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12 Days /11 Nights with Brian and Mary
Tour Date Saturday 16 - Wednesday 27 October 2027

Tour Inclusions:

- Pick up from your home, transport to Tasmania and return to your doorstep
- (Sydney Metropolitan area only)
- Luxury Coach Travel, Seatbelts and Restroom
- All fully cooked breakfasts
- Three Course Dinners with Choices at the motel
- Two course Dinners and accommodation on the Spirit of Tasmania
- All nights quality accommodation,
- Lunches most days
- All entry fees and guides as per Itinerary
- Escorted tour

Tour Highlights:

Queen Victoria Market, spirit of Tasmania Ferry, Devonport, Sheffield, Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm, Cataract Gorge, Tamar River Cruise, Launceston, Lady Launceston, Evandale, Clarendon Arms Hotel, Guided Tour of Woolmers Estate and National Rose Garden, Seahorse World, Batman Bridge, Bridestowe Lavender Estate, Legerwood War Memorial Tree Carvings, Weldborough Pass, St Helens, Gulch Fishing Harbour, Bicheno's Blowhole, Freycinet National Park, Cape Tourville, Port Arthur Hobart... and much more

Tour Fee including GST:	Members	\$7,036.00 per person twin share
	Non Members	\$7,086.00 per person twin share
	Single Supplement	\$1,050.00
	Non refundable deposit	By 16 July 2027 \$2,500.00

Book Now Paid Balance by Thursday 19 August 2027

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The Itinerary

Day 1 Sat 16 Oct 2027 Home to Albury

Dinner

Following our morning pick-ups, we start our journey to Tasmania and farewell Sydney travelling south along the Hume Motorway. Following a stop for lunch (own expense) at Yass, we continue further south to Gundagai which was first discovered by European explorers in the 1820s; this classic Australian country town has a proud history, and it has proved an irresistible subject for poets and songwriters. In the afternoon we reach our destination of the twin cities of Albury-Wodonga on the Murray River. Tonight's accommodation and dinner is at the Quality Resort Siesta at Albury.

Day 2 Sun 17 Oct 2027

Breakfast, Dinner

Victoria Markets, Geelong, Spirit of Tasmania

Departing Albury, we cross into Victoria and continue along the Hume Freeway past the town of Glenrowan, made famous by bushranger Ned Kelly, who was captured in 1880 after a siege and shootout with police. We continue into Melbourne and enjoy the bustling **Queen Victoria Market**, to buy lunch at your own cost. Set on seven hectares making it the largest market in the Southern Hemisphere, before travelling to Geelong to board the **Spirit of Tasmania Ferry**. Settle into our private twin berth porthole cabin before exploring the many onboard facilities including bars, a restaurant, and lounges.

Day 3 Mon 18 Oct 2027

Breakfast, M\Tea, Lunch, Dinner

Devonport - Sheffield - Raspberry Farm - Cataract Gorge – Launceston

Welcome to Tasmania! Arriving at Devonport, the gateway to Tasmania, disembark to be escorted to your coach. After breakfast at a local hotel, tour through picturesque countryside to the town of Sheffield. This hinterland town is well known for its outstanding murals set against the magnificent back drop of Mt Roland. The murals trace the history of the areas and feature Cradle Mountain pioneer Gustav Weindorfer, Tasmanian Tigers, and pictorial representations of characters and stories of the past. We wind our way through the township of Railton and view the many displays of topiary throughout the town enroute to lunch at the **Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm**. After lunch, we travel to Launceston along the Old Bass Highway through Westbury, Carrick and Hadspeed. Enjoy a visit to the magnificent Cataract Gorge with its cliff-side gardens, peacocks, pools, suspension foot bridge and one of the longest single span chairlifts in the world (ride is optional and own expense). Accommodation for the next two nights is at the centrally located **Hotel Grand Chancellor**.

