

Bright Autumn Festival

4 Day Fully Escorted Tour by Robyn and Driven by Matt



APRIL/MAY 2027

4 DAY PACKAGE

\$3,630

PER PERSON
TWIN/DBL SHARE*

\$400
DEPOSIT

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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PRICE
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DEPARTING:
**FRIDAY 30
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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
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Bright's Annual Autumn Festival / The Al Findlay Memorial Gala Day & Wandiligong Valley

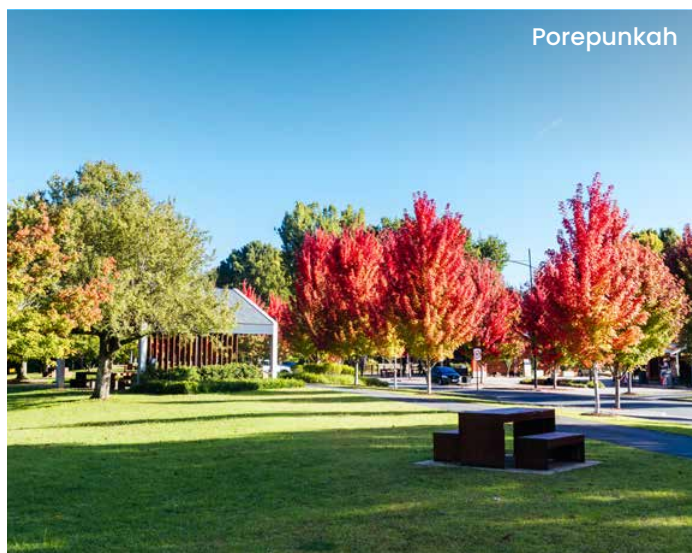
Wake to the crisp alpine air and enjoy a full day immersed in the vibrant atmosphere of Bright's famous Autumn Festival — one of Victoria's most spectacular seasonal celebrations. Today centres around the much-loved Al Findlay Memorial Gala Day, where the township comes alive with colour, entertainment 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.

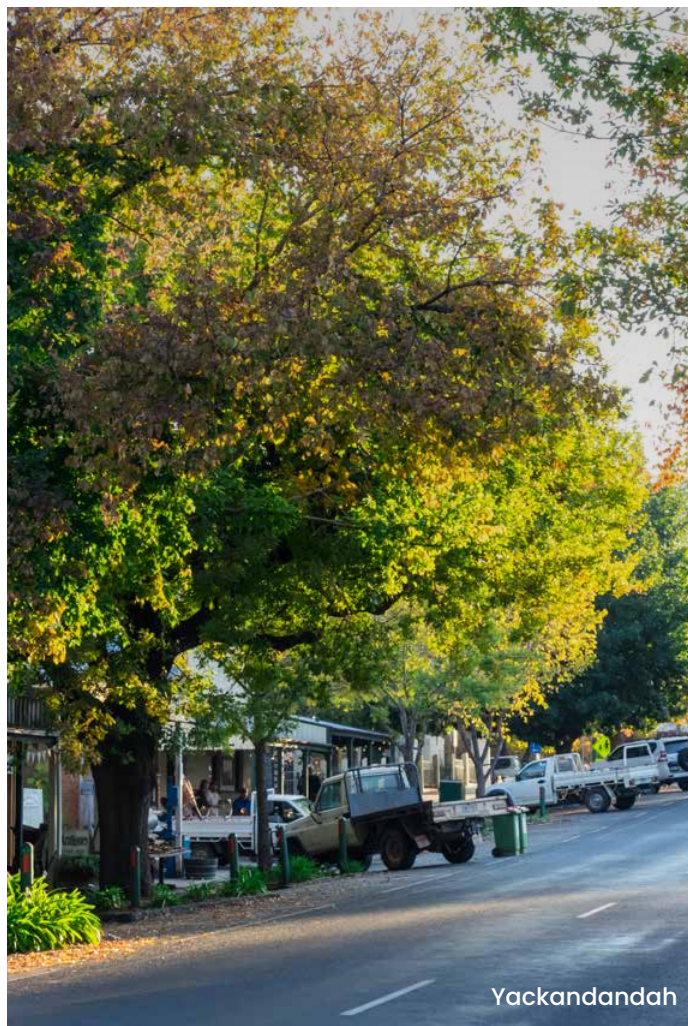
Continuing your journey, you'll arrive in the charming gold rush village of Yackandandah, a beautifully preserved township filled with character, heritage architecture and a welcoming country atmosphere. Enjoy time at leisure to explore boutique shops, local galleries and cafés at your own pace before 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

B MT L

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.

KEY

B = Breakfast MT = Morning Tea

AT = Afternoon Tea L = Lunch D = Dinner



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Tour Inclusions

Included

- Luxury five-star coach travel.
- Motel accommodation with private ensuite facilities on a twin-share basis (unless otherwise stated).
- Meals, sightseeing and entry fees as specified in the itinerary.
- Services of an experienced Christians Travel Tour Leader.

Not Included

- Travel insurance.
- Alcoholic beverages and drinks unless otherwise stated.
- Telephone calls, laundry and personal expenses.
- Optional activities not listed in the itinerary.

