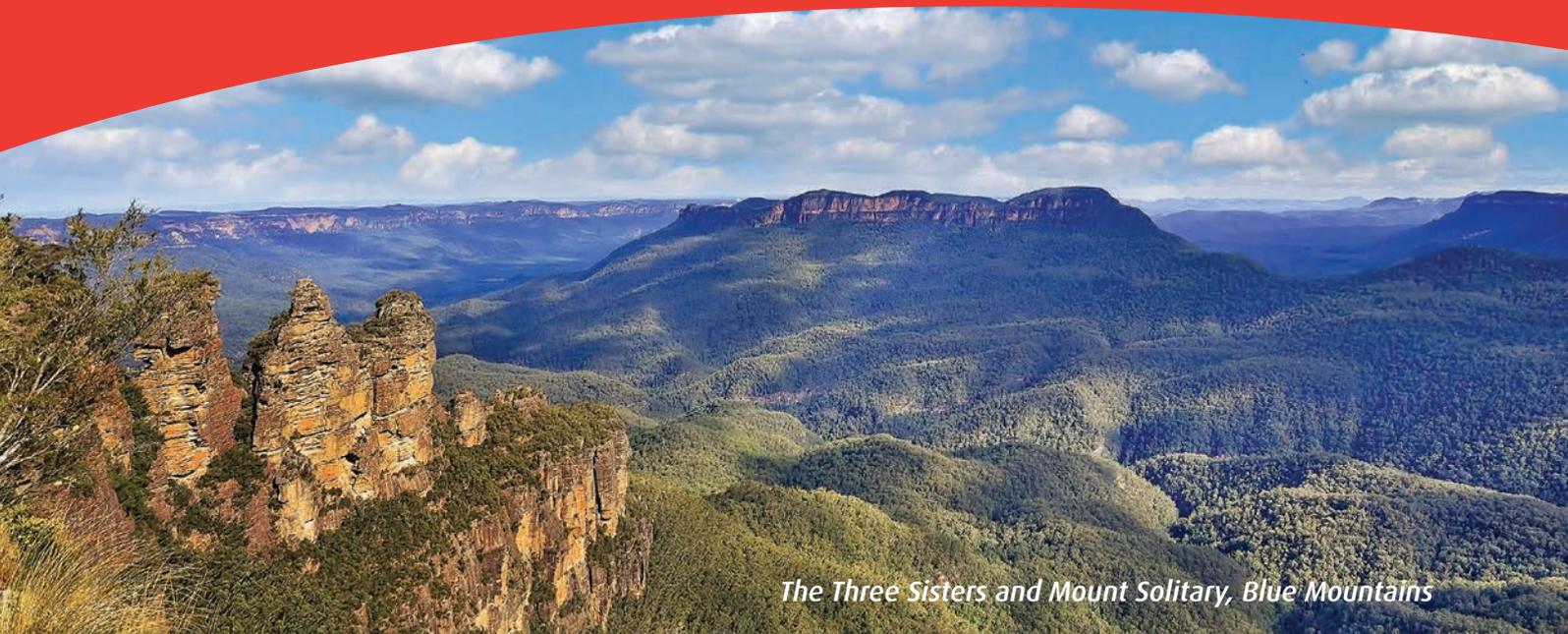


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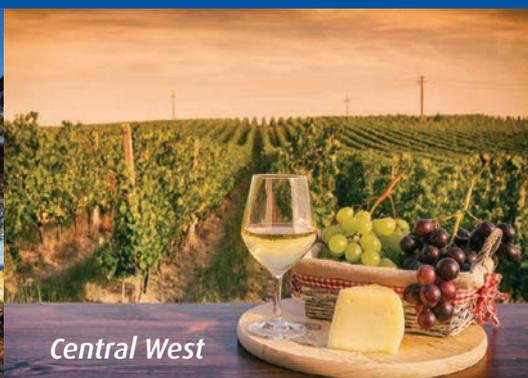


