

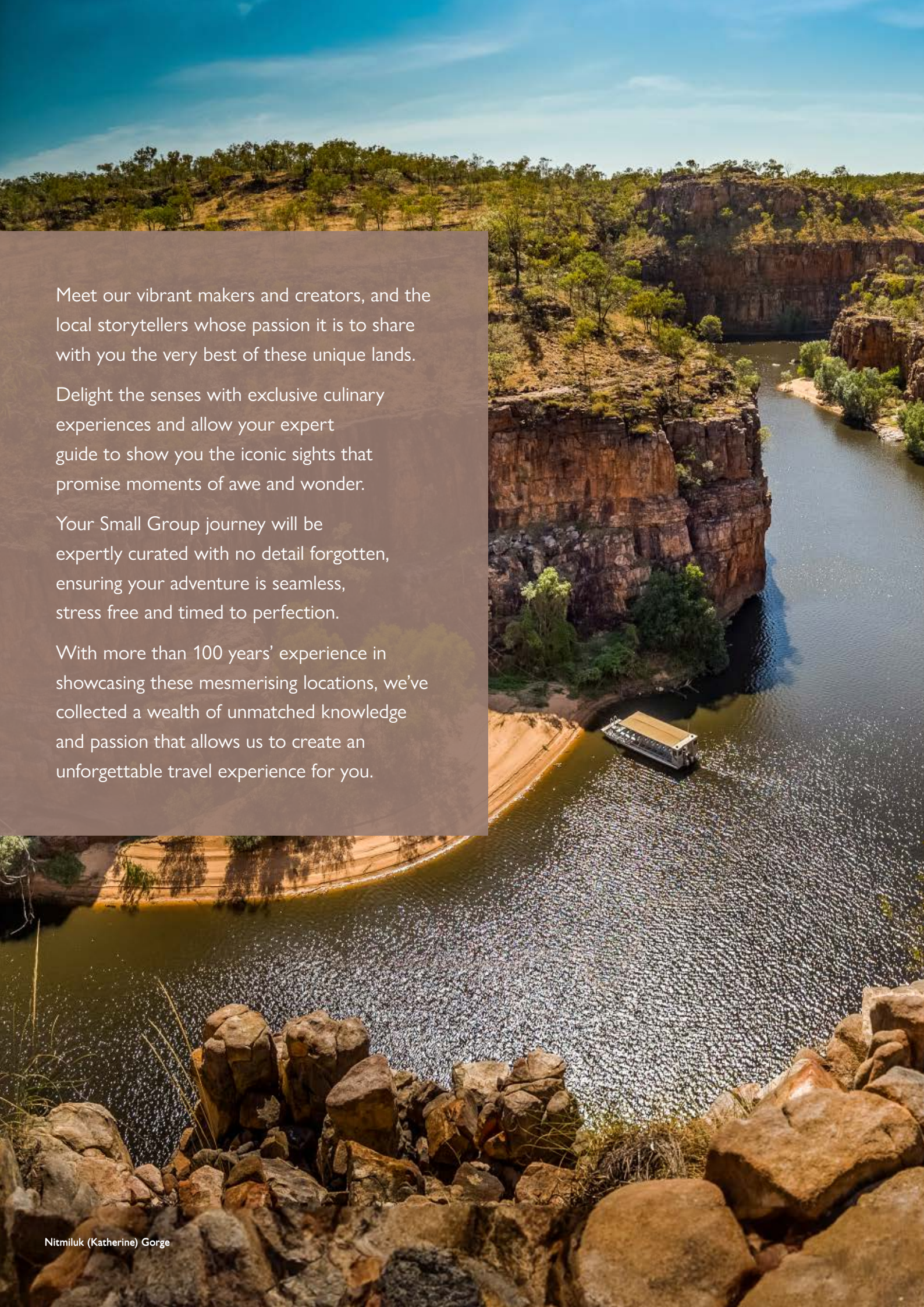


Inspiring Journeys

IMMERSIVE SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS



TASMANIA • ULURU • KAKADU • NEW ZEALAND



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.

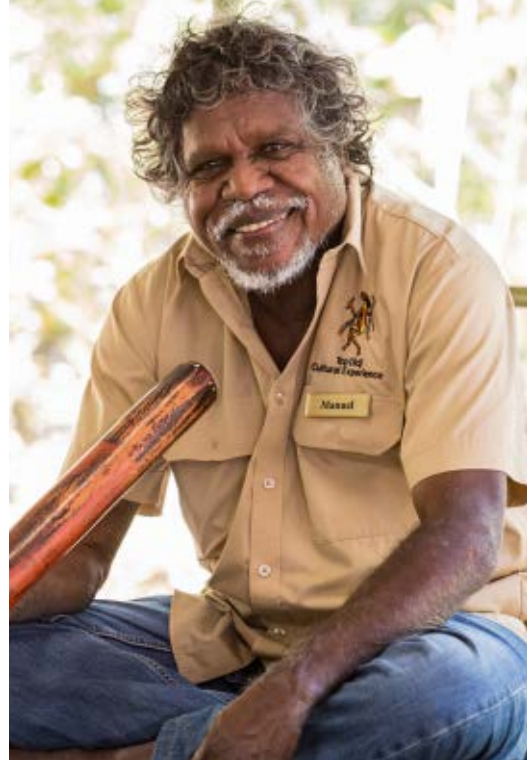
Delight the senses with exclusive culinary experiences and allow your expert guide to show you the iconic sights that promise moments of awe and wonder.

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.




Inspiring Journeys



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

START EXPLORING



Whirinaki Forest Guided Cultural Walk

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Franz Josef Glacier /Kā Roimata o Hine Hukatere

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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.

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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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Flavours of South Australia

5 days · SATA

Embark on a culinary discovery through the Barossa, Adelaide Hills and McLaren Vale wine regions.

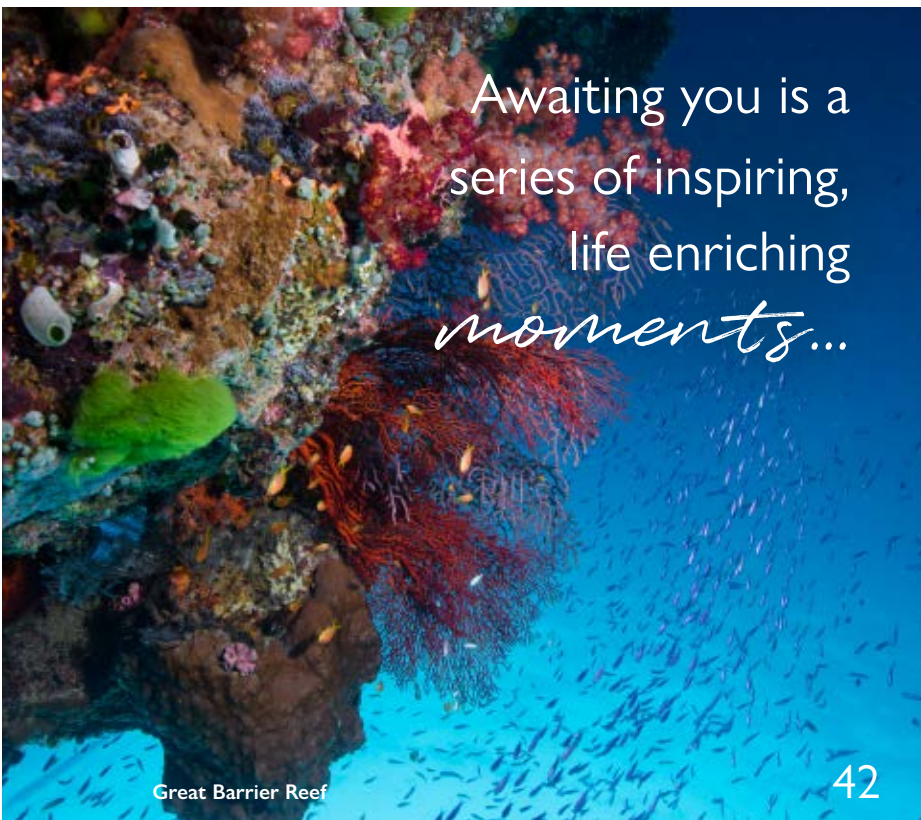
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Outback Contrasts

6 days · CRAA

Witness the rugged landscape of the Red Centre and the ancient cultures that have cared for this land for generations.

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Awaiting you is a series of inspiring, life enriching *moments...*

Great Barrier Reef

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Look for these icons to learn about your small group experience:

-  **IMMERSE**
yourself in new experiences
-  **INDULGE**
your senses
-  **EXPLORE**
boundless landscapes
-  **RELAX**
and recharge

Inspiring Australia 38
13 days · IJFLY

Explore Australia's highlights on a journey from the Tropical North, to its spiritual heart in the Red Centre, and on to sparkling Sydney.

NEW ZEALAND

The Long White Cloud 44
19 days · NZIJ

Traverse the dramatic contrasts of the North and South Islands, as you discover the extraordinary natural landscapes and rich ancient heritage.

The Southern Drift 48
12 days · NZSI

From the still waters of Milford Sound/Piopiotahi to the snow-capped peaks of the Southern Alps, experience a true exploration of the natural wonders of New Zealand's South Island.

The Endless Shores 52
8 days · NZNI

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.

THE INSPIRING JOURNEYS EXPERIENCE



Visit Salamanca Market on Tastes of Tasmania, pg 32.

Meet
Journey Director,

Courtney

'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.'



Visit Shottesbrooke Winery on Flavours of South Australia, pg 36.

Meet
Winemaker,

Hamish

Hamish Maguire is Shottesbrooke Vineyard's General Manager and Chief Winemaker, and it is his mission to build upon the legacy of his stepfather, the vineyard's founder. Shottesbrooke continues to produce a range of high-quality wines from both its estate-owned and managed vineyards based in the premium winegrowing regions of McLaren Vale and the Adelaide Hills. Hamish is thrilled that the vineyard's high-tech winery achieved certification as a Sustainable Wine Grape Grower of Australia in 2023.



