



Australian Highlights Tour

Melbourne to Sydney - 13-days, 1 country, 18 meals,
from \$4875 per person



DAY	DESTINATION	ACTIVITIES	DAY	DESTINATION	ACTIVITIES
1	Arrive Melbourne	Afternoon at leisure before Welcome Reception and dinner	8	Cairns	Free time with optional experiences on Kuranda Scenic Rail, Hartley's Crocodile Adventure or Aboriginal Cultural Park
2	Melbourne	Sightseeing – optional Phillip Island penguin parade experience	9	Great Barrier Reef	High-Speed catamaran cruise to see the marine life – snorkel or submersible craft
3	Melbourne	Full free day to enjoy Queen Victoria Market or optional Great Ocean Road with 12 Apostles	10	Cairns – Sydney	Fly to Sydney and enjoy an evening at leisure
4	Melbourne – Alice Springs	Heart of the Outback and Australia's Red Centre Join a "local specialist" to learn about Emergency Support efforts	11	Sydney	Sightseeing with "Local Specialist" for a guided tour around iconic Sydney Opera House, Bondi Beach, shopping and more
5	Alice Springs – Uluru	Just in time for sundowners to witness how its red walls change color as the sun disappears	12	Sydney	Free time – optional experience to the Blue Mountains, Three Sisters rock formation, or BridgeClimb on Sydney Harbour Bridge. Farewell Dinner in the evening.
6	Uluru and Kata Tjuta	Sunrise at Uluru, ancient tales of the Anangu, domes of Kata Tjuta, true "pinch me" moments	13	Depart Sydney	Say farewell to fellow travelers after Breakfast, then start your journey onwards
7	Uluru - Cairns	Join an Aboriginal artist to learn the ritual of Dreamtime and the meanings of Anangu totems. Then fly to Cairns.			

Join us as we tour Australia from Melbourne to Sydney
January 26 – February 7, 2020
Tour fares starting at \$4875 per person

Australia at its best - from the golden beaches of Bondi and shared stories of Aboriginal Dreamtime, to an astounding underwater wonderland and fiery Uluru sunset lighting up the Outback sky.

This trip is operated in conjunction with Trafalgar's sister company and South Pacific Specialists, AAT Kings.

*Pricing is for the tour only, is based on double occupancy and is subject to change based on availability and current specials offered at the time of booking. Air and insurance are not included.

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ALL THIS IS INCLUDED:

- **CONNECT WITH LOCALS** - At Earth Sanctuary's Spirit of the Outback Dinner and Show learn about the sustainable lifestyle the family has established. (Day 4)
- **DIVE INTO CULTURE** - Discover Melbourne's eclectic hidden lanes, arcades and fascinating street art. (Day 2)
- **STAYS WITH STORIES** - You'll discover the stunning heart of the Red Center from the Desert Gardens Hotel, Ayers Rock Resort. (Day 5)

Full Itinerary

Day 1 Arrive Melbourne (3 Nights) - On arrival in Melbourne, transfer to your hotel (flights to arrive prior to 12pm) and settle in for an afternoon at leisure. Later, join your Travel Director and travel companions for a Welcome Reception and dinner before your journey in Australia begins.

Day 2 Melbourne Sightseeing - 'Dive into Culture' and wander through the labyrinthine laneways, arcades and grand boulevards that reveal some of the world's most edgy street art and well-preserved Victorian architecture. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure, strolling along the banks of the Yarra, or consider an Optional Experience to Phillip Island to see the famous Penguin Parade on Summerland Beach.

Day 3 Melbourne Free Time - A full free day awaits to sample the cosmopolitan flavours of Melbourne - its coffee culture and farm-to-table food experiences at the bustling Queen Victoria Market. Or, consider an Optional Experience following one of the world's most scenic coastal drives, the Great Ocean Road with its famous Twelve Apostles.

Day 4 Melbourne - Alice Springs - Journey to the heart of the Outback and the gateway to Australia's Red Centre. On arrival in Alice Springs, join a 'Local Specialist' for a visit to the School of the Air and learn how it delivers education to children living in remote areas. Your next stop is the Royal Flying Doctor Service, where you'll join a 'Local Specialist' and delve into the emergency support that this facility provides to the people of the Outback. Later, 'Connect with Locals' at Earth Sanctuary World Nature Centre, where you'll meet the celebrated Outback Paramedic Falzon brothers for dinner and hear about the sustainable lifestyle they've established.

