

A GREAT SOUTHERN CHRISTMAS

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ADELAIDE TO BRISBANE DEPARTURE 24 DECEMBER 2021

Celebrate Christmas in style on a journey with Great Southern. Step aboard in Adelaide for a memorable Christmas Eve, spend a special Christmas Day in Canberra, and enjoy an unforgettable Boxing Day exploring coastal Coffs Harbour before alighting in Brisbane.

INCLUSIONS

- 2 nights aboard the Great Southern, Adelaide to Brisbane, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experiences in the Grampians, Canberra and Coffs Harbour
- Enjoy a regionally-inspired Christmas eve supper and Christmas-themed dinner paired with a selection of local wines
- 3 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners

HIGHLIGHTS

- Immerse yourself in the landscapes of the ancient Grampians
- Tour cultural icons in Australia's capital, Canberra
- See the stunning seascape of the northern New South Wales
- Enjoy a 'champagne moment' as you gaze out to Canberra from Mount Ainslie lookout
- Choose from an Indigenous guided boardwalk and bush tucker experience, a gentle bike ride along the river to the ocean or drinking in the magnificent views from Sealy Lookout

DAY 1, CHRISTMAS EVE – GREAT SOUTHERN, ADELAIDE

Step aboard the Great Southern and settle into your cabin as we make our way out of Adelaide and start our festive journey. You'll have time to settle into the rhythm of the train on this special Christmas departure before sitting down to a lavish long lunch – your first meal on board. The afternoon gives you the chance to explore the spectacular Grampians with a choice of Off Train Experiences. Back on board, you'll enjoy a delicious Christmas Eve supper, complete with onboard entertainment, while chatting with fellow guests or relaxing into the romance of train travel. (B,L,D)

OVERNIGHT: Great Southern

DAY 2, CHRISTMAS DAY – GREAT SOUTHERN, CANBERRA

This will be a Christmas Day like no other. Not many people can say their celebrations comprised a coach tour of the cultural icons of Canberra, including Parliament House, a drive by the Lodge (the official residence of Australia's Prime Minister) and the embassies located in Yarralumla. A highlight is the 'champagne moment' at Mount Ainslie Lookout, with stunning views across Canberra. Of course, no Christmas Day is complete without a sumptuous feast, so we'll make our way to the Hyatt Canberra to partake in fine fare before rejoining the train. Later in the evening, an onboard Christmas-themed dinner will round out the day. (B,L,D)

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DAY 3, BOXING DAY – GREAT SOUTHERN, COFFS HARBOUR AND BRISBANE

By Boxing Day, we'll have crossed into New South Wales. Coffs Harbour plays host to a range of Off Train Experiences today, allowing for exploration beyond the tracks. From an Indigenous guided boardwalk and bush tucker experience to a gentle bike ride along the river to the ocean or drinking in the magnificent views from Sealy Lookout, this coastal city is simply waiting to be discovered. Alternatively, upgrade to a 20-minute helicopter ride – you deserve a Christmas gift after all. Back on the Great Southern, enjoy the last few hours of your journey as we roll towards our final destination: Brisbane. (B,L)

WE RECOMMEND:

20-minute Coffs Harbour helicopter experience From \$260 per person

Soar north over Coffs on this scenic flight, taking in the Botanic Gardens, Harbour and Marina, followed by sensational views of Split Solitary Island, beautiful beaches, South Solitary Island Lighthouse and the resorts. The flight then climbs to allow a 360-degree panorama of the Great Dividing Range, coastline and hinterland, flying onwards to Coramba in the Orara Valley, over lush hidden valleys, before passing over Karangi Dam back to Coffs.