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# Australia & the South Pacific





Australian Cruise Association (ACA) is the cooperative cruise marketing brand for Australia and the South Pacific. ACA represents cruise destinations and leading service providers across the region, and is dedicated to positioning Australia and the South Pacific as a world-class base and destination for cruise ships.

From vibrant cosmopolitan cities to serene ancient rainforests and the vast expanse of the Outback, from encounters with unique wildlife to the awe-inspiring beauty of the Great Barrier Reef, Australia and the South Pacific offer an unforgettable journey for the Down Under cruiser.

## Our vision

Advance cruise as a sustainable and vital pillar of Australia's visitor economy.

## Our mission

Realise the region's potential as one of the world's leading cruise destinations.



# New South Wales



## Sydney

Sydney is not just Australia's top cruise destination - it's among the world's best. Arriving by cruise ship in Australia's first city is an unforgettable experience, with the scenery evolving from the ancient sandstone cliffs of Sydney Heads and pristine national park bushland just inside the harbour, to the iconic Opera House, Harbour Bridge and ever-changing city skyline that reveals itself as you round Bradley's Head.

Sydney's cruise facilities are equally impressive, with the White Bay Cruise Terminal having won multiple state, national and international awards for innovative design. The Overseas Passenger Terminal ensures a comfortable one day turn around for the largest of ships and provides the unique operational ability to service two cruise ships at berth at one time.

Whether it be the OPT, right on the city's door step, or White Bay just west of the Harbour Bridge, both facilities offer easy access to downtown hotels, shopping, restaurants and visitor attractions as well as Sydney's domestic and international airports that are just a short journey away by car, taxi, shuttle bus or train.

Sydney is Australia's largest city and the gateway to NSW, which is full of bustling cities, charming coastal communities and pristine bays. Visitors can dine on fresh seafood, uncover Aboriginal history, learn to surf, take a wine tasting tour or swim with dolphins.



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# New South Wales



## Newcastle

Newcastle is renowned for its spectacular coastline, rich colonial and maritime history and the gateway to the stunning Hunter Valley and Port Stephens.

Newcastle is surrounded by golden sand beaches, a breathtaking coastline and has a beautiful working harbour, with cafes, restaurants and bars, unique architecture and rich history stretching from the city to the suburbs. Not only is Newcastle less than an hour away from the majestic sand dunes and tranquil bays of Port Stephens, it's also the gateway to the Hunter Valley, Australia's oldest wine region with 150 wineries dotted across rolling green hills.

Newcastle's inner city cruise berth is only 75 nautical miles (140kms) north of Sydney in a region abundant in diverse tourism experiences, all within 45 minutes of the port.

With a dedicated shuttle bus taking passengers directly into the Newcastle CBD, it's easy to explore the diverse tourism experiences available in the wider region or discover the charms of this proud maritime city.



## Eden

Experience the hospitality of this small town which is completely surrounded by National Parks, State Forests and golden beaches.

Ideally situated mid-way between Sydney and Melbourne, Eden is the southern gateway to the coastal wilderness of New South Wales. With its rich maritime history, amazing whale watching and heritage stories, Eden delivers nature at its best.

The Port of Eden is the Southern Hemisphere's third deepest natural harbour and provides safe entry for large cruise ships. It offers a unique snapshot of whaling history and is a sanctuary for whales during their migratory journeys.

The cruise wharf is within walking distance of the town centre, bustling with cafes serving fresh seafood from our pristine waterways. The new wharf, allowing direct docking of vessels up to 325m, has been a game changer for Eden. Vessels up to 370m can berth in Eden, pending Harbour Master approval.

Visitors to Eden can enjoy nature, food and wine, culture, history and heritage. Tour highlights include an oyster farm, wildlife sanctuary, whale museum, Sapphire Coast villages, local markets, food and wine events, guided kayaking, coastal bush walks and Indigenous story trail.

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# New South Wales



## Wollongong

Wollongong is a beautiful seaside city nestled between the dramatic Illawarra escarpment and the Tasman Sea, located only an hour's drive south of Sydney. The buzzing city centre offers shopping, art galleries, cafés, restaurants boasting fresh seafood and a lively bar scene. The cosmopolitan hub is complemented by an abundance of natural beauty, with 23 pristine beaches and charming rock pools, along with stunning hiking and mountain biking trails in escarpment rainforest.

Just five minutes on the shuttle buses from Wollongong's CBD and beaches, Port Kembla is a key gateway supporting New South Wales' motor vehicle, mining, agricultural, manufacturing and construction industries.

The port operates across two precincts, the Inner Harbour and the Outer Harbour. The port has a deep water shipping channel that can accommodate vessels with ship length (LOA) of 300m and has capacity for capesize vessels at nominated berths. A short shipping channel minimises vessel transit time and contributes to port efficiency.

The port operates 24 hours per day, seven days a week.

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Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race	26 December
Sydney New Year's Eve	31 December
Sydney New Year's Test Match Cricket	January
Australia Day	26 January
Sydney Festival	January
Sydney Mardi Gras	February
Sail GP	February
Handa Opera on Sydney Harbour	March / April
Biennale of Sydney	March - June
Sydney Comedy Festival	April / May
Vivid Sydney	May / June
Tony Albert: Not a Souvenir at MCA	May - October
Sydney Super Cup	July - August
Sydney Fringe Festival	September
Bledisloe Cup Rugby Union	October
Rugby League World Cup	October / November

### Newcastle

WSL Surfest Challenger Series	March
Sail Port Stephens	April
Newcastle Food Month	April
Hunter Valley Food and Wine Month	July

### Wollongong

NSW Women's Open (Golf)	February
Wings Over Shellharbour	March
Wollongong Triathlon	April
Port Kembla Festival	April
Australian Darts Masters	August
Ride Wollongong - Festival of Cycling	September
Yours and Owls	October
Down Under Championships (Crossfit)	October
MS Gong Ride	November

### Eden

EAT Festival Merimbula	March
Cobargo Folk Festival	March
Sculpture on the Edge, Bermagui	March
Merimbula Jazz Festival	June
Wintersun Festival, Sapphire Coast	June
Giiyong Festival	November

# Northern Territory



## Darwin and surrounds

The Northern Territory is home to the world's oldest living culture, with Aboriginal people as its proud custodians. In Darwin, the Larrakia people, traditional owners of the region, warmly welcome cruise passengers to their stunning land and sea country.

The Port of Darwin is conveniently positioned as Australia's northern gateway, providing favourable access to northern Australia and beyond to the South Pacific and Southeast Asia. Fort Hill Wharf offers an inner-city berth with a comprehensive range of maritime services just 1km from the city's tourist attractions, dining and shopping. The purpose-built Darwin Port Cruise Ship Terminal is located next to the Darwin Waterfront, an entertainment precinct with restaurants, hotels, wave pool and recreation lagoon.

Darwin is Australia's only tropical capital city, where ancient Aboriginal culture connects with a modern city lifestyle. With waterfront dining, crocodile adventures, a rich historical military history, spectacular street art, a vibrant market scene and access to national parks, Darwin is full of activities for cruise passengers.

Litchfield National Park is just a 90-minute drive from Darwin, offering expansive plains filled with magnetic termite mounds and idyllic spring-fed waterfalls and waterholes.

Take a scenic flight to Kakadu National Park to explore ancient landscapes with thundering waterfalls, lush rainforests, wandering wetlands, exotic wildlife and ancient rock art. See breathtaking horizons from the top of a Kakadu escarpment, cruise on the stunning Yellow Water Billabong to spot crocodiles and wildlife in their natural habitat, including millions of migratory birds who in part call the park's wetlands home.



## Central Australia

Considered the spiritual heart of Australia, this region encompasses Uluru, one of the greatest natural wonders of the world and only a few hours by air from Sydney, Melbourne and Cairns. Learn the ways of the Anangu people, the traditional owners of Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park, and gain an understanding of the relationship between Aboriginal culture and the land they call home.

