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GENERAL SHORE EXCURSION INFORMATION & CONDITIONS

To enhance the enjoyment of your cruise, we have created a programme of optional shore excursions designed to show you the highlights of each of our ports of call. The Shore Excursions team will be pleased to assist you with your choice of excursions to help make the most of your time ashore.

Pre-Registration
You can pre-register your shore excursions online by going to cmvaustralia.com/manage-my-cruise
It is strongly recommended that you use the pre-registration service as several of the excursions on offer may have limited capacity and all excursions are subject to availability. Please note Shore Excursions cannot be pre-registered over the telephone.

How to book on board
Just complete and sign the booking form with your excursion selections and hand it in at the Shore Excursions Desk. Desk opening hours will be detailed in your daily programme.

Suite Benefits
Astor – Astor Suite
Guests booked in the Suites named above are entitled to confirmed shore excursions pre-registrations for tours with a minimum of 40. However, pre-registration for excursions must be received 4 days prior to sailing to qualify for this benefit.

Payment
Pre-registered excursions are automatically debited to your shipboard account. For any bookings made whilst on board, the Shore Excursions team will ask you to sign in agreement that the amount to be charged is correct and will then issue your tickets accordingly.

Excursion Prices
The shore excursion prices are in Australian Dollars and include transport, guides, meals and entrance fees according to the published description. Child prices apply to children aged between 3 and 12 inclusively. Children aged 13 years and above will require adult tickets. Infants under the age of 3 can travel on the excursion free of charge, as long as they do not occupy a seat and it is not a flight or overnight excursion. Please note that all minors (under 18 years) must be accompanied by an adult on shore excursions.

Cancellations
In the event of an excursion being cancelled, prior to operating, for reasons beyond our control, a full refund will be credited to your shipboard account.
Pre-registered excursions - Alterations to pre-registered excursions, including cancellation, can only be accepted up until close of business 4 days before sailing. After this all pre-registered excursions will be considered as confirmed as pre-registered figures are sent to the ship and agents before sailing.
Confirmed bookings - From sailing day, until bookings close, a cancellation fee of 20% will be charged on any confirmed excursion cancelled by guests for any reason other than certified medical conditions. After bookings have closed the cancellation fee is 100%, unless the cancellation is for medical reasons duly certified by the Ship’s Doctor.
Minimum requirements
All excursions are subject to a minimum number of guests participating. If this minimum is not achieved the Shore Excursion team will advise guests and a refund will be applied to your on board account.

Excursion timings
Durations and departure times are approximate and the final excursion departure times will be confirmed on board. Following the ship’s arrival in a port of call the relevant local authorities must complete various formalities in order to clear the vessel and give permission for guests to be allowed to disembark. The time this procedure can take varies from port to port and excursions may only commence once these clearance formalities have been completed. Please consult the daily programme which will advise you of the designated meeting time for the departure of the excursion. Members of staff will direct guests and request that you have the excursion ticket available to hand to the guide or driver as you board your coach. When choosing multiple shore excursions in a port, it is recommended that you leave at least one hour between an excursion returning and another departing.

Choosing the right excursion
The organised excursions are designed to be a pleasurable experience and an enhancement of your cruise. Therefore it is recommended, before you book an excursion, that you consider the physical requirements of that particular excursion, such as the amount of walking involved, to ensure that it is right for you. Please be aware that some archaeological sites, palaces, temples, museums and old city quarters can sometimes only be reached by walking on uneven paths or lots of steps, which could prove to be very difficult for those with limited mobility. The Shore Excursions team will be pleased to assist you with any further information that you may require about individual excursions.

Transport
Depending on the part of the world that you are visiting, the standard of transportation used for excursions may vary considerably. Please bear in mind that coaches may not be air-conditioned and accessibility may be challenging for some guests. In some ports, particularly in the more remote countries, local buses, taxis, minibuses, jeeps and even open trucks may be used where coach availability is limited or non-existent. The notes in the excursion description should indicate if this is known in advance, but the Shore Excursions team on board will be able to provide additional information.

Whilst ashore
Shore Excursions will operate in all weathers unless the Shore Excursion Manager is advised by the local agent that it is inappropriate or unsafe to do so. In general it is recommended that you wear appropriate clothing and, if necessary, weatherproof coats or jackets. Footwear should be sturdy, flat and comfortable as some walking will be necessary to gain full enjoyment from the excursion programme. When you visit churches and other religious sites, please bear in mind that conservative dress will be required. Please always take your cruise card with you and it is also prudent to have a photocopy of your passport. Leave on board jewellery, valuables and other personal documents, and take only as much cash as you need for the excursion. You may find it beneficial on excursions to take with you a bottle of water, suntan lotion and insect repellent.

Excursion descriptions
These are deemed to be correct at the time of printing but the planned content of excursions is subject to change. It should be noted that some of the listed attractions in an excursion may be viewed in a different order to avoid possible congestion. The term ‘visit’ in a description implies an inside visit to a building, monument or attraction, whereas when the term ‘see’ is used in a description, it indicates an external view only. If not mentioned specifically in the excursion description, there is no time reserved for shopping.
Activity & water based excursions
You and all those in your party should be aware that some of the excursions offered may involve some degree of physical exertion and/or activity such as hiking, snorkelling, snow-mobiling, swimming, kayaking etc. When booking this type of excursion you are confirming that you and all those in your party are in good physical condition and for example only, have no history of conditions such as seizures, heart conditions, respiratory problems, dizziness or fainting. It is your responsibility to ensure that you are fit and well enough to take part in the activities booked and you are reminded to take care for your safety at all times. There is a possibility you may be asked by the shore excursion provider to sign a document which may limit the excursion provider’s liability. It is important that your holiday insurance covers you for the type of activity you are participating in. For any excursion which involves water you are advised to exercise care. Alcohol and eating a full meal should be avoided before swimming. If buoyancy aids are provided, they must be worn. Please bear in mind that the sea and swells can be unpredictable and lifeguards are unlikely to be present at all beaches/venues visited. All activities on the beach and in the sea are undertaken at your own risk.

Excursion escorts
In addition to a local guide, where possible a ship’s escort will accompany each excursion but we are unable to guarantee that every coach or group will have its own escort from the ship. These staff members fulfil the excursion duties around their own work schedules and occasionally rehearsals or emergency drills being called may prevent participation at short notice.

Photography
Prior to taking any pictures in churches, museums or palaces etc. please check with the guide that there is no restriction on photography or video filming in that location. In some ports of call special camera and video permits may need to be purchased in advance but full information will be given on board during the relevant cruises.

Smoking
For the comfort of all guests, smoking is not permitted aboard the excursion coaches/vessels.

Important notes
For the safety and assurance of guests, all the excursions are operated under the management of responsible and experienced local ground handling agencies, which hold the appropriate insurance cover to offer such services. Only the authorised Shore Excursion team on board are permitted to arrange or accept payment for such excursions or act as Excursion Agents during the cruise. It is essential that before booking any shore excursion, you ensure that your travel insurance extends to cover the specified activity you will be participating in. This may necessitate an extra premium. Your contract for shore excursions is separate and distinct from your contract for your cruise services, or your passenger ticket. Cruise and Maritime Voyages Ltd act as agents for Global Cruise Lines in the sale and provision of all shore excursions. For all shore excursion arrangements, your contract will be with Global Cruise Lines. This information represents the shore excursion plans and intentions at the time of printing. Subsequent events may unfortunately result in an unavoidable change to plans, which could affect the published itineraries and/or fares. In the event of such changes or alterations, wherever possible you will be advised and thus all shore excursion information must be considered as subject to alteration.

