

Brisbane African Zoofari & Painted Silos Tour

Three States 8 Day Fully Escorted Tour



SEPT 2025
8 DAY PACKAGE
FROM
\$5,400
PP TWIN SHARE/DBL*
*PERSONALISE YOUR STAY
AT ZOOFARI LODGE
ON DAY FIVE!

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**INCLUDES
AIRPORT
TRANSFERS**

**SMALL
GROUP
• 20 ONLY •**
**ALL MEALS
PROVIDED**

FITNESS LEVEL 1 TOUR

Enjoy this three-state adventure through Brisbane, ACT, NSW and Victoria on a luxury coach! Experience a Brisbane river cruise and visit Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary. Delight in QLD's Bestbrook Mountain Farm morning tea and Ballandean Estate wine tastings. Explore Armidale's history, picnic at Wollomombi Falls, and stay overnight at Western Plains Zoo's exclusive Zoofari lodge. Savour Mudgee's wines, visit Hillside Harvest, and relax at Cowra's Japanese Gardens before wrapping up with reflections of painted silo art throughout NSW and Victoria.

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

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**SINGLE
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\$800 PP**

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**DEPARTING:
FRIDAY 12
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Home / Brisbane

Start your adventure with our convenient Door-to-Door Service, picking you up from home and transferring you to Melbourne Tullamarine Airport. Relax before your Qantas flight at 1:20 pm, with time to grab lunch at the airport (own expense). Arriving in Brisbane at 3:35 pm, you'll be greeted by our luxury Christians Travel coach and friendly driver, ready to begin your exciting tour.

Our first stop takes us to the breathtaking Mt Coot-tha Summit Lookout. Take in sweeping views of Brisbane from this iconic vantage point while enjoying a refreshing welcome afternoon tea. Breathe in the fresh air as we continue to the nearby Botanical Gardens and planetarium for a stroll through lush greenery.

Next, our luxury coach will guide you on a Brisbane City Tour, introducing you to the charm and highlights of this vibrant city. We conclude our first day by arriving at the Grand Chancellor Brisbane, your home for the next two nights.

DINNER 2 Course Welcome Dinner & Overnight – Superior Room at the Hotel Grand Chancellor

OVERNIGHT Grand Chancellor Brisbane

DAY TWO SATURDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2025



Brisbane / Lone Pine Koala and River Cruises / Brisbane Sightseeing Tour

Enjoy breakfast before we set off to the Brisbane River Boardwalk to board the scenic Mirimar Cruise to Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary. Relax as you take in Brisbane's city views from the water, complemented by homemade Devonshire Tea and your choice of a warm beverage.

On arrival at Lone Pine, a private guide will lead our group on an exclusive tour of the sanctuary, providing close encounters with incredible wildlife in this world-renowned haven. At 12:30pm, a catered lunch at the on-site restaurant offers a wonderful pause before our coach arrives to take us back to Brisbane.

The afternoon allows for leisure time at the hotel, or you can join Guy, our dedicated guide, on an insightful 2.5-hour tour of Brisbane. Learn about the city's history and discover its key landmarks while enjoying engaging commentary.

The day concludes with a pre-dinner drink at the hotel bar (drinks at your expense), followed by a delicious meal at the hotel's restaurant, the perfect way to unwind and share stories of the day.

DINNER & OVERNIGHT Hotel Grand Chancellor Brisbane, 23 Leichhardt St, Spring Hill QLD 4000
Phone 07 3831 4055

Ballandean Estate Winery



DAY THREE SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2025



Brisbane / Bestbrook Mountain / Ballandean Estate Winery

Begin the day with a fresh breakfast in Brisbane before we set off toward New South Wales. Our coach ascends Cunningham's Gap, pausing for morning tea at Bestbrook Mountain Farm Stay, a charming spot nestled in the scenic foothills of the Great Dividing Range. Relax on the verandah and enjoy the countryside, with the chance to experience a whip-cracking demonstration!

Continue to Glen Aplin for a special lunch and wine tasting at Ballandean Estate Wines. Hosted by fourth-generation winemaker Robyn Puglisi-Henderson, enjoy delicious antipasto boards, a presentation on the wines, and four tastings in the Barrelroom.

Our day wraps up as we travel southward, passing through Glen Innes and crossing into New South Wales. Arrive in Armidale, your home for the next two nights, ready to unwind after a day of discovery.

DINNER & OVERNIGHT Rydges Armidale, 31 Marsh St, Armidale NSW 2350 | Phone 02 6772 7788

DAY FOUR MONDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2025



Armidale NSW / Heritage Tour / Wollomombi Falls

Enjoy a relaxing breakfast in Armidale before beginning the day's adventures with a guided heritage tour led by Enice, our private local guide, this 2.5-hour "Taster of Armidale" introduces us to the city's rich history and stunning landmarks. We'll step off the coach to visit the Aboriginal Cultural Centre and Keeping Place and the University of New England, while also taking in all there is to know about Armidale's striking cathedrals, monuments and memorials.

Afterwards, lunch is provided at a local bakery, followed by an afternoon with options to suit your pace. You may choose to relax and enjoy some personal time in the peaceful country air, or join the coach for an excursion to the Oxley Wild Rivers National Park at Wollomombi Falls.

