

GREAT VALUE TOURS



Eco Platypus is a touring company specialising in nature-based adventure tours for backpackers and travellers interested in experiencing Australia's true beauty. Our company is small and Australian owned with many years of experience hosting International visitors. We offer the best priced quality tours that Victoria has to offer. Let us provide you with memories that will last a lifetime.

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TOUR SUMMARYS



GREAT OCEAN ROAD FROM JUST \$94*



GREAT OCEAN ROAD SUNSET FROM JUST \$89*



PHILLIP ISLAND PENGUIN PARADE FROM JUST \$99*



THE GRAMPIANS FROM JUST \$99*



MELBOURNE CITY FROM JUST \$39*



MT BULLER FROM JUST \$105*



PUFFING BILLY FROM JUST \$95*



YARRA VALLEY WINE FROM JUST \$119*



HEALES VILLE SANCTUARY FROM JUST \$119*



SOVEREIGN HILL FROM JUST \$109*



Cantonese, Mandarin, Dutch Japanese, Korean, Spanish (latin), French, German, Portuguese (Brazil). We provide the use of free iPods in 9 languages on both our Great Ocean Road tour and Penguin Parade and Koala Highlights tour. This personalised commentary service (by use of the iPod Nano) covers all the highlights of each tour,

and is delivered in a clear, concise and informative manner.



* Please note that to guarantee use of the free iPod, the iPod needs to be requested at time of booking. Also, we require a small holding security on day of travel.

GREAT OCEAN ROAD

OPERATES: DAILY

Departs: 7:30am Returns 9pm

GOR01



HIGHLIGHTS

-) Koalas in the wild
- Cape Otway and Port Campbell National Parks
- > Ancient rainforest, giant eucalyptus trees
-) Loch Ard Gorge: historic shipwreck site
- > Breathtaking coastal lookouts
-) London Bridge or Gibson Steps
- View the spectacular 12 Apostles in all their glory

INCLUDES: Morning tea, Lunch, National Park entry - Aircond. coach travel

* FARE PRICES

Book 1 person \$99 Book 2 or more and pay only \$94 each

ADD ONS:

12 Apostles Helicopter Flight \$100 (subject to availability)





GREAT OCEAN ROAD SUNSET

OPERATES: DAILY

Departs: 10am (winter) 12pm (summer) Return: 9:30pm (winter) 11:30pm (summer)

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INCLUDES
LUNCH

HIGHLIGHTS

-) 12 Apostles at Sunset
-) Koalas in the wild
- Cape Otway and Port Campbell National Park
- Ancient rainforest, giant eucolyptus trees
-) Loch Ard Gorge: historic shipwreck coast
-) Breathtaking coastal Lookouts
-) Gibson Steps

INCLUDES: Lunch, National Park entry - Aircond. coach travel

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Add on Eureka Skydeck and Edge Experience voucher for only \$15 (usually \$30.50)



PHILLIP ISLAND PENGUIN PARADE WITH KOALAS

OPERATES: DAILY

Departs: 11:00am Returns 10pm - 11:30pm (seasonal)

PEX01



- magnificent coastal sites and viewing amazing scenery
- > Explore Phillip Island's pristine beaches & rocky coastline
- > Opportunity to cool down in one of Phillip Island's inviting
- Visit a wildlife park and see Koalas up close
- Home to Aussie wildlife including kangaroos
- > Learn the astonishing life of the penguins at the interactive, award winning information centre.
- > Witness the world's smallest & cutest penguins waddle ashore

INCLUDES: Penguin Parade entry fees, Lunch, Afternoon tea Maru Park Entry Fee, Aircond Coach Travel.

