

join us ... on a Holiday Coach tour of Mildura, Broken Hill & White Cliffs

9 days / 8 nights ... with Mary and Brian

We pick you up and return you home



Tour Departs: Saturday 7 September - Sunday 15 September 2019

This is one of the most beautiful and attractive regions to explore, with the advantages of an informative local guide to discover the history of the Mildura area with a relaxing river cruise on board the majestic steam driven, Paddle Steamer

Coolamon Fire Museum; Shear Outback - Australian Shearers' Hall of Fame; Mildura Highlights; PS Melbourne Cruise; Orange World; Trentham Estate; Broken Hill Highlights; Silver City Art Gallery & Mint; Silver City Chocolate Factory; White's Mineral Art Gallery and Mining Centre; Silvertown Ghost Town - Silvertown Hotel, Mundi Mundi Lookout, Highlights of Silvertown; Pro Hart Gallery; Living Desert & International Sculpture Park; Broken Hill

Royal Flying Doctor Service & Mantle of Safety Museum; White Cliffs Uncovered Tour; Red Earth Opal Mine Tour; Fossickers Den; Open Cut & Peak Gold Mines; Great Cobar Heritage Centre; Rollonin Cafe

(see the comprehensive itinerary)



Tour Inclusions:

- ✓ Pick up from your home, transport and return
(Sydney Metropolitan area only)
- ✓ Luxury Coach Travel Seatbelts & Restroom
- ✓ 8 Fully cooked breakfasts
- ✓ 8 Three course Dinners with choices
- ✓ Lunch days 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8
- ✓ 8 nights quality accommodation, twin share
- ✓ All Entry Fees and Guides as per Itinerary
- ✓ Escorted tour

Tour Fee including GST:

Members	\$2947.00 per person twin share
Non Members	\$2997.00 per person twin share
Single Supplement	\$544.00

Minimum loading 20 passengers book and pay

by Thursday 4th July 2019

Please note that the itinerary is subject to change without notice

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Itinerary Mildura, Broken Hill & White Cliffs tour

Day 1. Sat 7 Sep: Home Port - Narrandera

Dinner

This morning we pick you up from home and begin our trek across to North West Victoria and Mildura. We stop in Goulburn for a chance to purchase lunch and to check out the Big Merino. We continue across to the Coolamon, stopping via the Dog on the Tuckerbox and arrive at Coolamon Fire Museum for a guided tour and chance to browse. This afternoon we arrive into Narrandera and our accommodation for a rest before dinner.

Overnight: Narrandera Club Motor Inn, Narrandera

Day 2. Sun 8 Sep: Shear Outback - Mildura

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

After breakfast we make our way across to Hay and visit the **Shear Outback, The Australian Shearers' Hall of Fame**. We experience the living and working conditions of the hardworking men and women who shaped the industry and learn about the shearing history and future technologies in the museum. We enjoy a guided tour and shearing demonstration, followed by lunch in the cafe. We then continue across to Mildura, enjoying a comfort stop before arriving at our accommodation to check-in and rest before dinner.

Overnight: Best Western Chaffey Motor Inn, Mildura

Day 3. Mon 9 Sep: Mildura

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

This morning we are met by a **local guide to discover the history of the Mildura area** as we take in the historic river front, wharf, lock system, Chaffey grave site, iconic Rio Vista House and Old Mildura Homestead, which all played an important part in river transport, trade and the settlement of Mildura in its early days. We finish our tour at the Mildura Wharf and board the **PS Melbourne**. This cruise offers a relaxing two hour cruise down through Mildura's Lock 11 (and return) on board the majestic steam driven, Paddle Steamer Melbourne.

A comprehensive live commentary is provided, giving us an educational insight on the Murray Darling River system and their environs, as well as the history of the paddleboats. We enjoy a light lunch on-board. After our cruise we call in at **Orange World**, where we are met by Mario & Maria before enjoying a tractor train tour through 40 acres of citrus orchard. We gain a true understanding of the citrus industry and what it means to the local growers. After our tour we visit **Woodsies Gem Shop** to browse and if you like, wander through Aladdin's Cave or the Maze. We then return to our accommodation before dinner.

