

Discover Tasmania Australia's Natural State



Two Itineraries to Discover Tasmania

Australia's only island State, Tasmania is a land apart – a place of wild and beautiful landscapes; a temperate climate; the world's cleanest air, wonderful wine and food; and a relaxed island lifestyle.

Natural beauty is Tasmania's heart and soul. Meet wombats on a mountain stroll, see Tasmanian devils at a park and, around dusk watch penguins waddle up the beach. In Tasmania it's easy to get close to nature – more than 40 per cent of the island is national parks and reserves.

Tasmania's pristine environment brings forth the freshest seafood, the richest dairy products and the tastiest fruit. Pick your own strawberries at a fruit farm, shuck oysters straight from the sea or learn how the bees make honey.

Wilderness, heritage, art & culture, wine & food – they're waiting for you in Tasmania.





Wilderness and Wildlife Trail

5 Days / 4 Nights Launceston – Cradle Mountain – Hobart

Day 1 Launceston – Farmstay (93 km - 1 hr 30 mins)

Depart Launceston early to drive west towards Deloraine. Visit 41 Degrees South Salmon and Ginseng Farm to browse at the shop or taste the hot-smoked salmon and Tasmanian ginseng gourmet products. Continue onto Elizabeth Town to visit Ashgrove Cheese where you can view the cheese making and maturing area. From the shop you can taste and buy a range of cheese from traditional English country such as Cheddar and Lancashire to exotic flavours of wild wasabi, lavender and red chilli cheese.

Drive back to Deloraine and continue onto Mole Creek stopping at The Honey Farm at Chudleigh to taste up to 50 different varieties of honey including Tasmania's famous Leatherwood honey. Visit Trowunna Wildlife Park to get close to Tasmania's wildlife, and take a tour of Marakoopa Caves where you can see glow worms in the dark. Stop at Sheffield, where history and art merge to create an entire town of murals.

Day 2 Farmstay – Cradle Mountain (63 km – 1 hr 30 mins)

In the morning head to Cradle Mountain. Make sure you arrive at Cradle Mountain for a visit to Dove Lake. The awesome beauty of this region is truly inspiring. Stay overnight in a wilderness lodge, some with private cabins. Activities in the region include a range of walks, horse riding, fly fishing, wilderness flights and evening animal spot light tours or Devils@Cradle for the Tasmania night feeding tour. September and October, wonder fields of bright - coloured Table Cape twips with sweeping coastline below at Wynyard before heading to Cradle Mountain.

Overnight: Cradle Mountain

Day 3 Cradle Mountain – Strahan (151 km – 2 hrs)

Spend the morning at Cradle Mountain before driving to Zeehan. Visit the Zeehan Mining Museum to learn of a miners' life in one of the most remote towns in Australia. Follow the road to Strahan, a beautiful fishing village overlooking the second biggest harbour in Australia, and the launching point for cruises on the magnificent Gordon River. Visit the wharf and watch fishermen unload the catch of the day and in the evening enjoy the play 'The Ship That Never Was' – a play telling the dramatic and hilarious tale of the great escape from Sarah Island.

Overnight: Strahan

Day 4 Strahan – Hobart (300 km – 4 hrs)

Take a 6-hour cruise on the Gordon River to learn of the history of ship building in the region or tour the West Coast Wilderness Railway - the world-renowned heritage rack-and-pinion rail journey between Queenstown and Strahan through rainforest and over deep gorges. If you would like some adventure don't miss a four-wheel motor bike tour with Henty Sand Dunes. Depart Strahan for Queenstown where you can tour the Mt Lyell Copper Mine and then drive on to Hobart. Stretch your legs at Lake St Clair and walk to Russell Falls in Mt Field National Park. If you would like a farmstay experience stop at Hamilton and stay at Curringa Farm or journey onto Hobart.

Overnight: Hobart or Farmstay

Day 5 Hobart

Spend the day with Bruny Island Charters and enjoy an amazing cruise from Adventure Bay along the spectacular coastline of South Bruny. See sheer-faced sea cliffs, seals, dolphins and sea eagles or explore the magnificent Tasman Peninsula and the convict history of Port Arthur.





