O'Shannessy's
QUALITY TOURS

CHRISTMAS
in the Yarra Valley



5 DAY FULLY INCLUSIVE TOUR

22nd December to 26th December, 2027

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WEDNESDAY 22ND DECEMBER TO SUNDAY 26TH DECEMBER, 2027

Embark on an unforgettable adventure
through the breathtaking Yarra Valley,
where stunning landscapes await!
This Christmas Day, celebrate alongside new friends and create cherished memories
in this picturesque setting.

Tour Highlights

- Emerald Museum
- Cloudehill Gardens
- Alowyn Gardens
- The Edible Forest
- Yarrawood Estate
- Punt Road Wines
- Coldstream Dairy
- Warratina Lavender Farm
- Blue Hill Berries and Cherries
- Coombe Yarra Valley
- Yarra Ranges Regional Museum
- Christmas Day Traditional Lunch
- Healesville Sanctuary
- Yarra Valley Chocolaterie and Ice Creamery
- Rayner's Orchard

Tour Prices

Twin share room first tour:	**$4,095**
Twin share room repeat traveller 2 - 10 Tours:	**$4,045**
Twin share room repeat traveller 11 - 20 Tours:	**$4,020**
Twin share room repeat traveller 21+ Tours:	**$3,995**
Single room supplement:	**$ 550**

Please note a deposit of $300 is required upon booking.

As a thank you for travelling with O'Shannessy's Quality Tours, you will automatically receive a saving on the total tour price for your second and subsequent tours.

O'Shannessy's Quality Tours will match single travellers who wish to twin share with another single traveller of the same gender. However, if this is not possible, in most cases you shall be provided with single accommodation at the twin share fare (no additional cost).

If you are willing to twin share but are a smoker, have a CPAP machine or snore, you will need to pay a single supplement for a sole use room.



MULTIPLE NIGHT STAY

4 nights in Yarra Valley

ACTIVITY LEVEL

Our Leisurely Tours are perfect for those who enjoy a slower pace; they are mostly "stay put," with minimal physical activity required. Please refer to back cover.



Tour Inclusions

Complimentary Chauffeur Driven Transfers

Victorian passengers from Greater Melbourne, Bendigo, Torquay, Ballarat, Geelong, the Bellarine and Mornington Peninsulas, Phillip Island and selected areas of Gippsland will be picked up and returned home in a private chauffeured vehicle by one of our professional drivers. For passengers not within this pick up zone, or our interstate passengers, a quote can be provided for home pickup in extended areas.

Luxury Touring Coaches

Our full size luxury coaches have only 32-36 passenger seats allowing you even more personal space and extra leg room. Our coaches are fitted with comfortable reclining seats with aisle arm rests, foot rests, seat belts, panoramic windows with blinds, refrigerator for passenger use, restroom, climate control air conditioning and Road Cam monitors which display the road ahead in real time. Each coach has a second door for easier entry and exit and touchless hand sanitizer dispensers at each entry to help keep everyone safe. Our coaches have full air suspension delivering a smooth and quiet ride which also allows us to lower the coach closer to the ground, making boarding and disembarking even easier.

Friendly Tour Directors

Enjoy peace of mind with O'Shannessy's Quality Tours, where our dedicated coach crew and experienced tour directors are on board to ensure your journey is as comfortable and memorable as possible. From start to finish, they're there to assist, guide and take care of every detail. Relax and enjoy the experience without a worry.

Quality Accommodation & Fully Inclusive Tours

Enjoy the best available ensuite motel accommodation each night, ensuring a restful journey. All attractions and tours listed in the itinerary are included, as are fully cooked breakfasts, all lunches along with delicious two-course restaurant dinners daily and most morning teas.

DAY 1 - MELBOURNE TO YARRA VALLEY — Wednesday 22nd December, 2027

Welcome to our 5 day **Christmas tour** to the beautiful **Yarra Valley**. With chauffeured pickup from home, we are transferred to meet our **O'Shannessy's Quality Tours** coach and crew. Making our way into the stunning **Dandenong Ranges**, we stop at the **Emerald Museum**, located within the Nobelius Heritage Park. On arrival, we will hear a little bit about the museum and the history of the area from one of the volunteers. We will enjoy morning tea here followed by some time to explore the vast collection of historic memorabilia. Next, visit the vibrant and diverse gardens at **Cloudehill Gardens**, a stunning cool climate garden spread over five acres, before enjoying lunch at the on-site café. This afternoon, we make our way to the gorgeous **Yarra Valley Lodge**, our home for the next four nights.