Independent shore leave
Once the vessel has been cleared, shore excursion participants on early departures will be called to disembark first and then you can go ashore on your own as well, as long as it is not forbidden due to visa requirements; or where the ship has only a very limited layover time in ports when a technical call is scheduled to disembark or embark shore excursion guests only. If you go ashore independently it is at your own risk. It is not possible to guarantee that there will be an adequate amount of taxis available in each port of call. On some occasions, a chargeable transfer bus service from the port to the respective city centre may be organised and full information will be given on board in such instances. Please note that you have to return on board 30 minutes prior to the planned departure of the vessel. The ship cannot wait for guests who go ashore independently and return late. Organised shore excursions offer the safest and best way to explore each city during each call.
ESPERANCE, Western Australia

Esperance in a Day

Western Australia is a region of great scenic beauty and Esperance is strategically placed to enjoy some of the best of it. From Esperance travel to Cape Le Grand National Park one of the highlights of the local area and indeed one of Western Australia’s most spectacular National Parks. First stop is Frenchman Peak for a short photo stop before heading to Hellfire Bay. Here you can take a quick walk along the beach before you head for Lucky Bay which was voted Australia’s Whitest Beach. There will be approximately one hour of free time here for you to enjoy the area and perhaps take a dip in the ocean or relax and purchase refreshments.

Leaving Lucky Bay you will make your way to Mermaid Leather for a visit where you can learn how fish skins are processed and premium leather products are created. This is the only place in Australia that tans fish skins and is one of only nine such facilities in the world. Products made here include shoes, belts and even paper.

Your tour then continues to Rotary lookout, which gives you a 360 degree view of the Recherche Archipelago and Esperance town. There will be a stop at West Beach for photos before heading to Twilight Cove, voted Australia’s Best Beach before you continue along the coast making a short stop at Pink Lake lookout, a salt plain which, in the right weather conditions, appears pink due to the high concentration of salt-tolerant algae. There will then be a stop for you to spend time at Section Gallery where you can see a diverse range of local products offered for sale. The Gallery houses an innovative and diverse body of handcrafted glass objects and kiln fired glass artworks using both warm glass and cold glass techniques. Following your time at Section Gallery, you will be transported back to the pier.

By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 20/maximum 80.

Please note: This tour involves walking at the various stops, much of which is at guests’ discretion. This tour includes morning tea and a picnic lunch (sandwiches, chips, soft drink or water). Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. If you wish to enjoy a swim at Lucky Bay, please remember to wear your swimwear, carry a towel and take sunscreen. There are very basic changing and toilet facilities on the beach (enviro-composting toilets). Guests must be able to swim and feel comfortable in open waters. Guests are requested to refrain from drinking alcoholic beverages prior to swimming activities. All water activities undertaken are at your own risk.
Cape le Grand National Park & Stonehenge

Nature lovers will be amazed at the stunning beauty to be found in the Cape Le Grand National Park. Western Australia is well known for its wonderful scenery and the region around Esperance has more than its fair share. A wild coast, rugged granite peaks, sweeping landscapes, rocky headlands, turquoise blue water in picture postcard bays rimmed by gleaming white sand beaches can all be experienced.

Leaving the port you will first head to Lucky Bay, approximately one hour away. Located within the Park, it is rated the country’s whitest beach for its pure white sand and clear turquoise water. The Bay stretches for 5km and is a beautiful place for photos during a 30 minute stop.

You then take a drive through Cape Le Grand National Park en route to Stonehenge. Massive rocks seemingly in the middle of nowhere and perfect views through small openings are drawing visitors from around the world. This is a full size replica of the original in the UK, made from local granite stone. A short photo stop will be made for you to capture the site before you return to Esperance.

By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 30/maximum 80.

Please note: If you wish to enjoy a swim at Lucky Bay, please remember to wear your swimwear, carry a towel and take sunscreen. There are very basic changing and toilet facilities on the beach (enviro-composting toilets). Guests must be able to swim and feel comfortable in open waters. Guests are requested to refrain from drinking alcoholic beverages prior to swimming activities. All water activities undertaken are at your own risk. Much of the walking on this excursion is at guests’ discretion.
PENNESHAW, Kangaroo Island, Australia

Taste of Kangaroo Island

Tour 925001 – Approx. 4 hours

Start with a visit to Island Pure Sheep Dairy, South Australia’s first sheep dairy and cheese factory when it opened at Cygnet River in 1992. The Dairy has become well-known for its range of high quality Mediterranean-style cheeses and yoghurt. Island Pure is a unique culinary experience where you can view sheep milking and enjoy a tasting of the Haloumi cheese.

You then travel on to Clifford’s Honey Farm where you will discover the Ligurian bee. View these industrious creatures through a glass hive and watch an informative video. Enjoy browsing the local produce, art and craft and cosmetics made with honey and beeswax.

Your last stop is at Emu Ridge Eucalyptus Distillery. Eucalyptus Oil distilling was once one of Kangaroo Island’s major industries. It began in the 1880’s and was a supplementary income for the farmers clearing their land for sheep farming. In the 1930’s it reached its peak with 48 stills employing over 600 people and there were around 100 stills on the Island. Emu Ridge is the only commercial eucalyptus oil distillery in operation in South Australia and here you will find an extensive range of local art, crafts and produce from the gift shop.

By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 40/maximum 135 per departure.

Please note: This tour is operated using a driver guide. This tour involves up to 1½ hours of walking over mainly unpaved pathways. Flat, comfortable footwear is recommended.
Kangaroo Island Safari

Kangaroo Island is a pristine wilderness - a place that has offered protection to substantial populations of native Australian animals, a place of beauty and a place of escape. The Island has soaring cliffs, dense bush land, towering sand dunes, wetlands and bone white beaches.

Your full day adventure starts with a drive to Seal Bay where there are stunning views of the large Australian sea-lion colony that make the area home. Enjoy a walk along the boardwalk which meanders through the limestone cliffs and dunes to viewing platforms where you can observe the sea-lions surfing the waves or sunning themselves on the beach. Seal Bay Conservation Park was proclaimed in 1972 under the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972, to help in the protection of the Australian Sea-lion and its natural habitat.

Your tour continues to Flinders Chase, a sanctuary for endangered species. National and Conservation parks cover more than one third of the total area of land on Kangaroo Island. From very early in Kangaroo Island’s European settlement, National and Conservation parks were declared across the Island, in recognition of the importance of preserving the unique plant and wildlife species that exist here. Some of these species of plants and animals are either threatened or exist nowhere else in Australia. There are four major parks, one of which is Flinders Chase. A BBQ lunch, including steak, chicken, fish, salad and soft drinks will be provided during your stop here.

Your next highlight is a visit to see the amazing force of nature at Admirals Arch located at Cape du Couedic. A viewing platform and boardwalk around a cliff face leads you to this spectacular natural rock arch sculpted by weathering and erosion from the sea over thousands of years.

Your final stop is at the Remarkable Rocks – sculpted rock formations which sit atop a smooth granite dome which drops 75m in to the sea. The exposed Rocks are nothing but remarkable in size and shape.

Prior to returning to the port there will be a short stop at one of the wildlife areas for you to look-out for wild kangaroos or koalas.

- By mini bus or 4x4/on foot, subject to minimum 10/maximum 20.
- Please note: This tour is operated using a driver guide. The tour involves approximately 2½ hours of walking over uneven pathways. We recommend you take extreme care at all the view points and in particular the Remarkable Rocks as these can be slippery and there are no rails or barriers. Wildlife sightings cannot be guaranteed. Owing to limited capacity, early booking of this tour is recommended. It is not possible to increase the capacity of this excursion.
Seal Bay Discovery

Tour 925003 – Approx. 3½ hours

Enjoy a tour to Seal Bay - one of Kangaroo island’s most popular destinations. At Seal Bay Conservation Park, Kangaroo Island, see the endangered Australian Sea-lions in their natural environment of coastal vegetation, dunes and beach. Wander along the 800-metre boardwalk which meanders through the limestone cliffs and dunes to viewing platforms where you can observe the sea-lions surfing the waves or sunning themselves on the beach while you enjoy the stunning coastal scenery. (We recommend you take extreme care at all view points.)

Continue on to Pennington Bay, a superb surf beach and photographer’s dream which is a popular place for fishing and swimming. Huge crashing waves on the shore can be heard at American River 9km away. Enjoy a short stop here before re-joining your coach for your journey back to the ship.

By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 40/maximum 40 per departure.

Please note: This tour is operated using a driver guide. The tour involves approximately 1 hour of walking over uneven pathways.

