

*Celebrate New Year with Travelling friends*  
We are going on a Holiday Coach tour  
to **Gundagai** - 5 Days / 4 Nights  
*... with Mary and Brian*



*We pick you up and return you home*



**Tour Departs: Saturday 30 Dec. 2017 - Wed. 3 Jan. 2018**  
**New Year in Gundagai & surrounds**

*Gundagai is a classic Australian country town located on the Murrumbidgee River between Sydney and Melbourne, and one of the most picturesque areas of the Riverina.*

It's a perfect spot to stop and explore the town, meet the friendly locals and gain an insight into Australia's pioneering past.



The sculptor of the famous Dog on the Tuckerbox, Frank Rusconi, also built a unique cathedral-in-miniature. Known as 'Rusconi's Marble Masterpiece', showcasing the diversity and beauty of NSW marble. Made from 20,948 individual pieces of marble, every piece cut, turned and polished by hand over a 28 years, without plans ... truly a unique masterpiece ...



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### **Tour Inclusions:**

- ✓ **Pick up from your home, transport and return**  
(Sydney Metropolitan area only)
- ✓ **Luxury Coach Travel Seat belts & Restroom**
- ✓ **4 Nights Minimum Three Star Quality Motel Accommodation**
- ✓ **4 Three Course Dinners with Choices & All Fully Cooked Breakfasts**
- ✓ **Lunch 2, 3, 4 & 5**
- ✓ **All Entry Fees and Guides as per Itinerary**
- ✓ **Escorted tour**



### **Your Itinerary ... enjoy exploring Australia with friends**

Please note that the itinerary is subject to change without notice

**B = Breakfast L = Lunch D = Dinner**

#### **Day 1. Sat 30 Dec: Home - Gundagai Dinner**

This morning we pick you up from your home and begin our journey down to Gundagai, perhaps stopping in at the Big Merino in Goulburn for a chance to stretch our legs. We then visit the St Saviour's Cathedral for a Bell Tower Tour where we learn about the history of the bells and the stunning white sandstone Cathedral. After our tour we get back on the road and make our way into Gundagai, enjoying a stop for lunch along the way.



Upon arrival into Gundagai we enjoy a highlights tour with a local guide that takes in the Rotary Lookout to view the town and the 3 long bridges. We visit the Prince Alfred Bridge, built in 1866, which, at nearly one kilometre in length, is the longest wooden bridge in the Southern Hemisphere. The bridge, together with the adjacent historic railway bridge (built in 1901 and opened in 1903) has been classified by the National Trust as a structure whose preservation is essential to Australia's heritage. Take a stroll on Prince

Alfred Bridge's new viewing platform before we make our way to the Gabriel Gallery. A photographic collection of great significance featuring the work of internationally famous photographer Dr. Charles Louis Gabriel, a distinguished resident of the town from 1887 until his death in 1927.

We also visit Captain Moonlite's grave and the historic Road to Gundagai Railway Station building, the longest timber station building in N.S.W., now restored to its original 1886 glory days. This afternoon we check in to our accommodation and enjoy dinner in the motel restaurant.

Overnight: Comfort Inn Sovereign Gundagai

#### **Day 2. Sun 31 Dec: Junee Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**

This morning we make our way into Junee as we visit the beautifully restored, Monte Cristo Homestead for morning tea and a tour. In the early 1960's Monte Cristo was vandalised and the caretaker murdered. Since then, painstakingly restored, it is now furnished with almost priceless antiques and houses a unique collection of horse drawn carriages. Monte Cristo has been featured on a number of TV programmes for both its splendour, as well as being Australia's most haunted house with a

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reported 7 resident ghosts. After our tour we visit the Roundhouse Railway Museum, built in 1942, it boasts the largest turntables at 100 foot, and is one of the few working Railway Roundhouses remaining in the



Southern Hemisphere. Now, half of the Roundhouse is used as a museum, whilst the other portion is used for its original purpose of re-conditioning and re-building locomotives and rolling stock.

We then enjoy lunch and a tour at the Licorice and Chocolate Factory at Green Grove Organics, situated in the historic Junee Flour Mill. Green Grove Organics produces stone ground products such as flours, bread mixes, pasta, cookies and licorice, sold throughout Australia and overseas. After our tour we depart Junee and return to our accommodation for a chance to relax before dinner in the motel restaurant.

