## OUT & ABOUT DAY TOURS Presents

A 7-Day, 6-Night Escape - Departing on Sunday the 28th of April 2024

# **THE 7-DAY VICTORIAN ADVENTURE**

You'll visit Mansfield, Alexandra, Melbourne, the Dandenongs, Healesville, Bellevue Farm, Caldermeade Farm, Yarra Valley Chocolaterie, and More! Experience the Phillip Island Penguin Parade, Ride on the Puffing Billy Steam Train, View Painted Silos, Enjoy a Chocolate Tasting, Ride on a Melbourne Tram & More!

### **ITINERARY**

Day 1: Sunday 28 April 2024 – The Central Coast, Goulburn, Yass Service Centre, Jugiong, Holbrook, Wangaratta Inclusions: Two-Course Three-Choice Dinner, 4.5-Star Accommodation

This morning, between 5.00am and 6.30am, you'll be collected from either outside or close to your home (this service will be available to most people living east of the Pacific Highway between Lake Munmorah and Kariong), and head to Uncle Leo's Roadhouse, near Glenfield, an outer suburb of Sydney. Upon arrival you'll have time to enjoy a coffee and use the restrooms, before, at around 9.30am, boarding the luxury coach for your journey to Victoria. After departing from Uncle Leo's Roadhouse you'll join the Hume Highway, and head straight to the famous Trapper's Bakery, in South Goulburn. After arriving at the Bakery at around 11.15am, you'll have time to enjoy a refreshment or two, prior to reboarding the coach to head to Yass Service Centre. Upon arrival you'll have time for another rest stop, while the Canberra-based passengers join the tour at this point. You'll depart from the Service Centre at around 1.00pm to head to little village of Jugiong. Upon arrival you'll have time to pop into either the historic and fully-resorted "Sir George Hotel", which recently reportedly sold for 14 million dollars, or pop next door into "Long Track Pantry", which not only houses a wonderful café, but also an interesting shop that stocks a range of fashion items, as well as local products such as jams, marmalades, vinegars, sauces, relishes, chutneys, muesli, granola, olives and much more! After departing from Jugiong at around 2.30pm, you'll continue to head south on the Hume Highway until you arrive in the little town of Holbrook, where, again, you'll have time to stretch your legs. After departing from Holbrook you'll continue to head south, going past the turn-off to Albury, and then you'll cross the border into Victoria. About an hour later you'll reach the busy regional city of Wangaratta, where you'll arrive at the 4.5-Star Quality Hotel Wangaratta Gateway. After settling into your very comfortable and modern room, your luggage will be delivered by one of the Hotel's porters. You'll make your way into the Hotel's 'Atrium Restaurant' by 6.30pm, where you'll sit down to a delicious Two-Course Three-Choice Generous-Serve Dinner. For Main Course you'll have the choice of either Chargrilled Pork Sirloin, served with Sweet Potato Puree, Steamed Greens and a Mustard Jus, or Chicken Breast Schnitzel, served with Crispy Chips, Cabbage Slaw and Gravy, or Atlantic Salmon Fillet, served with Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans and Balsamic Glaze. For Dessert you'll have the choice of either Honey Cheesecake with Sable Crumb, Fresh Berries and Syrup, or Eton Mess, Vanilla Meringue, Whipped Cream, Lemon Curd and a Berry Compote, or Seasonal Fruit Salad and Sorbet. Following Dinner, Tea, Coffee and Chocolates will be served.