* FARE PRICES

Book 1 person \$105 Book 2 or more and pay only \$99 each

ADD ONS:

Penguins Plus Upgrade \$23





THE GRAMPIANS

OPERATES: TUE/WED/FRI/SUN

Departs: 7:30am Returns 9pm



HIGHLIGHTS

- View the famous Jaws of Death as featured in the famous Japanese Animation Princess Mononoke
- Explore the wonder and history that the ancient Grampians Mountain Range has to offer
- Home to an abundant amount of Aussie wildlife
-) Pass through the historic gold towns of Beaufort & Ararat
- Scenic township of Halls Gap
-) Enjoy the amazing views from Reeds Lookout
- > Experience the amazing rock formations at Balconies Walk
- Cool off at the base of McKenzie Falls
-) Get fantastic views at Boroka Lookout
- > Experience Aboriginal Culture at Brambuk Cultural Centre
-) Morning tea and cookies

INCLUDES: National Park entry - morning tea, Aircond Coach Travel.

* This itinerary may be subject to change due to extreme weather, road and track conditions

Book 1 person \$105 Book 2 or more and pay only \$99 each







MELBOURNE CITY TOUR

OPERATES: DAILY

Departs: 8:10 returns: 1pm

MCT01



- Explore this cosmopolitan city and view historic buildings
- Walk around the Royal Botanic Gardens
- View Captain Cook's Cottage in Fitzroy Gardens
- > See the bustling Queen Victoria Markets
- > Drive along side the Formula 1 track at Albert Park
- See the World famous Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG)
- View Port Phillip Bay, the Yarra River and Victorian Arts Centre

INCLUDES: Air conditioned Coach Travel.

* FARE PRICES

Book 1 person \$45

Book 2 or more and pay only \$39 each

ADD ONS:

River Cruise \$26



MT BULLER SNOW TOUR

OPERATES: DAILY (JUNE – OCTOBER)

(Dates may vary depending on snowfall) Departs: 5:30am Returns: 9pm

MBS01



HIGHLIGHTS

- Enjoy up to 5 hours in the snow
- Express transfers to Mt Buller
- A full day of fun on the slopes
-) Discount hire of snow equipment and clothing
- Explore the Alpine village shops, cafes and bars
- Opportunity to ski or snowboard on fully designed terrain park
-) Toboggan park for the non-skier

INCLUDES: Mt Buller Resort entry - Express Aircond. Coach Travel

* FARE PRICES

Book 1 person \$109

Book 2 or more and pay only \$105 each



PUFFING BILLY TOUR

OPERATES: DAILY

Departs: 8am Returns: 1pm

PB01



HIGHLIGHTS

- > Ride on the world famous colonial steam train Puffing Billy
- > Journey through the breath taking Dandenong Mountains
- Feel the wind in your hair and dangle out your arms and feet of this specially designed steam train
- Experience some of Australia most beautiful natural scenery and enormously tall trees
- > Try some original Aussie Tucker and Devonshire Tea
-) Get up close to some amazingly colourful native birds
- Hear the history of the picturesque and charming towns that played an important role in the development of Victoria

INCLUDES: Morning Tea, Puffing Billy Train Fare, National Park Entry Fees, Air conditioned Coach Travel.

* FARE PRICES

Book 1 person \$99

Book 2 or more and pay only \$95 each



YARRA VALLEY WINE TOUR

OPERATES: MON/WED/FRI/SUN

Departs 10am returns 5.30pm

YVW01



Visit three highly renowned Yarra Valley Wineries for wine tasting

- Visit a stunning winery for a fantastic lunch
-) Enjoy tastings at the famous Rochford Winery
- Tour the spectacular Yarra Valley

INCLUDES: Lunch, Wine Tasting, Glass of Wine, Glass of Sparkling Wine, Air conditioned coach travel.

* FARE PRICES

Book 1 person \$125 Book 2 or more and pay only \$119 each



Wineries may change depending on availability

PUFFING BILLY, WINERY & HEALESVILLE **SANCTUARY**

OPERATES: MON/WED/FRI/SUN

Departs 8am Returns 5.30pm

PWH01



- Ride on the world famous colonial steam train Puffing Billy
- > Feel the wind in your hair and dangle out your arms and feet of this specially designed steam train
- Visit a stunning winery for a fantastic lunch
- > Travel through the breath taking Dandenong Mountains
- > Try some original Aussie Tucker and Devonshire Tea
- Visit some of Australia's most acclaimed animal sanctuaries Healesville Sanctuary
- > Take a guided tours with the experts to find out everything you ever wanted to know about Aussie animals
- See the astonishing Birds of Prey presentation

