

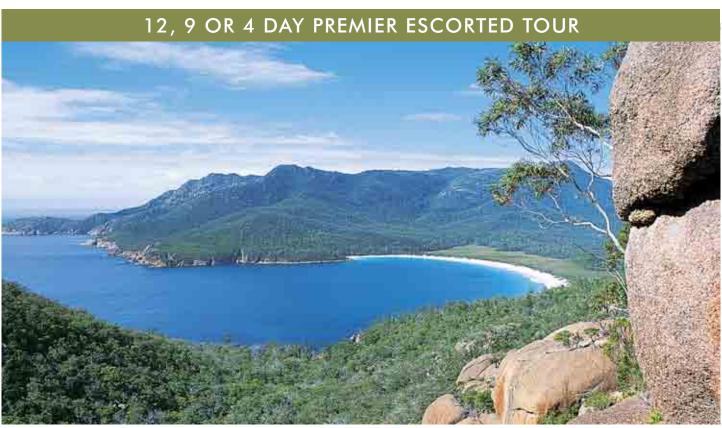
Tasmania

Premier Escorted Touring | Small Group Experiences | Affordable Value

A wonderfully compact destination, Tasmania offers the perfect combination of rich heritage, natural beauty and gourmet produce. Explore the rugged surrounds of Cradle Mountain and the Tasmanian wilderness, learn about convict life at Port Arthur, taste handmade cheeses or oysters fresh from the sea – a delight for the senses awaits at every turn.



Royal Tasman



APT EXCLUSIVE! Enjoy spectacular views on a cruise to Wineglass Bay in Freycinet National Park

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Enjoy Freedom of Choice Touring in Launceston, Port Arthur & Cradle Mountain
- ✓ APT EXCLUSIVE! Cruise to Wineglass Bay and savour gourmet treats on board
- ✓ Explore Freycinet National Park
- ✓ Tour Port Arthur Historic Site and cruise to the Isle of the Dead on Mason Cove
- ✓ Visit Hobart's famous Salamanca Market
- ✓ Ride the West Coast Wilderness Railway
- ✓ Cruise tranquil Gordon River, enjoying guaranteed main deck window seating
- ✓ Discover the World Heritage landscapes of Cradle Mountain and Lake St Clair
- ✓ Sample cheese at Ashgrove Cheese Factory

OUTSTANDING PLACES TO STAY

- ✓ APT HIGHLIGHT! Stay at award-winning Freycinet Lodge in Freycinet National Park
- ✓ APT EXCLUSIVE! Two nights at Hotel Grand Chancellor in a Harbour View Room
- ✓ APT EXCLUSIVE! Two nights at Strahan Village in a Harbour View Deluxe Room
- ✓ Overnight at Cradle Mountain Lodge, nestled close to World Heritage wilderness

PREMIER DINING – INCLUDES 21 MEALS

- ✓ 11 Breakfasts (B), and 6 Dinners (D)
- ✓ 4 Feature Meals (FL, FD) including:
 - APT EXCLUSIVE! Chef Presentation and Farewell Dinner in Launceston
 - Welcome Dinner & Drinks in Launceston

PREMIER ESCORTED

Let us take you on a journey of natural wonder and sensory indulgence at the edge of the world. Discover the untamed beauty of Tasmania's pristine World Heritage wilderness in places such as Cradle Mountain National Park, while savouring the delights of delicious gourmet food and fine wines. Learn of Australia's rich and often brutal convict history and heritage at Port Arthur and Sarah Island. Stay at the awardwinning Freycinet Lodge in the heart of beautiful Freycinet National Park on Tasmania's east coast, and exclusive to APT for 2009, cruise to spectacular Wineglass Bay.





Itinerary subject to change from 1 September 2009.
Please enquire for details.

Day 1 Tue. Launceston, Freedom of Choice Touring, Welcome Dinner. On arrival in Launceston be welcomed and transferred to your hotel. Later in the day, explore Cataract Gorge, a unique natural rock formation, then choose from our Freedom of Choice Touring options. Perhaps visit Platypus House, Seahorse World or Beaconsfield Gold & Heritage Museum in Beaconsfield. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers at our Welcome Drinks and Dinner.

