

Tasmania – Wildlife & Conservation with Wilderness Flight Safari

Wineglass Bay

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THIS COMPREHENSIVE, NINE-DAY wildlife and conservation tour beautifully illustrates just what a special place Tasmania is – its pristine natural environment is one of the best places to observe animals in their natural habitat. During the tour you'll be treated to a goldmine of unique opportunities to learn about conservation efforts to save marine life, rare species of birds and other native Tasmanian animals. Combine this with spectacular wilderness, great food and the well-known and friendly hospitality of the locals, and you're sure to collect golden memories that will last a lifetime.



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Par Avion plane



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Day 1 Arrival Hobart / Walking Tour (domestic airfare not included)

Recommended arrival is before noon, to make your own way to your accommodation in Hobart, before beginning your Tasmanian journey with a **two-hour walking introduction along Hobart's waterfront**, the Salamanca area and Battery Point. Your guide will point out and explain the history of Hobart and why this city is what it is today. Later this afternoon return to your hotel and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure

△ Accommodation: Grand Chancellor Hotel

Day 2 Southwest National Park & orange-bellied parrots flight safari

Breakfast at hotel.

Today, we dive deep into Tasmania's remote **Southwest National Park**, which makes up a third of the Tasmanian landmass. You'll be transferred to Cambridge Aerodrome where you'll board a small fixed-wing plane for an approximately 45-minute flight down to Melaleuca. Once landed on

the coral sand-paved landing strip you'll meet Mark Holdsworth, an ornithologist who specialises in the endangered orange-bellied parrot. Only about 80 breeding pairs of this native Tasmanian bird are left. You'll be taken on a **boat ride towards Bathurst Harbour**, walk in the bush and aim to spot these shy and rare birds as well as other animals in their natural habitat. Later in the afternoon you'll enjoy a **scenic flight** back to Hobart followed by a transfer to your accommodation.

△ Accommodation: Grand Chancellor Hotel
○ Breakfast and picnic lunch provided

Day 3 Tasman Peninsula & seals in the wild

Breakfast at hotel

The **Tasman Peninsula** is one of Tasmania's most visited destination. View the famous geological features of the peninsula as you explore the rugged coastline. In the afternoon, meet Damian and Susanne Buetow who operate **Wild Ocean Tasmania**, a family-run business focused on creating a deeper understanding and

awareness for the marine life and its natural habitat.

Join Damien and Susanne on their boat for a journey along the Tasman Peninsula replete with its sea caves, cliffs and abundance of marine life. You may even get into the water and meet the friendly New Zealand fur seals. Return to Hobart later this afternoon.

△ Accommodation: Grand Chancellor Hotel
○ Breakfast and lunch provided



Fur seals in the wild

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Hobart waterfront

Day 4 Wine & Conservation

Breakfast at the hotel.

Travel to the **historic village of Richmond** where you can soak up the nostalgia of colonial times. After **lunch at a local winery**, taste some of the best wines Tasmania has to offer and learn all about the wine-making process. Later in the afternoon visit the **Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary**, where passionate animal expert, Greg Irons, will explain its **native animal conservation program**, its newly built animal hospital and its renowned sanctuary.

Enjoy a **barbecue dinner** within the sanctuary and explore the many non-fenced animal enclosures on a guided tour. Return to Hobart around 9pm.

- △ Accommodation: Grand Chancellor Hotel
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner provided

Day 5 Hobart – Freycinet Peninsula

Breakfast at the hotel

Enjoy a scenic drive along **Tasmania’s East Coast** to the **Freycinet Peninsula**, with its exceptional beauty, pristine white sandy beaches and granite coastline. Walk the track up to world-famous **Wineglass Bay Lookout** for some stunning photo opportunities across Freycinet National Park. A shorter cliff walk around the lighthouse at Cape Tourville is also on offer.

- △ Accommodation: Freycinet Lodge
- Breakfast and lunch provided



Baby wombat

Day 6 Freycinet National Park – Cradle Mountain

Breakfast at the hotel

This morning, depart the beautiful east coast and continue your journey to the UNESCO heritage-listed **Cradle Mountain National Park**. We’ll stop in Latrobe to look for platypuses in their natural environment. This unique, semi-aquatic monotreme is a shy creature and some patience and luck are required to see it.

Travel through lush, rolling, farming fields before reaching the alpine bush of the Cradle Valley. Enjoy an introduction to this captivating alpine environment before settling in at your accommodation for the night.