Deposits & Final Payment

A non-refundable deposit is required to secure your booking.

- **Tours under \$5,000 per person:** \$500 deposit per person. Balance due 60 days prior to departure.
- **Tours \$5,000 or more per person:** \$1,000 deposit per person. Balance due 90 days prior to departure.

Bookings made after the final payment date must be paid in full at the time of booking.

Cancellations & Booking Changes

All cancellations must be received in writing.

- Deposits are non-refundable.
- Tours with a 90-day final payment: cancellations within 90 days of departure incur a 100% cancellation fee.
- Tours with a 60-day final payment: cancellations within 60 days of departure incur a 100% cancellation fee.

No refunds will be made for unused portions of a tour after departure.

Any cancellation or amendment fees charged by airlines, accommodation providers, cruise operators or other suppliers will be passed on where applicable.

Bookings are non-transferable and cannot be transferred to another person, another tour or held as credit unless agreed in writing by Christians Travel.

Travel Insurance

Comprehensive travel insurance is strongly recommended and should be arranged at the time of booking. Your policy should include cover for cancellation, medical expenses, personal belongings, travel delays and other unforeseen events.

Itinerary Changes

Every effort is made to operate tours as advertised. However, Christians Travel reserves the right to substitute accommodation, transport, attractions or amend itineraries where circumstances beyond our control require.

If Christians Travel cancels a tour due to insufficient numbers or unforeseen circumstances, all monies paid will be refunded in full. This refund constitutes the full extent of the Company's liability.

Passenger Information

To ensure the safety and enjoyment of all passengers:

- Hot food and hot drinks are not permitted on the coach unless authorised by the Tour Leader.
- Smoking and vaping are prohibited on the coach and permitted only during designated stops.
- Luggage is limited to one medium suitcase and one small carry bag, with a combined maximum weight of 20kg per person.
- A seat rotation system operates on most tours.
- Passengers must be sufficiently fit and mobile for the advertised Physical Rating and able to get on and off transport unaided.
- Mobility limitations, medical conditions, dietary requirements and other special requests must be advised when booking.
- Special requests, including room preferences, mobility assistance and dietary requirements, will be accommodated where possible but cannot be guaranteed.
- Christians Travel reserves the right to refuse carriage or end a passenger's participation if their behaviour or condition affects the safety, comfort or enjoyment of others. Any resulting costs are the passenger's responsibility.

Photography

Photographs and video may be taken during tours for promotional use. Passengers will be invited to complete a Photography Consent Form during the tour. Only images of passengers who have provided written consent will be used.



Booking Conditions



General Conditions

Christians Travel coordinates services provided by independent transport operators, accommodation providers and other suppliers.

Whilst every care is taken, Christians Travel accepts no responsibility for injury, illness, loss, damage, delay or additional expense arising from the acts or omissions of third-party suppliers or circumstances beyond our control, including weather, road closures, mechanical breakdowns, industrial disputes or government actions.

Tour prices are based on costs at the time of publication and may be adjusted should operating costs increase prior to departure.

Acceptance of Booking

Payment of a deposit confirms that the traveller has read, understood and accepted these Booking Conditions on behalf of all passengers included in the booking.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Dietary Requirements

We cater for most dietary requirements. Please advise us of your requirements when booking.

Mobility & Special Needs

If you have limited mobility, use a walker, have a medical condition, disability, require a service animal or have any other special needs, please discuss these with us before booking so we can determine whether the tour is suitable.

Walking sticks are welcome provided you meet the Physical Rating for your chosen tour.

Unfortunately, walkers cannot be accommodated on all tours due to limited storage space. Guests must also be able to get on and off transport unaided. Please contact us before booking if you wish to travel with a walker.

If you require assistance beyond basic support, we recommend travelling with a carer or companion. Our drivers and Tour Leaders cannot lift or carry passengers, assist with personal care, administer medication or perform medical procedures.

Should a passenger become unwell during a tour, emergency services will be contacted and any decision regarding continuation of travel will be made by medical personnel.

Fitness Levels

Every tour is assigned a Physical Rating to help you choose the most suitable experience.

Level 1 – Easy

- Relaxed pace with mostly coach travel.
- Walk on level ground at an easy pace.
- Manage occasional stairs or gentle inclines.
- Stand for up to 10 minutes.
- Get on and off transport unaided.
- Manage your own luggage.

Level 2 – Moderate

- Includes regular walking and light physical activity.
- Walk on bush tracks, soft sand and uneven surfaces.
- Stand for up to 15 minutes.
- Climb flights of stairs.
- Get on and off transport multiple times unaided.
- Manage your own luggage.

Level 3 – Moderate / Active

- Requires above-average fitness.
- Walk continuously for up to 20 minutes.
- Walk on uneven terrain, soft sand and inclines.
- Stand for up to 30 minutes.
- Get on and off transport multiple times unaided.
- Manage your own luggage.

If your fitness level is not suitable for your chosen tour and you are unable to participate safely, you may be required to leave the tour at your own expense.