

5 DAYS MELBOURNE DISCOVERY

DAY-01: WELCOME TO MELBOURNE.

Arrive at Melbourne International or Domestic Airport. Your airport seat-in-coach transfer will take you to your hotel in Melbourne.

Enjoy a relaxed start and a day completely at leisure.

DAY-02: MELBOURNE CITY TOUR WITH YARRA RIVER CRUISE (B)

Whether a first time visitor to Melbourne or not, you're sure to be charmed by our vibrant city. Offering some of the finest coffee/café culture, stunning gardens and an active arts/sports scene, there's something for everyone.

Join our Melbourne city tour and be treated to a morning of informative commentary and colourful atmosphere exploring Fitzroy Gardens, Queen Victoria Market*, a few of our laneways and arcades and a drive through Chinatown. At the conclusion of our city tour, take a little walk down to the riverside to join a scenic and relaxing cruise on the Yarra River. It's also a great photo opportunity to capture Melbourne's distinct and spectacular city skyline.

Highlights of this Tour

- Hotel Windsor - high Victorian architecture
- Parliament House
- Princess Theatre
- Royal Exhibition Building
- Melbourne Museum

Prestigious Melbourne University Lygon Street - cafe central and 'Little Italy'
Take a guided walk through some of Melbourne's best arcades and laneways - Royal Arcade, Block Place, Block Arcade, Centre Way, Centre Place and Degraeves Street
Sit at a cafe and enjoy a coffee (own expense) and experience our unique laneways culture
Collins Street - Paris end
Old Treasury Buildings and State Offices
St Patrick's Cathedral
Take a wander in Fitzroy Gardens - there is opportunity to visit Captain Cook's Cottage (own expense)
Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG)
East Melbourne - ornate Victorian terraced homes
Colourful Chinatown
Queen Victoria Market* - look for a bargain, wander around the fresh produce and take in the vibrant cosmopolitan atmosphere
Flagstaff Gardens
Law Courts
Federation Square
Admission to Eureka 88 Skydeck is included.

DAY-03: SOVEREIGN HILL WITH BALARAT WILDLIFE (B)

Add a wildlife aspect to your day out to Sovereign Hill with opportunity to visit Ballarat Wildlife Park. Nestled in a native bushland habitat, get up close to many of the Australian animals such as kangaroos, koalas and emus.

If you are yet to have an Australian wildlife encounter, you will definitely be impressed with Ballarat Wildlife Park. Join a guided tour and meet our friendly kangaroos (and many of them too), shy koalas and Tasmanian devils. Continue to Sovereign Hill, an authentic re-creation of the 1850's gold mining town of Ballarat. There are so many things to see and do here!

Highlights of this tour

Journey west from Melbourne on the Western Highway, a stagecoach route of the 1850's
Tour through Ballarat, taking in its period buildings and statues and learn some of its history
Eureka Stockade - site of the 1854 miner's rebellion
Ballarat Wildlife Park, owned by the Parker family, is home to a host of native Australian animals including Patrick, Australia's most famous wombat
Feed free range Kangaroos
Experience an Emu encounter
Meet our cute cuddly Koalas
See Tasmanian Devils feeding
See a wide range of early mining equipment and working displays of steam engines used at the mine
Explore the main street and its many original shops or perhaps enjoy Devonshire tea at the New York Bakery?
See working blacksmiths and traditional craftsmen
Visit the Chinese Village showcasing Chinese involvement in the goldfields

DAY-04: GREAT OCEAN ROAD (B/L)

One of our top attractions and known the world over for its dramatic and impressive coastline, the Great Ocean Road is a must-see and do when you visit Melbourne. Be treated to a delicious two course lunch at Apollo Bay Hotel. It's one of the best days out you'll have on a Gray Line day tour to iconic Great Ocean Road. Make sure your camera is fully charged because you will certainly be snap happy as you travel along the coast with its spectacular ocean vistas contrasting with serene rainforest. Lunch is provided at Apollo Bay Hotel after which we will then visit the star attractions of Port Campbell National Park, also known as "The Shipwreck Coast". View the Twelve Apostles from the board walk and explore Loch Ard Gorge.

Highlights of this tour

Take in the Melbourne skyline and views of Port Phillip Bay from the West Gate Bridge

Picturesque beaches of the Surf Coast
Enjoy stunning coastal views along the Great Ocean Road

Quaint township Lorne, home to the famous Pier to Pub swim

Crashing surf, dramatic coastal cliffs and endless long sandy beaches

River inlets and lush fern gullies

Enjoy a delicious premium two course lunch at Apollo Bay Hotel

See Australian native rainforest of eucalypts and dense ferns - Otway National Park

Travel along "The Shipwreck Coast" and its stunning coastline within Port Campbell National Park

Lonely figures of the Twelve Apostles
Option to take a short helicopter flight over the Apostles (own expense)

Natural rock forms of Tom & Eva and Razorback created over time by powerful surf

Explore Loch Ard Gorge and learn the dramatic story of the 'Loch Ard' shipwreck

Visit the fishing village of Port Campbell - popular holiday resort and fishing village

The entire coastal journey provides opportunity for stunning photography

Enjoy an Australian movie on your return journey to Melbourne

Take in the illuminated skyline of Melbourne as you return back to the city

DAY-05: DEPART MELBOURNE (B)

Your journey comes to an end after breakfast. Departure transfers arrive at Melbourne International or Domestic Airport.

Note: All hotel pick up/drop off point is to be advice upon confirmation of these services.

INCLUSIONS:

- Australia Good & Services Tax
- Accommodation with daily breakfast inside hotel
- Seat-in-touring coach with English speaking driver/guide
- Meals as specified
- Round trip Airport Transfers based on seat-in-coach (In & Out MEL Apt)

EXCLUSIONS:

- All international air ticket
- Local guide(s)
- Any extra meals
- Drinks ordered during meals
- Optional tours and activities not mentioned on the brief itinerary.
- Australia Airport Departure Tax if any.
- Tipping for drivers / guides / porters. (Min. of AU\$ 5.00 per person per day depending on the level of satisfactions on the services rendered.)
- Items of a personal nature such as phone calls, pay movies, room services, mini bars laundries or other expenditures during the tour.

HOTEL SELECTIONS:

3 STAR:

The Victoria Hotel or similar

Twin: US\$ 700.00
Triple: US\$ 680.00
Single: Upon request

4 STAR:

Novotel Melbourne Central or similar

Twin: US\$ 820.00
Triple: US\$ 800.00
Single: Upon request

*Valid: 30 Sep 2019
Pax: 2 adults minimum*

Note: Hotel is subject to availability. In case standard room is not available, an upgrade surcharge is additional fee or alternative hotel of the same category has to offer.

Rates excluding:

During Chinese New Year (01-10 Feb 2019)

During Easter (14-20 April 2019)

During Christmas and New Year (Dec 20-31, 2019 & Jan 1-10, 2020)