

Journey through the breathtaking heart of the Australian Alps on this immersive holiday of the Snowy Mountains, where towering peaks, high-country villages, engineering marvels, and rich rural heritage await us all.

10 Day | Snowy Mountains in Spring

DEPARTS TUESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2026

HIGHLIGHTS

- * The Farm in Ewingsdale
- * Bruxner Park and Sealy's Lookout
- * NSW Rail Museum & Berrima Courthouse
- * Cockington Green Gardens & Gold Creek Station
- * Charlotte Pass Lookout & Perisher Valley
- * Kosciuszko National Park and Thredbo
- * Snowy Hydro Discovery Centre
- * Tamworth & Granite Belt touring

DAY 1 HOME – BALLINA

Tuesday 15th September: Welcome to our 10-day tour. After morning pickups, we head south along the coast, stopping to purchase lunch. In the afternoon, we visit The Farm in Ewingsdale, a working farm with micro-businesses sharing a common goal. Feeling refreshed, we continue to Ballina for the evening.

Accom: Ballina Byron Islander Resort (D)

DAY 2 BALLINA – LAKE MACQUARIE

Wednesday 16th September: Today we travel through Grafton, a city of tree-lined streets and historic buildings. After a morning stop, we continue to Coffs Harbour for a drive to Bruxner Park and Sealy's Lookout, then free time to purchase lunch. In the afternoon, we head to Argenton for our accommodation.

Accom: Macquarie 4 Star (BD)

DAY 3 LAKE MACQUARIE – GOULBURN

Thursday 17th September: We farewell our hosts and travel to Thirlmere to visit the NSW Rail Museum, home to Australia's largest collection of heritage rolling stock and interactive exhibits. After a tour and lunch, we continue to the historic village of Berrima to see the Courthouse, site of Australia's first trial by jury. We finish in Goulburn for the evening.

Accom: Mercure Goulburn (BLD)

DAY 4 GOULBURN – JINDABYNE

Friday 18th September: After breakfast, we travel south to Cockington Green Gardens, where miniature handcrafted buildings make the world appear at your feet. Next, we experience farm life with Craig Starr and his kelpies at Gold Creek Station, featuring sheepdog work, shearing demos, and talks on the wool industry. After lunch, we relax on the drive to Jindabyne and settle into our accommodation.

Accom: Lake Jindabyne Hotel Motel (BLD)

DAY 5 SNOWY MOUNTAINS

Saturday 19th September: Today we tour the Snowy Mountains, beginning at the Snowy Region Visitor Centre before heading to Charlotte Pass Lookout for sweeping views of Mount Kosciuszko. We continue through Perisher Valley and enjoy lunch at Sponars Chalet. Back on the Alpine Way, we enter Kosciuszko National Park and stop at Thredbo. Here, we explore the village and take a return trip on the Mt Kosciuszko Chairlift, a 15-minute ride rising 560 metres with stunning views. Our final visit is to Wildbrumby Schnapps, where local fruit and botanicals inspire their award-winning schnapps, gin and vodka.

Accom: Lake Jindabyne Hotel Motel (BLD)

DAY 6 SNOWY MOUNTAINS

Sunday 20th September: We stop at the Big Trout, a 10-metre sculpture created by local artist Adam Lomnici in 1973, before continuing to Cooma. Morning tea is enjoyed at the Snowy Hydro Discovery Centre, where interactive displays showcase the Scheme's history and its role today. After lunch, we view the Mosaic Time Walk in Centennial Park, depicting the life of the Monaro region from its beginnings to the present. Our final visit is to the Cooma Corrective Service Museum, which explores 200 years of correctional history. A guided tour provides fascinating insights into prison life from the First Fleet to modern times.

Accom: Lake Jindabyne Hotel Motel (BLD)

DAY 7 JINDABYNE – MUDGEE

Monday 21st September: After breakfast, we farewell our surrounds and stop for a morning break en-route to Collector. Here we enjoy lunch at Olive View Café & Restaurant, with its spectacular views and retail area to browse local goodies. This afternoon we continue our drive, arriving in Mudgee to settle in for the evening.

