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New Year in **CANBERRA**

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5 Days with Brian and Mary

Tour Friday 30 December 2022 - Tuesday 2 January 2023

Tour Inclusions:

- •Pick up from your home, transport to Canberra and return to your doorstep
- •(Sydney Metropolitan area only)
- •Luxury Coach Travel, Seatbelts and Restroom
- •All fully cooked breakfasts
- •Dinner at the motel except for the Cruise Night
- •Four nights quality accommodation, twin share
- •All entry fees and guides as per itinerary
- Escorted tour

Tour Highlights:

Royal Australian Mint, Guided Driving Tour of Canberra, National Library of Australia, National Portrait Gallery, MV Southern Cross Dinner Cruise and 9.00 pm Fire Works, Lake Burleigh Griffin, Cockington Green, Drive Through Embassy District, Australian War Memorial, Mount Ainslie, Gold Creek Station, Australian Kelpie Dogs, National Arboretum, Bungendore, and much more.

Tour Fee including GST: Members \$1,717.00 per person twin share

Non Members \$1,767.00 per person twin share

Single Supplement \$299.00

Book now and pay by Thursday 27 October 2022

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Please note that the itinerary is subject to change without notice

The Itinerary

Day 1 Friday 30 December 2022 Home to Canberra

Dinner

This year's New Year's Eve Tour will be heading to our national Capital – Canberra. From Sydney we head to South and have lunch at own expense and on arrival in Canberra we visit the **Royal Australian Mint** for a tour. The first task of the Mint was to produce new coins for the introduction of decimal currency on 14 February 1966. Since then, it has produced more than thirteen billion circulating coins. It now has capacity to produce two million coins per day. The Mint also manufactures medals, medallions, seals and tokens for private and public sectors and sporting and tourism groups, both nationally and internationally. Once at our hotel we can un-pack and settle into our rooms, as we are here for 4 nights.

Garden City Hotel, Best Western Signature Series Canberra 02 6295 3322

Day 2 Saturday 31 December 2022 Canberra Highlights and Dinner Cruise

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

This morning we welcome a local guide on-board the coach to uncover some of Canberra's secrets. Next, we are off to the **National Library of Australia** for a guided tour. The origins of the Library go back to the early years after Federation in 1901, when the Commonwealth Parliamentary Library served both Federal Parliament and the Nation. In 1927 the Library was moved from Melbourne to Canberra with the relocation of Parliament. For lunch we arrive at the **National Portrait Gallery Cafe** followed by a tour. Mid-afternoon we arrive back at our hotel and have some free time before heading out for our Special New Year's Eve Dinner. Tonight, we will be boarding the **MV Southern Cross** for a special **New Year's Eve dinner cruise**. Sit back, relax, and enjoy the scenic views across **Lake Burleigh Griffin**, as well as taking in all the striking monuments in our Nation's Capital, including the **9.00 pm Fire Works**.

Day 3 Sunday 1 January 2022 HAPPY NEW YEAR

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

We can enjoy a relaxed morning following our late night, then we depart the hotel mid-morning. Not far away is the **Embassy District**, and we take a scenic drive through this area on our way to **Cockington Green**., It is a one 12th scale reproduction of buildings and gardens in an English village - thatched cottages, a tiny church, the village green, an oats house in Kent, a riverside inn, castles and even Stonehenge. We have lunch in the café, then the remainder of our afternoon will be at the **Australian War Memorial**. The Australian War Memorial commemorates the sacrifice of the Australian men and women, who have served in war, through its ceremonial areas, extensive exhibitions and research facilities. Over the past few years the Memorial has undergone extensive redevelopment resulting in new galleries and displays. The largest of these is the very impressive Anzac Hall. It is within this hall that we see enthralling exhibitions - Striking by Night, which features the Memorial's famous **Lancaster bomber** "G for George" and tells the stories of those Australians who served in Bomber Command during the Second World War

Day 4 Monday 2 January 2022 Sightseeing in Canberra

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

We start our day's touring with a visit to the lookout at the top of **Mount Ainslie**. The views across Lake Burley Griffin are breathtaking. From here we head to the area just north of Canberra and arrive at **Gold Creek Station** to experience the life of a farming family on their 1500-acre Merino sheep, beef, and cattle farm. Watch **Australian kelpie dogs** work merino sheep, hear about the Australian Wool Industry, and then enjoy a BBQ lunch. Our final visit for the day is at the **National Arboretum Canberra** for a guided tour. This 250 hectare arboretum was created after the area was burnt out as a result of the Christmas 2001 and 2003 bushfires. The overall goal for the development of the arboretum is to create a place of breathtaking beauty, of international renown and enduring public interest that welcomes locals and visitors.

Day 5 (B): HEADING HOME - Tuesday 03 January 2022

Breakfast

We pack our bags, farewell our hosts and depart Canberra for the small town of **Bungendore**. It's not far from Canberra and on arrival have **morning tea** and look through the multi-award-winning **Bungendore Wood Works Gallery**, specializing in promoting, exhibiting and retailing entirely Australian made wood craft, gifts, furniture, fine decorative art and sculpture. From here we head through **Tarago** and **Lake Bathurst** to re-join the Hume Highway and have our lunch stop along the way at own expense. This afternoon we arrive back in Sydney to say goodbye at your door and finish off our New Year tour with Brian and Mary and our new friends.

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