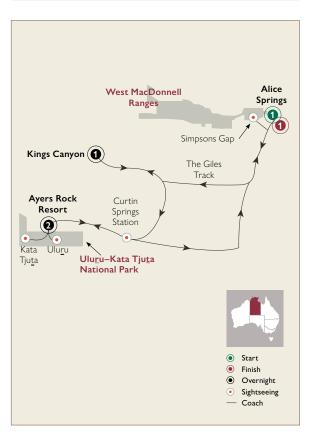
- Small group (22 guests max)
- 10+ Unforgettable experiences
- 11 included meals
- 5 Nights premium accommodation

#### NOTES

#### **CRAA: ALICE SPRINGS RETURN**

- Flights are not included in holiday price.
- Flight Information: Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 12.00pm into Alice Springs Airport

Day 6 – flights to depart anytime from Alice Springs Airport



# TASTES OF TASMANIA

HOBART | TRIABUNNA | MARIA ISLAND | FREYCINET NATIONAL PARK | ST HELENS | BAY OF FIRES | LAUNCESTON

# 🔘 IMMERSE

07 DAYS

> Immerse yourself in the weird and wonderful world of Mona. Meet the stallholders and soak up the atmosphere of Salamanca Market.

# **P**INDULGE

Sample natural Tasmanian ingredients and homemade preserves at the Tasmanian Gourmet Sauce Co. Indulge in a paddock to plate feast of fresh local produce at the Agrarian Kitchen.

## EXPLORE

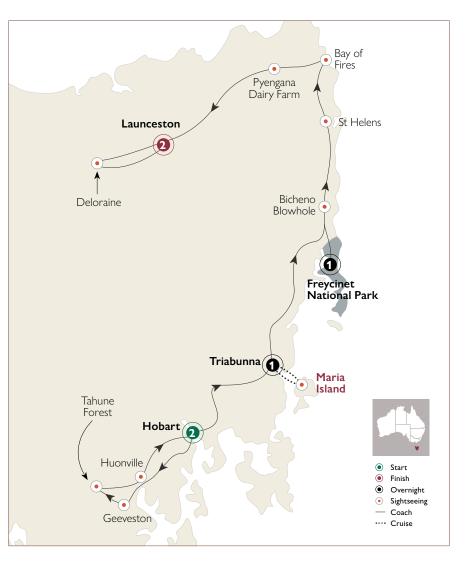
Head deep into the Tasmanian wilderness on the Tahune Airwalk experience. Soak up panoramic views of the one of the world's most beautiful beaches, Wineglass Bay.

## D RELAX

Unwind at Peppers Silo Hotel on the idyllic Tamar River, and enjoy a relaxing night by the sea on Tassie's tranquil east coast.







Meet the producers of some of Australia's **best food and wine** and delve into the untouched landscapes of Maria Island and the Bay of Fires. Head deep into the **Tasmanian wilderness** and soak up panoramic views of one of the world's most beautiful beaches.



As this journey departs from the Crowne Plaza Hotel Hobart at 8.00am, accommodation will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

#### Day 1: Welcome to Hobart

Meet your Journey Director and head out on a walking tour of the historic docks and Salamanca Place. Connect with the local artists as you explore the many galleries and shops hidden in the O old sandstone warehouses. Take in the sights, smells and sounds of the vibrant Salamanca Market as you wander past hundreds of stalls overflowing with local produce, crafts, jewellery, freshly baked goods and artisanal cider. Working up a hunger, you'll head to New Norfolk for a Local Dining Experience at the Agrarian Kitchen Eatery, borne from a longing to grow and cook authentic local food where the ingredients speak for themselves. Afterwards visit the Museum of Old and New Art (Mona). Immerse yourself

in the gallery's weird and wonderful installations and exhibitions, before hopping on the ferry to Hobart for an evening at leisure.

HOTEL Crowne Plaza, 2 nights MEALS Lunch with wine

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#### Day 2: Huon Valley & Tahune Airwalk

Explore the Huon Valley, a region renowned for its fresh produce, wine, seafood and other gourmet delicacies, as well as its natural beauty with pristine rivers meandering through valleys bordered by World Heritage listed national parks. Visit the Honey Pot before going behind the scenes and immersing yourself in traditional

- wooden boat building, lovingly crafted by hand. Stop by the side of the road to taste fresh apples, pears and berries from the local orchards before heading deep into the Australian bush to
  - experience the Tahune Airwalk, an elevated walkway 30 metres above the forest floor offering spectacular views of the Huon River and beyond to the peaks of the World Heritage Area. Working up a thirst, sample some local ciders at Willie Smith's Apple Shed before returning to the city. Indulge in dinner on Hobart's waterfront, with unsurpassed views of the city and Mt. Wellington.

MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

#### Day 3: Hobart - East Coast & Maria Island

- ( Travel to the working port of Triabunna just in time to **catch the** ferry to Maria Island. Rich in Aboriginal and European history, abundant in wildlife, and boasting spectacular views and remarkable geological features, this entire island is a National Park. Explore the convict-built Darlington township, take a walk to the Fossil or Painted Cliffs, or simply relax and recharge by the waterside with your packed lunch full of local goodies. You'll be in good company with an abundance of wombats, kangaroos, wallabies, possums and even Tasmanian devils who all call the island home. This evening,
- Ģ enjoy locally harvested oysters and tiger prawns, or perhaps a succulent Cape Grim Scotch fillet from the state's north-west is more to your taste.

**HOTEL** Eastcoaster Tasmania MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

#### Day 4: East Coast - Freycinet National Park

Ģ Today your adventure begins with a wine tasting at Boomer Creek, a lovely family run, boutique style winery sitting high up in the hills with views to die for! Heading north your next stop is at the region's oldest vineyard. Here you'll meet the makers whilst you indulge in a lunch platter and try some of Tassie's finest wines in their old barn. It's then onto the magnificent Freycinet National Park where you

- may choose to hike the 90-minute round-trip up to the lookout to experience panoramic views of the world-famous Wineglass Bay. For those seeking a slightly slower pace, take a guided walk to the lookout at Cape Tourville that affords you spectacular views across the ocean and golden beaches hidden between rugged rocky
- outcrops. Your afternoon is at leisure as you check into your accommodation at Freycinet Lodge. Take a walk along the beach before your BBQ dinner, or if you prefer, just sit back on the balcony, and watch the sun go down with a cocktail in your hand. HOTEL Freycinet Lodge (1 and 2 bedroom cabins)

**MEALS** Breakfast, lunch with wine, dinner with wine

### Day 5: Freycinet - Bay of Fires - Launceston

- This morning after a light breakfast, journey north travelling through the quaint fishing villages of Bicheno and St Helens before arriving at the glorious Bay of Fires, famous for its crystal-clear waters, secluded, white sandy beaches and orange lichen-covered granite boulders. Explore the Big Lagoon before heading to the southern end, where you'll discover the Gulch at picturesque Binalong Bay. Here you can sit on the rocks and watch the world pass you by as you indulge in some of the best freshly
- shucked oysters that Tassie has to offer.
- From here you'll leave the east coast and head west, **stopping** off at Pyengana Dairy Farm Gate to see the cheese makers at work. Take a tour of the property before enjoying a tasting of the local produce as well as a gourmet lunch platter. On route to Launceston, the capital of the north, you'll stop at the Legerwood Carved Memorial Trees, 25 sculpted statues depicting local soldiers who lost their lives in World War One. On arrival into Launceston, your Journey Director will take you on a circuit of this vibrant hub, known for its food and wine, culture and nature, before checking into your hotel and enjoying a night at leisure.

**HOTEL** Peppers Silo Hotel (River Room), 2 nights **MEALS** Breakfast, lunch



### Day 6: Launceston & Surrounds

Today, enjoy a full day paddock, plate and pantry tour where you will be immersed in all the very best produce that this region has to offer. Visit the home of hazelnuts and try some saucy treats at the Tasmanian Gourmet Sauce Company in historic Evandale.