Accom: Parklands Resort (BLD)

DAY 8 MUDGEE – ARMIDALE

Tuesday 22nd September: We travel to Tamworth for lunch at the Longyard Hotel before visiting the Big Golden Guitar Tourist Centre, home to the Wax Museum and National Guitar Museum. Later, we continue on to Armidale for our overnight stay.

Accom: Country Comfort Armidale (BLD)

DAY 9 ARMIDALE – WARWICK

Wednesday 23rd September: Travelling through the Granite Belt, we stop at Jamworks for lunch and tastings of their locally made jams and chutneys. In Stanthorpe, we tour the Truffle Discovery Centre, learning about the rare French Perigord Truffle, before continuing to Warwick for our final night together.

Accom: Coachman's Inn (BLD)

DAY 10 WARWICK – HOME

Thursday 24th September: After breakfast, we visit Bestbrook Mountain Resort to wander the property, view old machinery and enjoy morning tea. We then continue our journey home, stopping en-route for lunch, and arrive with many wonderful memories of our time together. (B)

Adult:	\$4,965
Pensioner:	\$4,945
Past Passenger:	\$4,935
Single Supplement:	\$1,359

Payment Due: 27th July 2026

TERMS & CONDITIONS FOR 2026

DEPOSIT: Unless otherwise stated, a deposit of \$350 per person is payable within seven days of booking. A deposit of \$600 is required for Early Bird discount. Final payment is due 50 days prior to departure unless otherwise advised.

CANCELLATIONS: The above amount will be deducted from your fare according to notice given plus any non-refundable tickets or airfares. No refund is payable once your tour has commenced. Please note: if booking through a travel agent please check the agent's cancellation policy as extra charges may apply. Cancellation fee is per person.

Days Notice	50 days or more	49 days – 36 days	35 days or less
% of fare	\$100 admin fee (plus any non-refundable costs)	\$350 (plus any non-refundable costs)	100%

TRAVEL INSURANCE: We STRONGLY ADVISE passengers to take out travel insurance to cover for health, baggage and personal effects, loss of monies through cancellation, additional expenses incurred through illness and early departure from a tour.

LUGGAGE LIMITS: Luggage space is limited onboard our coaches. Each passenger is entitled to take one suitcase, the size of which is not to exceed 75cm(H) x 47cm(W) x 31cm(D), and the weight limit is 20 kilos. Please ensure your luggage complies with the size and weight limit and you yourself can manage the bags. Personal items should be carried in a travel bag.

CLOTHING: Pack a wash 'n' wear wardrobe of casual, comfortable clothing with some warmer clothes for evenings. Include a jacket, walking shoes, hat, swimsuit, towel, light raincoat, torch, and a special outfit.

PASSENGER SEATING: A compulsory seat rotation policy is employed (for longer tours), and there are no exceptions to this policy. While Down Under Coach Tours makes every effort to accommodate the special requirements of our passengers in fairness to other travellers, we request that all travellers participate in the seat rotation.

DAILY ROUTINE: Breakfast is usually 7.00 or 7.30am. Generally, your coach will be ready to leave at 7.45 to 8.00am. You will have many opportunities to stop for photographs during the day. Depending on the day's activities, you will arrive at your accommodation between 5.00 to 5.30pm. Dinner is usually 6.30 pm, allowing time for a rest and to freshen up before dinner.

MEDICAL & DIETARY: Passengers accept that it is their responsibility to ensure that their health is in a state which allows them to enjoy the tours and successfully complete activities that the tour offers. We require all passengers to complete our Booking Form truthfully and accurately with regard

to their medical/physical condition. It is essential for you to address any medical conditions / dietary requirements with us at the time of booking.

