

# TOUR ITINERARY

## WILD WEST COAST 5-DAY TOUR

### THE EXPERIENCE

- Enjoy a three-hour journey through the Central Highlands to Cradle Mountain. We stop at Sheffield to check out the beautiful mural art.
- Breathe in the pure fresh air at Cradle Mountain. This iconic mountain is located in Cradle Mountain-Lake St Claire National Park, part of the Tasmanian World Heritage Area. Here, ancient pines fringe glacial lakes and icy streams cascade down rugged mountains. The vegetation is rich and diverse including grassland, rainforest and many ancient plants such as King Billy pine and fagus – Australia's only deciduous native. It's a hotspot for native wildlife including wombats, quolls, Tasmanian Devils and echidnas.
- We do a three hour walk around the picturesque Dove Lake, one of Tasmania's premier walks. This glacially formed lake beneath Cradle Mountain is surrounded by diverse vegetation. Walk past buttongrass, myrtle, sassafras and magnificent rainforest as you enjoy intimate and epic views of the famous mountain.
- Enjoy a drive through stunning forests to the remote town of Corinna. Set in pristine ancient rainforest, Corinna is in one of the most remote regions of Tasmania. This is a nature-lovers paradise. We stay at the southern end of takayna/Tarkine, the largest temperate rainforest in Australia.
- Enjoy a cruise along the peaceful Pieman River and experience the serenity of this untouched wilderness.
- Learn about the last attempted convict escape watching the play The Ship that Never Was in the pretty harbour-side town of Strahan.
- Embark on the famous and award-winning Gordon River Cruise across Macquarie Harbour to Hells Gates and then up the Gordon River. Enjoy the tranquillity of this majestic river in Tasmania's World Heritage-listed South West Wilderness National Park. Hop off for a short nature walk through tall Huon pines, sassafras and myrtle.
- Warm up by the crackling fire at Rathmore House, the perfect cosy and historic accommodation for our final evening. A sheep property settled in 1828, this is authentic country living at its best.
- See the most photographed and arguably the most pretty waterfall in Tasmania – Russell Falls. Walk under man ferns and large eucalypts, past mossy glens and glow worms to the cascading tiered falls. It's the perfect end to the tour.

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#### Day 1:

am pickup from Launceston CBD accommodation.

See the famous mural town of Sheffield.

Breathe deep on arrival at Cradle Mountain and walk the Dove Lake circuit.

Stay in the remote historic township of Corinna at the edge of the takayna/Tarkine wilderness area.

Dinner included.

Accommodation: Corinna Wilderness Experience.

**Day 2:**

Cruise the Pieman River and experience this ancient temperate rainforest.  
Travel through the western wilds to the picturesque harbour-side village of Strahan.  
Breakfast and lunch included.  
Accommodation: Strahan Village.

**Day 3:**

Embark on the award-winning six-hour Gordon River Cruise across Macquarie Harbour to Hells Gates and then up the Gordon River.  
Hop off for a short nature walk through tall Huon Pines, sassafras and myrtle.  
Hear the stories of convict life at the penal colony on Sarah island.  
See the play *The Ship that Never Was* and learn about the last attempted convict escape from the notorious Sarah Island.  
Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.  
Accommodation: Strahan Village.

**Day 4:**

Explore the Eric Thomas Museum in Queenstown  
Visit Nelson Falls in the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Tasmanian Wilderness.  
Enjoy lunch on the shore of Lake St Clair, Australia's deepest lake.  
Sit back and relax as we drive to Rathmore House in Central Highlands for our farm-stay accommodation  
Breakfast and dinner included.  
Accommodation: Rathmore House, Hamilton.

**Day 5:**

Drive to Mt Field National Park  
See the most photographed and arguably the most pretty waterfall in Tasmania - Russell Falls.  
Walk the short Pandani Grove Nature Walk around Lake Dobson to see the world's tallest heath.  
Breakfast included.  
Drop off at Hobart Airport or Hobart CBD by 4pm.

**WHAT IS INCLUDED**

3 and 4-star accommodation for 4 nights  
4 breakfasts, 2 lunch and 3 dinners  
All activity entry and National Park fees  
A small group tour (maximum 20 people)  
Knowledgeable local driver and tour guide  
Air-conditioned minivan or small bus  
Live commentary onboard

**WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED**

Meals that are not mentioned above  
Alcoholic beverages

Flights to and from Tasmania

### **PICK UP**

At 8am, we will meet you at your Launceston accommodation.

Enter your hotel name when completing the booking online. Our guide will notify you the day before as to exact pick-up time.

### **FLIGHTS**

We recommend arriving in Hobart the day before the tour departure date.

We recommend booking a departure flight from Hobart Airport after 5.30pm for domestic flights and 6.30pm for international flights on the final day of your tour.

## **OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### **OUR CANCELLATION POLICY**

You can cancel your tour booking up to 31 days prior to the scheduled departure and receive a full refund less a 2% booking fee. Unfortunately, we are unable to guarantee refunds for tours cancelled by you within 30 days of your departure date. If your plans change, please contact us! We would love to work with you to see if we can accommodate your needs.

Giving you an enjoyable experience touring you around Tasmania is our first priority, however in rare and unfortunate circumstances there might be a possibility of cancellation after confirmation should there not be enough passengers on a particular tour. In the event of this occurring, we will give you a full refund or work with you to arrange an alternative tour.

You will also receive a full refund should you not be able to travel due to government COVID-19 related travel restrictions, however we ask that you please let us know if you are unable to travel prior to the scheduled departure date.

### **BOOKING CONFIRMATION**

You will receive confirmation within 48 hours of booking your tour.

### **WHAT TO WEAR**

In Tasmania you can experience four seasons in one day. We love our changeable weather. Our east coast is often dry while our west coast is wet. Wear layers. Our sun can get hot, but once it goes down, the cool can set in fast. We recommend you bring a sunhat (and beanie), sunscreen, comfortable walking shoes and a waterproof jacket.

### **FITNESS LEVEL**

There is an option to enjoy some walking on this tour so a moderate degree of fitness is required for this.

Alternatives are available if you prefer not to do the walks.

We recommend that if you have serious medical conditions you call us first to discuss.

We would be happy to see how we can accommodate you.

## **ACCESSIBILITY**

Our vehicles are conveniently equipped to carry collapsible wheelchairs with removable wheels providing the passenger is accompanied by someone who can assist them board and disembark.

If you have any questions about accessible options for this tour, please do not hesitate to contact us to see how we can accommodate you to have the best tour possible.

## **CHILDREN**

For their safety, we kindly ask that children be accompanied by an adult.

**Have another question? Please don't hesitate to contact us.**

We look forward to seeing you and hope you enjoy your time with us.  
The Tours Around Tasmania Team.