Day 2: Monday 29 April 2024 – Wangaratta, Whitfield, Mansfield, Alexandra, Whittlesea, Melbourne Inclusions: Full Hot & Cold Breakfast, Two-Course Alternate-Drop Dinner, 4.5-Star Accommodation

This morning, you'll enjoy a Full Hot & Cold Breakfast in the Hotel's Atrium Restaurant, prior to boarding the coach at around 8.15am to continue heading south towards Melbourne. During today's journey you'll travel on a number of 'back' roads, peppered with scenic views, rich farmland, dense bushland, and villages and towns filled with interesting shops, boutiques and eateries. First stop will be the little town of Whitfield. Located in the scenic King River Valley, this small rural service centre is best known for its lush dairy farms, apple orchards, and berry farms. Upon arrival you'll have around an hour to explore the town, enjoy a refreshment or two in Hobbledehoy Café & Distillery, and cross the road to visit King Valley Fine Foods. This popular store is packed with a large range of over 50 products made on the premises, including Pesto, Mayonnaise, Dips, Tapenade, Dressings, Pasta Sauce, Chutney, Relish and more. Many of the products are suitable for people who require Gluten Free, Nut Free, Vegan or Vegetarian options. You'll depart from the town at around 10.00am to head to the well-known town of Mansfield. En route you'll head up into the high country, where you'll experience some stunning scenery, travel along roads lined with massive eucalypts, and witness some breathtaking views. The town of Mansfield is situated on Fords Creek, in a valley at the foothills of the Great Dividing Range. It is best-known for its wide streets, historic buildings, and the place where the Kelly Gang killed three policemen. After arriving in the town at around 10.55am, you'll have around 90 minutes to stroll around the town, visit points of historical interest, browse in some of the town's interesting shops and boutiques, and enjoy lunch in one of the town's cafes, bakeries or pubs. You'll depart from Mansfield at around 12.30pm to head to the charming little town of Alexandra. Situated amongst rich farmland and rolling green hills, the town is packed with interesting shops and boutiques, a wide range of eating establishments, and some captivating historic buildings. You'll have over an hour to explore and browse in the town centre, before, at around 2.30pm, reboarding the coach to head to the town of Whittlesea. Located only a few kilometres from the outer fringes of metropolitan Melbourne, the town is packed with a range of interesting shops and boutiques. You'll have around an hour to stroll and browse in the busy shopping centre, before reboarding the coach at around 4.40pm to head straight to the Melbourne suburb of Preston, where you'll arrive at the newly-renovated 4.5-star Novotel Melbourne Preston. Located in Melbourne's vibrant inner north, this 7-level Hotel features 383 expertly designed rooms, boasting the latest design and bespoke furniture. After arriving at the Hotel at around 5.30pm, you'll make your way straight to your modern and comfortable room, that will be your home for the next four nights. A short time later a porter will deliver your luggage to your room. After having time to briefly relax and freshen up, you'll make your way into the Hotel's 'The Stampton' Restaurant, where you'll sit down to a Two-Course Alternate-Drop Dinner. For Main Course you'll be served either Roast Lamb or Roast Beef. Both options will be accompanied by Baked Potatoes, Baked Pumpkin, Cauliflower Cheese, Steamed Peas, Carrots and Gravy. For those who are unable to eat red meat, you'll be served Pan-Fried Salmon, drizzled with Burnt Butter Sauce, accompanied by Baked Potato, Baked Pumpkin and Steamed Greens. For Dessert you'll be served either Apple & Pear Crumble with Vanilla Ice-Cream, or Tiramisu Cake served with Espresso Ice-Cream. Following Dinner, Brewed Coffee and a selection of Teas will be available.

Day 3: Tuesday 30 April 2024 – Preston, Officer, Beaconsfield, Caldermeade, Phillip Island, Officer, Preston

Inclusions: Full Hot & Cold Breakfast, Informative Talk at Bellevue Farm, Two-Course Lunch, Informative Talk at Caldermeade Dairy Farm, Phillip Island Penguin Parade Underground Viewing Area, Two-Course Alternate-Drop Dinner, 4.5-Star Accommodation