Visit Mrs. Jones' fruit orchard stall in Cromwell on The Southern Drift, pg 52

Meet
Orchard owner,

Mrs. Jones

Mrs. Jones Fruit Stall is a refreshing stop on any itinerary; expect stone fruit ice cream made on-site and heartwarming stories. On a few acres, where the family had fruit trees, Mrs. Jones said to her husband that she would sell excess fruit on the side of road and read books all day. However, there was little time for reading, as her small business flourished. Now over 40 years later, they still offer Kiwi fruits to our guests.

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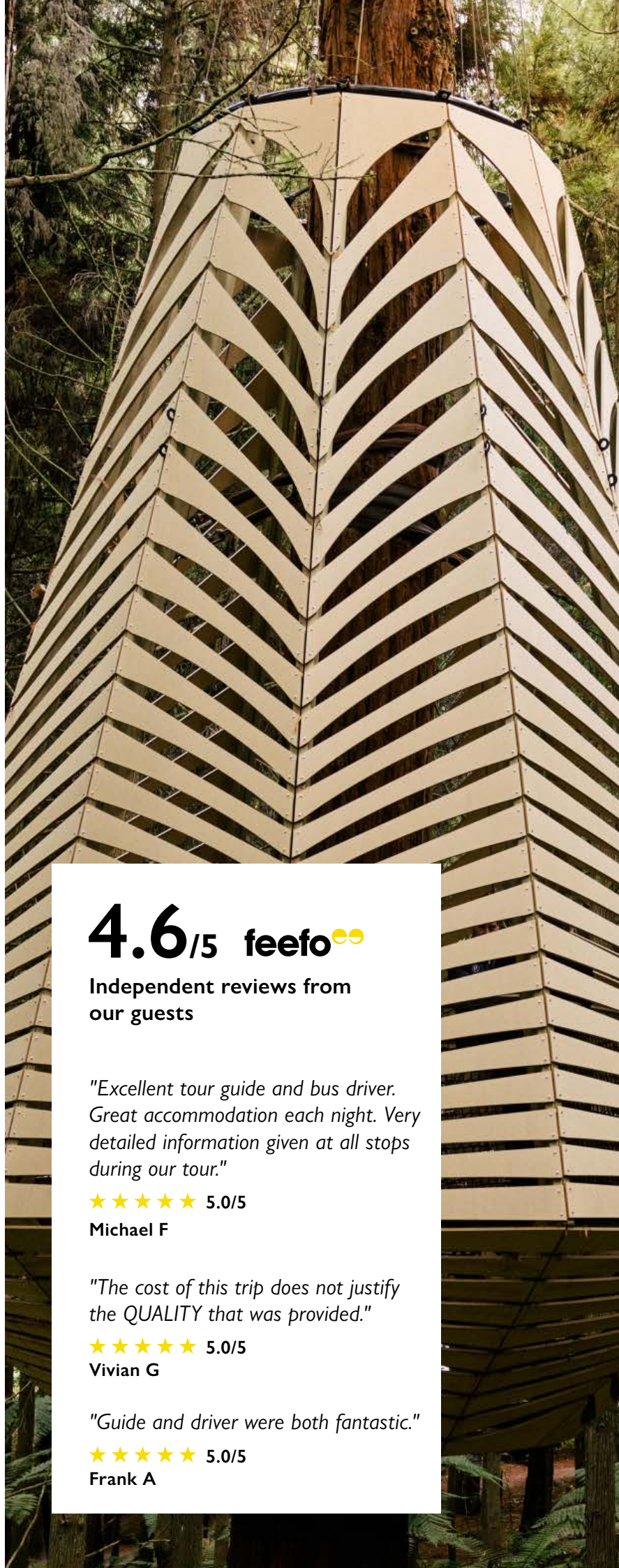
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Independent reviews from our guests

"Excellent tour guide and bus driver. Great accommodation each night. Very detailed information given at all stops during our tour."

★★★★★ 5.0/5

Michael F

"The cost of this trip does not justify the QUALITY that was provided."

★★★★★ 5.0/5

Vivian G

"Guide and driver were both fantastic."

★★★★★ 5.0/5

Frank A

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 an average of 16 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 this mesmerising land.

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 contrasting landscapes and luxury coaches with complimentary refreshments for longer journeys, simply sit back, relax and enjoy the view.

4-5 Star Hotels

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 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.



Redwoods Treewalk,
North Island, New Zealand

IMMERSE

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

Learn the fine art of 'rarrk' painting, Northern Territory
Experience this on Kakadu's Ancient Secrets, pg 28



Whirinaki Forest Guided Cultural Walk North Island

Immerse yourself in an ancient natural world, a remnant of the past unaltered by human intervention. An experience providing entertainment, education, enlightenment, and enrichment, expertly guided and tutored by those with an intimate knowledge of the forest and the lives of those who once dwelled within.

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



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.

 Look for this icon to find *Indulge highlights*

Te Pā Tū Māori Experience, North Island, New Zealand
Experience this on The Endless Shores, pg 56



Shottesbrooke Winery South Australia

Shottesbrooke Winery is located on Kurna Land in McLaren Vale. Founded in 1981, it has become one of the region's most popular destinations which offers memorable, authentic wine and food experiences. It produces a range of high-quality wines from both its estate-owned and managed vineyards based in McLaren Vale and the Adelaide Hills, together renowned for producing some of Australia's best Shiraz, Merlot, and Cabernet Sauvignon.

► Experience this on **Flavours of South Australia**, pg 36.



Agrarian Kitchen Tasmania

A restaurant in a town's old mental asylum? Built in 1925, the former ward is a vast expansive space, with large windows and high ceilings lined with the original pressed metal. A truly local food experience is the essence of the Agrarian Kitchen. The menu sources ingredients from the surrounding land, whether it's the restaurant garden, the community garden or a network of local gardeners, producers, farmers and fishermen.

► Experience this on **Tastes of Tasmania**, pg 32.

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.



Look for this icon to find
Explore highlights

Redwoods Treewalk, North Island
Explore this on The Long White Cloud, pg 48



Walpa Gorge, Kata Tjuta Northern Territory

This area is a desert refuge for plants and animals. The entrance of the gorge is decorated with clusters of pink daisies in the late winter. Inside, the rocky track gently rises to a seasonal stream, passing rare plants and ending at a grove of spearwood. Walk within the sheer walls and experience this amazing landscape.

► Experience this on **Outback Contrasts, pg 30.**



Milford Sound South Island

Deep within Fiordland National Park lies Milford Sound, New Zealand's most stunning natural attraction. With its magical combination of mountain peaks, ink-dark waters, and superb dramatic forest-clad cliffs, formed by ancient glaciers over hundreds of thousands of years, it must be seen to be believed.

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

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.



Look for this icon to find
Relax highlights

The Langham swimming pool
Experience this on Inspiring Australia, pg 42



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 32.**



Te Waonui Forest Retreat South Island

Nestled amongst native West Coast rainforest in Franz Josef/Waiau, the luxurious eco-designed Te Waonui Forest Retreat provides an outstanding experience that is close to nature. Mountains, glaciers, rivers, lakes, coastline, and native flora and fauna all lie in wait at your doorstep.

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





MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™

THE TRAVEL CORPORATION

Our goal as a travel provider is to MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®. 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 and trips is positive in two ways: through our 5-year sustainability strategy How We Tread Right, consisting of 11 measurable goals tied to the UN Global Goals, and through our TreadRight Foundation, which has funded 60+ sustainable tourism initiatives to date.

To learn more about how we're working to #MakeTravelMatter alongside our sister brands under The Travel Corporation, and how you can get involved, visit [impact.ttc.com](https://www.impact.ttc.com).



The three pillars of our support in our mission to **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER**[®] are:

PEOPLE

SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES & CULTURES

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.

PLANET

SUSTAINABILITY & CONSERVATION

Together with The Travel Corporation, we are committed to reaching net zero by 2050, with the guidance of our Climate Action Plan and our validated science-based targets. And, through TreadRight, we are supporting nature-based solutions that help restore our planet.

WILDLIFE

PROTECTION & AWARENESS

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.

For more information, visit TTC.com



The loyalty of our past guests means everything to us. That's why everyone who travels with us is automatically enrolled in our Global Rewards program, with access to exclusive past guest savings and offers on all AAT Kings and Inspiring Journey tours, and The Travel Corporation sister brands. Use your benefits on more than 1000 tours around the globe designed for every taste, place and pace.

Visit aatkings.com/rewards for more.



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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.



FAMILY OWNED • FAMILY RUN
DRIVEN BY SERVICE

AUSTRALIA



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 TJUTA | ULURU

11
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 award-winning Cicada Lodge.