Cool Food & Nature Trail

5 Days / 4 Nights Hobart – Freycinet – Launceston

Day 1 Hobart / Huon Valley / Hobart (180 km - 3 hrs return)

Welcome to Hobart one of the most beautiful cities in the world, nestled between Mount Wellington and the sea. White beaches on its outskirts, historic buildings at its heart, Australia's second-oldest city has a lifestyle of its own. Browse through antique stores, discover stunning arts and crafts, linger over a coffee in one of the street cafes, explore the fishing harbour but don't whatever you do, miss Salamanca Markets on Saturday morning. On Saturdays, the umbrellas go up and two blocks of stalls and shops are bustling with people and street buskers offering you some of the finest arts and crafts found in Tasmania. Take a tour at the Barilla Bay Oyster Farm before heading up to Mt Wellington for its splendid view of the city.

If you arrive on a week day visit the Cadbury Chocolate Visitor Centre for shopping bargains or travel south to the Huon Valley to walk above the treetops at the Tahune Forest AirWalk. If you are feeling adventurous try cable hang glide and see the wilderness through the eyes of a wedge-tailed eagle. Visit the Forest and Heritage Centre to see a wood turner at work, learn about the history of the forestry region and purchase some Huon Pine products. Take a thrilling jet boat ride at Huon River Jet Boats or a scenic cruise on the Huon River to the township of Franklin. Visit the Apple & Heritage Museum to explore Tasmania's apple history. Stop for afternoon tea at Peppermint Bay and return to Hobart. Taste fresh seafood at Fish Frenzy, Mures Upper Deck or Barilla Bay Restaurant.

Overnight: Hobart

Day 2 Hobart / Richmond / Freycinet National Park (195 km - 3 hrs)

Depart Hobart for Richmond, a historic town, before travelling on to Sorell to pick fruit (when in season) at the Sorell Fruit Farm. Travel towards Swansea stopping at Kate's Berry Farm for yummy ice-cream just before the charming seaside town. Make sure that you allow enough time to spend some time at Freycinet National Park with white beaches brushed by turquoise seas and rugged granite peaks offering visitors a range of opportunities to enjoy spectacular coastal scenery, colourful wildflowers and a variety of Tasmania's animal life. Take a walk to Wineglass Bay Lookout to view one of the world's top beaches. As the sun sets join Freycinet Adventures for a twilight sea kayak through these clear blue waters past pristine beaches and secluded coves close to amazing marine life.

Overnight: Freycinet

Day 3 East Coast / Freycinet – Bicheno (38 km – 30 mins)

In the morning, take a four hour cruise to Wineglass Bay past granite cliffs and sea caves with Freycinet Sea Cruises or discover Freycinet's magical beaches and spectacular granite sea cliffs on a 4WD motor bike. If you are searching for more oysters visit Freycinet Marine Farm to purchase some for your journey. Drive onto Bicheno, just 30 minutes north of Freycinet, and visit the Bicheno Sealife Centre to see Tasmanian marine life up close such as the giant crab and live crayfish and then join Bicheno Penguin Tours in a private rookery, to watch the little penguins emerge from the ocean and waddle up the beach to their nests.

Overnight: Bicheno



Day 4 Bicheno – St Helens / Tamar Valley / Launceston (239 km – 4 hrs)

Depart Bicheno early heading north towards St Helens. Stop at East Coast Natureworld, just outside of Bicheno to get close to Tasmania's native wildlife. Drive onto St Helens, the game fishing capital of Tasmania and a lovely fishing village and head west to Derby where you can visit Scottsdale where you could visit the Forest EcoCentre. In the summer months visit Bridestowe Lavender farm at Nabowla and walk through fields of lavender and don't miss visiting Seahorse World and Platypus House at Beauty Point. Visit some of Tasmania's acclaimed cool-climate wines such as Daniel Alps at Pipers Brook's Strathlynn Vineyard, Ninth Island, Moores Hill Estate and more.