The Three Sisters and Mount Solitary, Blue Mountains

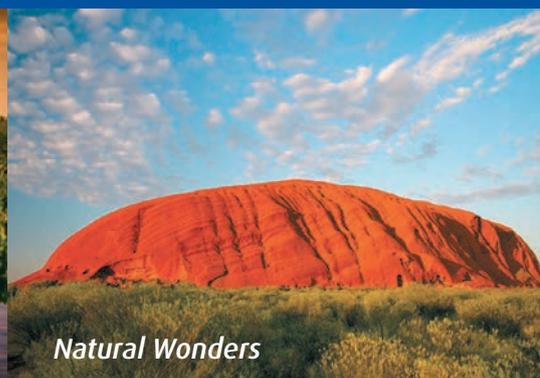
- BLUE MOUNTAINS DAY TOURS
- BEAUTIFUL CENTRAL WEST 3 DAY TOUR
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Blue Mountains Explorer Bus



Central West



Natural Wonders

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Welcome to the beautiful Blue Mountains, a World Heritage Listed National Park. Get the most out of your stay by exploring our greater region on a day tour. The fun continues on our post-convention tours — choose to tour the beautiful Central West or explore Australia's Iconic Natural Wonders of the Rock, Rainforest and Reef.

GETTING TO THE BLUE MOUNTAINS - AIRPORT TRANSFERS

The following transfers are available for convention attendees to pre-book: \$50pp. Private transfers are available on request.

Thursday 9 April 2020

8.00am Depart Sydney Domestic Airport (T3)
10.30am Depart Sydney Domestic Airport (T3)
4.00pm Depart Sydney Domestic Airport (T3)
7.30pm Depart Sydney Domestic Airport (T3)

Friday 10 April 2020

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Monday 13 April 2020

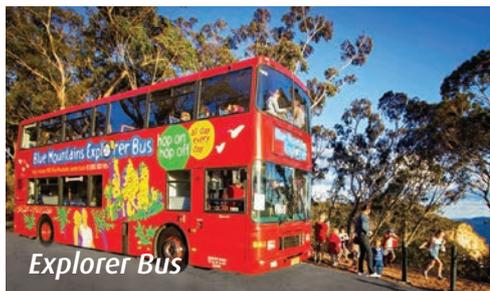
11.00am Depart Katoomba
4.30pm Depart Katoomba

Tuesday 14 April 2020

9.00am Depart Katoomba

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BLUE MOUNTAINS DAY TOURS



BLUE MOUNTAINS EXPLORER BUS

Ticket valid for 7 days

TOUR CODE DAY20435FAT **\$55PP**

Make the most of your stay in this beautiful World Heritage Area with the Blue Mountains Explorer Bus. Explore at your own pace—hop on/hop off at any of the 29 different stops across Katoomba and Leura.



NORMAN LINDSAY GALLERY

Monday 6 April 2020

TOUR CODE DAY20431FAT **\$95PP**

Departing Katoomba at 9.00am we will travel east along the Great Western Highway to the Norman Lindsay Gallery at Faulconbridge. A controversial artist and author in his time, Lindsay's home now serves as a gallery of his many works. His paintings adorn the walls and his sculptures can be found in the beautiful gardens, including characters from the children's classic "The Magic Pudding". We will explore the Gallery and enjoy Devonshire Tea in the Café before returning to Katoomba around 1pm.



MAYFIELD GARDEN

Tuesday 7 April 2020

TOUR CODE DAY20432FAT **\$110PP**

Departing Katoomba at 9am we will travel west along the picturesque Hartley Valley. We soon arrive in Oberon where we will enjoy morning tea at the Oberon Dam, known for its brown and rainbow trout. We will then continue before arriving at Mayfield Garden, Australia's largest privately-owned cool climate gardens. Consisting of 37 acres of Garden you will be able to wander through this incredible masterpiece. We will enjoy lunch as well as a brief introductory talk on the history of the garden. Return to Katoomba, arriving at approx. 5pm.

