

GIPPSLAND TRAVEL

JULY 2021

Travel News



This 21-day tour will be fully escorted by Jacquey Turner departing on 29 October. Travelling in business class luxury seats on a state-of-the art full size coach, our tour will include Auckland, the Bay of Islands, Rotorua, Wellington, Christchurch, Fox Glacier, Queenstown, Doubtful Sound overnight cruise, Te Anau and Dunedin.

New Zealand's stunning and diverse scenery is truly spectacular. Its mountains, volcanoes, glaciers, rivers, lakes and caves make it one of the most scenic locations in the world.

During our tour we will also learn more about Maori history and culture. Arriving

in the 13th Century, these boat travellers from eastern Polynesia developed a unique culture with distinctive language, mythology, crafts and expert warfare.

Expressions of interest required by the middle of July.

As Gippsland experiences some wild and wintry weather, it is a good time to start planning some travel to warmer climes!

Whilst the interstate border situation continues to frustrate travel plans, we are pleased to report that we have had clients return recently from trips to the Northern Territory, Queensland, Tasmania and Western Australia, having had an enjoyable time away. Gippsland Travel can assist you in navigating the somewhat complex and confusing requirements for border permits.

Our Day Tour program continues to evolve and my thanks to all who have joined these tours. I have also thoroughly enjoyed escorting regional tours along the Great Ocean Road and into North East Victoria. The weather was kind on both tours and I am looking forward to my next escorted escape to Daylesford later this month. We shall continue to offer more regional tours, as there is so much to see close to home!

Our plans for a group to travel to Norfolk Island in June were scuttled due to the lockdown but we have been able to reschedule for late July. Last year's tour to Western Australia has also been re-scheduled to coincide with the wildflowers this September.

I do so enjoy escorting you all on our group tours and our Ultimate New Zealand Experience in late October will be fabulous. The spring weather and the extensive

sightseeing from the comfort of our luxury coach will be spectacular.

We continue to work on our overseas escorted tour program for when the world opens up to us again, so it is pleasing to see global numbers starting to come down.

In the meantime, please contact us for all your travel requirements - locally, interstate or further afield. We can help with a winery day tour, a weekend away or more extensive adventures.

Most domestic and international destinations are already very heavily booked for 2022 and 2023, so please inquire now for your chance to get away when borders open.

Look forward to seeing you soon.

Jacquey

GIPPSLAND TRAVEL ESCORTED TOURS & GUIDED DAY TOURS

Contact us to express interest in any of the following tours. Provisional tour dates are subject to change to ensure safe and secure travel.

Call 5623 5151 or email info@gippslandtravel.com.au for availability and costings.

Escorted Tours

All tours escorted by Jacquey Turner.

Maximum group size for escorted tours is 20 quests.

DELIGHTFUL DAYLESFORD & SURROUNDS13–16 JULY 2021

The tour visits the Macedon Ranges, Woodend, Kyneton, Daylesford, Castlemaine, Ballarat, Creswick and Hepburn Springs where our luxurious accommodation will be the Hotel Bellinzona. Visit quaint villages, cosy hamlets and streetscapes bursting with character, from the bluestone buildings of early Swiss-Italian migrants to the historic remnants of the Gold Rush. Browse art galleries, studios and cultural heritage sights, stopping for coffee and locally sourced treats along the way. *One Room Remaining*.

NORFOLK ISLAND DISCOVERY 22–31 JULY 2021

UNESCO World Heritage convict buildings, breathtaking scenery and a unique culture with an intriguing past combine to make Norfolk Island, located roughly halfway between Australia and New Zealand, one of Australia's most fascinating destinations. *One Room Remaining*.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA ENCOMPASSED 15–30 SEPTEMBER 2021

This 16-day tour explores all of the highlights of the southwest and then heads north to the dolphins at Monkey Mia. *Currently Waitlisted*.

ULTIMATE NEW ZEALAND EXPERIENCE29 OCTOBER – 18 NOVEMBER 2021

Extensive tour of North and South Islands, on a luxury coach specifically tailored to provide a Business Class level of comfort. Combined with a magical Doubtful Sound overnight cruise, the tour covers the most historically important and culturally relevant cities, plus landmarks and unique scenery. Expressions of interest required by the middle of July.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

25-30 JULY 2022

TASMANIAN EXPLORER: FEB/MAR 2022
KIMBERLEY COMPLETE: APRIL/MAY 2022
DARWIN, CENTRAL AUSTRALIA
& THE GHAN: 28 JUNE – 16 JULY 2022
MURRAY RIVER PROUD MARY CRUISE:



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Guided Day Tours

All our Guided Day Tours include lunch, depart from Warragul and Drouin and will be accompanied by a Gippsland Travel Staff Member. These are small group tours with a maximum of 20 guests.

Mt Baw Baw Husky/Dingo Day Tour Wednesday, 4 August

NGV French Impressionism & Eureka Skydeck Thursday, 12 August

Cranbourne Gardens & Sculpture Park Friday, 3 September

Melbourne's Majestic Arcades & Laneways Tuesday, 7 September

Moulin Rouge! The Musical MatineeSunday, 3 October, bookings required by 9 July

Tulip Festival & High Tea Wednesday, 6 October

Dame Elisabeth Murdoch's Cruden Farm with lunch at Green Olive, Red Hill Sunday, 28 November

GUIDED SHORT STAY & EXTENDED TOURS

Melbourne Illusionists, Magician Luke Hocking, ACMI Disney Exhibition with lunch at The Farmers Daughter (overnight at the Melbourne Marriott) 20–21 August

Floriade Festival & Highlights of Canberra (5 days) 9–13 September

Wilson's Promontory & Surrounds (2 days) 12–13 October

TOURS STILL IN THE PLANNING

We are currently putting together more exciting day and extended tours including those listed below. Please contact us to register interest in any of our tours.

- Yarra Valley & Mornington Peninsula Winery Tours
- Arthur's Seat & Sorrento's Millionaires Walk
- Puffing Billy, Rhododendron Gardens & RJ Hamer Arboretum
- Phillip Island & French Island Walking Nature & History
- Williamstown Discovery & Ferry Tour
- Discover Phillip Island, South Gippsland Coastline & Wilson's Promontory by Air
- Bendigo Wool Show







