

## 8 Day 'Ready to go' Tour

Departing Thursday, 14 March 2024

## tour Essentials

Unveil the allure of Tasmania over 8 unforgettable days. Your experience begins aboard a luxury coach, guided by an experienced driver guide. Nestle into comfort each night with 7 nights of twin/double share accommodations across 3 & 4+-star hotels and Porthole Cabins. Enjoy 7 cooked or buffet breakfasts, 3 mouth-watering lunches, 7 dinners, plus 3 delightful morning teas. Your adventure gets a dose of magic with those return overnight sailings on the Spirit of Tasmania.

# tour Highlights

In addition to the overnight ferry crossings, immerse yourself in the charm of Hobart, staying in a harbour front 4+ star hotel, explore the vibrant Salamanca Market, step back in time at the historic Cascades Female Factory, and find serenity amidst the Royal Botanical Gardens. Discover the rich history of Port Arthur and the timeless appeal of Richmond. Sense the allure of Launceston, and it's picturesque surroundings. Glide along the Tamar River during a captivating cruise with views of the Cataract Gorge. Unearth the secrets of Beaconsfield Mine and be mesmerized by the rugged beauty of Cradle Mountain, all while there's so much more to uncover on this extraordinary journey.

# tour Pricing

Please contact us for a quote.





### **Detailed Itinerary**

### Day 1. Thursday, 14 March 2024

Embark on a seamless journey as you travel by **luxury coach\*** from the pickup point this afternoon to **Corio Quay** in **Geelong**, where an overnight adventure on the **Spirit of Tasmania\*#** awaits. Upon arrival at the terminal, receive your boarding pass and cabin key, allowing you to board the ship with ease. With just one small overnight bag in tow, step onto the ship as a foot passenger while your expert driver guide safely drives the coach aboard. Settle comfortably into your **Porthole Cabins\*** and savour the panoramic vistas as the ship gracefully departs **Port Phillip Bay**. The evening brings a delightful **dinner\*** experience at the **Tasmanian Market Kitchen** restaurant on board, making for a perfect start to your maritime journey.

Meals: Dinner

#### Day 2. Friday, 15 March 2024

Upon an early morning arrival in **Devonport**, you'll disembark as foot passengers and gather in the Terminal foyer, ready to board the coach. Begin your day with a satisfying full cooked **buffet breakfast\*** at a local motel in Devonport. En route to Hobart, take a captivating break in **Bothwell**, a charming town steeped in history dating back to the 1820s when it was settled by Scottish farmers. Here, delve into the rich sporting history at the **Australasian Golf Museum\*** housed within the visitor's centre. A delightful **coach morning tea\*** is also provided. Upon reaching **Hobart**, get acquainted with this vibrant city through an orientation driving tour, including a leisurely stroll along its lively waterfront, with **Constitution Dock** as a highlight. Lunch offers the opportunity to savour local cuisine at your own expense. Later, check into a splendid **4+star hotel**, ideally situated on the waterfront, where you'll luxuriate in a **2-night stay\***. Enjoy the benefit from porterage assistance upon your arrival and departure. Complete your day with a delectable **2-course dinner\*** at the hotel's inviting restaurant.

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

### Day 3. Saturday, 16 March 2024

Enjoy a full **buffet breakfast\***, then weather permitting, you'll embark on a journey to the summit of **kunanyi / Mount Wellington**. On clear days, the vistas extend deep into Southwest Tasmania, offering captivating views. Afterward, meander through the vibrant **Salamanca Market**, a dynamic showcase of Tasmania's artistic talents, drawing thousands of visitors every Saturday morning. For those not keen on markets, explore the historic convict-built sandstone warehouses of the dock area. Lunch will be at your leisure. Your journey continues with a visit to the World Heritage-listed **Cascades Female Factory**, where a poignant and insightful **convict tour\*** unveils the lives of female convicts and their children during the colony's earliest days. This afternoon, elevate the spirits with a **guided walking tour\*** at the **Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens**, where Hobart's southern latitude has created Australia's most significant cool-climate garden. The day culminates in a delightful **2-course dinner\*** at a local pub, offering a taste of Tasmanian hospitality.

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner Continued





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Day 4. Sunday, 17 March 2024

Following a hearty breakfast\*, embark on a journey southward toward, Port Arthur.

Along the way, include in a delightful stop at the Tasmanian Chocolate Foundry and Port Arthur Lavender

Farm. Upon arrival at the Port Arthur Historic Site, you'll find yourself amidst the well-preserved captivatingly constructed convict buildings and ruins. To truly comprehend the historical significance of this location, an experienced guide will lead you on an enlightening convict tour\*. Additionally, you'll have access to the self-guided Port Arthur Audio Experience\*, explore the Port Arthur Gallery, attend complimentary site talks, and embark on a 20-minute harbour cruise\* that offers glimpses of the Isle of the Dead and Point Puer, where over 3000 boys were incarcerated in Britain's inaugural purpose-built prison for children. Lunch\* is thoughtfully provided during this excursion. Later, check in to a splendid 4-star hotel in Port Arthur for a one-night stay\*. Cap off your evening with a delightful 2-course dinner\* served at the hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

