

Flinders and King Island



MAY 2024
7 DAY PACKAGE
\$7,560
PP TWIN SHARE*

PRIVATE
CHARTER PLANE
FROM ESSENDON
AIRPORT

FITNESS LEVEL 2 TOUR

Experience Flinders Island and King Island

Join Georgie Imhoff on a fully escorted tour in May 2024 and embark on a mesmerizing journey to Flinders Island and King Island, a perfect combination of island enchantment. Immerse yourself in the captivating beauty and charm of these two stunning destinations. Don't miss out on this magical experience!

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

\$7,560
PP TWIN SHARE*
SINGLE SUPPLEMENT
\$1,100 PP

ALL MEALS
INCLUDED

DEPARTING
WEDNESDAY
1 MAY 2024

SMALL GROUP



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Scenic & Cultural Delights

Home pick-up, if applicable, is available for passengers traveling to Essendon Airport. From there, you will board a chartered plane operated by Sharp Airlines. The flight departs from Essendon Airport at 11:00 am and includes a 20kg luggage allowance. You can expect to arrive at Flinders Island Whitemark Airport at 12:05 pm.

Upon arrival at Flinders Island Airport, you will be warmly welcomed by our friendly resident and tour guide, James Luddington, who will also serve as your tour coordinator. Our first stop on the island is a delightful lunch at the Interstate Hotel in Whitemark, the largest town on Flinders Island.

After satisfying your appetite, we will explore the community art gallery, the picturesque waterfront, and the island's beautiful rose garden, which is filled with fragrant scents.

Next, we will drive past the island's eco power station and school as we continue our journey towards Lady Barron, which is located 26 km away. Here, we will visit the deep-water port, an important hub for the island's supplies. Afterward, we'll make a stop at Yellow Beach for a delightful afternoon tea, allowing you to soak up the serene coastal scenery.

As the day winds down at 4:30 pm, we will check in at Furneaux Tavern, which will be our accommodation for the evening. Checking in is a breeze, and rest assured that your bags will be conveniently delivered to your door.

DINNER 2 Course Dinner at the Tavern Bar and Restaurant providing stunning views out across Sheltered Bay and Little Green Island.

OVERNIGHT Lady Barron: The Furneaux Tavern



Views from Lady Barron

History & Hidden Gems

Enjoy an early buffet breakfast before James picks up our tour group of 16 people at 9am. Today, you will be exploring the north end of the island.

Your first stop is a short walk at Castle Rock, a massive granite boulder on the beach at the southern end of Marshall Bay. From there, you will proceed to the NE River, known for its abundant bird life, fish, and breathtaking scenery. This destination is a photographer's dream, so ensure your cameras are ready!

Next, you will head to Palana, which has become a popular coastal holiday house destination. The early WW2 radar station installed in 1943 to protect Melbourne from potential Japanese threats is of particular interest. After leaving Palana, you will make your way to Killiecrankie, a small settlement and anchorage for boats on the west side of the bay.

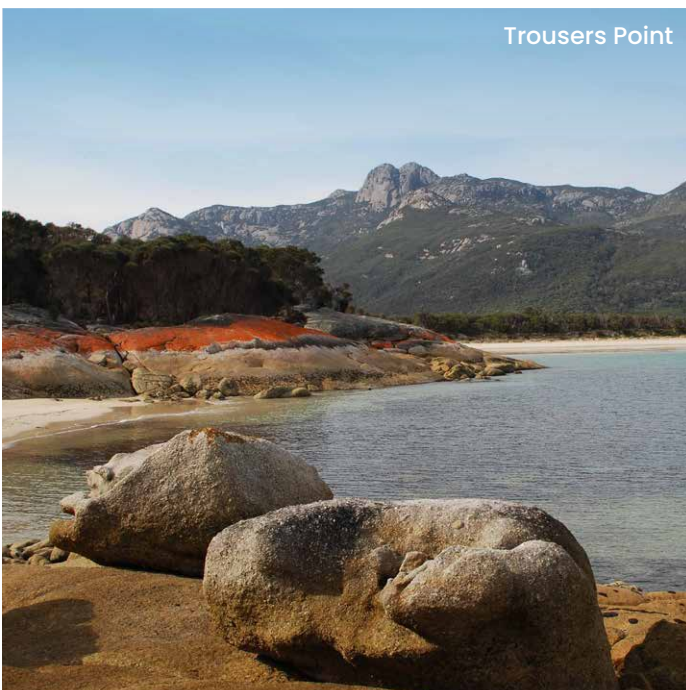
For lunch, you will enjoy a picnic overlooking the bay at tables specially set up for you. Hold onto your hats because, after lunch, you will visit Margaret Wheatley, a local gemstone collector with an impressive Killiecrankie Diamond collection.