Alice Springs is the headquarters of the outback and accessible by air from most major Australian cities. Nestled between the East and West MacDonnell Ranges, 'Alice' is famous for its beautiful desert landscapes, colourful outback characters and strong cultural connection with traditional custodians, the Arrernte people.



# Northern Territory



## Regional ports and anchorages

Beyond Darwin, much of the Northern Territory's coastline is sparsely populated by Aboriginal communities, the industrial port of Nhulunbuy (Gove) being the exception. Regional ports and anchorages, which are most suitable for expedition style cruising, provide exceptional opportunities to access Aboriginal culture, heritage and traditions through immersive tourism experiences. These remote, little-visited coastal communities of Arnhem Land and the Tiwi Islands have limited shoreline infrastructure.

Regional locations where anchorage may be possible include the Tiwi Islands, Garig Gunak Barlu National Park (Cobourg Peninsula) close to Darwin, along with Arnhem Land communities of Milingimbi, Maningrida, Galiwin'ku, Nhulunbuy (Gove), Yirrkala and Alyangula (Groote Eylandt). Visitation is strictly subject to approval of appropriate licences by prior application to the designated Aboriginal Land Council or relevant officiating body.

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## Events

### Top End (Darwin and Arnhem Land)

Commemoration of the bombing of Darwin	19 February
Darwin Triple Crown Supercars	June
Barunga Festival	June
Stone Country Festival, West Arnhem Land	June
Darwin Fringe Festival	July
Darwin Cup Carnival	July - August
Darwin Festival	August
National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards Exhibition	June to January
Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair	August
Garma Festival, Northeast Arnhem Land	August
Motocross World Championship, MXGP	September
Darwin International Laksa Festival	October

### Central Australia

FabALICE, Alice Springs	March
Alice Springs Cup Carnival	April - May
Parrtjima a Festival of Light, Alice Springs	April
Desert Festival, Alice Springs	April
Australian total solar eclipse, Tennant Creek	June
Finke Desert Race	June

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# Queensland



## Brisbane

Queensland is unlike anywhere else in the world. With its endless coastlines, vast outback expanses, the world-famous Great Barrier Reef and lush rainforests, The Sunshine State is a living postcard waiting to be explored. Its scale, ideal location, superb weather and rich natural diversity make it a premier cruise destination, offering 13 remarkable ports to discover.

Brisbane, Queensland's capital and Australia's third-largest city, brings together a cosmopolitan outlook and a relaxed subtropical lifestyle. Home to a diverse population of more than two million people, the city features world-class cultural infrastructure – theatres, museums and both land and river transport – alongside a vibrant dining scene that includes a slew of award-winning restaurants, bars and cafes.

Set along the Brisbane River, the city is evolving with new hotels, attractions and experiences, making it both a standout cruise destination and the perfect launching point for exploring the region. Brisbane's cruise profile is transforming, with new infrastructure and improved passenger terminals enhancing an already strong collection of cruise-specific experiences.

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## Cairns and Yorkeys Knob

Cairns is Australia's fourth largest cruise destination and gateway to two World Heritage-listed wonders - the Great Barrier Reef and the Wet Tropics rainforests. Cruise guests are welcomed at the award-winning, heritage-listed Cairns Cruise Liner Terminal, located in the heart of the city. The recent \$127m Shipping Development Project has equipped the port with six upgraded wharves and a deeper, wider channel accommodating ships up to 300m in length. Yorkeys Knob is typically the preferred port for larger cruise vessels visiting Cairns, with shuttle services to the CBD.

Over 600 tours depart Cairns daily, offering adventures like bungy jumping, kayaking, white-water rafting, and exploring volcanic lakes and waterfalls in the nearby Tablelands. This vibrant, multicultural city boasts five-star hotels, a lively casino, boutique shopping and world-class dining. Visitors can experience Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art and culture, or enjoy historic buildings, the tropical Aquarium, or the famous Esplanade, home to waterfront cafes, parklands and the iconic Lagoon.

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A laid-back tropical oasis, Port Douglas is the perfect base for the Great Barrier Reef and Daintree National Park in the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area. With over a dozen half and full-day tours departing daily, visitors can dive, snorkel, explore the reef by helicopter, or head to Mossman Gorge for a guided Dreamtime walk and authentic Indigenous experience.

# Queensland



## Townsville

Located minutes from the CBD, Quayside Terminal and its dedicated berth provide a stunning welcome to cruise passengers. With plenty of bus bays, a taxi rank and free Wi-Fi, the terminal is fully air-conditioned and berth bookings are guaranteed for cruise ships booking 12 months in advance.

Townsville is the gateway to the Great Barrier Reef and Magnetic Island and cruise passengers can select from a range of tours including the Reef HQ turtle hospital, rainforests, military history tours, outback experiences, wildlife parks and jet ski tours to Cleveland Bay Lighthouse.

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## Gladstone

Nature thrives in the heart of the Southern Great Barrier Reef, where vibrant marine life, pristine beaches, and prime fishing spots offer endless adventure. Secluded coral cays invite exploration, with crystal-clear waters showcasing untouched beauty. While the reef is the main attraction, the charming seaside villages of Agnes Water and Town of 1770 offer coastal allure, from national park trails and a historic lighthouse to cruising pristine waterways aboard a bright pink amphibious craft. At the Port of Gladstone, friendly volunteers greet visitors before they wander through the lively Feast on East markets along the foreshore.

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## Great Keppel Island / Yeppoon

A barefoot paradise awaits on Great Keppel Island, nestled in Keppel Bay atop one of the world's natural wonders - the Southern Great Barrier Reef. Just under 10 nautical miles from the magnificent mainland coastal village of Yeppoon on the Capricorn Coast, Great Keppel Island is renowned for its unspoiled nature, beautiful coral gardens, striking turquoise waters and pristine white sandy beaches.

For those venturing to the mainland, Yeppoon offers attractions such as the Yeppoon Lagoon, Byfield Rainforest, Aussie wildlife parks, ancient limestone caves, permaculture farms, as well as local restaurants, boutique retailers, quirky street art and friendly locals.

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# Queensland



## Whitsundays

The Whitsunday islands are located right in the heart of the Great Barrier Reef. Stretches of azure-blue water are dotted with 74 tropical islands, sandy beaches, fringing reefs and a mainland coast full of life. From diving and snorkeling, to a scenic flight of the world-famous Heart Reef, to cruising the turquoise waters and dipping your toes into the soft silica sand on Whitehaven Beach, you can enjoy the Great Barrier Reef from above, below and in between.

Airlie Beach, one of several cruise ship anchorages in the region, is the mainland port with a vibrant but laid-back atmosphere. Enjoy al fresco dining and boutique shopping or explore the Whitsunday Coast and its lush rainforest. Hamilton Island offers a range of activities – snorkel the fringing coral reefs, engage with Australian wildlife or tee off on the island's adjacent golf course and indulge in excellent food and wine.

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A new opportunity for cruise ship visits is to the Port of Mackay. Spot platypus from forest trails or watch kangaroos at sunrise on the beach. Mackay is famous for its history as one of Australia's largest sugarcane farming regions and offers endless opportunities to explore untouched nature and breathtaking national parks.

Cruise passengers can discover Finch Hatton Gorge in Eungella National Park, a fairytale of tumbling waterfalls, rock pools and lush foliage, or enjoy scenic vantage points from a network of bike trails. The historic town of Mackay is filled with 1920s Art Deco buildings and public artworks.

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## Sunshine Coast

Mooloolaba is the heart of the Sunshine Coast, with its perfect climate, beautiful beaches and crystal-clear waters. The atmosphere is relaxing, the people are friendly and the dining, shopping and touring experiences are exceptional. With easy access to Australia Zoo, Eumundi Markets, Noosa Beach and quaint Hinterland villages, Mooloolaba offers pristine beaches, rainforest walks, exciting attractions and fresh local seafood.

