# R BRISBANE · GOLD COAST · MELBOURNE · SYDNEY AUCKLAND · QUEENSTOWN · WELLINGTON · CHRISTCHURCH

THE BEST OF AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND (19DAYS/17NIGHTS) Brisbane – Gold Coast – Melbourne- Sydney - Auckland - Queenstown- Wellington - Christchurch -August 18 – 03 September 2024

#### D1| AUG 18: Manila Airport

(Inflight Meals)

Meet at NAIA terminal at least 4 hours before the standard check in time of your international flight, then to immigration and finally to your assigned boarding gate.

### D2| AUG 19: Brisbane

(L/D)

Welcome to Brisbane. Meet your local English-Speaking guide at Brisbane airport. See the sights of historic Brisbane. Australia's third largest city and Queensland's capital city. From a trendy cafe club culture to thriving shops and 19th century sandstone buildings. learn the history and culture behind this and coming metropolitan centre. Highlights of this tour includes: Views of St Stephen's Cathedral and Cathedral Square, Pass the City Botanic Gardens, located on the edge of the Brisbane River, Travel under Story Bridge, a heritage listed steel cantilever bridge spanning the Brisbane River, Parliament House - the meeting place of the Queensland Government. Glimpse the Treasury Hotel & Casino. Anzac Square in the heart of Brisbane and home to the Shrine of Remembrance, Heritage listed City Hall, built in the 1920's, Kangaroo Point Cliffs - panoramic views of Brisbane. Cross the Brisbane River by the Captain Cook Bridge and Story Bridge, Mt Cootha, Travel through Fortitude Valley - home to a mix of the old and new Chinatown. After the short city tour of Brisbane, transfer by coach to Gold Coastl Surfers Paradise for your dinner and accommodation.

#### D3| AUG 20: Paradise Jet Boating + Movie World

(B/D)

After breakfast, enjoy sweeping views of the greater Gold Coast region with entry to the SkyPoint Observation Deck. Located on level 77 of Queensland's iconic Q1 Tower. The SkyPoint Observation Deck is a scenic attraction not to be missed as it's incredibly popular with both locals and tourists. A Gold Coast iet boating experience is one of the best things to do in the Gold Coast. Enjoy a 30-minute Gold Coast jet boat ride and enjoy the high-speed thrills speeding out on the Broadwater. This is a mustdo Gold Coast experience for adrenaline seekers who will be treated to an amazing journey on the powerful 6600hp twin-turbo engine jet boats with your driver performing heart racing 360-degree spins, fishtails and beach buzzing, travelling out to Wave Break and South Stradbroke Island. Movie World is the home of your favourite superheroes. The park also packs a punch with several thrilling rollercoasters that are sure to get your adrenaline pumping. DC Rivals Hypercoaster is the newest ride to open at Movie World and is the tallest, fastest and longest Hypercoaster in the Southern Hemisphere. Roller coaster enthusiasts will also enjoy the Superman Escape, Batman Spaceshot, Green Lantern, Scooby Doo Spooky Coaster: Next Generation and Arkham Asvlum. Don't miss the Hollywood Stunt Driver show and the main street parade which are sure to be highlights of your visit to the theme park. At the end of the day proceed to dinner at Harvest Buffet at the Star, afterwards back to hotel for overnight.

# D4I AUG 21: Currumbin Wild Life Sanctuary – Melbourne (by flight)

Early breakfast, then check out. Today we will visit Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary on the Gold Coast has long been one of the most popular attractions in south-east Queensland. Get up close with a ton of the best and cutest native Aussie and exotic wildlife at the many interactive displays and wide-open enclosures, while walking amongst the lush, comfortable eucalyptus and rainforest environments, you can cuddle up to and have your photo taken with a koala, get up close with crocodiles, hand-feed the many friendly kangaroos and much, much more. Be sure to stay around for the **Rainbow Lorikeet feeding** – one of the main attractions. We proceed to lunch (on own), then we depart for Melbourne. Arrive Melbourne airport and meet your assistance at the airport, proceed to your Coach airport transfer with 1hr meal stop Dinner: Buffet dinner at New Quay Restaurant then proceed to your hotel Holiday Inn Express Melbourne on Little Collins for 2 nights. Goodnight Melbourne.