EXPLORE

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

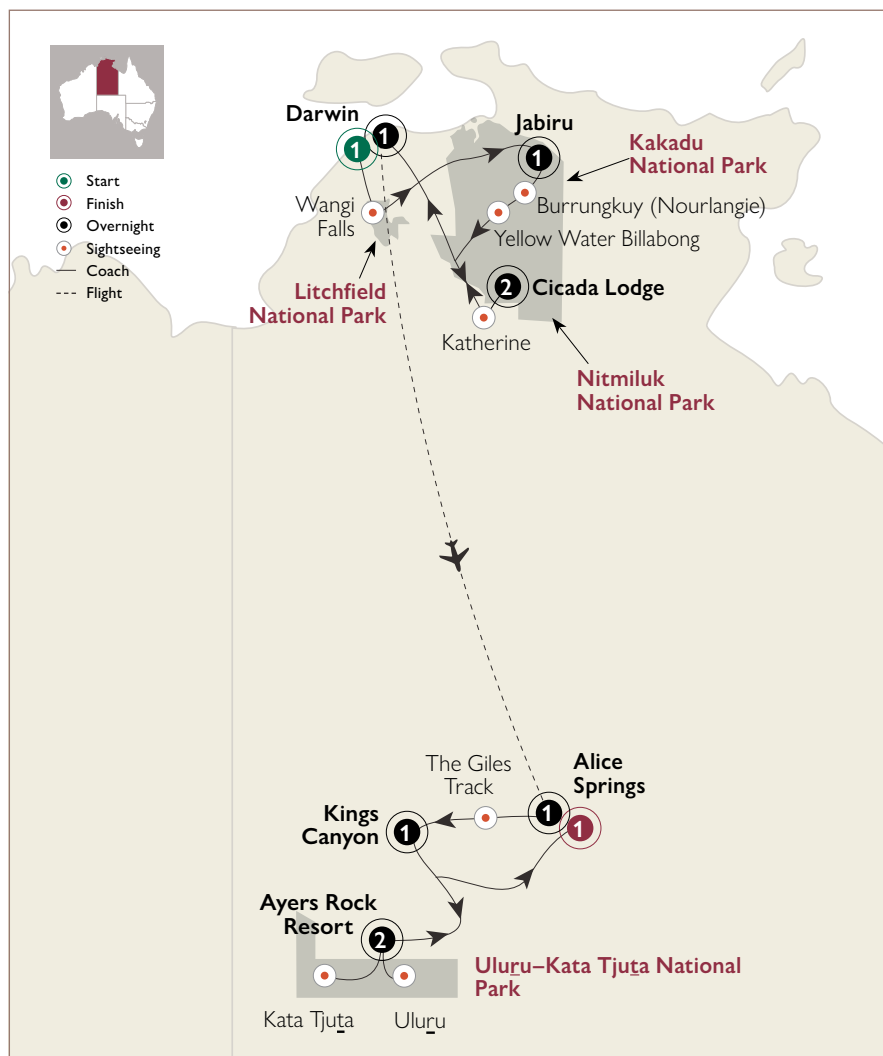
RELAX

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

MING



Yellow Water Billabong



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 soaring Kings Canyon.



Karrke Aboriginal Cultural Experience

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 – Kakadu



Meet your Journey Director and board your luxury vehicle to begin your journey of discovery in the Top End. Travel across the Finnis River to Litchfield National Park. **Visit tumbling Florence Falls and also enjoy a swim to cool off at Wangi Falls.** Get ready for a cross-country journey to the magnificent Kakadu National Park. Keep your eyes peeled for crocodiles as you cross the South Alligator River, and Brolgas, Magpie Geese and Jabiru as you traverse the long grasses of the marshes and wetlands. Meet your fellow travellers for a Welcome Reception this evening.

HOTEL Mercure Kakadu Crocodile, Jabiru, 2 nights

MEALS Dinner with wine

Day 2: Kakadu National Park



Join your Journey Director on a walk at Kakadu's stunning Ubirr rock art site. You'll see ancient rock art and discover remarkable views over the surrounding wetlands and escarpments from the fantastic vantage point, Nadab lookout. After lunch, **on the Yellow Water Billabong cruise you will see a myriad of different bird species, spot estuarine crocodiles and enjoy the stunning billabong and floodplains system.**

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

Day 3: Kakadu – Nitmiluk National Park



This morning you'll visit Burrungkuy (Nourlangie) to see its fascinating Aboriginal rock art. You'll also hear first-hand 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 back some 20,000 years. You will continue driving through the ancient lands of Kakadu National Park through to the town of Katherine and further on to Nitmiluk National Park. **Indulge in five-star luxury at Cicada Lodge, a stunning architect designed eco-lodge surrounded by nature,** where each room has a private balcony that opens to the glories of Nitmiluk National Park. Cool off from the heat of the day while enjoy a swim in the pool as the sunsets before a beautiful dinner.

HOTEL Cicada Lodge, Nitmiluk National Park, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

Day 4: Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge



Today immerse yourself as you meet prominent local Manual Pamkal who will welcome you with a traditional tune on the didgeridoo. Manual was born and raised immersed in his rich traditional culture. He'll share stories of growing up in the bush and teach you the fine art of rarrk painting using a special brush from a reed called Julk. Call up the inner artist within you and paint your own masterpiece to take home! This evening **indulge in a special sunset dinner cruise along Katherine River.** You'll marvel at the gorges while you spot wildlife and learn about the history and culture of the local Jawoyn people. Enjoy the peaceful ambiance during the candle-lit three course dinner cooked on board your boat.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, Local Dining Experience



Day 5: Katherine – Darwin

📍 Travel north along the Stuart Highway **stopping at the gorgeous Edith Falls on the way for a relaxing dip** and some lunch. Continue to Adelaide River War Cemetery. During WWII, Adelaide River was the headquarters to a large military base and a large cemetery was created especially for those who gave their lives in the service and defence of their country.

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 their take on what life is like in such an isolated Australian town like Alice Springs. Immerse yourself in the historic Alice Springs Telegraph Station precinct and learn about the overland telegraph line as you discover its historic buildings. **Explore the West MacDonnell Ranges on a walk through the dramatic Simpsons Gap.** Relish spectacular views across Alice Springs from Anzac Hill before some free time to explore the town or relax by your resort pool. Join your fellow guests at the Tali restaurant for Dinner.

HOTEL Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters
MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

Day 7: Alice Springs – Kings Canyon

📍 Now we're off the beaten track exploring along the 4WD Giles Track crossing dry river beds and outback landscapes to Kings Canyon Resort. The flickering glow of this evening's fire under the canopy of a starry southern hemisphere sky is the perfect accompaniment to your **Under a Desert Moon highlight dinner.** This degustation dinner with matching wines is the perfect indulgent end to the day.

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 sunrise 6km rim walk past the domed 'Lost City' and down into the luscious 'Garden of Eden'. Immerse yourself while visiting the Wanmarra Community with local Aboriginal people and **learn about the Luritja and Pertame people's spiritual connection to the land at the Karrke Aboriginal Cultural Experience.** Discover bush food and bush medicine used for spirituality and healing. Wandering across desert landscapes leaving Kings Canyon behind and arriving for lunch at Curtin Springs Station, a vast farming property. Feel the stirring of something bigger than you as you arrive in Ayers Rock Resort, your launchpad to Australia's fiery heart in the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. Travelling to Uluru as the day fades, the outback sun bids a fiery farewell. This is the perfect backdrop for sparkling sundowners while overlooking 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, and then visit Mutitjulu Waterhole.** Relax by the resort pool or take to the skies to see Uluru from above before a visit to Kata Tjuta for a walk through Walpa Gorge.

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 Alice Springs. 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

DEPARTURES

2024

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For prices, latest deals and year-round offers including past guest offers, group booking discounts for 9+ guests, multi-trip savings and additional definite departure dates visit inspiringjourneys.com/mnocr or contact your local travel agent. A limited number of single rooms are also available.

INCLUSIONS

- Small group (average 16 guests)
- 21+ Unforgettable experiences
- 23 included meals
- 10 Nights premium accommodation

NOTES

MNCR: DARWIN TO ALICE SPRINGS

- Flights are not included in holiday price.
- Private vehicle return airport to hotel transfers in Darwin are included in the price.
- Flight Information:
 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 prices include land and internal-holiday airfare, which AAT Kings will book in order to fulfil the holiday itinerary:
 Day 6 – Darwin to Alice Springs

Day 11: Farewell from Alice Springs

Relax at breakfast this morning as your epic journey comes to an end.

MEALS Breakfast



Field of Light

KAKADU'S ANCIENT SECRETS

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

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DAYS

IMMERSE

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

INDULGE

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

EXPLORE

Climb Burrungkuy (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.

Top Didj Cultural Experience

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.

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HOTEL Mercure Kakadu Crocodile, Jabiru, 2 nights

MEALS Lunch, dinner with wine

Day 2: Kakadu 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. Join your Journey Director on a walk at Kakadu's stunning Ubirr rock art site.

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HOTEL Cicada Lodge, Nitmiluk National Park, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine



Burringkuy Rock Art

Day 4: Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge

- 🕒 Today meet prominent local 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! 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: 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

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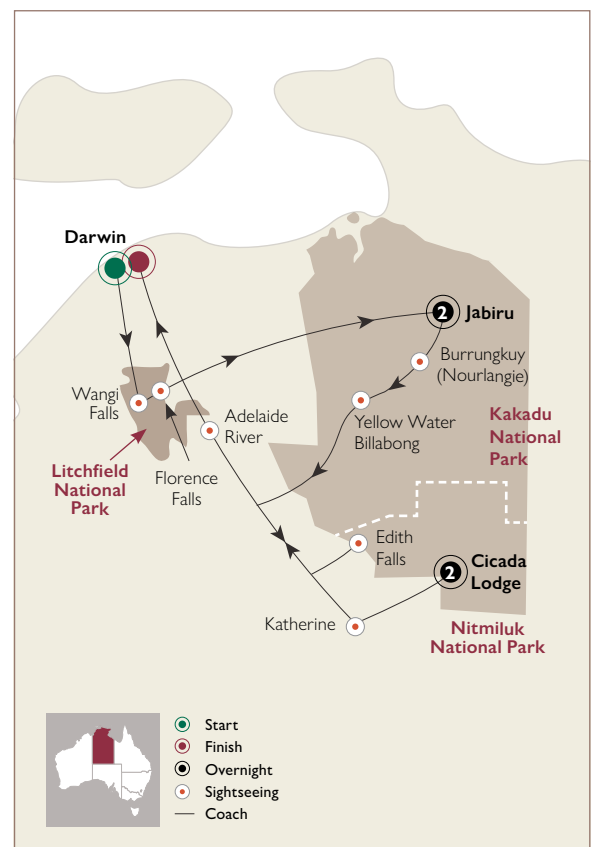
INCLUSIONS

- Small group (average 16 guests)
- 11+ Unforgettable experiences
- 12 included meals
- 4 Nights premium accommodation

NOTES

MNDD: DARWIN RETURN

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OUTBACK CONTRASTS

ALICE SPRINGS | WEST MACDONNELL RANGES | KINGS CANYON |
KATA TJUTA | ULURU

06
DAYS

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 at Kings Canyon Resort.

EXPLORE

Enter Walpa Gorge, an ancient temple crafted by nature, and discover the scenic wonders of the West MacDonnell Ranges.

RELAX

Nestled in the rugged bush, unwind in your room at Kings Canyon Resort, with a private balcony overlooking a beautiful rock escarpment.

The Old Quarry

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 through Simpsons Gap, and later view Alice Springs and surrounds from the top of Anzac Hill. This evening join your fellow travellers for a Welcome Reception at Tali Restaurant.