## Events

### Brisbane

Bluey's World	Ongoing
MJ The Musical	March - May
NRL Magic Round	14 - 17 May
QAGOMA: 'Make, Believe, Magic:	
The Worlds of The Jim Henson Company	September - April
MELT Festival	October - November
2026 Rugby League World Cup Grand Final	15 November

### Cairns

Port Douglas Carnival	May
Cairns Ironman	June

### Airlie Beach

Airlie Beach Race Week	August
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### Townsville

Australian Festival of Chamber Music	July - August
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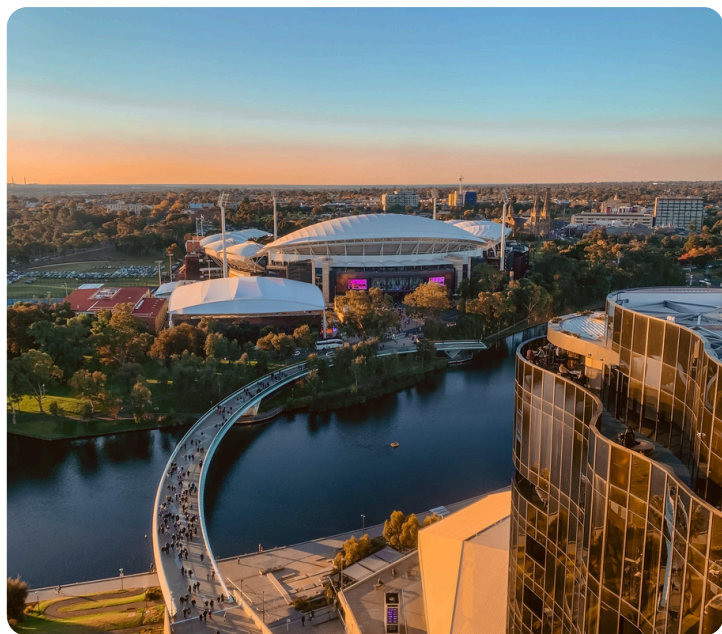
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# South Australia



## Adelaide

South Australia's capital is a vibrant and accessible city nestled between the sea and the hills, renowned for its fine food, wine and arts scene. The iconic Adelaide Central Markets and cultural attractions are just a short walk from Rundle Mall, the city's major shopping precinct.

The Port Adelaide Passenger Terminal is 23km from the city centre. Trains depart just 150 metres from the terminal, reaching the city in 35 minutes. The Adelaide Hills, Barossa Valley and Fleurieu Peninsula (McLaren Vale) are within easy reach of the port for shore excursions.

Adelaide's award-winning international airport provides direct connections to every major Australian city and twelve international destinations, with airlines including Emirates, Singapore Airlines, Qatar Airways and United Airlines.

## Wallaroo

Wallaroo is located on the Yorke Peninsula, South Australia's coastal paradise, with stunning beaches, jagged shorelines, historic mining villages and spectacular national parks. It's the perfect location for sun, sand and seafood. The Yorke Peninsula is rich in natural heritage, especially from the Cornish copper mining times in the mid-19th century.

The history is evident in the town of Wallaroo, as well as Moonta and Kadina and is known to locals as the Copper Coast. Wallaroo is also the gateway to the charming Clare Valley, which is known as the 'heart of Australian Riesling' and the edge of the Outback. Explore the rolling countryside, golden canola fields, heritage towns, cellar doors and art galleries and cycle among the vines on the 35 kilometre (22 miles) Riesling Trail.

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## Port Lincoln

Port Lincoln on the Eyre Peninsula is known as the seafood capital of Australia. Surrounded by untouched bushland and beaches, the region is home to some of Australia's most breathtaking marine experiences. Visitors can swim with sealions and dolphins, dive with great white sharks, or sample some of the world's best seafood, including Coffin Bay oysters, abalone and bluefin tuna.

Some unique shore excursions include a tuna-filleting demonstration on a historic clipper and explore a wild koala colony at Mikkira Station. Additionally, guests can take an amphibious boat to Rumi on the exclusive Louth Island for an eco-paradise adventure, which includes a buggy tour and an opportunity to savor award-winning local cuisine.

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## Kangaroo Island

Australia's third-largest island sits just off the coast of South Australia, covering 4,416 square kilometers. Separated from the mainland by just 15 kilometers of ocean, it's an untamed paradise, offering six times the space of Singapore to explore.

Known as a "zoo without fences," wildlife thrives here—kangaroos, koalas, sea lions, wallabies, echidnas, and a myriad of bird species call the island home. Whether you're seeking rare animals or marine life, a guided tour ensures you don't miss a thing. But Kangaroo Island is more than just a haven for animals; it's a place to reconnect. Disconnect from the everyday and embrace nature's wonders. Hike the rugged coastline, explore hidden coves, sip local wines, and enjoy world-class food. With a slower pace of life and natural beauty at every turn, Kangaroo Island will steal your heart and leave you longing to return.

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# South Australia



## Robe

Robe is located on the Limestone Coast, with a proud tradition in shipping, fishing and as a gateway for immigrants for the Victorian goldrush. As well as the beautiful beachside town, it's a great hub to reach the UNESCO World Heritage listed Naracoorte Caves with their megafauna fossils that are around half a million years old. Also in easy day touring reach is the home of Australia's first Saint, Mary MacKillop, whose legacy lives on in the town of Penola, and the nearby Coonawarra wine region which has put the Limestone Coast on the international wine map for its premium reds, with the first vines planted on the unique terra rossa soils in 1891.

## Victor Harbor

Victor Harbor has been a favourite holiday destination for South Australian families since the late 1800s. The town overlooks beautiful Encounter Bay with a coastline featuring the huge rock outcrop of The Bluff and the very popular Granite Island.

Encounter Bay is blessed with a classic Mediterranean climate that makes Victor Harbor a great destination year-round. Long expanses of white sand beaches offer beautiful vistas and water activities, from swimming to stand up paddle boarding. Granite Island boasts the world's only daily Horse Drawn Tram service that began operating on the causeway in 1886.

The township is right at the landside of the causeway, offering visitors all amenities, cafes, shops and Visitor Information Centre. The famous McLaren Vale wine region is only a 30 minute drive away from Victor Harbor, where visitors can taste world class wines and experience the unique d'Arenberg Cube.

## Events

### Adelaide

SANTOS Tour Down Under	January
LIV Golf	February
Adelaide Fringe Festival	February / March
AFL Gather Round	April
Tasting Australia	May
bp Adelaide Grand Final	November

### Kangaroo Island

SeaLink Kangaroo Island Racing Carnival	February
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### Port Lincoln

Tunarama Festival	January
SALT Festival	April

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# Tasmania



## Hobart

Hobart, Australia's second-oldest city, is the gateway to a diverse range of world-class experiences. Nestled in the foothills of Kunanyi/Mount Wellington, this waterfront city blends heritage charm with a vibrant contemporary scene, all set against a backdrop of exceptional natural beauty. Visitors can immerse themselves in the cutting-edge creativity of MONA (Museum of Old and New Art), explore the gothic grandeur of the Cascade Brewery, Australia's oldest brewery, or embark on an exhilarating eco-cruise. Uncover haunting tales of the past at the UNESCO World Heritage Listed Cascades Female Factory, a significant site in Australia's convict history. Take a stroll through the historic Salamanca precinct, home to world-famous Saturday markets, bustling galleries, and award-winning restaurants and cafés.

Beyond the city, indulge in a cider tasting in the Huon Valley, or discover trout fishing's heritage, browse antique treasures, and experience Tasmania's renowned whiskey distilleries in the Derwent Valley. For nature lovers, Mt Field National Park offers stunning walks among towering trees and breathtaking wilderness. Explore farm gates, sheep shearing displays, and local producers on a gourmet food tour, savour world-renowned Tasmanian produce in some of Australia's finest restaurants, accompanied by acclaimed cool-climate wines from the surrounding valleys. With so much to explore in Hobart and beyond, a late sailing or overnight stay ensures an unforgettable experience.

