# Lord Howe Island Escorted by Georgie Imhoff





### **FITNESS LEVEL 2 TOUR**

Immerse yourself in the spectacular surroundings of Lord Howe Island, a World Heritage Listed paradise that offers an array of unique activities.

Highlights include: Pristine beaches, scenic walks, a vibrant coral reef teeming with abundant wildlife and rich biodiversity, lush greenery against aquamarine waters and views of untouched coral reef.

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



### **\$9,150**\* DOUBLE ROOM PP

TWIN SHARE SUPPLEMENT: 2 BR APARTMENT \$1,300 PP

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT \$1,400 PP DEPARTING SATURDAY 15 MARCH 2025











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## Home / Lord Howe Island

Welcome to UNESCO World Heritage-listed Lord Howe Island.

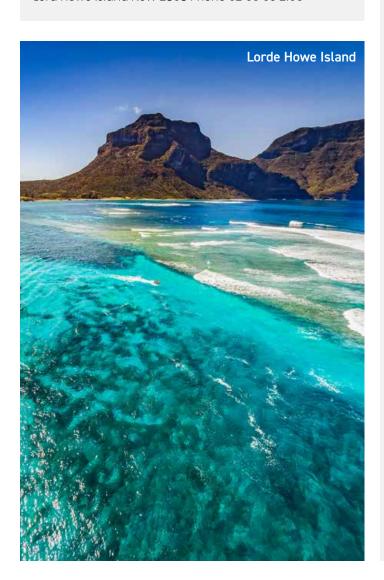
Our complimentary door-to-door pick-up service ensures safe and prompt arrival at Melbourne Tullamarine Airport in time for your Qantas flight bound for Sydney. Upon landing in Sydney, you will have time to relax and enjoy morning tea before boarding your connecting flight to Lord Howe Island. Light refreshments and meals will be provided on board your flight.

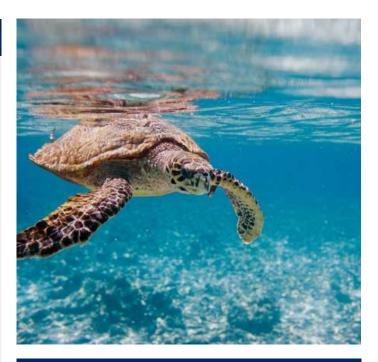
Upon arrival at Lord Howe Island, our hosts will greet us and ensure a safe transfer to your accommodation. You'll have time to unpack and settle in for an eightnight stay. Spend the afternoon acclimatizing to the subtropical climate.

Emily, our on-island guide, will discuss the daily itinerary upon arrival at our rooms. Before dinner, join Georgie for a light walk to take in your new island home.

Cap off the day with a memorable welcome and celebration dinner at the Bowling Club, marking the beginning of an unforgettable journey filled with discovery and relaxation.

**DINNER** Bowling Club **OVERNIGHT** Leanda Lei Apartments, Middle Beach Rd, Lord Howe Island NSW 2898 Phone 02 65 63 2195





DAY TWO SUNDAY 16 MARCH 2025









Begin your day with a leisurely breakfast at the Coral Café, just 200 meters from Leanda Lei at the Museum. Our guide, Emily, will join us at breakfast each morning to outline the day's itinerary.

Following breakfast, take some time to explore the nearby shops and local attractions. This is the perfect opportunity to familiarise yourself with your new surroundings. Georgie will be on hand to guide you to hidden gems as we leisurely discover the area. Be sure to treat yourself to a local coffee or snack at Jim's Café, conveniently located close to our accommodation - our treat!

We provide a useful Travel Information pack, complete with maps and recommendations for places to visit and enjoy during your downtime. It's a chance to unwind, connect with nature and delve deeper into the tropical environment during your holiday.

Before lunch, we'll gather for the North Bay Turtle and Nature Tour, an afternoon filled with adventure. Equipped with packed lunches, we'll board a glass-bottom boat, accompanied by a sixth-generation islander guide offering historical insights. Keep an eye out for coral formations and green and hawksbill turtles, with the optional opportunity for those feeling adventurous to swim and snorkel near a wreck. Enjoying the deck and some relaxation if swimming is not your preference.

Our tour includes a visit to North Bay, a designated park reserve. Delight in a private guided bird-watching stroll along the beach or opt for a short walk up Mt. Eliza to enjoy panoramic views. For those seeking relaxation, there's always the option to simply unwind and enjoy a laid-back moment.

As the afternoon winds down, we'll reconvene at our accommodation before heading out for our evening meal at The Golfy.