OVERNIGHT: Yarra Valley Lodge, YARRA VALLEY ★★★★☆

DAY 2 - EXPLORING THE YARRA VALLEY — Thursday 23rd December, 2027

Today we begin touring the **Yarra Valley**, starting with a visit to **Alowyn Gardens** where we will spend some time discovering the spectacular, award-winning garden displays. We enjoy morning tea before we head to **The Edible Forest**, full of unique edible plants. The forest was consciously designed using Hügelkultur and Permaculture methods to care for the planet and the community. Proudly organically grown and chemical-free, the plant life has created its own healthy ecosystem. We will be guided through the unique space of abundant, intriguing plant life, learning practical ways to grow and use them at home. Today, we enjoy lunch at **Yarrawood Estate** amongst the stunning scenery of vast vineyards. This afternoon, we visit **Punt Road Wines** where we will partake in a wine and cider tasting while enjoying the sweeping views of the Napoleone family estate. We finish our day at **Coldstream Dairy** to taste some of their delicious produce before returning to our accommodation.

OVERNIGHT: Yarra Valley Lodge, YARRA VALLEY ★★★★☆









DAY 3 - MORE OF THE YARRA VALLEY — Friday 24th December, 2027

We start the day at **Warratina Lavender Farm**, an award-winning farm boasting acres of lavender grown for both culinary uses in cooking as well as for household purposes. While here we will discover more about the farm and its story, followed by morning tea. Next, we stop by **Blue Hill Berries & Cherries**, a delightful family-owned 'All You Can Eat' cherry orchard, to pick our own sweet, ripe cherries right in time for Christmas. Drive to one of the largest and oldest family estates in the Yarra Valley, **Coombe Yarra Valley**. Once the home of famous opera singer Dame Nellie Melba, it is still owned and operated by her descendants, the Vestey family. The Coombe Cottage property includes seven acres of historic, landscaped gardens. Today we take a tour of the gardens and enjoy lunch. We conclude our day with a visit to the **Yarra Ranges Regional Museum** discovering the past, present and future of the Yarra Ranges area before returning to the hotel.

OVERNIGHT: Yarra Valley Lodge, YARRA VALLEY ★★★★☆

DAY 4 - MERRY CHRISTMAS — Saturday 25th December, 2027

It's a gentle start this morning with transfers on hand to take anyone who would like to attend a Christmas Day church service before we sit down to enjoy a delightful traditional **Christmas Day lunch** at the hotel. We spend the afternoon viewing Australian Native Wildlife at **Healesville Sanctuary**, home to the Australian Wildlife Centre, a hospital which treats more than 2000 sick and injured native animals every year and is an important training centre for wildlife veterinarians. Returning to the hotel we enjoy a light supper before retiring for the evening after a lovely Christmas Day.

OVERNIGHT: Yarra Valley Lodge, YARRA VALLEY ★★★★☆

DAY 5 - HOMEWARD BOUND — Sunday 26th December, 2027

With our backs packed full of memories, we farewell our hosts and head for home. This morning, we will pop into the **Yarra Valley Chocolaterie and Ice Creamery** for a tasting and a chance to stock up on some sweets before our journey home. Stopping at **Rayner's Orchard**, lunch will be served first before taking a **Fruit Tasting Tractor Tour** of the unique boutique orchard. They grow around 450 varieties of fruit and have at least eight varieties of fruit every day of the year! This afternoon, travel to Melbourne. What a great time away it's been! As always, our chauffeurs will be waiting to take us straight to our very door – a delightful way to finish our time away and all part of the great **O'Shannessy's Quality Tours** service!





"…Nestled in lush woodlands, Rayner's Orchard offers a truly unique and immersive experience for visitors. Rayner's is celebrated for cultivating over 450 varieties of fruits, with 8 to 10 varieties available every day of the year. Indeed, this 37 acre orchard is unique in that, it is the only farm in the Yarra Valley to have fruit all year round…"

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PAYMENT AND CANCELLATION POLICY

Receipt of payment of funds will be taken as acceptance of O'Shannessy's Quality Tours conditions of travel for this tour. Prices include GST and all taxes. Deposit is fully refundable until **46 days** prior to departure date. Balance due on invoice.