It's then onto 41 Degrees South Salmon Farm where you'll taste what is arguably the best hot smoked salmon in Tasmania before stopping at Deloraine for a wander and a bite to eat. This

afternoon you'll take a tour of the Western Tiers Distillery and learn how the pristine water sourced from the Highland Lakes and botanicals found from the majestic mountain ranges close by, makes this the perfect spot to produce spirits. Relax and taste some of their fine poitin (Irish spirit), vodkas and gins. Heading back to your hotel, you'll enjoy a special 'Feed Me' 3 course Celebration Dinner with your Journey Director and fellow travellers.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{MEALS}}$  Breakfast, Celebration Dinner with wine

### Day 7: Farewell from Launceston

This morning your Tasmanian journey concludes, and you are transferred to Launceston Airport for your onward flight. **MEALS** Breakfast

## FROM \$5,395 P.P.

TWIN SHARE LAND ONLY

### DEPARTURES

2022		2023		2024	
Oct 1	5	Jan	14	Jan	13
Nov 1	2	Feb	04	Feb	03
Dec 1	0	Mar	11	Mar	09
		Oct	14		
		Nov	11		
		Dec	09		

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### INCLUSIONS

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 8+ Unforgettable experiences
- 15 included meals
- 6 Nights premium accommodation

### NOTES

### IJTHBL: HOBART TO LAUNCESTON

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- Flight Information: Day prior – flights to arrive anytime into Hobart Airport Day 7 – flights to depart anytime from Launceston Airport



### Bruny Island Cruise\*

With a highly trained interpretive guide you'll cruise alongside some of Australia's highest sea cliffs and between towering crags. Enter deep sea caves and feel the power of nature at the point where the Tasman Sea meets the might of the Southern Ocean. Join in the search for the abundant coastal wildlife including seals, dolphins, migrating whales and sea birds.

\*This tour may be taken pre your Inspiring Journey. We recommend you book your optional experience at the same time as your holiday.

# KAKADU'S ANCIENT SECRETS

DARWIN | KAKADU NATIONAL PARK | NITMILUK (KATHERINE) GORGE | LITCHFIELD NATIONAL PARK



## IMMERSE

Visit the Adelaide River War Cemetery and learn of its moving history, and discover the ancient rock art gallery at Nourlangie.

## ☐ INDULGE

Unwind on an indulgent Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge dinner cruise, and dine at the awardwinning Cicada Lodge, where the Chef's menu is crafted daily.

## EXPLORE

Climb Nourlangie for spectacular views over Kakadu, spot crocodiles and other wildlife on Yellow Water Billabong.

## 💯 RELAX

Stay in the heart of Nitmiluk National Park at the eco-friendly Cicada Lodge, where you can enjoy sunset drinks and canapés poolside looking out to the native bushland. Explore Kakadu, an ancient landscape of billabongs, gorges and hidden canyons teeming with spectacular wildlife. Admire rock art and hear stories of the Dreamtime. Embark on a journey to the haunt of the Lightning Man, Aboriginal clans and the crocodiles that roam Kakadu's floodplains.

As this journey departs from Hilton Darwin at 7.30am, accommodation will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

### Day 1: Darwin & Litchfield National Park

Welcome to Darwin! This morning meet your Journey Director and board your luxury vehicle to begin your journey of discovery in the Top End. Travel across the Finniss River to Litchfield National Park. You'll visit tumbling Florence Falls and enjoy a swim to cool off at Wangi Falls, surrounded by tropical monsoon rainforest, and hear about its importance in Aboriginal custom before stopping for lunch. This afternoon return to Darwin, where you'll get to know your fellow travellers over dinner with wine.

HOTEL Hilton, Darwin

 $\ensuremath{\text{MEALS}}$  Dinner with wine

### Day 2: Darwin – Kakadu National Park

Get ready for a cross-country journey to magnificent Kakadu National Park. Kakadu really is a diverse UNESCO world heritage site. Keep your eyes peeled for crocodiles as you cross the South Alligator River, and Brolgas, Magpie Geese and Jabiru as you traverse along the long grasses

of the marshes and wetlands. After lunch the famous Yellow Water Billabong boat cruise will be a highlight of your journey. You will see a myriad of different bird species, spot estuarine crocodiles and simply enjoy the stunning billabong and floodplains system. This afternoon check into the Crocodile Hotel where you'll have the chance to relax by the hotel's shaded pool or wander through the on-site Aboriginal Art Gallery.

**HOTEL** Mercure Kakadu Crocodile, Jabiru **MEALS** Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

### Day 3: Kakadu - Nitmiluk National Park

This morning there's a chance to take to the air on an optional scenic flight over Kakadu; one of the best ways to experience the enormity of this wonderful National Park, as well as the diversity from waterfalls and billabongs to flood plains and wildlife. Later,

- visit Nourlangie to admire the ancient Dreamtime art of the Bininj and Mungguy people. Hear from your Journey Director a detailed interpretation of the art and the rich Aboriginal culture as you explore the various outdoor 'galleries' with art that dates some 20,000 years. Continue driving through the ancient lands of Kakadu National Park to the town of Katherine and further on
- to Nitmiluk National Park. Indulge in five-star luxury at Cicada Lodge, a stunning eco-lodge surrounded by nature, where each room has a private balcony that opens to the National Park. Cool off in the pool after the heat of the day, and then experience a glorious sunset.

HOTEL Cicada Lodge, Nitmiluk National Park, 2 nights MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 4: Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge

Today meet Manuel Pamkal who will welcome you with a traditional performance on the didgeridoo. Manuel was born and raised immersed in his rich traditional Dalabon culture. He'll share with you stories of growing up in the bush and teach you the fine art of rarrk (cross hatch) painting using a special brush from a reed called Julk. Call on the artist within you and paint your own masterpiece to take home! Enjoy lunch back on the deck at Cicada Lodge overlooking the natural surroundings, before time at leisure.

This evening, relax on a Local Dining Experience cruise along Katherine River. Marvel at the gorges while you spot wildlife such as freshwater crocodile and barramundi, and learn about the history and culture of the local Jawoyn people. Enjoy the peaceful ambiance during the candle-lit three course dinner onboard your boat.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, Local Dining Experience



### Day 5: Katherine - Farewell from Darwin

Enjoy a leisurely start to your day or get up early to experience the National Park completely immersed in the mystical morning light. Travel north along the Stuart Highway stopping at Edith Falls along the way for a relaxing dip. Continue to Adelaide River War Cemetery. During WWII, Adelaide River was the headquarters to a large military base and a cemetery was created especially for those who gave their lives in the service and defence of their country. Your Inspiring Journey concludes on arrival in Darwin. **MEALS** Breakfast. lunch

## FROM \$4,365 P.P.

TWIN SHARE LAND ONLY

### DEPARTURES

2022		2023	
Oct	06	May	04, 11, 18, 25
		Jun	01, 08, 15, 22, 29
		Jul	06, 13, 20, 27
		Aug	03, 10, 17, 24, 31
		Sep	07, 14, 21, 28
		Oct	05

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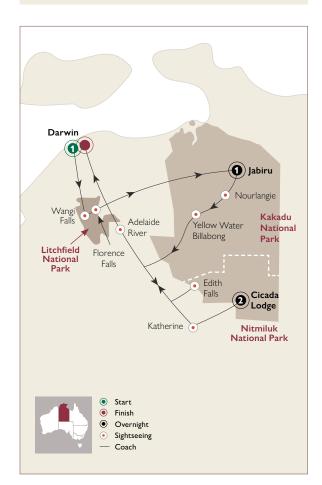
### INCLUSIONS

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 11+ Unforgettable experiences
- 11 included meals
- 4 Nights premium accommodation

### NOTES

### MNDD: DARWIN RETURN

- Flights are not included in holiday price.
- Flight Information:
- Day prior flights to arrive anytime into Darwin Airport Day 5 – flights to depart after 8.00pm from Darwin Airport



## FLAVOURS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

ADELAIDE | THE BAROSSA | ADELAIDE HILLS | HAHNDORF | MCLAREN VALE



### $( \rightarrow )$ INDULGE

Central Market, and Indulge in your love of art at the Salvador Dali exhibition.

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EXPLORE

many artists at work.

## 🖞 RELAX

We invite you to embark on a journey full of local flavours, showcasing the best of the Barossa, Adelaide Hills and McLaren Vale wine regions.