**DINNER** Lord Howe Island Golf Club 'The Golfy' **OVERNIGHT** Leanda Lei Apartments





**DAY FOUR** TUESDAY 18 MARCH 2025









### All corners of the Island Tour

Gather at the Coral Café for breakfast before embarking on the Chase 'n' Thyme Island Tour led by hosts Janine and Peter – a fun and informal bus tour of Lord Howe Island. This tour offers a unique opportunity to hear about the island from the perspective of resident locals.

To ensure a personalised experience, the group will be divided into two smaller, intimate groups, allowing everyone to comfortably immerse themselves on the tour. Janine, a fifth-generation islander, brings a wealth of knowledge; her great-grandfather served as the island's postmaster, with many published photos and memoirs of him in the island's history.

During the three-hour tour, you'll learn about the island's history, culture, and natural beauty from a personal perspective. Following the initial exploration, a seamless swap between the groups will occur, guaranteeing everyone gets a comprehensive experience. As we share our experiences, the island will unravel before us, becoming more familiar, creating lasting memories.

Lunch Provided by Georgie

**DINNER** Driftwood Bar & Restaurant, 1 Ocean View Dve **OVERNIGHT** Leanda Lei Apartments

# DAY THREE MONDAY 17 MARCH 2025









## **DAY FIVE** WEDNESDAY 19 MARCH 2025









# Reef and Ned's Beach Tour — Ian Hutton, Naturalist, Photographer, Conservationist

Breakfast is enjoyed at the Coral Café, set within the town's museum – a quaint location to start each day.

Following breakfast and our catch up with our island guide Emily, take advantage of free time to explore a variety of activities and attractions. Whether you choose to visit a garden nursery, explore the art gallery, or venture to other areas of interest, consider taking a leisurely stroll, a refreshing swim, or capturing the island's essence through photography. After these activities, Georgie will provide you with delicious morning tea followed by some personal time for you to enjoy this morning..

Lunch will be enjoyed at the Coral Café before embarking on our specially curated afternoon half-day tour led by experienced naturalist Ian Hutton. Ian's deep knowledge and passion for this beautiful environment is evident when he speaks, and viewing the island through lan's eyes allows you to uncover the secrets of its stunning landscape and diverse wildlife. Ian often describes living on Lord Howe Island as living inside a David Attenborough documentary, and this tour promises to bring that experience to life. Prepare to be amazed and inspired by Lord Howe Island's natural beauty and rich biodiversity under the expert guidance of Ian Hutton.

Upon return to our accommodation, there will be ample time to freshen up before our evening meal. Tonight's dinner will be a waterfront experience on the jetty at Anchorage Restaurant, located near the iconic Lagoon Beach.

**DINNER** Anchorage Restaurant, Neds Beach Road

## Ian Hutton Private Walking Tour — **Exploring Birds, Flora and Fauna**

Begin your day with breakfast at the Coral Café, followed by an exclusive half-day tour led by Ian Hutton. This tour is a photographer's delight, offering a visual feast, drawing on lan's extensive four-decade experience within his own special backyard. Renowned for his conservation efforts on Lord Howe Island, Ian will guide us as we explore the island's birds, flora, and fauna.

Savor a sandwich lunch at Anchorage on Ned's Beach Road, where waterfront views add to the experience, offering a tranquil setting to unwind and appreciate the natural beauty of the island.

In the afternoon, immerse yourself in the island's history through a captivating historic movie screening, providing insights into the rich history of Lord Howe Island.

Conclude your day with dinner at the Earls of Anchorage Restaurant, a lovely spot to round off a day filled with exploration, learning, and relaxation.

**DINNER** Anchorage Restaurant **OVERNIGHT** Leanda Lei Apartments











# DAY EIGHT SATURDAY 22 MARCH 2025 B MT L







Start the day with breakfast at the Coral Café, followed by a Coral Viewing and Environmental Tour. This tour includes a glass-bottom boat ride with the option to snorkel, offering a range of high-quality natural history experiences. Delight in light bushwalking activities and take in the views of Mt. Gower, Blackburn Island, and the Admiralty Islets.

After returning from the tour, take some time to rest and revive. At 5:00pm, Ian Hutton will join us for a casual and informal discussion on birds and island life at the Lord Howe Museum, conveniently situated near our accommodation. The museum, which opened in 2022, is architecturally designed and operates daily from 10am to 2pm.

Finish the day with a delightful dinner at the Coral Café, rounding off another enriching day on Lord Howe Island.

**DINNER** Coral Café **OVERNIGHT** Leanda Lei Apartments

# Walk to Little Island Tour – Peter Phillipps Land and Sea

After enjoying a morning walk, swim, or both, and relishing breakfast at the Coral Café, we look forward to meeting another specialized guide on the island.