Overnight: Launceston

Day 5 Launceston

Launceston is Tasmania's second largest city and gateway to the north. Its magnificent original Victorian streetscapes and architecture lend a historic ambience to the city. Few places in Australia have retained the gracious feel and appreciation of its precious, bygone architecture as Launceston.

Take the chairlift ride across Cataract Gorge, a natural amphitheatre in the heart of Launceston or if you are seeking some adventure join Hollybank Treetops Adventure to zip through the forest canopy. For the lovers of beer visit the J Boag and Son Brewery to learn how beer is made and taste some ales, or south of Launceston, visit the Tasmanian Gourmet Sauce, Tasmanian Honey Company and Woolmers Estate close to the Airport for your departure.

Package Prices – land only

5 Days / 4 Nights Self Drive Package

Includes: 4 Nights Stay (City or country), 3 Days car rental (standard), 1 National Holiday Park Pass (1 per car)

Peak period surcharge (1 – 30 Apr / 20-30 Sept 09) A\$22 per Discovery Inns, Hotels & 1 or 2 Bedroom Apartment per night	Hotel OR 1 bedroom apartment (Max 3A OR 2A1C)								2 bedroom apartment (Max 5A OR 4A1C)							
	Adult (A\$ per person)			Child (A\$ per person)		Extension Per Night Per apt A\$			Adult (A\$ per person)				Child (A\$ per person)		Extension Per Night Per apt A\$	
	1A	2A	3A	1A1C	2A1C	1 – 2 Pax	Extra Pax	2A	3A	4A	5A	2A1C 2A2C	2A3C	2 – 4 Pax	Extra Pax	
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4 Days / 3 nights Seat-in-coach Package

Includes: 3 Nights Stay (Hobart or Launceston), return airport transfer, choice of 1 tour experience.

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Proposed itinerary D1 Arrival transfer to hotel D2 Your day tour D3 Free day D4 Departure transfer	Hobart (choice of ONE of the following experience) A: Huon Valley & Tahune AirWalk 8.15am – 5pm (1,3,5) B: Russell Falls 9.15am – 4pm (3,7) + City Tour 9.45am – 12.45pm (1,5,7) C: Cadbury Tour 9.15am – 1pm (1-5) + Mt Wellington 9.15 – 11.30am (2,4,5,6) D: Port Arthur with lunch & audio guide 8.15am – 5pm (1-5,7) Optional transfer: Hobart Terminal to Launceston Terminal or vv A\$33 (adult) or A\$17 (child) Daily: 2.45pm(HBA)–5.30pm OR 9.30am(LST)–12pm								Launceston (choice of ONE of the following experience) A: Cradle Mountain 8.30am – 5pm (1,3,5,7) B: Batman Bridge luncheon cruise 10am - 2pm (1-7 except Jun-Aug) + City Tour 10am – 1pm (1-7) C: 3 Hour Hollybank Treetops Adventure with transfer (1-7) + Launceston City Tour 10am – 1pm (1-7)							

Bonus: Stay at Hotel & Apartments category between 1 May – 18 Sept & 5 Oct – 18 Dec 09, Stay 5 nights and receive A\$50 fuel voucher / Stay 7 nights and receive A\$75 fuel voucher

For enquiry and booking, contact your Aussie Specialist Agent (Subject to confirmation, conditions apply).

For more information on Tasmania, visit www.discovertasmania.com

Terms and conditions: Car rental <city pick up> includes unlimited kms, stamp duty, GST & insurance (reducible excess apply) / Additional car rental at A\$63 per day / Surcharge A\$5 per day for all Airports pick up. Minimum night stay apply over peak periods, details on application / Open dated pass is permitted for stay between May – Sep, first night must pre-booked

Surcharge: Upgrade surcharge from Discovery Inns to Hotels & Apartment: A\$35 (APR-SEP09) / A\$57 (OCT09 – MAR10) per room / 1 bedroom apartment per night. Upgrade surcharge from Hotels & Apartments to Premium Apartments: A\$50 (APR09 – MAR10) per apartment per night. Cradle Mountain Wilderness Village attracts a surcharge A\$30 per night per apartment per night, payable direct at property on arrival



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