### Day 1: Welcome to Adelaide

Be welcomed into the modern, boutique style Hotel Indigo Adelaide Markets. It's time to unwind and meet your fellow travellers with a glass of local sparkling wine in hand. You'll then effortlessly explore the city in the back of a zero-emission trike, ending at Adelaide Central Market. Meet your expert hosts Cheryl and her team, who'll introduce you to the passionate market stall owners. You will taste signature dishes throughout the market, enjoying a four-course roaming dinner. It is serious fun for those with a passion for great food, and the people who grow and supply Ą it to our tables. You will taste signature dishes throughout the market,

enjoying a four-course roaming Local Dining Experience. HOTEL Hotel Indigo Adelaide Markets

MEALS Dinner with wine

### Day 2: Adelaide - The Barossa

This morning, enjoy a relaxing breakfast before leaving the city for a taste of the country. On arrival, you'll visit Provenance Barossa, home to Penfolds Cellar Door, Barossa Distilling Company, Ember Pizzas and Stein's Taphouse to name but a few. Here you'll have time to wander and to taste the local fare. Next stop is the quaint township of Tanunda. Enjoy a walk and a bite to eat before checking into your accommodation this afternoon. Later, head off to Seppeltsfield Winery for a walk around the JamFactory followed by a behind the scenes look through the estate's treasure trove of historical buildings including the underground blending cellar. Finish up the tour with a delicious tasting of 5 of their famous

 wines. Tonight, enjoy a dinner amongst the vines where you will connect to the region through seasonal plates showcasing local, sustainable produce.
 HOTEL Novotel

**MEALS** Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 3: The Barossa - Adelaide Hills

Your day begins with breakfast overlooking the glorious Jacob's Creek
 vineyards, then add some Maggie Beer's flair to your cooking, in the very studio where Maggie and Simon filmed the Cook and the Chef, at a private demonstration. Sample the many products at her farm
 shop. Leaving the Barossa behind, head through the picturesque

- Adelaide Hills to Barristers Block; a small and friendly family run winery. Here you'll enjoy a wine tasting at their cellar door followed by a leisurely lunch of homemade pizzas and shared local platters. It's then onto historic Hahndorf. Settled by 19th-century Lutheran migrants, it's known for its original German-style architecture and
- artisanal food. To learn more, visit the Hahndorf Academy, home to the German Migration Museum. On arrival, check into your boutique style accommodation for an afternoon and evening at leisure. It will be hard to resist a stroll down the colourful main street where you'll find the Australian Opal Company, the Alpaca Shop or the Hahndorf Leathersmith and Bush Gallery. Tonight, why not head out to taste some true German fare washed down with an ice cold beer?

### HOTEL The Manna by Haus MEALS Breakfast, lunch with wine

### Day 4: Adelaide Hills - McLaren Vale - Adelaide

After breakfast, our journey takes us to the rich landscape of McLaren Vale. Here we visit Gemtree who produce biodynamic wines, a simple way of farming that enhances the soil and the taste. Take a guided tour of their picturesque property to learn about this unique process before trying out some of their wines for yourself. It's then onto the quirky d'Arenberg Cube. This building was inspired by the complexities and puzzles of winemaking. Each of the five levels has been carefully designed to entice and excite the senses. Here, you'll be taken on a journey like no other before arriving at the top floor for a tasting and 360-degree views of

the vineyards. Afterwards, enjoy a delicious lunch with wine at the stunning d'Arry's Verandah Restaurant. There will also be an opportunity for those interested to see the Salvador Dali exhibition. This is our last stop for the day before heading back to Adelaide this afternoon for an evening that's all yours to explore or relax at leisure.

**HOTEL** Hotel Indigo Adelaide Markets **MEALS** Breakfast, lunch with wine



### Day 5: Farewell Adelaide

Your morning is at leisure until you'll venture out one last time for a celebratory farewell lunch at a stunning local restaurant. On saying goodbye to your newfound friends, you will be transferred by private vehicle to the airport for your onward flight. **MEALS** Breakfast, lunch with wine FROM \$3,885 P.P.

TWIN SHARE LAND ONLY

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2022		2023	2023		2024	
Oct	28	Mar	03		Mar	01
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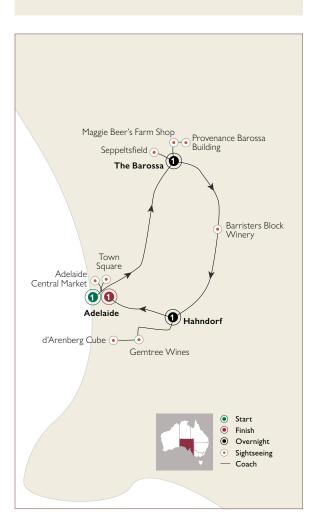
### INCLUSIONS

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 14+ Unforgettable experiences
- 9 included meals
- 4 Nights premium accommodation

### NOTES

### SATA: ADELAIDE RETURN

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- Flight Information:
- Day 1 flights to arrive prior to 2.00pm into Adelaide Airport Day 5 – flights to depart after 5.00pm (Domestic) or after 6.00pm (International) from Adelaide Airport



# INSPIRING AUSTRALIA

CAIRNS | PALM COVE | DAINTREE RAINFOREST | GREAT BARRIER REEF | ULU<u>R</u>U | KATA TJU<u>T</u>A | KINGS CANYON | ALICE SPRINGS | SYDNEY | HUNTER VALLEY

IMMERSE

13 DAYS

> Delve into Aboriginal culture in the Daintree Rainforest and meet host Danny in Alice Springs for an Aussie BBQ in the vast outback.

## ☐ INDULGE

Dine at the Sounds of Silence in Ulu<u>r</u>u and devour Australian cuisine inside the Sydney Opera House at Bennelong.

## EXPLORE

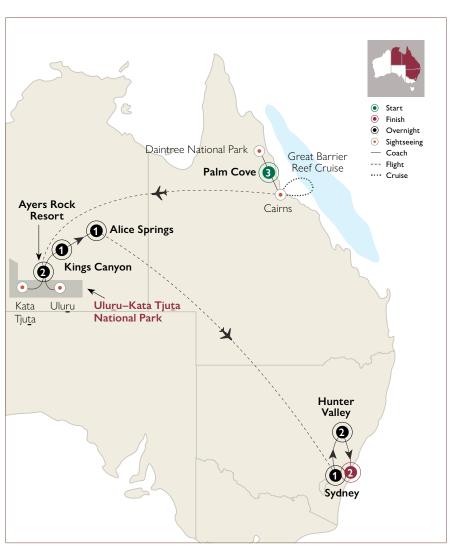
Wander through the domes of Kata Tju<u>t</u>a, snorkel the Great Barrier Reef and cruise on Sydney Harbour.

## 🖞 RELAX

Enjoy serenity at The Langham's star-dappled ceiling pool and stay in the heart of the Tropics at the Reef House Palm Cove.







Venture on a journey through *Australia's most iconic sights*. Experience the ancient Gondwana Rainforests of Northern Australia, majestic Ulu<u>r</u>u in the spiritual Red Centre, and the iconic harbour city of Sydney.



### Day 1: Welcome to Cairns - Palm Cove

Welcome to Tropical Far North Queensland. This afternoon meet your Journey Director and fellow travellers for a Welcome Reception followed by dinner at Reef House Restaurant nestled under Melaleuca trees, overlooking the stunning crystal clear water of the Coral Sea.

**HOTEL** The Reef House Palm Cove, 3 nights **MEALS** Dinner with wine

### Day 2: Daintree Rainforest

Join your Aboriginal guide on an exclusive experience to discover the ancient Daintree Rainforest and gain an insight into the deep relationship the local Kuku Yalanji people have with their land. Learn about cultural traditions, taste bush foods and sample traditional medicine of the Aboriginal people.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch with wine

### Day 3: Cairns Included Choice

Today you can explore tropical Cairns in your own style with an Included Choice option. Either **board a Quicksilver wave piercing catamaran and cruise to the outer edge of the Great Barrier Reef**. The professional crew will take you to an underwater world that is a dazzling kaleidoscope of colour and brilliance. Or if breathtaking rainforest speaks to you, your day begins on the Scenic Railway. Winding your way up to the quaint village of Kuranda. There's time to explore the 'village in the Rainforest', including the Heritage Markets, before returning on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway.