Kangaroo Island Art & Wine

Tour 925004 – Approx. 4¼ hours

In 2002 whilst living and working in Adelaide, Diana and Bruce Keir purchased 120 acres of beautiful Kangaroo Island land and an old homestead close to the Chapman River, just behind the dunes on Antechamber Bay. They already had 4 acres of vines just up the hill with the vines doing well on the limestone influenced soil with a cool maritime climate and soon the Cellar Door was opened. Set in an old tin shed aircraft hangar, the Chapman River Cellar Door and Art Gallery will provide you with a tasting of Happiness Wines from their four acre vineyard.

Afterwards, you continue to Dudley Wines, established in 1994 by local families that had lived and worked the soils of Kangaroo Island for generations. Dudley Wines, situated on spectacular cliff top overlooking Backstairs Passage and the Fleurieu Peninsula has grown to become one of the Island’s leading wine producers. Enjoy a tasting of their award winning wine from their Wine & Wool Barn.

Your last stop is Sunset Winery, an ‘Award Winning Island Experience’! With one of the best views of any cellar door anywhere, Sunset has become known for its warm welcome, friendly service and relaxed atmosphere. Sunset Winery was the inaugural winner of the 2009 Ultimate Kangaroo Island Producers Food or Wine Experience award as judged by its customers. Enjoy a tasting on the deck during your visit.

By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 135 per departure.

Please note: This tour is operated using a driver guide. There is a total of approximately 2 hours of walking involved on this tour including uneven pathways and steps.
ADELAIDE, South Australia

**Adelaide Highlights**

Tour 917001 – Approx. 4 hours

Enjoy an overview of the city and its easy-going charm from the comfort of your coach, with a stop at Mt Lofty for panoramic views of Adelaide. Absorb the history and highlights of the surroundings as your coach takes you into the heart of the city. During your drive you will see the Casino, Holy Trinity Church, Old Parliament Buildings, Government House and North Terrace. The Holy Trinity Church dates from the 1830’s and remains a historic symbol of the community. The Old Parliament Buildings and nearby Government House make a dignified architectural statement. See the city parks and travel along the tree-lined North Terrace.

You then head out to Mt Lofty, a must for any visitor to Adelaide. At 727m above sea level it is the highest point in the southern Ranges. From here there are panoramic views of Adelaide to the west and the Picadilly Valley to the east. The summit was closed to the public during World War II, when the obelisk was considered an indispensable navigation assistant. A flashing strobe was fitted to the top to improve visibility at night. This strobe was removed after the war, but then re-installed in the 1990s, when the obelisk was repainted and restored.

※ By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 300.

※ Please note: This tour is operated using a driver guide. There is very little walking involved on this excursion. The weather can be cooler at Mt Lofty and so a jacket is recommended.
Historic Hahndorf & Mt Lofty Tour 917002 – Approx. 5 hours

Travel through rolling mountains, market gardens and orchards of the Adelaide Hills before reaching the heritage site of Hahndorf. This is the oldest surviving German settlement in Australia, steeped in history. This lovely village was founded by Lutheran families who emigrated to Australia in 1830. Many of the original buildings and traditions have been retained and Hahndorf’s village atmosphere is complimented by a myriad of cafes and speciality shops. You are free to explore the village, enjoy its carefully restored buildings and visit the many craft shops, bakeries, restaurants and boutiques. On your return to Adelaide there will be a stop at Mt Lofty, which at 727m offers a wonderful panoramic outlook.

- By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 35/ maximum 300.
- Please note: This tour is operated using a driver guide. There will be approximately 2 hours of free time in Hahndorf. Walking is at guests’ own discretion. Comfortable, non-slip shoes are recommended. Lunch or refreshments are not included.

City Sights & Cleland Wildlife Park Tour 917003 – Approx. 5 hours

Absorb the history and highlights of the surroundings as your coach takes you on a panoramic drive of the city passing the Casino, Holy Trinity Church, Old Parliament Buildings, Government House and North Terrace. You then head out to Mt Lofty for a stop. This is the highest point in the southern Ranges with panoramic views of Adelaide to the west and the Picadilly Valley to the east.

Nestled in the beautiful, natural bush land of the Adelaide Hills the Cleland Wildlife Park is home to many of Australia’s favourite and famously unique birds and animals. Cleland Wildlife Park has been a major tourist attraction in South Australia since 1967 and provides 35 hectares of open bush land habitat where visitors can interact with Australian wildlife. See koalas, hand-feed kangaroos, learn about wombats, dingoes, emus and colourful bird life which abound in this natural bush setting.

- By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 35/ maximum 300.
- Please note: There is approximately 2½ hours of walking over flat, level terrain at Cleland Wildlife Park, much of which is at guests’ discretion as this visit is un-guided. There is a small charge for the kangaroo food.
BURNIE, Tasmania

Cradle Mountain & Dove Lake  
Tour 915001 – Approx. 6⅛ hours

An iconic feature of the Tasmanian landscape is beautiful Cradle Mountain, located in the Lake St Clair National Park. A combination of natural features, lakes, forests, fauna and stunning scenery this tour is sure to be one of the highlights of your trip to Burnie.

Cradle Mountain is one of the most picturesque natural areas in Tasmania and is highly regarded for its isolated and wild character. After a 1⅜ hour coach ride through scenic landscape you will reach the Cradle Mountain Transit Terminal, located 2km before the National Park entrance. Here you will join the explorer bus to Dove Lake where you will have approximately one hour to admire the breathtaking views of the Lake and surroundings. There is a scenic path that encircles the Lake for those who would like a stroll or alternatively you could relax and absorb the beauty of the area. You return to the Transit Terminal by bus to rejoin your coach for the return journey to Burnie.

⚠️ By coach/bus/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 45.

⚠️ Please note: The amount of walking at Dove Lake is at guests’ discretion, however please be advised there is uneven earthy terrain and care should be taken in the event of inclement weather as some ground may be slippery. Comfortable, closed-toe, non-slip footwear is recommended. This tour does not include lunch or refreshments.
Burnie Highlights & Penguin  
Tour 915002 – Approx. 3¾ hours

Discover the delights of Burnie with its Pioneer Museum, Cheese Tasting Centre, coastal town of Penguin and ‘Roo Poo’ paper!

Enjoy some free time at the coastal town of Penguin and experience the town’s sense of humour regarding its namesake. These include a large penguin at the beachfront park, reputedly the world’s largest, and penguin garbage bins in the street. Stop briefly to stimulate the taste buds at the Cheese Tasting Centre where you may wish to buy one or more of the large range available made at the factory, before a stop is included at the Wilfred Campbell lookout for panoramic views.

Visit the Burnie Pioneer Museum to see the recreation of the main street of Burnie as it was in the 1900s at the height of the town’s first economic boom. Admire the authentic 19th century materials, colours and architectural styles that have been used in the reconstruction.

Tasmania is famous for many things, but among the lesser known is its paper production. Visit Australia’s largest handmade paper studio, Creative Paper. See full size paper sculptures and a range of wonderful paper products including the most unusual ‘Roo Poo Paper’ incorporating a special kangaroo by-product.

❌ By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 80.

❌ Please note: There is a total of approximately 30 minutes of walking over a variety of paths and uneven surfaces, however most walking is at guests’ discretion during the various visits.

Towns of Northwest Tasmania  
Tour 915003 – Approx. 6 hours

On this tour you will visit three towns in the region and enjoy an orientation drive through Burnie. Travelling east along the coast you arrive at Devonport, located at the mouth of the Mersey River. Here you will see Home Hill and stop at Mersey Bluff where you will be able to capture views of the town and the spectacular coastline.

The tour continues to the town of Latrobe where you can enjoy some free time for refreshments (at own expense) or perhaps visit the Axemans Hall of Fame which displays the harvesting, milling and building techniques of early pioneers, or enjoy the popular Platypus Experience.

Leaving Latrobe, your next stop is a tour of the Anvers Chocolate Factory to witness the mouth watering chocolate making process. Anvers uses only the freshest Tasmania cream, pure butter, exquisite liqueurs and natural flavours.

The last town on your tour is the quaint village of Sheffield, famous for the unique collection of large, beautiful murals which illustrate the history of the area and which are painted on the side of the buildings.

❌ By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 80.

