

# 12 Days Grand Tasman Tour



## **Day 01 Arrive Launceston from Sydney**

You will be met on arrival at Launceston airport and transferred\* to your hotel (please book flights to arrive before 1.00pm). This afternoon start your journey with a guided tour of historic Woolmers Estate, home to the National Rose Garden. Continue to the famous Cataract Gorge Reserve.

Overnight: Launceston

## **Day 02 Launceston / St Helens**

Traveling to Tasmania's spectacular east coast, visit Bridestowe Lavender Farm. (Please note: lavender is in bloom December and January only). Continue on through the rich farming lands of Scottsdale to the wilderness coastline known as the 'Bay of Fires'. Stopping at Binalong Bay, you will explore this diverse landscape of stunning blue water, white sandy beaches and red rocks before continuing to the seaside town of St Helens.

Overnight: St. Helens

## **Day 03 St Helens / Port Arthur**

Travel through the Freycinet National Park, noted for its spectacular coastal scenery before stopping at the village of Swansea. Continue to the Tasman Peninsula to visit the Port Arthur Historic Site and play the Lottery of Life. Join your expert guide for a walking tour of this once notorious penal settlement and cruise around the harbor and view the Isle of the Dead.

Overnight: Port Arthur

## **Day 04 Port Arthur / Hobart**

Leaving the peninsula, stop at the Tasman Arch and Devil's Kitchen before heading into Richmond. Take a step back in time as you visit Australia's most delightful Georgian village known for its heritage listed sandstone bridge. Continue to Hobart and explore the colorful stalls of the bustling Salamanca Market. Visit Bonorong Wildlife Park where



Overnight: Cradle Mountain

**Day 09 Cradle Mountain / Smithton**

Enjoy the scenic drive to Stanley, situated at the foot of the towering volcanic core, 'The Nut'. Visit the historic grazing property of Woolnorth and enjoy a guided tour of Tasmania's largest wind farm. Stop at Cape Grim, situated on the tip of the rugged west coast, to embrace the world's cleanest air.

Overnight: Smithton

**Day 10 Smithton / Launceston**

Enjoy a guided tour of the enchanting Allendale Gardens and then on to Sheffield. This afternoon treat your tastebuds with a visit to the charming Anvers Chocolate Factory to sample and view the chocolate making process up close. Continue to the Ashgrove Cheese Factory and learn how cheese is traditionally made before returning to Launceston. This evening is at your leisure to explore the many restaurants in Launceston.

Overnight: Launceston

**Day 11 Launceston**

Scenic FreeChoice choose from (1) Tamar River cruise and lunch; or (2) Tamar Valley guided tour. This afternoon travel to the Tasmanian Gourmet Sauce Company for an opportunity to sample their delicious range of locally made sauces, jams and preserves. Tonight enjoy a special dinner. Opportunity to substitute today's touring with a Taste of Tamar Winery tour, must be pre-booked. Surcharge applies.

Overnight: Launceston

**Day 12 Depart Launceston**

This morning visit the popular country market in historic Evandale (time permitting). Travel to Ross, a National Trust classified town. Transfer\* to Launceston airport where you will bid farewell to new found friends (please book flights to depart after 1.00pm).

**END OF OUR TOUR**

**Departs**

17 Feb'10  
10, 17 Mar'10  
07 Apr'10  
12 May'10

**Returns**

28 Feb'10  
21, 28 Mar'10  
18 Apr'10  
23 May'10

**Included in the cost:**

- Accommodation as mentioned above to include all currently applicable taxes and service charges.
- 11 full buffet breakfasts
- 1 Lunch
- 2 highlight dinners and 6 regular dinners
- Transportation by coach
- Welcome drink in Launceston
- Cruising as mentioned in the itinerary

**Does not include:**

- Airfare on international or domestic sectors
- Any item not mentioned above.

**Highlights:**

Guided tour of Woolmers Estate, home to the National Rose Garden

Discover the historic townships of Richmond and Ross

Guided tour and cruise at Port Arthur Historic Site

Explore Salamanca Market in Hobart

Visit Bonorong Wildlife Park and meet a Tasmanian Devil

Travel on the West Coast Wilderness Railway Adventure

Cruise on the mighty Gordon River in guaranteed window seating

Guided tour through Woolnorth Wind Farm and Cape Grim

Guided tour of Anvers Chocolate Factory

Terms and conditions apply.

Itinerary subject to change due to weather conditions and other elements beyond our control.