# **Itinerary 2013/14**



## 3 Day East Coast Explorer

Tour Code: NTE03

**Tour Departs:** Select Launceston accommodation from 07.30am

Default pick up: Launceston Backpackers at 07:30am

Apr, Oct: Wed, Thu\*, Fri, Sun May-Sep: Wed, Thu\*, Sun Nov-Dec, Mar: Mon, Wed, Thu\*, Fri, Sun

Jan-Feb: Mon, Wed, Thu\*, Fri, Sat, Sun

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

**Tour Finishes:** Select Hobart accommodation early evening day 3

Tour Style: Explorer

Max People: 24

**ITINERARY:** 

### Day 1 - Launceston to Bicheno

## **DEFAULT PICK UP: Launceston Backpackers, 07:30am**

This morning we journey to the East Coast and the beautiful Bay of Fires. Here we stretch our legs and take some time to enjoy this stunning coastal region. The beaches are gleaming and the water inviting, so enjoy a swim (conditions permitting) before embarking on Tasmania's most scenic coastal drive from St Helen's to Bicheno. This evening you can join a guided viewing of the Little Penguins (optional in season) as they return to their rookeries on the edges of this seaside village. Overnight in Bicheno.

### Day 2 – Freycinet National Park to Hobart

We start early and head to the lookout and beat the crowds and the heat for that postcard photo of Wineglass Bay. Relax on the secluded beach of or choose the more challenging Mt Amos or Hazzards Beach walk for your mornings Freycinet experience. This afternoon we take a break at the picturesque historical village of Ross. Sample the local Ross Bakery fare (seasonal) or check out the convict built bridge. Come face to face with the iconic Tassie Devil as we make a stop at Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary to meet these now endangered native animals, as well as some others unique to Tasmania. A short drive returns us to Hobart in time for dinner (own expense). Overnight in Hobart. (B,D)

### Day 3 - Port Arthur historic site

Start the day with a quick look at Australia's best preserved colonial village of Richmond before heading south for magnificent views of the Tasman Peninsula and the Tasman National Park. Explore Tasmania's ruthless convict past today at the World Heritage Listed - Port Arthur Historic Site (guided walk and harbour cruise included). Rich in visual history, here we learn of the chilling realities of life as a convict amid the restored sandstone prison buildings and preserved ruins. (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, National Park Entry Fees (\$12.00), Wildlife Sanctuary Entry Fee including Tasmanian Devil feeding, Entry to Port Arthur Historic Site including guided walk and harbour cruise, Select Hotel and Hostel pickups and drop offs.

### NOTES:

- Travel Insurance is compulsory and proof of insurance must be shown to your guide on day 1 of your tour.
- All tours are accommodated and we offer HOSTEL (dorm, twin/dbl or single 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.
- It is recommended passengers depart Hobart the following day after the tour finishes. If flights are booked from Hobart Airport on Day 3, they must depart on/after 7.30pm.
- 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 is operated by our touring partner Topdeck and Under Down Under.
- Tours 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.