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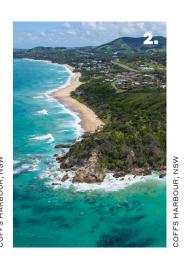
















ADELAIDE TO BRISBANE

3 DAYS (2 NIGHTS) OFF TRAIN EXCURSION



Explore Australia's unique south-eastern corner in laid-back luxury on the Great Southern. Leaving Adelaide behind, you can relax, unwind and enjoy world-class service as the spectacular landscapes glide by. Lap up the wild and spectacular scenery of the Grampians region, with its ancient sandstone mountains and diverse native wildlife. Delve into the art, history and culinary culture of Canberra, and discover the nation's capital. Feel the sand between your toes in the picturesque coastal town of Coffs Harbour. Then enjoy stunning views of northern New South Wales as you roll into the final destination of Brisbane.

DAY1 FRIDAY - ADELAIDE AND THE GRAMPIANS

As the train leaves Adelaide, take your time to settle in and get familiar with your cabin. Enjoy morning tea and then savour a relaxed lunch on board while watching the ever-changing landscape glide by. In the late afternoon, the train will arrive in regional Victoria where you'll have a chance to experience the spectacular wilderness of the Grampians region where you can enjoy a breathtaking walk in the natural surrounds, take in the panoramic views of the Grampians from a lookout, or sample some of the region's best wines at local wineries.

Your first day culminates with an off-train dinner where you'll enjoy local produce and regional wines in a uniquely Grampians setting before returning to the train for the night.

DAY 2 SATURDAY - CANBERRA OR THE SOUTHERN TABLELANDS

Wake up in regional New South Wales and enjoy breakfast onboard before setting off for a full day of exploration in Canberra and surrounds where you'll discover there's more to the nation's capital than just politics. Choose between one of the following options for your Off Train Excursion, with both including lunch.

- 1. Canberra Icons: Canberra is home to some of the country's most iconic institutions. Enjoy tours through your choice of two of them, including the National War Memorial, Parliament House, National Gallery of Australia or the National Museum of Australia (low intensity).
- 2. Food and Wine Trail: Travel to the Southern Tablelands and Canberra District wine region, indulging in some of the best wine and produce in the area (low intensity).

Later in the day, you'll be transported back to the train where you can relax and enjoy delicious dinner and drinks in the lounge car before settling down for the night.

DAY 3 SUNDAY - COFFS HARBOUR AND SURROUNDS

Enjoy breakfast on board before heading off for a relaxing morning at the picturesque coastal town of Coffs Harbour where you can choose from one of the following Off Train Excursions:

- 1. Boardwalk to Beach: Take in the spectacular views of the coastline and Great Dividing Range as you walk along the Urunga Boardwalk, before travelling up to Forest Sky Pier at the Sealy Lookout (310m above Coffs Harbour), which offers views for miles. Then it's back to the beach where you'll have ample time to relax and enjoy the sand between your toes or even a dip in the ocean (medium intensity).
- 2. Coffs Explorer: Travel up to the Forest Sky Pier at Sealy Lookout (310m above Coffs Harbour) to take in the stunning views then wander through the Harbourside Markets for a spot of shopping or a stroll along the historic jetty before enjoying time at the beach (low/medium intensity).
- 3. Beach Bum: Make the most of Coffs Harbour's beautiful beaches with an entire morning spent seaside. Wander along the coast, have a dip in the ocean, play a game of beach cricket or simply relax on the sand (low/medium intensity).
- 4. *Bonville Golf Resort: Enjoy nine holes at one of the world's most beautiful golf courses (medium/high intensity).

After your morning by the ocean, enjoy a final lunch on board with your fellow travellers before arriving into Brisbane.

 * Availability and capacity limits apply for Bonville Golf Resort. If interested in participating, please request more information at the time of enquiry















BRISBANE TO ADELAIDE





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Embrace the wonders of Australia's south-east and enjoy the unique experiences of the Great Southern. Departing Brisbane, you'll travel south into the rolling hills of New South Wales before indulging in an incredible beachside dining experience in Coffs Harbour. Meander through the picturesque and historic vineyards of the Hunter Valley, visit the picturesque town of Newcastle or explore the beautiful Port Stephens area. Take a day to explore the buzzing city of Melbourne, dining on the 89th floor of the Eureka Tower with floor to ceiling views over the city or take a road trip to the Great Ocean Road to see the unforgettable Twelve Apostles and Loch Ard Gorge. Then journey through the charming Adelaide Hills before arriving into Adelaide.

DAY1 MONDAY - BRISBANE AND COFFS HARBOUR

After setting off from Brisbane, enjoy lunch on board and a relaxing afternoon settling into your private cabin before arriving at the coastal town of Coffs Harbour. As the sun dips beneath the horizon, enjoy a unique beachside dinner where you'll feast on local produce and fresh seafood matched with fine wines, while the waves lap at the shore nearby. After a few leisurely hours, you'll reboard the train and set off for the night.

DAY 2 TUESDAY - HUNTER VALLEY, PORT STEPHENS OR NEWCASTLE

Start the day with a hearty breakfast on board before setting off for a full day of Off Train Excursions. Today you get to choose your own adventure with your choice of the Hunter Valley, Newcastle or Port Stephens.

