

16 Days Australia & New Zealand

Highlights

CITIES	NIGHTS	SIGHTSEEING	PAID ATTRACTION / ENTRANCES
Australia			
<u>Melbourne</u>	3	Guided City Tour: Old Melbourne Gaol, Prestigious Melbourne University, Royal Exhibition Buildings Museum, Parliament House, Full Day The Great Ocean Road	Phillip Island and enjoy Penguin Parade, Melbourne Cricket Ground tour
<u>Cairns</u>	2	Kuranda Village	Scenic Sky Rail, Great Barrier Reef Boat
<u>Sydney</u>	3	Guided City Tour: Blue Mountains	Ultimate discovery pass, Opera House inside visit, Harbour boat ride, Sydney Tower, Feathers Dale park
New Zealand			
<u>Queenstown</u>	3	Orientation Tour	Milford Sound Cruise, Gondola Ride at Bob's Peak
<u>Christchurch</u>	1	Orientation Tour	
<u>Rotorua</u>	1	Visit Rotorua	Agrodome sheep show, Whakarewarewa Thermal Village, Waitomo Glow worm caves
<u>Auckland</u>	2	Guided City Tour: Visit Water front, Mission Bay, Harbor Bridge, Amex Viaduct Harbor	Waiheke Island Ferry

Day 1: Melbourne Arrival

Welcome to Melbourne, Australia. Upon arrival meet our representative at the airport & proceed to hotel check in (Standard check time 03:00 PM) and relax. Melbourne is known as the Cultural Capital of Australia and is set around the shores of Port Philip Bay. Later in the afternoon, proceed to Philip Island where you will witness the world-famous **Penguin Parade**, which is Australia's most popular wildlife attraction and home to the largest Little Penguin colony in the world. Every sunset, hundreds to over a thousand penguins emerge from the sea and march across the beach to their sand dune burrows. Overnight in Melbourne. **(Meals: D)**

Day 2: Melbourne –Guided City Tour

Enjoy the **Melbourne Cricket Ground tour**. Later proceed for lunch followed by **Guided City Tour** and visit Old Melbourne Gaol, Prestigious Melbourne University, Royal Exhibition Buildings & Museum, Parliament House, Princess Theatre, St Patrick's Cathedral, Collins Street, Federation square, Queen Victoria market, Chinatown, downtown and little Italy. Overnight in Melbourne. **(Meals: B, L, D)**

Day 3: Melbourne – Great Ocean

We leave for a day tour of **Great Ocean Road**. The Great Ocean Road, on Victoria's spectacular west coast, stretches 104kms. From the idyllic resort town of Apollo Bay, to within sights of the magnificent 12 Apostles. Weave through beautiful National Parks, walk deserted beaches and gaze over pristine marine sanctuaries. Enjoy the breathtaking sights of world-famous rock formations "The Twelve Apostles", "The Loch Ard Grogue". Overnight in Melbourne. **(Meals: B, L, D)**

Day 4: Melbourne – Cairns by Flight

Transfer to the airport for a flight to Cairns. You'll experience world heritage rainforest with Skyrail Rainforest Cableway including time at Barron Falls and Red Peak stations. Later proceed for dinner. Overnight in Cairns. **(Meals: B, L, D)**

Day 5: Green Island – Great Barrier

Proceed to board the cruise liner to the Green Island to see the **Great Barrier Reef**, world's largest Coral reef system. Green Island is a beautiful coral cay on Australia's Great Barrier Reef. It has unique rainforests surrounded by white sandy beaches & magnificent coral reefs, which have abundant marine life. There are various activities like snorkeling and swimming in the warm island waters, viewing the spectacular reef from the coral viewing tours and helicopter (optional) rides. Enjoy a continental lunch on board the cruise liner. Return and overnight in Cairns. **(Meals: B, L, D)**

Day 6: Cairns - Sydney- by Flight - Sydney Tower

Today we depart for Sydney, the largest city in Australia and the cosmopolitan city of New South Wales. Upon arrival, transfer to hotel check in. Later proceeds to visit the famous **Sydney Tower**, the tallest tower in the southern hemisphere. Enjoy a visit to the observatory deck for the most spectacular 360° aerial view of Sydney. Free time leisure. Overnight in Sydney. **(Meals: B, L, D)**

Day 7: Sydney – Guided City Tour

Today we will proceed for a **Guided City tour** of Sydney. Visit the Opera **House**, step inside and enjoy a guided tour of this iconic landmark. Enjoy a **cruise along Sydney Harbor**. It is a great opportunity to get pictures of the Opera House and the **Harbor Bridge**. Free time at Bondi Beach. Overnight in Sydney. **(Meals: B, L, D)**