Stay: Launceston, Hotel Grand Chancellor. FD

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Left to right: take a walk around Dove Lake in Cradle Mountain National Park; explore bustling Salamanca Market; an APT Tour Director with a friendly wombat

Day 2 Wed. Bicheno, Freycinet National

Park. In lavender flowering season (Dec.-Jan.), visit Bridestowe Lavender Farm. Travel to Bicheno and East Coast Natureworld to learn of Australia's native animals, and see Delilah, APT's sponsored Tasmanian Devil. In Freycinet National Park, walk along Cape Tourville. Then arrive at eco-friendly Freycinet Lodge, on the Freycinet Peninsula. Stay: APT HIGHLIGHT! Freycinet Lodge, situated within picturesque Freycinet National Park.

Day 3 Thur. APT EXCLUSIVE! Wineglass Bay Cruise, Richmond, Port Arthur,

Crayfeast. On a cruise to Wineglass Bay you'll be joined by Rastus the dolphin-spotting dog, learn of the area's multicultural history and sample some of Tasmania's finest cheeses and champagne. Then travel via Swansea, Richmond and past the Tasman Peninsula's natural wonders to Port Arthur. This evening enjoy a Tasmanian crayfish dinner, exclusive to APT.

Stay: Port Arthur, Comfort Inn, the only hotel in the historic site overlooking the ruins.

🕼 🌗 Day 4 Fri. Port Arthur Historic Site, Hobart, Freedom of Choice Touring,

Dine Around Dinner. At Port Arthur Historic Site, see the penal colony ruins, explore the prison facilities and cruise on Mason Cove around the Isle of the Dead. Perhaps play the 'Lottery of Life' game or stroll around the gardens. Then head to Hobart and choose from our range of Freedom of Choice Touring options. This afternoon at around 5.00 pm, 4 Day (RTO4) guests depart the tour and 9 Day (RT09) guests join the tour. Tonight is a Dine Around Dinner.

Two Night Stay: APT EXCLUSIVE! Hobart, Hotel Grand Chancellor, Harbour View Rooms. BD

Day 5 Sat. Salamanca Market, Tahune AirWalk. Visit the market stalls and stroll through Salamanca Place. This afternoon, travel to the Huon Valley and visit the Forest and Heritage Centre for a guided walk among the tree tops on the Tahune AirWalk. Return to

Hobart and ascend Mt Nelson for great views. B

Bruny Island Adventure Cruise Option

Join a full day tour including a cruise to the rugged coastline of southern Tasmania. For further details, please enquire at time of booking. Replaces Day 5 touring, must be pre-booked Additional: £65 per person.

Day 6 Sun. Russell Falls, World Heritage Lake St Clair, West Coast Wilderness Railway.

Follow the Derwent Valley to Mt Field National Park and Russell Falls. Enter the lush forests of the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area to Lake St Clair. Then join the restored West Coast Wilderness Railway and ride through the forest. Tonight, enjoy views over Strahan's harbour while savouring a delicious meal.

Two Night Stay: APT EXCLUSIVE! Strahan Village, Harbour View Deluxe Rooms. BD

🚹 Day 7 Mon. World Heritage Wilderness, Gordon River Cruise, Dine

Around Dinner. Board the Lady Jane Franklin II for a Gordon River cruise with guaranteed window seating. Explore Strahan, then dine at either View 42°, Hamers Hotel or The Fish Café. Later, perhaps take in a local pantomime on the area's convict history (own expense).

🛅 Day 8 Tue. Dove Lake, Cradle Mountain, Freedom of Choice Touring.

Journey to Cradle Mountain and explore Dove Lake. View Cradle Mountain and visit Waldheim Chalet, a forest home built in 1912. Later, perhaps sample Tasmania's finest wines and cheeses; take a guided Enchanted Walk; join a Night Wildlife Spotlight Tour (limited availability) or pamper yourself at the Waldheim Alpine Spa. Stay: Cradle Mountain Lodge, Pencil Pine Cabins, with views over the surrounding landscape.

Day 9 Wed. The Nut, Woolnorth, Cape Grim, Smithton. Visit the far north-west reaches of the Tasmania. See the natural formation of The Nut at Stanley and tour the Woolnorth wind farm. At nearby Cape Grim, breathe in the cleanest air in the world before arriving at Smithton. BDStay: Smithton, Tall Timbers Hotel.