HOTEL Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters

MEALS Dinner with wine




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

-  Gaze across the deep chasm at the edge of Kings Canyon as you embark on the spellbinding 6km 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 Itara 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 at the Karrke Aboriginal Cultural Experience.** 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 Tjuta 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




Karrke Aboriginal Cultural Experience

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 before arriving in Alice Springs. Enjoy free time to wander around the town. The Todd Street Mall has cafés and many Aboriginal art galleries to explore. **Immerse yourself this afternoon and evening 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. Indulge in a dinner of local produce as the Milky Way lights up the sky.

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 is completed.

MEALS Breakfast

DEPARTURES

2024

Apr	16, 30	Aug	06, 20
May	14, 28	Sep	03, 17
Jun	11, 25	Oct	01, 08
Jul	09, 23		

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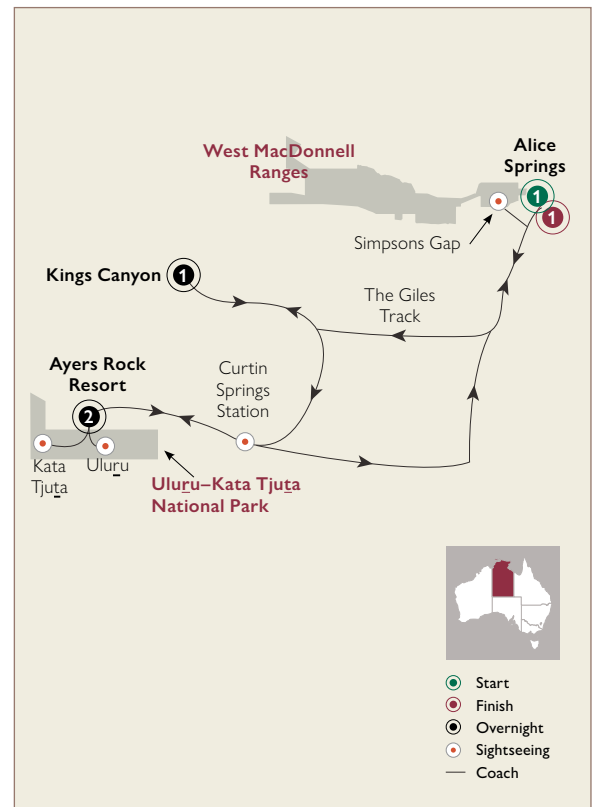
INCLUSIONS

- Small group (average 16 guests)
- 10+ Unforgettable experiences
- 11 included meals
- 5 Nights premium accommodation

NOTES

CRAA: ALICE SPRINGS RETURN

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- 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 | BINALONG BAY | BAY OF FIRES | LAUNCESTON

07
DAYS

◎ IMMERSE

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

🍷 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

Wander around the oldest Trout hatchery in the southern hemisphere. Soak up panoramic views of one of the world's most beautiful beaches, Wineglass Bay.

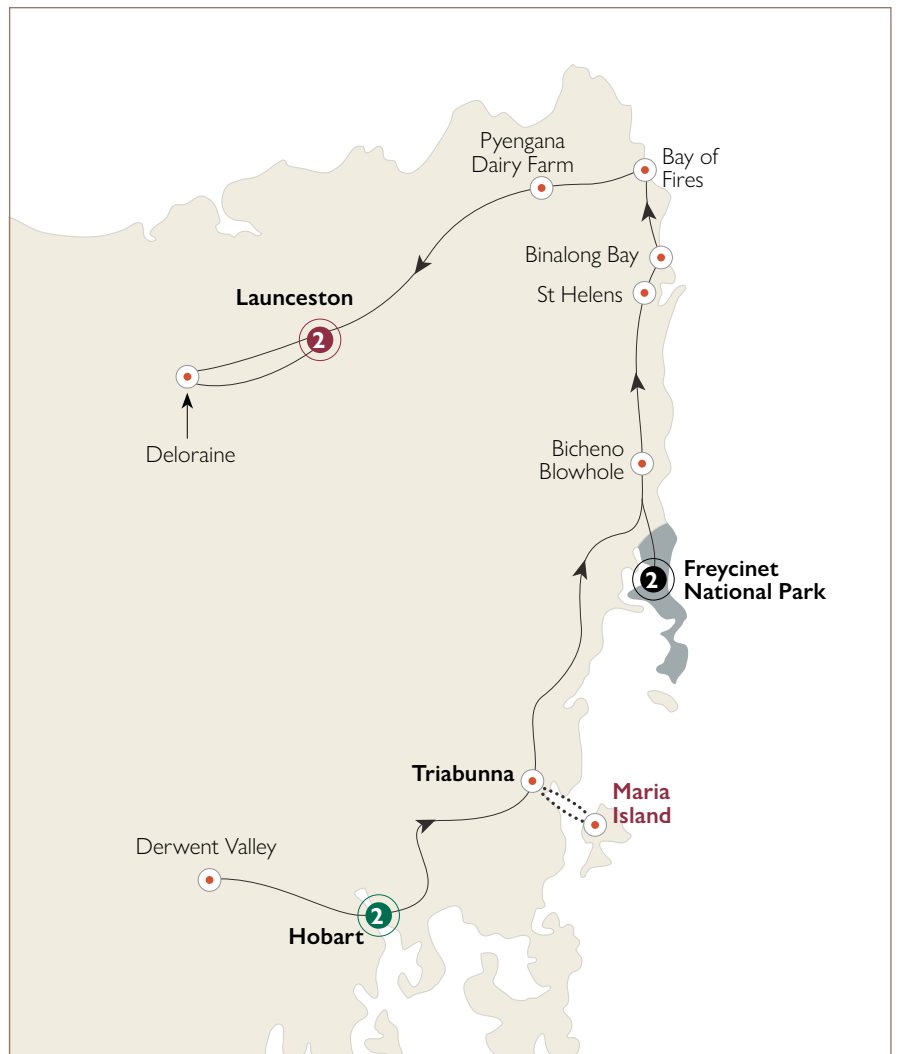
🌸 RELAX

Unwind at the modern Hotel Verge in the heart of Launceston, and stay 2 nights in a national park at tranquil Coles Bay on the east coast.





The Agrarian Kitchen



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.



Salamanca Market

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

Welcome to Australia's island state, home to the Tassie Devil and the world's cleanest air! This morning you'll meet your Journey Director and fellow travellers before taking a walking tour of the historic Hobart docks, Salamanca Place. Connect with the local artists as you explore the many galleries and shops hidden in the 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, our next stop is lunch on the docks overlooking the majestic Derwent River. Enjoy a three-course dining experience which will give you a scrumptious taste of what's to come and prepare you for your afternoon **visit to Australia's Museum of Old and New Art (Mona)**, located within the grounds of stunning Moorilla Winery. Take a self-guided tour and immerse yourself in what is described by its owner as a "subversive adult Disneyland" before enjoying a relaxing ferry ride back to Hobart for a free evening at leisure.

HOTEL Crowne Plaza, 2 nights

MEALS Lunch with wine



Mona - Museum of Old and New Art

Day 2: Derwent Valley

Every Sunday morning Farm Gate Market transforms an inner-city street into a bustling farmers' market. Situated just a block from your hotel, you'll have the chance to **meet the makers and growers as you wander through an ever-changing array of fresh, local produce** that Tasmania has become renowned for. Later, head up into the Derwent Valley, a major hop growing region where you'll see Oast Houses used for drying hops for beer making, scattered throughout this picturesque valley. Here you'll meet owners Rod and Severine who will show you around their veggie garden, housed in an old asylum's exercise yard, before enjoying a delicious three-course paddock to plate dining experience at their restaurant, the Agrarian Kitchen. Bellies full, **take a wander around the historic Salmon Ponds which also once housed the oldest trout hatchery in the Southern Hemisphere**. Finish off your visit to the Derwent Valley with a cider tasting before returning to Hobart for a free evening to explore at leisure.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch with wine

Day 3: Hobart – Freycinet National Park

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, **enjoy a glass of wine on the balcony of your lodge situated on the shores of the national park as you watch the sun set**, followed by a scrumptious BBQ dinner.

HOTEL Freycinet Lodge, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

Day 4: Freycinet National Park

Today your adventure includes a **Pennicott Lunch Cruise from Coles Bay to picturesque Wineglass Bay**. The bay boasts

magnificent views of clear emerald waters surrounded by pink granite peaks. Spot friendly seals, hidden sea caves, beautiful waterfalls and diverse birdlife. Enjoy a ploughman-style lunch of smoked meats, salad and cheeses served alongside locally baked bread, a sweet treat, and all the wine and beer you desire. Back on land explore more of the magnificent Freycinet National Park, where you may choose to **hike the 90-minute round-trip up to the lookout to experience a panoramic aerial view of 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 rugged rocky outcrops. Later, you can **take a leisurely walk along the beach or a swim at Moon Bay before an evening at leisure at the lodge**.



MEALS Breakfast, lunch with wine

Day 5: Freycinet National Park – 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. En 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. In 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 Verge, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, lunch



Bay of Fires

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 tour 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, make this the perfect spot to produce spirits. **Relax and taste some of their fine poitin (Irish spirit), vodkas and gins**. Back at your hotel, you'll enjoy a Celebration Dinner with your Journey Director and fellow travellers.



MEALS Breakfast, Celebration Dinner

Day 7: Farewell from Launceston

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

MEALS Breakfast

DEPARTURES

2023		2024		2025	
Nov	11	Feb	03	Jan	11
		Mar	09	Feb	08
		Oct	12	Mar	08
		Nov	09		

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INCLUSIONS

- Small group (average 16 guests)
- 8+ Unforgettable experiences
- 14 included meals
- 6 Nights premium accommodation

NOTES

IJTHBL: HOBART TO LAUNCESTON

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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.

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCE

FLAVOURS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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

05
DAYS



D'Arenberg Cube

IMMERSE

The d'Arenberg Cube was inspired by the complexities of wine making. Each level has been designed to entice and excite the senses.

INDULGE

Soak up the smells, sights, and flavours of Adelaide Central Market, and Indulge in your love of art at the Salvador Dali exhibition.