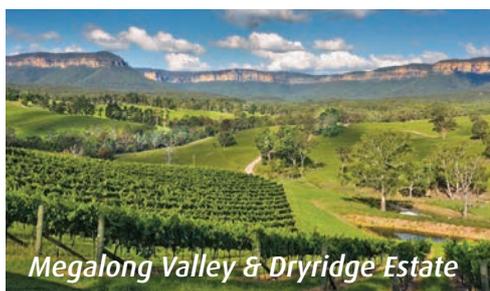


HIGH TEA AT THE HYDRO

Wednesday 8 April 2020

TOUR CODE DAY20433FAT **\$125PP**

Departing Katoomba at 1pm we will travel along the clifftops, stopping at Cahills Lookout for views across the valley. We will then continue west before arriving at the Historic Hydro Majestic Hotel. Enjoy a brief history talk before a delicious high tea. There will be some time to wander through the Pavilion shop before we return to Katoomba.



MEGALONG VALLEY & DRYRIDGE ESTATE

Thursday 9 April 2020

TOUR CODE DAY20434FAT **\$89PP**

Departing Katoomba at 1pm, we will head west to the Shipley Plateau and down into the Megalong Valley. We will travel through rainforest to the farmland at the valley floor with magnificent cliffs overlooking us. Arriving at Dryridge Estate we will enjoy wine tasting overlooking the hills. We will then return to the ridge line and back to Katoomba.

BEAUTIFUL CENTRAL WEST

POST-CONVENTION TOUR

3 DAYS

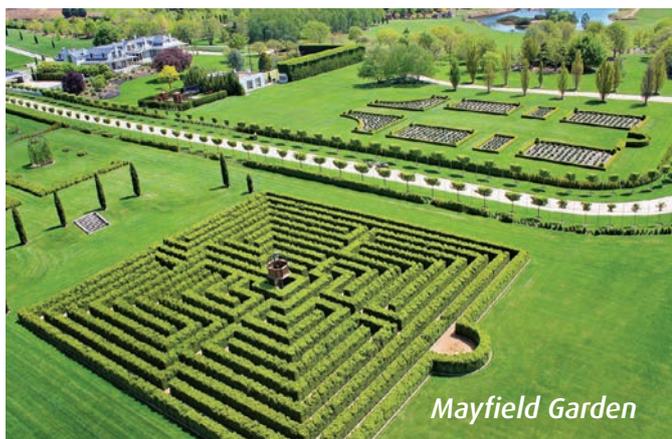
Come with us as we head across the Great Dividing Range to explore the beautiful Central West – enjoy natural wonders, cultural icons and treat your tastebuds to gourmet delights.



Hartley Historic Site



Jenolan Caves



Mayfield Garden



Mayfield Garden

YOUR TOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1: Wednesday 15 April 2020

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Today we begin our short break out into the beautiful Central West. Our first stop is the **Hartley Historic Site** where we will wander amongst the village's lovely sandstone buildings. After Europeans first crossed the Blue Mountain's in 1813, and opened up the fertile plains beyond, Hartley became a government administrative centre and important stopping point between Sydney and Bathurst, the colony's first inland settlement.

From Hartley we enjoy a scenic drive to the famous **Jenolan Caves**, a spectacular labyrinth of stalactite-lined limestone caves carved by underground rivers. These ancient chasms are

considered amongst the oldest and most outstanding cave systems in the world. Enjoy a **guided tour** of one of the 9 caves available for public viewing – a magical end to the day. Tonight, we will stay in the heart of Jenolan at **Caves House**, a traditional guesthouse built in 1897.

Accommodation: Jenolan Caves House

DAY 2: Thursday 16 April 2020

B L D

See Autumn in its full glory when we visit **Mayfield Garden**, one of the world's largest privately-owned cool climate gardens. The scale of the garden is truly breathtaking – wander almost 40 acres of gardens and marvel at the beauty



National Motor Racing Museum



Parklands Resort Mudgee



Baker Williams Distillery



Mudgee Brewing Company

of the **Autumn foliage**. Enjoy the changing leaves, the incredible landscaping as well as numerous follies and features that have been built – the breathtaking 80 metre cascade, the stunning 6-acre Water Garden, the Bronze Tree fountain, the Grotto, the Venus Vale and the Gallery, the Aviary, the Chapel and much, much more.

From Oberon we travel onto **Bathurst**, its many grand buildings are a legacy of the wealth generated by local goldfields and grazing. Today it is best known as the home of the annual “Bathurst 1000” supercar race and we visit **Mt Panorama** and the **National Motor Racing Museum** to celebrate the history, personalities and achievements of Australian Motor Sports.