- △ Accommodation: Cradle Mountain Lodge: Pencil Pine Cabin
- Breakfast and lunch provided

Day 7 Cradle Mountain National Park & Dove Lake

Breakfast at the hotel

Today you’ll be mesmerised by the beautiful alpine landscapes of Cradle Mountain, where in many places, dolerite cracked into vertical columns has resulted in spectacular sculpted mountains and cliffs. On a clear day the rugged grandeur of Cradle Mountain is reflected in the tranquil waters of Dove Lake, or you may experience the drama of its craggy peaks through swirling mist.

Your guide will introduce you to the many endemic fauna and flora species of the region while enjoying spectacular views on your walk beneath the craggy peaks. Magical forests of pandani (the tallest heath plant in the world), sassafras, King Billy pines and the deciduous beech can be seen adjacent to wondrous glacial lakes.

Birds such as forest ravens, black currawongs and wedge-tailed eagles are present in this area, while echidnas, platypus, spotted-tailed quoll and the eastern quoll may also be seen.

At dusk, you have the option to join your guide on a night spotlighting tour or simply relax at your accommodation.

- △ Accommodation: Cradle Mountain Lodge: Pencil Pine Cabin
- Breakfast and lunch provided

Day 8 Cradle Mountain – Launceston

Breakfast at the hotel

Depart the Cradle Valley and travel to **Launceston**, Tasmania’s second-largest city. Explore the scenic Cataract Gorge where the South Esk River snakes its way through sheer rocky cliffs. Evoke memories of the genteel Victorian era as you stroll in the landscaped gardens. In the afternoon you’ll be dropped at your hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

- △ Accommodation: Peppers Silo Hotel
- Breakfast and lunch provided

Day 9 Launceston – End of tour

Breakfast at the hotel

Tour finishes after breakfast. Extend your stay or make your own way to the airport.

- Breakfast provided

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Tessellated Pavement
Tasman Peninsula



COST

\$5890/PERSON TWIN SHARE. \$1732 SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

Costs include the following services as per itinerary

- 8 nights accommodation as per itinerary
- Local experienced Driver/Guide throughout days 1-8
- Southwest Wilderness flight excursion
- Boat tour Bathurst Harbour
- Tasman Island Coastal Cruise
- Entry to Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary
- All National Park fees
- Sightseeing as per itinerary by private, air-conditioned charter vehicle
- Meals as per itinerary, 8 x breakfast, 7 x lunch, 1 x dinner
- Goods & Service Tax (GST)

Costs do not include

- Domestic or international airfares
- Pre-registration, late check-out or day use at hotels other than specified above
- Guide services other than specified
- Meals/beverages other than specified
- Tips and gratuities
- Optional tours/services
- Travel insurance



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Friendly Beaches,
Freycinet Peninsula

COVID-19
ALL RESPONSES
WILL BE MADE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH
BEST PRACTICE
MEDICAL AND OFFICIAL
GOVERNMENT ADVICE.

EXTRA INFO

Travel dates

- 12–20 April 2021
- 23 September–1 October 2021
- 4–12 November 2021
- 17–25 February 2022

Accommodation

- **Hobart:** Grand Chancellor Mountain View Room
www.grandchancellorhotels.com
- **Freycinet:** Freycinet Lodge One Bedroom Cabin
www.freycinetlodge.com.au
- **Cradle Mountain:** Cradle Mountain Lodge Pencil Pine Cabin
www.cradlemountainlodge.com.au
- **Launceston:** Peppers Silo Tamar River Room
www.peppers.com.au

Guide

- Experienced Driver/Guide from days 1–8

Transport

- Fully air-conditioned 12-seater touring vehicle

Costs for the travel arrangements as per itinerary

- The costs are valid until February 2022
- All costs are net based on per person twin share costs in Australian Dollars (AUD).

Min. 6 Pax / Max. 8 Pax	AUD \$5890
Single supplement	AUD \$1732

Please note should there be any further government taxes or surcharges introduced after this quote has been forwarded we reserve the right to requote our proposal.



Devil at Bonorong

COVID-19

Commitment to Safety (COVID-19)

We work on the highest standards and our first priority is the safety and health of our valued guests from all over the world.

To ensure every employee of the operator follows the protocols in place, we conduct training on a regular basis and have procedures in place that follow the guidance of public health advice in Tasmania.

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