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## Port Arthur

The Tasman Peninsula region offers a compelling variety of attractions including, whiskey distilleries, wineries, a chocolate factory, Tasmanian devil conservation park, award-winning eco-cruises, and magnificent accessible coastal hikes and spectacular sea-cliff lookouts.

The UNESCO World Heritage Listed Port Arthur Historic Site is located at the south-eastern tip of Tasmania, a short voyage from the city of Hobart. Arriving at Port Arthur by sea is a unique and memorable cruising experience. A voyage past pristine wilderness areas, a dramatic coastline, and some of the highest sea cliffs on earth leads to a beautiful, safe, and sheltered deep-water anchorage. This has direct access via a new two-berth tender jetty to the world-famous Port Arthur Historic Site. Once ashore, passengers can explore the Historic Site and enjoy a range of guided tours, or join excursions to other scenic spots in the area including the Coal Mines Historic Site, also on the World Heritage List.

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# Tasmania



## Burnie

Burnie is a vibrant, creative city nestled along Tasmania's stunning North West Coast. Though a city, it prides itself on its small-town charm - and delivers one of the warmest cruise ship welcomes in the world.

A gateway to World Heritage Areas, pristine beaches, coastal villages, local eateries, wineries, distilleries and breathtaking natural landscapes. Visitors can discover Wings Wildlife Park, Hellyer's Road Whiskey Distillery, the Emu Valley Rhododendron Garden, Burnie Arts and the pioneer museum Federation Street, or venture further afield with a visit to Cradle Mountain, the Tarkine wilderness, the seaside village of Stanley or Tiagarra Aboriginal Cultural experience at Devonport, gateway to the Cradle Coast tasting trail.

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## Tamar Valley (Bell Bay)

Sitting on the northern reaches of the Tamar valley in the middle of sheep, cattle and wine-growing country, Beauty Point was originally established as the first deep water port in the area. Passengers can visit the Seahorse World and Platypus House right on the port, then explore the region's sparkling wine, berry and lavender farms. Barnbogle Dunes, one of Australia's top rated golf courses is within reach and the Beaconsfield Mining and Heritage Centre is also close by. Launceston offers heritage streetscapes, museums and the natural wonder of Cataract Gorge.

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## Events

### Hobart

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Gin-uary Festival	January
Tasmanian Wine Festival	February
Dark MOFO	June
Rolex Sydney Hobart Yacht Race Finish	December
The Taste of Summer Festival	December

### Burnie

City Market	1st & 3rd Saturday, monthly
Makers Market	Cruise ship days
TrailGraze Tasmania	April
Stanley & Tarkine Forage Festival	May

### Bell Bay

Junction Arts Festival	January
Australian Musical Theatre Festival	January

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# Victoria



## Melbourne

Melbourne is a city of energy, sophistication and innovation. From the iconic and creative laneways, to the majestic theatres and contemporary galleries, to the unique architecture and lush gardens – the city’s many attractions and treasures are all easily accessible via the city’s port. Not just the arts and cultural capital of Australia, Melbourne is the country’s leading destination for shopping. Designer labels, flagship stores and quirky independent boutiques provide plenty of diversion for the serious shopper. And as a culinary hotspot, Melbourne’s rich and eclectic dining scene offers a startling array of the world’s great cuisines, from popular favourites to the truly ground-breaking.

Major, world class events take centre stage in Melbourne throughout the year, from the Australian Open in January to the Melbourne Cup Carnival in November. From its inspired, exciting city centre, to its lively neighbourhood hubs, Melbourne is the gateway to Victoria’s outstanding wineries, natural springs, peninsulas, spectacular coastline and alpine villages.

Within two hours of Melbourne visitors can see Australian wildlife in their natural habitat, enjoy fine wines and gourmet food in beautiful settings, and visit galleries and museums with rich Australian collections. The heritage cruise terminal at Station Pier is one of the best in Australia with three dedicated cruise berths.

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## Geelong

Victoria’s second-largest city, Geelong, recognised as a UNESCO City of Design, anchors a dynamic cruise destination that now offers dual-port access via Geelong and Portarlington. Together, they invite passengers into a region where a lively waterfront city blends seamlessly with relaxed coastal towns, rolling vineyards and some of Victoria’s most loved landscapes.

Geelong’s waterfront delivers an immediate sense of place, with historic bollard trails, bay beaches and a thriving dining and cultural scene all within easy walking distance of the CBD. Museums, galleries and botanic gardens sit alongside contemporary restaurants and bars, creating an easy, engaging shore experience from the moment passengers arrive.

Across the bay, Portarlington opens the door to the Bellarine Peninsula, where the pace slows and the focus turns to coastal living and local flavour. Seaside villages, waterfront walks and a strong food-and-wine culture define the experience, from boutique wineries, distilleries and breweries to hands-on produce experiences that tell the story of the region’s renowned mussel industry.

Beyond the peninsula, the wider region invites exploration. The Moorabool Valley’s cool-climate wines, the rugged beauty and wildlife of the You Yangs, and the start of the Great Ocean Road’s iconic coastal journey south of Geelong add depth and choice to shore programming. With central waterfront access in Geelong, deep-water anchorage at Portarlington, and proximity to Viva Energy’s major marine fuel infrastructure, the destination supports flexible cruise planning while strengthening Victoria’s overall cruise network.



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# Victoria



## Phillip Island

Victoria's Island Sanctuary Phillip Island is home to Australia's most popular natural wildlife experience—the iconic Penguin Parade. Each night at sunset, the world's smallest penguins march up the beach to their burrows in this amazing ancient ritual.

The Island's diverse attractions include up-close koala encounters from treetop boardwalks, charming cottage gardens, farm experiences and cruises to Seal Rocks, home to the world's largest Australian Fur Seal colony. Outdoor enthusiasts can explore secluded beaches, scenic walking trails, and internationally renowned surf reserves, or take to the skies with a scenic helicopter flight. Those seeking adventure can enjoy kayaking, snorkelling and cycling experiences.

Motorsport fans can visit the world-famous Phillip Island Grand Prix Circuit, host to international racing events viewed by millions. The circuit also features a go-kart track modeled after the original circuit and an interactive motorsport history exhibit.

Award-winning attractions offer family-friendly fun, from mind-bending puzzles and illusions to the world's largest chocolate waterfall. Culinary experiences abound, with local wineries, breweries, and a variety of dining options showcasing regional produce. Visitors can also explore charming seaside villages such as Cowes, San Remo, Newhaven, and Rhyll.

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## Portland

Portland is a thriving harbour town on the Great Ocean Road, rich in history as the birthplace of Victoria and serving as a gateway to the Great Ocean Road, the Grampians to the north, and the Coonawarra wine region to the west. Renowned for whale, seal and gannet sightseeing, Portland's dramatic coastline, volcanic cliffs, secluded beaches, majestic forests and historic buildings provide endless opportunities for relaxation and adventure. The South Paterson berth welcomes small to midsize cruise ships.

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## Events

### Melbourne

Australian Open Tennis	January
Formula One Australian Grand Prix	March
Melbourne Food and Wine Festival	March
Rising	June
Melbourne Winter Masterpieces	June - October
Melbourne Cup Carnival	November

### Phillip Island

Ocean Sounds Music Festival	January
World Superbike Championships	February
Australian Motorcycle Grand Prix (MotoGP)	October

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# Western Australia



## Fremantle

Fremantle is Perth's eclectic port city and lies at the mouth of the Swan River, just 30 minutes south of the capital city of Perth. The Overseas Passenger Terminal at Victoria Quay is a short walk into Kings Square, where the award-winning and fully accredited Fremantle Visitor Centre is located.

