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JACARANDA FESTIVAL & MID NORTH COAST

31 OCTOBER - 6 NOVEMBER

2024

Jacaranda Festival & Mid North Coast

31 Oct - 6 November - Amended Itinerary

Day 1: Thursday 31st October 2024

LD

Dubbo ~ Tamworth

Your tour starts early today as there is lots experience on your way to Grafton. Enjoy the scenery as we travel north to Quirindi. Here you will discover the quirky Bob's Shed. Filled with an enormous amount of history and nostalgia, you will have time for a browse as well as enjoy a cup of tea. Before leaving Quirindi you can have a look at the new silo art in town, then we have to head to Nundle. A hearty country lunch will be provided before a tour of the Nundle Woollen Mill. Accommodation tonight is at Tamworth and we will be sure to see the Golden Guitar on the way into town. Enjoy dinner at your motel and a good nights sleep.

Day 2: Friday 1st November 2024

B

Tamworth ~ Armidale ~ Grafton

Another early start today to give you enough time to enjoy the guided house tour at Saumarez Homestead, with some time to view the amazing gardens. The two storey, 30 room Edwardian mansion is the jewel of Saumarez. Wander through its rooms and the farm buildings to be transported back to 19th century pastoral life. Indulge your senses in the picturesque gardens surrounding the Homestead, which comes alive in spring with swathes of bulbs, cottage flowers and wisteria. In early summer, masses of roses bloom in the Heritage Rose Garden, contrasting against the big New England skies. Lunch today will be your own expense in Armidale then it's off to Glen Innes for a chance to see the Standing Stones. The road to Grafton is quite winding but with wonderful country views. Tonight, you can check into your accommodation for the next 2 nights. But don't settle in just yet, we will take you down to Memorial Park for the Venetian Festival and night entertainment. There will be food vendors at the park so you can get some dinner on site (own expense)



Day 3: Saturday 2nd November 2024

BD

Jacaranda Festival

Enjoy breakfast at a local café then today is all about exploring Grafton. There will be a town tour to see some of the heritage buildings in town and we will visit See Park for your chance to get that amazing Jacaranda photograph. There will be lots to do in town today with markets and entertainment including the Splash of Tartan Pipe Bands & Jacaranda Highland Dancers in Market Square. This afternoon will be the Jacaranda Float Parade in Prince Street. Dinner will be at a local café and there will be entertainment in Market Square for those interested in

another night out. Please note that the 2024 Festival Program has not been released yet so these activities are yet to be confirmed.

Day 4: Sunday 3rd November 2024

BLD

Grafton ~ Yamba

Today is a change of pace as after a leisurely breakfast we will hit the road to head north and enjoy the scenery travelling into Yamba. Here you will have the opportunity to board the Clarence River Ferry and enjoy cruising the Clarence River while being entertained with live music from local artists. Lunch will be served to the group on board so you can sit back and relax. After the cruise you will check into our Yamba accommodation before having some free time to explore the town. Dinner tonight will be at the local Bowling Club.

Day 5: Monday 4th November 2024

BD

Yamba ~ Coffs Harbour ~ South West Rocks

After breakfast this morning we will start making our way down the coastal route home. First stop will be at the headland at Woolgoolga to enjoy the beautiful ocean views. Then it's a short drive down the highway to Coffs Harbour. You could stop for a photo opportunity at the Big Banana and then visit the Clog Barn for morning tea (own expense) with some time to browse the wonderful miniature Dutch Village. Here you can experience the colour and charm of Holland while in Coffs Harbour. Take a delightful stroll around the miniature model Dutch Village with its miniature working windmills and garden railway! All models have been hand made by owner Tom Hartsuyker.



A short drive down the coast will bring you to Urunga with time to grab some lunch and if you would like to stretch your legs there is a boardwalk with amazing views over the river and ocean. But you still have time for one more experience. Step back in time at Trial Bay Gaol, soaking up the history and the amazing coastal views that surround it. The gaol opened in 1886, after 13 years of construction. It must have been a strange feeling building a prison in such a beautiful setting. The prison labourers were there to construct a breakwater to make Trial Bay a safe harbour between Sydney and Brisbane. Unfortunately, the scheme failed, however you'll still be able to see the remains of the breakwater from the guard tower lookout. During World War I the gaol became an internment camp for people of German descent who were feared to be enemy sympathisers.



TOUR PRICE

\$2,850 Per Person Twin Share
\$3,550 Single Traveller

Deposit: \$300 per person required on booking
Final Payment: Wednesday 25th September 2024

Today, this picturesque historic ruin stands as a testament to those who lived and died here, with a museum and memorial for visitors to get a better idea of life in those days. After your guided tour of the gaol, we will check in for tonight's accommodation and dinner.

There will be time for a swim in the pool, or perhaps explore the beach.



