

# Girls On Tour – Treasures of Tasmania – 19 days departing 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2025



## Monday 10 February, 2025 HOBART – 6 nights

Depart Brisbane (or other capital cities) for Hobart. On arrival transfer to our hotel located at Battery Point. We will start with a City & Mt Wellington tour and in the after enjoy an orientation walk before our 'Welcome Dinner' tonight. (D)

## Tue 11 Feb – HOBART | HUON VALLEY.

Today we set out to explore the Huon Valley and the Tahune Airwalk. This stunning treetop walkway gives you a bird's-eye view of the forest as you walk 20m above the forest floor. The stunning climax is a steel viewing point cantilevered nearly 50m above the ground, and overlooking the river. Our next stop will be the Franklin Boat Centre where we'll learn a little about Franklin's Maritime History and the precious boat building timbers that are found exclusively in Tasmania. (B)

## Wed 12 Feb – HOBART | PORT ARTHUR

After breakfast we travel to the Tasman Peninsula and visit Port Arthur for an in-depth tour of the site and buildings where between 1830 and 1877, about 12,500 convicts served sentences at what is now the World Heritage-listed Port Arthur Historic Site. After this we continue on to the natural geological attractions of Tasman Arch and Devil's Kitchen. (B)

## Thu 13 Feb – HOBART | MT FIELD NATIONAL PARK

We leave town today and head to Mt Field National Park to explore Russell Falls and later continue on to The Salmon Ponds, established in the mid 1800's. Take a walk back in time amidst the historic buildings, hatchery and fish ponds, all set within the original 19th century English style public open space of superb trees, hedges and lawns. (B,L)



## Fri 14 Feb – HOBART | BRUNY ISLAND

Prepare to enjoy a beautiful full day tour today to Bruny Island with a cruise included. Nature and nurture meet on Bruny Island, where dramatic landscapes are matched by great produce. The island's local produce is as refreshing as its beaches, cliffs and wildlife, with Bruny producers specialising in oysters, cheese, honey, whisky and chocolate. Return to Hobart overnight. (B)

## Sat 15 Feb - HOBART | FREE DAY

Today is yours to explore or take it easy as you wish. The famous 'Salamanca Market' is open from 8.30am to 3pm for you to explore at your leisure along with a stroll around the harbour. If the history of Antarctica is of interest to you, don't miss Mawson's Hut Museum down by the harbour or you might take the 'Hop on, Hop off Bus' and explore outside the city centre to The Botanical Gardens, Wrest



Point Casino and/or Cascades Brewery. (B)

## Sun 16 Feb – BICHENO 1 night

Today we visit the World Heritage-listed Cascades Female Factory which tells the story of the displacement, mistreatment and forced migration of convict women and girls, and their contribution to colonisation throughout the history of colonial Australia to the present day. From here we leave Hobart and make our way to historic Richmond the intact colonial-era town which has more than 50 Georgian buildings, many meticulously restored and operating as cafes, restaurants, galleries and accommodation. Then on to Bicheno where in the evening we will enjoy a penguin tour at a rookery close by. (B,D)

## Mon 17 Feb – ST HELENS 2 nights

We explore the spectacular Freycinet National Park today, the jewel of Tasmania's Eastern Coastline with its rugged cliffs and sandy beaches. It's particularly famous for Wineglass Bay and Cape Tourville. (B,D)

## Tue 18 Feb – ST HELENS

We head north today towards Binalong Bay with its pristine white sandy beaches and aqua coloured water and The Gardens, an ideal spot to get away from it all with some of the best vistas of the Bay of Fires. We return to St Helens overlooking Georges Bay. (B,D)



### Wed 19 Feb – LAUNCESTON 3 nights

Leaving St Helens we continue north to Derby before turning inland to Legerwood and then to Bridestowe Lavender Farm. The farm was established in the early 1920's and their oil is equal in quality to French lavender oil and free of camphor making it much sought after around the world. On our arrival in Launceston we'll settle in to our grand hotel for a 3 night stay. (B,D)

### Thu 20 Feb – LAUNCESTON CATARACT GORGE RESERVE

Another highlight today as we visit the imposing Cataract Gorge where you'll have time to explore before we leave town for afternoon visits to Seahorse World, Platypus House and Beaconsfield Mine Museum. (B)

### Fri 21 Feb – LAUNCESTON FREE DAY

A day to catch your breath and enjoy your beautiful surrounds. City Park is not far from our hotel and the beautiful Holy Trinity Anglican Church is straight across the road. Launceston, or 'Lonnie' as known by the locals, is Tasmania's second-largest city packed full of heritage, art galleries and museums. (B)

### Sat 22 Feb – SMITHTON 2 nights

As we make our way towards Smithton today we will indulge in some culinary delights along the way stopping at Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm, the Ashgrove Cheese Factory and The House of Anvers Chocolate. We'll travel along the coast to the quaint town of Penguin and then to Wynyard for spectacular coastal views before arriving at Smithton for our 2 night stay. (B,D)



### Sun 23 Feb – TARKINE TOUR AND THE NUT

A highlight today as we set off early to explore the Tarkine region. A trip to Tasmania's North West is not complete without a visit to the amazing Tarkine Wilderness, Australia's largest cool-climate rainforest with well maintained walking tracks, accessible lookouts and an abundance of photo opportunities. As we return to Smithton we will visit Stanley and The Nut taking the cable car to the top for fantastic views of the historic town of Stanley and the surrounds.(B,D)

### Mon 24 Feb – STRAHAN 3 nights

We depart Smithton this morning for our highlight destination today, Cradle Mountain, where you visit the famous Dove Lake and can walk the 6km circuit for epic views



of the mountain. Lunch is included today before we travel to Strahan for our overnight stay and to reflect on the beauty of Cradle Mountain. (B,D)

### Tue 25 Feb – STRAHAN | GORDON RIVER

Enjoy a fabulous day cruising on the Gordon River with lunch included. Step aboard and glide through the UNESCO Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area. Experience the untouched rainforest, rugged history and fascinating characters of Tasmania's west coast. Dinner tonight is included on our return to Strahan. (B,L,D)

### Wed 26 Feb – STRAHAN

A train journey today onboard the West Coast Train to and from Strahan. (Subject to availability). Afternoon free. (B,D)

### Thu 27 Feb – DERWENT BRIDGE | THE WALL | HOBART

We'll set off this morning stopping at Nelson Falls, Derwent Bridge and The Wall in the Wilderness. The beautifully carved works in Huon pine depict the history, hardship and perseverance of the people in the Central Highlands and pay homage to the individuals who settled and protected the area. A farewell dinner tonight. (B,L,D)

### Fri 28 Feb – HOBART TO HOME

Time to explore before our flight home (B)



#### INCLUSIONS

- All transport as shown on itinerary. 48 seater coach and professional coach captain.
- Breakfast daily. Other meals as shown.
- Accommodation in twin share.
- All entries and touring as shown on itinerary.
- Full time GOT escort

#### EXCLUSIONS

- Tips and gratuities
- Personal items, travel insurance
- Anything not specified above

**Cost - \$8,625pp twin share\***

**Excluding airfares.**

**Single supplement \$1,920#**

*\* based on minimum group of 12*

*#Single supplement only payable if you do not wish to twin share throughout the tour.*