In the afternoon, you will spend time at Settlement Point, where you will delve into the island's history. Your visit includes a stop at Wybalenna, a historic site where Aboriginal people from Tasmania settled in 1833. You will also explore the Furneaux Museum, which offers a focused perspective on the island's history. To top it off, you will enjoy a cup of tea in the museum grounds.

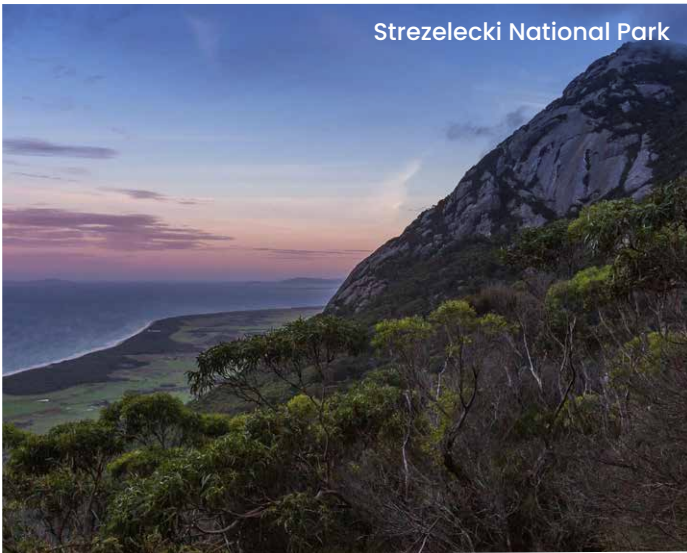
You will arrive back at the tavern at 5pm, where you can relax and unwind after a day filled with exploration and adventure.

OVERNIGHT & DINNER

2 Course Dinner at Furneaux Tavern



Trousers Point



Strezelecki National Park



Wybalenna

DAY THREE FRIDAY 3 MAY 2024 B MT L AT D

Scenic View & Farm Life

After breakfast, your tour begins at 9am. Hop on board as you embark on a drive through the Farmlands of the east coast, heading towards Cameron's Inlet. Along the way, you will be captivated by the birdlife lagoons and breathtaking ocean beaches.

At mid-morning, we'll make a refreshing stop at Emita Sports Ground for morning tea, and you will have the pleasure of meeting Kate Mooney. Kate's love for animals is truly inspiring, as she raises orphan wombats. As a special gesture, we'll have the opportunity to donate for wombat food and veterinary care.

Next is a visit to Walkers Lookout at Trousers Point and the Mt Strezelecki National Park. Come lunchtime, we'll find ourselves at Mountain Seas Lodge and afterward enjoy a short walk at Fotheringate Bay to view the headlands and outer islands.

From there, we'll make our way to Avondale, a working farm where we can gain insights into the inner workings of a farm. To add to the experience, we'll be served a cup of tea in their garden.

As the day nears its end, we will head to Unavale Vineyard for a wine tasting and tour before finishing back at the Tavern at 5pm.

OVERNIGHT & DINNER Furneaux Tavern

DAY FOUR SATURDAY 4 MAY 2024 B MT L AT D

Local Art & History

At 8.30am you will take a convenient transfer to the airport for a 9.10am flight to King Island.

On your arrival, you will be greeted at King Island Airport by your local guide. You will begin with a central tour of the township of Currie, enjoying visit to the Cultural Centre. We visit Kelp Industries, Currie Lighthouse and the Museum with rich local history. You will experience King Island's stunning flora and fauna. Dinner is at Boomerang by the Sea restaurant, with breathtaking views of the Great Southern Ocean.

PLEASE NOTE The itinerary may change slightly to suit availability, weather and tide conditions.

DINNER Boomerang By The Sea Restaurant

OVERNIGHT Boomerang By The Sea
3 Owen Smith Drive, Currie TAS 7256, T 03 6462 1303

DAY FIVE SUNDAY 5 MAY 2024 B MT L AT D

Rugged Beauty & Shipwrecks

You begin your day by driving along the scenic, rugged southwest coast in an off-road 4x4 vehicle.

Next, you will visit the site of Australia's worst peacetime maritime disaster before traveling over the dunes of the Bowling property, a 7th-generation farming family (where King Island Tours has exclusive access).

You will enjoy morning tea in a spectacular location and head towards Surprise Bay. There, you will savour a gourmet lunch featuring the best of King Island produce. As you continue your journey, you will witness the unique 7,000-year-old calcified forest and take in the breathtaking views from Seal Rocks.