EXPLORE

Take your time as you wander through the JamFactory at Seppeltsfield while watching the many artists at work.

RELAX

Indulge in a leisurely lunch overlooking the vineyards enjoying a feast that connects you to the region, showcasing local sustainable produce at The Currant Shed.

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 your 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. Next, **your foodie adventure begins at Adelaide Central Market where you'll meet your expert hosts, who'll introduce you to the passionate market stall owners.** You will taste signature dishes throughout the market, enjoying a four-course roaming Welcome Reception with local wine. It is serious fun for those with a passion for great food, and who enjoy meeting the people who grow and supply it to our tables.

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, home to 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. There will also be an opportunity for those interested to see the Salvador Dali exhibition. Afterwards, **take a tour and tasting at Shottesbrooke before enjoying a delicious lunch with wine at the iconic Currant Shed**. 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, Local Dining Experience



Shottesbrooke

Day 5: Farewell from 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, Celebration Lunch

DEPARTURES

2024		2025	
Mar	01	Feb	28
Apr	26		
Oct	04		
Oct	25		

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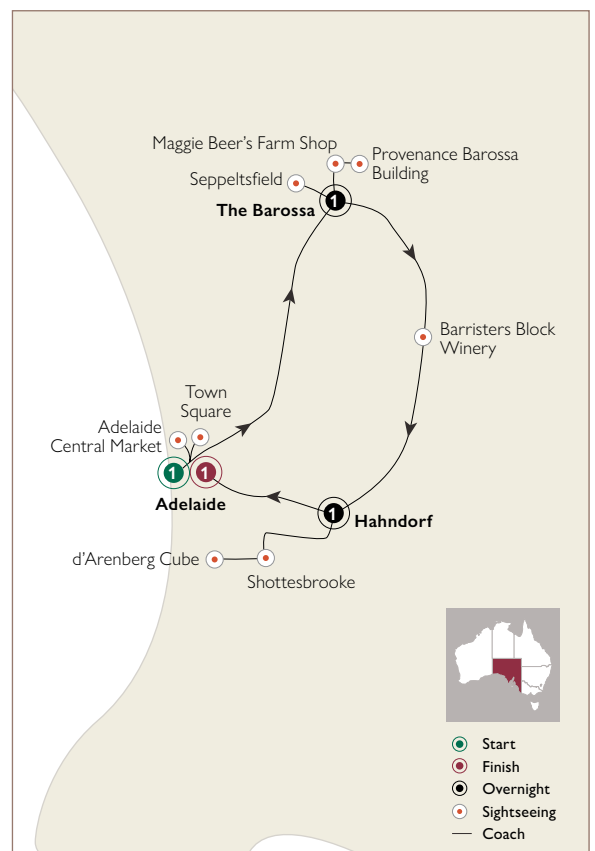
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- 4 Nights premium accommodation

NOTES

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INSPIRING AUSTRALIA

CAIRNS | PALM COVE | DAINTREE RAINFOREST | GREAT BARRIER REEF |
ULURU | KATA TJUTA | MELBOURNE | SYDNEY | HUNTER VALLEY

13
DAYS

IMMERSE

Delve into Aboriginal culture in the Daintree Rainforest, and on a walk at the base of Uluru.

INDULGE

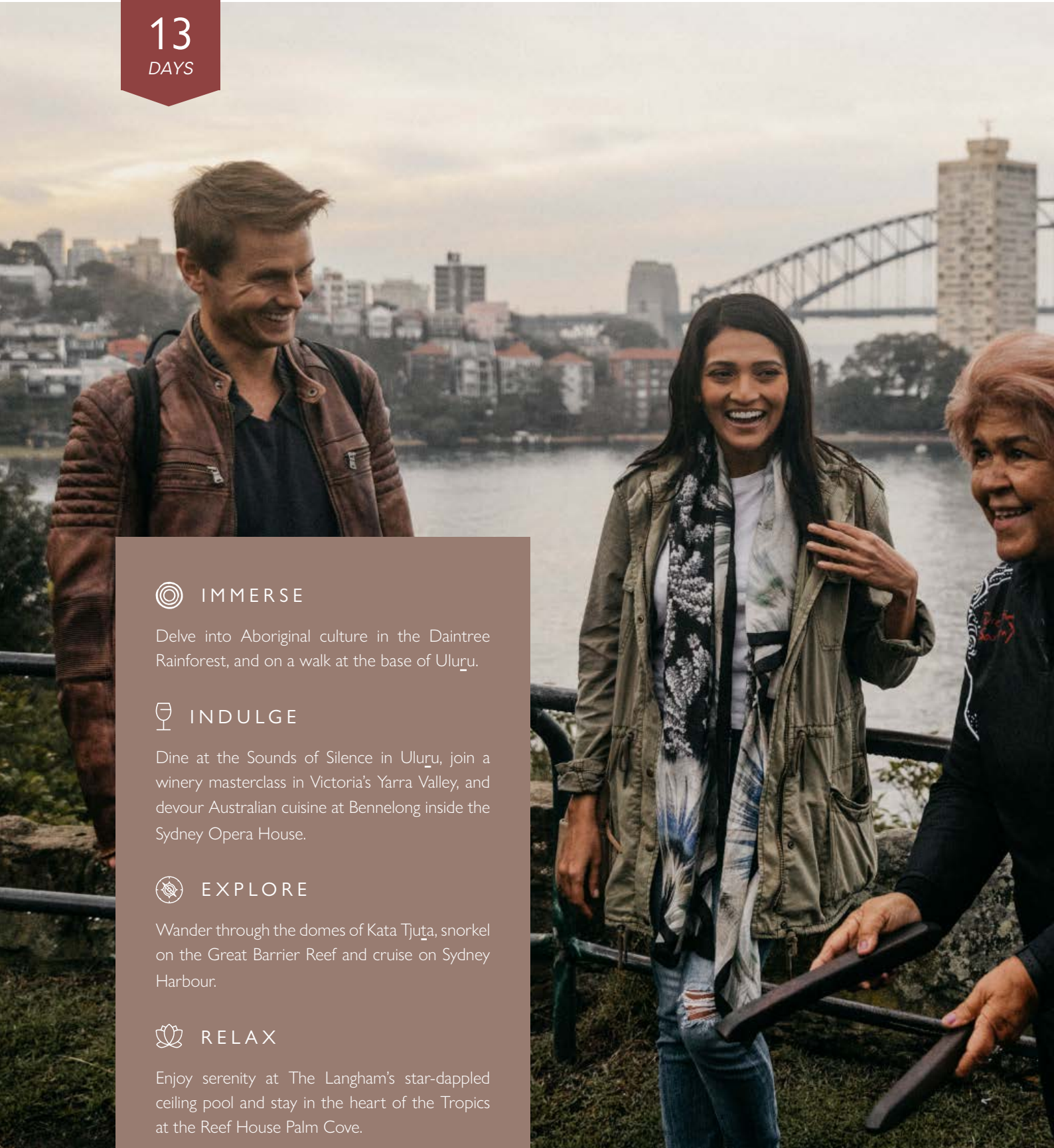
Dine at the Sounds of Silence in Uluru, join a winery masterclass in Victoria's Yarra Valley, and devour Australian cuisine at Bennelong inside the Sydney Opera House.

EXPLORE

Wander through the domes of Kata Tjuta, snorkel on the Great Barrier Reef and cruise on Sydney Harbour.

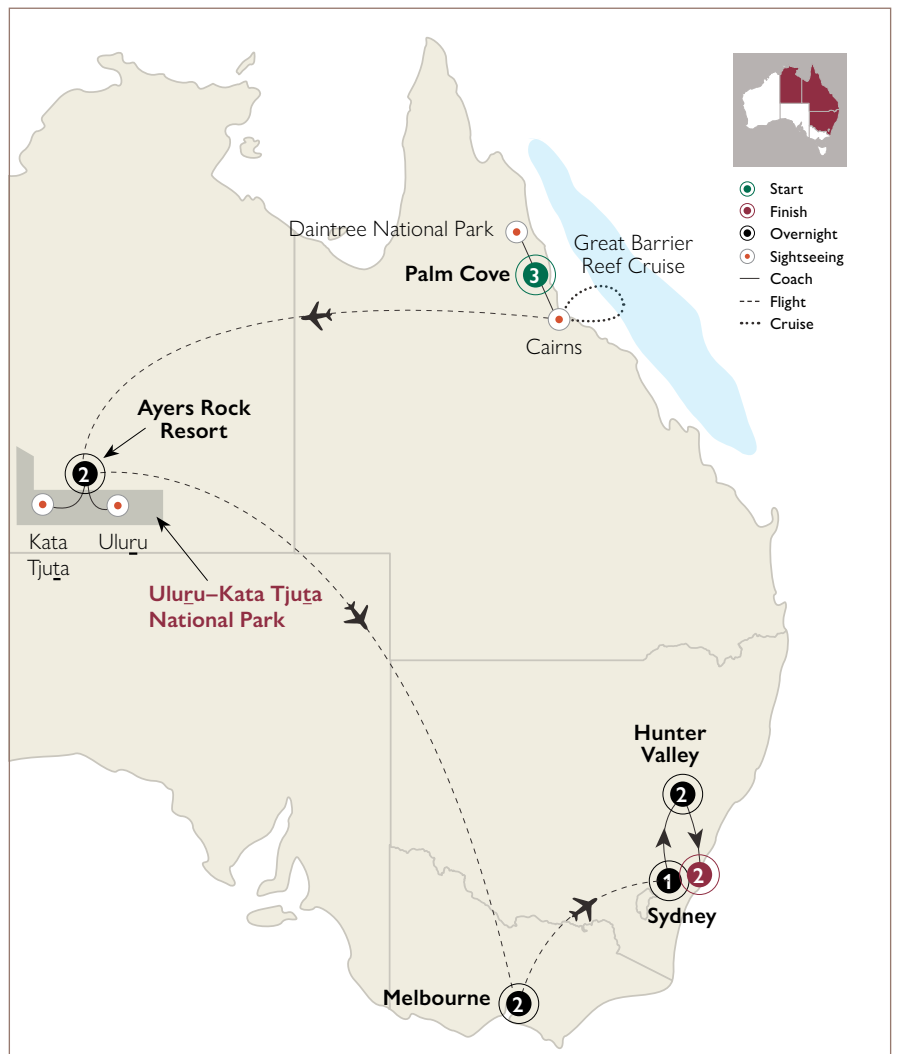
RELAX

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





Sydney Dreamtime Heritage Tour



Venture on a journey through *Australia's most iconic sights*. Experience the ancient Gondwana Rainforests of Northern Australia, majestic Uluru in the spiritual Red Centre, get set to explore Melbourne, and the iconic harbour city of Sydney.