MEALS Breakfast, (lunch Great Barrier Reef cruise only)

### Day 4: Cairns – Uluru & Kata Tjuta

Today we fly from Cairns to the heart of the Red Centre, Uluru. This afternoon you're off to the domes of Kata Tjura, where you'll join your Journey Director for a guided walk through Walpa Gorge. Later enjoy nibbles and sparkling wine while you watch Ulu<u>r</u>u change colour as the sun sets below the horizon.

HOTEL Sails in the Desert Hotel, Ayers Rock Resort, 2 nights MEALS Breakfast

### Day 5: Ulu<u>r</u>u

- Rise early to experience the renowned Field of Light, where 50,000 glass spheres in colours of ochre, deep violet, blue and gentle white, have been installed within sight of Uluru. Wander through the paths and then, from the dune-top, watch as the dawn creeps across the desert plain and lights up the Red Centre. After
- breakfast you will have the opportunity to take a walk around part of the base of Uluru and hear timeless stories, see rock art,
- and visit Mutitjulu Waterhole. This evening enjoy a Local Dining Experience under the sparkling outback sky at the awardwinning Sounds of Silence Dinner.

MEALS Breakfast, Local Dining Experience

### Day 6: Uluru – Kings Canyon

Experience the magic of the sunrise over Ulu<u>r</u>u. Later, travel towards Kings Canyon. Your first stop is Curtin Springs, home to the Severin

family since 1956. Enjoy a barbecue lunch, where you will meet one of the locals and gain insight into the cattle rearing heritage. HOTEL Kings Canyon Resort

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

### Day 7: Kings Canyon – Alice Springs

 Today you're off on a sunrise six-kilometre Rim Walk exploration of the spectacular Kings Canyon. This evening, join your hosts at an outback bush barbecue Local Dining Experience under the stars.
 HOTEL Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters
 MEALS Breakfast, lunch, Local Dining Experience

### Day 8: Alice Springs Included Choice - Sydney

Explore Alice Springs in your own style with an Included Choice option. Either visit the School of the Air, a crucial service providing education to children living in remote areas. Or at the Royal Flying Doctor Service you will hear how this facility provides medical assistance to those living in remote Australia. This afternoon, Alice Springs gives way to cosmopolitan Sydney.

HOTEL The Langham MEALS Breakfast

### Day 9: Sydney Included Choice - Hunter Valley

- Enjoy a Sydney sightseeing tour including a stroll along the coastal walk for incredible views over the Pacific Ocean and wild coastal cliffs. Mid-morning offers you an Included Choice activity so you can see more of the Harbour City. Escape to a world long ago, before colonial settlement and be touched by the most ancient
   human culture on earth. Join an Aboriginal guide for a 90-minute
- leisurely walkabout through the Rocks District, hear dreamtime stories passed down from Elders and discover how Aboriginal people existed by the harbour. For a different pace, say 'cheers' to your local guide from Dave's Tours on a historic walking tour of some of Sydney's oldest pubs. Tread in the footsteps of the convicts, larrikin gangs & locals of the past as you share a drink in four of Sydney's oldest pubs. Between watering holes, your guide will take you through the alleys & cobbled streets of the Rocks as they share the gossip, shouts, and stories of Australia's first European settlement. This afternoon, depart Sydney for the Hunter Valley wine region.

**HOTEL** voco Kirkton Park, 2 nights **MEALS** Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 10: Hunter Valley

Spend the day exploring the amazing Hunter Valley Wine Region. It includes good food, great wine and beautiful scenery. **Indulge in exclusive private wine tastings at boutique vineyards** and sit down to an exceptional tasting lunch. There will be time to explore cellar doors, a cheese shop, chocolatier, and more before spending the evening at leisure. You may like to relax on your balcony with a good book and bottle of wine or treat yourself to one of the dining options.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch with wine



### Day 11: Hunter Valley – Sydney

Return to Sydney in time to cruise magical Sydney Harbour. Cruise around the glistening harbour while you savour a delicious lunch with a strong focus on local produce and wines. Relax on the spacious deck as you sail past the harbour's iconic sights like the Sydney Opera House, Harbour Bridge and small secluded coves surrounded by multi-million-dollar waterfront homes. This evening is free for you to explore and discover one of Sydney's local restaurants.

**HOTEL** The Langham, 2 nights **MEALS** Breakfast, lunch with wine

## FROM **\$12,700**\* P.P.

LAND AND INTERNAL-HOLIDAY AIRFARES

DEPARTURES								
2022	2023		2024	4				
Oct 04	Jan	10, 31	Jan	09, 30				
Nov 08	Feb	28	Feb	27				
	Apr	04						
	Jul	04						
	Aug	29						
	Oct	03						
	Nov	07						

See available prices or additional departure dates including those from 01 Apr 2024 at inspiringjourneys.com/ijfly or contact your local agent. Single traveller must pay the single price.

### INCLUSIONS

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 17+ Unforgettable experiences
- 23 included meals
- 12 Nights premium accommodation

### NOTES

### IJFLY: CAIRNS TO SYDNEY

- Flight Information:
- Day 1 flights to arrive prior to 2.00pm into Cairns Airport Day 13 – flights to depart anytime from Sydney Airport \*Internal-holiday flights: Please note that the price above includes land and internal-holiday airfares, which are
- required to be booked in order to fulfil the holiday itinerary: Day 4 – Cairns to Ayers Rock
- Day 8 Alice Springs to Sydney
- Return airfares from your home port are not included in the price above.



### Day 12: Sydney at Leisure

Wake up to free day in the harbour city of Sydney. There are so many sights to experience. You may choose to climb the Sydney Harbour Bridge, take the ferry to Manly Beach, or explore some of the lesser-known interesting pockets of Sydney to see how the

locals live. Late afternoon, join a VIP guided tour of the Sydney Opera House before a Celebration Dinner at Peter Gilmore's iconic Bennelong restaurant under the famous 'sails', the perfect location to celebrate this inspiring journey.

MEALS Breakfast, Celebration Dinner

### Day 13: Farewell from Sydney

Bid farewell to the Harbour City as you are transferred to Sydney Airport for your onward flight.

**MEALS** Breakfast

Nilford Sound/Piopiotahi, South Island Cruise this on 'The Long White Cloud', pg 48.

DISCOVER MYTHS OF WARRIOR LEGEND. EXPERIENCE A WILDERNESS OF UNTOUCHED BEAUTY.

To discover magnificent New Zealand is to discover the unspoiled. Step into this world and be awed by volcanic fields, crystal-clear fiordlands and pristine lakes. From the Māori heritage of the north to the Sounds of the south, expect to explore further, to discover untamed regional landscapes, thundering waterfalls, and soaring Redwood forest.



# THE LONG WHITE CLOUD

CHRISTCHURCH | QUEENSTOWN | FRANZ JOSEF GLACIER/KĀ ROIMATA O HINE HUKATERE | MILFORD SOUND/PIOPIOTAHI | WELLINGTON | ROTORUA | AUCKLAND



## IMMERSE

Embrace the traditional Māori greeting at Te Pā Tū Māori Experience, and immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of Waimangu.

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Enjoy an unforgettable dining experience at Craggy Range Winery in Hawke's Bay, a region blessed with fertile soils.

## EXPLORE

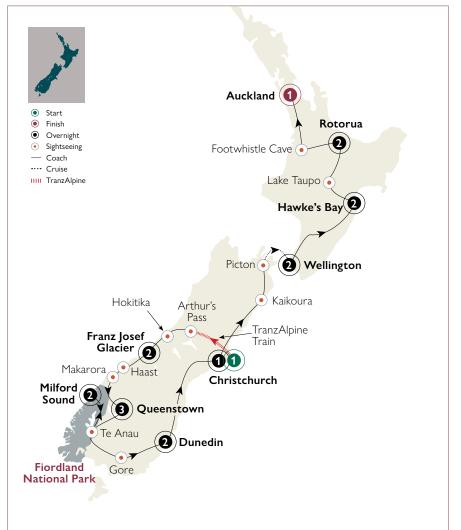
Join a nature guide on the breathtaking Milford Track, and discover the luminous shimmer of the Footwhistle Cave.