Day 4 Tue 19 Oct 2027

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Tamar River Cruise - Evandale - World Heritage Woolmers Estate

This morning, we cruise on the **Tamar River** and explore the old and new facets of **Launceston's** Seaport precinct. Departing from Home Point, learn about the history of Launceston's Seaport, Kings Wharf, heritage properties and of course the spectacular Cataract Gorge. See the gorge from the perspective of the water and enjoy a unique experience onboard the 1890's replica **Lady Launceston**. Next, we travel to the village of **Evandale**, one of Tasmania's earliest settlements, featuring buildings from the Victorian era when penny farthings were at large. Upon arriving in Evandale, you'll soon see why it's known for being one of the best preserved historic towns in the country. Take a stroll down **High Street** to admire the 19th century architecture or wander through the shops to buy locally made Tasmanian products before lunch at the iconic **Clarendon Arms Hotel**. In the afternoon, enjoy a visit to the **World Heritage Woolmers Estate** and **National Rose Garden**. During a **guided tour**, see a fascinating reflection of colonial life in Tasmania with the Rose Garden displaying one of the finest collections of historic roses in the southern hemisphere.

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Day 5 Wed 20 Oct 2027**Breakfast, M\Tea, Lunch, Dinner****Tamar Valley - Seahorse World - Bridestowe Lavender Estate - Legerwood - St Helens**

This morning, we will follow the Tamar River, Australia's longest navigable tidal estuary, which meanders through the heart of cool climate vineyards, orchards, and hamlets. We take in the magnificent views from bush-ranger Brady's Lookout before stopping at **Seahorse World**; here we visit a working seahorse farm which will give us unique access to these magical creatures. We then travel across the unique A-frame **Batman Bridge** and through farmlands to the famous Bridestowe Lavender Estate. Enjoy lunch and time at this working farm which produces high quality lavender products. Next, travel through agricultural Scottsdale, Branxholm and the former tin-mining turned mountain biking hub of Derby. Visit Legerwood and view the War Memorial Tree Carvings, honouring the fallen soldiers of the region. Travel through the myrtle rain forest of **Weldborough Pass** before descending to the East Coast at **St Helens** for your overnight accommodation at the Panorama Hotel situated on the banks of St Georges Bay.

Day 6 Thu 21 Oct 2027**Breakfast, M\Tea, Lunch, Dinner****Great Eastern Drive - Bicheno - Freycinet National Park - Orford**

Today we set out along the stunning Great Eastern Drive, where the road hugs the sparkling Tasman Sea and offers breathtaking coastal views at every turn. Our first stop is the seaside town of Bicheno, where you will explore the bustling **Gulch Fishing Harbour**, home to colourful fishing boats and fresh sea air. Witness the power of nature at **Bicheno's Blowhole**, a dramatic sea geyser that erupts with every wave. From here, we make our way to the spectacular **Freycinet National Park**, one of Tasmania's crown jewels. Enjoy lunch at the iconic **Freycinet Lodge**, perched on the edge of Coles Bay. Visit **Cape Tourville** for spectacular views over the Southern Ocean and along the East Coast. After we leave the peninsula, we follow the coast south past the **Spiky Bridge**, a curious and beautiful structure built by convicts in the 1840s, made entirely of field stones with jagged stone "spikes" lining its sides, part mystery, part marvel. Tonight, we settle in at the Eastcoaster Resort in Orford.

Day 7 Fri 22 Oct 2027**Breakfast, M\Tea, Lunch, Dinner****Tasman Peninsula - Port Arthur Historic Site - Geological Formations – Hobart**

After Breakfast, travel towards the dramatic Tasman Peninsula. Stop at **Eaglehawk Lookout**, the perfect way to grab a bird's eye view of the stunning coastline below, where sweeping views over **Pirates Bay** and rugged cliffs set the tone for a day rich in history and natural beauty. Your destination is the **Port Arthur Historic Site**, one of Australia's most significant convict-era landmarks. Set across 40 hectares of beautifully maintained grounds, this World Heritage-listed site offers a deep dive into Australia's early colonial past. Explore more than 30 historic buildings and ruins, stroll through restored gardens, and gain insight into life in the 1800s with a guided walking tour, immersive Harbour Cruise, and time at the Visitor Centre and Interpretation Gallery. Before travelling to **Hobart**, marvel at the Tasman Peninsula's spectacular natural formations — the towering **Tasman Arch** and the hauntingly beautiful **Devils Kitchen**, sculpted over millennia by the relentless force of the Tasman Sea. At Hobart, settle into your accommodation for the next three nights at **The Old Woolstore**. The central location means we are within walking distance to the stunning waterfront and CBD.

