Bathurst in Spring



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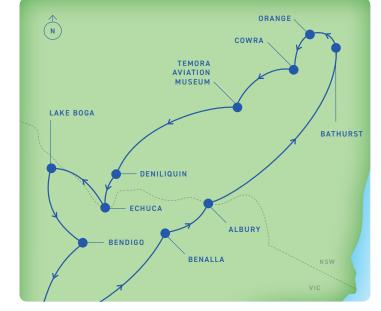
Discover Bathurst

Highlights include: The breathtaking Art Trails & Silos, Cowra Japanese Gardens, the charming town of Young, Bathurst – including private gardens, galleries, and museums, Abercrombie House. the fascinating Mayfield Gardens, the Hillside Harvest in Orange, Canobolas Valley, Cook Park Orange Botanical Gardens, Orange Art Gallery, Temora Aviation Museum and Euroa.

FREE HOME PICKUP & RETURN: Melbourne, Geelong, Torquay, Bellarine Peninsula, Warrnambool, Terang, Camperdown, Colac, Ararat, Ballarat, Bacchus Marsh & Bendigo and Melbourne Additional locations may be an option, please enquire directly with us.







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Embark on a luxurious journey through Country Victoria as you depart home on your luxury Christians Coach. Start your tour with a delightful catered morning tea to kick off your day. During your catered lunch, immerse yourself in the captivating street art scene in Benalla, where artists from all over the world have transformed the local streets into their canvas.

Experience a fusion of street art and magnificent silos adorned with murals depicting the Barking Owl, Clydesdale Horses, WWI light horsemen, Sir George Coles, and local fauna such as Brolgas and Kookaburras. We Enjoy a catered lunch on the way in a local park. Explore the silos in Coorambat, Devenish, St James, and Tungamah as you make your way to Albury for your first night on the tour.

After a day filled with captivating murals, street art, and silos, arrive in Albury and freshen up at your motel before enjoying a delicious dinner and a restful night's sleep.

OVERNIGHT & DINNER Best Western Plus Hovell Tree Inn, 614 Hovell Street, Albury NSW, T (02) 6042 3900

DAY TWO SUNDAY 20 OCTOBER 2024

Bathurst / Canola Cowra

Today, you head to Bathurst, where you will be staying for the next four nights. After breakfast, you set off from Benalla towards Cowra, passing through Junee (and perhaps indulging in some chocolates along the way). There's a chance you might even catch a glimpse of a passing train.

The scenic drive takes you through the picturesque landscapes of NSW, with paddocks of canola stretching out before you. Your journey brings you to Cowra, where you can enjoy lunch in town (at your own expense) before embarking on a captivating town tour with your knowledgeable guide. On the tour, you'll have the opportunity to explore the enchanting Japanese Gardens, admire the beautiful murals painted on the water tanks, visit the historic sites of the Japanese Breakout, and pay your respects at the cemetery.

After an eventful afternoon, it's time to continue your adventure to Bathurst, passing by the iconic Panorama Bathurst Racing Circuit. The Luxury Coach is able to access the circuit and drive around the track, for some enjoyment and making personal history! Finally, you arrive at your accommodation for the next four nights, where you can unpack and unwind before enjoying dinner at your hotel.

OVERNIGHT & DINNER Mantra Bathurst 344 Stewart Street, Bathurst NSW, T (02) 63 32 1800

Mayfield Gardens & Hawkins Family Estate / Bathurst Discovery Tour

After breakfast, you are fortunate to be able to enjoy the Mayfield Gardens & Hawkins Family Estate in Oberon, just a short 30 minute luxury coach ride away. This 15 hectare garden is one of the most spectacular European-inspired gardens in the Southern Hemisphere. The Spring Festival allows for fresh blooms and offers sightings of stunning stonework and sculpture bridges. You will have the pleasure of exploring these gardens with two expert gardeners, who will share their knowledge and insights before indulging in a scrumptious morning tea.

You have plenty of time to immerse yourself in the beauty of these gardens all morning. The grandeur of the gardens continues as you are joined by a specialist guide, Chris Bayliss from the Bathurst Garden Society, who will accompany you on a personal tour to showcase what the Bathurst gardens have to offer. Chris will even invite you into some of the gardens that are being prepared for the upcoming Bathurst Garden Spectacular.