Great Barrier Reef

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 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

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 Tjuta, where you'll join your Journey Director for a guided walk through Walpa

Gorge. Later enjoy nibbles and sparkling wine while you watch Uluru change colour as the sun sets below the horizon.

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

MEALS Breakfast

Day 5: Uluru

- 🕒 Rise early to experience the Bruce Munro's 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 Muḱitjulu Waterhole. This evening enjoy a Local Dining Experience under the sparkling outback sky at the award-winning Sounds of Silence Dinner.

MEALS Breakfast, Local Dining Experience



Uluru

Day 6: Uluru – Melbourne

Start the day with an unforgettable experience as you watch the sun rise over Uluru. After this, fly to the vibrant city of Melbourne where you will be treated to a delicious welcome dinner at one of the city's local restaurants.

HOTEL InterContinental, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

Day 7: Melbourne

🍷 Today **indulge your senses in the Yarra Valley with a chocolate tasting and winery masterclass** followed by lunch at Dominique Portet, and a G&T tasting at Four Pillars Gin Distillery.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch with wine

Day 8: Melbourne - Sydney

The morning is yours. Why not explore Melbourne's world-famous laneways or treat yourself to some shopping at the local stylish boutique stores? Explore all the sites Melbourne has to offer with a city orientation tour, then enjoy lunch at Big Esso by Mabu Mabu, where you will fill your belly with delicious native Australian bush flavours before jetting off to Sydney.

HOTEL The Langham

MEALS Breakfast, lunch

Day 9: Sydney – Hunter Valley

🗺️ Enjoy a **Sydney sightseeing tour including a visit to Mrs. Macquarie's Chair for panoramic views over the Opera House and Harbour Bridge**. Midmorning 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 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

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

DEPARTURES

2023		2024		2025	
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		Feb	27	Feb	25
		Jul	02		
		Oct	01		
		Nov	05		

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INCLUSIONS

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- 12 Nights premium accommodation

NOTES

IJFLY: CAIRNS TO SYDNEY

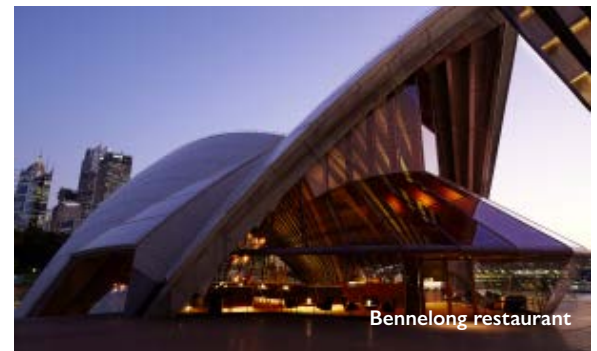
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Day 13 – flights to depart anytime from Sydney Airport

Internal-holiday flights: Please note that prices include land and internal-holiday airfares, which AAT Kings will book in order to fulfil the holiday itinerary:

- Day 4 – Cairns to Ayers Rock
- Day 6 – Ayers Rock to Melbourne
- Day 8 – Melbourne to 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




Bennelong restaurant

Day 13: Farewell from Sydney

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

MEALS Breakfast

NEW ZEALAND



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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 Redwoods forest.

THE LONG WHITE CLOUD

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

19
DAYS

IMMERSE

Embrace the traditional Māori greeting at Te Pā Tū Māori Experience, and immerse yourself in Jurassic Rainforest.

INDULGE

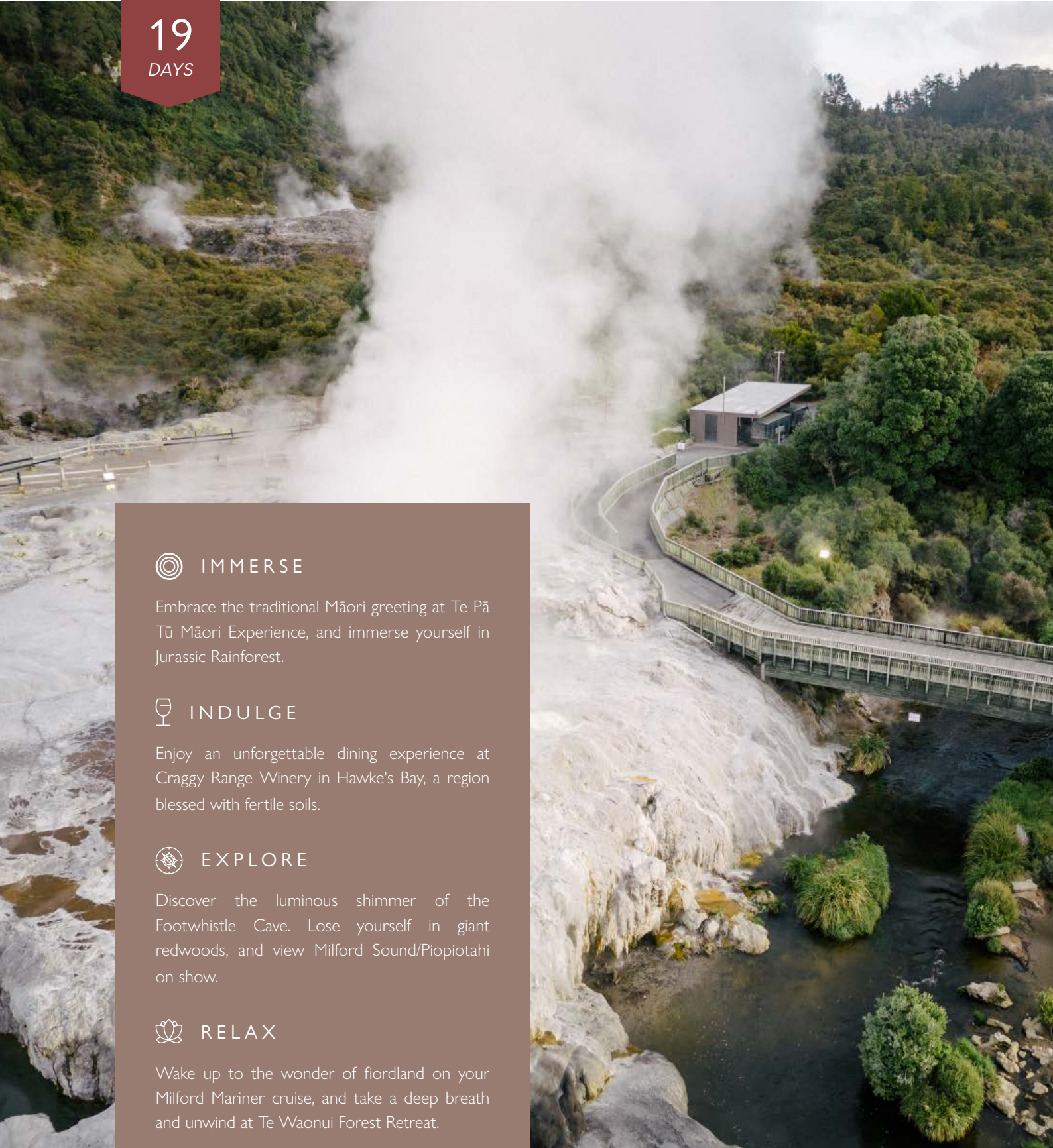
Enjoy an unforgettable dining experience at Craggy Range Winery in Hawke's Bay, a region blessed with fertile soils.

EXPLORE

Discover the luminous shimmer of the Footwhistle Cave. Lose yourself in giant redwoods, and view Milford Sound/Piopiotaui on show.

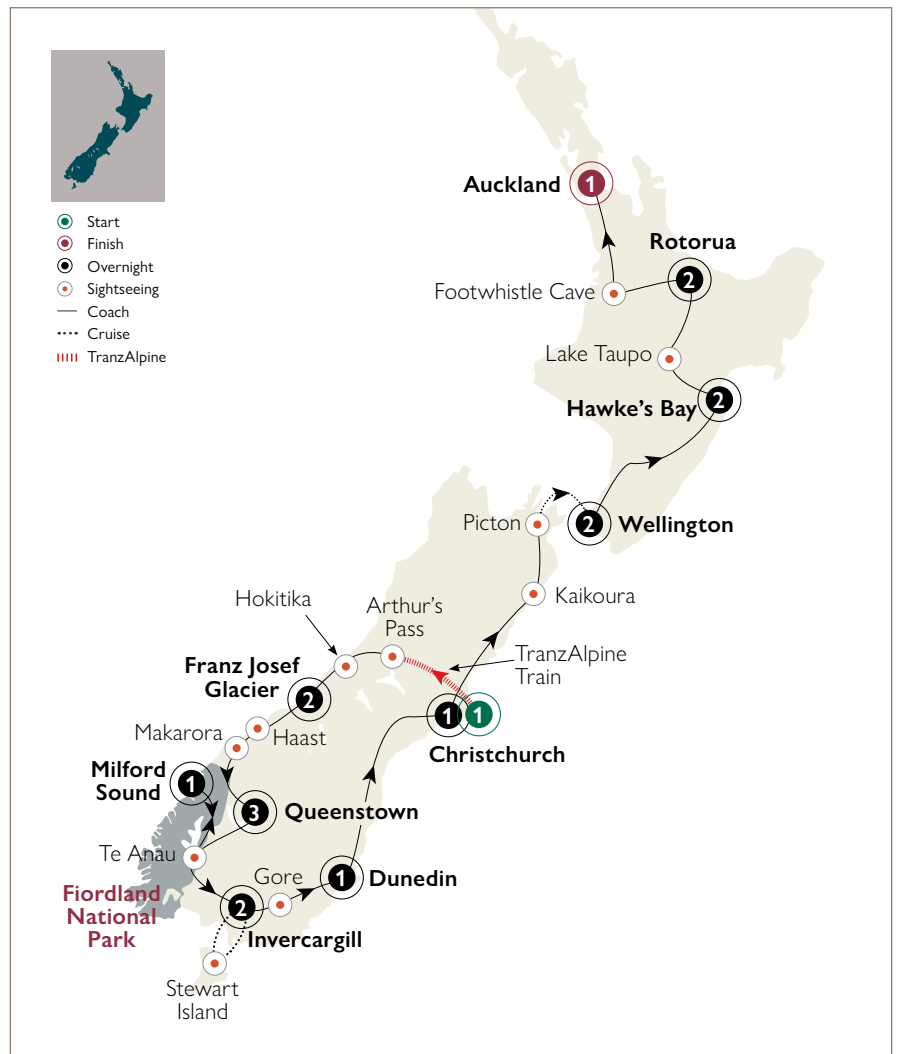
RELAX

Wake up to the wonder of fiordland on your Milford Mariner cruise, and take a deep breath and unwind at Te Waonui Forest Retreat.