## 🖞 RELAX

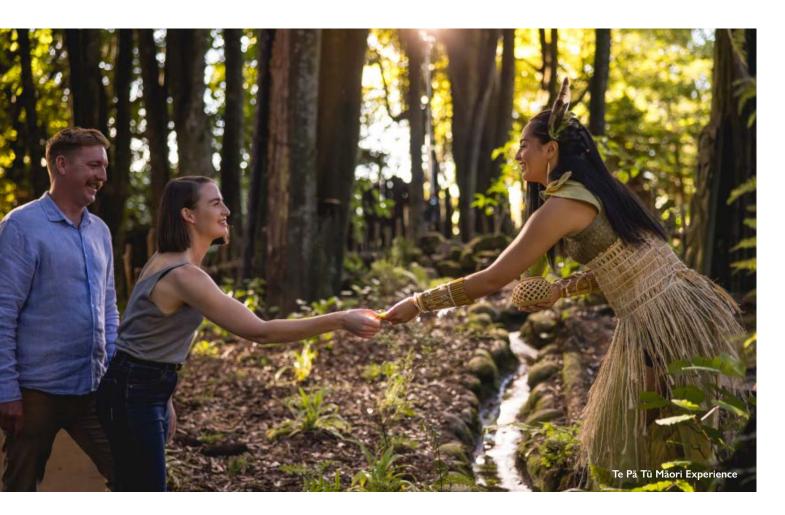
Wake up to the wonder of fiordland at Milford Sound Lodge, and take a deep breath and unwind at Te Waonui Forest Retreat.







Be awed as you traverse New Zealand's North and South Islands, from the hot pools of Franz Josef/Waiau, an exclusive TreadRight experience in Rotorua, to the brave depths of Queenstown, the adventure capital. *Explore extraordinary landscapes and ancient heritage* as you encounter exhilarating New Zealand as few have seen it before.



### Day 1: Welcome to Christchurch

On arrival in Christchurch, board a private transfer to your hotel. Tonight, meet your Journey Director for a Welcome Reception. **HOTEL** Hotel Montreal

### Day 2: Christchurch - TranzAlpine - Franz Josef/Waiau

Travel through the Southern Alps aboard TranzAlpine train. From Arthur's Pass, visit the small town of Hokitika, and meet a local greenstone (jade) carver. Continue to Franz Josef/Waiau, where you'll spend two nights in an eco-friendly retreat nestled in the wilderness. HOTEL Te Waonui Forest Retreat, 2 nights MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

## Day 3: Franz Josef Glacier/Kā Roimata o Hine Hukatere (Relaxed Start)

This morning, explore Franz Josef/Waiau, where a local guide explains the history behind the imposing Franz Josef Glacier/Kā Roimata o Hine Hukatere. MEALS Breakfast

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### Day 4: Franz Josef/Waiau – Arrowtown – Queenstown

 Discover the Haast River this morning as you journey its length in a fully enclosed river jet boat. Stop at Makarora, then explore the heritage gold-settlement of Arrowtown, before an orientation of breathtaking Queenstown.
 HOTEL Hotel St. Moritz, 3 nights

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{MEALS}}$  Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 5 & 6: Queenstown at Leisure

Enjoy two full days to discover Queenstown. Perhaps consider a wine tour, or even an adrenaline-filled activity. On your second night, your Local Dining Experience is in one of Queenstown's exclusive restaurants.

MEALS Breakfast, Local Dining Experience

### Day 7: Queenstown – Te Anau – Milford Sound/Piopiotahi

Travel south along the shores of Lake Wakatipu to Te Anau and then through the rainforest of World Heritage Fiordland National Dark Training A Milford Sound Lader with views of the

 Park. Tonight, stay at Milford Sound Lodge, with views of the magical Cleddau Valley.
 HOTEL Milford Sound Lodge, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 8: Milford Track Walk & Milford Sound/Piopiotahi Cruise

- Get a taste of the world-famous Milford Track with a half-day walk. Walking in a small group, your nature guide will point out the native fauna and flora and share the fascinating human heritage of the track. This afternoon, enjoy Milford Sound's/Piopiotahi awe-inspiring
- scenery from the comfort of a small boat. Cruise the length of the Fiord, view iconic Mitre Peak and get up close to Stirling Falls. With limited numbers, you'll be rewarded with an intimate experience and unobstructed photo opportunities from the outdoor viewing decks. Keep an eye out for seals and maybe a pod of dolphins. The perfect way to round off your day.

MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine



### Day 9: Milford Sound/Piopiotahi - Gore - Dunedin

Depart majestic Fiordland National Park for the fertile sheepdotted pastures of South Otago. Travel through the country music town of Gore, before arriving in Dunedin. **HOTEL** Distinction Dunedin Hotel, 2 nights **MEALS** Breakfast, dinner with wine

Day 10: Dunedin (Relaxed Start)

Join a behind the scenes tour at a state-of-the-art 5000L craft brewery, Emerson's, before joining your hosts for an exclusive tasting. This afternoon is at leisure, so perhaps consider an optional experience.

**MEALS** Breakfast

### Day 11: Dunedin - Omarau - Timaru - Christchurch

 Travel up the east coast through Omarau and Timaru. On arrival in Christchurch, embark on a sightseeing tour of the city.
 HOTEL Hotel Montreal
 MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 12: Christchurch - Kaikoura - Wellington

Travel along the Pacific coast to Kaikoura. Continue to the seaside village of Picton and later, cross the Cook Strait to Wellington.

**HOTEL** QT Wellington, 2 nights **MEALS** Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 13: Wellington at Leisure

Today see Wellington your way. Why not visit the Weta Workshop, home of the creative wizards behind The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit trilogies or visit Te Papa Museum of New Zealand. **MEALS** Breakfast

### Day 14: Wellington - Hawke's Bay

Travel through the dairy farming land of Manawatu to Napier. This evening, enjoy wine-tasting and a Local Dining Experience at Craggy Range winery, in the shadow of spectacular Te Mata Peak.
 HOTEL Porters Boutique Hotel, 2 nights
 MEALS Breakfast, Local Dining Experience

### Day 15: Napier (Relaxed Start)

Join a local guide for a vintage car tour through Napier and surrounds areas. You'll learn about the earthquake that destroyed the city in 1931 and hear stories of the people that led the rebuild in the Art Deco style.

MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 16: Hawke's Bay – Rotorua

 Continue your journey, arriving in Rotorua. Visit Waimangu Volcanic Valley, the world's youngest geothermal valley. Cruise around the tranquil waters of Lake Rotomahana to see stunning geothermal activity as well as rare native birdlife.
 HOTEL Pullman Rotorua, 2 nights
 MEALS Breakfast

### Day 17: Rotorua

Ascend the breathtaking Redwoods Treewalk for an elevated bird's eye view of the 120-year old redwood giants. At the National Kiwi Hatchery Aotearoa, passionate conservationists reveal how they are saving the kiwi population, one incubated egg at a time.
 Your Local Dining Experience is a Māori hangi and cultural performance at the Te Pā Tū Māori Experience.

MEALS Breakfast, Local Dining Experience

## FROM **\$14,860** P.P.

TWIN SHARE LAND ONLY

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Oct 10	Jan	02, 09, 30	Jan	01, 08, 29	
Nov 07	Feb	06	Feb	05	
	Mar	06	Mar	04	
	Oct	09			
	Nov	06			

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### INCLUSIONS

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 13+ Unforgettable experiences
- 30 included meals
- 18 Nights premium accommodation

### NOTES

### NZIJ: CHRISTCHURCH TO AUCKLAND

- Flights are not included in holiday price.
- Flight Information: Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Christchurch Airport
  - Day 19 flights to depart anytime from Auckland Airport



### Day 18: Rotorua – Auckland

Make your way to the famous Caveworld Waitomo for an exclusive 5-star Eco Glowworm experience in Footwhistle Cave. Later, travel to Auckland. This evening, toast your tour at a Celebration Dinner.

HOTEL QT Auckland

MEALS Breakfast, Celebration Dinner

### Day 19: Farewell from Auckland

Your epic New Zealand journey comes to an end today and you are transferred to Auckland Airport for your onward flight. **MEALS** Breakfast

# THE SOUTHERN DRIFT

CHRISTCHURCH | ARTHUR'S PASS | FRANZ JOSEF GLACIER/KĀ ROIMATA O HINE HUKATERE | QUEENSTOWN | MILFORD SOUND/PIOPIOTAHI | TE ANAU | DUNEDIN



## IMMERSE

Delve deep into the natural wonders of Milford Sound/Piopiotahi, with specialist nature guides sharing their knowledge of this mystical landscape.