Peter Phillipps, a well-regarded and knowledgeable guide, will lead us on a lighter walk tailored to our itinerary. This picturesque 3 km stroll guides us through a beautiful canopy of trees and along the coast to the base of both Mt. Gower and Mt. Lidgebird. This leisurely hike provides stunning views and an opportunity to appreciate the natural beauty and tranquillity of the island's landscape.

**DINNER** Bowling Club **OVERNIGHT** Leanda Lei Apartments

# DAY SEVEN FRIDAY 21 MARCH 2025 Glass Bottom Boat / Coral Viewing and **Environmental Tour** After a good night's sleep, start your day with a relaxed breakfast at the Coral Café. The morning is yours to explore the island at your own pace – whether you choose to retrace your steps, unwind, or partake in activities that pique your interest. Lunch will be enjoyed at The Anchorage, located on the Lagoon and Jetty, providing a scenic and tranquil setting. Following lunch, at 12:30pm we'll embark on our Around Island Boat Cruise, exploring the coastline and viewing Balls Pyramid in the distance. This excursion also includes an environmental history ramble through lovely forests. The group will be split into two to ensure a more

# **DAY NINE** SUNDAY 23 MARCH 2025



# **DINNER** Anchorage Restaurant on the water



take some time to unwind and recharge.

intimate experience, allowing everyone to fully enjoy the circumnavigation of the island. Following the first group's exploration, a swap will take place, ensuring everyone can enjoy both the boat cruise and forest walk firsthand. Upon our return to our accommodation in the afternoon,



# Lord Howe Island / Home

Following our last delightful breakfast at the Coral Café, we will be transferred to the Lord Howe Airport for our Qantas Link return flight home to Melbourne via Sydney.

Upon arrival at Tullamarine Airport mid-afternoon, our complimentary door-to-door drivers will be waiting, prepared to ensure a safe journey back home after our island adventure. Reflect on the unforgettable moments and cherished experiences during our time on Lord Howe Island as we bid farewell to this enchanting destination.

### **EXPLORING THE ISLAND**

On Lord Howe Island, there are plenty of activities to enjoy, catering to various interests and preferences:

### **GARDEN NURSERY TOUR**

Explore the island's lush gardens and nurseries, discovering the diverse flora and fauna unique to the region.

### **DISTILLERY TOUR**

Visit the local distillery to learn about the production of gin and beer, and perhaps sample some of their crafted beverages.

### **BIKE RIDING**

Hire a bike for just \$9.00 per day and explore the island's scenic trails and pathways. Helmets are available for your safety.

### **KAYAKING AND PADDLEBOARDING LESSONS**

Enjoy the crystal-clear waters surrounding the island with kayaking and paddleboarding lessons, perfect for water enthusiasts of all levels.

### **GUIDED CLIMB TO MT. GOWER**

Embark on a thrilling adventure with a guide to climb Mt. Gower, one of the island's iconic peaks. This excursion is available twice a week for \$100 per person.

Play a round of golf at the picturesque 12-hole course, ideal for beginners and experienced players alike.

Enjoy a game of tennis with racket hire available, perfect for some friendly competition.

Cast your line and enjoy some fishing in the island's abundant waters, with the chance to catch a variety of fish species.

### **PICNIC AREAS**

Relax and unwind at one of the island's scenic picnic spots, surrounded by breathtaking natural beauty.

### **GUIDED MOUNTAIN WALKS**

For those seeking more adventure, guided mountain walks are available upon request, offering the opportunity to explore the island's rugged terrain and stunning vistas.



### **GOOD TO KNOW**

### **TELEPHONES**

24-hour satellite lines are available, while mobile coverage is limited.

### **AMENITIE**

Liquor, groceries, and fresh fruit and vegetables are readily available on the island.

Australian Dollars are accepted, with an ATM available at the Bowling Club and Commonwealth Banking facilities also available.

### **EXCLUSIONS**

NOT INCLUDED: Drinks, Telephone Calls, Laundry and items of a personal nature. Includes hotel and apartment accommodation with private facilities on a twin share basis. Meals and entry fees as per the itinerary. Tour Conditions: Payment A deposit of \$600.00 per person is required within 7 days of booking

Balance is due 60 days prior to departure. Cancellation fees will be levied as follows: - The deposit is non-refundable. 60 days or less prior to departure 100% airfare and tour is non-refundable. 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 Christians 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. Luggage – suitcase 20kg plus one carry bag 7kg per passenger. 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. Travel insurance is strongly recommended.













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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:

- 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.