Our destination today is beautiful **Mudgee**, the land of “Wine and Honey”.

Accommodation: Parklands Mudgee

DAY 3: Friday 17 April 2020



Mudgee was settled by European’s in 1821, making it Australia’s second oldest inland settlement. Once famed for its goldfields Mudgee is now best known for its high-quality local produce, most notably its vineyards. Today we will tickle your fancy and tempt your taste buds.

We visit **Blacklea Vineyard & Olive Grove** for a unique tasting experience of wines, olives and olive oil as well as a delightful range of homemade cooking products.

Then it off to **Baker Williams Distillery** to sample some of their incredible spirits and liqueurs (the Butterscotch Schnapps is divine) before trying the wide range of organic wines

offered next door by **Vinifera**. Back in town we will enjoy lunch at the **Mudgee Brewing Co.** before we drop by the **Honey Haven** for a short tour and to sample all things honey – many honey varietals, mead, honey liqueur and lots more! Take time to browse in their wonderful shop for lots of honey products (including honey cosmetics and remedies) and local condiments.

After a delicious day we farewell Mudgee and leave the Central West behind, driving back up into the Great Dividing Range to Katoomba.

INCLUSIONS

- Fully escorted
- Air-conditioned touring coach
- Quality Accommodation
- Meals – 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners
- Sightseeing as outlined and all entry fees

FARES

Twin share \$890pp / Single \$1090

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AUSTRALIAN NATURAL WONDERS ROCK, RAINFOREST & REEF

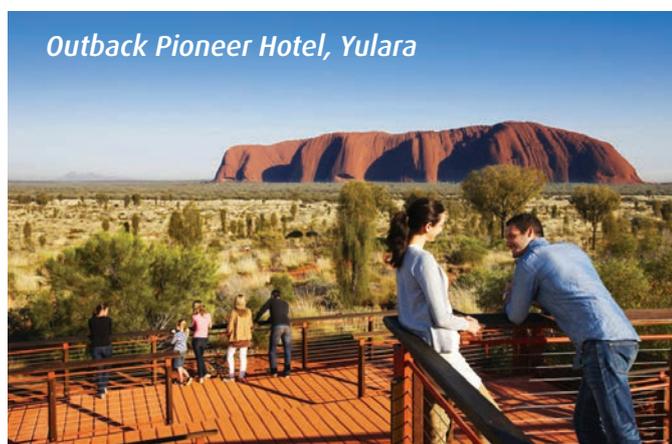
POST-CONVENTION TOUR

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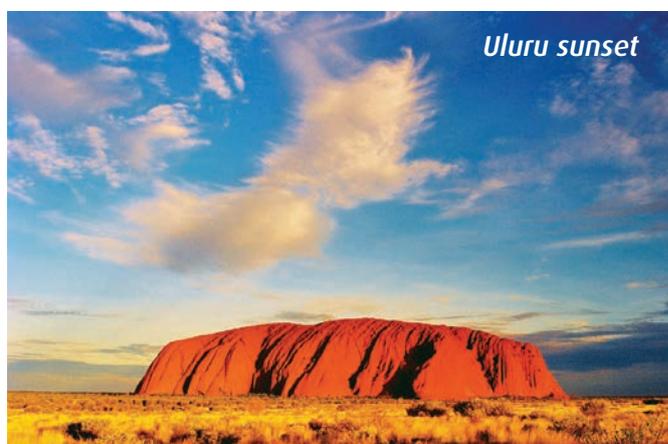
Let us introduce you to Australia's most famous natural wonders, Uluru and Kata Tjuta (Ayers Rock and Olgas) and the Great Barrier Reef. Visit the Central Desert with its startling red earth before travelling to the tropical north to experience spectacular coral reefs and ancient rainforest. It's no surprise that these unique regions are UNESCO World Heritage listed – come and see why!