Nestled among the many new funky cafes, boutique breweries, bars and restaurants you will find stunning historic buildings and landmarks including the World Heritage-listed Fremantle Prison, the iconic Fremantle Markets and the oldest public building in Western Australia, the Round House. 'Freo' as the locals call it, is a perfect blend of the old with the new.

The West End is Fremantle's heritage district, with its exceptionally well-preserved nineteenth-century architecture. The quaint old-fashioned streets are the perfect destination to explore Fremantle's roots and some of the state's finest heritage buildings. A short ferry ride from Fremantle Harbour lies Rottne Island, home to beautiful beaches, as well as the adorable quokka.

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## Broome

There aren't too many places on earth where you can watch the sun setting over the ocean from the back of an unhurried camel. Slip into 'Broome time' in this laid-back tropical oasis and feel the freedom of 22kms of pristine sand along Cable Beach. The exotic pearling port of Broome is the gateway to the Kimberley region, one of the last true wilderness areas on earth. Explore the incredible landscape on an Aboriginal guided tour and learn about the world's oldest living culture. The town of Broome is a melting pot of cultures, creating a wonderfully exotic mix of historic sites, fusion flavours and colourful must-see events.

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## Geraldton

Geraldton boasts a stunning coastline rich in shipwreck stories, history, culture and food. Enjoy aerial views of the Houtman Abrolhos Islands and the transcendent gorges of Kalbarri National Park. Savour the taste of a Western Rock Lobster, try on an Abrolhos pearl, or spot playful sea lions along the foreshore. Join the Geraldton Voluntary Tour Guides for a tour of the beautiful HMAS Sydney II Memorial and take a moment to remember the 645 men who lost their lives aboard the vessel in WWII.

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# Western Australia



## Albany

Albany is perched on a placid harbour edged by national park. Visitors can journey along a rugged coastline of sculpted rocks, pristine sandy beaches and nature trails or day trip to the Valley of the Giants Tree Top Walk and soar above majestic tingle trees. Albany's deep and rich connection to our ANZAC legend can be experienced at the iconic Albany Heritage Park and National Anzac Centre. Albany has plenty to explore and visit, from museums and wineries to entertainment and culture.

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## Bunbury

Bunbury is a cosmopolitan city offering shopping, art galleries and Aboriginal tours through to wildlife, wineries and breweries. Bunbury's Dolphin Discovery Centre offers close encounters with friendly dolphins in the water, whether on a dolphin eco cruise or in the dolphin interaction zone. Bunbury is the northern gateway to one of the most biodiverse regions on earth, where world-class wine, pristine beaches and forests can be enjoyed in a single day. Cruise ships dock in the Outer Harbour, 2.3km from the CBD.

## Esperance

Esperance truly dazzles with its pristine sandy stretches and turquoise waters that contrast with rust-red granite outcrops. Wander the azure blue seascape of Lucky Bay within Cape Le Grand National Park, where kangaroos laze on the shore at Australia's whitest beach. Here you can walk wondrous coastal trails and swim, snorkel, fish and four-wheel drive along some of the best beaches in the world.

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The holiday resort town of Busselton is home to a 1.8km long heritage-listed jetty and one of Australia's premium wine regions, Margaret River, and framed by stunning beaches, world-class surf breaks, beautiful caves and forests with some of the tallest trees on earth. Voted one of the top 10 places to visit in the world by Lonely Planet, the region is famed for its breathtaking natural beauty and for the diversity of experiences available. See the largest remaining tuart forest in the world at the Ludlow Tuart Forest, or journey into the beautiful Ngilgi Cave on a cultural tour and be mesmerised by a live didgeridoo performance. Gain fascinating insights into life as a lighthouse keeper at Cape Naturaliste Lighthouse, savour local produce and sip world class wines for which the region has gained an international reputation.

## Dampier

Dampier is Australia's largest tonnage shipping port and houses the massive export facilities of Hamersley Iron, Dampier Salt and the North West Gas Shelf Project. Experience the ancient petroglyphs with an Aboriginal guide at Ngajarli in Murujuga National Park, on the nearby Burrup Peninsula. Thought to host the world's largest collection of ancient rock art, this outdoor art gallery houses over 20,000 engravings dating back over 40,000 years, making it one of the best places in Australia to enjoy ancient Indigenous art.

## Exmouth

Exmouth is the northern gateway to the World Heritage listed Ningaloo Reef. A hotspot for diving and big game fishing, it's also one of the best places on earth for a face-to-fin encounter with the biggest fish in the ocean – the whale shark. From certain points in Exmouth, you can step straight off the beach and instantly be snorkelling amongst 300 species of coral, teeming with 500 species of colourful fish. Anchorage is located in the waters of Exmouth Gulf and passengers are tendered into the marina. Visitors can take a 10-minute bus ride to the town or explore Town Beach which is a short walk from the marina and an ideal spot for a swim.

# Western Australia



## Port Hedland

The mighty resources hub of North-West Australia has a heart as big as its enormous ships, trains and iron ore facilities. Renowned as the friendliest town in the Pilbara, Port Hedland is incredibly rich in Indigenous culture and history, as well as amazing marine life. Some of the best fishing, whale watching and crabbing in Australia can be enjoyed here. During turtle nesting season, visitors may catch a glimpse of females nesting or hatchlings making their maiden voyage. Cruise ship passengers are transported from the Port Hedland berth to be welcomed at Marapikurrinya Park located in the West End Cultural Precinct overlooking the Port Hedland harbour.



## Wyndham

Quiet your mind and breathe in the magic of the Kimberley. From the most northerly town in Western Australia, take a scenic flight over the majestic Bungle Bungle Ranges in World Heritage-listed Purnululu National Park, or take a cruise along the mighty Ord River and witness an amazing array of native animals, birdlife and flora. Enjoy waterfalls and a soothing soak in Zebedee Springs at El Questro Wilderness Resort.

## Events

### Fremantle

Fringe World Festival, Perth	January - February
Sculpture by the Sea, Cottesloe	February
Perth Festival	March
Fremantle Street Arts Festival	March
Pair'd Margaret River Region	November

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# South Pacific



## Vanuatu

Discover the stunning paradise of Vanuatu, where cascading waterfalls and breathtaking natural wonders meet lush, cool jungles and pristine white-sand beaches. Just a few hours from Australia and New Zealand, Vanuatu offers an ideal destination for romantic escapes, family holidays, and adventure seekers alike. Visitors can slow down and relax in the moment or embrace a wide range of invigorating experiences. From climbing to the rim of an active volcano and soaking beneath a spectacular waterfall, to day cruising between islands or navigating the jungle on a buggy adventure, Vanuatu provides unforgettable activities that leave lasting memories for every traveller.

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Teki Tours is Fiji's most experienced and trusted shore excursion specialist, offering a diverse range of sightseeing experiences, cultural encounters, activities, and personalised tours across the country.

In addition to shore excursions, Teki Tours provides comprehensive services for groups and specialised events. From seamless ground transport on arrival to themed dinners, highland adventures, or island experiences, the Teki Tours team ensures every itinerary is memorable and tailored to showcase the very best of Fiji.

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With over 600 islands, 800 indigenous languages, tribes and peoples, and many areas accessible only by air or sea, PNG is a natural choice for cruise ships seeking to unveil a world of natural beauty and vibrant cultures. This exotic, untouched destination is easily accessible to cruise ships entering Australia due to its close proximity. Carnival Australia offers a dedicated PNG cruise, visiting Alotau, Kitava, Kiriwina, Doini, and Rabaul. The cruise industry is steadily growing as more interest is shown by other major cruise liners. The warm coastal waters of PNG are home to some of the world's best diving, with striking coral reefs around the mainland coast, the islands of the Bismarck Sea and the Milne Bay area. PNG is naturally beautiful, with its' diverse culture, spectacular landscape and world class marine environment.

