Itinerary 2013/14



3 Day West Coast Explorer

Tour Code: NTW03

Tour Departs: Select Hobart accommodation from 07.00am

Default pick up: Montgomery's YHA at 07:00am

Apr, Oct: Mon* Tue, Thu Sun
May - Sep: Mon*Thu Sun

Nov - Dec, Mar: Mon* Tue, Thu, Fri, Sun Jan - Feb: Mon* Tue, Wed, Thu Fri, Sun

*Departures noted with an asterix are for 18-39 year olds.

Tour Finishes: Devonport ferry terminal early evening day 3 or select Launceston

accommodation early evening.

Tour Style: Explorer

Max People: 24

ITINERARY:

Day 1 – Hobart to Strahan

DEFAULT PICK UP: Montgomery's YHA, 07:00am

Our journey begins as we traverse the island from east to west. Escaping Hobart through the Derwent Valley, we walk in the land of the giants and admire the beauty of Russell Falls and Mt Field National Park. Visit Lake St Clair, Australia's deepest freshwater lake, before entering the temperate time capsule that is the Franklin-Gordon Wild Rivers National Park. End the day in Strahan beside Macquarie Harbour, where we stay overnight. Our West Coast host welcomes us with a BBQ dinner. (D)

Day 2 – Strahan and surrounding area

Discover the wild west coast today with a visit to Ocean Beach and the Henty Sand Dunes. Search for elusive whale bones amongst the shifting sands or simply breathe in some of the freshest air in the world. Stroll by the foreshore of the harbour, or walk amongst the rainforest to a waterfall. There is also the option today of a cruise on the famous Gordon River, a scenic sea plane flight over the Gordon and Franklin River system complete with a river landing and walk, a journey up the King River on a jet boat, a peaceful paddle or kayak in the harbour. (Strahan optional activities all at own expense, some activities are seasonal and not available all year round). Overnight in Strahan. (B)

Day 3 – Cradle Mountain to Launceston

This morning we journey 950m above sea level to Cradle Valley, our gateway to the World Heritage Area of Cradle Mountain National Park. We share some local knowledge and interpretation of the landscape to help you choose a walk that will enhance your experience here. With an extensive range of tracks, you will be able to take it easy with a stroll around Dove Lake and one of the many boardwalk tracks, or perhaps challenge yourself with a hike to Marion's Lookout. We then take a short drive to Sheffield, 'the town of murals', before continuing on through Devonport to Launceston, Australia's third oldest city. (B)

BRING:

Sturdy walking shoes, hat and sunscreen, towel and toiletries, swimming gear, warm clothing (even in summer), waterproof jacket and pants, water bottle, insect repellent, and camera.

INCLUDED:

Meals as indicated, all national park entry fees (\$24.00), hotel and hostel pickups and drop offs

NOTES:

- Travel Insurance is compulsory and must be shown to the guide on day 1.
- All tours are accommodated and we offer HOSTEL (dorm or twin/dbl with shared facilities)
 or ensuite MOTEL/LODGE style (2-3 star ensuite). All twin/double rooms are subject to
 availability at time of booking. Motel/Lodge style may be located on different premises to
 hostel accommodation.
- Tour is operated by our touring partners Topdeck and Under Down Under.
- Itineraries may vary and/or attractions be substituted for any cause including seasonal conditions, weather extremes, traditional owner and national park requirements. See terms and conditions for full details.
- Tour must be reconfirmed 48hrs prior to departure by phone on 1300 654 604 (within Australia).
- It is you or your clients' responsibility to contact Adventure Tours with your preferred accommodation pick up point. Please contact our inside sales teams for information on other available pick up points. If we do not hear from you, we will assume you will make your way to our default pick up point as listed on this document. We will not be responsible for missed pick-ups (and a missed tour) if we do not receive notification from you or your travel agent, and if you are not at the default pick up point at the appropriate time.
- A STRICT luggage limit of 15kg applies.
- B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner.