Day 8: Sydney – Feather dale Park – Blue Mountains

We proceed to **Sydney Feather dale Wildlife Park** for the 'Cuddle a Koala' tour. You will have excellent opportunities to observe Australia's most unique native animals up close. See Australia's biggest crocodile and walk through a forest. Later proceed to the Blue **Mountains**. Enjoy the scenic view and three rock formations known as 3 sisters. A *must visit* Blue Mountains, a world famous attraction. Later proceed to the scenic world to enjoy your **Ultimate discovery pass**. Overnight in Sydney. **(Meals: B, L, D)**

Day 9: Sydney - Fly to Queenstown, New Zealand

It is time to say goodbye to Australia & Hello to New Zealand! The town sits on the shore of crystal-clear Lake Wakatipu among dramatic ranges. Overnight in Queenstown. **(Meal B, L, D)**

Day 10: Queenstown – Milford Sound Day Cruise

Today depart to visit the eighth wonder of the world, **Milford Sound**, also known as Piopiotahi in Maori. Nowhere else in Fiord land do the mountains stand so tall, straight out of the sea. Luxuriant rainforest clings to sheer rock walls and waterfalls tumble hundreds of meters to the sea below. Enjoy a day cruise with lunch at Milford sound. Overnight in Queenstown. **(Meals: B, L, D)**

Day 11: Queenstown – Orientation City Tour

Depart to take an Orientation *Tour* of Queenstown. The town sits on the shore of crystal-clear Lake Wakatipu among dramatic ranges. We go for a **Gondola ride** in Queenstown. We enjoy tranquil uphill Gondola rides and the thrilling downhill Luge tracks, all with unsurpassed scenic views. Overnight in Queenstown. **(Meal B, L, D)**

Day 12: Queenstown – MT Cook – Christchurch

Depart to Christchurch by surface. Photo stop of Mount Cook at Lake Pukaki. The famous **Mt. Cook** is New Zealand's highest mountain with the most breathtaking backdrop. Overnight in Christchurch. **(Meals: B, L, D)**

Day 13: Christchurch Fly to Rotorua

Take a flight to Rotorua, city which is located on the Volcanic Plateau and has one of the world's most lively fields of geothermal activity. On arrival, proceed to the world famous and live **Sheep Show at the Agro dome**. Agrodome Sheep Show is an exciting stage show about the different breeds of New Zealand. Overnight in Rotorua. **(Meals: B, L, D)**

Day 14: Rotorua – Whakarewarewa – Waitomo Glow Worm Cave – Auckland

We will travel to a "**Living Thermal Village – Whakarewarewa** to discover the unique lifestyle and tradition. Take a guided tour and witness phenomena of Mother Nature and learn how we have come to live in harmony within this unique landscape and environment and later enjoy the Maori cultural Dance (if time permits). Later, travel through Waikato farmland to the **Waitomo Caves** where you will glide silently by boat and observe a spectacular display of tiny lights emitted by these unique life forms deep in the cave grotto. Later, depart for Auckland by surface and overnight stay in Auckland. **(Meals: B, L, D)**

Day 15: Auckland City Tour – Waiheke Island

Proceed for a **City Tour** of Auckland, rightly called the City of Sails. This city has more boats per capita than any other city in the world. It is also known as Tamaki Makaurau, the city of 100 lovers. Visit Water-front, Mission Bay, Harbor Bridge, Amex Viaduct Harbor. Later proceed for **Waiheke Island**, which is one of the larger Hauraki Gulf islands. It's a picturesque blend of farmland, forest, beaches, vineyards and olive groves. Today a 35-minute boat ride will take you to this beautiful island which will be followed by a scenic highlight tour of various stunning locations. On arrival you will meet an experienced bus guide who will give you a taste of the views, culture and history that made up the diverse island of Waiheke. Overnight in Auckland. **(Meals: B, L, D)**

Day 16: Auckland Departure

After breakfast proceed for airport for Flight back to home. **(Meals: B)**

Package Cost & Details

Cost based on min 25 people

Package cost: Per person on Double/ Triple share

USD 5295.00

(Single Occupancy additional supplement – USD 1150 per person)

Departure Dates 2027 –

Jan 11, 26 / Feb 10 / Mar 1, 17 / Apr 1

<u>Inclusions:</u>	<u>Exclusions:</u>
▪ Deluxe 4 * Hotel Accommodation ▪ 4 Internal Airfare with 1 check in & 1 carryon bag pp ▪ All Transfers, Sightseeing and Entrance Tickets as per the Itinerary ▪ Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner (Local and Indian cuisine) as per the itinerary ▪ Jain meals upon request ▪ Services Of Maxim Tour Escort ▪ 2 water bottles per person per day (500 ml)	▪ International Airfare ▪ Expenses of personal nature such as laundry, shopping, drinks ▪ Any incidental Charges at the Hotel ▪ Cost of Visa ▪ Tips: USD 7 per person per day mandatory ▪ Any other services not mentioned in the itinerary and tour inclusion.