Day 10 Thur. Sheffield, Ashgrove Cheese Factory, Woolmers Estate. Head to Devonport and to Sheffield. Tour Ashgrove Cheese Factory and Woolmers Estate where you'll stroll through the beautiful National Rose Gardens. This evening is at leisure in Launceston.

Two Night Stay: Launceston, Hotel Grand Chancellor, right in the city centre.

Day 11 Fri. Ross, Farewell Dinner &

Drinks. Travel around the Great Lake and over the Great Western Tiers to Ross. View the famous bridge and explore the township. Tonight, enjoy a Farewell Dinner including a chef's presentation on the secrets used in preparing the meal. B, FD

Day 12 Sat. Depart Launceston. Enjoy time at leisure before your airport transfer.

EARLYBIRD SAVINGS SAVE £100 PER PERSON*

* See page 139

Departure Dates

12 Days Launceston Return (RT12) 4 Days Launceston to Hobart (RT04)

2009 Jan. 6, 13, 27; Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24; Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24; Apr. 7, 14, 28; May 5; Sept. 22, 29; Oct. 13, 20; Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24; Dec. 1, 15, 22. 2010 Jan. 5, 12, 26; Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23; Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23; Apr. 6, 13, 27; May 4; Sept. 21, 28; Oct. 12, 19; Nov. 9, 16, 23, 30; Dec. 14, 21.

9 Days Hobart to Launceston (RT09)

2009 Jan. 9, 16, 30; Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27; Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27; Apr. 10, 17; May 1, 8; Sept. 25; Oct. 2, 16, 23; Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27; Dec. 4, 18, 25.

2010 Jan. 8, 15, 29; Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26; Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26; Apr. 9, 16, 30; May 7; Sept. 24; Oct. 1, 15, 22; Nov. 12, 19, 26; Dec. 3, 17, 24. Most dates are guaranteed – ask when booking.

Prices (UK£)		
To 31 August 2009	Twin Share	Single Supp.
12 Day tour RT12		
Room Only (Feature Meals x 4)	£1820	£580
With All Meals	£2140	£580
9 Day tour RT09		
Room Only (Feature Meals x 2)	£1350	£440
With All Meals	£1590	£440
4 Day tour RT04		
Room Only (Feature Meals x 2)	£555	£140
With All Meals	£655	£140



APT is the sponsor of Delilah, a Tasmanian Devil. To ensure the survival of this unique species, devastated by an outbreak of disease, APT supports the devil's keeping and breeding program.

Gourmet Adventurer



Indulge in sumptuous cuisine on this gourmet discovery of Tasmania

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Enjoy Freedom of Choice Touring in Hobart and at Cradle Mountain
- ✓ Explore Binalong Bay in APT's own custom-built Mercedes Benz 4WD vehicle
- ✓ Walk along Cape Tourville & to Wineglass Bay Lookout within Freycinet Nat. Park
- ✓ Take an eco-adventure cruise along the rugged east coast from Eaglehawk Neck
- ✓ Visit the ruins of Port Arthur Historic Site
- ✓ Cruise the Gordon River, enjoying main
- deck window seating and lunch on board

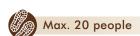
 ✓ See the glow-worms of Marakoopa Cave
- ✓ See the quaint village of Grindelwald

OUTSTANDING PLACES TO STAY

- ✓ APT EXCLUSIVE! Stay overnight in Strahan in Harbour View Deluxe Rooms
- ✓ APT HIGHLIGHT! Stay at Freycinet Lodge
- ✓ Two nights at Hobart's Wrest Point Hotel
- ✓ Stay two nights at Cradle Mountain Lodge

GOURMET DINING – INCLUDES 17 MEALS

- ✓ 8 Breakfasts (B), 2 Lunches (L) and 7 Dinners (D)
- ✓ APT EXCLUSIVE! Crayfish feast in Strahan
- ✓ Selected Chef Presentations before dining
- ✓ Wine Tasting in the Tamar Valley
- ✓ Gourmet BBQ Dinner overlooking Great Oyster Bay (weather permitting)
- ✓ Farewell Lunch at Stillwater Café



SMALL GROUP EXPERIENCES

Travelling with no more than 19 others, discover the riches of Tasmania like a local. Hosted by your passionate and attentive Driver/Guide you'll travel aboard a custom built Mercedes-Benz 4WD vehicle. In the evenings unwind and relax at our carefully selected luxury hotels and boutique lodges. Join us as we unveil the freshest gourmet cuisine and the beautiful short walks that Tasmania is renowned for.