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## Art Gallery of New South Wales

Situated on Gadigal land with stunning Sydney Harbour views, the Art Gallery of New South Wales is one of Australia's premier art museums. In 2022, its expansion through the Sydney Modern Project cemented its status as a must-visit cultural destination. Located a short walk from the CBD, the Gallery offers immersive tours and experiences for all visitors. The State of the Art tour provides an insider's look at the SANAA-designed North Building and site-specific artworks. The Yiribana and A Night at the Gallery experiences include exclusive after-hours access, expert-led discussions, and a five-course meal with paired wines for an unforgettable evening.

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# Attractions and Services

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BDO's Advisory team brings together specialists across infrastructure, tourism, sports and events, sustainability, economics, risk and contract assurance, internal audit, forensics and integrity, data protection, cyber security and people advisory. This breadth of expertise enables BDO to deliver practical insights and proven experience to support organisations through complex transformation and growth.

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# Attractions and Services



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Bonorong is a wildlife sanctuary with a difference. Through education and empowerment, it harnesses the power of the community to aid in the protection of Tasmania's native wildlife. The sanctuary's passion is reflected in its in-depth, personalised tours, which provide guests with an immersive experience showcasing both the animals and the important work carried out at Bonorong. These tours are designed to be fun, informative, and inspiring.

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# Attractions and Services

## CHART Management Consultants

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Cruise Insurance Quotes offers reliable cruise insurance coverage for travellers in Australia and internationally. Their expert team provides fast, clear, and tailored insurance quotes for domestic and overseas cruises. Backed by industry accreditation and trusted underwriting agencies, the company delivers comprehensive policy information with a professional and responsive service.

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# Attractions and Services

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Dave's offers behind-the-scenes drink and food tours across Sydney, Canberra, Hunter Valley, Newcastle, Melbourne, Brisbane, Cairns, and beyond. As experts in craft drink, food, and historical tour experiences, Dave's operates in multiple locations across Australia, connecting both local and international guests to the best each region has to offer. With a philosophy that the best way to experience a place and its people is over a drink, Dave's delivers award-winning brewery, winery, distillery, food, and historic pub tours that showcase the heart of each destination.

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## Hilton Sydney

Located in the heart of Sydney's CBD, Hilton Sydney offers 598 modern guest rooms and suites, many with striking skyline views, just moments from the city's retail, dining, and cultural landmarks. Conveniently connected via the QVB light rail and nearby train services, the hotel provides seamless access to Sydney's cruise terminals. Guests enjoy Hilton Serenity beds, ergonomic workstations, LED TVs, and coffee and tea amenities, along with complimentary access to the city's largest hotel gym at Fitness First Platinum Pitt Street, featuring a full gym, lap pool, sauna, and steam room. Hilton Sydney also showcases celebrated dining and nightlife, including Glass Brasserie with seasonal Australian produce and global wines, the heritage-listed Marble Bar with live music, and Zeta Bar offering bold cocktails and rooftop views of the Queen Victoria Building.

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## Hughes Chauffeur Service

Hughes provides bespoke travel services to the cruise industry, ensuring a smooth transition from ship to shore and back. Whether it's facilitating airport transfers, city explorations, or personalised tours to Australia's iconic destinations, their fleet of high-end vehicles and professional chauffeurs guarantee a journey as memorable as the destination itself. In collaboration with cruise lines and ports across the country, Hughes plays a pivotal role in enhancing Australia's appeal as a premier cruise destination.

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## ID New Zealand

IDNZ is New Zealand's leading cruise ground handler, renowned for its expertise in travel planning and passenger logistics. With a deep knowledge of local destinations, IDNZ consistently delivers exceptional experiences that exceed client expectations, showcasing the beauty of New Zealand. IDNZ takes pride in offering competitively priced, diverse, and innovative programs, ensuring every journey is memorable and unique.

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## Inchcape Shipping Services

ISS is a global leader in maritime and logistics services, with over 300 offices in 68 countries. Their extensive network delivers exceptional service to owners, ship managers, and cruise principals across 1,500 port locations worldwide. Inchcape, a leading ship agent and solution provider to the cruise industry, employs dedicated cruise specialists in key locations to enhance both guest and vessel experiences at port. Additionally, Inchcape offers a growing range of services, including global crew and marine spares logistics, cruise consultancy, marine surveys, underwater inspections, and local expertise with global reach.

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## Intercruises Shoreside and Port Services

Intercruises is an experienced global company providing turnarounds, shore excursions, and hotel programs to the cruise industry. With its head office in Sydney and representatives in Queensland and Western Australia, Intercruises is well positioned to deliver services to all Australian ports. Alongside an award-winning turnaround team in Sydney and extensive experience handling Australia's largest and most exclusive ships, Intercruises also has a dedicated team capable of creating a portfolio of unique and exclusive products tailored to even the most discerning guests.

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## Journey Beyond

Journey Beyond is an Australian-owned tourism company with a growing national presence, operating in every state and territory to offer unique adventures on land, sea, and rail. Its world-class rail journeys include The Ghan, Great Southern, Indian Pacific, and The Overland. Guests can explore scenic harbors with Darwin Harbour Cruises and Journey Beyond Cruise Sydney, or discover the Great Barrier Reef and Whitehaven Beach with Cruise Whitsundays. In Melbourne, Eureka Skydeck and Eureka 89 provide breathtaking city views, while Outback Spirit offers premium small-group tours to remote destinations. In Western Australia, Journey Beyond operates Rottneest Express, Sal Salis Ningaloo Reef, and Horizontal Falls Seaplane Adventures.

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## Kimberley Coastal Pilots

Kimberley Coastal Pilots provides expert coastal pilotage and marine advisory services for cruise vessels navigating Western Australia's Kimberley coast. Committed to the highest industry standards, the company ensures a professional and safety-focused approach.

With extensive experience in the region, the joint venture partners bring unmatched local knowledge. Captain Brent-White, a respected figure in the Kimberley, and Craig, a Master Mariner with over 30 years of experience, have an in-depth understanding of the coast's features and anchorages. As the company's Senior Pilot and consultant, Craig has been a trusted advisor to major cruise operators for years.

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## Kuranda Scenic Railway

Kuranda Scenic Railway offers an unforgettable journey through Far North Queensland's World Heritage-listed rainforest, the oldest on earth. With breathtaking scenery, towering waterfalls, and steep ravines, the train winds through 15 hand-carved tunnels and over 55 bridges, showcasing the region's natural beauty.

Stepping aboard the vintage timber carriages transports passengers back in time as they travel from Gimuy (Cairns) via Bubundji (Freshwater) to Ngunbay (Kuranda), the village in the rainforest. A renowned engineering feat, the heritage-listed railway remains a testament to human ingenuity. Guests can experience this timeless journey in original heritage carriages or upgrade to KSR Gold Class for a touch of luxury, featuring lounge seating, locally sourced appetisers, and beverage service.

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## Pearl Expeditions

Pearl Expeditions delivers small-group journeys aboard the purpose-built vessel Paspaley Pearl. Guests explore some of Earth's most remote destinations alongside just 29 fellow adventurers, guided by expert naturalists who create immersive discovery experiences. Expeditions include fishing pristine waters, swimming with whale sharks, and visiting ancient rock art galleries up close. Onboard, travellers savour exquisite cuisine crafted by renowned chef Alex Bentley.

Pearl Expeditions combines comfort with boutique expedition capability, enabling access to remote locations that remain reachable only by smaller vessels. Each journey unfolds as a narrative of discovery, with a focus on connection and responsible exploration. All expeditions feature Pearl Expeditions' signature remote destinations, experienced in an intimate and sustainable way.

