

ROTTNEST DISCOVERY

INDIAN PACIFIC

PERTH TO SYDNEY | DEPARTURE THURSDAY

Australia's staggering diversity plays out on a grand scale as the Indian Pacific travels coast-to-coast from Perth to Sydney – one of the world's great train journeys. Before you experience the vast expanse of the Nullarbor Plain, get your holiday underway with explorations in Perth and beautiful Rottne Island not far offshore.

INCLUSIONS

- 3 nights' accommodation in Perth including breakfast daily
- 1 day Discover Rottne tour including lunch
- Transfer from hotel to East Perth Rail Terminal
- 3 nights aboard the Indian Pacific, Perth to Sydney including all meals, beverages and Off Experiences in Kalgoorlie, Rawlinna, Cook, Adelaide, Broken Hill and the Blue Mountains
- 6 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 3 dinners

HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore the energetic, confident city of Perth, Australia's sunniest capital
- Cruise to Rottne Island and meet a quokka
- Ponder the vastness of the Australian continent as you cross the Nullarbor Plain
- Experience outback mining heritage in Kalgoorlie and Broken Hill
- Enjoy sightseeing and fine food and wine around cosmopolitan Adelaide
- Travel through the World Heritage-listed Blue Mountains to Sydney

DAY 1 – PERTH

Make your way to your Perth accommodation and prime yourself for a trip to Rottne Island and an epic rail journey ahead. The evening is yours to discover some of the city's atmospheric laneway bars and restaurants, buzzing with live music and street art.

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights DoubleTree by Hilton Perth

DAY 2 – ROTTNEST ISLAND

Make your way to Barrack Street Jetty and board the Rottne Express ferry to unique, diverse Rottne Island, located 22km offshore. A 90-minute air-conditioned coach tour around 'Rotto' takes you to some spectacular locations, including Wadjemup Lighthouse and the boardwalk lookout at the rugged West End. Enjoy a delicious lunch at Karma Rottne Lodge before exploring the island at your leisure. Don't forget to take a quokka selfie before you depart! Return to Perth by ferry in the afternoon. (B,L)

DAY 3 – PERTH AT LEISURE

It might be the largest State in Australia, but its capital city is a wonderfully compact centre packed with things to see and do. Enjoy your day at leisure in Perth visiting Kings Park, Barrack Square or the many museums and galleries. (B)

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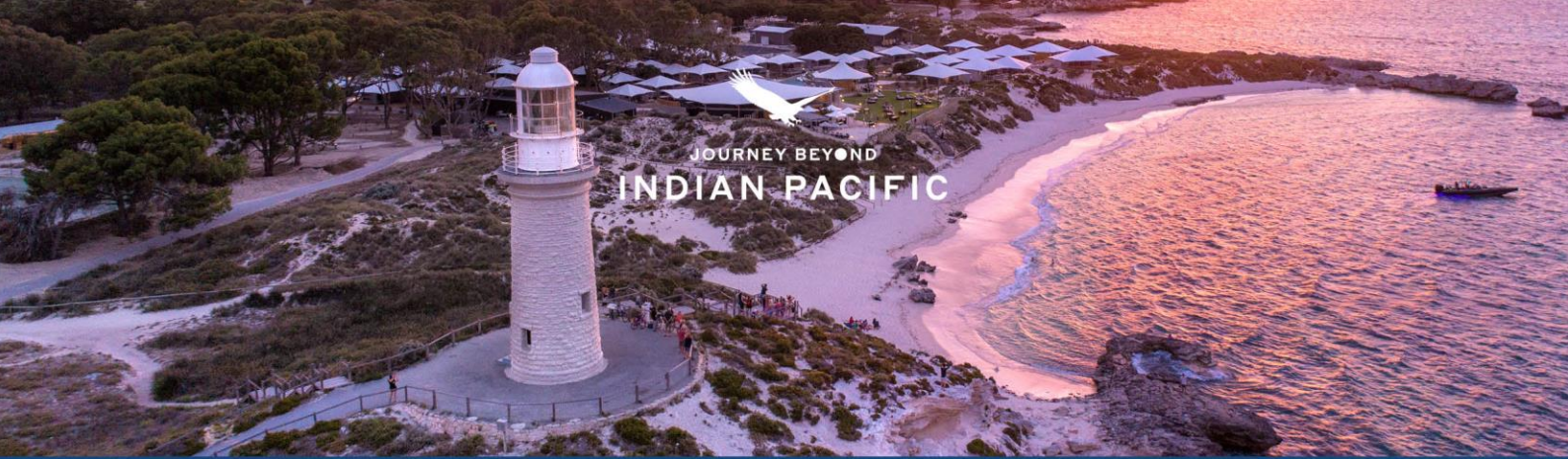
Morning Coffee, Culture and Art tour **\$45 per person**

Uncover secret gardens, hidden art and colourful history as you roam the city streets. You'll comb the Heritage Precinct and the old theatre districts before heading to the refurbished State Buildings that house 120 years of stories to share.

DAY 4 – BOARD THE INDIAN PACIFIC IN PERTH, KALGOORLIE

After breakfast, transfer from your hotel to East Perth Rail Terminal. Leave Perth behind and journey through the super-scenic Avon Valley over a gourmet lunch. After a three-course dinner, disembark for an evening experience in the outback gold-mining town of Kalgoorlie. Travelling prospector Paddy Hannan struck it rich here 1893, sparking the greatest gold rush in Australian history. Visit Hannan's North Tourist Mine and the amazing Super Pit, where Kalgoorlie's gold rush continues today.

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights Indian Pacific (B,L,D)



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DAY 5 – INDIAN PACIFIC, NULLARBOR PLAIN

After travelling through the night, watch the sunrise over tiny Rawlinna, a remote outpost bordering the largest sheep station in the southern hemisphere. Across the border in South Australia, Cook is an abandoned railway town that was once home to a bush hospital and more than 50 railway workers. Your train continues into the night, across the mighty Nullarbor Plain. (B,L,D)

DAY 6 – INDIAN PACIFIC, ADELAIDE, BROKEN HILL

Get to know Adelaide, a true foodie city and the hub of the world-beating South Australian wine industry. Your choice of breakfast Off Train Experiences takes in the city sights, the Torrens River, the marvellous Adelaide Central Market or the hugely popular Adelaide Oval. Moving into outback New South Wales, venture into the historic mining town of Broken Hill, otherwise known as the 'Silver City'. Connect with the town's world-famous artists, its mining heritage and cinematic legacy with a choice of Off Train Experiences. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 – INDIAN PACIFIC, BLUE MOUNTAINS, SYDNEY, FAREWELL

Wake up this morning in the World Heritage-listed Blue Mountains. Disembark the Indian Pacific and explore this magnificent region on an Off Train Experiences, taking in ancient forests, sheer cliffs and mesmerising views of Jamison Valley, the Three Sisters and Katoomba Falls. Continue your journey to Sydney Central Station, where your cross-country adventure concludes. (B,L)