

# Bright Autumn Festival

## 4 Day Fully Escorted Tour



APRIL/MAY 2027

4 DAY PACKAGE

**\$3,630**

PER PERSON  
TWIN/DBL SHARE\*

### FITNESS LEVEL 2 TOUR

## Discover the High Country

Experience Victoria's High Country in full autumn splendour on this unforgettable four-day escape to Bright. This journey combines golden foliage and vibrant seasonal colours with historic gold rush villages and the region's finest gourmet produce. Enjoy premium winery tastings, scenic mountain valleys, and the perfect balance of guided touring and relaxed free time to soak up the atmosphere of this iconic autumn destination.

**FREE HOME PICKUP & RETURN:** 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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SINGLE PRICE  
**\$3,910 PP**

 **DEPARTING:  
FRIDAY 30  
APRIL 2027**



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## Home / Milawa / Myrtleford / Porepunkah

Your scenic High Country adventure begins with convenient feeder pick-ups before we travel through Victoria's picturesque countryside and rolling regional landscapes. Sit back, relax and enjoy the changing scenery as we make our way north-east towards the renowned gourmet and alpine regions. A morning tea stop in the charming township of Yea provides the perfect opportunity to stretch your legs, enjoy a cuppa and soak up the welcoming country atmosphere before continuing through some of regional Victoria's most beautiful countryside.

Arriving in the Milawa gourmet region — renowned for its exceptional local produce and country hospitality — you'll enjoy lunch at the popular Milawa Hotel. The afternoon brings a delightful taste of the region, beginning with a visit to the iconic Brown Brothers Winery for a tasting experience showcasing some of Milawa's celebrated wines. Continue to the Milawa Cheese Company, where artisan cheeses and regional flavours highlight why this area has become one of Victoria's premier gourmet destinations. A visit to Hurdle Creek Still Gin in the beautiful King Valley rounds off the afternoon, with an enjoyable gin tasting experience surrounded by stunning rural scenery.

As the landscapes transform into the breathtaking beauty of Victoria's Alpine region, travel through Myrtleford and along scenic country roads framed by rolling hills and mountain vistas. Arriving in the peaceful township of Porepunkah, settle into your accommodation and unwind before joining the group for a welcoming dinner — the perfect conclusion to your first day exploring the flavours, scenery and charm of Victoria's High Country.

### OVERNIGHT & DINNER

Buffalo Motel and Country Retreat  
6674 Great Alpine Road, Porepunkah VIC 3740  
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## Bright's Annual Autumn Festival / The Al Findlay Memorial Gala Day & Wandiligong Valley

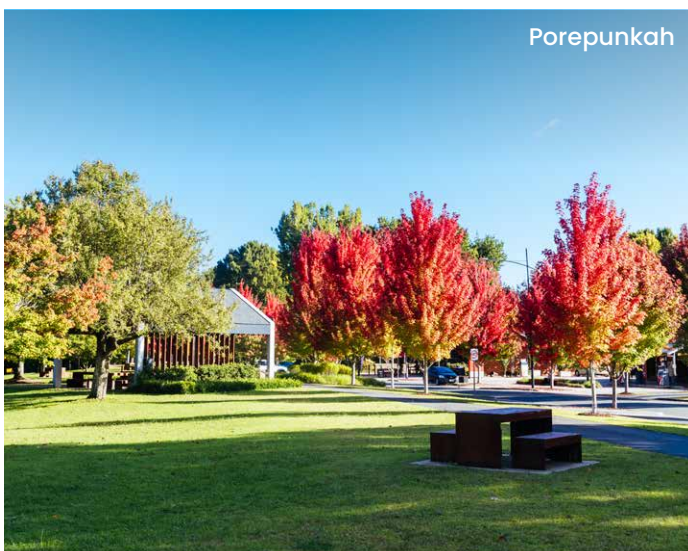
Wake to the crisp alpine air and enjoy a full day immersed in the vibrant atmosphere of Bright's famous Autumn Festival — one of Victoria's most spectacular seasonal celebrations. Today centres around the much-loved Al Findlay Memorial Gala Day, where the township comes alive with colour, entertainment and community spirit. Spend the morning exploring the lively Bright Rotary Market, browsing an array of local produce, handmade crafts, gourmet treats and unique regional stalls while soaking up the festive atmosphere throughout the heart of Bright.

You'll have free time to wander the charming Bright township at your own pace, with its inviting cafés, boutique shops and beautiful tree-lined streets glowing in brilliant autumn colour. Lunch today is at your own expense, giving you the flexibility to choose from Bright's many cafés, bakeries and local eateries. The highlight of the day is the colourful Gala Parade, a beloved festival tradition celebrating the region's creativity, heritage and vibrant community spirit. Throughout the day, enjoy a variety of entertainment and attractions including Bright's Got Talent performances at the Sibley Sound Shell, the Annual Art Exhibition at the Bright Art Gallery, and opportunities to explore some of the region's stunning open gardens.