D5/AUG 22: Melbourne City tour + Philip Island

After breakfast, a visit to Melbourne would not be complete without doing our city tour. The city tour of Melbourne includes a few special treats that will make your visit even more memorable. Head to Federation Square and tour past Old Melbourne Gaol, Parliament House and Princess Theatre. Highlights of the Tour includes Old Melbourne Gaol. The Italian hub of Lygon Street home to restaurants and vibrant cafe culture, World renowned Melbourne University, Impressive structures of the Royal Exhibition Buildings & Museum . Melbourne's Parliament House and classic Princess Theatre. Melbourne catholic cathedral, St Patrick's for photo stop, Wander around Captain Cook's Cottage (own expense) and the peaceful Fitzroy Gardens, Victorian terraced houses of East Melbourne. Grandeur of Flinders Street Station Federation Square - central meeting place of Melbourne, After lunch reboard your coach and transfer to Philip Island Nobbies Tourist Information Centre. Here you will be able to find out all you need to know about the Nobbies Blowhole and Seal Rock precinct. Nobbies Lookout and Boardwalk. Take on the glorious views of the Nobbies and Seal Rock region from this iconic lookout. Then walk the boardwalk with ocean views to the Nobbies blowhole and Seal Rock and just enjoy the spectacular surrounds. Phillip Island Penguin Parade and Dinner and be ready to witness the world-famous Penguin Parade. Watch the penguins emerge from the rolling waves and make their way across the sand to their burrows, proceed back to hotel for overnight.

# D6I AUS 23: Melbourne - SYD (BY FLIGHT)

Welcome to Sydney. After breakfast, check out and proceed to the airport for your flight to Sydney, upon arrival, meet your tour coach at the airport and proceed for Sydney city tour. Svdney - set on the beautiful blue Svdney Harbour, this fast-paced city of cosmopolitan character is one of the world's most beautiful places. Colonial history, stunning architecture, superb waterways, gracious harbourside suburbs and friendly people epitomise the vibrance of this spectacular city. You will tour through the historic Rocks area and take in views of the Opera House. See Hyde Park, St Mary's Cathedral, Parliament House and the Art Gallerv. Stop at Mrs Macquarie's Chair for magnificent views of the Opera House and Harbour Bridge. See the colourful Royal Botanic Gardens on your way to visit The Gap and enjoy stunning views. Highlights of this tour includes, historic Rocks area - the birthplace of Sydney, Sydney Opera House, Conservatorium of Music. Hvde Park. St. Marv's Cathedral - possible stop. Parliament House, Art Gallerv of NSW, Roval Botanic Gardens, Svdnev Town Hall, Sydney Tower, Darling Harbour, Stop at Mrs Macquarie's Chair - great photo opportunity of the Harbour Bridge and the Opera House! Visit Bondi Beach.

# D7| AUG 24: Sydney City tour

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After breakfast, visit one of the world's most famous icons with a guided Sydney Opera House. Designed by Danish Architect Jørn Utzon, this UNESCO World Heritage-listed site boasts a unique design, adding to its allure. This architecturally exquisite building is located on the edge of the Harbour, surrounded by other world-famous icons such as the Sydney Harbour Bridge. Enjoy your Lunch in a cruise while watching an amazing view of Sydney Opera House & cruise under the famous Harbour Bridge for 1 hr and 45minutes via Magistic Cruises. In the afternoon, step inside the Opera House and you'll be mesmerised by the furnishings and decorations that line the interior of the building, adding to its sophistication and charm. Hosting approximately 1600 entertainment events annually including operas, dramas and ballets. Afterwards proceed for Chinese Dinner before returning back to your hotel for a good night's rest.

# D8| AUG 25: Blue Mountain tour /DFO Shopping

(B/L/D) After breakfast at hotel, you will be transported to the World Heritage Listed Blue Mountains. Our Blue Mountains Day Tour offers breathtaking views from the mountain tops, spectacular wildlife, historic rock formations and sandstone cliffs. The tour would not be complete without hearing all about the Aboriginal History in the Blue Mountains and the legend of the world famous Three Sister rock formation. Next, we visit Scenic World, where you can ride the world's steepest Scenic Railway the Scenic Skyway or the Cableway. Lunch is served at the LOOK OUT. In the afternoon, we'll start to make our way back to Sydney. En route home we will pass by Homebush Bay which was home to the 2000 Olympic Games or we can pass by at DFO Homebush Bay for retail therapy. In the evening, your dinner is at Svdnev Tower Revolving Restaurant.



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# D9| AUG 26: Sydney -Auckland by flight

After breakfast, free and easy until check out then proceed to your flight to connect to Auckland. Upon arrival in Auckland, meet with your local guide then proceed to your dinner then to your hotel for overnight.