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## Queen Victoria Market

Officially opened in 1878, Queen Victoria Market has been at the heart of Melbourne for more than 140 years. Recognised on the National Heritage List, the Market reflects the city's early colonial history and remains one of the best examples of a 19th-century metropolitan produce market. Spanning two city blocks, it is home to more than 600 small businesses offering everything from fresh Australian produce and gourmet foods to clothing and souvenirs. Open five days a week, the Market continues to be a vibrant hub for locals and visitors alike. For a deeper experience, the Ultimate Foodie Tour offers a guided journey through its rich history and diverse culinary offerings, showcasing the very best of this iconic destination.

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## Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria

Just minutes from Melbourne's CBD, the Royal Botanic Gardens offers premium Australian experiences - combining breathtaking gardens, spectacular city skyline views, rich cultural storytelling, and curated touring options in one iconic destination.

Guests can immerse themselves in the Aboriginal Heritage Walk led by First Peoples guides, explore effortlessly aboard the Eco-Explorer electric minibus, or enjoy a tailored discovery experience through one of the world's finest landscaped gardens.

For those seeking a deeper connection to Australia's natural beauty, Royal Botanic Gardens Cranbourne – just 45 minutes from Melbourne and set within one of Victoria's most precious native bushlands – showcases more than 100,000 native plants in the internationally acclaimed Australian Garden. Explore via electric minibus or guided walking tour and enjoy dining at the Boon Wurrung Café overlooking this remarkable landscape.

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## SeaLink Marine & Tourism

SeaLink Marine & Tourism is Australia's most dynamic tourism and transport company bringing the best Australian tourism experiences to the world. SeaLink's operations extend across New South Wales, Queensland, Northern Territory, Western Australia and South Australia – cruises, passenger transfers and ferry services on Sydney Harbour and the Murray River, cruise and passenger ferry services in Townsville, Perth and Rottnest Island, Cairns, Port Douglas and Whitsundays, a range of tourism and hotel experiences on K'gari (Fraser Island) and North Stradbroke Island, cruise and passenger ferry services from Darwin to Tiwi Islands and Mandorah, and passenger and vehicle ferries and coach connection services from Adelaide to Kangaroo Island. Holiday packages, accommodation, 4WD, soft adventure and coach touring as well as chartering coaches and vessels are also available in all states.

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# Attractions and Services

## Select Fresh Providores

Select Fresh has spent 30 years delivering premium fresh produce daily to cruise ships, restaurants, cafés, hotels, and food service businesses across Australia. A family-owned business, Select Fresh takes pride in its high-quality produce and dedicated team. With deep industry roots, they started with hands in the soil, feet in the market, and a commitment to exceptional service—an approach that has driven their success in a competitive industry.

More than just suppliers, Select Fresh provides expert knowledge, sourcing the freshest, most unique produce to elevate your menu. Their flexibility ensures timely deliveries, while their state-of-the-art, centrally located warehouses keep businesses stocked with the best.

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## Shorex Australia

Shorex Australia is a truly local, Australian owned and operated Inbound Tour Operator specialising in the Cruise Industry. With a commitment to a sustainable growth of cruise in Australia, Shorex Australia partners with local stakeholders to ensure everyone in the supply chain benefits, and that cruise guests have the best experiences on offer. With a fresh and realistic approach to the delivery of inbound cruise, Shorex Australia has a targeted strategy to build and sustain strong partnerships ensuring that everyone wins and can grow their businesses, all while delivering exceptional experiences to the cruise lines and their guests that visit our shores. Local presence and a focus on key destinations puts Shorex Australia in a good position to hold solid relationships with local partners and develop new amazing product that will benefit the local community, the guests and the cruise lines.

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## Skyrail Rainforest Cableway

Skyrail Rainforest Cableway offers a captivating journey through the world's oldest tropical rainforest, providing a unique perspective of Australia's World Heritage-listed Wet Tropics. Guests glide above the ancient canopy before descending to explore Red Peak and Barron Falls. Immersive experiences include Ranger Guided Tours, the Rainforest Discovery Zone, the Rainforest Interpretation Centre, and breathtaking views from The Edge Lookout. Designed for all ages and abilities, this 90-minute experience is conveniently located just 15 minutes from Cairns, 10 minutes from Yorkeys Knob Marina, and 50 minutes from Port Douglas. The Skyrail Audio Guide and Interpretive app enhance the journey with in-gondola commentary and additional insights.

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## Smarte Carte Australia

For over 50 years, Smarte Carte has been a leader in luggage trolley management, attended luggage storage, electronic lockers, and massage chair operations, with over 2,600 facilities worldwide, including airports.

With a strong presence in Australia, New Zealand, and Singapore, Smarte Carte continues to innovate, offering tailored solutions for airports of all sizes. Its product range includes luggage storage, baggage wrapping, lost property management, and porter services. Focused on long-term partnerships and exceptional customer service, Smarte Carte is built on trust and security. The company is also committed to sustainability, continuously evolving to support an environmentally responsible future.

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## Spectacular Jumping Crocodile Cruise

With over 30 years of experience, this Indigenous-owned, not-for-profit business offers an up-close encounter with the iconic Saltwater Crocodile in its natural habitat. Without cages or glass barriers, guests can witness these powerful creatures in action while the experienced crew share insights into their biology, ecology, and the unique environment of the Adelaide River.

Aboard purpose-built vessels, every seat provides a spectacular view of the untouched Adelaide River Floodplains and the banks of Djukbinj National Park, immersing guests in the wild beauty of the Northern Territory. Committed to sustainability, the organisation ensures an ethical experience that aligns with responsible tourism practices while proudly supporting the Anindilyakwa community.

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## Svitzer Australia

Svitzer has provided safety and support at sea since 1833. They are continuing this tradition as the global market leader within towage and marine related services. Svitzer provides a crucial link in the Australian supply chain with more than 50,000 tug movements a year, making our ports safer and more efficient. Svitzer Australia is also the largest employer of Australian seafarers. Svitzer is part of the Maersk Group and is proud to be part of the Svitzer fleet of more than 430 vessels and operations all over the world.

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## Sydney Harbour Marriott

Located in the heart of Sydney's CBD, Sydney Harbour Marriott Hotel at Circular Quay offers exceptional service, 5-star amenities, and a prime location near the city's top attractions, including Sydney Harbour Bridge, the Opera House, and The Rocks. Guests can enjoy the fitness center, indoor pool, and award-winning dining options, including a renowned restaurant, a lively laneway bar, and a historic gastropub. The hotel's event planners and culinary team deliver outstanding experiences in versatile venues. Spacious rooms feature plush bedding, mini-fridges, work desks, free Wi-Fi, and 24-hour room service. Bi-level loft suites cater to entertainers, while upper-level rooms and suites provide breathtaking views of the Opera House and Harbour. Sydney Harbour Marriott Hotel at Circular Quay offers a luxurious retreat in the heart of the city.

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## Sydney Opera House

The Sydney Opera House is one of the world's busiest performing arts centres, Australia's premier attraction, and an architectural masterpiece. However, its exterior is only part of the story.

Year-round experiences invite visitors behind the scenes to discover the extraordinary history of this global icon. Expert-guided tours (30 or 60 min) reveal its legendary past, secrets, and architecture in multiple languages. The Tour & Dine package pairs a tour with a harbourside meal at Opera Bar, House Canteen, or Midden by Mark Olive, featuring a produce-focused menu of native Australian ingredients. The Backstage Tour grants VIP access to dressing rooms and hidden spaces, concluding with a hot breakfast in the exclusive Green Room. With versatile event spaces and world-class performances in Opera, Ballet, and Symphony, the Sydney Opera House is a cultural icon on the global stage.

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## Taronga Sydney

Taronga Sydney, located on the shores of Sydney Harbour, is Australia's premier wildlife park, focused on conservation, education, and immersive experiences. Home to over 4,000 animals, Taronga leads global conservation efforts to protect endangered species through breeding programs, research, and community initiatives.

