

BLOOMING TASMANIA FLOWER AND GARDEN SHOW TOUR

23 – 30 SEPTEMBER 2017



WILLING TO SHARE?

If you wish to share a room and no other passenger of same gender is available, then no single supplement is payable. *It's on us!*

**Conditions apply*

BOOK EARLY!

Secure your spot now!

HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ Full day entry to the Flower and Garden Show
- ★ Woolmers Estate and National Rose Garden
- ★ Brickendon, Panshanger and Grey Sands Estates
- ★ Wychwood Garden and Nursery
- ★ Inverawe Native Gardens
- ★ Crawleigh Wood Garden
- ★ Tasmanian Botanic Gardens
- ★ And much more!

INCLUSIONS

- ★ Return economy airfares from Brisbane, Sydney or Melbourne to Launceston and returning from Hobart
- ★ 7 nights accommodation in Launceston and Hobart
- ★ All touring in private aircon coach
- ★ Meals, sightseeing, activities and entrance fees as specified in tour itinerary

The perfect tour for Greenfingers!

Most popular tour of 2016!



Experience the Launceston flower and garden show! Discover the stunning floral displays and breathtaking show gardens and the beauty of some of Launceston and Hobart's most well known gardens and attractions on this exclusive 8 day tour.



Departing Brisbane \$2699
Departing Sydney \$2589
Departing Melbourne \$2459

Price per person twin share including airport taxes.
Single Supplement available at \$599 extra.
Non-refundable deposit of \$500 at time of booking, no later than 9 June.
Balance due on/before 21 July 2017.



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BOOK NOW!

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The inspired and innovative team at Uplift understand the specific needs of the over 50's traveller. Being worldwide group travel specialists, you are in safe and experienced hands when you travel with Uplift. We are committed to personalised service whilst delivering excellent tours 'contoured' for the mature traveller. Whilst on tour, one of our wonderful hosts are fun, courteous, caring and professional at all times. They will ensure your every need is taken care of whilst on tour, so all you need to do is relax and enjoy your travels!

We truly do care for you on tour!

ITINERARY

DAY 1 SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER

ARRIVE LAUNCESTON / FREE DAY

(D)

Departing Brisbane, Sydney or Melbourne domestic airport, we travel to Launceston. On arrival in Launceston be greeted by your friendly coach captain and board your luxury touring coach. Travel to the city of Launceston, Tasmania's second largest. Visit magnificent **Cataract Gorge** with its cliff-side gardens, peacocks, pools, suspension foot bridge and one of the longest single span chairlifts in the world (ride is optional and own expense). Enjoy a short **city orientation tour** before checking in to your hotel. The remainder of the day is free to relax after your flight. Dinner will be served at the hotel.

Overnight: Mantra Charles Hotel Launceston or similar.

DAY 2 SUNDAY 24 SEPTEMBER

LAUNCESTON FLOWER SHOW

(B) (D)

Today you have a full day in the city to enjoy the **Blooming Tasmania, Launceston Flower Show**. Located at the Albert Hall the venue is well positioned so you can enjoy not only the flower show but also the nearby city park, the John Hart Conservatory noted for displays of begonias, cyclamens and other hot house blooms and the city centre for a spot of shopping. The coach will provide a number of transfers back to the accommodation during the day so you can explore at your own pace. **Overnight:** Mantra Charles Hotel Launceston or similar.

DAY 3 MONDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

TAMAR VALLEY / WOOLMERS / BRICKENDON

(B) (L) (D)

History, architecture and magnificent gardens are on offer today as we explore the beautiful countryside around Launceston. Thomas Archer arrived in Tasmania in 1812 and quickly rose through the ranks to become a prominent Tasmanian landholder. His brothers joined him soon after and together they built three country estates, Woolmers, Brickendon and Panshanger. Today we visit all three properties, each having their individual character and different garden styles. The World Heritage **Woolmers Estate and National Rose Garden** shows a fascinating reflection of colonial life in Tasmania with the Rose Garden displaying one of the finest collections of historic roses in the Southern Hemisphere. **Brickendon Estate** reflects on the foresight of early settlers with 180 year old exotic and European trees and **Panshanger** offers classic English gardens and beautiful riverside woodlands. Return to Launceston for dinner at the hotel.

Overnight: Mantra Charles Hotel Launceston or similar.