❌ Please note: Refreshments are not included on this excursion. There is approximately 2½ hours of total walking during this tour over mainly paved surfaces with a few inclines.
Disappear from the bustle of city life into a lush haven of hidden delights in the Dandenong Ranges, towering forests and eclectic villages. From the port you travel for approximately one hour to reach one of the charming townships on the outskirts of Melbourne, in the Dandenongs. These townships are renowned for their excellent craft shops which feature the work of local artists and include jewellery, glassware, pottery, leather goods and woodcarvings. Enjoy some free time to stroll along the quaint streets or shop for souvenirs.

The tour then continues to Sherbrooke Forest which lies within the Dandenong Ranges, for a panoramic drive. This is where you will find some of the world’s tallest hardwood species of trees. The Forest is also home to many of Australia’s unique birds including Rosellas, Kookaburras, Bellbirds and Lyrebirds. Returning to the city, there will be a brief overview of Melbourne’s highlights before arriving back at the pier.

- By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 120.
- Please note: There is very little walking on this tour much of which is at guests discretion during the free time in the township. Wildlife sightings cannot be guaranteed.
Puffing Billy
Tour 924002 – Approx. 4 hours

There is no better way to enjoy the incredible beauty of the Dandenong Ranges than to travel aboard ‘Puffing Billy’, a vintage steam-powered train. The bench-style seating is authentic and the scenery is some of the most beautiful in all of Australia. Have your camera ready as you take a relaxing 30 minute ride through fern gullies, ancient forests, farmlands and a section of the Yarra Valley from Belgrave Station to Menzies Creek Station.

A coach will be waiting at Menzies Creek Station to transfer you to Sherbrooke Forest within the Dandenong Ranges for a short stop. This is where you will find some of the world’s tallest hardwood species of trees. The Forest is also home to many of Australia’s unique birds including Rosellas, Kookaburras, Bellbirds and Lyrebirds.

By coach/train/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 80.

Please note: The scenic transfer to Belgrave Station will take approximately 1½ hours. The train ride is not exclusive to Cruise & Maritime Voyages guests. There is a 10 minute walk down a moderate incline from the coach park to Belgrave Station, with 3 steps to embark the train. On high-risk fire days the steam engine will be substituted with a diesel engine. The return drive to Melbourne will take approximately 1 hour. Wildlife sightings cannot be guaranteed.

Melbourne City & River Cruise
Tour 924003 – Approx. 4 hours

Melbourne is a wonderful blend of heritage architecture, modern skyscrapers and contemporary designs. This tour shows you marvellous Melbourne by taking in the sights of her colourful parks and gardens, Crown Casino complex, Convention Centre and the residential suburbs of South Yarra and Toorak. A brief stop will be made at Victoria’s largest and most visited war memorial, The Shrine of Remembrance. The Memorial was designed so a ray of sunlight falls on the Rock of Remembrance at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month - the exact moment of the armistice ending World War I. A short stop will be made at Fitzroy Gardens for you to see the wonderful display of flora before you rejoin your coach and travel to the Yarra River to embark on a relaxing 90-minute cruise.

You will cruise past the Royal Botanic Gardens, Governor’s Residence and Herring Island as well as Melbourne’s Sporting Precinct while enjoying tea or coffee and cookies. The cruise ends at Federation wharf and from here you will transfer directly back to the pier.

By coach/boat/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 80.

Please note: The skipper of the boat will provide commentary during the cruise. The river cruise is not exclusive to Cruise & Maritime Voyages guests. There is approximately 30 minutes optional walking at Fitzroy Gardens and a relatively flat gangway to board the boat. There are toilet facilities on board the river cruise.
SYDNEY, New South Wales

Sydney Sights, Opera House & Bondi Beach  
Tour 927001 – Approx. 4½ hours

Enjoy an orientation drive through the city including Sydney’s oldest village, The Rocks. This historic enclave is nestled in the shadow of the Sydney Harbour Bridge and depicts the heritage of two centuries along its narrow twisting streets. See a splendid mix of Victorian-era buildings alongside modern-day structures. During your drive the guide will point out the magnificent Sydney Tower, Queen Victoria Building, Darling Harbour Complex, Chinatown, and Mrs. Macquarie’s Chair.

Visit the Sydney Opera House, officially opened by Queen Elizabeth II on October 20, 1973 and one of Sydney’s most famous landmarks. Enjoy a guided tour of this imposing building, marvel at its distinctive sail-like roof and learn about its history, design and current uses.

Your city sights tour continues east of the city to the most sought-after residential areas in Sydney. From Darling Point to Watson’s Bay, the shoreline is fringed by vast mansions and expensive apartments overlooking a flotilla of yachts and cruising boats moored along the harbour’s edge. Stop briefly to take in the spectacular views at The Gap at Watson’s Bay (weather permitting), the southern head of the entrance to Sydney Harbour.

Stop at the coastal resort of Bondi Beach, Australia’s most famous surf beach, a crescent of golden sand framed by rocky headlands. Disembark the coach to takes some photos before returning to the city. Admire more views as you head down the narrow streets of Paddington, which are lined with picturesque terraces framed with iron-laced balconies, sandstone houses, designer boutiques, art galleries, and cafés.

⚠️ By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 120.

⚠️ Please note: There is a walk of approximately 400m from the coach to the Opera House and approximately 200 steps inside the Opera House. The tour inside the Opera House will last approximately 1 hour. All surfaces on this tour are paved however there may be some uneven ground at Mrs. Macquarie’s Chair. There will be approximately 30 minutes free time at Bondi Beach. Owing to a strict cancellation policy enforced by Sydney Opera House no refunds will be given to any cancellations made within a week of the excursion operation.
The Blue Mountains & Scenic Railway

This is a wonderful full day to enjoy the World Heritage site of the Blue Mountains, alongside beautiful landscapes and natural bush land, providing wonderful views along the way.

Follow the trail of Australia’s early explorers as your coach climbs the Blue Mountains and heads toward the township of Leura. Enjoy some free time to explore Leura Mall. Here you will find many fine coffee shops, bakeries, restaurants and galleries. Continue on to Echo Point Lookout for views of the world-famous rock formation ‘The Three Sisters.’ Weather permitting you may also enjoy distant panoramas of the Jamieson Valley, Mount Solitary, the Ruined Castle, Katoomba Falls and the Burragorang Valley.

Your afternoon includes a stop for stunning views from the elevated boardwalk at Scenic World. Then, it's time for another highlight of the day. Take a ride on the world’s steepest perpendicular railway, plunging 210m into the Valley. Enjoy a short walk along the rainforest floor, before joining the scenic cable car for the return ride to the top.

A leisurely two-course lunch is included in the tour at The Carrington Hotel, or similar venue and includes tea or coffee. Soft drinks, beer or wine are available at an additional expense.

By coach/railway/cable car/on foot, subject to minimum 30/maximum 80.

Please note: Comfortable, flat, enclosed shoes are recommended. There is a 7 minute walk from the railway to the cable car over some uneven ground. All other walking is at guests’ own discretion. This tour is not suitable for passengers who have a fear of heights. This tour may operate in a different order to that described.

Harbour Cruise

Transfer on foot to your cruise vessel which will be ready to convey you to the harbour’s most noteworthy areas. No visit to Sydney can truly be complete without gaining an insight into the harbour’s rich history, landmarks, exclusive waterfront suburbs, beaches and close links with the people of this amazing city.

As you tour the harbour, you discover who lives in the magnificent mansions and see the recreational parks and beaches that are frequented by ‘Sydneysiders’. You will also pass by the well-known Taronga Park Zoo and Watson’s Bay, where the much celebrated Doyle's Restaurant faces toward the spectacular city skyline. There really is no better vantage point from which to photograph the city, the Opera House and the Sydney Harbour Bridge, than from the water.

During your two hour cruise of this renowned waterway, you will be treated to tea and coffee with biscuits. The picturesque combination of shoreside sights, colourful sailboats, bustling ferries and elegant yachts will no doubt make this a thoroughly delightful and memorable experience.

By boat/on foot, subject to minimum 25/maximum 100.

Please note: There is a walk of approximately 500m from the ships’ berth to join the harbour cruise. The cruise is not exclusive to Cruise & Maritime Voyages guests. Please wear comfortable flat-soled shoes and clothing suited to the weather conditions. There is a ramp to negotiate when embarking/debarking the vessel. There is a licensed bar on board should you wish to purchase additional refreshments. There will be a full commentary provided by the boat company during the cruise. There are toilet facilities on board the boat.
BRISBANE, Queensland

Brisbane Panorama

Tour 918001 – Approx. 4 hours

Enjoy a coach tour through Brisbane, the historic, political and cultural capital of Queensland. You will see many of the historic buildings and modern architectural highlights which combine to make it not only the third largest city in Australia, but one of the most beautiful.