General admission includes access to exhibits, daily presentations, and keeper talks, with the option to add memorable animal encounters. Guided tours, such as the Taronga Discovery Tour and the after-hours Sunset Tour, offer deeper insights into the zoo and its wildlife. Every visit supports Taronga's vital conservation work, making it Sydney's favourite wildlife destination.

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## The CAPTA Group

The CaPTA Group is a leader in eco-tourism, offering unforgettable experiences in the Cairns & Great Barrier Reef region. At the heart of its operations is Tropic Wings Cairns Tours & Charters, the region's most experienced coach company and the first in Australia to introduce Electric Vehicles (EVs) into its day touring fleet. Tropic Wings provides premium charter services, including ground transportation for cruise ship shore excursions, as well as tours to Kuranda, Cape Tribulation, and the Daintree Rainforest.

CaPTA also operates four unique wildlife and cultural attractions, including Rainforestation Nature Park (Kuranda), home to the famous Army Duck Rainforest Tours, an interactive Koala & Wildlife Park, and the authentic Pamagirri Aboriginal Experience; Australian Butterfly Sanctuary (Kuranda), the largest butterfly free-flight aviary in the Southern Hemisphere; and leading wildlife attractions Wildlife Habitat (Port Douglas) and Cairns Koalas & Creatures.

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## Tonic Tourism Solutions

Tonic Tourism Solutions connects tourism operators with the international travel trade network, specialising in trade strategies, market access, distribution management, and brand visibility through partnerships, media, and familiarisation tours. Focused on expanding businesses and attracting international tourists, the company ensures operators' products reach the right audiences while aligning marketing and sales strategies with industry needs. By managing trade relationships, Tonic Tourism Solutions allows operators to focus on delivering exceptional experiences.

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## Transam Argosy

Measuring just 8km long by 5km wide, covered with lush rolling green hills and surrounded by rocky shorelines, the tiny volcanic outcrop known as Norfolk Island is located over a thousand kilometres off the shores of Australia. Transam Argosy has been developing the Island's cruise ship industry since 1992. In 2010 P&O Cruises started calling at Norfolk Island. The success of these calls led to the Australian Government improving port facilities and providing 3 Passenger Transfer Vessels. These improvements in the Island's cruise infrastructure has led to a vastly increased number of cruise ships calling at Norfolk Island, including smaller expedition cruise ships with 100 passengers to P&O cruise ships with 2,000 passengers. Cruise lines calling at Norfolk Island include Seabourn Cruises, Holland America Line, Regent Seven Seas, Hapag-Lloyd cruises, and Carnival Cruise Line. Transam Argosy provides a full range of port agency services to visiting cruise ships at Norfolk Island. Transam Argosy was established in 1987, and today is now a subsidiary of Pacific Direct Line who operate cargo services around the South Pacific.

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## Trevena Glen Farm

Trevena Glen Farm is Brisbane Best Farm Experience with 'hands on' activities, located in the foothills of the Brisbane Hinterland just over 30mins Northwest of Brisbane's CBD, airport and cruise ship terminal. Soak up the fresh country air whilst enjoying activities like the adventure tree house, ride a horse, tractor ride and unique miniature train. Pet and feed guinea pigs, chickens and rabbits, lead Alpacas, horses and goats on extended farm walks. Join passionate tour guides on 1, 2, or 3-hour tours as they introduce their large range of friendly farmyard animals and share stories of their personalities and enjoy picnicking under the 140yr old Moreton Bay fig tree.

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## Viking Cruises

Viking is an award-winning, small-ship cruise line which operates over 75 vessels on the world's oceans and rivers. From 2022, two purpose-built expedition ships will join the state-of-the-art fleet. Designed for discerning travellers with interests in science, history, culture and cuisine, Viking offers "The Thinking Person's Cruise".

Viking is destination focused, culturally enriching and carefully curated. Cruises operate on the rivers and oceans of Europe, Russia & Ukraine, North & South America, Asia, Egypt and of course, Australia & New Zealand. Viking ships have received numerous accolades since their launch from industry experts and travelers alike, including being voted the #1 Ocean Cruise Line by Travel + Leisure readers in the World's Best Awards 2019 for the fourth year in a row.

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## Voyages Indigenous Tourism Australia

Voyages Indigenous Tourism Australia is owned by the Indigenous Land Corporation and manages tourism and resort operations on its behalf. With a strong commitment to social responsibility, all profits from business activities are directed towards supporting Indigenous training and employment across Australia.

Voyages offers experience-based holidays in spectacular wilderness locations, including Ayers Rock Resort in the iconic Red Centre and tourism facilities at Mossman Gorge in Tropical Queensland. The organisation is committed to building and sustaining an Indigenous workforce through training, employment, and economic development. Its aim is to train and develop more Indigenous staff, enabling them to secure long-term employment in the hospitality industry across Australia. In turn, guests benefit from a more authentic Indigenous Australian experience. All profits from Voyages' activities go toward enhancing the resort experience while continuing to support Indigenous training and employment programs nationwide.

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## Wharf One Food & Wine

Wharf One Food & Wine is one of the newest restaurants at the Darwin Waterfront. The venue's industrial décor is chic and welcoming, with every table offering spectacular water views of the lagoon and Darwin Harbour. Guests can choose between the alfresco area, which is undercover with fans, or the comfort of air-conditioned indoor seating.

The restaurant is dedicated to generous hospitality and robust flavours. The chefs draw on diverse culinary experiences, sourcing the finest ingredients and local produce to create dishes diners love to eat. Many of the offerings are prepared over a wood-burning grill, infusing the food with a mouth-watering, subtle smokiness that enhances every flavour.

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## Whitsunday Ferries

Whitsunday Ferries serves as the gateway to unforgettable experiences in the Whitsundays. Dedicated to enhancing guests' cruise experiences, the company provides seamless logistics and exceptional service, ensuring every journey is memorable. Specialising in ship-to-shore transfers, island tours, and private charters, Whitsunday Ferries guarantees an extraordinary visit for all guests. Their fleet includes a commercial ferry, a luxurious leopard yacht, and a RHIB for high-speed tours around the Whitsundays. Whether it's a large group transfer, an exclusive outing, or a fast-paced island visit, they have the perfect vessel for any occasion. With a focus on comfort, safety, and professionalism, Whitsunday Ferries ensures smooth, enjoyable journeys and creates lasting memories for all.

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WSS Ships Agency operates a vast network with 201 offices across 59 countries, servicing 2,000 ports and handling 75,000 port calls in 2019. In Australia, WSS handles over 300 cruise ship port calls annually, including 100+ turnarounds and overseas territory visits to Norfolk Island, Antarctica, and support in Papua New Guinea. With extensive experience managing cruise ship visits, WSS Australia offers services for both turn and transit visits, assisting clients with itinerary planning, conflict resolution, and support for special projects. The WSS Cruise Department, based in Sydney, specifically supports cruise customers.

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## Wynyard Bus Lines

With more than 40 years' experience in the bus and coach industry, Wynyard Bus Lines is a proudly family-owned and operated business led by John and Sue Sherman. Operating across Tasmania, Wynyard Bus Lines provides statewide transport solutions with a fleet of over 30 buses and coaches, ensuring they can service large passenger movements, shore excursions, extended and day touring, school services, and private charter anywhere in the state. They proudly serve major ports, including Hobart, Port Arthur, and Burnie, as well as smaller wharves, supporting the growing expedition cruise sector with seamless and efficient transport options.

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Comprised of over 100 members, ACA represents regional ports, national and state tourism agencies, shipping agents, inbound tour operators and companies dedicated to making the Australian and South Pacific region a major world-class base and destination for cruise vessels.

ACA can assist in providing a wealth of information from itinerary planning, information on destinations and attractions, port details, shore excursion operators and other service providers. Our aim is to make it easy for you to develop, plan and deliver world class itineraries in and around Australia.

Information on destinations and services is available at [australiancruiseassociation.com](http://australiancruiseassociation.com)



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