Day 6: Tuesday 5th November 2024 BLD South West Rocks ~ Kempsey ~ Port Macquarie

After breakfast this morning we are off to Kempsey to visit the amazing Slim Dusty Centre. Built as a flexible multipurpose facility, the Slim Dusty Centre holds the famous Slim Dusty Museum, a gift shop, art gallery and café. The Slim Dusty Museum exhibition features objects and images from the Kirkpatrick family's own extensive archive, as well as contributions from fans and friends from all over the world. Visually rich and astonishingly varied, the display provides a look into Slim's first steps into show business, the early years of adventures with Joy and their mates touring the towns and villages of Australia's outback and the glory days of life on the showgrounds of Australia with artistes and performers of vaudevillian delights. Memory acts, dental trapeze and comedy skits were all part of Slim and Joy's shows for years, until they settled into the type of performances for which they became famous; rollicking country music and Slim's natural good humour, all with a very Australian flavour.

Enjoy the costumes, the images of Australian life and its people, the music of some of Australia's finest musicians and the insights into Australia's vast history and geography that only Slim and Joy's sixty years on the road can provide. But we have to drag ourselves away and continue our journey down the coast as we head into Port Macquarie and all it offers. First stop will be a self-guided visit to Roto House. From the moment you pass the picket fence and enter the bull-nosed veranda of Roto House, it feels as though you've stepped back in time. Built by surveyor John Flynn in 1891, this 11 room weatherboard house constructed from local red mahogany was occupied by his family right up until 1979. It's still lovingly maintained by the National Parks and Wildlife Service to this day. Next stop is the Sea Acres Rainforest Centre where the group will have lunch at the café. Then there will be time to explore the centre and to enjoy a stroll around the rainforest boardwalk.

Finish the day off with a guided tour of the Koala Hospital. The Koala Hospital has been helping rescue and rehabilitate koalas since 1973. The facility is run by Koala Conservation Australia Limited, which is a not-for-profit organisation that includes approximately 200 volunteers dedicated to rescuing and rehabilitating koalas and conserving and restoring their natural habitats. After checking in to tonight's accommodation at Port Macquarie you may like to have a swim before dinner.

Day 7: Wednesday 6th November 2024 BL Port Macquarie ~ Dubbo

Time for an early breakfast before we head off for the last day. Morning tea will be a quick stop on arrival to Williamstown and then there will be time for a visit to Fighter World. Fighter World has its origins in the original RAAF Williamtown Base Museum. This was established in the early 1980s and comprised a wartime hut located near the main gate. Display items included aircraft parts and equipment, uniforms, photographs and memorabilia. The museum has developed and upgraded and now Fighter World displays are unique as they are a totally 'hands on' experience with over 15 aircraft from WWI vintage to the modern era in its collection. The exhibits are displayed in two large hangars. One of the great visitor experiences is the opportunity to sit in the cockpit of a Mirage fighter or Macchi jet trainer and imagine what it must be like to command one of these great machines.

Fighter World has disabled access and visitors to Fighter World can walk around, touch and peer into the cockpits of Mirage fighters, a Sabre, the Gloster Meteor and the first Vampire jet built in Australia. There is a Russian designed MiG-21 jet fighter, Hawker Hunter, WWII Spitfire and Messerschmitt replicas and much, much more. The Observation Deck located at the rear of the main hangar provides not only a great view of all the action but allows visitors the opportunity to listen to the live audio feed from Air Traffic Control. Before leaving, the group will have lunch at the Fighter Beans Café and then it will just be a comfort stop at Merriwa before arriving back into Dubbo. Hopefully you will have made lots of amazing memories over the last seven days of travel.



INFORMATION, TERMS & CONDITIONS

The terms and conditions and limitation of liability under which all tours that are organised and/or operated by Langley's Coaches in conjunction with Orana Coaches Pty Ltd hereinafter called "the Company" are detailed hereunder and the payment of the tour deposit or tour price represents acceptance by the purchaser of the following:

Your Coach

Experience the superb luxury and the safety of our Denning & Scania coaches which have the following features: rest room, DVD & CD, air-conditioning, reclining fabric or leather seats, large panoramic windows, air suspension.

Luggage Limits and Clothing

Only one medium suitcase 65cm (26 inch) long x 45cm (18 inch) wide x 25cm (10 inch) deep and 15 kgs (33 lbs) in weight per person with a small bag to take on the coach. Luggage limit for some tours is available on request, phone Langley's. **EXCESS LUGGAGE CANNOT BE CARRIED** Our coaches are fitted with overhead racks for your personal effects. Clothing should be casual, with lighter clothing necessary for the tropics and warmer clothes for the southern areas, especially for some nights. Bring swimmers, towel, hat, sunglasses, insect repellent, sensible walking shoes, warm jacket and an extra supply of all camera needs.