The meandering Brisbane River, lush inner city parks, historical buildings of Parliament House, the Treasury Building, Customs House and the City Hall, modern glass towers and the colourful Botanical Gardens all combine to make this a wonderful panoramic tour of Brisbane.

Be sure to bring your camera because the lookout point high atop Mount Coot-tha will provide you with a spectacular view of this vibrant city. On a clear day you can see as far as the Glass House Mountains to the north, the Gold Coast Hinterland to the south and Moreton and Stradbroke Islands to the east.

⚠️ By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 120.
⚠️ Please note: This tour will be operated using a driver guide. There is very little walking on this tour and there are no inside visits included.
**Exclusive Paddle Wheeler River Cruise**  
Tour 918002 – Approx. 4 hours

Enjoy an orientation drive of the beautiful Brisbane city before heading to join a leisurely exclusive cruise along the Brisbane River aboard a majestic paddle wheeler, a unique way to enjoy the city and its scenery.

At the boat pier, you will board the ‘Mississippi’ style paddle wheeler for a cruise along Brisbane River, through the heart of Brisbane and the Wharf Area. Listen to the informative commentary that will introduce you to the city’s landmarks, its culture and people. View the multimillion-dollar mansions on the river at Norman Park, the historic building of Shafston House at Kangaroo Point and the Story Bridge. Marvel at the eclectic mix of historic and modern architecture, and travel past the extensive South Bank Parklands, developed on the site of the 1988 World Expo. During your cruise, savour tea or coffee and cake.

- **By coach/paddle-wheeler boat/on foot, subject to minimum 40/maximum 80.**
- **Please note:** There is very little walking on this tour. The river cruise duration is approximately 2 hours. There is a walk of approximately 450m from the coach to join the paddle-wheeler and approximately 3 steps to board the vessel. If you wish to access the sun deck a further 10 steps will need to be negotiated. There are toilet facilities on board the Paddle Wheeler.

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**Brisbane Sights & Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary**  
Tour 918003 – Approx. 5 hours

Enjoy a city drive around Brisbane and then meet some of Australia’s native animals at the world’s largest Koala Sanctuary. During your panoramic coach tour of Brisbane you will see how the city has been transformed into a beautiful and vibrant metropolis. The historic Parliament House, City Hall and other stately buildings are a wonderful contrast to the splendid riverside setting of the modern South Bank Parklands, State’s Art Gallery and Performing Arts Complex.

Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary, founded in 1927, is the world’s oldest and largest Koala Sanctuary and contains over 130 koalas. Set in beautiful, natural surroundings, the Sanctuary is also home to many other species of native Australian wildlife including Kangaroos, Tasmanian Devils, Wombats, Echidnas, Kookaburras, Emus, Cassowarys, various species of Reptiles and Platypus. You may wish to hold and have your photo taken with a Koala (this is an additional expense payable locally), or hand feed the kangaroos and wallabies that roam freely around the grounds. There are daily talks, shows and presentations given throughout the visit to teach you more about these unique animals.

- **By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 80.**
- **Please note:** All walking on this tour is at guests own discretion. The transfer to/from Lone Pine will take approximately 45 minutes each way and is guided by the driver. Comfortable, walking shoes are recommended. The visit to the Sanctuary is unguided and exclusive of extra expenses. The return coach cannot be held for latecomers, please take note of the pick-up time and place. We strongly recommend that you check on arrival, the times of the various presentations and feeding times. Guests with colds or flu-like symptoms are requested not to handle the Koalas. Time spent at leisure at Lone Pine is approximately 2½ - 3hrs.
Experience one of the seven wonders of the natural world, the Great Barrier Reef. Larger than the Great Wall of China, this amazing reef system is the only living thing on Earth visible from space. This flourishing living Reef was formed millions of years ago and is now home to hundreds of different types of colourful fish and coral.

From the ships’ berth you walk to the catamaran to join your adventure (approximately 650m) which starts with a 1½ hour scenic cruise to a Reef Pontoon. On arrival at the floating pontoon of the Outer Barrier Reef, you will have access to one of the most pristine sites available. During a 4½ hour stay, you will have a chance to snorkel, swim or take a ride on a semi-submersible with views of the incredible world below.

For your comfort and convenience, coffee, tea and cookies are included on the Catamaran during the transfers. There is also a licensed bar should you wish to purchase additional refreshments. An extensive tropical buffet lunch is included during your stay on the floating pontoon. Aquatic life is located just meters away from the floating pontoon.

By catamaran, subject to minimum 20/maximum 100.

Please note: This excursion is not exclusive to Cruise & Maritime Voyages guests. To join the vessel guests will be required to walk approximately 650m to the embarkation point. The transfer out to/from the Great Barrier Reef will take approximately 1½ hours each way. The open water journey to and from the Reef can lead to rough seas. If you are prone to motion sickness, please consider taking a seasickness tablet prior to participating in the journey. This tour will operate in all weather conditions. Cancellation is at the discretion of the supplier for safety reasons. No compensation will be given due to inclement weather, temperature of the Tropical climate or guests affected by sea sickness. Please do not bring valuable items such as jewellery as there are no security lockers available on the catamaran or the pontoon. Before you book this excursion, you must refer to the General Shore Excursion Information & Conditions, in particular the paragraph ‘Activity & Water Based Excursions’. You must also ensure that your travel insurance extends to cover the activity. It is your responsibility to obtain adequate insurance. This may include an additional premium. Alcohol must be avoided before any water activities and no responsibility will be taken for participants who choose to consume alcohol prior to water activities. Participants must be in good physical condition and must be competent swimmers. Guests with cardiac conditions, asthma, diabetes, epilepsy, other heart or respiratory conditions, or any other medical conditions should take particular caution if wishing to participate in the water activities. Guests who have concerns should consult with their personal physician before booking this excursion. Unfortunately this tour is not suitable for guests with limited mobility or who are full time wheelchair users. As this excursion includes water based activities you should bear in mind that the sea is unpredictable and so please exercise caution. All water activities undertaken are at your own risk. Please wear your swimwear, sunscreen and take a towel. The fare for this tour includes a fee which goes towards the management and protection of the Reef. There are approximately 10 steps to access the catamaran, semi-submersible and viewing chamber. There is a no smoking policy on the Catamaran and pontoon. Independent suppliers at the pontoon may offer water sports such as scuba and guided snorkel tours, these are provided by parties unconnected to CMV and are payable direct. Qualified scuba divers require proof of certification. Please remember to carry a credit card or local currency for any additional purchases.
Kuranda Scenic Rail Journey & Rainforest Skyrail

Prepare yourself for amazing views of lush tropical scenery. Australia’s World Heritage-listed rainforest is yours to enjoy by train and skyrail during this scenic excursion.

You will drive to Freshwater Railway Station where you board the Kuranda Scenic Railway for the first leg of your journey. Settle in and enjoy the leisurely one and a quarter hour ascent to 328m above sea level. This breathtaking historical route features waterfalls, 40 bridges and 15 tunnels en route to Kuranda and is considered to be one of the world’s greatest railway journeys. On arrival in the village of Kuranda, you are free to browse the craft markets for that special souvenir, shop for local art, or enjoy some lunch or refreshments (at your own expense).

At an agreed time you will rejoin your group at the Railway Station to join the Skyrail for a trip over the top of the World Heritage listed tropical rainforest. This is your chance to experience a bird’s eye view of the lush forest canopy as you ride the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway to Caravonica. You’ll glide along the five mile route in cars that offer 360 degree views. Be on the lookout for birds and exotic plants in this veritable paradise.

By coach/train/cableway/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 80.