Te Puia Geothermal Reserve, Rotorua



Traverse New Zealand's North and South Islands, from the hot pools of Franz Josef/Waiu, to a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience in Dunedin, and the brave depths of Queenstown, the adventure capital. Explore extraordinary landscapes and ancient heritage, as you *encounter New Zealand as few have seen it before.*



Craggy Range Winery

Day 1: Welcome to Christchurch

Board a private transfer to your hotel. Tonight, meet your Journey Director for a Welcome Reception with local wines and canapés.

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. 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



TranzAlpine

Day 3: Franz Josef/Waiau (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

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

MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

Day 5: Queenstown at Leisure



Enjoy Queenstown your way! Perhaps join a wine tour and taste some of Central Otago's world-renowned Pinot Noir.

MEALS Breakfast

Day 6: Queenstown at Leisure



Make the most of your extended stay in Queenstown. Perhaps take a peaceful cruise across Lake Wakatipu aboard New Zealand's oldest steamship, the TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak Station. Tonight, enjoy a Local Dining Experience in one of Queenstown's most 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, where you'll stop for lunch at a local farm, and then through World Heritage Fiordland National Park. Tonight, you will stay aboard the iconic Milford Mariner.

HOTEL Milford Mariner

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

Day 8: Milford Sound/Piopiotahi - Invercargill



Leave Fiordland National Park and journey to Invercargill. A city obsessed with motoring history, there are tributes to speed legends across town, from Burt Munro to Bill Richardson and his shed full of classic vehicles. Enjoy a tour of the largest private collection of its type in the world.

HOTEL The Langlands, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast

Day 9: Invercargill (Stewart Island)

Board a ferry at Bluff and cruise to the pristine Stewart Island. Later, join a leisurely cruise around Paterson Inlet and see diverse flora and birdlife.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

Day 10: Invercargill – Dunedin



Enjoy a relaxed start before departing for Dunedin. On a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience** visit **Dunedin Craft Distillers**, who produce botanical spirits from surplus bread and bakery products that would otherwise go to landfill. Venture just next door for a special Chocolate tasting journey at **OCHO Chocolate**.

HOTEL Hotel Distinction Dunedin

MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

Day 11: Dunedin – Christchurch

Travel up the east coast through Oamaru and Timaru to Christchurch.

HOTEL Hotel Montreal

MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

Day 12: Christchurch – Kaikōura – Wellington

Travel along the Pacific coast to Kaikōura. 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. Perhaps visit the urban eco-sanctuary of Zealandia/Te Māra a Tāne, or Te Papa, the Museum of New Zealand.

MEALS Breakfast

Day 14: Wellington – Hawke’s Bay



Travel through the dairy farming land of Manawatu to Napier. Enjoy a **Local Dining Experience at Craggy Range winery**.

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 surrounding 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 to Rotorua, where this afternoon, armed with a packed lunch, you'll join a local guide for a cultural walking eco-tour to discover the jurassic Whirinaki Forest, a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**.

HOTEL Pullman Rotorua, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast, lunch

Day 17: Rotorua – Redwoods Treewalk



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. Tonight, visit **Te Pā Tū Māori Experience**. Tū Te Rā is a celebration of the abundant harvest of this season, and explores concepts, rituals, and stories of ancient Māori warfare and peace in a feast of culture and cuisine. Enjoy a seasonal canapé and complementary chef choice aperitif, and a seasonal three-course dinner.

MEALS Breakfast, Local Dining Experience



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INCLUSIONS

- Small group (average 16 guests)
- 13+ Unforgettable experiences
- 33 included meals
- 18 Nights premium accommodation

NOTES

NZIJ: CHRISTCHURCH TO AUCKLAND

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Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Christchurch Airport
Day 19 – flights to depart anytime from Auckland Airport



Footwhistle Cave

Day 18: Rotorua – Caveworld Waitomo – 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 this morning 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/PIOPIOTAHĪ | TE ANAU | DUNEDIN

12
DAYS

IMMERSE

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

INDULGE

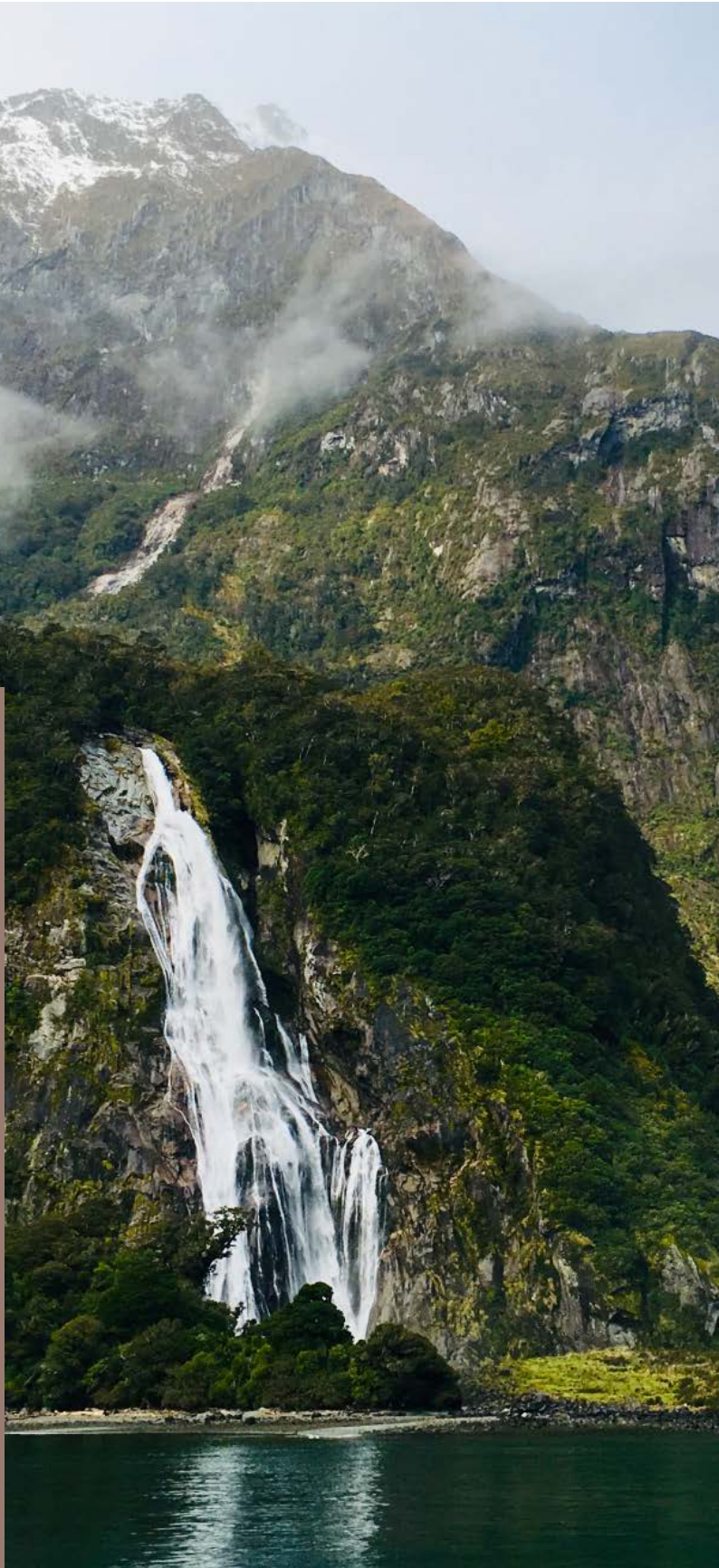
Join a behind-the-scenes tour and at Dunedin Craft Distillers, OCHO Chocolate, and embark on a culinary discovery of Queenstown.