Uluru sunrise



Outback Pioneer Hotel, Yulara



Uluru sunset

YOUR TOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1: Wednesday 15 April 2020
Sydney to Uluru

2 NIGHT STAY **D**

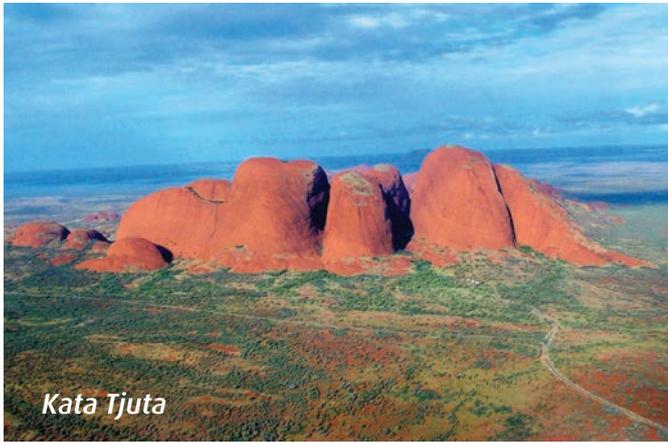
Our adventure begins when we depart Sydney to fly to Australia's Red Centre. We arrive at **Yulara**, situated just outside Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park, for an afternoon check-in. Before dinner we will visit the Rock to take in the incredible colours of an **outback sunset**: a moving and memorable experience. Enjoy a **Welcome Dinner** in a truly wonderful part of the world.

Overnight: Outback Pioneer Hotel, Yulara

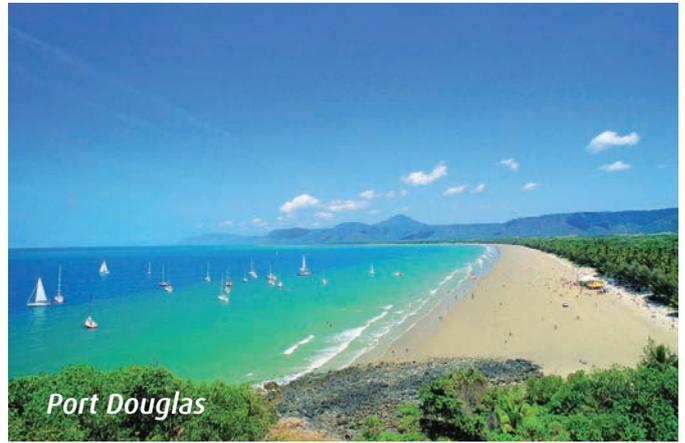
DAY 2: Thursday 16 April 2020
Uluru and Kata Tjuta

B L D

Today is a very special day: we're up before dawn for the drive into the area reserved for specialist sunrise viewing (wear plenty of warm clothes). After the glory of **sunrise at Uluru**, we'll return to our hotel for breakfast and some free time in the Yulara village. Make use of the free shuttle bus which operates throughout the village before we join together for a group lunch. After lunch, our drive will take us to **Kata Tjuta** (The Olgas) where there is a chance to walk into a part



Kata Tjuta



Port Douglas



Cape Tribulation



Agincourt Reef

of this amazing geological feature, returning to the sunset viewing spot for **sunset at Uluru**.

Optional flights: You may elect to enjoy a flight around Kata Tjuta by helicopter or Uluru by fixed wing aircraft.

Overnight: Outback Pioneer Hotel, Yulara

DAY 3: Friday 17 April 2020

3 NIGHT STAY **B** **D**

Uluru – Port Douglas

Enjoy a morning at leisure with lunch at own choice and cost. Departing Uluru, we will fly to the tropical city of Cairns, where we will be transferred to beautiful **Port Douglas**.

Overnight: Oaks Resort, Port Douglas

DAY 4: Saturday 18th April 2020

B **L** **D**

Great Barrier Reef

The **Great Barrier Reef** is the largest living thing on Earth, a 2,300km-long ecosystem that is even visible from outer space. We travel with Quicksilver Cruises out to the magnificent **Agincourt Reef**, a ribbon reef on the very outer edge of the Barrier Reef. Adjacent to the Coral Sea trench, ribbon reefs are recognised as the most pristine eco-systems in the reef’s environment. Clear water provides the best possible underwater visibility, encourages rich coral growth and supports spectacular marine life.