After enjoying a Full Hot & Cold Breakfast at the Hotel's restaurant this morning, you'll depart from the Hotel at around 9.45am for a big day of things to see, do and experience. First stop will be Bellevue Farm, in the outer Melbourne suburb of Officer. Bellevue Farm is a working Apple Orchard and Farm Gate Shop. Upon arrival you'll be given an Informative Talk about the Orchard, and the apple-growing and cider-making process. After the Informative Talk, you'll have plenty of time to browse in the Farm Gate Shop, and to enjoy a refreshment or two in the Café. The Shop is packed with a range of juices, ciders, and other locally made products such as jams, honey and baked goods. You'll depart from Bellevue Farm at around 11.45am, to head down the road to the Pink Hill Bistro, in Beaconsfield - another outer suburb of Melbourne. Upon arrival you'll sit down to a Two-Course Lunch. For Main Course you'll be able to choose one of the following options: Beer Battered Flathead Tails served with Chips and Coleslaw, or Chicken Schnitzel served with Chips and Coleslaw, or Chicken Parmigiana served with Chips and Coleslaw, or Roast of the Day with Roasted Chat Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables and Gravy, or Pasta of the Day, or Risotto of the Day. For Dessert you'll have the choice of Cake of the Day, Chocolate Mousse or Ice-Cream. You'll depart from the Bistro at around 1.20pm to head to Caldermeade Farm & Café. Around 500 Jersey cows are milked twice each day at this Farm. 50 cows are milked at a time in a large mechanized rotary stand. Not only are the cows milked on the stand, but they are also fed grain, to increase milk production and keep them happy. The cows are very docile and know the routine - they know where to go and what to do without needing much intervention from the farmers. Upon arrival you'll be given an Informative Talk about the Farm, before having the opportunity to enter the viewing room that overlooks the whole state-of-the-art facility. From here you'll be able to view the fascinating computerized milking process. Before departing from the Farm you'll have sufficient time to browse in the adjacent Farm Shop. You'll depart from the Farm at around 3.30pm to head to Phillip Island to view the famous Penguin Parade. The little Penguins have called the shores of Phillip Island home for thousands of years. They head out to fish during

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the day, and head home as night falls to look after their nests. Over the years viewing areas have been constructed along the route that the Penguins take each evening from the beach to their nests, to allow humans to enjoy this unique and fascinating spectacle. Today, sunset will occur at 5.32pm. You'll arrive at the Phillip Island Visitor Information Centre at around 4.30pm. Upon arrival you'll have time to browse in the Centre, prior to making your way to the Underground Viewing Area to view the Penguin Parade. While most visitors choose the cheaper option of sitting outside on multi-level seating in the open air to view the Penguin Parade, which at this time of the year can be a cold and wet experience, you'll head underground to view the Penguins from behind a 25-metre-long glass window, out of the weather. The Penguins will walk past at eye level, giving you an excellent view of the Parade. There are only 70 tickets available each night for this more expensive viewing option. The Parade lasts for a little under an hour. After the Parade has concluded you'll make your way back along the pathway to the Visitor Information Centre, where you'll head into the adjacent Shearwater Restaurant for a Two-Course Alternate-Drop Dinner. For Main Course you'll be served either a 150gram Steak with Rosemary Chat Potatoes, Steamed Greens and Bearnaise Sauce, or BBQ Chicken Maryland with Tumeric, Thyme and Lemon Marinade, served with Potato Rosti and Pan-fried Cabbage. For Dessert you'll be served either Sticky Date Pudding with Sticky Toffee Sauce, or Apple & Berry Crumble with Custard. Brewed Coffee and Tea will then be available. You'll depart from Phillip Island at around 8.15pm to return to Melbourne. En route, at around 9.30pm, you'll have a quick rest stop at the BP Super Centre Motorway stop. You'll arrive back at the Hotel at around 10.30pm.

Day 4: Wednesday 1 May 2024 – Preston, Melbourne CBD, Healesville, Yarra Glen, Preston

Inclusions: Full Hot & Cold Breakfast, Informative Talk & Chocolate Tasting at Yarra Valley Chocolaterie & Ice-Creamery, Two-Course Buffet Dinner, 4.5-Star Accommodation