#### D10| AUG 27: Auckland -Waitomo - Rotorua

After breakfast we drive to Roturua via Waitomo for a guided tour of *Waitomo Glowworm Cave*, known as one of New Zealand's best natural attractions. Take a boat ride through the Glowworm Grotto, marvel at thousands of magical glowworms and become part of over 130 years of cultural and natural history. Explore the cave by foot before embarking on a boat ride, gliding silently through the starry wonderland of the Glowworm Grotto. The Waitomo Glowworm Caves tours are made up of two levels. The upper chamber is dry and decorated with stunning, delicate cave formations, and the lower level consists of stream passages, glowworms and the Cathedral, the tallest chamber in the cave. Stop for a western homestead lunch, then in the afternoon proceed to *Te Po Combo of Te Puia for a guided tour,* watch a *Maori Cultural Experience and Hangi Buffet for Dinner*. Proceed to your hotel in Rotorua for overnight.

#### D11| AUG 28: Rotorua - Matamata - Rotorua

After breakfast, we travel to Matamata. In the morning, we will visit Agrodome Farm in Rotorua, experience a unique farm experience and some of the most fun family activities in Rotorua, watch a fun-packed hour of entertainment and education, the legendary Farm Show! On your way, step into the enchanting village of Hobbiton Movie Set from The Lord of the Rings movie trilogy and The Hobbit films. Experience the real Middle-earth at the Hobbiton Movie Set, where, in the heart of the Waikato region, you can step into the lush pastures of the Shire, as seen in The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit film trilogies. Fall in love with the Alexander family sheep farm, as you journey on a short bus ride through the unequivocal beauty of the land, with the mighty Kaimai Ranges towering in the distance. Your guide will escort you to the colourful Hobbit Hole doors that scatter the hillsides, including the iconic Bag End, home of Bilbo and Frodo Baggins, before arriving at Bagshot Row for a glimpse of the interior of a humble Hobbit's home. Continue along the pathways past The *Millhouse*, across the double-arch stone bridge and into the world-famous Green Dragon Inn, where you will enjoy a complimentary, exclusive beverage from our Hobbit South-farthing range to conclude your own Middleearth adventure. Proceed back to Rotorua for dinner and overnight.

# D12| AUG 29: Rotorua - Taupo - Wellington

After breakfast, we check out and drive to **Wellington** via **Taupo**, on our way we stop for a photo-op at **Huka falls**, **Huka Rivers and the sparkling Lake Taupo**, the great inland sea of **New Zealand**. **The Huka Falls** are the largest falls on the Waikato River, near Taupo on New Zealand's North Island. It is said to be the most visited natural attraction in New Zealand! Stop for lunch along the way then continue your drive to Wellington, New Zealand capital city which sits near the North Island's southermost point on the Cook Strait. A compact city, it encompasses a waterfront promenade, sandy beaches, a working harbour and colourful timber houses on surrounding hills. Upon arrival, proceed to hotel for check in, dinner and overnight. Rest of the day is at free pace.

#### D13| AUG 30: Wellington

After breakfast, we will have a full day tour around New Zealand's Capital City, visit *Mount Victoria Lookout*, a stunning 360-degree views of Wellington City, the harbour and the ocean to the south, see *the Explore Wellington's Waterfront, Parliament and Beehive, old St Pauls Cathedral, and Botanic Garden Visit Te Papa*. New Zealand's bold and innovative national museum and a recognised world leader in interactive and visitor-focused museum experiences. Lunch enroute and in the afternoon, you will have free time to explore around wellington for shopping on your own pace. At the end of the day return to hotel for dinner and overnight.

# D14| AUG 31: Wellington - Queenstown (By flight)

After breakfast, continue your tour to Queenstown via flight connection. Upon arrival in Queenstown meet your guide and proceed to lunch. Today we will have a sightseeing tour

around Queenstown, visit **Arrowtown, AJ hacket Bungy Bridge, Arthurs Point**. At the end of the day, enjoy a delicious food on top of the world at **Skyline's Stratosfare Restaurant & Bar.** Located at the top of the **Gondola**, dine with panoramic views of Queenstown, Lake Wakatipu and the surrounding mountains. In the evening, proceed to your hotel in Queenstown, check-in and goodnight, Queens!