Motels

Your comfort is important so we select the best motels available and all** the rooms have private facilities. Most motels are licensed, centrally located with swimming pools and laundries. **Facilities in remote areas may be less elaborate and may not have private facilities.

Meals

Every morning we start with a full Australian breakfast of fruit juice, cereal or fruit, a cooked dish, toast and coffee and tea. Except for special occasions, lunch is not included as individual preferences vary so much. Dinner is included unless otherwise stated on the itinerary.

Smoking and Alcohol

Government regulations forbid smoking and alcohol consumption in and on tourist coaches, however frequent stops provide the opportunity for those who desire to smoke.

Fares

All coach tour fares in this brochure are guaranteed and not subject to increase, other than any new Government Taxes, air, sea or rail services, over which we have no control! Fares can be found in the fare box for each tour and include accommodation on a twin/double share basis, breakfast and most dinners and all sightseeing, cruises and inspection fees as per itinerary. Overseas departure taxes are included unless stated otherwise but may be subject to change.

Fares Do Not Include

Lunch, morning and afternoon teas and occasional dinners (except where indicated as included on itinerary) and all items of a personal nature such as laundry, telephone calls, drinks and items of an emergency nature.

Single Supplement

A limited number of these are available on most tours.

Travelling Alone

Where a single passenger is willing to share accommodation with a fellow single passenger the company will endeavor to find another of the same gender, however if no suitable companion can be arranged, single supplement must be paid. The Company otherwise accepts no responsibility of the rooming partner and it is a condition of travel that the single passengers willing to share accommodation, accept the rooming partners allocated by the Company. If a passenger at any time during the tour considers the rooming partner to be unsuitable the Company will, subject to availability and at additional cost to the passenger, arrange single accommodation.

Booking Procedure

A deposit is required as indicated on booking. Final payment due one month prior to departure unless indicated on individual itineraries. Please contact us or your travel agent. Travel agents can forward deposits and other payments on your behalf, but are not the Company's agent purpose of receipt of monies. Receipt of deposit and/or payment by the travel agent does not constitute receipt by the Company and the Company is not liable in respect of monies paid to your travel agent, until monies are received by the Company. It is a condition of carriage that a passenger has paid all tour monies prior to the departure date. The Company will not be bound by any representation reported to have been made on their behalf, unless the representation is confirmed by the Company.

Itinerary

The Company reserves the right to alter or change the accommodation, carriers or coaches at any time for any reason. It also has the right to cancel/alter the itinerary and/or tour without notice as may be found necessary for any reason whatsoever including, but not limited to road, weather or traffic conditions, non performance of suppliers, industrial action, operational conditions and requirements. All additional expenses incurred as a result of any delays, cancellations or alterations will be the sole responsibility of the passenger. Whilst the Company will take all reasonable steps to provide an enjoyable tour, the Company accepts no liability for any loss of enjoyment whatsoever and howsoever experience by the passengers.

Minimum Numbers Policy

All tours are subject to minimum numbers for tour to operate.

Coach Seat Rotation

For the enjoyment of all travelers the Company operates a daily seat rotation system which all travelers must participate in as a condition of booking. (On selected tours)

Cancellation Policy

We strongly recommend you to take out travel insurance to protect your tour fare. Cancellation fees will be charged if you have to cancel your booking with us. The following fees below will apply, in addition to any monies already paid on your behalf to our suppliers.

Domestic Tours

60 days and over \$100 administration fee
44 to 31 days 15% of total fare
30 to 15 days 25% of total fare
14 to 1 day no refund

If a tour has commenced, no refund of fare or unused portion of the tour will be refunded

Special Cancellation Fees*

International Tours

European River Cruises. Evergreen Tours*

91 days and over Loss of deposit plus any applicable airline cancellation fees
90 or less 100% of tour price

Norfolk Island*

65 days and over Loss of Deposit
65 days or less 100% of tour price.

New Zealand*

65 days and over Loss of deposit plus any applicable airline cancellation fees.
8-59 days 50% of the tour package price
7 days or less 100% of the tour package price

Passengers Requirements and Conditions

No passenger will be permitted to embark or continue on the tour while their mental or physical condition is, in the opinion of any representative of the Company, such as to render them incapable, objectionable to other passengers, or they become a hazard to themselves or other passengers. The Company will not be responsible for expenses resulting in such persons being precluded from completing the tour for any reason.

COVID-19

If you test positive for Covid while on board our tour, you may need to leave the tour and enter an isolation period. This depends on Government requirements at the time. If you are required to travel home in a private vehicle you will be responsible for the payment of any additional expenses incurred outside of our planned itinerary. We will of course do everything in our power to help organise these arrangements for you, but Langley's Coaches will not be held responsible for any fees incurred outside of our planned itinerary. You may need to forfeit any money paid for the remainder of the coach tour.

***Travel Insurance is not included but is HIGHLY recommended.**



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