This morning you'll make your way into the Hotel's restaurant to enjoy a Full Hot & Cold Breakfast prior to boarding the Coach at around 8.45am to head into Melbourne's CBD. At around 9.30am you'll arrive close to the tram stop near Federation Square, where you'll board the burgundy and gold City Circle Tram. This free Tram, with audio commentary, will take you on a one-hour-long journey past many of Melbourne's well-known sites, including the State Library of Victoria, the Docklands area, Parliament House, St Paul's Cathedral, Flinders Street Station, and much more! When you return to the point where you earlier boarded the Tram, you'll have a bit over an hour to explore the area around Flinders Street Station and Federation Square, and to enjoy a refreshment or two in one of the CBD's many cafes and eateries. You'll depart from Melbourne at around 12.00pm to head out of the city to the popular tourist town of Healesville. The prosperous tree-lined town centre is packed with interesting and captivating shops, studios, boutiques and galleries. If shopping isn't for you during this visit, you may wish to check out some of the impressive historic buildings, such as the Court House, The Palais, the Terminus Hotel, the Railway Station and others. You're sure to enjoy your visit to this delightful town! You'll depart from Healesville at around 3.00pm to head to the nearby Yarra Valley Chocolaterie & Ice-Creamery. If you're a lover of chocolate or ice-cream, then this place is for you! Upon arrival you'll be given an Informative Talk & Chocolate Tasting by one of the friendly staff members, prior to having time to continue sampling the products, and make a purchase, or two, or three! You'll have the opportunity to view some of the resident European Chocolatiers hand crafting chocolates, and be completely blown away by the range of over 480 different chocolate products on display in the showroom! Before you depart be sure to enjoy a delicious house-made Ice-Cream! You'll depart from the complex at around 4.30pm, and return to the Hotel at around 5.30pm. After having time to relax and freshen up you'll head into the Hotel's 'The Stampton' Restaurant, where you'll enjoy a Two-Course All-You-Can-Eat Buffet Dinner. The Main Course Buffet options will include Roast Pork with Crackling, Pan-Fried Chicken Breast in a Creamy Pesto Sauce, Barramundi in a Lemon Butter Sauce, Baked Potatoes, Baked Pumpkin, Steamed Greens tossed in Garlic Butter, Honeyed Carrots, a Tossed Garden Salad, Gravy, and Apple Sauce. The Dessert Buffet options will include Sticky Date Pudding with Butterscotch Sauce, Lemon Tart, Freshly Chopped Fruit Salad, and Whipped Cream. Brewed Coffee and a selection of Teas will then be available.

Day 5: Thursday 2 May 2024 – Preston, Belgrave, Lakeside, Belgrave, Sassafras, Mount Dandenong, Preston
Inclusions: Full Hot & Cold Breakfast, Two-Hour Train Ride on the Puffing Billy Steam Train, Two-Course Lunch, Entry to the Emerald Lake Model

Full Hot & Cold Breakfast, Two-Hour Train Ride on the Puffing Billy Steam Train, Two-Course Lunch, Entry to the Emerald Lake Mod Railway Display, Two-Course Buffet Dinner, 4.5-Star Accommodation