#### D15| SEP 01: Queenstown- Milford Sound- Queenstown

Breakfast at hotel. Today we will have a full day excursion to Milford Sound. You'll experience the world-famous Fiordland National Park in all its natural glory - surrounded by dense rainforest, glacier-carved valleys and beautiful waterfalls. Enter the picturesque Eglinton Valley, a place of ancient alpine forest and gushing waterfalls and one of only a few road-accessible glacier valleys in New Zealand, and take advantage of the photo opportunities on offer along the Milford Road, like the stunning Mirror Lakes, the surrounding mountain ranges are perfectly reflected in the still waters, and Knobs Flat, where glaciers have carved their mark on the terrain. Stop at Monkey Creek and sample some of the purest water in the world. Travel under the mountains through the Homer Tunnel, a 1.2km passageway drilled into solid rock, and descend through native forest into Milford Sound. At Milford Sound, board your 2-hour scenic cruise on board The Gem of the Sound, and set off to explore the region that Rudyard Kipling called the 'Eighth Wonder of The World'. On your cruise you will enjoy a delicious picnic lunch as you travel the length of the fiord and out to the Tasman Sea, gliding past glacier-scarred rock walls and waterfalls that tumble into the sea. Mountain ranges surround the fiord, including *Mitre Peak* which rises dramatically from the depths to a height of 1,692 metres above sea level. Your cruise will take place on the newest and most luxurious cruise ship in Milford Sound. This impressive three-level catamaran has extensive outdoor decks so you can get up close to nature. Return to Queenstown, enjoy dinner and overnight

#### D16| SEP 02: Queenstown - Mount Cook – Christchurch

After breakfast transfer to *Christchurch via MT Cook. Aoraki / Mount Cook National Park* is home of the highest mountains and the longest glaciers. It is alpine in the purest sense - with skyscrapers peaks, glaciers and permanent snow fields, all set under a starstudded sky. You may try a Helicopter Ride via Alpine Explorer and set foot at the top of Mt. Cook. Afterwards, take a photo op at Lake Pukaki, Lake Tekapo and the iconic Church of the Good Shepherd. On your way, brief stop at Jones Orchard and visit Farmers Corner in Ashburton. Upon arrival in Christchurch take your dinner and on to your hotel for overnight.

#### D17| SEP 03: Depart Christchurch

Early check-out and picked out prepared packed breakfast, and proceed straight to Christchurch airport for your flight back home.

D18  SEP 04: Arrival Manila Home Sweet Home. End of Tour	(No Meals)
PACKAGE COST (MINIMUM 20 PAYING)	USD 7.701.00

#### Package Inclusions;

- Roundtrip Airline Tickets via Qantas Airways MNL-BNE/CHC-MNL
- Interior flights Via Qantas/Air New Zealand:
- OOLMEL/MELSYD/SYDAKL/CHCSYD/SYDMNL
- Hotels on 4stars category on BB
- Lunches and Dinner Enroute
- Transportation 35 on Exclusive New A/C Premium Coach
- Tours and Entrances; Skypoint Observation deck, Currumbin Wild Life Sanctuary, Standard penguin parade, Sydney Opera House, Scenic world, Te Po Combo of Te Puia, Hobbiton Movie Set, Skyline Gondola with buffet dinner,
- 2 bottles of water daily
- Hotel Porterage
- · Services of a licensed Guide both Australia and New Zealand
- Assistance of a tour Escort

# • Travel Insurance

- Travel kits and Freebies
- Predeparture Briefing
- Visa assistance

# Exclusions

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<ul><li>Helico</li><li>Cost</li><li>Other</li></ul>			(USD 359.00) (USD 200.00) (USD 300.00)
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# TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS

- Passport with 6mos prior to Expiry
- Vaccine Card if required.
- · Visa entry to Australia and New Zealand
- FOR OTHER REQUIREMENTS, PLEASE REFER TO AGENCY

# PAYMENT CONDITIONS

1. A non-refundable deposit (if visa is granted) of \$500.00 is required upon submission of documents.

- Fifty percent of tour cost is required on June 15, 2024 in payment for Airline Ticket which is due for issuance on the said date.
- 3. FULL PAYMENT should be on July 15, 2024.
- CANCELLATION FEE: 50% of tour cost if cancelled within 3 weeks before the departure.

**RATES, TOUR PROGRAMS & SCHEDULES** are subject to change if conditions so demand. TLC Travel and Tours, reserves the right to postpone the departure if participants fall below the time. Tour fare is based on group departure therefore, non-endorsable, non re routable, with refunds, if any, is subject to cancellation and charges.



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