Cancellation within **45 days** of tour departure date:	**No refund**
Cancellation **on or after** tour departure date:	**No refund**

If a tour is cancelled for any reason by O'Shannessy's Quality Tours before the departure date, all passengers will be offered the option of transferring to another tour of their choice, hold the funds in trust for a future tour or a full refund. There is no time limit as to when this must be used. If a lockdown is implemented while a tour is in progress, our first priority is the safety and wellbeing of our passengers and ensuring that we get each and every one of them home safely, and therefore we treat every situation individually. The Australian Government (see www.smarttraveller.gov.au) recommends all travellers no matter where you are going, obtain comprehensive travel insurance from a reputable provider. It may enable you to claim back the cost of your tour if you are unable to travel or have to cancel at late notice. Always read the PDS provided, to ensure the cover meets all of your needs. We are able to provide travel insurance through Nib Insurance.

If you would like a quote for travel insurance, please call our office on 1800 354 352.

CONDITIONS OF TRAVEL

These terms and conditions form the basis of the contract between You and O'Shannessy's Quality Tours (O'Shannessy's Quality Tours "We", "Us", or "Our" contract). It is important that You read the complete list of terms and conditions provided to you upon invoice carefully and that you understand your rights and obligations. A complete list will be provided upon invoice, alternatively they are available upon request via phone, mail, email or on our website. By agreeing to participate in a tour arranged by Us, You are deemed to have accepted these terms and conditions in full. Any special requests, dietary/personal must be notified to Our office at the time of booking. All efforts will be made to accommodate any special requests. It is your responsibility to advise O'Shannessy's Quality Tours of any pre-existing medical conditions that may affect your ability to participate on the tour. No passenger will be permitted to embark on or continue the tour while their physical or mental condition is, in the opinion of any representative of O'Shannessy's Quality Tours, 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. Passengers rotate seats in the coach daily to ensure fairness to all passengers. No exceptions will be made. The information presented in any printed publications, itineraries, brochures or touring programs is to the best of our knowledge correct at the time of publication. The itinerary may be subject to change without notice. Whilst every effort is made to adhere to the itinerary provided, O'Shannessy's Quality Tours reserves the right to alter the touring and attractions as dictated by circumstances and conditions outside the company's control. Alterations may be made to ensure the smooth running of the tour. O'Shannessy's Quality Tours cannot be held responsible for printing or typographical errors arising from unforeseen circumstances. O'Shannessy's Quality Tours representatives/crew or any associated carrier, reserves the right at its discretion to exclude from a tour or to terminate the travel arrangements of any person during the course of the tour, without refund, of anyone who: Presents on the day of the tour departure as ill or unwell in any way, including but not limited to: cough, runny nose, sneezing, vomiting or temperature above 37.5 deg C, Is incapable of caring for themselves without a minder/carer, Is unable to cope with the requirements of the tour or who may need or require services or facilities that are not available, Fails to comply with the reasonable instructions of O'Shannessy's Quality Tours crew, Engages in undesirable behaviour or interferes with the enjoyment of other passengers, Is a hazard to themselves or other passengers and/or is likely to become objectionable to other passengers, O'Shannessy's Quality Tours staff and or third party suppliers. Anyone so excluded will be required to disembark at a safe public location, transport from which will be wholly their responsibility. However, if and where possible, O'Shannessy's Quality Tours staff may assist in obtaining transport. You agree that O'Shannessy's Quality Tours is released from all liability for You and You agree not to hold O'Shannessy's Quality Tours responsible for termination of Your travel arrangements.

Activity Level - Leisurely

Our Leisurely Tours are perfect for those who enjoy a slower pace; our leisurely tours are domestic and mostly "stay put," with minimal physical activity required. You can expect to:

- Embark and disembark the coach unassisted
- Negotiate some steps and gentle, undulating paths
- Walk or stand for up to 45 minutes at a time during local tours
- Travel seated comfortably for up to 2 hours at a stretch

Upcoming Tours

King and Flinders Islands Adventure - February 2028

Portland Coastal Summer Gem - February 2028

Mystery Tour in Autumn - March 2028

Travelling with like-minded, mature aged travellers means you'll experience a casual and relaxed atmosphere, where fellow travellers become new-found friends.

Keep in Touch

Be sure to visit our website **oshannessys.com.au** where you'll be able to stay up to date with information, tour inspiration or simply enjoy sharing your travel experiences with us.

You can subscribe to our **eNewsletter** so you'll be the first to find out about our additional tours that pop up throughout the year.

You can also find us on **Facebook** at *O'Shannessy's Quality Tours* and stay up to date with our posts by liking the page. We would also love to see your pictures exploring Australia or travelling the world with O'Shannessy's Quality Tours so be sure to tag us in your travels! **#oshannessys #friendstotravelwith**

Feel free to call into our office for a chat with our friendly team at **2121 Point Nepean Road, Rye Vic 3943**. You can also email us at **enquiries@oshannessys.com.au** or call us:

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