After enjoying a Full Hot & Cold Breakfast in the Hotel's restaurant, you'll board the coach at around 8.15am to head 40kms out of Melbourne to the bustling town of Belgrave. Upon arrival at Belgrave Railway Station at around 9.30am, you'll board the Puffing Billy Steam Train for the One-Hour Steam Train Ride to Lakeside Railway Station. You'll step back in time as you enjoy the ride on Australia's oldest and best-preserved heritage steam railway. Today's journey will take you through the picturesque Dandenong Ranges, with its lush green valleys, towering Mountain Ash trees, and relaxing fresh air. You'll view some spectacular landscapes, and during the journey you may be fortunate enough to see some of the wildlife that resides in this area. The open carriages on the train allows the traveller (if they wish) to actually sit on the carriage sill, so you can experience the breathtaking scenery up close and personal. This is a truly iconic experience that cannot be found anywhere else in the world. About an hour after departing from Belgrave Railway Station, you'll arrive at Lakeside Railway Station, near the town of Emerald. Upon arrival you'll make your way along the user-friendly pathway to the state-of-the-art Lakeside Visitor Centre & Cafe, where you'll sit down to a Two-Course Alternate-Drop Lunch. For Main Course you'll be served either Crispy Battered Flathead Fillets and Gembrook Farm Fries, or Chicken Parmigiana with Napoli Sauce & Mozzarella and Gembrook Farm Fries. For Dessert you'll be served either Warm Apple Pie with Fresh Cream, or Custard Tart served with Fresh Cream. Self-Serve Tea and Coffee will then be available. Following Lunch you'll have time to visit the adjacent Visitor Centre, which houses a gift shop featuring locally designed treasures and locally made products. On your way back to reboard the Steam Train at Lakeside Railway Station by 12.20pm, you'll visit the Emerald Lake Model Railway Display. This huge model railway is the largest of its kind in the Southern Hemisphere, and is simply amazing. The display features a church wedding, an Australia Post truck, a KFC outlet, a fairground on the hill, a picture theatre currently showing Casablanca, buses, cars, churches, high rise buildings, viaducts, towns, villages, snow-capped mountains, trains passing over bridges, going through tunnels, and arriving at stations. You're sure to be captivated! After making your way back to Lakeside Railway Station by 12.20pm, you'll reboard the Puffing Billy Steam Train for your One-Hour Steam Train Ride back to Belgrave Railway Station. Upon arrival at Belgrave Railway Station you'll reboard the coach and head to the attractive Dandenong Ranges town of Sassafras. At an altitude of around 500 metres, this picturesque town is surrounded by lush bushland and scenic views, and features a diverse range of cafes, antique shops, craft shops, boutiques and more. Be sure to pop into fascinating attractions such as 'Miss Marples Tea Rooms', which is housed in a beautiful two-storey English Tudor style house, 'Geppetto's Workshop', which features a range of hand-made wooden toys and handmade puppets, and 'Tea Leaves', which features a range of interesting teapots, and a huge range of black, green and herbal teas from across the world. You'll depart from Sassafras at around 3.15pm and head to SkyHigh Lookout, on top of Mount Dandenong. At a height of 633 metres, on a clear day this lookout offers the visitor breathtaking views of Melbourne, the Mornington Peninsula, Port Phillip Bay, the You Yang Ridges and Mount Macedon. You'll have around 45 minutes to take in the views, capture a few photos, and visit the gift shop. You'll depart from the Lookout at around 4.15pm, and return to the Hotel at around 5.30pm. After having time to relax and freshen up, you'll head into the Hotel's 'The Stampton' Restaurant, where you'll enjoy a Two-Course All-You-Can-Eat Buffet Dinner. The Main Course Buffet options will include Herb & Parmesan Crumbed Lamb Cutlets (2 per person), Beef Stroganoff, Salmon with a Lemon Sauce, Potato au Gratin, Baked Sweet Potato, Rice, Steamed Beans tossed with Crispy Bacon and Garlic, a Tossed Garden Salad, and Gravy. The Dessert Buffet options will include Plain Cheesecake, with an optional Berry Coulis, Chocolate Mousse, Freshly Chopped Fruit Salad, and Whipped Cream. Brewed Coffee and a selection of Teas will then be available.

Day 6: Friday 3 May 2024 – Preston, Heathcote, Colbinabbin, Tatura, Katamatite, Tungamah, Wangaratta

Inclusions: Full Hot & Cold Breakfast, Two-Course Three-Choice Dinner, 4.5-Star Accommodation

This morning you'll make your way into the Hotel's restaurant to enjoy a **Full Hot & Cold Breakfast** prior to boarding the Coach at around 8.45am. After saying "goodbye" to the Hotel and Melbourne, you'll head north towards the Quality Hotel Wangaratta Gateway, where you'll stay this evening. Rather than travel on the more direct but somewhat boring motorway, once again, today, you'll travel on a series of 'back' roads, which offers the traveller some wonderful rural scenery, and visits to a number of interesting towns and attractions along the way. First stop will be the town of **Heathcote**. Located in a

