

Gold Coast Short Break

With Portbus

4 Days / 3 Nights

Tour Departs: Monday 3 June - Thursday 6 June 2019









Day 1. Mon 3 Jun: Homeport - Tweed Heads

Lunch & Dinner

Today we begin our 4 day journey to the Gold Coast, stopping at Coffs Harbour for morning tea (supplied by coach). We continue north and arrive at the renowned **New Italy Café and Museum** where we enjoy lunch with time to browse the facility. The New Italy Museum complex was developed as a tribute to the courage and strength of early Italian pioneering families, who through hard work and with great spirit realised their dream of establishing a prosperous home and community on the North Coast of NSW. We reboard the coach and make our way to Mantra Twin Towns Resort for check in and then dinner at the **Twin Towns Service Club**.

Overnight: Mantra Twin Towns Resort

Day 2. Tue 4 Jun: Tweed Heads

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

This morning after breakfast we experience the natural beauty of the Tweed Valley with Mount Warning Cruises, on the Spirit of Wollumbin, a traditional Huon Pine River Ferry. We glide slowly through lush rainforest and view some of the Tweed Valleys unique landscapes, local producers, distilleries and organic farms. Beautiful Wollumbin Mount Warning, the heart of an ancient volcano, is best seen from the vantage point of the Tweed Valley waterways. Our **3 hour cruise includes a delicious seafood tasting plate** featuring local Northern Rivers seafood and local Tweed produce. Early afternoon we disembark and board our coach and head to **Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary Park** nestled within 27 hectares of lush Eucalyptus and rainforest. Come face-to-face with extraordinary wildlife in exciting daily shows and hands on encounters. Discover Lost Valley as we wander our way along elevated walkways where we are able to experience and interact with exotic species such as Lemurs, Cotton-top Tamarins, Red Panda and Capybaras along with free-flying birds and exotic reptiles. Experience Aboriginal Culture – Storytelling by Dance Show. We continue north to Hope Island where we check into the **Ramada Hotel Hope Harbour**. We will have time to freshen up before enjoying dinner in the hotel restaurant.

Overnight: Ramada Hotel Hope Harbour

Day 3. Wed 5 Jun: Mt Tamborine

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

This morning we meet for breakfast then make our way to the **Gold Coast Hinterland** to discover the hidden secrets of **Mount Tamborine.** We visit the famous **Gallery Walk** which boasts over 60 art, craft, gift and nick-knack shops that lure thousands of visitors to Tamborine Mountain every year! From fine art to culinary delights, we will find something to suit all tastes and budgets in this fascinating stretch of fun shopping! Our next stop is **Mt Tamborine Rainforest Skywalk** which offers a unique and thrilling way to explore the beautiful rainforest canopies of Tamborine Mountain, Our walk begins on a spectacular elevated walkway through the beautiful middle and upper canopies of the rainforest viewing many rockpools and waterfalls along the way taking us to the amazing Cantilever, a 40 metre long span soaring 30 metres above the valley. Then it's onto **Tea and Niceties** where we enjoy a **delicious high tea lunch**, set amongst enchanting gardens on majestic Tamborine Mountain. This European inspired tea room is a place where quality, service and tradition reign supreme. It is the perfect place to slow down amidst heartwarming old world charm.

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We then return to our accommodation with time to freshen up before heading out to the **Australian Outback Spectacular 'Heartlands' Dinner and Show.** Enjoy the story of true Australian characters, Reg and Marge, who are battling a severe five-year drought on their farm. This heart touching story will resonate with many as it delves into real world struggles that many Aussie farmers are dealing with today. With the help from some unlikely characters, and friendships that will last a lifetime, the pair overcome the harsh realities of life on the land. The Australian Outback Spectaculars Heartland takes us on a compelling and emotional ride into the heart of the Australian bush.

Overnight: Ramada Hotel Hope Harbour

Day 4 Thurs 6 Jun: Grafton - Homeport

Breakfast & Lunch

This morning after breakfast and check out we begin our journey home taking the coastal route via **Ballina for morning tea** (from coach) enjoying the drive south through the Richmond and Clarence River Valleys en-route to **Grafton**. This elegant Clarence River township featuring colonial buildings, Jacaranda trees and giant Fig trees before arriving at **Lanbruk Gunyah Collectables and Olive Farm** tucked away on the banks of the Mighty Clarence River. We learn about the farm and their way of life, sample the olives and other home made goods before **enjoying a delightful "homestyle" lunch whilst being entertained by a local bush poet**. There will be time to browse the extensive collectables on display before continuing our journey back home to Port Macquarie with a comfort stop along the way. We arrive back home late afternoon after a wonderful short break with Portbus.

Tour Highlights: New Italy Cafe & Museum; Twin Towns Service Club; Mount Warning Seafood Plate Cruise; Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary; Mt Tamborine Gallery Walk; Tamborine Rainforest Skywalk; Tea & Niceties High Tea; Australian Outback Spectacular Heartlands Dinner & Show, Ballina & Grafton; Lanbruk Gunyah Collectable & Olive Farm; The Bush Poet & much more.

Tour Price Includes:

- Luxury coach travel
- 3 Nights quality accommodation
- Breakfast, lunch & dinner as per itinerary (10 Meals)
- All entry fees, cruise & guides as per itinerary

Tour Cost: \$1150.00 per person Twin Share (Single Supplement \$250.00)

Tour cost based on minimum 25 pax

The tour prices valid for travel in 2019. Please note that the itinerary is subject to change without notice.

\$150.00 Deposit per person is due by Friday 29th March 2019 with completed booking form.

Final Payment Due by Monday 29th April 2019

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