

🌸 AUBURN CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL – A BEAUTIFUL SPRINGTIME ESCAPE! 🌸

Step into a world of delicate pink blossoms, beautiful gardens and cultural charm as we whisk you away on a delightful three-day getaway to Sydney, featuring the spectacular Auburn Cherry Blossom Festival! Wander beneath a breathtaking canopy of cherry blossoms at Auburn Botanic Gardens, where more than 200 cherry trees transform the landscape into a picture-perfect wonderland. Discover the beauty and tranquillity of the traditional Chinese-inspired Chang Lai Yuan Gardens, with their ornate pavilions, stone bridges and cascading waterfalls. Our floral adventure continues with a guided exploration of the magnificent Royal Botanic Garden Sydney, followed by a delicious lunch at the beautiful Botanic House. With two nights at the PARKROYAL Parramatta, wonderful dining experiences and plenty of time to soak up the scenery, this charming escape is a celebration of nature, culture and friendship. Bring your camera, your love of gardens and your sense of adventure – this is one blooming beautiful getaway you won't want to miss! 🌸🚌💕

Day 1 (MTLD) PORT MACQUARIE TO PARRAMATTA Monday 16 August 2027



Welcome aboard our delightful three-day getaway to Parramatta, where beautiful gardens, cultural experiences and the spectacular cherry blossoms of Auburn Botanic Gardens await! With cameras at the ready and plenty of wonderful sights to discover, we're looking forward to sharing a blooming beautiful adventure with you.

Sit back, relax and enjoy the changing scenery as we travel south along the Pacific Highway, catching up with fellow travellers and enjoying the comfort of our Port Bus coach. Our first stop this morning is at **Wade Park in Bulahdelah**, where we'll stretch our legs and enjoy a lovely morning tea served from the coach. There's nothing quite like a cuppa, a tasty treat and a friendly chat to get our holiday off to a wonderful start!

Continuing our journey south, we make our way towards Sydney, arriving at **Hornsby RSL Club**, where a delicious lunch awaits. Take some time to relax, enjoy your meal and soak up the friendly atmosphere before we continue the final leg of today's journey.

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This afternoon, we arrive in the vibrant city of **Parramatta**, where we'll check into the lovely **PARKROYAL Parramatta**, our home for the next two nights. Conveniently located in the heart of Parramatta, our accommodation provides the perfect base for exploring the beautiful gardens and attractions planned for our stay.

Once we've settled into our rooms, there's time to unpack, freshen up and enjoy a little relaxation after our day's travels. Perhaps put your feet up with a cuppa before we gather again this evening for a delicious dinner at the hotel.

With a wonderful day of sightseeing and cherry blossom magic awaiting us tomorrow, tonight is all about unwinding, enjoying good company and looking forward to the beautiful experiences ahead.

Lunch: Hornsby RSL Club | Dinner: At the hotel

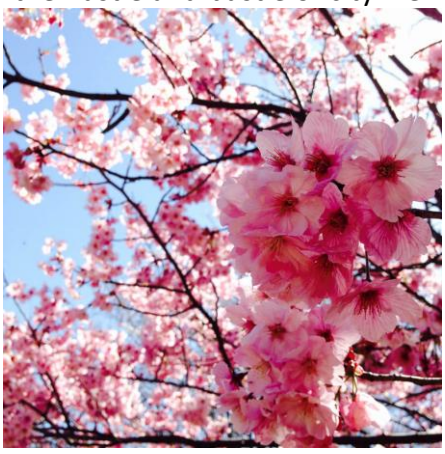
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Day 2 (BD) AUBURN CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL TO HOME Tuesday 17 August 2027



Today promises to be an absolute feast for the senses as we immerse ourselves in the beauty, colour and cultural charm of some of Sydney's most enchanting gardens. With delicate pink blossoms, traditional Chinese architecture and a wonderful celebration of Japanese culture awaiting us, it's time to have those cameras ready!

Following a delicious breakfast at the hotel, we set off for our first destination, the beautiful **Chang Lai Yuan Chinese Gardens**, a hidden treasure offering a peaceful escape from the hustle and bustle of city life.



Inspired by the traditional architectural styles of China's Ming and Qing Dynasties, these stunning gardens are a wonderful blend of history, culture and natural beauty.

As we wander along the garden pathways, we'll discover an impressive collection of traditional Chinese features, including the magnificent entrance Gateway, the elegant Seven Arch Stone Bridge, the charming Light Mountain Pavilion and the picturesque Waterfall Gazebo. Each structure has been thoughtfully designed to reflect the harmony and tranquillity of classical Chinese gardens, creating beautiful photo opportunities at every turn. Take your time to admire the intricate details, peaceful waterways and lush greenery that make this such a special place to visit.

From here, our floral adventure continues as we make our way to the spectacular **Auburn Botanic Gardens**, home to the much-loved **Auburn Cherry Blossom Festival**. This is the highlight of our getaway, and what a beautiful sight it promises to be!