Later this afternoon, journey together through the breathtaking Wandiligong Valley, renowned for its spectacular display of vivid autumn foliage, historic charm and picturesque mountain scenery. With brilliant shades of gold, crimson and amber lining the roadsides and valleys, there will be plenty of opportunities to stop for photographs and truly appreciate the beauty of Victoria's High Country in autumn. Return to the hotel in the evening to relax and unwind before enjoying dinner together and reflecting on a wonderful day of colour, celebration and alpine charm.

### OVERNIGHT & DINNER

Buffalo Motel and Country Retreat



## High Country Loop: Mount Buffalo / Yackandandah / Beechworth / Porepunkah

Today showcases the very best of Victoria's High Country, combining dramatic alpine scenery, historic gold rush towns and rolling countryside on a picturesque touring loop through one of the state's most beautiful regions. Departing Porepunkah, travel into the spectacular Mount Buffalo National Park, where winding alpine roads lead to breathtaking lookouts and sweeping valley views. Take time to experience key highlights such as The Gorge and surrounding escarpments, where granite cliffs, snow gums and rugged terrain create a striking contrast to the lush autumn colours below – an unforgettable alpine experience that truly conveys the scale and natural beauty of the High Country.

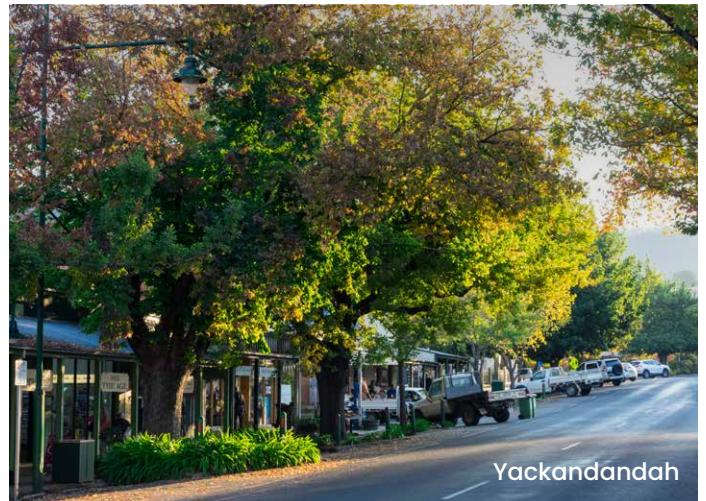
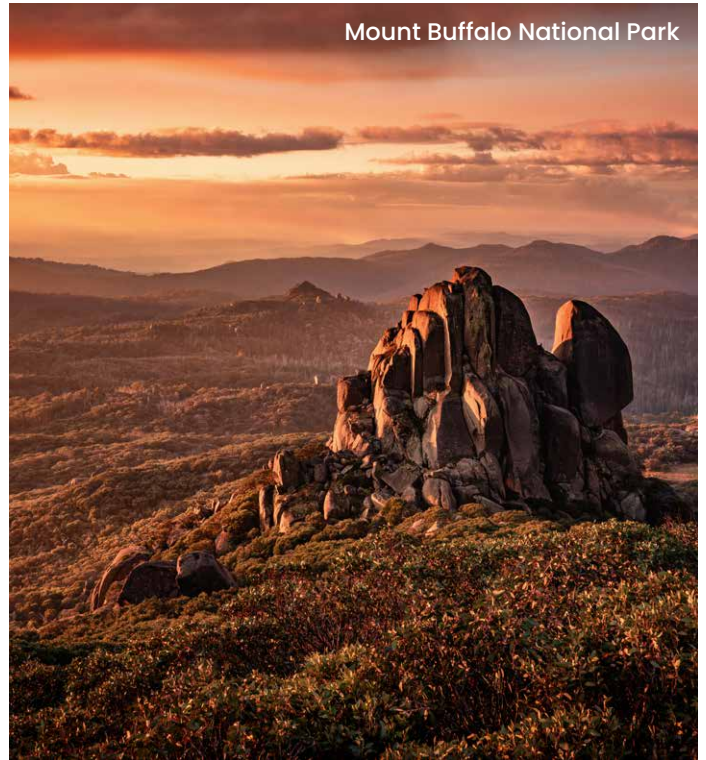
Continuing your journey, you'll arrive in the charming gold rush village of Yackandandah, a beautifully preserved township filled with character, heritage architecture and a welcoming country atmosphere. Enjoy time at leisure to explore boutique shops, local galleries and cafés at your own pace before travelling onwards to the historic town of Beechworth. Here, enjoy a relaxed lunch at the popular Last St Brewery, followed by an engaging guided coach commentary from a local historian who brings the town's rich goldfields history to life. Learn about bushrangers, pioneers and early settlement as you pass grand heritage buildings and tree-lined streets that reflect Beechworth's important place in Victoria's past.