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former gold mining area, this region is now best-known for products such as wool, timber, honey, beef and wine. The long main street is lined with modest gold-era homes, and features a number of churches, historic shopfronts and hotels. The trees which line the main street were planted in the 19<sup>th</sup> century on the advice of Baron von Mueller, who created Melbourne's Royal Botanic Gardens. During your visit be sure to pop into the award-winning Gaffney's Bakery for something tempting to eat! You'll depart from Heathcote at around 11.15am to head to the tiny town of Colbinabbin, where you'll view a stunning example of **Silo Art.** Painted over an eight week period by Tim Bowtell in March 2020, this piece of art is dedicated to the significance of the railway in the Colbinabbin District. Spread over six silos, the very colourful mural re-tells significant moments in the town's history, including its links to agriculture, community, environment and the construction of the railway. Upon arrival you'll have around 20 minutes to take in the scene and grab some photos, before reboarding the coach at around 12.05pm to head to the town of **Tatura**. Located in the fertile Goulburn Valley region of Victoria, the town has a population of around 5000 residents. One of the defining historical features of Tatura is the Dethridge waterwheel, which can be seen beside the roadside as you enter the town. It was established to regulate the flow of water along a series of man-made irrigation channels. As a consequence, the district's prosperity is a result of this extensive irrigation project, which, combined with the rich soil in the area, has resulted in the region being well-known for its dairy farming, cereal crops, fruit and vegetable cultivation, as well as a thriving sheep and cattle industry. These industries led to the establishment of a tomato-processing factory, a dairy products plant, and an abattoir being established in the town. Upon arrival you'll have around 75 minutes to explore the town centre, browse in the shops, and enjoy a refreshment or two in one of the town's bakeries, cafes or coffee shops. You'll depart from Tatura at around 2.00pm to head to the tiny town of Katamatite, where you'll visit another fine example of Silo Art painted by Tim Bowtell. Completed in July 2023, the mural, spread over two silos, depicts the area's pioneering history, indigenous cultural significance, and the natural beauty of the nearby Broken-Boosey State Park. The local Lions Club was the driving force behind the concept, and raised the money required for the cost of the mural by way of raffles held at many local markets and other community events. Upon arrival you'll have around 20 minutes to take in the scene and capture a few photos, prior to reboarding the coach at around 3.20pm to head to the tiny town of Tungamah, to view yet another captivating example of Silo Art. The Tungamah Silos were painted in stages by Sobrane Simcock, with the first stage completed in 2018. This mural features dancing Brolgas, and the muchloved Australian Kookaburra. In 2019 Sobrane returned to add a loveable Pink and Grey Galah, a Hummingbird, a cheeky Owl, a Sulphur-Crested Cockatoo, two small Wrens, and a White Ibis. Upon arrival you'll have time to take in the scene and capture a few photos. You'll depart from the Tungamah Silos at around 4.25pm, to head to the 4.5-Star Quality Hotel Wangaratta Gateway, in Wangaratta, where you will stay this evening. After arriving at the Hotel at around 5.00pm, you'll have time to relax and freshen up before heading to the Hotel's 'Atrium Restaurant' for a Two-Course Three-Choice Dinner. For Main Course you'll have the choice of either Slow-Cooked Beef Ragu Spaghetti Pasta, served with Rocket, Cherry Tomatoes & Parmesan, or Roasted Chicken Breast, served with Crushed Potatoes, Seasonal Greens and a Creamy Mustard Sauce, or Battered Flathead Fillets with Crispy Chips, Cabbage Slaw and Lemon Aioli. For Dessert you'll have the choice of either Mixed Berry Tartlet with Sable Crumb, a Berry Compote and Whipped Mascarpone, or Warm Sticky Date Cake, served with Butterscotch Sauce, Vanilla Ice-Cream and Berries, or a Compote or Seasonal Fruit Salad and Sorbet. Following Dinner, Tea, Coffee and Chocolates will be served.

