

Wonders of Grand Tasmania

Cruise the Gordon River, Cataract Gorge and Cradle Mountain

11 Days | Friday 12 to Monday 22 March 2027

Discover the majestic grandeur of Tasmania on this immersive, experience-rich tour. Explore the vibrant waterfront capital of Hobart, cruise the tranquil waters of the Gordon River through the Franklin-Gordon Wild Rivers National Park and ride a scenic chairlift over the spectacular Cataract Gorge in Launceston. Wander through ancient rainforests in Cradle Mountain, visit the iconic Salamanca Market and uncover the stories of Tasmania's past in historic towns like Richmond and Beaconsfield. This journey is filled with breathtaking landscapes, heartfelt local history and unforgettable experiences at every turn.

Highlights

- Explore peaceful gardens and rich history at Salmon Ponds Heritage Hatchery
- Wander vibrant stalls and local treasures at Salamanca Market, Hobart
- Visit a working sheep dog farm
- Cruise the Derwent River on a charming Historic Hobart Dinner Cruise
- Be amazed by the breathtaking Wall in the Wilderness carving
- Glide through pristine wilderness on a Gordon River cruise in Strahan
- Marvel at the rugged beauty of incredible Cradle Mountain
- Ride the scenic chairlift and take in extraordinary Cataract Gorge views
- Encounter unique wildlife at Platypus House & Seahorse World
- Step back in time at Beaconsfield Mine & Heritage Centre
- Indulge in flavours at the delicious Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm
- Learn all about Lavender at Bridestowe Lavender Farm
- White sands and fiery orange boulders at Bay of Fires and Binalong Bay
- Discover colonial charm in Richmond
- Enjoy the entertaining live performance by The Round Earth Company
- Experience Tasmania's early days at the detailed Old Hobart Town

Inclusions

- Pre/post tour transfers (ex Perth, WA)
- Airfares & taxes (ex Perth, WA)
- 24 meals
- 10 nights' accommodation
- Tours & attractions
- Professional Villa Tour Leader

Your holiday itinerary (ex Perth, Western Australia)

Day 1. Perth to Hobart (D)
We collect you from home and transfer you to Perth Airport where your holiday adventure begins. Upon arrival in Hobart, meet your friendly local coach captain and make your way into the heart of the city. Tonight, settle in and enjoy a welcome dinner where you can meet your fellow travellers and toast to the journey ahead.
Three nights: Double Tree by Hilton Hobart

Day 2. Hobart and Salamanca Market (BD)
Start the day with a visit to the peaceful Salmon Ponds Heritage Hatchery & Gardens, where you can explore beautiful grounds and enjoy a relaxed morning tea. Then it's on to Salamanca Market, alive with colour, crafts and local produce. Take your time browsing the stalls before finding a bite to eat at your leisure. In the afternoon, enjoy panoramic views from Mount Wellington (weather permitting), before returning to the hotel to refresh. As the sun sets, it's all aboard for a Hobart Historic Dinner cruise and a memorable dining experience.

Day 3. Wall in the Wilderness (BD)
Bid farewell to Hobart as you journey west into Tasmania's rugged heartland. Begin the day with a visit to Curringa Farm, where you will see working sheepdogs in action and learn about farm life. This afternoon, marvel at the breathtaking craftsmanship of The Wall in the Wilderness, a 100-metre-long hand-carved timber sculpture. We finish our afternoon touring in the peaceful fishing village of Strahan on Tasmania's wild west coast.
Two nights: Strahan Village, Strahan

Day 4. Gordon River Cruise (BLD)
Today is a standout as you step aboard a specially designed vessel for a much-loved six-hour cruise through the World Heritage-listed Gordon River. Glide across glassy waters and listen to stories of convicts and pioneers, take a rainforest walk and admire reflections so perfect they resemble paintings. A generous buffet lunch is served onboard. Later in the evening, sit back for a unique theatrical performance of The Ship That Never Was, a humorous and moving retelling of a convict escape from nearby Sarah Island.

Day 5. Cradle Mountain Wilderness (BlD)
Today is a day to immerse in nature and admire the wild landscapes, alpine heath lands, glacial lakes and icy streams on a specialised tour of the iconic and truly incredible Cradle Mountain. See Dove Lake and take in all your surroundings in the stunning central highland region of Tasmania.
Overnight: Cradle Mountain Hotel, Cradle Mountain

Day 6. Journey to Launceston (BLD)
Depart Cradle Mountain this morning and travel through rolling countryside towards Launceston. Stop in the town of Sheffield, famous for its colourful outdoor murals. Continuing to the picturesque Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm for a delightful lunch. In the afternoon, travel to Deloraine for a visit to the YARNS Artwork in Silk, a four-panel story woven entirely from silk threads, showcasing the region's history and culture.
Two nights: Mercure Launceston

Day 7. Tamar Valley (BD)
Enjoy a scenic touring day through the picturesque Tamar Valley. This morning, you will visit Seahorse World and Platypus House at Beauty Point, where you can get up close to these fascinating creatures. Wander Beaconsfield with some free time before discovering the interactive exhibits and local stories at the Beaconsfield Mine and Heritage Centre. End the day with a beautiful chair lift ride over the Cataract Gorge.

Day 8. Eastern Tasmania (BD)
Travel eastward today to the picturesque Bridestowe Lavender Farm. Here you can admire the curved rows of lavender which creates a unique view for each season of the year. Continue along the coast to St Helens, explore the local shops and enjoy lunch at your leisure. In the afternoon, visit the amazing Bay of Fires and Binalong Bay, renowned for their white sands and striking orange boulders.
Overnight: Scamander Beach Resort, Scamander

Day 9. Swansea and Historic Midlands (BD)
After a scenic journey south, stop in Swansea for morning tea before continuing to Richmond, one of Tasmania's most charming colonial towns. In the afternoon, visit Old Hobart Town, an award-winning miniature village depicting life in Hobart in the 1820s, before your farewell dinner in Hobart.
Overnight: Double Tree by Hilton Hobart

Day 10. Free Day in Hobart (BD)
Today is all about doing Hobart your way. Whether you're drawn to the thought-provoking Museum of Old and New Art (MONA), Port Arthur, a gourmet escape to Bruny Island or a relaxed wander through Battery Point's historic streets, the choice is entirely yours (own expense).

Day 11. Huon Valley and Hobart to Perth (BL)
Conclude your Tasmanian journey with a visit to the picturesque Huon Valley. Enjoy a visit to Willie Smith's Apple Shed where the famous apple pie is on the menu. Next, discover Tasmania's maritime craftsmanship with a guided tour of the Wooden Boat Centre, showcasing traditional boatbuilding techniques. In the afternoon, transfer to the airport for your evening flight to Perth. On arrival we will bring you safely home, filled with memories of a rich and rewarding Tasmanian experience.

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

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Cost per person (inc GST)
Price: $ 7,445
Single option: $ 1,085

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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.