EXPLORE

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

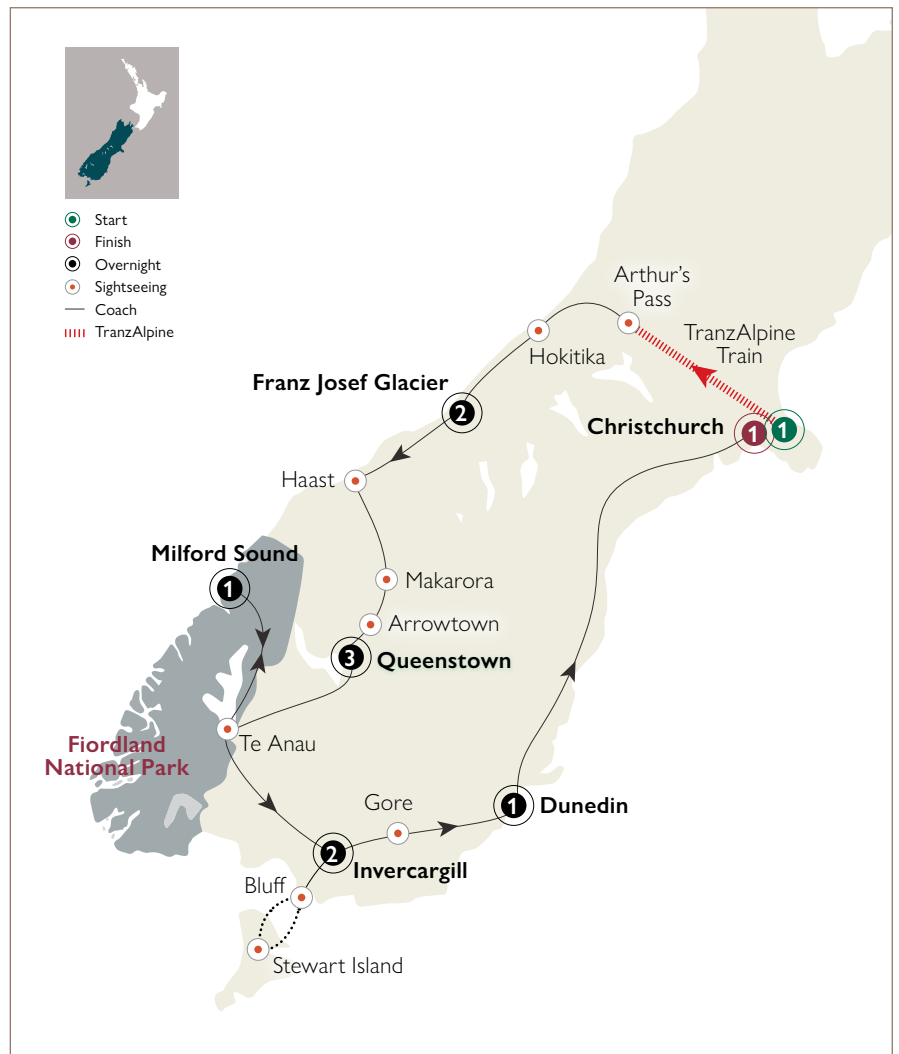
RELAX

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.





Milford Sound/Piopiotahi



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.



Arrowtown



Franz Josef Glacier /Kā Roimata o Hine Hukatere

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. This evening, join your Journey Director for a Welcome Reception with local wines and canapés.

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. 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)

- 🕒 An experienced local guide will host you on a walking tour in one of the most pristine places on Earth. They will share their knowledge of the glacier region, leaving you with a whole new appreciation for Franz Josef Glacier/Kā Roimata o Hine Hukatere. Later, you may want to get up close to the glaciers on an optional helicopter flight.

MEALS Breakfast

Day 4: Franz Josef/Waiau – Arrowtown – Queenstown

- 🕒 This morning it's time for an adventure as we travel in a purpose-built 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.

MEALS Breakfast



TSS Earnslaw, Queenstown

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. **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 Lake Wakatipu to Te Anau. Stop for lunch at a local farm, where you will hear stories of life on the land and meet a cuddly animal or two. **Continue through the rainforest of the UNESCO World Heritage site of Fiordland National Park**, sighting glaciers and mountain ranges onto the amazing Mirror Lake before driving through the hand-hewn Homer Tunnel. **Spend the night aboard the iconic Milford Mariner and wake up in one of the most beautiful places on earth.** The cruise style is relaxed, allowing plenty of time to view the fiord's spectacular waterfalls, rainforest, mountains and diverse wildlife such as seals, penguins and dolphins. Hear from the specialist nature guide on board or choose to explore the shoreline by kayak or small boat. Enjoy exclusive access to the Fiord once the day trippers depart the sound.



HOTEL Milford Mariner

MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

Day 8: Milford Sound/Piopiotahi – Invercargill

We leave the majestic Fiordland National Park for the fertile sheep-dotted pastures of South Otago through to Invercargill, a commercial hub full of grand architecture and gardens. **A city obsessed with motoring history, there are tributes to speed legends across town, from Burt Munro to Bill Richardson and his shed full of classic vehicles. Enjoy a tour of the largest private collection of its type in the world.** Later this afternoon you will have some free time to explore this city, and an evening free to seek out local hot spots.



HOTEL The Langlands, 2 nights

MEALS Breakfast

Day 9: Invercargill (Stewart Island)

Board a ferry at Bluff and cruise to Stewart Island, known by locals as Rakiura the Māori reference to Glowing Skies. It has been described as rugged, pristine and tranquil – and rightly so as 97% of the island is designated National Park and Conservation Estate.

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INCLUSIONS

- Small group (average 16 guests)
- 6+ Unforgettable experiences
- 20 included meals
- 11 Nights premium accommodation

NOTES

NZSI: CHRISTCHURCH RETURN

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This means the birdlife, native flora & fauna and other natural environmental features have been able to thrive. You will gain an entertaining insight into New Zealand's southernmost community and **learn about the history and environment of Stewart Island on a Village and Bays tour**. Later you will join a leisurely cruise, including a picnic lunch, around Paterson Inlet that will take you past unique places including Acker's Cottage before docking at Ulva Island to admire the bird life and native flora. Travel back to Invercargill for a relaxed dinner.



MEALS Breakfast, lunch, dinner with wine

Day 10: Invercargill – Dunedin



Enjoy a relaxed start before departing for Dunedin. On a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience visit Dunedin Craft Distillers, who produce botanical spirits from surplus bread and bakery products that would otherwise go to landfill.** Venture just next door for a special Chocolate tasting journey at OCHO Chocolate.

HOTEL Distinction Dunedin

MEALS Breakfast, Dinner with wine

Day 11: Dunedin – Christchurch



Travel up the east coast of the South Island via Omarau and Timaru to Christchurch for a sightseeing tour. 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 we transfer you by private car to Christchurch Airport for your onward flight.

MEALS Breakfast

THE ENDLESS SHORES

WELLINGTON | HAWKE'S BAY | LAKE TAUPŌ | ROTORUA | WAITOMO | AUCKLAND

8
DAYS



Te Pā Tū Māori Experience

IMMERSE

Walk through a Jurassic rainforest on a cultural eco-tour, and embrace the traditional greeting of your hosts at Te Pā Tū Māori Experience.

INDULGE

In the shadow of the spectacular Te Mata Peak, enjoy an unforgettable dining experience at Craggy Range winery in Hawke's Bay, a region blessed with fertile soils.

EXPLORE

Walk high among giant 120 year old Redwood trees, and discover the luminous shimmer of the breathtaking Footwhistle Glowworm Cave.

RELAX

Cruise the streets of New Zealand's Art Deco capital in style in the comfort of a luxurious vintage car driven by your expert guide.

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 forest redwood giants, to an eco-tour of Jurassic rainforest.


Day 1: Welcome to Wellington

Upon arrival at Wellington Airport you'll be transferred by private car to your hotel. Spend time at leisure or explore on your own. This evening, join your Journey Director for a Welcome Reception and dinner.

HOTEL QT Wellington, 2 nights


MEALS Dinner with wine

Day 2: Wellington at Leisure

 **Discover Wellington your way.** You could visit the urban eco-sanctuary of Zealandia/Te Māra a Tāne, home to some of New Zealand's most rare and extraordinary wildlife. Go on a guided city walking tour around Wellington or explore the country's fascinating culture, nature, heritage and art at Te Papa, the 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 Bay. This evening, **enjoy dinner with wine 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

Enjoy a leisurely start before continuing the journey to Rotorua. This afternoon you will have a guided cultural eco-tour of Whirinaki Forest, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Armed with a packed lunch and with your local expert guide **discover this vast, Jurassic, podocarp rainforest on a guided cultural walking tour**, including Rongoa trail, rakau rangatira, history, possibly sight some native and endangered birds, whakatauki, forest bathing and hot kawakawa tea to end.

HOTEL Pullman Rotorua, 2 nights.

MEALS Breakfast, lunch



Whirinaki Forest Footsteps

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. Tonight, **visit Te Pā Tū Māori Experience**. Tū Te Rā is a celebration of the abundant harvest of this season, and explores concepts, rituals, and stories of ancient Māori warfare and peace in a feast of culture and cuisine. Enjoy a forest kai horotai (seasonal canapés) and complementary chef choice aperitif, and a seasonal three-course dinner.

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

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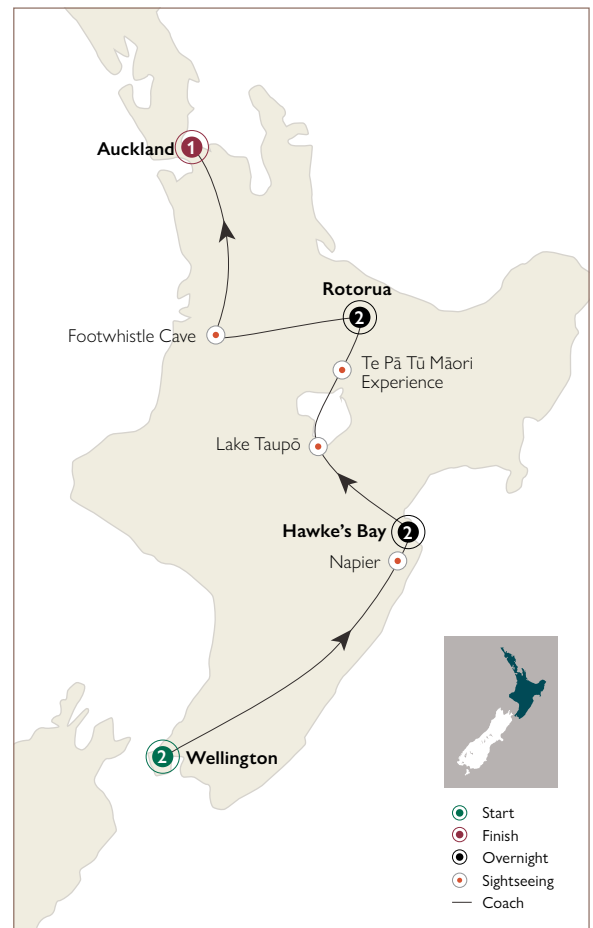
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TRAVEL ESSENTIALS

My 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 and My Inspiring Journeys 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.

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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.

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.

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