Location	Nights	Hotel Name or Similar [Deluxe Category]
Melbourne	3	Element Hotel or similar
Cairns	2	Rydges or similar
Sydney	3	Novotel/Rendezvous or similar
Queenstown	3	Heritage Queenstown/ Novotel or Similar
Christchurch	1	Novotel or Similar
Rotorua	1	Novotel /Rydges Hotel or Similar
Auckland	2	Mercure / Rendezvous Hotel or similar

TERMS & CONDITIONS

- ❖ We reserve the right to change any information, route or attractions before or after your booking due to events beyond our control like bad weather, natural calamity, accident, and or logistic issues. Hotels are subject to change without prior notice based on availability and citywide events.
- ❖ All payments must be made by check/Cashier's check/Money order. Payment done by credit card will be charged 3.5% processing fees. Please send a copy of the check, money order or deposit confirmation upon payment.
- ❖ There will be no refund for any unutilized services (e.g., meals, entrance fees, optional tours, hotel and sightseeing) on the tour due to unavoidable circumstances.
- ❖ Airline rates are approx. and subject to change at the time of booking. Any payments made to Maxim Tours towards any airline are non-refundable. Flights and schedules are subject to change even after booking. Confirmed tour itinerary will be adjusted accordingly. No additional services or compensation will be provided.
- ❖ Please note that Airline seats, wheelchair assistance, meals, frequent flyer & other special requests are requested only. We do not guarantee any seating preferences as seating arrangements is airline discretion

- ❖ The tour will operate within a min. group size of 25 passengers. Please note that Group operating less than 25 passengers may incur a supplement cost of Approx. 5- 10% on the original land tour package. Also, local tour manager assistance upon arrival to the destination country for group size less than 25 passengers
- ❖ The package price is subject to change if there is fluctuation in currency exchange.
- ❖ Passengers joining this tour must travel to/from the hub city at their own expense.
- ❖ We advise to book 60 days prior to the date of Departure as the internal ticket rate may increase closer to the departure date, result an increase in the tour cost.
- ❖ Any damages caused to the hotel/coach during your stay shall be payable by the passengers. Maxim is not responsible for it.
- ❖ We reserve the right to substitute a hotel of similar class if it is deemed advisable or necessary.
- ❖ The management is not responsible for delay or changes in schedules of train, flight, bus, cruise or other services. The management also reserves the right to claim any additional expenses incurred due to delay or changes in schedules of train, flights, bus, cruise or other services.
- ❖ Children 2-11 years of age must share a room. Passengers 12 years or above are considered as adults.
- ❖ Full airline deposit is required at the earliest to confirm airline booking as quotes are subject to change within 24 hours.
- ❖ Maxim Tours shall not be liable for damage occasioned by delay in the carriage by air of passengers or baggage.
- ❖ There will be a charge of USD 100 per person for any cancellation/refund or exchange request.
- ❖ Visa information is subject to change.
- ❖ Jain and Special Meals may be limited.
- ❖ Published packages and prices are valid for our fixed departures only. Rates quoted for any other travel dates are subject to change based on availability, blackout dates, major holidays, trade fairs, sporting events, citywide or nationwide events, special event periods, or other peak travel seasons.
- ❖ Hotel confirmation and airline reservation will be provided 7-15 days prior to the departure.
- ❖ In case of a triple room, the 3rd person in the room will get a rollaway bed. The room size may be the same as the double room.
- ❖ The standard check in time at all hotels is 3:00 pm and check out time is 11:00 am.
- ❖ Due to major international events and conventions the hotels may be blocked out in advance. In view of this you may have to stay in hotels further away from the cities/different cities and the itinerary may have to be altered/ amended.
- ❖ Luggage compartment of coach and internal flight regulations, we strongly recommend you to carry 1 medium size bag of 20 kg for check-in and 1 carryon bag of 7 kg per person.
- ❖ It is extremely important to possess an overseas travel insurance policy before you travel on your tour.
- ❖ Please refer to our detailed "Terms & Conditions" on our website at <http://www.maximtours.net/tos/>

Payments:

At the time of booking: USD 1500/- Per Person as a Non-Refundable Land and Internal Airline Deposit.

Balance Payment: 60 Days prior to the departure date.

Cancellation Charges:

Cancellation 45 days or more prior to the departure date: Non-Refundable Booking deposit, airline charges, and cancellation fees.

Cancellation 44-31 days prior to the departure date: 50% of the land package cost after deducting the deposit.

Cancellation 30 days or less prior to the departure date or a 'NO SHOW' on the tour: 100% of the total tour cost