



# The Best of Hobart and Launceston

Featuring the breathtaking Tasman Peninsula and historic Port Arthur

10 Days | Friday 20 to Sunday 29 November 2026

Uncover the fascinating stories, breathtaking landscapes and rich heritage of Tasmania on this ten-day journey from Hobart to Launceston. Begin in the capital city where Georgian architecture meets fresh produce markets and local craftsmanship. Cruise the River Derwent, walk among convict ruins at Port Arthur and taste your way through the boutique offerings of Bruny Island. Then, travel north through historic villages to explore the elegant streets of Launceston, cruise the Tamar River and delve into convict life at Brickendon. This immersive escape blends natural beauty with cultural treasures, making Tasmania a destination to remember.

## Highlights

- Historic Hobart Cruise
- Vibrant Salamanca Markets
- Bruny Island incl tastings
- Spectacular Tasman Peninsula
- Port Arthur, a preserved convict site
- Female Factory tour
- Ross & Richmond
- National Automobile Museum of Tasmania
- Queen Victoria Museum & Art Gallery
- Tamar & Cataract Gorge cruise
- Platypus House & Seahorse World
- Brickendon - one of Tasmania's oldest farming properties
- Wander the streets of Perth

## Inclusions

- Pre/post tour transfers (ex Perth, Western Australia)
- Airfares & taxes (ex Perth, Western Australia)
- 21 meals
- 9 nights' accommodation
- Tours & attractions
- Professional Villa Tour Leader

Your holiday itinerary (ex Perth, Western Australia)

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### **Day 1. Perth to Hobart (D)**

We collect you from home and transfer you to Perth Airport for your flight to Hobart. On arrival, your comfortable accommodation awaits in the heart of Tasmania's historic capital.

Five nights: Double Tree Hilton.

### **Day 2. Salamanca Markets (BD)**

At the famous Salamanca Markets meet local makers, discover local crafts and produce, select a souvenir for someone special at home or for yourself to remember this incredible holiday. In the afternoon, step aboard for a historical cruise passing by the Botanical Gardens, Government House and glide under the Tasman Bridge.

### **Day 3. Bruny Island (BLD)**

Take a short ferry journey from Kettering to Bruny Island, a wild and wonderful destination famed for its pristine environment and delicious local produce. Spend the day touring the island's natural and culinary highlights, meeting the producers and sampling handmade delights along the way.

### **Day 4. Charming Hobart (BD)**

Travel to the Tasman Peninsula to visit the Port Arthur Historic Site, one of Australia's most significant convict-era landmarks. With a local guide, uncover the haunting stories, restored buildings, and preserved ruins of this notorious 19th-century penal settlement.

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### **Day 6. Hobart to Launceston via Ross and Richmond (BD)**

This morning, we visit Old Hobart Town Miniature Village and the historic heart of Tasmania. There is a string of historic villages and lasting legacies of convicts, graziers and pioneers for you to discover. Stops will be made at the beautifully preserved historic villages of Ross and Richmond.

Four nights: Mercure Launceston.

### **Day 7. Launceston Sights (BD)**

One of Australia's oldest cities, Launceston features elegant Colonial, Victorian architecture and stunning parklands. An orientation tour will introduce you to the city. In the afternoon embrace the National Automobile Museum of Tasmania and Queen Victoria Museum & Art Gallery (established in 1842). View a collection of intriguing pieces and sculptural displays at Tasmania's home of visual art, design, history and natural sciences.

### **Day 8. River and Gorge Cruise (BD)**

Enjoy a scenic cruise along the Tamar River to explore Cataract Gorge, Tamar Island, and historic riverside estates. With live commentary and stunning views, this relaxing cruise brings Launceston's waterways to life. On land, visit Grindelwald Swiss Village and get up close to the local platypus and seahorses, if you're lucky!

### **Day 9. Brickendon and Perth (BLD)**

Step into the grand old world heritage listed estate of Brickendon for an insight into early colonial and convict history. Explore the convict buildings including timber barns and granaries, the delightful poultry house and Chapel and the original homestead cottage. Enjoy morning tea at Tasmanian Gourmet Sauce Company followed by a garden walk to see the fruits of the hard labour. After lunch we will visit Perth for a walk around the historic town. See how many photos you can get with the name Perth in it!

### **Day 10. Launceston to Perth (BL)**

After checking out, we continue exploring with a visit and tasting at Ashgrove Cheese and Deloraine Visitor Centre which houses the astonishing Yarns Artwork in Silk exhibition. Come together for a farewell lunch at Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm. After lunch, we will farewell Tasmania from a scenic chairlift ride over the Cataract Gorge before transferring to Launceston Airport for your direct evening flight back to Perth. Upon arrival we will see you safely home.

Itinerary subject to change. Terms and conditions apply. Call 08 9754 2026 for details.

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**Cost per person twin share (inc GST)**

Price \$6,575

Single Option \$7695

**Earn 132 villabucks**



For travellers comfortable with full sightseeing days. Building on *Moderate* requirements, these tours feature more activities, extended periods of standing and walking and nature-based excursions. You must be able to walk confidently over uneven surfaces at a steady pace and negotiate busy transport terminals. Expect feature walks for up to 3 hours, and activities that may include small aircraft, vehicles, vessels and watercraft. Not suitable for travellers requiring walking aids or assistance from others.

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