4WD Vehicle
Gordon River Cruise
Eco-adventure Cruise
No. of night stays
World Heritage Area



Freedom of Choice Touring

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Please enquire for details.

Day 1 Sat. Launceston, Tamar Valley Wine Route, St Helens. In Launceston, be met by your Driver/Guide. Travel along the Tamar Valley wine route and stop to sample wines at Pipers Brook as well as sparkling wines at Jansz Wine Room. Then stop at Apsley Myrtle Forest to join a walk along Myrtle Creek. Tonight, enjoy a Welcome Dinner & Drinks in St Helens.

Stay: St Helens, Tidal Waters Resort, amid acres of natural lagoons and landscaped gardens.









Left to right: enjoy an exciting eco-adventure cruise around the Tasman Peninsula; dine on fresh regional produce; your custom-built 4WD vehicle; delicious Tasmanian seafood awaits

Day 2 Sun. Binalong Bay, Freycinet National Park, Wineglass Bay Lookout.

Begin a day of adventure with views over the Bay of Fires. Travel to Freycinet National Park and walk along Cape Tourville then join an active walk to Wineglass Bay Lookout. Alternatively, spend some time at leisure and maybe stroll along Richardson's Beach, or perhaps upgrade to either a twilight sea kayak paddle or a 4WD adventure to Bluestone Bay (own expense, enquire for details). Tonight enjoy a BBQ feast featuring local produce, overlooking the bay at sunset.

Stay: APT HIGHLIGHT! Freycinet Lodge, located within picturesque Freycinet National Park.

Preedom of Choice Touring, Dine Around

Dinner. Discover the heritage towns of Ross and Richmond, where many convict-built buildings and iconic bridges still stand. On arrival in Hobart, select from our fantastic range of Freedom of Choice Touring options. Tonight, enjoy a Dine Around Dinner at Wrest Point Hotel.

Two Night Stay: Hobart, Wrest Point Hotel.

Enjoy amazing views of the Derwent River from your Tower Harbour View Room.

Day 4 Tue. Tasman Island Eco-Adventure Cruise, Port Arthur, Hobart. Be treated to an eco-adventure cruise off Tasmania's south-east coast from Eaglehawk Neck. See the massive sea cliffs at Cape Pillar, wildlife at Cathedral Rock and watch for migrating Humpbacks or even Southern Right whales. Marvel at the sheer crags of Tasman Island as your guide escorts you along the coast. Then visit Port Arthur Historic Site for a fascinating insight into convict life. You'll also have the chance to cruise around the Isle of the Dead. Tonight is at leisure in Hobart. B

Day 5 Wed. Russell Falls, Lake St Clair, Strahan, Crayfish Feast. 5 Day guests (TGWE) depart the tour after breakfast, at around 8 am. Remaining guests walk through rainforest to Russell Falls in beautiful Mt Field National Park. Visit Something Wild for an interactive experience with Tasmania's wildlife, then view glacier-carved Lake St Clair, part of the World Heritage-listed Cradle Mountain Lake St Clair National Park. After arriving at Strahan, enjoy an exclusive crayfish dinner at View 42°. Stay: APT EXCLUSIVE! Strahan Village, guaranteed Harbour View Deluxe Rooms.

Day 6 Thur. Gordon River Cruise, Cradle Mountain. Glide over the deep waters of the Gordon River aboard the Lady Jane Franklin II. Absorb the untouched World Heritage-listed wilderness. Take a rainforest walk at Heritage Landing to see ancient Huon pines and explore the penal settlement ruins at Sarah Island.

Two Night Stay: Cradle Mountain Lodge, in individual Pencil Pine Cabins.

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APT UPGRADE! Captain's Premier Deck

Upgrade to the Captain's Premier Deck for luxury sightseeing on your Gordon River cruise. Enjoy gourmet delights and beverages, large armchairs, exclusive deck space and a dedicated nature guide.

Additional: £50 per person.