Choose to dive, snorkel or explore the stunning reef from the comfort of a Quicksilver semi-sub, just one meter underwater. Watch the fish feeding from Quicksilver’s unique underwater viewing platform and underwater observatory or even fly in a

helicopter over the reef. So many incredible sights, so many incredible memories!

Overnight: Oaks Resort, Port Douglas

Day 5: Sunday 19 April 2020

B **L** **D**

Cape Tribulation & Daintree Rainforest

The **Daintree Rainforest** and **Cape Tribulation** are considered two of the “must-do” attractions to visit when holidaying in Far North Queensland. The World Heritage listed Daintree is a part of the largest continuous area of tropical rainforest on the Australian continent. Cape Tribulation is located within the Daintree National Park and is renowned as the place ‘**where the rainforest meets the reef**’. Enjoy one of the great ocean drives of Australia and then be on the lookout for crocodiles on our **Daintree River Cruise!** We return to Port Douglas via the magnificent **Mossman Gorge**. A day full of natural wonders.

Overnight: Oaks Resort, Port Douglas

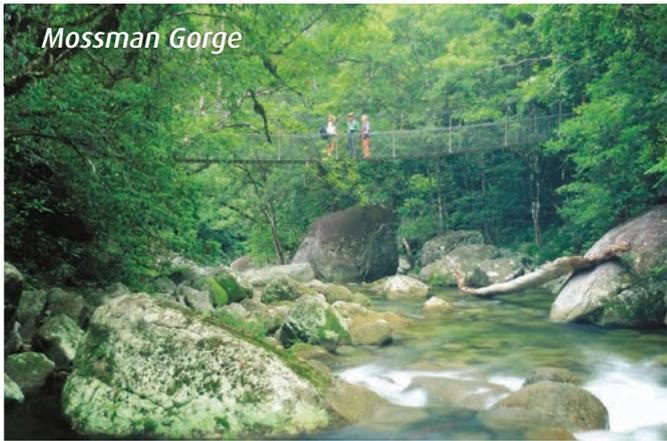
DAY 6: Monday 20 April 2020

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Wildlife Experience – Port Douglas at leisure – Return to Sydney

Enjoy an interactive wildlife experience at **Wildlife Habitat** when we “**Breakfast with the Birds**”.

Spend time with some of Australia’s iconic fauna – enjoy an opportunity to cuddle a koala or hand-feed kangaroos. See the endangered Southern Cassowary and Lumholtz’s Tree Kangaroo as well as meet pythons and crocodiles and lots more.



Mossman Gorge



Wildlife Habitat

We take you into **Port Douglas** for some well-deserved time at leisure. Macrossan Street is Port's main street and is better known as the "**Strip**"; met by both ocean and inlet the Strip spans across the entire peninsula and offers many retail shops and 50 cafés and restaurants from which you can choose to dine (lunch at own choice and cost). Take a walk along beautiful **Four Mile Beach** where azure waters meet the golden sands – magic!

Early afternoon we will transfer to Cairns airport for our return flight to Sydney. We arrive in Sydney in the evening after a truly memorable Australian holiday.

INCLUSIONS

- Fully escorted
- Return Economy Airfares + Air-conditioned coach
- Quality Accommodation
- Meals – 5 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 5 dinners
- Sightseeing as outlined and all entry fees

FARES

Twin share \$2695pp / Single \$3200

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RESERVATIONS

HOW TO MAKE A RESERVATION

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TRANSFERS AND DAY TOURS

All transfers and day tours need to be pre-paid at time of booking. Cancellations made within 72 hours are non-refundable. Dietary requirements will be catered for if booked in advance.

EXTENDED TOURS (POST CONFERENCE)

Please be aware that numbers are limited so pre-booking is strongly advised. Late bookings will be accepted subject to availability.

Extended tours require a 10% deposit and a completed booking form to confirm a reservation. Booking forms are available to download or contact our office and we will post one out to you. Tours must be paid in full 65 days prior to tour departure. Balance of payment is due Friday 7th February 2020. Cancellation charges are detailed on the booking form.

INSURANCE

Travel Insurance is highly recommended. Fantastic Aussie Tours is an agent for Cover.More Insurance and can provide insurance at an additional charge if required (for Australian Residents only).

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