At the park, marvel at the breathtaking scenery, with options to take a short stroll through the bushland or a 2.1 km easy walk to a scenic viewing platform. For those who prefer to stay close to the picnic area, enjoy afternoon tea with a cuppa and homemade biscuits and fresh produce of fruit from the local area. Some travellers may choose to enjoy the views of the mountains while others may like to venture off to find nearby waterfalls.

DINNER & OVERNIGHT Rydges Armidale



DAY FIVE TUESDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2025



Armidale / Tamworth / Dorothea Mackellar Silo Art / African Zoofari Experience

After an early breakfast, we begin our journey toward Dubbo, with a brief stop in Tamworth, Australia's country music capital. Here, you'll have the chance to see the iconic Big Golden Guitar and enjoy a relaxing tea or coffee break with morning tea as we continue onto Dubbo.

Lunch will be provided as we enjoy the landscape for our journey. With a Pivotal Stop at Gunnedah Dorothea Mackellar Painted Silo Art. A portrait of the well-known poet in her own handwriting of her Poem "My Country".

In the afterternoon, we arrive at the renowned Western Plains Zoo, ready for an unforgettable Zoofari adventure. Our exclusive experience begins at 2 pm as we check into the Zoofari Lodge and Guest House, reserved just for our group. Surrounded by wildlife and the peaceful sounds of nature, this "Out of Africa" setting offers a truly unique overnight stay.

Once settled, we'll enjoy a private 1.5-hour tour of the zoo's majestic African animals, including a giraffe feeding experience. The itinerary is designed to showcase the wonders of the resident animals and may vary slightly depending on the season.

Dinner is African inspired served in the Guest House dining room. Afterward, you're welcome to unwind with a drink or cocktail (at your own expense) in the Main House open until 10 pm.

DINNER & OVERNIGHT

Zoofari Lodge, Taronga Western Plains Zoo Obley Road Dubbo NSW 2830 | Phone 02 6881 1400

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Twin/Double Room Options:

BUSHLAND VIEW Included in price
ANIMAL VIEW Add \$100pp

Single (Solo Use) Room Options:

BUSHLAND VIEW \$385pp
ANIMAL VIEW \$485pp

DAY SIX WEDNESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2025



Zoofari / Silo Art Dunedoo / Mudgee / Orange

Start your day early with sunrise views and a hot beverage at the Guest House before an unforgettable morning Safari Tour. Watch the zoo wake up as you ride the Safari Truck for 1.5 hours, then enjoy a cooked-to-order breakfast at 8.30 am.

After checking out of the Zoofari Lodge, we head to Dunedoo to see the Painted Silo and morning tea amidst the changing scenery. Next, we visit the Gulgong Pioneers Museum for an organised group tour, with time to explore its extensive 1.5-acre collection of Australian history. Our next stop is Mudgee, where we enjoy a picnic lunch at the peaceful Putta Bucca Wetlands and a light walk.

Spend your free time in Mudgee exploring the Heritage Walk or indulge in tastings at High Valley Cheese Co. and Mudgee Honey Haven. If time allows, we'll visit Lowe Wines, a scenic winery known for its views, friendly animals, and beautiful gardens, before continuing toward Orange.

DINNER & OVERNIGHT The Remington Orange

1517 Forest Road, Orange NSW 2800 | Phone 02 6361 6362

DAY SEVEN THURSDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2025



Orange / Hills Harvest / Grenfell Silos / Japanese Garden Cowra / Young / Albury

After breakfast, we head out for more adventures, beginning with a guided tour of Hillside Harvest. Known for its cherries, apples and stone fruit, this seasonal orchard offers plenty to explore, including a charming store to browse. While here, enjoy a coffee and morning tea before we continue onward.

The bright yellow hues of blooming canola fields accompany us as we travel to Canowindra. Along the way, we visit the impressive Cowra Water Tower Art and Heesco's stunning Grenfell Painted Silo. These creative landmarks provide a glimpse into the region's artistic spirit.

Lunch awaits at the Cowra Japanese Garden Café, where you'll savour a delightful meal while exploring the beautiful 5-hectare garden. This peaceful space honours the rich history and bond between Cowra and Japan, making it a unique stop.

As we head south to Young, we visit another striking artwork at the Harden Murrumburrah Silo, which features a depiction of the area's milling history. Continuing onward, we take a break in Holbrook to stretch our legs and see the famous submarine before arriving in Albury.

The day concludes with a special farewell dinner, a chance to reflect on our incredible journey together as we prepare for our final night in Albury, NSW.

DINNER & OVERNIGHT The Siesta Albury

416 Wagga Wagga Lavington NSW | Phone 02 6025 4555


DAY EIGHT FRIDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2025

Albury / Tungamah & St James Silo Art / Benalla / Home

After breakfast in Albury, we bid farewell to New South Wales and cross into Victoria for the final leg of our adventure. The day begins with visits along the renowned Silo Art Trail, where each stop brings incredible craftsmanship to life.

Our first stop is the striking Tungamah Art Silo, followed by the St James Silo Art. Next, we arrive at Devenish to enjoy a refreshing morning tea before continuing to the captivating Goorambat Silo Art, just a short drive down the road.

From here, we make our way to Benalla's Botanical Gardens, where the first spring roses are beginning to bloom. A relaxing lunch surrounded by this beautiful scenery provides the perfect moment to reflect on our shared experiences.

Ending on a high note, we head back with our coach's door-to-door service. With many shared stories and newfound friendships, it's time to return home, carrying the memories of this extraordinary journey with us.

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 \$250 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



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 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.