



Australia Roving

Day 1 - On arrival into Sydney you will be met and transferred to the Holiday Inn Darling Harbour, which will be your base for the next four nights.

Spend the remainder of your day at leisure to explore what Sydney has to offer. Your hotel is based in the buzzing precinct of Darling Harbour, so why not check out one of the many attractions such as the Sydney Aquarium, Cockle Bay Wharf or the IMAX Theatre.

Day 2 - Today you will enjoy the day exploring the spectacular sites of Sydney. This morning half day tour is the perfect option for those on a tight schedule. See Darling Harbour and cross the Sydney Harbour Bridge on your way to the famous Manly Beach. Along the way you will have awesome views of the Opera House, as well as a spectacular panoramic view of the Pacific Ocean. On the way back from Manly, you'll go via the trendy suburbs of Neutral Bay and Mosman. You can also choose to upgrade to include a luncheon cruise for a delicious end to the day before being dropped off in the city.

Day 3 - Another full day tour today will take you on a journey to the spectacular Blue Mountains with an exotic wildlife experience along the way.

The rugged and beautiful region of the Blue Mountains forms part of the Great Dividing Range, linking the tropical north to the temperate south. Pass by Homebush Bay, site of the 2000 Olympics. Discover Leura Village, a delightful blend of groomed gardens and quaint shops, and enjoy free time to wander the streets. Next we stop at Echo Point and see the famous Three Sisters rock formation. Travel through Katoomba, heart of the resort region within the Blue Mountains National Park and discover its remarkable beauty. Visit the Echo Point Lookout to see the Three Sisters and hear the ancient Aboriginal legends of the impressive rock formations. You may also want to take a trip on the Skyway, Scenic Railway or the Scenicender (extra charge) - these are the 3 best ways to see the steep valleys and canyons.

Enjoy a short stop at Cahills Lookout for impressive mountain scenery. Next we enjoy an afternoon encounter at Featherdale Park and encounter koalas, kangaroos, wombats, dingoes and cute little fairy penguins.

Day 4 - Today you will have the day at leisure to explore the remainder of Sydney or revisit any of the famous attractions. A little bit of shopping may also be on your agenda. Visit the major retail centres or the always exciting Paddy's Markets.

Day 5 - You will join your flight from Sydney to Ayers Rock this morning. On arrival again you will be met and transferred to your accommodation. The remainder of the day is left at leisure to settle into the Australian Outback, your base for the next two nights.

Day 6 - The best way to see Ayers Rock up close and personal is with a sunrise tour, so and early start it will be this morning. You will sip on tea or coffee as you watch the sunrise over the amazing rock with its magnificent show of colours.

After sunrise you will travel to Kata Tjuta while your guide explains the geological history of the giant domes. At Kata Tjuta enjoy a guided two to three hour walk between the rock valleys and marvel at the unique flora and fauna that survives in this harsh environment. You will return to your accommodation by midday.

After your early morning start, you may want to spend the remainder of the afternoon relaxing by the pool at your hotel. Nowhere else in the world do you have views of a world famous rock formation from your swimming pool.

Day 7 - Today you will fly to Cairns and the beautiful Great Barrier Reef.

On arrival you will be transferred to your accommodation for the next four nights, the Novotel Cairns Oasis Resort. The afternoon will be at leisure to get to know the local area.

Day 8 - Today you will join your Ultimate Kuranda Experience tour from your Cairns accommodation. You will be picked up at 8:00AM and transferred by coach to Caravonica Lakes where you will join the Skyrail to take you through the untouched beauty of North Queensland's rainforests. Stop at the Barron Falls station and learn more about the ecosystem at the CSIRO Interpretative Centre. View the Barron Falls or take a leisurely walk along the rainforest boardwalk.

Shortly you will arrive into Kuranda, where the village is yours to explore. Kuranda is well known for its vibrant and colorful markets which take place daily.

Along the way, you can explore the award winning Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Park, which provides a passionate and theatrical insight into an ancient culture.

Your return to Cairns will be via the Scenic Railway, winding around curves, across bridges and through hand-made tunnels. Spectacular scenery is the order of the day, before arriving into Freshwater Station where you will board your coach back to your accommodation, arriving at approximately 5:30PM.

Day 9 - One of the highlights of your trip will be your visit today to the Great Barrier Reef. Your transfer will depart from your Cairns accommodation at approximately 8:00am. You will cruise to Agincourt Ribbon Reef at the very edge of the Great Barrier Reef where you will enjoy a fun-filled day exploring the beautiful coral and sea life. Your tour will include a tropical hot & cold buffet lunch, guided coral viewing from a semi-submersible craft and glass bottom boat, guided snorkeling tours (including equipment) and the use of the marine life touch tank. Certified or introductory divers can also organise dives from the vessel.

Arrival back into Cairns is at approximately 6:00PM, and you will be transferred back to your accommodation.

Day 10 - Another leisurely day to explore your gateway to the Great Barrier Reef. Other suggestions would be to visit the magical Port Douglas where the pace of life is very relaxed. Or for some adrenaline pumping action, why not take a sea kayaking adventure around one of the coral-fringed islands or soar high in the sky in a hot air balloon or even strap in for some white water rafting? The choices are endless.

Day 11 - Your flight today will take you from Cairns to Queensland's capital, Brisbane. On arrival you will be met and transferred to the beautiful Sunshine Coast (home of Australia Zoo) where your final stay will be hosted at the Mantra Mooloolaba Beach.

The remainder of the day is again at leisure. Why not take some time to see why South East Queensland beaches are some of the best beaches in the world.

Day 12 - "CRIKEY!" You guessed it, today you will be picked up and transferred to Australia Zoo for a day full of close encounters and amazing wildlife.

The entire day is yours to discover the awesome wildlife action that makes Australia Zoo so unique. From the cute and cuddly koalas, the giant Asian Elephants to Australia Zoo's very own Bengal & Sumatran Tigers and not to mention the world famous crocodiles!

Why not have your own personal encounter with one of our animals? Have a naughty time with the Naughty Wombats or even check out our cheeky Leapin' Lemurs. These encounters can be prebooked prior to arrival from only \$40.00 per person.

There is so much to see and do at Australia Zoo so for more information log onto their website www.australiazoo.com.au.

Your afternoon will conclude with a transfer back to your accommodation.

Day 13 - A visit to Queensland is not complete without a visit to amazing Fraser Island. Fraser Island is the world's largest sand island and is listed as a World Heritage icon.

You will have an early morning departure from your accommodation (this is to ensure that you get to see as much of the island as possible), where you will drive along with beach from Noosa to Fraser Island. The beach doubles as a highway for the many 4WD vehicles that access it every day. Your tour will include visits to the crystal clear waters of Lake McKenzie, Central Station, Eurong Beach Resort & a trip along Seventy Five Mile Beach. Morning and afternoon teas and a buffet lunch at Eurong Beach Resort are also included.

After your day of sand, sun & swimming your coach will depart back to your Mooloolaba accommodation.

Day 14 - Your final day on the Sunshine Coast will be at leisure.

Day 15 - Today your 15 day Australia Roving adventure ends with a return transfer back to Brisbane Airport.