Day 7: Saturday 4 May 2024 – Wangaratta, Culcairn, Gundagai, Yass SC, South Goulburn, Sydney, The Central Coast

Inclusions: Hot & Cold Breakfast

Between 6.30am and 7.30am you'll enjoy a Full Hot & Cold Breakfast in the Hotel's Atrium Restaurant, before boarding the coach at around 8.00am to commence the journey home. After arriving in the little rural township of Culcairn at around 9.30am, you'll have time to stroll around the town centre, and to enjoy a refreshment or two in the town's bakery. You'll depart from the town at around 10.15am to head to the busy rural town of **Gundagai**. After arriving in the town you'll have around an hour of free time to wander around the shopping centre, and to enjoy a refreshment or two in one of the town's eating establishments. At around 1.00pm you'll reboard the coach to head to the Yass Service Centre, where you'll "goodbye" to our Canberra-based passengers. You'll then head to Tappers Bakery in South Goulburn for another rest and refreshment stop. You'll depart from here at around 4.00pm to head straight to Uncle Leo's Roadhouse, in Glenfield, where you'll have the opportunity for a rest stop, before boarding a Feeder Vehicle to be conveyed back to where you joined the tour last Sunday morning. Most Central Coast-based passengers will return to their homes between 9.15pm and

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TRAVEL CLUB MEMBER TOUR PRICE - SINGLE: \$3380.00 PP - DOUBLE/TWIN: \$2880.00 PP - TRIPLE: \$2820.00 PP NON-TRAVEL CLUB MEMBER TOUR PRICE - SINGLE: \$3395.00 PP - DOUBLE/TWIN: \$2895.00 PP - TRIPLE: \$2835.00 PP

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\*(THIS SERVICE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO MOST PEOPLE WHO RESIDE EAST OF THE PACIFIC HIGHWAY BETWEEN LAKE MUNMORAH AND KARIONG) 6 x NIGHTS ACCOMMODATION (SUNDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY)
PORTERAGE AT QUALITY HOTEL WANGARATTA GATEWAY, PORTERAGE AT NOVOTEL MELBOURNE PRESTON HOTEL 6 x HOT & COLD BREAKFASTS (MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY)

2 x TWO-COURSE BUFFET DINNERS (WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY) 2 x TWO-COURSE THREE CHOICE DINNERS (SUNDAY, FRIDAY) 2 x TWO-COURSE ALTERNATE-DROP DINNERS (MONDAY, TUESDAY)

2 x TWO COURSE ALTERNATE-DROP LUNCHES (TUESDAY, THURSDAY)

ENTRY TO THE UNDERGROUND VIEWING AREA AT PHILLIP ISLAND PENGUIN PARADE (TUESDAY) INFORMATIVE TALK & CHOCOLATE TASTING AT YARRA VALLEY CHOCOLATERIE & ICE-CREAMERY (WEDNESDAY)

TWO-HOUR PUFFING BILLY STEAM TRAIN RIDE (THURSDAY)

ENTRY TO EMERALD LAKE MODEL RAILWAY DISPLAY (THURSDAY)

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## **BOOKING & PAYMENT PROCEDURE**

### **POSSIBLE DEPARTURE POINTS**

MOST PASSENGERS LIVING IN THE CENTRAL COAST REGION WILL BE COLLECTED FROM EITHER OUTSIDE OR CLOSE TO THEIR HOME\*. IF YOU DECIDE TO BOOK ON THIS TOUR, PLEASE CALL US TO DISCUSS WHERE YOU'LL BE ABLE TO BOARD THE COACH TO JOIN THIS TOUR. YOUR DEPARTURE TIME WILL DEPEND ON THE NUMBER OF REQUIRED DEPARTURE POINTS, BUT IT WILL BE BETWEEN 5.00AM AND 6.30AM.

## PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE SPECIAL PAYMENT CONDITIONS FOR THIS TOUR

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOU BOOK EARLY FOR THIS TOUR AS THERE ARE ONLY 40 SEATS AVAILABLE ON THIS TOUR. THIS TOUR HAS ALSO BEEN OFFERED TO PEOPLE ON OUR MAIL-OUT LIST WHO LIVE IN CANBERRA AND SYDNEY.

YOU WILL NOTE THAT THERE ARE SPECIAL PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS TOUR.