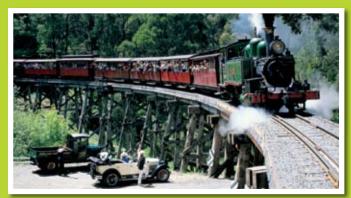
INCLUDES: Morning Tea, Puffing Billy Train Fare, National Park Entry Fees, Wine Tasting, Healesville Sanctuary Entry Fee, Air conditioned Coach Travel

* FARE PRICES

Book 1 person \$125 Book 2 or more and pay only \$119 each

ADD ONS:

Winery Lunch \$40



Wineries may change depending on availability

SOVEREIGN HILL & BALLARAT

OPERATES: MON/TUE/THU/SAT

Departs 8.20am Returns 5.30pm

SH01



Visit shops and goldsmiths and craftsmen of a bygone era

- Try your luck panning for gold
- > See working horses including Clydesdales as they go about their everyday business
- > Take an underground adventure tour of the Red Hill Mine, which depicts the discovery the world's second largest gold nugget ever found
- > See performers bring back to life the ways of old
- Hear the story of Australia's infamous Eureka Stockade
- Visit the historic and charming town of Ballarat
- Visit the Gold Museum

INCLUDES: National Park Entry Fees, Sovereign Hill Entry Fee, Air conditioned Coach Travel

* FARE PRICES

Book 1 person \$115 Book 2 or more and pay only \$109 each

ADD ONS:



PICKUP PLACES

Great Ocean Road Tour – Phillip Island Penguin Parade Tour – Grampians Tour

Space Hotel - 380 Russell Street Melbourne

YHA Melbourne Metro - 78 Howard Street North Melbourne

Nomads Melbourne - 196 A'Beckett Street Melbourne

Discovery Melbourne - 167 Franklin Street Melbourne

Melbourne International Backpackers - Cnr Franklin & Elizabeth Street Melbourne

Regent Theatre - 191 Collins Street Melbourne

King Street Backpackers - Cnr of King & Little Bourke Street Melbourne

Batman Hill Hotel - Cnr Collins & Spencer Street Melbourne

YHA Melbourne Central - 562 Flinders Street Melbourne

Immigration Museum - Cnr Flinders & Market Street Melbourne

Urban Central - 334 City Road Southbank

Coffee Palace - Cnr Jackson & Grey Street St Kilda

Habitat HQ - 333 St Kilda Road St Kilda

Base Backpackers - 17 Carlisle Street St Kilda



Federation Square - Corner of Flinders St & Russel St

Atlantis Hotel - 300 Spencer St

Flinders Holiday Inn – 575 Flinders Lane (Lane Entrance)

King St Backpackers - Corner of King St & Little Bourke St

Sofitel on Collins - 25 Collins St (Post Office)

Rydges Melbourne - 181 Exhibition St

Rydges Swanston - 701 Swanston St Carlton (Side Entrance)

YHA Metro - 78 Howard Street North Melbourne

Hotel Ibis (Therry St) - 15-21 Therry St Melbourne

Novotel St Kilda - 16 The Esplanade St Kilda

Yarra Valley Winery Tour

Federation Square - Corner of Flinders St & Russel St

Flinders Holiday Inn – 575 Flinders Lane (Lane Entrance)

King St Backpackers - Corner of King St & Little Bourke St

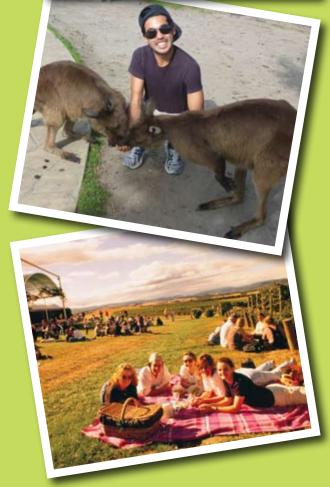
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