- 1. Hunter Valley Wine Region: Meander through the picturesque and historic vineyards of the Hunter Valley, where you can sample wines from both world-renowned brands and boutique cellar doors. Your day will include cellar door experiences, winery tours and a sumptuous lunch (low intensity).
- 2. Port Stephens by Land and Sea: Experience the Stockton Bight Sand Dunes and beach by 4WD van, stopping to hunt for pippies and driving to the top of a sand dune before travelling to Nelson Bay for a relaxing afternoon cruise and lunch (medium intensity).
- 3. Newcastle Explorer: Take in spectacular coastal views and discover Newcastle's unique blend of old and new with a guided walking tour and historical site visit. After lunch, visit Strzelecki Lookout and a stroll along the Newcastle Memorial Walk (medium intensity).

In the evening, return to the train to enjoy a regionally inspired meal prepared onboard before retiring for the night.

DAY3 WEDNESDAY - MELBOURNE OR THE TWELVE APOSTLES

After enjoying breakfast onboard, you can choose to discover either the bustling city of Melbourne or to take a road trip to explore the unforgettable Twelve Apostles.

- 1. Melbourne Explorer*: Take in the breathtaking views of Melbourne from Eureka Skydeck, the highest public observation tower in the Southern Hemisphere, and lunch at Eureka 89. Then get to know Melbourne city with your choice of a laneway walking tour, a tour of the National Gallery of Victoria or free time to shop and enjoy the city sights. As the day ends, the coach will transport you towards the awaiting train at Inverleigh Station stopping along the way for a sumptuous dinner (low/medium intensity).
- 2. Twelve Apostles: After lunch on board, set off on a road trip by coach through regional Victoria to the unforgettable Twelve Apostles, a majestic collection of crumbling pillars rising from the Southern Ocean, and spectacular Loch Ard Gorge. On the return journey to Inverleigh Station, enjoy dinner and drinks in regional Victoria (low/medium intensity).

Optional upgrade available: Twelve Apostles Scenic Flight.

Note: Travel time to the Twelve Apostles is between 1.5 to 2hrs each way. *Christmas Day and New Years Day tours will differ.

Once you're back on board, head to the lounge car to enjoy a nightcap and chat with friends or simply return to your cabin to unwind before heading to bed.

DAY 4 THURSDAY - ARRIVE ADELAIDE

As the train journeys through the charming Adelaide Hills, enjoy your last breakfast on board before arriving into Adelaide and the end of your Great Southern train journey.





ADELAIDE TO BRISBANE ALTERNATE JOURNEY - 10 JAN 2020 ONLY













Step off the beaten track and discover inland New South Wales with a one-off journey travelling Adelaide to Brisbane on the 10th of January departure only. After taking in the breathtaking views of the Grampians put on your blue suede shoes and celebrate 'The King' at the Parkes Elvis Festival or explore Orange, the picturesque birthplace of legendary Australian poet Banjo Patterson. Soak up the history of the quaint gold mining town of Gulgong which inspired the works of one of Australia's best-known writers, Henry Lawson and take in the beautiful scenery of regional New South Wales as we travel through it. Don't miss this iconic journey filled with surprises, including an extra night at no extra cost.

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DAY 2 SATURDAY - PARKES AND ORANGE

Enjoy a relaxing breakfast on board before arriving into regional New South Wales where you can choose from one of the following Off Train Excursions.

- 1. The King: Put on your blue suede shoes and embrace the iconic Parkes Elvis Festival. Enjoy lunch and a show and immerse yourself in the Elvis festival atmosphere before travelling to Orange to reboard the train (low intensity).
- 2. Orange Explorer: If the King is not for you, travel east towards the delightful town of Orange - birthplace of legendary poet Banjo Paterson. Stop for a relaxing lunch among the vineyards before discovering the rich history and beauty of Orange with a self-paced Heritage Trail walk and a visit to the Orange Regional Museum (low/med intensity).
- **3.** Orange Wine Region: Head east and explore the burgeoning wineries of Orange. After a relaxing lunch amongst the vineyards, visit some of the best cellar doors in the area and discover some new favourite wines (low intensity).

Return to the train to enjoy your chef-prepared meal onboard and share your days experiences with your fellow guests before retiring to your private cabin for the night.

DAY 3 SUNDAY - GULGONG

Today is a unique adventure taking you to places seldom seen. Enjoy an early breakfast onboard the Great Southern before disembarking to explore the quaint, gold mining town of Gulgong where Australian icon Henry Lawson grew up and found inspiration for many of his works. Visit the Pioneer Museum and Henry Lawson Centre, or marvel at some of the 130 National Trust listed buildings in town.

Then you'll travel by coach to Muswellbrook to reboard the Great Southern in time for a late lunch, followed by ample time to relax on board and enjoy the views.

Enjoy dinner on board and finish this unique day with a drink in the lounge car before retiring for the night.

DAY 4 MONDAY - ARRIVE BRISBANE

As the train rolls into its final destination, enjoy a light breakfast on board before disembarking in Brisbane.



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