With a relaxed town lunch enjoyed, we have another private Garden Tour with Chris Bayliss this afternoon in one of his much loved private gardens of Bathurst. As the afternoon light bathes the town, a specialist guide will share fascinating insights about the town's heritage and history while travelling with you on the coach. Afterward, you will have time to rest or take a leisurely stroll before heading to dinner.

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Bathurst Regional Art Gallery / Bathurst Rail Museum or National Motor Racing Museum / Abercrombie House / Miss Traill's House

After breakfast, you will visit the Bathurst Regional Art Gallery. Their curator will take you through their current exhibition featuring First Nation Artists, with a focus on the cosmos and marine. You have the option to visit either the Bathurst Rail Museum or the National Motor Racing Museum, depending on your interests. After your choice of attraction, we will all meet back at a local café. If you prefer, you can also take a leisurely walk to The Hub, which is centrally located, and we will provide morning tea there.

Our next destination is Abercrombie House, a beautiful mansion resembling a castle, built in the 1970s. The Morgan Family has enjoyed this 40-room home for half a century, and it contains breathtaking furniture and one of the most stunning gardens in the area, with garden paths and outbuildings. Inside, you'll find reception rooms, grand staircases, and a ballroom. We are treated to a magnificent sit-down lunch at Abercrombie House, a heritage treasure that is part of our experience, followed by a guided group tour tailored specifically for us.

In the afternoon, we visit Miss Traill's House and Gardens. This charming Colonial Georgian bungalow was built in 1845 and is named after Ida Traill, a descendant of early settlers in the region. She lived in this house for over 50 years, and it now contains a significant collection of elegant furnishings. The house is surrounded by an enchanting private garden, adding to its charm.

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DAY FIVE WEDNESDAY 23 OCT 2024 🖪 MT L AT 🗗

Orange / Duntryleague / Towac and Canobolas Valleys / Boremore / Cook Park / Orange Art Gallery

Start your day with a delicious breakfast at Duntryleague, an elegant landmark nestled in picturesque grounds in Orange. This premier venue offers stunning views and is home to a beautiful golf course. Get ready to be amazed. Here, you will meet Pam, your knowledgeable host and guide for the day. She will take you on a fascinating journey through history as she shares insights about Duntryleague Guest House, where the empire of Orange began.

Embark on a scenic drive to the breathtaking Towac and Canobolas Valleys. Take a leisurely walk across the serene Lake Canobolas and enjoy some delightful morning tea.

As we drive through the awe-inspiring Boremore countryside, we'll make a special stop at Hills Harvest. Explore their orchard on a guided tour and enjoy a mouthwatering BBQ lunch featuring fresh, local produce. Don't forget to visit the nearby local produce store and stock up on goodies to take home.

Next, we'll visit an olive oil producer, where you'll have the opportunity to savor a tasting while learning about the fascinating production process.

In the mid-afternoon, we'll arrive at Cook Park, the original botanic garden in Orange. Take a leisurely walk amidst the enchanting old-age plantings and admire the historic spring displays. Don't miss the charming craft shop located in the little cottage.

If time allows, our last stop of the day is the incredible Orange Art Gallery. Marvel at the impressive artwork before we embark on a scenic drive back to our accommodation. Enjoy the peaceful countryside views and end the day with a delectable meal.

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Temora Aviation Museum / Deniliquin / Echuca

Today, we bid farewell to our home for the past four nights and head to Echuca. On the way, enjoy a stop at the Temora Aviation Museum, for a fascinating tour of the museum's exhibits and morning tea. After immersing yourself in the world of aviation, it's time for a leisurely drive through the beautiful countryside of NSW. You pass through Narrandera and enjoy lunch at Jerilderie. Captivating scenes as drive through fields of Canola and Spring plantings as the Season awakens.

As the afternoon progresses, we enjoy the landmarks and natural Australian bush with an afternoon tea stop. The anticipation builds as you approach Echuca, your home for the night on the river. Once you have freshened up for the evening, we head out for dinner at a local restaurant.