#### Day 5. Monday, 18 March 2024

A plated **hot breakfast\*** awaits in the morning, before leaving Port Arthur behind. Embark on a northward journey with an enchanting stop in **Richmond**. Marvel at the iconic **Richmond Bridge**, a picture-perfect gem and Australia's oldest, masterfully crafted by convicts in 1825. Your adventure continues with a brief drive to **The Wicked Cheese Company\***, where you'll have the opportunity to savour award-winning, handcrafted local **cheeses**. Continuing along the East Coast via **Buckland**, you'll reach the coastal haven of **Orford**, not far from Quarry Point. For **lunch\***, we'll stop at the **Bark Mill Bakery** in **Swansea**, a restored mill and museum that specialised in milling bark that was then shipped as chips and dust to tanneries worldwide. This afternoon, our journey takes us to **Evansdale**, that features a bronze statue of artist John Glover, widely regarded as the 'father of Australian landscape' painting. Your day concludes as you arrive in **Launceston**, where you'll enjoy a comfortable **2-night stay\*** at a **3-star hotel**, complete with **2-course dinners\*** to fuel your adventures.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

#### Day 6. Tuesday, 19 March 2024

After breakfast\* enjoy a captivating driving tour of Launceston's heritage streetscapes. Your adventure unfolds with a mesmerizing Tamar River Cruise\*. As you sail along the scenic Tamar River, behold picturesque landscapes while listening to tales of Launceston's vibrant origins. The cruise culminates in the breathtaking Cataract Gorge. Morning tea\* is thoughtfully provided onboard, complete with unlimited tea & coffee. Following a brief pause for lunch, the journey continues along the western banks of the Tamar River before reaching Beaconsfield. Here, you'll embark on a guided tour\* of the Beaconsfield Mine and Heritage Centre, a site etched in history for the remarkable rescue of Brant Webb and Todd Russell. Explore the new mine yard, the iconic headframe and miner's cage, and historical artifacts. Return to Launceston via the impressive Batman Bridge, an architectural marvel dominated by a 100-meter-high steel A-frame tower.

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner Continued





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#### Day 7. Wednesday, 20 March 2024

Following a satisfying breakfast\*, make your way to Sheffield for a morning interlude, where you'll marvel at some of the town's captivating painted murals. A delightful coach morning tea\* adds a touch of refreshment to your exploration. Venture into the heart of the Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park\*, where you'll be greeted by the iconic Cradle Mountain, a majestic peak that graces the northern expanse of the National Park. Relish a picnic lunch\* upon arrival, granting you ample time to explore the Visitors Centre and perhaps embark on one of the short walks commencing from the Interpretation Centre. Your journey continues with a visit to Devils@Cradle\*, a distinctive conservation sanctuary dedicated to the enigmatic Tasmanian Devils. As the day's adventures draw to a close, journey to Devonport for a celebratory dinner\*, marking the tour's final evening. Then, reboard the Spirit of Tasmania\*#, with just your compact overnight bag in tow, and settle into your cozy Porthole Cabins\*, bidding a fond farewell to the 'Apple Isle' as you embark on an overnight voyage back to the mainland.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

### Day 8. Thursday, 21 March 2024

Upon your return to **Geelong**, disembark as foot passengers and regroup in the terminal before boarding the awaiting coach. Delight in a bountiful full **buffet breakfast\*** at a charming waterfront hotel in **Geelong**, where sweeping views across the bay enhance the dining experience. As the journey home begins, you'll cross over the iconic Westgate Bridge, and by around lunchtime, you'll arrive back at the very point where your remarkable adventure began.

Meals: Breakfast

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### Important tour information

This tour package is subject to an additional levy for ferry/accommodation/meal/activity cancellation component that may be imposed and is out of Superb Tours control.

\* Denotes included in the price and subject to availability. Only applicable for travel before April 2024.

# Denotes a Driver's Licence or Photo ID is required for Spirt of Tasmania check in's in addition to the luggage and biosecurity requirements.

Please note: a moderate level of fitness is required to walk on board the Spirit of Tasmania (steep escalators). Lifts available once on board. Limited accessible transport is available for boarding but must be requested at the time of booking. Large luggage remains underneath the coach during the crossing and is only accessible on arrival at the hotel in Hobart. It is a condition of travel that passengers comply with Tasmania's strict biosecurity regulations. Please be aware that any fruit, vegetables, plants, honey, fish or fish products cannot be brought onto the ship and must be declared and/or disposed of prior to boarding. Biosecurity inspections will be completed prior to boarding at the Geelong Terminal, with random inspections taking place during disembarkation at the Devonport Terminal.

**Departure Days:** Departures are available on Thursdays only. May be available on other days, however itinerary changes will be required and additional charges may apply. Not available on Public Holidays.

**Itinerary Changes:** If your group would prefer an altered or alternative itinerary, this can be quoted on request.

**Tour Date Changes:** Requests to change tour dates after your Tour Confirmation Pack has been sent will incur an additional fee of \$10 per passenger added to the revised itinerary and Tour Confirmation Pack.

Passenger Numbers: The tour price is based on a minimum of 35 passengers. Maximum passengers is 48 on a toileted coach. Should there be less than 35 passengers when your final numbers are due, your group will be offered a revised price or the opportunity to cancel. Alternative minimum numbers can be quoted on request. No free tickets are included in the current price. A free ticket can be added and revised price issued on request.

**Deposits:** To secure this tour booking for your group, a \$8000 non refundable deposit is required. This deposit pays to secure both the ferry booking and hotels. Until the deposit has been received, this tour will still be advertised to other groups.

Final Passenger Numbers, Cabin & Rooming Lists, Passenger Emergency Contact List & Dietaries: Must be received by Thursday, 1 February, 2024.

Final Payment: Must be received by Monday, 5 February 2024.

Free Ticket Policy: No free tickets are included in the current price. A free ticket can be added and revised price issued on request.

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