

What are you doing for Easter?

**We are going on a Holiday Coach tour
of Dubbo Zoo - 5 Days / 4 Nights**

... with Mary and Brian



We pick you up and return you home



**Tour Departs: Thursday 13 - Monday 17 April 2017
Easter with the Animals at the Dubbo Zoo**

The Western Plains Zoo is a 'must visit and see' when you are in Dubbo. Here are a few tips to experience the best coach tour of your Dubbo Zoo visit:

Brian and Mary know you will enjoy your driving tour of the Dubbo Zoo with a knowledgeable Animal Guide aboard. This is a relaxed coach tour, with the opportunity to meet many wonderful animals in their playground, it will make you feel good being so close to nature.



Every animal has a unique antic for you to enjoy ... these beautiful animals will give you some interesting moments for you to always remember and relive with your friends.



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Tour Inclusions:

- ✓ **Pick up from your home, transport and return**
(Sydney Metropolitan area only)
- ✓ **Luxury Coach Travel Seatbelts & Restroom**
- ✓ **4 Fully cooked breakfasts at the motel**
- ✓ **Lunch day 4**
- ✓ **4 Three Course Dinners with choices at the motel**
- ✓ **4 Nights minimum three star quality accommodation, twin share**
- ✓ **All Entry Fees and Guides as per Itinerary**
- ✓ **Escorted tour**



Some of the favourite features of the Dubbo Zoo are the tigers, the elephants, hippopotamus and siamang apes.



The elephants always bring a smile to your face with their antics. The hippopotamus may show you how wide their mouth open. The otters playing around in the water and of

course the Siamang Apes always up for fun and crazy aerobatics. They put on a spectacular show to mark their territory.

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: Thurs 13 Home - Dubbo Dinner

We pick you up from your home this morning and travel along the Great Western Highway towards the Central West. After travelling through the beautiful Blue Mountains and admiring views of the Megalong Valley, we continue travelling westward through Blackheath, Mount Victoria and Hartley to arrive at our lunch stop.

The venue for our lunch at your own cost is the Lithgow Workies Club where you can order sandwiches, roast of the day, or blackboard specials of the day.

After lunch we continue travelling west until we arrive at Molong where we join the Banjo Patterson Way and follow the "Paddock Art" sculptures for 120 klm into Dubbo.

Animals on Bikes started as a series of 45 creative 2 metre high sculptures (and smaller letter boxes) - created by local farmers, farmers wives, Men's sheds, bus driver, Preschool kids, Playgroup mums - anyone with an artistic flair! That was 2009, now there are over 100 sculptures on display! All of which we can see from our coach. After Arriving into Dubbo we check into our motel before enjoying dinner.

Overnight accommodation for the next four nights is the Golden West Motor Inn

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Day 2: Friday 14 April Dubbo Zoo

Breakfast, Afternoon Tea, Dinner

Today we visit the Western Plains Dubbo Zoo. After passing through the main gates we pick up our zoo safari guide who will take us on a fantastic journey through the zoo.

See hundreds of rare and endangered animals whilst on the coach safari in this huge open range zoo. Because we are high above the ground we are able to see many animals from the comfort of the coach. When we need, we can alight and walk towards the animals to have a closer look. Formerly an army camp during World War Two, the site was transformed into a 300 hectare zoo of woodland and irrigated grasslands.

When the zoo opened, it contained 35 different animals from six countries, now there are many more varieties. After the tour we enjoy lunch at our own cost in the zoo cafe overlooking the Spider Monkey Island. There will be time for shopping in the zoo gift shop. After lunch we will go on a Driving City Highlight Tour with a Dubbo Ambassador before going to Aladdin's Cave Bottle House.

Here we will have a guided tour of the Fantasy Gardens and unique bottle house. The tour also includes afternoon tea and afterwards there will be time to browse through the antiques and collectables store. Then we return to our motel to relax before dinner.

Day 3: Saturday 15 April Dubbo Goal and Cultural Centre

Breakfast, Dinner

After breakfast this morning we then make our way to the Old Dubbo Goal where we will be taken back in time to experience the old days at the goal with our local guide. A State Heritage listed site which has been restored contains varied collections including gallows and holographic display After viewing the many items



at the goal we will have free time in the centre of Dubbo's shopping district to explore the shops and purchase morning tea and lunch.

After lunch we travel to the Dubbo Cultural Centre and Regional Gallery. It features 706m² of exhibition space incorporating four galleries and a space devoted to the moving image. The main space is devoted to large touring and in-house curated exhibitions. We will be taken on a journey by an in-house guide. There will be also be free time to explore the centre's gift shop before returning to our motel.

Day 4: Sunday 16 April Markets, Gardens and RFDS

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Our first stop today is at the Rotunda Markets in the middle of Dubbo's shopping centre. The market has a diverse range of stalls offering unique, vintage, art, decor, jewellery, garden, produce, baking & buskers. Enjoy the shops & coffee houses in the heart of Dubbo. Next we enliven your senses and explore the four distinctive garden spaces at the Dubbo Regional Botanic Garden.

The Japanese Garden, Biodiversity Garden showcasing native plant communities of the Dubbo region, the Sensory Garden and invigorating experience which has been designed to engage through smell, sight, sound, touch and tastes. The Oasis Valley is the newest addition to the garden telling the story about how the local bushland species evolved from the cool forests of Gondwanaland. Our lunch today will be provided on the banks of the Macquarie River by our motel. Our next stop is to the Royal Flying Doctor Base Visitor Education Centre. See the wonderful work of this Australian

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aviation icon, read the stories, learn the history, watch the film and browse the shop. We then return to our motel to relax before dinner.

Day 5: Monday 17 April Molong to Home

Breakfast, Morning Tea

Today we travel east and make our way homeward travelling through Molong. Here we will visit the Yard Market Craft Cottage and Cobb & Co Coach House for the famous Molong Devonshire tea and have a talk on the Bi-Centennial Embroidered Screen showing 200 years of the history of Molong. This magnificent screen took 4 years to design and embroider - sixty ladies and five men worked hundreds of hours to create this masterpiece. The Yarn Market's collection of antique laces dates back to the 17th century. After morning tea

we can look through the craft shop with produce made by the local artisans. The Coach House was part of the Royal Hotel built in 1875. All the internal timbers are from the first woolshed at Larras Lake and old timber road bridges. After leaving Molong we stop to buy lunch before arriving back home ending a memorable time away in Dubbo with Brian and Mary Coach Tours..



Tour Highlights:

120 klm Animals on Bikes Drive Trail, Driving Tour of Dubbo Zoo with a Local Guide, Time to stop for Photos of Animals.

Guided Tour of Dubbo Goal, Lunch on the banks of the Macquarie River, Driving guided tour of Dubbo, Rotunda Markets, Dubbo Regional Botanic Gardens.

Royal Flying Doctor Base Visitor Education Centre, Aladdin's Cave Bottlehouse, Yarn Market Craft Cottage and Cobb & Co Coach House, Bi-Centennial Embroidered Screen of Molong, Devonshire afternoon tea



Tour Fee including GST:

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|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Members | \$1238.00 |
| | per person twin share |
| Non Members | \$1268.00 |
| | per person twin share |
| Single Supplement | \$200.00 |

Minimum loading 20 passengers booked and paid
by Thursday 16 February 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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