

# Canberra ANZAC Tour

Tuesday 23rd to Saturday 27th April 2024

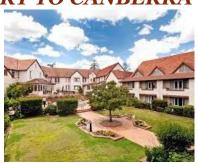


The Australian War Memorial is always proud to host one of Australia's most important national occasions, the Anzac Day commemorations. From the observance of the one-minute silence at the Dawn Service to the sounding of the Last Post, the Australian War Memorial can't be beat for anyone wishing to immerse themselves in a full and moving Anzac Day commemoration.

## Day 1 – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Welcome to our very special 5-day tour to our National Capital. Canberra is renowned for its landscaped streets, public parks, planted road medians and gardens and we're going to see them all on our Autumn tour. We've also planned to be in Canberra on ANZAC Day. We bypass Sydney and travel into the Southern Highlands before passing through Goulburn to arrive in Canberra late afternoon. On arrival we check into our accommodation – our base for the next 4 nights.

#### **PORT TO CANBERRA**



Dinner at the hotel | lunch own arrangements and costs | Mercure Canberra

## Day 2 - Wednesday 24th

# DISCOVERING CANBERRA



Following breakfast we head across to the *National Museum of Australia* for a guided tour – hear great stories about Australia and Australians told through new ideas, interactive displays, and significant objects. We have some free time to wander through the displays or revisit points of interest from our tour and to purchase lunch. This afternoon we spend at the *Australian War Memorial*. Over the past few years, the Memorial has undergone extensive redevelopment resulting in new galleries and displays. Later in the afternoon we move to the focus of the commemoration - the *Hall of* 

*Memory* together with the *Tomb of the Unknown Soldier*, the *Pool of Reflection* and the *Roll of Honour* listing the names of over 102,000 Australian

servicemen and women who have died in war. It is here we'll hear the *Last Post and closing ceremony*.

Breakfast and Dinner at the hotel | lunch own arrangements and costs

### Day 3 - Thursday 25th

Today marks the 109<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the landing of Australian and New Zealand Army Corps troops at Gallipoli, the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War. We will remember them. Early this morning, we transfer to the *Australian War Memorial* to take part in the *Dawn Service*. We return to our hotel for breakfast, and then head back to





Anzac Parade and the War Memorial for the *National Ceremony* and see the veteran's march. Along the ANZAC Parade there are memorials we can spend time at respectively leaving our thoughts. With such an early start today, we can enjoy a relaxed afternoon with no pre-arranged activities. At dinner we meet again, and the evening is at leisure. Breakfast and Dinner at the hotel | lunch own arrangements and costs

#### Day 4 – Friday 26th GALLERY AND A HISTORICAL HOMESTEAD



We start the day by visiting the *National Portrait Gallery* uncovering the extraordinary stories of exploration and individual achievement. For lunch we head out into the farmlands and visit *Lanyon Homestead*, set within superb pleasure gardens, and features a range of outbuildings located within a landscape of great natural beauty. We enjoy our lunch in the Lanyon Café, one of the historic outbuildings at

Lanyon. Returning to the hotel if we need more time at the memorials on ANZAC parade we can certainly return, yesterday the crowds could've stopped us taking them all in. Breakfast and Dinner at the hotel. Lunch.

# Day 5 – Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>

After we check out of our hotel and farewell our hosts, we retrace our steps and head for home. We visit the *Ourimbah RSL Club* for our lunch stop. We arrive home late afternoon with many beautiful memories of our special trip to Canberra.

Breakfast in hotel | Lunch at Ourimbah RSL Club

#### CANBERRA TO HOME



#### **Tour Inclusions:**

- 4 night's motel accommodation
- 4 cooked motel breakfasts
- 4 motel dinners, 2 included lunches see below.
- Museum Highlights Tour at the National Museum of Australia
- Self-guided tour with audio set including Last Post Ceremony at the Australian War Memorial
- Dawn Service at the Australian War Memorial
- Veterans March, National Ceremony
- Entry and Guided Tour at the National Portrait Gallery
- Entry, guided tour, and lunch at Lanyon Homestead
- Lunch at the Ourimbah-Lisarow RSL Club The Kitchen
- Mercure Canberra (4 nights)

# \$1,828 twin | \$2,358 single

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