Please note: The train journey lasts approximately 1¼ hours. The Skyrail cableway ride lasts approximately 1½ hours. This excursion involves approximately 1 hour of walking and comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Wildlife sightings cannot be guaranteed.
Mossman Gorge Rainforest & Port Douglas  
Tour 920003 – Approx. 6 hours

Visit the World Heritage Listed, Daintree National Park and the site of Mossman Gorge. Crystal clear water cascades over large granite boulders in the Mossman River Gorge and lush rainforests cloak steep mountainsides from the river banks up to the rugged eastern slopes of the Main Coast Range.

An hour and a half’s drive will take you along one of the country’s most scenic coastal routes. Upon arrival at Mossman Gorge you will transfer to the visitor centre for some free time. Then, journey into the lush rainforest of Mossman Gorge and experience the wonders as you embark on a 30-minute guided walk along the rainforest paths to enjoy the beauty of the area. The crystal-clear water of the Mossman River cascading over granite boulders forms watering holes surrounded by lush green rainforest. These sheltered retreats offer the perfect location for a refreshing dip to break up your walk through the Gorge. Let the troubles of the daily grind float away in the tranquil surroundings and take the time to appreciate nature at its best.

After your visit you transfer to the lovely town of Port Douglas where they will be approximately one hour of free time to explore independently. This picturesque seaside town is set alongside the spectacular Four Mile Beach and holds a vibrant atmosphere of tropical style and sophistication.

By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 80.

Please note: This tour involves approximately 30-45-minutes of walking along dirt paths and uneven ground during the guided tour. Sturdy footwear is essential and we recommend you carry water with you. Those guests who wish to participate in a swim should bring/wear their swim attire and carry a towel. 30 minutes has been set aside for those who wish to partake in a swim. There are no changing facilities. This tour does not include lunch or refreshments; they may be purchased at your own expense during the visit to Port Douglas.

Skyrail to Kuranda  
Tour 920004 – Approx. 4 hours

Transfer to Caravonica Terminal to join the Skyrail for a trip over the top of the World Heritage listed tropical rainforest. This is your chance to experience a bird’s eye view of the lush forest canopy as you ride the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway. You will glide along the five mile route in cars that offer 360 degree views. Skyrail allows you the chance to explore the wonders of an ancient tropical rainforest and learn about one of the most botanically fascinating and diverse areas on earth. Be on the lookout for birds and exotic plants in this veritable paradise. At the end of your journey on arrival in the village of Kuranda, you are free to browse the craft markets for that special souvenir or shop for local art.

By coach/cableway/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 80.

Please note: The transfer to join the Skyrail will take approximately 30 minutes. The return journey will take approximately 1¼ hours. The Skyrail journey lasts approximately 1½ hours. This excursion involves approximately 1 hour of walking and comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
DARWIN, Northern Territory

Darwin Highlights & Crocodylus Park  

Tour 921001 – Approx. 4 hours

Closer to Indonesia than to any other Australian city, Darwin is the capital of the remote, vast Northern Territory. As you take a leisurely drive around the city you will pass such highlights as Christchurch Cathedral, Government House, Old Admiralty House and the 34 hectare Botanical Gardens containing over 400 species of tropical and sub-tropical plants. Further on is the beautiful Fanny Bay and the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory where a visit is included. Feel free to peruse the excellent collection of Aboriginal, South-East Asian and Oceanic Art as well as a permanent collection of major Australian fine art and Northern Territory natural science.

Your next stop will be Crocodylus Park, famous for its crocodile research and conservation. Get close to the large reptiles in the lagoon and their pens as you witness their feeding. Crocodylus Park plays host to over 1,000 crocodiles from 30cm long hatchlings to massive adults measuring over 4.8m and weighing more than half a ton. There is also an opportunity to have a photo taken with a juvenile crocodile and for the more adventurous to hold one.

⚠️ By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 80.
⚠️ Please note: To fully enjoy the tour there is approximately 2 hours of walking over mainly even ground. Comfortable, flat shoes are recommended.
Jumping Crocodile Cruise

The Northern Territory is crocodile country, and this always-popular excursion will bring you close to these awesome creatures in their natural habitat. The Adelaide River is one of eight rivers in the Top End which have large floodplains in their catchments; these floodplains create a great expanse of coastal wetlands that is home to unique animal and plant life. Board your boat for a cruise along the Adelaide River in search of saltwater crocodiles. The Adelaide River is home to 1,600 deadly crocodiles and offers some of the best crocodile viewing in the world. As your boat glides along the murky waters you will learn all about the crocodile’s habitats and habits as well as experiencing superb close-up views of these ancient predators. Have your camera ready to witness their raw power as they launch themselves out of the water to snatch the food offered by the guide. After your memorable cruise return by coach through the outer suburbs of Darwin with a brief stop at the Window on the Wetlands Visitors Centre located on one of the highest points on the Adelaide River floodplain with a magnificent panorama across the Marrakai Plains.

By coach/boat/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 70.

Please note: This tour is operated using a driver guide. The transfer to the Adelaide River to join the cruise is approximately 1 hour. The cruise lasts approximately 1½ hours. Please wear comfortable flat-soled shoes, clothing suited to the weather conditions, a hat, and bring along some sunscreen, insect repellent and bottled water. The gangway to board the vessel may be a steep incline due to river conditions.

Darwin’s War History

Home to more than half of the Territory’s population, Darwin boasts a colourful history. During World War II the Japanese bombed the city and threatened invasion. This tour will focus on the war history and show you the sights of the city. See the War Memorial along the esplanade, view remains of the WW2 Air strip and visit the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory which features collections of the region’s art, natural science, history and culture. A stop is also made at the Darwin Military Museum where you can see displays and gun emplacements which were built to protect Australia during the time of war. The Defence of Darwin Experience provides visitors with an interactive, multimedia experience and tells the story of Darwin’s role in World War II. The exhibition includes iconic objects from that time and firsthand accounts. Afterwards, transfer to the Australian Aviation Heritage Centre which features an impressive collection of the Territory’s aviation history from the aviation pioneers and record breakers to the Territory’s frontier role in World War II. There is a B52 Bomber, Mirage and Sabre jets, a Spitfire replica and Wessex and Huey Cobra helicopters. The development of the jet age is depicted through displays and photographs and the Bombing of Darwin exhibition.

By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 35/maximum 80.

Please note: To fully enjoy the tour there is approximately 2 hours of total walking much of this is at guest’s discretion during the visits to the Museums.

Darwin Harbour Cruise

A short walk from the pier will take you to your catamaran for a harbour cruise. Once you are underway, sit back and relax while you explore Darwin’s Harbour and listen to the commentary which will enlighten you about its unique history. Learn about the ferocious bombing raid on Darwin conducted by the Japanese in 1942, which sank 12 ships in the Harbour. The ‘Charles Darwin’ is a luxurious tri level catamaran, including two air conditioned decks and an open air sundeck, allowing for the best views of Darwin harbour. This is a great way to get out on the harbour and see the amazing coastline. During the cruise tea, coffee, cakes and cookies are served.

By catamaran/on foot, subject to minimum 50/maximum 100.

Please note: The skipper gives commentary during the cruise. The cruise lasts approximately 1¾ hours. Please wear comfortable flat-soled shoes and clothing suited to the weather conditions. There is a licensed bar on board should you wish to purchase additional refreshments.
BALI, Indonesia

Bali Discovery Tour 905001 – Approx. 9 hours

The island of Bali embodies the very essence of the exotic and mysterious East. Steep hillsides of tropical green reveal terraced rice paddies while plantations of coffee, banana, cacao and fragrant spices line the roads. Traditional villages produce intricate batik, superb jewellery and beautiful paintings. For all Bali’s scenic beauty, the Island has weathered great natural disasters, from the 1963 eruption of Mt. Agung to a massive earthquake in 1976. The Island emerged relatively unscathed from the great tsunami of 2004.

From the pier you drive towards the interior of the island and your first stop will be at a Batik Factory, where you can see the making of the famous ‘batik’ through the traditional wax-resist dye technique and industrial techniques such as the stamp. From here you drive to Neka Museum which is located near the artists’ hub of Ubud. The Museum was opened in 1982 and is named after a Balinese teacher Suteja Neka who collected paintings as a means of artistic documentation. There is a great selection of works from many famous Balinese artists and expats who have lived here and influenced local artists. The fine art of woodcarving was once reserved exclusively for royal families and religious purposes and during a visit to Kemenuh Village you will be able to observe craftsmen turning slabs of wood into beautiful carvings. During your tour, you will also learn about Bali’s Hindu Dharma religion. This unique blend of Hinduism, Buddhism and ancestral worship has evolved over the centuries, and today combines outside influences with its ancient rites and practices.