## ☐ INDULGE

loin a behind-the-scenes tour and tasting at Emerson's, a state of the art craft brewery, and embark on a culinary discovery of Queenstown.

## EXPLORE

Journey down the Haast River in a fully enclosed jet boat, and discover the remarkable glacial valley where temperate rainforest thrives.

## D RELAX

Take a dip in Franz Josef's/Waiau local geothermal hot pools and relax and rejuvenate after a day of discovering the South's natural wonders.







Discover New Zealand on this Inspiring Journey through the *natural treasures of the South Island*. From the still waters of Milford Sound/Piopiotahi and snow-capped peaks of the Southern Alps to the rolling hills of Central Otago, delve into the beauty of landscapes that have remained unchanged for millennia.





### Day 1: Welcome to Christchurch

On arrival in Christchurch you will be transferred by private car to your hotel. Spend some time at leisure to relax or explore on your own. Perhaps visit the International Antarctic Centre, the Christchurch Botanic Gardens or take a ride on the Christchurch Tram. This evening, join your Journey Director for a Welcome Reception.

HOTEL Hotel Montreal

### Day 2: Christchurch – TranzAlpine – Franz Josef/Waiau

- It's all aboard the TranzAlpine train. Rated as one of the world's great scenic railway journeys, you'll travel in comfort across the Canterbury Plains through the Southern Alps. From Arthur's Pass,
- visit the small town of Hokitika, the heritage and cultural centre of the West Coast, and meet a local greenstone (jade) carver for a jewellery demonstration. Later we continue to Franz Josef/Waiau. Your eco-friendly accommodation is set amid native bush, with an emphasis on relaxation and rejuvenation. This evening, why not enjoy Franz Josef's/Waiau local geothermal hot pools?

**HOTEL** Te Waonui Forest Retreat, 2 nights **MEALS** Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 3: Franz Josef/Waiau (Relaxed Start)

We explore this area on a walk with a local guide, who will take you up alongside the Waiho River bed following the glacier's path

of retreat, and will explain the history behind mighty Franz Josef Glacier/Kā Roimata o Hine Hukatere. Later, you may want to get up close to the glaciers on an optional helicopter flight. Your flight will hover over the snow face and may land high up in the valley so that you can walk across the ice fall – subject to weather conditions. MEALS Breakfast

### Day 4: Franz Josef/Waiau - Arrowtown - Queenstown

This morning it's time for an adventure as we travel in a purposebuilt fully enclosed river jet boat and journey down the Haast River. After a lunch stop at Makarora we head to Queenstown,

taking time to stop to **explore the historic gold-mining village of Arrowtown**. The adventure-capital awaits you for your extended 3 night stay, and you'll have the opportunity to explore it during an orientation tour when you arrive.

**HOTEL** Hotel St. Moritz, 3 nights **MEALS** Breakfast, dinner with wine



### Day 5: Queenstown at Leisure

Today is at leisure to discover Queenstown – your way. You could join a wine tour, view The Lord of the Rings film locations and scenery of Queenstown and Glenorchy on a scenic tour or spend time having a relaxing massage in the spa.
MEALS Breakfast

### Day 6: Queenstown at Leisure

Make the most of your extended stay in Queenstown. Why not sit back and enjoy a peaceful cruise across Lake Wakatipu aboard New Zealand's oldest steamship, the TSS Earnslaw, to Walter Peak Station. Otherwise, you could simply relax, shop or enjoy time at one of the many cafés and restaurants while soaking up the

 alpine views. Tonight, enjoy a Local Dining Experience at one of Queenstown's exclusive restaurants.

MEALS Breakfast, Local Dining Experience

### Day 7: Queenstown – Te Anau – Milford Sound/ Piopiotahi

Travel south along the shores of Lake Wakatipu to Te Anau on the shores of the South Island's largest lake. Later you'll **travel through the rainforest of World Heritage Fiordland National Park**, sighting glaciers and mountain ranges before driving through the hand-hewn Homer Tunnel to the amazing views. Afterwards, walk to see the Chasm on your way into Milford Sound/ Piopiotahi.

Tonight, stay at the magical Milford Sound Lodge, with views of the Cleddau Valley.

**HOTEL** Milford Sound Lodge, 2 nights **MEALS** Breakfast, dinner with wine

## Day 8: Milford Track Walk & Milford Sound/Piopiotahi Cruise

Wake up to the breathtaking beauty of Milford Sound/Piopiotahi. Get a taste of the world-famous Milford Track with a half-day walk. Walking in a small group, your nature guide will point out the native fauna and flora and share the fascinating human heritage of the track. This afternoon, enjoy Milford Sound's/Piopiotahi awe-

inspiring scenery from the comfort of a small boat. Cruise the length of the Fiord, view iconic Mitre Peak and get up close to Stirling Falls. With limited numbers, you'll be rewarded with an intimate experience and unobstructed photo opportunities from the outdoor viewing decks. Keep an eye out for seals and maybe a pod of dolphins. The perfect way to round off your day. MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine FROM **\$9,610** P.P.

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DEPARTURES								
2022	2023		2024					
Oct 10	Jan	02, 09, 30	Jan	01, 08, 29				
Nov 07	Feb	06	Feb	05				
	Mar	06	Mar	04				
	Oct	09						
	Nov	06						

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### INCLUSIONS

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 6+ Unforgettable experiences
- 18 included meals
- 11 Nights premium accommodation

### NOTES

### NZSI: CHRISTCHURCH RETURN

- Flights are not included in holiday price.
- Flight Information: Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Christchurch Airport
  - Day 12 flights to depart anytime from Christchurch Airport

### Day 9: Milford Sound/Piopiotahi - Gore - Dunedin

We leave the majestic Fiordland National Park for the fertile sheep-dotted pastures of South Otago. Travel through Te Anau known for its beautiful lake and on to the country music town of Gore before arriving in Dunedin.

**HOTEL** Distinction Dunedin Hotel, 2 nights **MEALS** Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 10: Dunedin (Relaxed Start)

Join a behind the scenes tour at a state-of-the-art 5000L craft brewery, Emerson's, before joining your hosts for an exclusive tasting. This afternoon is at leisure, so perhaps tour imposing Larnach Castle or take a wildlife cruise out to the Otago Peninsula to spot penguins and the Royal Albatross.
MEALS Breakfast

### Day 11: Dunedin – Christchurch

Travel up the east coast of the South Island via Omarau and Timaru. Once back in Christchurch **embark on a sightseeing tour of the city to learn about its rebirth after the devastating 2011 earthquake.** This evening, toast your tour at a Celebration Dinner with your new-found friends and Journey Director. **HOTEL** Hotel Montreal

MEALS Breakfast, Celebration Dinner

### Day 12: Farewell from Christchurch

Say farewell to your fellow travellers as your Inspiring Journey comes to an end and we transfer you by private car to Christchurch Airport for your onward flight.

MEALS Breakfast

# INSPIRING NEW ZEALAND

AUCKLAND | WAIHEKE ISLAND | ROTORUA | WELLINGTON | QUEENSTOWN | DOUBTFUL SOUND/PATEA

10 DAYS

## IMMERSE

Soak up the grandeur of the breathtaking Doubtful Sound/Patea, encountering wildlife such as dolphins, fur seals and penguins in the depths of the wilderness.

## TINDULGE

Embark on a culinary discovery of Waiheke Island, famous for its pristine beaches, world-class wines and farm-to-fork dining.

## EXPLORE

Discover the labyrinth of magnificent undisturbed glowworm displays at Footwhistle Cave, an intimate experience reserved for nature lovers.

## 💯 RELAX

Take a deep breath and unwind in the healing waters of the Polynesian Spa, the world-class geothermal relaxation experience.







A tale of two great islands, of **epic natural beauty and ancient rituals and traditions** – yours to explore on this Inspiring Journey across the length and breadth of New Zealand. **Embrace the sophistication of its cities and the soulful expanse of its stunning untamed landscapes.** 





### Day 1: Welcome to Auckland

Welcome to New Zealand's vibrant North Island hub. Spend your day at leisure before joining your Journey Director and fellow travel companions for a Welcome Reception and dinner.