Day 7 Fri. Cradle Mountain, Freedom of Choice Touring. Enjoy a guided tour of Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park, viewing Cradle Mountain from its base at Dove Lake. Then visit the rebuilt Waldheim Chalet. This afternoon, choose from our range of Freedom of Choice Touring options, including a wine and cheese tasting, a guided Enchanted Walk and a treatment at Waldheim Alpine Spa, among others. This evening, savour a dinner of Tasmanian produce in the lodge and watch a slide show on Cradle Mountain, its flora and fauna.

Day 8. Sat. Marakoopa Cave, Alum Cliffs, Sheffield, Raspberry Farm, Launceston.

Follow the gentle Fern Glade Rainforest Walk then tour the Marakoopa Cave and behold the spectacular Alum Cliffs. Continue on to Sheffield where you will have some free time to explore the town, before visiting Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm in Elizabeth Town to sample and buy an array of jams, sauces and syrups. On arrival in Launceston around 4.00 pm, 8 Day passengers (TGW8) depart the tour.

Stay: Launceston, Hotel Grand Chancellor. BI

Day 9. Sun. Grindelwald, Tamar Valley, Farewell Lunch, Cataract Gorge, Depart

Launceston. This morning tour Launceston, a city of elegant 19th century architecture, and visit Grindelwald, a Swiss-style village. Enjoy a Farewell Lunch at Stillwater River Café, winner of The Australian Travel and Tourism Award for Best Food Experience 2007, then walk it off at Cataract Gorge on the South Esk River.

Departure Dates

9 Days Launceston Return (TGW9) 8 Days Launceston Return (TGW8) 5 Days Launceston to Hobart (TGWE)

2009 Jan. 10, 24; Feb. 7, 21; Mar. 7, 21; Apr. 4, 18; May 2; Oct. 31; Nov. 14, 28; Dec. 12, 26. 2010 Jan 9, 23; Feb 6, 20; Mar 6, 20; Apr. 3, 17; May 1; Nov 13, 27; Dec 11.

Most dates are guaranteed – ask when booking.

Prices (UK£)

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To 31 August 2009	Twin Share	Single Supp.
9 Day tour TGW9		
With All Meals	£1690	£430
8 Day tour TGW8		
With All Meals	£1520	£380
5 Day tour TGWE		
With All Meals	£960	£195

Accommodation Upgrade Package



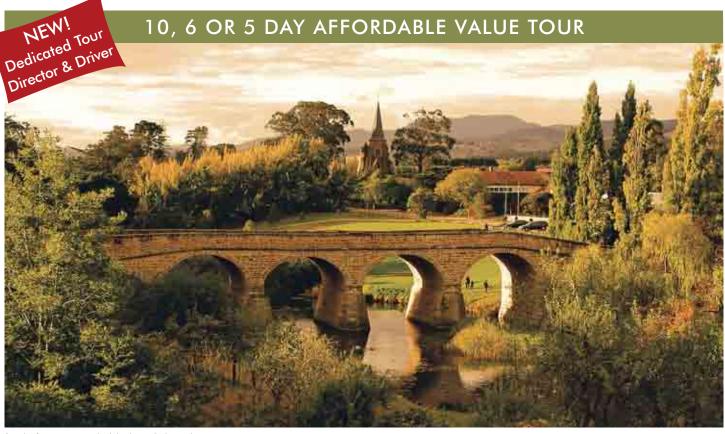
Complete the Gourmet Adventurer in style with our Accommodation Upgrade Package when travelling on the 8 or 9 Day itinerary.

At Freycinet Lodge, upgrade to a Wineglass Deluxe Cabin. Spend your two nights at Cradle Mountain Lodge in an indulgent Spa Cabin. Admire the view during a night in a Waterfront Executive Suite at Strahan Village and upgrade to a luxurious Superior Room at the Hotel Grand Chancellor Launceston, with chocolates on arrival.

Prices (UK£)

To 31 August 2009	Twin Share	Single Trav.		
5 night Package (TGW9)	£100	£190		
4 night Package (TGW8)	£90	£180		
Availability is limited, must be pre-booked. Please note				
only double bedding is available on upgrade packages.				

Grand Tasman



See the famous convict-built bridge in Richmond

AFFORDABLE VALUE

Enjoy great scenery, cultural experiences, World Heritage areas, quality food and comfortable accommodation at an affordable price. See the beautiful coastline of Freycinet National Park and the ruins of Port Arthur before arriving in Hobart. Sample cheeses at Ashgrove and enjoy a crayfish feast at Swansea. Explore Mt Field National Park, with picturesque Russell Falls, as well as the World Heritage-listed landscapes of Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair. A Gordon River cruise and Tamar River cruise are also included on this excellent tour.