DAY 4 TUESDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

GREY SANDS ESTATE / MARAKOOPA / WYCHWOOD

(B) (L) (D)

After breakfast, explore the Tamar Valley and the **Tamar River**, Australia's longest navigable tidal estuary, meandering 58 kilometres through the heart of cool climate vineyards, orchards and hamlets. Visit **Grey Sands Estate** to view their private gardens and maybe enjoy a tasting of their latest Pinot Gris? Continue on to Deloraine and Mole Creek where we can enjoy lunch and a garden visit at the Marakooopa Café. In the afternoon visit **Wychwood Garden and Nursery** which is a stunning garden featuring unusual plants, particularly those that can withstand heat and frost. Return to Launceston with time to relax before dinner at the hotel. **Overnight:** Mantra Charles Hotel Launceston or similar.

DAY 5 WEDNESDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

HERITAGE HIGHWAY / ROSS / OATLANDS / HOBART

(B) (D)

Say goodbye to Launceston and travel down the Heritage Highway to Hobart. Along the way we visit **Strathmore**, a colonial estate with extensive gardens overlooking the beautiful Lockmaben Lake. Pass through Ross and view the historic Celtic carved Herbert Archer Bridge. Continue to Oatlands, one of Tasmania's oldest settlements containing the largest collection of colonial sandstone building in Australia. Admire the newly refurbished Callington Flour Mill, originality built in 1837 and enjoy a guided town tour of this historic village then look into the world of dry stone walls. On arrival in Hobart take a city sights tour before settling into your hotel. **Overnight:** Wrest Point Hotel Hobart or similar.

DAY 6 THURSDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

D'ENTRECASTEAUX CHANNEL / LOCAL GARDENS

(B) (L) (D)

Take in the panoramic views of the city and estuary from Mt Nelson before travelling to the seaside town of Margate where we can stroll through Inverawe Native Gardens. This 22 acres landscaped native garden shows water wise, sustainable gardening at its best. Our next garden is nearby **Avi Flora** which has colour all year round with spring bulbs, annuals, flowering shrubs, roses, irises and perennials. Continue along the Derwent River which broadens into the D'Entrecasteaux Channel, once a haven for sealers and whalers, now one of Hobart's aquatic playgrounds. Stop at **Crawleigh Wood Garden**, a wonderful 2 hectare garden nestled in the picturesque hills of Cygnet. The garden features lush woodland and rainforest with an eclectic variety of plants. Return to Hobart through the southern suburbs of Hobart passing the iconic shot tower, which is one of Tasmania's most historical industrial buildings.

Overnight: Wrest Point Hotel Hobart or similar.

DAY 7 FRIDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

RICHMOND ~ CHEESE ~ CHOCOLATE ~ BOTANIC GARDENS

(B) (D)

Today we visit **Richmond** where you can view the spire of Australia's oldest Catholic Church from beneath the arch of Australia's oldest stone bridge still in use. Wander the streets of this delightful Georgian town and discover the arts and crafts, bakeries and tea rooms. Richmond is also home to some beautiful cottage gardens and this morning we will be joined by a member of the local gardening club and visit some of the best examples. Returning to Hobart sample some of the delicious treats on offer through **Coal Valley** including cheese, chocolates and seasonal fruits. Arriving back in Hobart mid afternoon, spend time in the **Tasmanian Botanic Gardens** which are simply stunning in spring! **Overnight:** Wrest Point Hotel Hobart or similar.

DAY 8 SATURDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

HOME

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As it is Saturday morning, take the opportunity to explore the famous **Salamanca open-air Market** with its bustle and buskers, colour and excitement. Then, after seven wonderful days exploring Tasmania's best gardens we travel to the Hobart Airport for your flight home. We hope you enjoyed Tasmania in spring!

Key: (B) Breakfast (L) Lunch (D) Dinner

Itinerary and costs are correct at time of printing and subject to change without notice.

CONDITIONS: Tour departure subject to minimum numbers. Itinerary and costs correct at time of printing and subject to change without notice. Prices only guaranteed once full payment is received. Cancellation fees will apply. Travel Insurance is strongly recommended. Non-Refundable deposit of \$500 due at time of booking. Balance due on/before 21 July. Advertised price based on lowest available group airfares, subject to availability at time of group confirmation. Single travellers wishing to share a room (same gender) pay twin share price, only if deposit is received prior to 9th June & subject to tour reaching minimum numbers. S771627

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