**HOTEL** Sofitel Auckland Viaduct Harbour, 2 nights **MEALS** Dinner with wine

### Day 2: Auckland Sights - Waiheke Island

A city sights tour will start your morning in Auckland. Travel around the waterfront from central city out to Mission Bay. Next up we **take a ferry over to Waiheke Island**. With pristine beaches, worldclass wines, and fantastic cuisine it's easy to see why Waiheke Island is considered the jewel in the Hauraki Gulf's crown. Only a short distance from Auckland, you'll feel like you're a world away as you embrace the essence of Waiheke with your local guide. **Enjoy wine tasting at some of Waiheke's award-winning wines**, including

beautiful Mudbrick Vineyard with spectacular views of the Hauraki Gulf, followed by a light lunch, before you cruise back to the city. **MEALS** Breakfast, lunch

### Day 3: Auckland – Rotorua

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Your leisurely discovery of New Zealand's North Island continues as you follow the meandering trail of the Waikato River to the famous Caveworld Waitomo for an exclusive 5-star Eco Glowworm experience. Your guide sets the scene for a cave experience where you will see glowworms, cave formations and appreciate the beauty of Footwhistle Cave. Journey to the volatile landscapes of Rotorua, where Māori culture takes centre stage.

Visit the Te Pā Tū Māori Experience for insights into the local rituals and traditions of this fascinating culture. Embrace their gracious traditional greeting, experience the heart-pounding wero challenge and enjoy a Local Dining Experience, the delicious flavours of the hangi cooked in the earth with geothermal steam.

**HOTEL** Pullman Rotorua, 2 nights **MEALS** Breakfast, Local Dining Experience

### Day 4: Rotorua

First up, visit Whakarewarewa Living Village where you'll be accompanied by a Local Guide to view New Zealand's biggest geyser, bubbling mud pools and thermal springs. Later, the day is all yours to **explore the sacred lands, thermal marvels and Māori traditions of Rotorua**. You could indulge in a spa treatment at the Polynesian Thermal Spa, or if you're up for a challenge, take the native forest zipline adventure tour with Canopy Tours.

MEALS Breakfast

### Day 5: Rotorua – Wellington

🔘 Visit the National Kiwi Hatchery Aotearoa, the national leader in kiwi husbandry, for a guided tour. Learn about the work being done to save New Zealand's national bird, see kiwi eggs being incubated, the hatching process and newly hatched kiwi chicks. Later, fly to Wellington. Spend the evening at your leisure, enjoying dinner at one of the quirky cafés at Courtney Place or Cuba Street. HOTEL Sofitel Wellington, 2 nights

### **MEALS** Breakfast



### Day 6: Wellington & Zealandia

This is your chance to get to know Welly like a local, on a guided walking tour. Discover the stunning waterfront and the hidden laneways in the bohemian area – the heritage Cuba Street precinct. Once dimly-lit back alleys, these newly rejuvenated laneways are now home to some of the country's funkiest bars, boutiques and breweries. You'll see for yourself why Wellington is the coffee and

( craft beer capital of New Zealand. This afternoon, we continue to the urban eco-sanctuary of Zealandia, admiring the extraordinary efforts of conservationists who have reintroduced 18 species of native wildlife that were absent from mainland New Zealand for over a century.

**MEALS** Breakfast

### Day 7: Wellington - Queenstown

Explore New Zealand's fascinating culture, nature, heritage and art at Te Papa Museum of New Zealand. It's time to prime yourselves for a few days of adventure, flying to Queenstown, New Zealand's adventure-capital. On arrival, journey to the goldrush village of Arrowtown. Enjoy a tour of Queenstown, and gaze at the natural splendour in its midst - from the peaks of the Remarkables to beautiful Lake Wakatipu.

HOTEL Hotel St. Moritz, 3 nights **MEALS** Breakfast

### Day 8: Queenstown - Lake Manapouri

( Your day begins in Manapouri, where you'll **embark on a cruise across** Lake Manapouri. Then travel to the heart of Fiordland National Park and take in the beauty and vastness of remote Doubtful Sound/ Patea on a Wilderness Cruise. It will take your breath away as you experience its deep wilderness. Keep a look out for wildlife including dolphins, fur seals and even occasionally penguins.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

### Day 9: Queenstown at Leisure

Explore exciting Queenstown, your way. You could embark on a minibus tour through the scenic gorge of  $\bigtriangledown$  Skippers Canyon or immerse yourself in award-winning wines and spectacular scenery of Central Otago on a Boutique Wine tour. As your final day ends enjoy a Celebration Dinner at one of the local restaurants with your Journey Director and new-found friends.

**MEALS** Breakfast. Celebration Dinner

## FROM **\$9,139**\* P.P.

TWIN SHARE LAND AND INTERNAL-HOLIDAY AIRFARES

2022	2023	2024
Nov 20	Feb 12	Feb 11
	Mar 12	Mar 10
	Oct 15	
	Nov 19	

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### INCLUSIONS

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 9+ Unforgettable experiences
- 15 included meals
- 9 Nights premium accommodation

### NOTES

### NZFLY: AUCKLAND TO OUEENSTOWN

- Flight Information: Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Auckland Airport Day 10 - flights to depart anytime from Queenstown Airport
- \*Internal-holiday flights: Please note that the price above includes land and internal-holiday airfares, which are required to be booked in order to fulfil the holiday itinerary: Day 5 – Rotorua to Wellington Day 7 – Wellington to Queenstown
- Return airfares from your home port are not included in the price above.

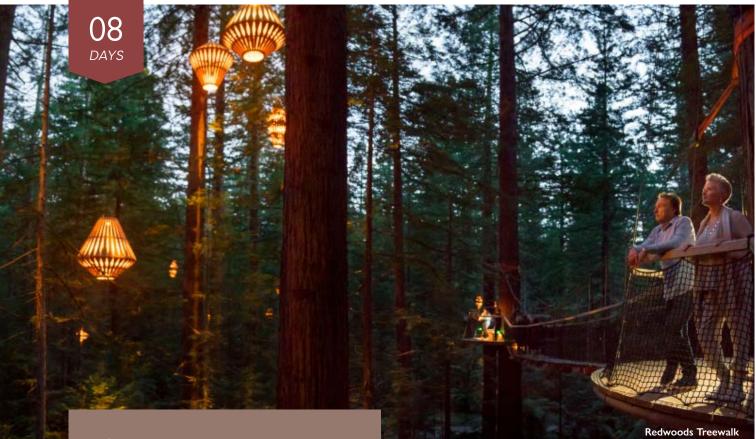
### Day 10: Farewell from Queenstown

For now, all that's left to say is a fond farewell as your inspiring journey comes to an end after breakfast. Throughout today you will be transferred to Queenstown Airport for your onward flight. **MEALS** Breakfast



## THE ENDLESS SHORES

WELLINGTON | HAWKE'S BAY | HUKA FALLS | ROTORUA | WAITOMO | AUCKLAND



## O IMMERSE

### INDULGE $( \downarrow$

In the shadow of the spectacular Te Mata Peak, Craggy Range winery in Hawke's Bay, a region

### (��) EXPLORE

Walk high among giant 120 year old Redwood

## M RELAX

Cruise the streets of New Zealand's Art Deco

Embrace the traditional greeting of your Māori hosts, whose relationship with this unspoilt land is revealed on this journey. Experience natural wonders, from the luminous glowworms of the Footwhistle Cave and the native forests' redwood giants, to the fantasy-land of The Lord of the Rings' 'Shire'.

### Day 1: Welcome to Wellington

Upon arrival at Wellington Airport you'll be transferred to your hotel. Spend some time at leisure to relax or explore on your own. This evening, join your Journey Director for a Welcome Reception, followed by dinner. HOTEL QT Wellington, 2 nights

MEALS Dinner with wine

### Day 2: Wellington at Leisure

Discover Wellington your way. You could experience the Weta Workshop, home of the creative wizards behind The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit trilogies. Go on a guided city walking tour around Wellington or explore the country's fascinating culture, nature, heritage and art at Te Papa Museum of New Zealand.