Day 8 Sat 23 Oct 2027**Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner****Salamanca Market - Double Decker Bus Tour of Hobart - Cascade Brewery – Richmond**

As it is Saturday morning, take the opportunity to explore the famous Salamanca open-air Market. With over 200 stalls there is something for everyone as you browse the stalls laden with fresh produce, handmade products and unique Tasmanian gift ideas. Next, we tour the sights of Hobart in an open top

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double decker bus. Your local driver guide is on hand to answer any queries, presenting live commentary, sharing local knowledge and experiences of life in Hobart. Enjoy lunch at Cascade Brewery Restaurant, the oldest operating brewery in Australia before visiting the picturesque and historic village of **Richmond**. Walk across Australia's oldest bridge, built by convict labour between 1823 and 1825. Visit the cemetery of Australia's oldest existing Catholic Church, St John the Evangelist, built in 1836 and browse through the many delightful craft shops, galleries and cafes.

Day 9 Sun 24 Oct 2027

Breakfast, M\Tea, Lunch, Dinner

Tahune Airwalk - Geeveston - Huon Valley - Mt Nelson

Today we will travel south to the Huon Valley. We walk high above the forest canopy and share the lives of the forest giants at **Tahune Airwalk**. The walkway finishes at a cantilevered platform, high above the riverbanks with views that extend to the mountains of the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area. Next, we visit **Geeveston** which is Australia's most southerly town. Sitting on the Huon River, this quaint hamlet is in the middle of one of the country's most important apple and fruit growing areas. It has also been heavily reliant on the timber industry since the late 1800's. **The Wooden Sculptures** of local heroes are one of the first things people notice when visiting the town. At Geeveston's Heritage Park and Platypus Walk/Lookout. On the way back to Hobart, we visit the historical **Mount Nelson Signal Station**, a site which holds prime position in the hills above Hobart, boasting panoramic views over Hobart city, the River Derwent and, on a clear day, down to Bruny Island and out to Storm Bay. Enjoy a seafood dinner tonight at the **Drunken Admiral Seafarers Restaurant**, one of Hobart's most iconic restaurants. Enjoy the quirky interior of this family run restaurant which has been operating since 1979.

Day 10 Mon 25 Oct 2027

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary - Historic Ross - Deloraine - Spirit of Tasmania

After breakfast and departing the hotel, we visit **Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary** where you'll meet and learn about the animals including wombats, echidnas, quolls and Tasmanian devils. The sanctuary is not a zoo; its primary goal is to rescue, rehabilitate and release healthy animals back into the wild. Next, we travel the Heritage Highway through Tasmania's midlands to the historic town of **Ross**. Enjoy lunch and time in this riverside village which was built by convict labour in the early 1800s, with its cobble-style paths, grand old elm trees lining the main street and Australia's third oldest bridge still standing. After lunch we continue to the town of **Deloraine**. We will stop at the Great Western Tiers Visitor Centre to view the museum and artworks in silk yarn (own choice and expense) or simply wander and explore this creative town at your leisure. We visit **Ashgrove Cheese Dairy Door and Anvers Chocolate**, before boarding the Spirit of Tasmania for our journey across Bass Strait back to mainland Australia.

Day 11 Tue 26 Oct 2027

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Geelong - Wangaratta – Albury

Early risers may witness the entry through "The Heads" into Port Phillip Bay and watch the Geelong skyline come into view. Disembark on arrival to enjoy breakfast at a local venue before travelling north out of Geelong. Enjoy lunch at Wangaratta, before crossing the Murray River at Albury and spend the night at Quality Resort Siesta.

Day 12 Wed 27 Oct 2027 Albury - Yass – Home

Breakfast, Lunch,

This morning, we head for home! Enjoy a lunch stop at **Yass** before continuing to meet our vehicles to take us back to our door-step after a wonderful 12 days to Tasmania with Brian and Mary from Ezi Drive Coaches, Holiday Coach Tours.

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