SPECIAL NEEDS: A reasonable level of physical and mental health and fitness is required on all of our tours. We recommend that you visit your doctor to confirm that you are physically able to undertake the day-to-day requirements of the tour. Persons with limited mobility or those unable to adequately care for themselves are required to be accompanied by a carer. In particular, hostesses, tour guides, coach captains, and your fellow passengers will not act as assistants or carers in these circumstances. Down Under Coach Tours reserves the right to refuse to carry passengers requiring assistance who are not accompanied by a carer.

ACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR: No passenger will be permitted to embark or continue on the tour while their mental or physical condition, in the opinion of any representative of the company, such as to render them incapable of caring for themselves or whereby they become objectionable to other passengers, or they become a hazard to themselves or other passengers. The company will not be responsible for expenses resulting in such persons being precluded from completing the tour for any reason.

CONDITIONS AND LIMITS OF LIABILITY: The conditions and terms of liability on which these tours operate are detailed as follows:

- 1) Down Under Coach Tours finalises all arrangements for these tours upon the express condition that they cannot accept responsibility or liability for any delays, accidents, injury or damage caused by the airlines, rail, express coaches or any other service the company acts as agents on behalf of or arising out of the provision of, or failure to provide these services.
- 2) Down Under Coach Tours have used information supplied to it by the providers of relevant tours and accommodation houses and have endeavoured to ensure the information contained is correct at the time of printing. Down Under Coach Tours can accept no responsibility for inaccuracy or mis-descriptions.
- 3) Down Under Coach Tours reserves the right to alter or change the accommodation, carriers or coach at any time for any reason. Down Under Coach Tours reserves the right to change or amend the tour itinerary should the occasion warrant and if it becomes necessary, due to adverse weather/road conditions or unforeseen circumstances. The coach crew retain the right to alter the itinerary in a manner which will benefit all concerned.
- 4) Down Under Coach Tours provide a Tour Leader subject to a minimum loading of 20 passengers. If the tour takes place with fewer than 20 passengers, the Coach Captain may take on both roles.
- 5) Departures are subject to a minimum number. In the event that a tour is cancelled by Down Under Tours due to low numbers, you will be notified prior to the final payment due date and any deposits paid will be refunded in full.

6) Down Under Coach Tours maintains strict standards of safety and reliability of vehicles at all times, however, in rare cases mechanical failure may occur. Passengers are assured that every effort is made to minimise any small inconvenience experienced, while we utilise the large network of repair facilities Australia wide.

7) Down Under Coach Tours can give no guarantee as to the exact arrival and departure times for carriers and operators used in the tour and cannot be liable for failure to make connections with any other services or attractions.

8) Down Under Coach Tours will endeavour to contact clients in the event of industrial action affecting air, rail or other tour related transportation. However, if contact is not made passengers should phone the number listed below to finalise alternative arrangements.

9) Down Under Coach Tours reserves the right to vary the advertised or printed price to cover any significant increases in airfare, rail fare, fuel price or other tour related costs.

10) Down Under Coach Tours accepts no responsibility for the suitability of the rooming partners allocated for single passengers willing to share accommodation. If a passenger regards the rooming partner to be unsuitable every effort will be made to arrange single accommodation for the duration of the tour with the additional costs being paid by the passenger.

11) Down Under Coach Tours takes all reasonable steps to ensure an enjoyable holiday experience and cannot accept liability for any loss of enjoyment whatsoever and howsoever experienced by the passengers.

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Maryborough: within 5km radius from McDowell Car Park

Gympie: within 5km radius of GPO

Sunshine Coast: within 10km from one of the following designated pick up points – Cooroy, Eumundi, Forest Glen, Palmview, Caboolture/Burpengary.

Brisbane: within 30km radius of Brisbane Transit Centre.

Toowoomba & Ipswich: Door-to-Door service may be available from this area if tour travels in this direction – please check with your travel consultant.

The door to door service applies to tours of five days duration or more. For passengers requiring overnight accommodation to join or depart a tour, accommodation is an additional cost. For more details please enquire.



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