To end the day, you will have dinner at Australia's award-winning restaurant, Wild Harvest, voted the No.1 people's choice on Tripadvisor. And if that's not enough, you will also have the opportunity to indulge in storytelling during the nocturnal Penguin experience.

DINNER Wild Harvest Restaurant

1 Blue Gum Drive, Grassy TAS 7256

OVERNIGHT Boomerang By The Sea



All-Terrain Vehicle



Cape Wickham

DAY SEVEN TUESDAY 7 MAY 2024

MT L

Amazing Beaches & Wildlife

Today, you will have the opportunity to explore the breathtaking East Coast of King Island. Begin your journey by visiting the scenic 'City of Melbourne' bay on your way to the charming village of Naracoopa, where you can enjoy morning tea.

As you continue your exploration along the coast, make sure to visit the stunning Sea Elephant Bay and witness the natural wonder of the Blowhole (depending on the tide). Immerse yourself in the beauty of the coastline and marvel at the diverse flora and fauna that call this area home.

Later in the day, you will head towards the airport for a 12:30pm flight to Essendon, arriving at 1:15pm. From there, you will enjoy a convenient transfer directly to your front door, ensuring a seamless end to your adventure.

DAY SIX MONDAY 6 MAY 2024

B MT L AT D

Nature's Architecture

Today, you will embark on a journey to the northern part of King Island. Begin your day with morning tea at Reekara, where you can explore local arts and admire the craftsmanship of kelp craft. From there, enjoy the breathtaking views of Quarantine Bay as you learn about the origins of King Island's name. Continue your adventure by visiting Egg Lagoon and Martha Lavinia, two picturesque locations that showcase the island's natural beauty. Make a stop at Penny's Lagoon, a remarkable natural phenomenon featuring a suspended lake, one of only three in the world.

As you continue your exploration, don't miss the opportunity to visit Cape Wickham Lighthouse, the tallest lighthouse in the southern hemisphere. While there, you might even catch a glimpse of a hole-in-one at the famous golf course nearby. Indulge in a delightful picnic lunch surrounded by the island's stunning landscapes.

To satisfy your taste buds, make a visit to King Island Dairy for a cheese tasting experience. Sample their award-winning cheeses and receive a complimentary gift voucher to use in-store. In the evening, enjoy a gourmet dinner at one of the island's renowned restaurants, continuing your gastronomic adventure.

DINNER Boomerang By The Sea Restaurant

OVERNIGHT Boomerang By The Sea

EXCLUSIONS

NOT INCLUDED: Drinks, Telephone Calls, Laundry and items of a personal nature. Includes Luxury five-star coach, motel accommodation with private facilities on a twin share basis. Meals and entry fees as per the itinerary. Tour Conditions: Payment: A deposit of \$550 per person is required at the time of booking. Balance is due 45 days prior to departure. Cancellation fees will be levied as follows: Prior to 45 days of departure - Loss of deposit, 45 to 30 days prior 50% of total fare, 29 to 14 days prior to departure 75% of total fare, 14 days or less 100% total fare. Christians Travel has arranged this tour upon the express condition that it will not be liable for any injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity which may occur either by reason of defect in any vehicle, vessel or aircraft of another company engaged to provide transportation on behalf of Christian's Travel. Whilst the company will take all reasonable steps to provide an enjoyable tour, it accepts no liability whatsoever for any loss of enjoyment experienced by passengers due to circumstances beyond its control. Information as stated is correct at time of publication but is subject to change without notice. We reserve the right to change or alter the itinerary should circumstances beyond our control make it necessary. If the tour has insufficient bookings, it may be cancelled with full refund paid. Food and Drink must not be consumed on the coach. Smoking is prohibited under Government regulations. Passengers are requested to restrict their smoking to stops en-route in the interests of other passengers. Luggage - one medium size suitcase plus one carry bag per passenger - maximum combined weight, 20kg's. Seating- to enable everyone to enjoy forward and window seating, a seat rotation system will operate, and passengers will be required to change seats each day. No passenger will be permitted to embark or continue on the tour while their mental or physical condition is, in the opinion of any representative of the company, such as to render them incapable of caring for themselves, or whereby they become objectionable to other passengers, or they become a hazard to themselves or other passengers. The company will not be responsible for expenses resulting in such persons being precluded from completing the tour for any reason.

*Prices are based on twin share. Conditions apply. **Insurance is strongly recommended.**

KEY

- B = Breakfast ● MT = Morning Tea
- AT = Afternoon Tea ● L = Lunch ● D = Dinner



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Additional information



Do you cater for special dietary needs?

Yes, we cater for all dietary requirements, the specific requirement must be advised at the time of booking.

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 as 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 may 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 will 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 time 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.

Deposit

\$800 non-refundable deposit at the time of booking.