Overnight: Best Western Chaffey Motor Inn, Mildura

Day 4. Tue 10 Sep: Mildura - Broken Hill

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

After breakfast we check out and **depart for Broken Hill**. We enjoy a comfort stop along the way and upon arrival into Broken Hill, enjoy lunch at a local venue. After lunch we stop by the **Broken Hill Tourist Information Centre** where we get to browse and gather information on Broken Hill and its surrounds. We are **joined by our local guide** as we begin exploring the history of the Silver City covering the mines, buildings, arts and the colourful culture. Our tour finale takes place at the **Miners Memorial** as we take in the **Panorama of Broken Hill** and the memorial.



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We then call in at the **Silver City Art Gallery and Mint** to immerse ourselves in the amazing landscape of the Big Picture. The magnificent Australian landscape is the **Worlds Largest Acrylic Painting on Canvas** measuring an amazing 100m in length x 12m in height. We also find original paintings and limited edition lithographs and jewellery made from Broken Hill silver which are for sale as are the delights of the **Silver City Chocolate Factory**. This afternoon we check in to our accommodation for a rest before dinner.

Overnight: Silver Haven Motor Inn, Broken Hill

Day 5. Wed 11 Sep: Broken Hill - Silverton

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

This morning after breakfast we visit **White's Minerals, Art Gallery & Mining Centre** where "Whitey" gives a fascinating tour of one of Broken Hill's best attractions depicting current and past mining methods. Experience an underground mine without going underground. We are then joined by our local guide as we travel out to the **famous Silverton Ghost Town** described by many to be the film capital of Australia and the nations liveliest ghost town. We enjoy a light lunch with the characters at the **legendary Silverton Hotel** with its wall to wall memorabilia of Mad Max and Co before taking a stroll around the Galleries with our guide.

From Silverton we travel a short distance to the **Mundi Mundi Lookout** where if ever you were to stand on the edge of earth it would be here. We then make our way back to Broken Hill visiting the **Pro Hart Gallery** to view one of the largest private collections in the country featuring Australian and European works. Then it's up to **The Living Desert and International Sculpture Site** to view the huge carved monoliths and to enjoy a magical outback sunset (weather permitting) before dinner.

Overnight: Silver Haven Motor Inn, Broken Hill

Day 6. Thu 12 Sep: White Cliffs

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Today we visit the doctor - **The Broken Hill Flying Doctor**. Early last century, Flynn of the Inland dreamt of bringing medical help from the air to people in the vast outback. Of the 20 Flying Doctor based around Australia, the Broken Hill base is the only RFDS base open daily to the public. We enjoy a fascinating tour of the base, see the new **Mantle of Safety Museum** and see for yourself a remarkable organisation's contribution to life in our vast outback. After our tour we depart for White Cliffs and upon arrival enjoy **lunch at the Red Earth Opal Cafe**.

After lunch we are joined by a local guide for a **"White Cliffs Uncovered Tour"** where we visit some intriguing places unique to this isolated opal mining township. Included in our tour is the fascinating **Red Earth 'Opal Mine Tour'** which is a unique look into the early history of the Opal Field, before entering into a fully producing working opal mine. Situated within the historic diggings of the 1890's, we get the opportunity to walk down a ramp from the surface carved through the multiple levels of diggings, to reach a depth of 45 feet. It is at this level we will see the demonstration of the mining equipment and even have a chance to dig on the mine face ourselves. This afternoon we check in to our accommodation before dinner.

Overnight: Underground Motel, White Cliffs

Day 7. Fri 13 Sep: White Cliffs - Cobar

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

After breakfast we make our way out amongst the Lunar landscape where we spend time fossicking for our very own opal. Our hosts at **Fossickers Den** show us what it means to have "opal fever" during our **two hour guided tour**. Included in our tour is morning tea.