Coach Gordon River Cruise 1 2 No. of night stays World Heritage Area The Nut and Stanley Beaconsfield Smithton St Helens ottsdale Sheffield Cradle aunceston Mountain Strahan Swansea Coles Bay Freycinet Mt Field Nať. Park Nat. Park Russell Falls 🤈 New Norfolk 2 Tasman HOBART Peninsula Port Arthur

Itinerary subject to change from 1 September 2009.

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Day 1 Sat. Launceston, Seahorse World, Beaconsfield, Welcome Drinks. Travel from Launceston to Beauty Point. Visit Seahorse World and learn about these fascinating animals. Then visit the Beaconsfield Gold & Heritage Museum, with its interactive displays. On the trip back to the hotel, you'll see and learn about the city sights of Launceston through informative on-board commentary. This evening, enjoy complimentary Welcome Drinks followed by a Welcome Dinner as you get to know your fellow travellers.

Stay: Launceston, Sandors on the Park in guaranteed City Park View rooms.

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk along Richardsons Beach at Coles Bay, Freycinet National Park
- ✓ See the convict-built Richmond Bridge
- ✓ Tour the ruins of the Port Arthur Historic Site
- ✓ Discover beautiful Russell Falls in Mt Field National Park
- ✓ Cruise the picturesque Gordon River and visit the penal ruins of Sarah Island
- ✓ Tour World Heritage Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park
- ✓ Cruise the Tamar River, Launceston
- ✓ Inspect fine antiques and the National Rose Garden at Woolmers Estate

COMFORTABLE ACCOMMODATION

- ✓ Spend a night on the east coast in beautiful Swansea
- Stay two nights at the Grand Mercure Hadleys Hotel in Hobart
- ✓ Stay a night at Cradle Mountain Chateau

QUALITY DINING – INCLUDES 18 MEALS

- ✓ 9 Breakfasts (B) and 5 Dinners (D)
- √ 4 Feature Meals (FL, FD) including:
 - APT EXCLUSIVE! Enjoy a delicious Crayfish Dinner in Swansea
- ✓ Sample chocolates from the Cadbury Chocolate Factory
- ✓ Taste locally-produced cheeses at the Ashgrove Cheese Factory

Launceston • Freycinet National Park • Port Arthur • Hobart • Strahan • Cradle Mountain

Day 2 Sun. Weldborough Pass, East Coast Natureworld, Freycinet National Park, Swansea, Crayfish Feast. This morning, continue through the winegrowing area of northern Tasmania. During flowering season, visit the Bridestowe Lavender Farm (Dec.-Jan.). Stop at East Coast Natureworld and meet Delilah, APT's sponsored Tasmanian Devil. Travel along beautiful Tasmanian coastline and into Freycinet National Park. Join a guided walk along Richardsons Beach at Coles Bay. Tonight enjoy a crayfish dinner in Swansea.

B. FD Stay: Swansea, Waterloo Inn.

Day 3 Mon. Ross, Richmond, Tasman Peninsula, Eaglehawk Neck, Port Arthur.

Journey inland to Campbell Town and Ross. Travel south to the charming Georgian village of Richmond and see the famous Richmond Bridge. Proceed to Eaglehawk Neck and enjoy views of the rugged coastline from Pirates Bay Lookout. Continue on to Port Arthur. Stay: Port Arthur, Fox and Hounds Inn.

Day 4 Tue. Port Arthur Historic Site, Harbour Cruise, Hobart, Mt Nelson. Port Arthur is

Australia's most notorious convict prison, having been called 'hell on earth' by its 12,500 convict prisoners. At the Port Arthur Historic Site, call into the Visitor Centre and play the 'Lottery of Life' game. Tour through the chapel and penitentiary ruins and join the Marana for a cruise around the Isle of the Dead. Then travel to Hobart, on the shores of the Derwent River. Journey to the top of Mt Nelson for panoramic views. After dinner, enjoy a performance about Lady Jane Franklin, a famous figure of the colony during her husband's governorship between 1837-43. Two Night Stay: Hobart, Grand Mercure Hadleys Hotel, situated in the heart of Hobart. BD

Day 5 Wed. Cadbury Chocolate Factory, Salamanca Place, Botanical Gardens.

