

MELBOURNE CITY STAY

GREAT SOUTHERN

BRISBANE TO MELBOURNE DEPARTING MONDAY (JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND DECEMBER) 6 Days / 5 Nights

Embark on an adventure through Australia's southeast, celebrated for its vineyards, valleys, coastlines, and cosmopolitan cities. Travel along the East Coast aboard the Great Southern, enjoying an all-inclusive gastronomic summer experience. Upon arriving in Melbourne, immerse yourself in the vibrant culture and charm. Enjoy a blend of adventure, an unforgettable Melbourne Skydeck experience and a tour of Melbourne Lanes and Arcades.

INCLUSIONS

- 2 nights aboard the Great Southern, Brisbane to Melbourne, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experiences in Northern New South Wales, Hunter Valley and Melbourne
- 3 nights' accommodation in Melbourne, including breakfast daily.
- Admission ticket to Melbourne Skydeck, including Voyager Theatre Entry
- Half day walking tour of Melbourne Lanes and Arcades
- 5 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners

HIGHLIGHTS

- Enjoy a special beachside dining experience in Coffs Harbour
- Savour the flavours and sights of the picturesque Hunter Valley or Port Stephens
- Immerse yourself in cosmopolitan Melbourne
- Explore Melbourne's hidden treasures on a guided tour of its charming lanes and arcades
- Experience Melbourne Skydeck and enjoy the panoramic views of the city
- An exceptional VR experience, the Voyager Theatre shows 16 iconic Melbourne experiences

Please note, itineraries are subject to change.

DAY 1 - BOARD THE GREAT SOUTHERN IN BRISBANE

Today, you'll set off from Brisbane on your adventure covering Australia's south-east. Settle into your cabin and prepare to savour lunch on board and spend a relaxing afternoon admiring the views before arriving in Coffs Harbour. As the sun dips beneath the horizon, enjoy drinks and canapes on the beach at Charlesworth Bay before a unique outdoor dinner, where you'll feast on local produce and fresh seafood paired with fine wines. After a few leisurely hours, you'll reboard the train and set off for your first night on board. (BL,D)

OVERNIGHT: 2 nights Great Southern

DAY 2 - GREAT SOUTHERN, HUNTER REGION

Start the day with breakfast on board before setting off on your choice of Off Train Experiences. You may choose to meander through the picturesque vineyards of the Hunter Valley, Australia's oldest wine region, or explore Port Stephens by land or sea. Alternatively, explore Newcastle and discover the vibrant mix of old and new in the beautiful coastal city.

Late afternoon, return to the train along with the rest of the guests to enjoy a regionally inspired meal and relaxing time on board before retiring for the night. (B,L,D)

DAY 3 – GREAT SOUTHERN, MELBOURNE

After enjoying a delicious breakfast on board and a relaxing start to the day travelling through Victoria's high country, you'll have a choice of Off Train Experiences. Visit cosmopolitan Melbourne to find out why it's considered the cultural and sporting capital of Australia. Explore the oldest and most-visited art collection in Australia at the National Gallery of Victoria (NGV) or visit the iconic Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG). If you're a history buff, head to the Old Melbourne Gaol. Lunch is at Eureka 89, where you'll dine on a beautifully curated menu showcasing local and seasonal produce with spectacular views over the city.

After lunch, make your way to your accommodation and settle in, ready to explore all that Melbourne has to offer. (B,L)

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights The Savoy Hotel on Little Collins Melbourne



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DAY 4 - MELBOURNE LANES AND ARCADES TOUR

In the morning, meet your tour guide at the front of Time Out Café in Federation Square – look for the large vibrant yellow umbrella. Your expert guide will walk you through Melbourne's lanes and arcades to discover local designers, specialty retailers, quirky cafes, street art, historical tales and architecture. Stop for a hot beverage in a quaint café and sample some delicious chocolates.

Your tour will conclude at Federation Square. (B)

DAY 5 - MELBOURNE SKYDECK AND VOYAGER THEATRE

Make your own way to Melbourne Skydeck. Your Melbourne Skydeck Voyager Experience ticket grants you entry to the fastest lifts in the southern hemisphere, taking you sky high up to Melbourne Skydeck on level 88. Your ticket gives you access to the Melbourne 3-D interactive model, Bar 88 experiences and the Voyager Theatre.

An exceptional VR experience, the Voyager Theatre will allow you to become part of the stories of Melbourne. The first of its kind in the Southern Hemisphere, and the largest of its kind in the world, the Melbourne Skydeck Voyager Theatre features 24 award winning Positron Voyager virtual reality "pod" chairs that take you on an immersive journey of discovery through 16 iconic Melbourne experiences.

Your ticket includes entry to Melbourne Skydeck, access to Bar 88 and the Voyager Theatre. (B)

DAY 6 - FAREWELL

This morning after breakfast, check out of your accommodation where your Melbourne city stay concludes. (B)