Day 5 Alice Springs - Uluru (2 Nights) - Cross rugged landscapes to Ayers Rock Resort, located just a stone's throw from the sacred, ancient monolith that is known as Uluru by its traditional caretakers - the Anangu people. Journey to Uluru - Kata Tjuta National Park in time for sundowners and a chance to witness first-hand how its rusty red walls change colour as the sun dips below the horizon. We spend the night in one of Trafalgar's 'Stays with Stories' - Desert Gardens, which blends seamlessly into its splendid natural surrounds.

Day 6 Uluru and Kata Tjuta - Greet a new day with a magical sunrise over Uluru, then 'Dive into Culture' and tour the waterholes at the base of Uluru, hearing ancient tales about the local Anangu and seeing the rock art that their ancestors left behind. Venture to the imposing 36 domes of Kata Tjuta, where you'll follow the natural creek bed through Walpa Gorge. As the sun bids a fiery farewell over Kata Tjuta, we indulge in sparkling wine sundowners and contemplate a day filled with pinch me moments.

Day 7 Uluru - Cairns (3 Nights) - The colourful geometric designs and symbols of Western Desert Art take centre stage today as you join your 'Local Specialist' Aboriginal artist for insights into the ritual of Dreamtime and the meanings of the Anangu totems. Tell your very own Outback story as a memento of your experience, then fly from Ayers Rock to the tropical city of Cairns.

Day 8 Cairns Free Time - Ease into laidback living in the spirit of the locals or consider an Optional Experience to Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Park on this full day at leisure to explore this east coast gateway to the Great Barrier Reef. Discover the secrets of ancient Aboriginal culture through theatre, didgeridoo and fire-making demonstrations or visit Hartley's Crocodile Adventures for an up-close encounter with the resident crocs. Perhaps take a trip to Kuranda, the 'village in the rainforest', on the historic Kuranda Scenic Rail and return to the lowlands through some of the oldest rainforest in the world - the choice is yours.

Day 9 Great Barrier Reef - An underwater wonderland awaits as you board a high-speed catamaran and cruise out to the Great Barrier Reef. Take to the tropical waters and snorkel alongside a dazzling array of colourful marine-life (equipment provided) or explore the sparkling blue coral sea from the comfort of a semi-submersible craft, just one metre underwater. Enjoy a tropical buffet lunch on the water before returning to Cairns, where this evening you'll dine at a waterfront restaurant.

Day 10 Cairns - Sydney (3 Nights) - Fly south to Sydney today and enjoy an evening at leisure to explore this harbour city on your own terms. Wine and dine in the city's infamous Rocks District, visit China Town for some tasty yum cha or take a stroll around Circular Quay.

Day 11 Sydney Sightseeing - Your morning sightseeing experience will see you join a 'Local Specialist' for a guided tour around the iconic Sydney Opera House, before you venture to Bondi Beach to rub shoulders with the bronzed and beautiful locals. Prime your sea legs next as you board a Captain Cook Cruise for a Regional Meal, sailing past parklands, waterfront manors and the iconic sights for which Sydney Harbour is so famous. Spend the rest of the day at leisure for some last-minute shopping or consider an evening performance under the sails of the Sydney Opera House.

Day 12 Sydney Free Time - Get your final Sydney fix today as you enjoy a full free day to explore the city on your terms. Consider an Optional Experience to the Blue Mountains whose eucalypt haze you'll see looming in the distance as you depart Sydney en route to the village of Leura, the famous Three Sisters rock formation and Featherdale Wildlife Park, home to Australia's cuddly, and not so cuddly, creatures. Or, embark on an adventure of a different kind, summiting Sydney Harbour Bridge on a thrilling BridgeClimb. Your effortlessly delivered journey nearing its end, you'll join your Travel Director and newfound friends for a Farewell Dinner at a waterfront restaurant.

Day 13 Depart Sydney - Say farewell to your fellow travellers after breakfast as your memorable Australian holiday concludes. You will be transferred to the airport for your onward flight (flights anytime).