



*O'Shannessy's*  
QUALITY TOURS

# TASMANIA

*East Coast Escape*



**10 DAY FULLY INCLUSIVE TOUR**  
28th February to 9th March, 2027

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**SUNDAY 28TH FEBRUARY TO TUESDAY 9TH MARCH, 2027**

Be transformed when you take the time to explore this incredibly scenic part of the world. This isn't just another holiday — it's a chance to slow down, breathe deeply and reconnect with nature. Discover charming historic townships, meet friendly locals, take in breathtaking landscapes and pristine beaches, and savour incredible local produce, all along one of Australia's most scenic coastal drives.

## *Tour Highlights*

- Sheffield
- Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm
- Deloraine - Yarns Artwork in Silk
- Cataract Gorge
- Brady's Lookout
- Seahorse World
- Barnbougle
- Legerwood - War Memorial Carvings
- East Coast Nature World
- The 'Gulch'
- Freycinet National Park
- Spiky Bridge
- Richmond
- Mt Field National Park - Russell Falls
- Plenty Salmon Ponds
- Mount Nelson
- Royal Botanical Gardens, Hobart
- Mawson's Hut Replica Museum
- Kettering
- D'Entrecasteaux Channel - Bruny Island
- Inala Jurassic Garden
- Adventure Bay
- Bruny Island Chocolate Co

### **CRUISES**

- Spirit of Tasmania
- Wineglass Bay Cruise
- Bruny Island Ferry

## *Tour Prices*

Twin share room first tour:	<b>\$6,265</b>
Twin share room repeat traveller 2 - 10 Tours:	<b>\$6,165</b>
Twin share room repeat traveller 11 - 20 Tours:	<b>\$6,115</b>
Twin share room repeat traveller 21+ Tours:	<b>\$6,065</b>
Single room supplement:	<b>\$1,030</b>

Please note a deposit of \$500 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, you will need to pay the Single Room Supplement. 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 STAYS

4 nights in Hobart

2 nights in Bicheno

## ACTIVITY LEVEL

Our moderate tours may include some air travel and a mix of touring styles. Please refer to back cover.



COACH



FLIGHT



BOAT



Moderate



SMALL GRP

## 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, 3 axle 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 and private cabin with ensuite facilities on the Spirit of Tasmania, ensuring a restful journey. All attractions, one economy flight and tours listed in the itinerary are included, as are fully cooked breakfasts, along with delicious two-course restaurant dinners daily and most morning teas and lunches. Please note, two lunches are at your own expense as outlined in the itinerary. Lunch not provided on first or last days.

Welcome to the **East Coast Escape Tour to Tasmania**. Our tour takes us down the road less travelled to discover some of Tasmania's unique animals, delicious food, history, and breathtaking scenery. Beginning our holiday with an afternoon chauffeured pickup from home, we are transferred to meet our O'Shannessy's Quality Tours coach and crew. We then travel to Geelong to enjoy dinner before joining the **Spirit of Tasmania** for our overnight cruise to Devonport. Once onboard, we settle into our cabins, then have the opportunity to explore the onboard facilities including bars, cinemas and lounges (at own expense) as we cruise across Bass Strait.

**OVERNIGHT:** Porthole Cabin, Spirit of Tasmania

We have an early arrival in Tasmania and we are escorted to the coach as we begin our touring. First stop is breakfast, then we head to Sheffield, a hinterland town well known for its outstanding murals where the pictorial history of the region has been painted on just about every blank wall in the town. We then travel the scenic back roads, beside the Gog Range, where we stop at Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm for a sumptuous lunch. This afternoon, we drive to the town of Deloraine where we visit Yarns Artwork in Silk. We now journey to Launceston, where upon arrival, we spend time at the beautiful Cataract Gorge with its cliff-side gardens, peacocks, pools, suspension footbridge; you may choose to ride the world's longest single-span chairlifts (own expense). We now check into our centrally located hotel to unwind.