**MEALS** Breakfast

### Day 3: Wellington - Hawke's Bay

Travel through the dairy farming land of Manawatu to Napier in Hawke's Ģ Bay. This evening, enjoy wine tasting and dinner at Craggy Range winery, in the shadow of the spectacular Te Mata Peak. Spend the evening in your accommodation surrounded by the area's majestic hills

HOTEL Porters Boutique Hotel, 2 nights MEALS Breakfast, Local Dining Experience

### Day 4: Napier (Relaxed Start)

Relive the glamour and style of the jazz era with a luxurious vintage car tour. Your driver will provide fascinating commentary as you are driven in style through Napier and surrounding areas. You'll learn about the earthquake that destroyed the city in 1931 and hear stories of the people that led the rebuild of Napier in the Art Deco style.

MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

### Day 5: Hawke's Bay - Rotorua

Continue your journey to Rotorua. Visit Waimangu Volcanic Valley, the world's youngest geothermal valley. On a guided walk you'll experience geothermal activity, hot springs, volcanic craters, nature and wildlife. Cruise around the tranquil waters of Lake Rotomahana to see stunning geothermal activity as well as rare native birdlife. Hear stories of the Mount Tarawera volcanic eruption and the resulting dramatic landscape changes that created this amazing part of the world.

HOTEL Pullman Rotorua, 2 nights MEALS Breakfast



### Day 6: Rotorua – Redwoods Treewalk

Ascending to the breathtaking Redwoods Treewalk, enjoy an elevated bird's eye view of the 120-year-old redwood giants and view the beautiful surrounds of the forest from a unique perspective. Next stop is the National Kiwi Hatchery Aotearoa, the national leader in kiwi husbandry, and learn about their kiwi hatchery programme that is proudly supported by TreadRight. An evening of culture, history and scrumptious food awaits you at the Te Pā Tū Māori Experience. Wander through the ancient forest village and learn about Māori art forms and traditions, followed by a cultural performance. Experience an authentic Māori hangi meal, steamed underground in the traditional way.

### MEALS Breakfast, Local Dining Experience

### Day 7: Rotorua - Caveworld Waitomo - Auckland

Make your way to the famous Caveworld Waitomo for an exclusive 5-star Eco Glowworm experience. Your guide sets the scene for a cave experience where you will see glowworms, cave formations and appreciate the beauty of Footwhistle Cave. Later, travel through the dairy farming district of Waikato, and on to Auckland. This evening, toast your tour together at a Celebration Dinner.

HOTEL QT Auckland MEALS Breakfast, Celebration Dinner

### Day 8: Farewell from Auckland

Say farewell to your fellow travellers as your Inspiring Journey comes to an end and we transfer you by private car to Auckland Airport for your onward flight.

**MEALS** Breakfast

## FROM **\$5,715** P.P.

TWIN SHARE LAND ONLY

### DEPARTURES

2023		2024	2024	
Jan	13, 20	Jan	12, 19	
Feb	10, 17	Feb	09, 16	
Mar	17	Mar	15	
Oct	20			
Nov	17			
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See available prices or additional departure dates including those from 01 Oct 2024 at inspiringjourneys.com/nzni or contact your local agent. Single traveller must pay the single price.

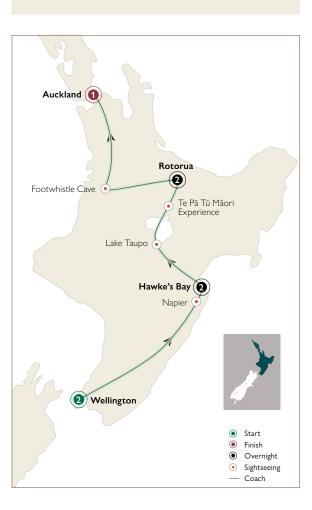
### INCLUSIONS

- Small group (22 guests max)
- 7+ Unforgettable experiences
- 12 included meals
- 7 Nights premium accommodation

### NOTES

### NZNI: WELLINGTON TO AUCKLAND

- Flights are not included in holiday price.
- Flight Information: Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Wellington Airport
  - Day 8 flights to depart anytime from Auckland Airport



## TRAVEL ESSENTIALS

### My AAT Kings Travel Portal

For peace of mind and a seamless tour from the moment you book until you return home, you can personalise your tour online with ease in the My AAT Kings Travel Portal.

By registering your details online you'll be able to advise us of any preferences or dietary requirements for a more enjoyable tour, have access to useful information and links and be assured that we have any emergency contact details securely stored in case of an unlikely event whilst travelling with us.

To find out more about our wellbeing protocols visit inspiringjourneys.com/wellbeing

### **Travel Insurance**

Travel insurance is highly recommended for all guests covering all applicable dates of travel with AAT Kings & Inspiring Journeys. This insurance should cover: trip interruption, personal injury, medical expenses, evacuation and repatriation cover including during pandemic events. The choice of insurer is yours.





### **Registering for My Inspiring Journeys**

1. Visit my.aatkings.com

2. Enter your first name, last name and email address

3. Create a unique password & click Register User

Add your booking number and click Add my Booking

Registering is quick and easy. You'll need the following information in order to create your secure login:

- Your Inspiring Journeys booking number and last name
- Emergency contact details
- Passport details for international travellers
- Your COVID-19 vaccination status including the date of your last vaccine or booster shot

You'll be able to register 24 hours after you've confirmed your booking with us. Once you have completed your online registration you'll also be able to download, save and print your travel documents within 3 weeks of your departure date.

To read about how we store and manage your personal information, visit our Privacy Policy at inspiringjourneys.com/privacy-policy

### **BOOKING CONDITIONS**

Full Booking Conditions can be found at inspiringjourneys.com/booking-conditions and form the legal agreement between us and you as our guest.



## GOLD SEAL PROTECTION

Inspiring Journeys' Gold Seal Protection (GSP) plan costs only \$99 per person upon payment of your deposit. GSP gives you additional peace of mind should your travel plans change, and includes:

### **Pre-Departure Cancellation**

GSP allows you to cancel your Inspiring Journeys holiday for any reason without penalty prior to 30 days from your guided holiday departure date: If no Force Majeure Event\* has occurred when you cancel, the value of your Inspiring Journeys Holiday Pre-payment\*\* will be refunded; or If a Force Majeure Event\* does occur causing you to cancel, the Inspiring Journeys Holiday Pre-payment\*\* will be converted to a Future Travel Credit (FTC) of the same value. The FTC may be redeemed against the cost of a new holiday provided by Inspiring Journeys or one of our Travel Corporation sister brands, departing at any time within 24 months of your cancellation but is not redeemable for cash. If the new tour or departure is more expensive than the FTC you are responsible for the difference in price; if the new tour or departure is less expensive than the FTC, a new FTC will be issued for the difference. Airline travel costs and any related cancellation or rebooking costs are not covered by the Gold Seal Protection Plan.

### **During Your Trip**

Should your holiday be interrupted and you leave at any time during the tour due to personal illness or injury; or be required to return home because of the serious injury, illness or death of an immediate family member^:

(a) you will be refunded up to \$90 per person/per day for the unused portion of the holiday. Please note that in some cases hotels require a 1-night cancellation fee.



(b) Inspiring Journeys will pay the additional cost of airline travel for earlier or later return home in the same class of air travel on the first available flight, provided the original return air tickets were booked through Inspiring Journeys from Australia on Inspiring Journeys' recommended airline. A medical certificate is required to qualify for this holiday interruption and return flight security provision.

\*\*Inspiring Journeys Holiday Pre-payment – means all monies paid to Inspiring Journeys in respect of land arrangements only.

^Immediate Family – means a parent, sibling or child.

Your Gold Seal Protection plan is available only upon paying your deposit and cannot be added at a later date. Please note that the GSP plan cost is not refundable for any reason and is only available to Australia and New Zealand residents. Travel Agent fees and cancellation costs may apply.

<sup>\*</sup>Force Majeure Event – means any event or circumstance beyond Inspiring Journeys' control, including but not limited to: an act of God (such as earthquake, flood, fire, explosion, landslide, lightening, action of the elements, force of nature, washout, typhoon, hurricane, tsunami, storm or storm warning or natural disaster); industrial disputes, work ban or other labour dispute or difficulty; acts of terrorism, political unrest, war or threat of war, riots or civil strife; closure of airports or ports; pandemic, epidemic or health risk; governmental and administrative actions (including closure of borders and travel warning and restrictions).

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