Overnight: Comfort Inn Sovereign Gundagai

### **Day 3. Mon 1 Jan: Tumut & Adelong BLD**

This morning after enjoying a leisurely breakfast we make our way to the township of Tumut for a town tour. We enjoy the magnificent views from Telegraph Hill, showcasing the picturesque township situated on the banks of the Tumut River. We then enjoy morning tea at Tumut Valley



Violets where over a 1000 different varieties of African Violets are on display and available for purchase. We then depart for the Adelong Alive Museum. The Alive Museum contains many artefacts and documents relating to the past. In the museum is a model of the Reefer

Battery and ore crushing mill, the remains of which are still visible at Adelong Falls. After we browse the museum we enjoy lunch in town before making our way to the Adelong Falls Gold Mill Ruins. It is an easy stroll from the carpark to the viewing platforms, and for those more nimble, there are pathways that lead down to the Adelong Creek and the ruins for further investigation.

This afternoon we make our way back to Gundagai and visit the Gundagai Historical Museum, a treasure trove of memorabilia, with displays of pioneer life, bushrangers and even Phar Lap's saddlecloth. Later in the afternoon we arrive back at our accommodation before dinner.

Overnight: Comfort Inn Sovereign Gundagai

### **Day 4. Tues 2 Jan: Wagga Wagga BLD**

After breakfast we travel down to the Rustique Lavender Farm for a stroll through the lavender and heritage roses, followed by morning tea. We can also browse through the shop with its delightful range of products, gifts, craft,



rose products, ceramics, and culinary delights. We then make our way up to the RAAF Heritage Museum in Wagga Wagga. The RAAF Wagga Heritage Centre showcases Air Force history, along with representing the significant involvement of the RAAF in the Riverina Region of New South Wales.

The static aircraft display next to the Heritage Centre, represents over 50 years of RAAF flying history and are completely accessible for the public to view and photograph. After our visit to the Museum we travel into Wagga for a delicious lunch at the Wagga RSL Club. We then depart for Tarcutta for a guided tour of the Tarcutta Textiles Factory. The Textile Factory offers us the opportunity to learn first hand the production of the Merino Wool Knitwear range. The knitting machines will also be demonstrated by staff members. After the

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factory tour we get the chance to browse the garments and other products that are stocked at factory direct prices, before travelling back to Gundagai to our motel for a quick rest before dinner in the motel restaurant.  
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**Day 5. Wed 3 Jan: Gundagai - Home**      **B L**

This morning we bid Gundagai farewell as we depart for home via the Cootamundra Heritage Centre. We catch a "Glimpse of the Past" and gain an insight into the history of Cootamundra and district. The Heritage Centre is an ongoing project, it was established in 2001 as the Centenary of Federation project undertaken by the Cootamundra Community. After our visit we get back on the Highway and make our way to Bowning to stop in at the Rollonin Cafe for lunch. A cafe that is family owned and operated, it will transport us back in time as the 1800's replica offers an authentic country experience for everyone. Later this afternoon we arrive back home to say farewell at your place after a memorable New Years in Gundagai and surrounds with Mary & Brian Coach Tours.



**Tour Highlights:**

St. Saviour's Cathedral - Bell Tower Tour  
Goulburn; Gundagai Highlights - Rotary Lookout, Prince Alfred Bridge, Gabriel Gallery, Captain Moonlite's Grave and the Gundagai Railway Station; Monte Cristo Homestead; Roundhouse Railway Museum; Green Grove Organics - Licorice & Chocolate Factory; Tumut Highlights - Telegraph Hill; Tumut Valley Violets; Adelong Alive Museum; Adelong Falls Gold Mill Ruins; Gundagai Historical Museum; Rustique Lavender Farm; RAAF Heritage Museum Wagga; Tarcutta Textiles Factory; Cootamundra Heritage Centre; Rollonin Cafe & much more...



**Tour Fee including GST:**

**Members**                    **\$1557.00**  
per person twin share  
**Non Members**           **\$1589.00**  
per person twin share  
**Single Supplement**    **\$220.00**

Minimum loading 20 passengers booked and paid  
**by Thursday 16 November 2017**  
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**Meet Mary and Brian ...** they are renown for their wonderful holiday coach tours. You will feel confident and secure when touring with them, and benefit from their vast experience and knowledge of Australia and its deep history.

Mary and Brian have arranged and escorted many group tours all over Australia, touring, Swan Hill, Hunter Valley, Tasmania, Murray River. Bateman's Bay, Ballina ...

More importantly, you will appreciate their caring nature and friendly characters, which will ensure you a most enjoyable time ... a tour you will remember and make friendships that you will always cherish.

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