**OVERNIGHT:** Hotel Grand Chancellor, Launceston ★★★★★





### DAY 3 - LAUNCESTON TO ST HELENS

Tuesday 2nd March, 2027

Today, we head to the east coast following the Tamar River, Australia's longest navigable tidal estuary, which meanders through the heart of cool climate vineyards, orchards, and hamlets. We take in the magnificent views from bush-ranger **Brady's Lookout** before stopping at **Seahorse World**; here we visit a working seahorse farm which will give us unique access to these magical creatures. It is then across the unique A-frame **Batman Bridge** and travel to **Barnbougle**. Our lunch venue is located near the seaside village of Bridport in Tasmania's North-East and their dining room is perched atop a coastal dune with spectacular views of Barnbougle, the world-renowned golf course, and coastline. This afternoon we tour the agriculturally rich northeast coast. Visit **Legerwood** and view the **War Memorial Tree Carvings**, honouring the fallen soldiers of the region, before crossing Weldborough Pass through the myrtle rainforest and descending to the east coast at St. Helens for our overnight stay.

**OVERNIGHT:** Panorama Hotel, ST HELENS ★★★★★

### DAY 4 - ST HELENS - BAY OF FIRES - BICHENO

Wednesday 3rd March, 2027

Enjoy a leisurely start today before travelling a short distance to the breathtaking **Bay of Fires**, known all over the world for its extraordinary clear blue seas, brilliant white beaches and striking orange lichen-cloaked boulders. Touring down the east coast we stop for lunch and enjoy some local cuisine overlooking the blue waters of the Tasman Sea. We continue past Douglas Aspley National Park with its spectacular dolerite boulders and rugged hills en route to Bicheno. Meet a Tasmanian devil at the **East Coast Nature World** and learn about the threat to their survival during an informative ride on the 'Pelican Express'. Tour the fishing and holiday village of Bicheno, viewing **The 'Gulch'** fishing harbour, and the ocean blowhole before settling into our accommodation for the next two nights.

**OVERNIGHT:** Beachfront Bicheno, BICHENO ★★★★★

This morning, we board the **Wineglass Bay Cruises** boat for a cruise through the spectacular coastline of **Freycinet National Park** from Coles Bay to Wineglass Bay. Be enthralled by the stunning granite coastline, including the dramatic pink peaks of **the Hazards range**. Take in the sheer beauty of **Wineglass Bay** from the unique perspective of the water. Uncover the rich history of the region, including aboriginal heritage and tales of early explorers and entrepreneurs. We return to Bicheno with time to relax before dinner.

**OVERNIGHT:** Beachfront Bicheno, BICHENO ★★★★★

We begin the day heading south, pausing at the convict-built, enigmatic **Spiky Bridge**. At lunchtime, we stop at the historic town of **Richmond** where we may view the spire of Australia's oldest Catholic Church from beneath the arch of our oldest stone bridge still in use. Wander the streets of this delightful Georgian town and discover the arts and crafts, bakeries and tea rooms. Cross the picturesque Derwent River into the city of **Hobart** nestled at the foot of kunanyi/Mount Wellington. Tour historic Battery Point, Salamanca Place and Constitution Docks before settling into our accommodation for the next four nights.

*Lunch own expense and arrangement*

**OVERNIGHT:** The Old Woolstore, Hobart ★★★★★





## DAY 7 - HOBART AND THE SALAMANCA MARKETS

Saturday 6th March, 2027

Today we will explore Tasmania's capital city with its history, culture and scenery. We're lucky enough to be here on a Saturday, so first we head to the famous **Salamanca Markets**. We now drive to **The Mount Nelson Signal Station**, which boasts panoramic views over Hobart city, the River Derwent and, on a clear day, down to Bruny Island and out to Storm Bay. Built in 1811, the Mount Nelson Signal Station was the first signal station constructed in Tasmania. Today, it offers a fascinating insight into semaphore signalling, station life and early shipping in the Hobart area. The next destination is the sheltered, landscaped grounds of the **Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens** which hold historic plant collections and a large number of significant trees, many dating from the nineteenth century. You will have time to wander the grounds at your leisure. Afterwards, we will travel to Constitution Dock to view **Mawson's Huts Replica Museum** which was built to raise funds for the ongoing conservation of the historic buildings at Cape Denison, which were used as the main base for the 1911-14 Australasian Antarctic Expedition (AAE). Standing on the Hobart waterfront just 200 metres from where Mawson's expedition departed from in 1911, the Replica also serves as an educational facility and promotes the legacy of the AAE. From here, you can stay in town for some retail therapy or any other activities of your choice, or return to the hotel to relax.