With more than 200 cherry blossom trees throughout the gardens, visitors are treated to a breathtaking display of soft pink and white blooms, creating a magical atmosphere reminiscent of Japan's famous cherry blossom season. Stroll beneath the delicate blossoms, admire the beautiful reflections across the garden ponds and capture those picture-perfect moments among the flowering trees. There's something truly special about seeing these magnificent trees in bloom, and it's easy to understand why this annual celebration attracts visitors from near and far.



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The festival is about so much more than beautiful flowers. It's also a wonderful celebration of Japanese culture, bringing together traditional influences, colourful displays and a lively festival atmosphere. Depending on the final festival program, there may be cultural performances, fascinating exhibitions, floral displays, entertainment and tempting food stalls offering a delicious taste of Japan.
With plenty of time to explore at your own pace, perhaps sample something different for lunch, browse the festival offerings or simply find a peaceful spot to sit and soak up the beauty surrounding you. Whether you're a keen gardener, a photography enthusiast or someone who simply appreciates nature at its finest, today is sure to be a memorable experience.
After a wonderful day surrounded by blossoms, beautiful gardens and cultural delights, we farewell Auburn and make our way back to **PARKROYAL Parramatta**. There's time to relax, freshen up and perhaps share a few favourite photographs with your fellow travellers before we gather for another enjoyable dinner at the hotel.
What a blooming marvellous day it's been, and there's still more botanical beauty to discover tomorrow!
Breakfast and dinner in hotel | Lunch own arrangements and cost

Day 3 (BL) PARRAMATTA TO HOME Wednesday 18 August 2027



Following a delicious breakfast at the hotel, we farewell Parramatta and make our way into the heart of Sydney for one final botanical adventure. Our destination this morning is the magnificent **Royal Botanic Garden Sydney**, a spectacular green oasis nestled along the shores of Sydney Harbour, with breathtaking views of the iconic Opera House and Harbour Bridge.
Established in 1816, the Royal Botanic Garden is Australia's oldest scientific institution and one of Sydney's most treasured attractions. Today, we'll discover its fascinating history, remarkable plant collections and beautifully landscaped grounds as we enjoy an informative **guided tour with a knowledgeable local guide**. As we wander through this magnificent garden, we'll uncover stories of its rich heritage, learn about the incredible diversity of plants from Australia and around the world, and admire the towering trees, colourful garden beds and peaceful pathways that make this such a special place.



From exotic tropical species and fascinating native plants to historic trees that have stood proudly for generations, there's something beautiful and interesting around every corner. With Sydney Harbour providing a spectacular backdrop, there'll be plenty of opportunities to capture a few final photographs and soak up the tranquillity of this remarkable setting.
After our leisurely exploration, it's time for a very special farewell lunch at the beautiful **Botanic**

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House, nestled amongst the lush greenery of the gardens. Surrounded by nature, we'll settle in for a delightful dining experience, enjoying delicious food, wonderful company and the opportunity to reflect on the many highlights of our three-day escape. What better way to conclude our garden adventure than sharing a lovely meal in such picturesque surroundings?

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With our hearts full of wonderful memories and perhaps a camera roll overflowing with beautiful photographs, we reluctantly farewell Sydney and begin our journey home. Sit back, relax and enjoy the passing scenery as we travel north, sharing stories, laughter and favourite moments with newfound and familiar friends.

We arrive home later this afternoon or evening, bringing our delightful **Auburn Cherry Blossom Festival getaway** to a close. From the delicate pink blossoms of Auburn and the enchanting Chinese Gardens to the magnificent Royal Botanic Garden Sydney, it's been three wonderful days celebrating the beauty of nature, fascinating cultures and the simple pleasure of travelling together.

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US ON ANOTHER BLOOMING BEAUTIFUL PORT BUS ADVENTURE. WE HOPE YOU'VE ENJOYED EVERY MOMENT, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU ABOARD AGAIN SOON!

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- 2 night's hotel accommodation
- 2 cooked breakfasts
- 2 Pre Dinner drinks
- 2 motel dinners
- 2 included lunches – see below
- 1 Port Bus Morning Tea
- Lunch at the Hornsby RSL Club
- Visit Chang Lai Yuan Chinese Gardens
- Entry into the Auburn Cherry Festival
- Garden Walking tour at the Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney
- Lunch at Botanic House, Sydney

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NOTE:

- *Please note: The 2027 Auburn Cherry Blossom Festival dates and program are yet to be confirmed and may be subject to change. Cherry blossom flowering is seasonal and dependent on weather conditions.*
- **The Auburn Festival dates and program have not yet been set and may change**
- Price is based on a minimum of 20 paying passengers. If numbers fall below 20 paying passengers, this tour *may* need to be recosted.
- Price is valid for above tour dates only and includes GST.
- Morning teas or afternoon teas are not included unless specified.
- The itinerary may be subject to change without notice. Whilst every effort is made to adhere to the itinerary as provided, Port Bus reserves the right to alter the touring and attractions as dictated by circumstances and conditions that may arise. Alterations may be made to ensure the smooth running of the tour. Every attempt will be made to ensure alterations do not adversely affect the operation of the tour. Port Bus will not be held responsible for weather-based cancellations, or those closures made at the venue's discretion.
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