A typical Balinese set-menu lunch, including a choice of a soft drink or beer, will be served at a local restaurant before you continue to Kehen Temple. This 12th-century Temple dedicated to Shiva rises up the mountainside and culminates in an 11-tier shrine. Through an ornate entrance, a courtyard shelters a giant holy banyan tree and a bell tower used to summon villagers for ceremonies. The main shrine sits on a cosmic turtle, symbolising the spiritual world, entwined by serpents, symbolising the material. This is the state temple of the Bangli kingdom. This Temple is often described as the miniature version of the Pura Besakih. Built in the 11th century, the Kehen Temple is the largest temple in East Bali and considered to be the finest.

The last stop on your Bali discovery will be at Kertha Gosa in the city of Klungkung, the ancient Court of Justice at Semarapura, which features exquisitely-painted ceilings. Kertha Gosa Pavilion was first built in the early 18th century by Dewa Agung Gusti Sideman. The first function of the Pavilion was for the court of law in 1945. It was repainted in the 1920s and again in the 1960s.

By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 25/maximum 150.

Please note: This tour involves approximately 30 minutes walking at each of the sites visited and so there is a total of approximately 2 hours of walking, including steps. Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. USS are accepted for any purchases.
Elephant Safari Ride & Sangeh Monkey Forest

Tour 905002 – Approx. 7½ hours

From Benoa harbour you head to Taro Elephant Safari Park in central Bali, north of Ubud. Set in over four acres of exotic botanical gardens and surrounded by lush forest, the Elephant Safari Park is home to some 27 elephants that were rescued from deforestation in Central and Southern Sumatra. An official member of the World Zoo Association, the Park not only meets international standards for animal care but is a sanctuary for the endangered Sumatran elephants.

Once you arrive, begin your tour of the Park’s Museum, which contains over 1,000 exhibits including fossils that date back over five million years, mammoth tusks, a full-sized 15,000 year-old mastodon skeleton and a 300-year-old carved African elephant tusk. Then, you can watch the elephants play during their daily bathing rituals, touch them, help feed them and you can even have your photo taken with them. But the highlight of your visit will be a 30 minute elephant ride. Experienced park guides will help you climb up and into a teak wooden chair atop one of these gentle giants. Then, you are off on the once-in-a-lifetime experience. As you get used to the gentle, swaying gait of your elephant, enjoy panoramic views of the tropical rainforest, terraced rice paddies and dry riverbeds.

When you get back to the Park, enjoy a buffet lunch including a bottle of water or soft drink or juice and coffee/tea, featuring an international assortment of dishes on the terrace overlooking the elephant pool.

From the Elephant Park you drive to Sangeh village for a 30-minute visit to the Sangeh Monkey Forest. The six hectares of forestland have giant nutmeg trees that grow as high as 41m, but the main attractions are the hordes of mischievous Balinese monkeys. Monkeys have always had a sacred place in the Hindu religion, and inhabit both trees and its 17th century temple, Pura Bukit Sari, found in the heart of the forest.

⚠️ By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 25 /maximum 150.

⚠️ Please note: This tour involves a moderate amount of walking (approximately 1½ hours) and we recommend flat, comfortable walking shoes. Guides will help you climb in to the basket for the Elephant ride. Those guests who are unable to complete this may remain in the Park for this portion of the tour however there will not be a part refund. Please note the elephants and monkeys are wild animals and their behaviour can be unpredictable, however friendly they may seem. Please listen to your guide and follow their instructions. At the Monkey Forest we recommend that you are mindful of your belongings as they are very quick to steal your possessions!
The Balinese are surrounded by arts and crafts. They make art out of the most basic necessities in their daily lives, and artistic knowledge is open to everyone at all levels. Painting, sculpture, carving and music have traditionally been the province of men, while women channelled their creative energy into creating lavish offerings to the gods. It is incredible to see so many people pour so much energy into creating beautiful things and this tour will give you a glimpse of the arts and crafts Bali has to offer.

Your first stop will be at the Bali Orchid Garden. This beautifully landscaped Garden which opened in 1999 has orchids which bloom throughout the year as well as many tropical plants from Indonesia and other countries. The Garden provides a beautiful, relaxing tropical haven where you can stroll amongst a wide variety of tropical flowers, foliage plants and the exquisite orchid collection.

This tour also includes a visit to a Balinese House Compound which consists of three areas. First is the house compound which usually has at least four pavilions plus a complex containing the family Temple. Second is a stand-alone house with a separate pavilion for the kitchen. Third is a complex, where rows of houses which belong to different families stand opposite one another on both sides of a plot of land. Each building has its own function and such compounds are rarely found in modern Balinese life.

Afterwards, at Peliatan Village you will visit a Semar Kuning painting Gallery. At the entrance hall, painters are busy working on their masterpieces. Take a closer look at their work which is a wide collection from traditional to modern and contemporary. These amazingly professional paintings are placed in various exhibition rooms. Your tour concludes with a visit to Celuk Village, home of silver and gold jewellers. In workshops behind the stores, you can watch artisans working the silver and setting semiprecious stones. Filigree pieces with detailed, imaginative designs—ships, flowers, butterflies—are among the many items you can see or purchase. Enjoy a light snack with tea or coffee before you rejoin your coach for the return journey to Benoa.

By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 25 /maximum 150.

Please note: This tour involves a total of approximately 45 minutes walking at the Orchid Garden, 30 minutes at the House Compound, 45 minutes at Peliatan and 30 minutes at Celuk. Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
Kuta Transfer

Tour 905004 – Approx. 5 hours

Depart from the port on a 30-minute drive to Kuta, a must for visitors, shoppers and locals who wish to sport the fashionable look of well-known locally made Bali designs and established international brands. There are numerous shops in Kuta, lined up on Kuta Beach, Kuta Sidewalk, Legian Street; even small alleys called Poppies that are famous for small hotels, guesthouses and villas. Shops selling clothing, leather goods, DVDs and handicrafts line the streets. Prices differ from store to store but with the variety of choices, you will be sure to find something that matches your budget. You will be dropped at a central location near the main shopping areas (Discovery Shopping Mall) and then you are free to explore until the pick-up for the return to Benoa.

By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 25/maximum 200.

Please note: The drive between Benoa and Kuta is approximately 30 minutes each way depending on traffic. Comfortable, flat walking shoes are recommended. This tour is unguided and does not include entrance fees or refreshments. There will be an English speaking escort travelling with you on the transfers. The local currency is the Rupiah and it is required for entrance fees to most venues. Currency exchange is available in the city at major hotels. Please ensure that you note the coach departure time and meeting point and arrive in good time for the return. Free time in Kuta will be approximately 4 hours.

Ubud & Celuk

Tour 905005 – Approx. 5 hours

From the pier you travel to Celuk village, home of silver and gold jewellers. In workshops behind the stores, you can watch artisans working the silver and setting semiprecious stones. Filigree pieces with detailed, imaginative designs—ships, flowers, butterflies—are among the many items you can see or purchase from Silver and Jewellery shops.

Continue to Ubud, a quiet cultural centre in Bali, famous for its handicraft. The bus will drop you off at Ubud’s soccer field parking area at Monkey Forest Road. You will have two hours free time to discover Ubud’s village and market.

By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 25/maximum 200.

Please note: The drive to Celuk will take approximately 45 minutes depending on traffic. The drive back from Ubud will take approximately 1 hour depending on traffic. There is approximately 45 minutes of free time at Celuk and 2 hours at Ubud. This tour is unguided and does not include entrance fees or refreshments. There will be an English speaking escort travelling with you on the transfers. The local currency is the Rupiah and it is required for entrance fees to most venues. Currency exchange is available in the city at major hotels. Please ensure that you note the coach departure time and meeting point and arrive in good time for the return.

Balinese Cooking Class

Tour 905006 – Approx. 5 hours

Depart the pier by mini-van for a short drive to the venue for your Balinese Cooking Class. Upon arrival, a warm welcome drink is served with local cake. Bali cooking is a creative process that is simple and a lot of fun. Your cooking class will last approximately three hours after which you will enjoy the fruits of your labour!