*Lunch at your own arrangement and expense*

**OVERNIGHT:** The Old Woolstore, Hobart ★★★★★

Today we travel through the delightful Derwent Valley which should be starting to show its autumn colours. We pass through New Norfolk to **Mt Field National Park** which is one of Tasmania's most loved national parks. An easy 10 minute stroll will take us to the iconic **Russell Falls**. The track is edged with a mixed forest comprising towering swamp gums, the tallest flowering plant on Earth, and species typical of wet forests and cool temperate rainforests, such as dogwood, musk and myrtle. We also visit the **Plenty Salmon Ponds**, circa 1861, which is the oldest trout hatchery in the Southern Hemisphere. It was the birthplace of trout in Australia and the origin of Tasmania's legendary trout fishery. Enjoy the original 19<sup>th</sup> century English style public open space of superb trees, hedges and lawns. We return to Hobart following the Derwent River with time to relax before dinner.

**OVERNIGHT:** The Old Woolstore, Hobart ★★★★★



*“...Russell Falls is the most photographed waterfall in Tasmania. It is accessible via a short walk through lush forest...”*



## DAY 9 - BRUNY ISLAND

Monday 8th March, 2027

This morning we travel south to **Kettering** this morning to board the ferry and cross the beautiful D'Entrecasteaux Channel to **Bruny Island**. Not only can Bruny Island boast some of Tasmania's most superb scenery of sweeping beaches, mountains and spectacular capes and bays, but it also has a fascinating history. Notable early visitors include Captain Furneaux (1773), Captain Cook (1777), and Bligh (1788 & 1792) on the 'Bounty' who planted Tasmania's first apple tree. We arrive at Roberts Point on North Bruny and tour south past **The Neck**, which is a game reserve of penguin and mutton bird rookeries and the site of the memorial to famous Tasmanian aboriginal Truganini. Visit **Inala Jurassic Garden**, which specialises in plants whose ancient ancestors thrived in the Jurassic period when the Gondwanan Supercontinent started splitting apart (about 185 million years ago). This afternoon, we continue to scenic Adventure Bay and explore the foreshore before returning to the ferry, detouring to **Bruny Island Chocolate Co** which offers a superb quality range of fudge, truffles and chocolate sauces. Reboard the ferry at Kettering then return to Hobart, travelling beside the Derwent River.

**OVERNIGHT:** The Old Woolstore, Hobart ★★★★★

Completing our memorable tour of the naturally beautiful **East Coast of Tasmania**, we farewell our fellow travellers who are continuing on with the next tour. We make our way to Hobart Airport for the flight home. On arrival at Melbourne Airport, our chauffeurs will be on hand to take us straight to our door – all part of the **O’Shannessy’s Quality Tours** superior service.

Those who have chosen to join the next part of our adventure on O’Shannessy’s **West Coast Wilds** tour, we have a free day. We will meet up with the next tour at dinner this evening.

*Lunch at own arrangements and cost / Refreshments in flight*



*“...From wild coastal landscapes  
and incredible wildlife  
to fresh seafood and welcoming communities,  
Tasmania’s East Coast offers an  
unforgettable journey filled with  
natural beauty and adventure...”*

# 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 **91 days** prior to departure date. Balance due on invoice.

Cancellation within **90 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](http://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 - Moderate

Our Moderate Tours are for those comfortable with a bit more movement while still enjoying a relaxed pace; our moderate tours may include air travel and a mix of touring styles. You should be prepared to:

- Embark and disembark the coach unassisted
- Negotiate some steps and gentle, undulating paths
- Embark and disembark watercraft and other vehicles via stairs
- Walk or stand for up to an hour at a time, including through domestic airports
- Negotiate a flight of stairs
- Travel for up to 2 hours in various vehicles for guided tours
- Manage uneven ground such as sand, pebbles or gravel
- Handle different climates, including heat and humidity
- Occasionally stay above ground floor (no guarantee of ground floor rooms)

## Upcoming Tours

**Broken Hill and White Cliffs - May 2027**

**Norfolk Island Bounty Day - June 2027**

**Tropical North Queensland - July 2027**

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](http://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!

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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](mailto:enquiries@oshannessys.com.au) or call us:



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