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New Year in Old Bar

on the North Coast
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5 Days / 4 Nights with Brian and Mary

Tour Date Monday 29 December 2025 - Friday 2 January 2026

Tour Inclusions:

- Pick up from your home, transport to Old Bar 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
- Four nights quality accommodation
- Lunches each day
- All entry fees and guides as per Itinerary
- Escorted tour

Tour Highlights:

Chocolate & Nougat Factory, Mortels Sheepskin Factory and guided tour, Great Lakes Museum, Luncheon Cruise on Wallis Lakes, sightseeing tour of Wallis Lake with a local guide, Cundletown, Cundletown Museum, Moorland Cottage, Wingham Museum, Wingham Brush. Grey headed flying fox, Port Macquarie, 2 hour river luncheon cruise on Hastings River, Ourimbah RSL, Distillery Botanica and more.

Tour Fee including GST:	Members	\$2,282.00 per person twin share
	Non Members	\$2,332.00 per person twin share
	Single Supplement	\$540.00

Book now Paid by Thursday 30 October 2025

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The Itinerary

Day 1 Monday 29 Dec 2025 Home to Old Bar

Lunch, Dinner

We pick you up from home this morning and make our way north along the M1 Motorway. Our first stop is to the delicious **Chocolate & Nougat Factory**, home of the renowned Australian Confectionary producers Nougat Limar, Bon Bon Fine Chocolate and The Sydney Marshmallow Co. After our tour, we enjoy lunch before stocking up on their wonderful products. Next, we visit the **Mortels Sheepskin Factory** for a guided tour through the purpose-built Australian shearing shed style premises. Here you'll discover the making of the UGG Boot, from its raw materials through to the finished product before arriving at Forster, where we check in for the next 4 nights at the Old Bar Club Motel, Old Bar. Dinners each night and breakfast each morning are next door at the Club Old Bar Bowling Club.

Day 2 Tuesday 30 Dec 2025 Forster & Wallis Lake

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Following breakfast, we travel to **Tuncurry** to visit the **Great Lakes Museum**. The main museum building contains an interesting collection of aboriginal objects, tools from the timber, shipbuilding, fishing and farming industries of the Great Lakes District. The museum also contains ship models, a large photographic collection and information on pioneer families. Within the pleasant grounds there are several historical buildings which have been restored and contain relevant historical objects and photographs. Next, we board our **luncheon cruise** on the beautiful **Wallis Lakes**. The Wallis is an expanse of silver water of immense beauty spared by lack of depth. Only shallow-drafted craft can negotiate the lake's tidal shallows and Oyster farmers have traditionally crafted charming flat-bottomed timber boats to suit their needs and fishermen operate their nets from rowing boats equipped with outboard motors. Wallis Lake stretches for 30 kilometres between the emerald hills of the Wallingat State Forest and a sliver of old land, swept with new sands that separate the turquoise lake from the azure sea. Ruggedly beautiful headlands of volcanic origin rise between exquisite white-sand beaches washed with a rolling surf. Back on land, we are met by our **local guide** for a **sightseeing** tour of the region. After a great day we head back to our motel to relax before dinner.

Day 3 Wednesday 31 Dec 2025 Wingham

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Our day's sightseeing takes us near **Taree**, set on the banks of the beautiful Manning River, to the peaceful town of **Cundletown**. It is laid out as an English village with squares and radiating roads. We visit the **Cundletown Museum** where we'll find the museum exhibiting displays relating to the dairy industry. We enjoy some morning tea and the opportunity to wander through the craft display before continuing to the highway and head north to the little hamlet of **Hannam Vale**, located in one of the most fertile and picturesque valleys on the mid North Coast of NSW. The valley is like a soft green velvet cloth clad with peaceful grazing cows. Along the road we go through tunnels of greenery and past waterlily-clad dams. We'll also see the Hannam Vale Public School, built in 1892 and across the road is the old Hannam Vale Country Store, built in 1914. Both provide a great photo opportunity. Arriving at **Moorland Cottage** we stop to enjoy lunch. Next, we have the opportunity of exploring the historic township of **Wingham**. We will be greeted by our **local guide** who will board the coach and take us on an historical journey. We'll visit the **Wingham Museum** and walk the streets of Wingham the original township of the Manning Valley, once home to a thriving timber industry. The tour will also take us to the **Wingham Brush**, a rare pocket of subtropical lowland rainforest and home to a breeding sanctuary of the **grey headed flying fox**. We can explore the Brush with a gentle walk along the boardwalk. After a boardwalk, return to our hotel to rest up before dinner and reminiscing over the year of 2025.

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Day 4 Thursday 1 Jan 2026 Port Macquarie**Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**

Happy New Year! We are off to **Port Macquarie** this morning. Our first stop is at the unique **Koala Hospital** run by NSW National Parks and Wildlife. The hospital has been in operation for nearly 30 years and is run by volunteers. There is no “cuddling” of koalas as this is a working hospital but it’s an interesting place to visit with some unusual display material. Next, we board our **2-hour river cruise** including **lunch** on the beautiful **Hastings River**. Cruise up to the Dennis Bridge at the Pacific Highway and back past the canal estates and other sites that abut the river. The captain will supply an interesting commentary of the sites and local history. Once on dry land, we meet up with **our local guide** for a sightseeing tour of the historical sites of Port Macquarie including its oldest building, St Thomas Anglican Church built by the convicts in 1826. We view the old Court House, Allman Hill, the Garrison building and historic town green. We head back to the motel with plenty of time to relax before dinner.

Day 5 Friday 2 Jan 2026 Old Bar to Home**Breakfast & Lunch**

After breakfast this morning we have some free time to relax before loading the coach in readiness for our trip back home. We stop for lunch at the **Ourimbah RSL** before arriving at the **Distillery Botanica**. Independently owned by astute herbalist and distiller Phillip Moore, this charming and innovative distillery is renowned for crafting high-quality gins and liqueurs, utilizing a unique blend of botanicals sourced from its own lush gardens. After our tastings, we now make our way south towards home and say goodbye at your door after a wonderful start to the year with Brian and Mary from Ezi Drive Coaches and Holiday Coach Tours.

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