THESE SPECIAL PAYMENT CONDITIONS ARE DUE TO THE FACT THAT WE ARE REQUIRED TO FORWARD SUBSTANTIAL DEPOSITS FOR THE ACCOMMODATION, DINNERS, AND OTHER COMPONENTS OF THE TOUR.

- 1. Ring to book your seat, or seats, on this tour by Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> of January, 2024. If, when you ring to book, the tour is already full, your booking will be placed on a standby list to await any cancellations.
- 2. The first deposit of \$800.00 per person must be received by Friday the 19th of January 2024.

#### **PAYMENT METHODS**

- Cheque
- Money Order
- Bank Transfer
- Visa or Mastercard PLEASE NOTE: Credit Card payments attract a 1.85% processing fee.

To pay the required deposit and the final tour payment by credit card, please call 4868 2263.

To pay the required deposit and the final tour payment by bank transfer, please call 4868 2263 to obtain our bank account details.

To pay the required deposit and the final tour payment by cheque or money order, please make the cheque or money order payable to **Out & About Day Tours**, and address your envelope to:

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- 2. The balance owing for each passenger must be received by Friday the 5th of April 2024.
- 3. If you pay the required deposit and the balance owing by cheque or money order, <u>please enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope</u> <u>with each of your payments</u> to enable the post of a receipt for each of the payments.
- **4.** If you pay the required deposit and the balance owing by cheque or money order, **enclose a list of all the names and required departure points** of any passengers that you have included in your booking.

A RECEIPT FOR THE DEPOSIT PAYMENT WILL BE POSTED OUT TO ARRIVE TO YOU BY FRIDAY THE 2ND OF FEBRUARY 2024 A RECEIPT FOR THE FINAL TOUR PAYMENT WILL BE POSTED OUT TO ARRIVE TO YOU ABOUT TEN DAYS PRIOR TO THE TOUR.

#### **BOOKING TERMS & CONDITIONS - APPLICABLE TO ALL PERSONS WHO BOOK ON AND PAY TO TRAVEL ON THIS TOUR**

If a person has paid the required deposit of \$800.00, and the person cancels their booking between Friday the 19th of January 2024 and Friday the 5th of April 2024 the person will only be eligible for a refund of \$400.00. The remaining \$400.00 will be retained to cover deposits paid to facilities associated with this tour.

If a person cancels their booking after Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> of April 2024, the required deposit will <u>not</u> be refunded.

After Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> of April 2024, all money paid will be deemed totally non-refundable.

If a person cancels their booking on this tour for whatever reason, any payments made by the person for this tour <u>cannot</u> be transferred to another tour.

Money will not be refunded to any person who cancels their booking or who is unable to travel on the tour after Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> of April 2024, for whatever reason.

If you are concerned about losing money paid for this tour, due to having to cancel your booking, or for being unable to travel on the tour, for whatever reason,

Out & About Day Tours recommends for you to take out travel insurance.

Travel Insurance companies such as Cover-More (Ph: 1300 728 822), One Cover (Ph: 1300 192 021), NRMA (Ph: 132 132), and Budget Direct (Ph: 1800 444 424) may offer travel insurance for tours such as this. These companies are only suggestions, and are not specifically recommended by Out & About Day Tours.

The cost of travel insurance normally ranges between \$50.00 to \$200.00, depending on the passenger's age, health conditions, and required length of cover.

Southern Highlands Promotions & Tours Pty Ltd (trading as Out & About Day Tours) reserves the right to cancel this tour from the area in which you reside if an insufficient number of passenger bookings are received. In the event of this occurring, passengers will be notified of this decision by either mail or telephone.

Should this occur, all fares remitted by passengers will be fully refunded within seven (7) days of the tour being cancelled.

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Any changes to the itinerary will be decided by the tour organiser in consultation with the Coach Driver, either prior to, or on the day of the tour.

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Menu choices, itineraries and other components of this tour may change due to circumstances beyond the control of Out & About Day Tours.

If this should occur, passengers will be advised of any changes.

By booking on this tour, it is deemed that you unreservedly agree with the Booking Terms & Conditions as set out above.