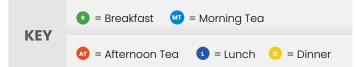
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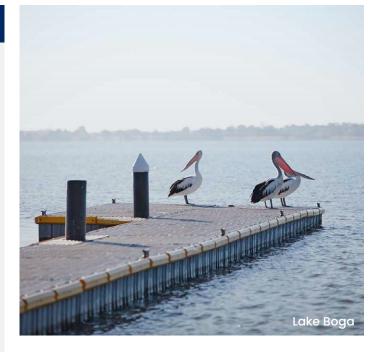
DAY SEVEN FRIDAY 25 OCTOBER 2024

Lake Boga / Bendigo / Botanic Gardens

After breakfast, it's time to head home, stopping at majestic Lake Boga on our way to delve into its fascinating history. During World War II, the lake served as a base for Catalina Flying Boats that operated in the Pacific. Now, the lake is home to the Catalina Flying Boat A24–30, one of the few remaining in Australia. The museum at Lake Boga showcases these incredible aircraft and their significance. You can explore dedicated sections highlighting both American and Dutch aircraft that were serviced here. It's a captivating experience that offers a glimpse into the past.

After immersing yourself in history, you continue your journey and stop in Bendigo for lunch (at own expense) and a visit to the Botanical Gardens to stretch your legs. At the finish of your tour, you will enjoy the convenience of our door-to-door drop-off service, ensuring you arrive home safely.





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Additional information



Can I take a walking frame on a tour?

Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate walkers on some of our tours. Our transportation typically does not have the space to store a walker and all physical ratings require that guests must be able to get on and off transportation unaided. If you wish to travel with a walker please contact us in advance of making a booking.

Can I take a walking stick on a tour?

Yes, taking a walking stick on tour is perfectly fine as long you are able to meet the fitness rating for your chosen tour.

What happens if I book a tour with the wrong fitness level?

We discuss fitness ratings with all our guests as part of the booking process to ensure you book a tour that's right for you. If a guest has misrepresented their fitness level and cannot keep up with the tour activities, they be asked to return home.

What are the fitness levels?

Fitness levels are important when selecting a tour. Every tour has a Physical Rating of 1–2:

- 1. Easy
- 2. Active/Moderate

Relaxed pace tours - Level 1 fitness - Easy

These tours are at a more relaxed pace and generally we unpack once. You don't have to worry about doing anything physically demanding unless you want to. The tour is primarily coach travel but the day tours may have content that requires disembarking vessels/ vehicles with stairs to which you have to do unaided.

Passengers must be able to:

- Participate in guided or unguided small walking tours at a relaxed pace
- Walk on mostly level ground
- Tackle an occasional flight of stairs or incline
- Occasionally need to stand for up to 10 minutes
- Get on and off transportation unaided
- Manage your own luggage.

Tours with some mild physical activities -Level 2 fitness - Active/Moderate

There are some easy physical activities included in these tours and an average level of fitness is required to gain maximum enjoyment.

Passengers must be able to:

- Participate in walking tours with time to rest at least every 10 minutes
- Walk confidently on bush tracks and soft sand mostly level ground
- Stand for 15 minutes without needing to sit down
- Tackle a flight of stairs or incline
- Get on and off transportation multiple times unaided
- Manage your own luggage

Travelling with a carer

If you are unable to travel alone and feel that the fitness levels required are not obtainable, you can travel with a carer or chaperone. Coach drivers and staff are only permitted to provide basic assistance. Drivers and staff are unable to assist with access to facilities, lift or carry passengers, administer medicines or perform any medical procedures.

Travelling with a medical condition

If you have a medical condition, it is recommended that a carer/chaperone accompany you on your journey. In the event that you become ill during the journey, the appropriate emergency services will be contacted and the continuation of travel will be determined by the emergency services personnel. Our coach drivers and staff are not trained or permitted to administer any medicines or perform medical tasks.

Special needs

Should you have any special needs, you are required to inform us at the tinle of your booking. Special needs include (without limitation) if you have any disability, illness, disease or other condition, you have limited mobility, you have a service animal, you are pregnant, you need special help or any other circumstances exist which may make it difficult for you to use travel services. If you fail to advise us of your special needs, we may not be able to book suitable travel services for you. To the extent permitted by law, you are responsible for ensuring that the travel services are suitable for your special needs.



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