During your class you will learn the techniques and become familiar with the fresh herbs, spices, and other ingredients that make Balinese food delightfully tasty as well as nutritious and cleansing. You will explore different ways to blend and balance the varied flavours to create a stimulating array of unique tastes. Through demonstration and hands-on experience, you will prepare a complete menu based on regional recipes, nine main dishes and dessert.

By mini-van or coach/on foot, subject to minimum 20/maximum 30.

Please note: This tour involves very little walking but there will be standing during the cooking class.
Bali Spa & Dinner  
Tour 905007 – Approx. 5½ hours

Depart the harbour and after a 45-minute drive you arrive at The Banjar Bali Spa, especially designed for those who want a unique spa experience. Included in your spa visit is a Foot Bath Ritual (5 mins), Body Massage (100 mins) and Aromatherapy Floral Bath (15 mins).

Before returning to Benoa, you will transfer to Jimbaran Bay to enjoy a sunset dinner. Eating seafood on the beach in Jimbaran is a quintessential part of many trips in Bali. A wonderfully calm golden beach, Jimbaran sweeps gently from the airport south towards the Bukit. Tables are set up right on the sand and the sea breeze is cool, the sunsets are beautiful and the whole area is lit by candles and oil torches after dark. It’s a lovely experience to eat fresh seafood with your toes in the sand while the waves of the bay lap the shoreline.

By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 25/maximum 100.

Please note: The transfer to the Spa will take approximately 45 minutes each way. Spa treatments will last approximately 2 hours. Depending on your booking and availability, there can be a single or couples room booked. Please note that the Spa has female therapists only. The Spa will provide disposable underwear, a kimono, towel, shampoo and soap for showers. There is no elevator and approximately 15 steps to each level of the Spa. The Spa want you to have the most enjoyable experience possible. Although most treatments are suitable for all guests, we recommend that you check that the treatment will not affect you or cause you discomfort. It is your responsibility to check this prior to participating. For those guests who are allergic to jasmine or lavender, baby oil will be used as an alternative. This excursion is not recommend for guests who have open cuts, abrasions or acne, hypersensitivity to heat, high blood pressure, recent operations, severe varicose veins, undiagnosed oedema, infectious skin diseases including conditions aggravated by moisture or heat, severe sunburn, chronic or inflamed back conditions, nerve damage, diabetes, pregnancy, auto-immune dysfunction, skin allergies, in cancer remission or if you are taking strong medication.

Bali World Heritage Sites  
Tour 905008 – Approx. 8 hours

Your full-day excursion begins with a one-hour drive to visit to Tanah Lot Temple, one of the most photographed sites in Bali. Perched on a rocky cliff overlooking the sea, the ethereal Temple was built during the flourishing era of the 17th-century Mengwi Kingdom. One of Bali’s most sacred sea Temples, Tanah Lot is dedicated to the guardian spirits of the sea and is said to be protected from evil by sea snakes that inhabit the caves below. Your next stop is Candi Kuning Market, a traditional vegetable and fruit market which will provide a fascinating insight into the culture of the ‘Real Bali’. The Market sells a variety of fruit, flower and vegetables as well as many kinds of handicrafts, paintings and textile products.

From here you travel on to visit Lake Beratan where you will see Ulun Danu Beratan Temple, a major Shivaite and water temple on the island. The Temple complex is located on the shores of Lake Beratan in the mountains near Bedugul. Water temples serve the entire region in the outflow area; downstream there are many smaller water temples that are specific to each irrigation association. Lake Beratan is known as the Lake of Holy Mountain due to the fertility of the area. Located 1,200m above sea level, it has a cold tropical climate.

After lunch at a local restaurant you will head to the Royal Temple of Mengwi, one of the most important temples in Bali. Built in 1634 by a King of the Mengwi dynasty, this impressive complex stands on an island in a river, its inner temple surrounded by a moat. Its Balinese name Pura Taman Ayun literally means ‘Garden Temple in the Water’. The entire complex was designed to symbolise the mythological home of the gods, Mount Meru, floating in the sea of eternity. Pura Taman Ayun was enlarged in 1937, making some of its structures the most modern temple architecture in Bali.

By mini-van or coach/on foot, subject to minimum 25/maximum 75.

Please note: This tour involves approximately 30 minutes walking at each of the sites visited and so there is a total of approximately 2 hours of walking, including steps. Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. US$ are accepted for any purchases.
PORT HEDLAND, Western Australia

**BHP Billiton Iron Ore**

Tour 942001 – Approx. 1 hour

Port Hedland was first sighted by Europeans in 1628, when Dutch explorer Gerrit Frederikson De Witt ran his ship Vyanan aground on the sandbars in the tidal inlet. Supporting inland gold-mining, Port Hedland was named a town in 1896. In the mid twentieth century it was discovered that the Pilbara highlands were rich in iron ore and in 1960 the Commonwealth lifted its restrictions on the trading of iron ore due to international demand for the resource. Port Hedland was expanded with major infrastructural developments to cater for this new industrial imperative. Port Hedland today operates one of the world’s largest tonnage ports, handling over 100 million tonnes of product worth over $3 billion a year.

Enjoy a guided tour of BHP Billiton Iron Ore’s Nelson point facility based on a 320 hectare site, in the heart of the port and the town. This tour allows you to see the workings of the mining giants’ operations first hand and is conducted with a local Miner host. You are given exclusive access to view the Port Hedland stage of iron ore on its journey from Newman and other mine sites inland to its final destination with steel producers overseas. Your host will explain the processes as you follow the ore, through the stages of dumping, stockpiling, reclaiming and loading onto the gigantic iron ore carriers. The tour also features information about the world’s longest train and world rail track laying record.

⦿ By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 40/maximum 160.
⦿ Please note: There is no walking on this tour as it is conducted entirely by coach.

**Hedland Art & Culture**

Tour 942002 – Approx. 2 hours

Port Hedland has rich cultural history and identity. The traditional owners of the area, the Kariyarra people, call Port Hedland ‘Marapikurrinya’. Mara means hand and pikurri means pointing straight and nya is a location marker. The name refers to the hand shaped formation of the natural tidal creeks moving in from the coast.

Leaving the port you travel for approximately twenty minutes to South Hedland. Whilst on your coach your guide will provide information about the Indigenous heritage of the area, the local people, history and art. Upon arrival at the Spinifex Hill Studio, you will be invited to join Indigenous artists as they produce their original pieces. You guide will discuss the Canning Stock Route and the incredible story and artworks produced along this incredible length of road. The Spinifex Hill Studio currently welcomes Aboriginal people of any artistic ability and also offers regular workshops, professional development and marketing education to empower artists as individuals and as a collective. Following your time at the Studio, your coach will return to the port with an optional stop at the Courthouse Art Gallery at the West End of Port Hedland. Here you may disembark and visit the local markets and then return back to the port at your own leisure. Guests wishing to stay on the coach will be taken directly back to the pier.

⦿ By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 40/maximum 80.
⦿ Please note: There is very little walking on this tour. There will be approximately 1¼ hours spent at the Studio.
EXMOUTH, Western Australia

Exmouth Highlights

Leaving the Marina, your tour proceeds to the Communication Towers at the Harold Holt Naval Base. Here you will also see the One Man Submarine used during World War II, one of only a few remaining in the world. You then continue on to Vlaming Head Lighthouse from where there are magnificent views over the ocean, and Exmouth Township.

Then, you visit Jurabi Turtle Centre, an interpretive education facility where you can take a closer look at the life cycle of the endangered turtles of Ningaloo. After a quick stop at Bundegi Beach for a photo opportunity you return to Exmouth township for a short panoramic coach tour around the town to hear about the history behind some of the names of places and streets in and around the sleepy little town with a population of approximately 2,500. From here you ascend to the top of Cape Range to see the rugged ridges of Charles Knife Gorge and the sprawling views across to the Exmouth Gulf.

⚠️ By coach/on foot, subject to minimum 20/maximum 80.
⚠️ Please note: This tour is operated using a driver guide. This tour involves walking over dirt and uneven paths during the stops at the beach and Lighthouse. Much of this is at guests’ discretion and optional.