The afternoon offers free time to further explore Beechworth at leisure – wandering its elegant streets, browsing artisan stores and sampling local produce, with the opportunity to visit the famous Beechworth Bakery for a traditional treat. In the late afternoon, return to Porepunkah via scenic countryside, reflecting on a day that has blended alpine grandeur, living history and the timeless charm of the High Country. Gather this evening for dinner and a relaxed final night together in this beautiful alpine region.

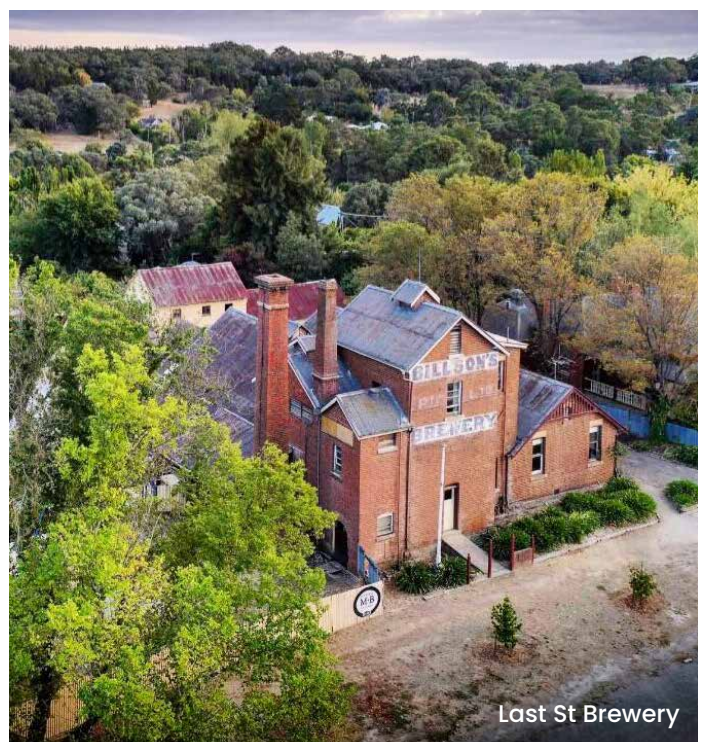
### OVERNIGHT & DINNER

Novotel Canberra & First Edition Restaurant

Mount Buffalo National Park



Yackandandah



Last St Brewery



Tahbilk Winery

**DAY FOUR** MONDAY 3 MAY 2027



## Porepunkah / Glenrowan / Tahbilk Winery / Gisborne / Home

After breakfast, farewell Porepunkah and the beautiful Alpine region as your journey home begins through the ever-changing landscapes of regional Victoria. Travelling through picturesque valleys, rolling farmland and charming country townships, enjoy a relaxed morning aboard the coach while reflecting on the wonderful experiences and spectacular autumn scenery you've enjoyed throughout your High Country escape.

Your first stop is Glenrowan, where a visit to the Ned Kelly Discovery Hub offers fascinating insight into the life and legacy of one of Australia's most iconic historical figures and the dramatic events that shaped the region's past.

Continuing south into the renowned Nagambie wine region, arrive at the historic Tahbilk Winery for a leisurely lunch and wine tasting experience. Set amongst beautiful vineyards, ancient river red gums and tranquil wetland surrounds, Tahbilk offers the perfect setting to relax and savour the flavours and hospitality of one of Victoria's oldest family-owned wineries. Take time to wander the grounds, soak up the peaceful atmosphere and enjoy your final gourmet experience of the tour before rejoining the coach for the journey home.

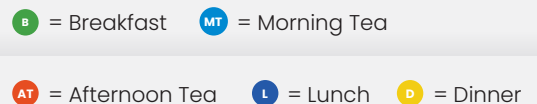
A comfort stop in Gisborne provides the opportunity to stretch your legs and enjoy a final break before continuing towards Geelong. Arriving home in the late afternoon, you'll return with wonderful memories of colourful autumn landscapes, charming historic towns, gourmet regional experiences and the warm hospitality of Victoria's spectacular High Country.

## 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 \$400 per person is required at the time of booking. Balance is due 60 days prior to departure. Cancellation fees will be levied as follows: Prior to 60 days of departure - Loss of deposit, 60 to 45 days prior 50% of total fare, 45 to 30 days prior to departure 75% of total fare, 30 days or less 100% of 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.

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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 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 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.