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We then depart White Cliffs for Cobar, stopping via Wilcannia, once the third largest port in Australia, for **lunch at the Green Dragon Restaurant** in the Wilcannia Golf Club. We arrive into Cobar this afternoon and are met by a **local guide**, who showcases the history of the city and its mining with **visits to the Open Cut Gold Mine and the Peak Gold Mine**. We then check in to our accommodation for a rest before dinner.

Overnight: Cobar Town & Country Motor Inn, Cobar

Day 8. Sat 14 Sep: Cobar - Dubbo

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

This morning we tour the **Great Cobar Heritage Centre** which is the former administration building (circa 1910) of the Great Cobar Copper Mine. The centre captures the essence of Cobar, housing an outstanding collection of exhibits which date from the early 1870s to the present day. Inside the amazing collection of artifacts reveal the extraordinary diverse local heritage of Cobar. Through the exhibits, the rich history inherent in everyday life of Cobar's pioneers and the culture of making do becomes apparent. After our tour we depart for **Nyngan and enjoy lunch at the RSL & Civic Club** before continuing into Dubbo. Upon arrival into Dubbo later this afternoon we have a chance to rest before dinner in the motel restaurant.

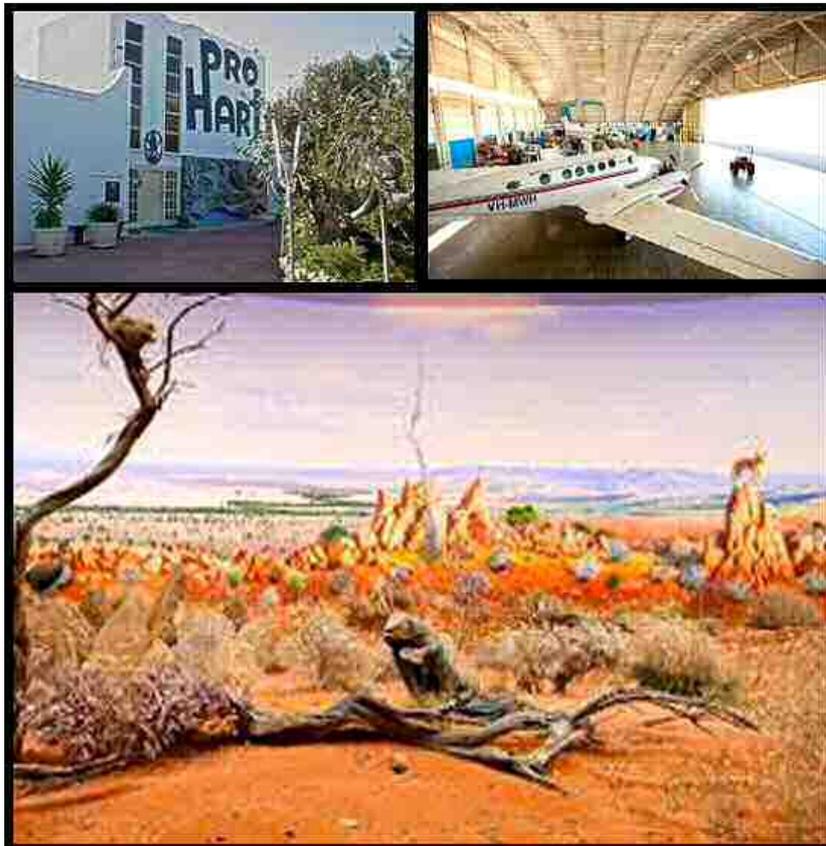
Overnight: Golden West Motor Inn, Dubbo

Day 9. Sun 15 Sep: Dubbo - Home

Breakfast

Today after breakfast, we check out and depart for home, enjoying several comfort stops along the way to stretch our legs, as well as a chance to purchase lunch at the Lithgow Workers Club.

This afternoon we arrive home to drop you at your doorstep after a memorable time in Mildura and Broken Hill with Mary and Brian.



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