On a tour of the sights of Hobart, you'll visit the Cadbury Chocolate Factory and sample some well-known favourites (seasonal closures occur, please enquire at time of booking). Then wander through the Royal Botanical Gardens and see the historic buildings of Salamanca Place. The rest of the day is at your leisure to explore Hobart.



Bruny Island Adventure Cruise Option

Join a full day tour including a cruise to the rugged coastline of southern Tasmania. For further details, please enquire at time of booking. Replaces Day 5 touring, must be pre-booked Additional: £65 per person.

Day 6 Thur. Derwent Valley, Mt Field National Park, Lake St Clair. After breakfast, 6 Day (TX6AA) guests depart the tour. At around 7.15 am, 5 Day (TX5AA) guests join the tour. Leave Hobart and enter Mt Field National Park for the short walk to beautiful Russell Falls. Then enter World Heritage-listed Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park and enjoy a stop on the shores of Lake St Clair. Continue travelling through Tasmania's World Heritage-listed wilderness to the township of Strahan, on Macquarie Harbour. Tonight, you have the opportunity to see a pantomime on the area's convict history (own expense). Stay: Strahan Village Hilltop. BD

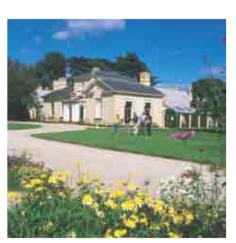
Day 7 Fri. Strahan, Gordon River Cruise with Lunch, Sarah Island Tour. Board the Lady Jane Franklin II for a cruise across Macquarie Harbour and Gordon River. Cruise to Sarah Island and the Franklin-Gordon Wild Rivers National Park for a stop at Heritage Landing. Pass by Hell's Gate, the entrance to the Great Southern Ocean and enjoy a delicious lunch on board before returning to dry land. Then re-board the coach and depart Strahan for Cradle Mountain.

Stay: Cradle Mountain Chateau, B, FL, D luxury in the wilderness.

Day 8 Sat. Cradle Mountain, Dove Lake, Sheffield, Stanley and The Nut.

Tour beautiful Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park, home to a vast array of native alpine flora and fauna. Travel out to Waldheim Chalet and stop on the tranguil shores of Dove Lake for a magnificent perspective on the region. Later, travel via Sheffield, the town of murals, to the fishing village of Stanley, set in the shadow of The Nut – a striking rocky outcrop rising over 150 yards from the sea.

Stay: Smithton, Tall Timbers Hotel. BD



Left to right: cruise on the Gordon River aboard the Lady Jane Franklin II; visit the rose gardens at Woolmers Estate

Day 9 Sun. Ashgrove Cheese Factory, Great Lakes Plateau, Farewell Dinner.

Visit Ashgrove Cheese Factory for a tour and tasting. Continue to the Great Lakes Plateau and travel along the shores of the Great Lake, a popular spot for freshwater fishing. Head to Launceston for tonight's Farewell Dinner. B, FD Stay: Launceston, Sandors on the Park

Day 10 Mon. Cataract Gorge, Tamar River Cruise, Woolmers Estate, Depart

Launceston. Visit Cataract Gorge and take a morning cruise along the Tamar River. Head out to Woolmers Estate and wander through beautiful rose gardens before rejoining the coach for a transfer back to the airport.

Spirit Of Tasmania Return Cruise Option

Return from Devonport to Melbourne overnight aboard the Spirit of Tasmania. The boat sails from Devonport at 8.00 pm, arriving in Melbourne at 7.00 am the next morning. And when you retire, you can relax in your twin inside cabin with private facilities.

Tour Prices (UK£) Valid to 31 August 2009

Tour Code: TXTAB

With All Meals

Single Supplement £1360 £285

EARLYBIRD SAVINGS SAVE £100 PER PERSON*

* See page 139

Departure Dates

10 Days Launceston Return (TXT10) 6 Days Launceston to Hobart (TX6AA)

2009 Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28; Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28; Apr. 4, 11, 18; May 2; Sept. 19; Oct. 3, 10, 24, 31; Nov. 7, 21, 28; Dec. 12, 26.

2010 Jan 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27; Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27; Apr. 3, 10, 17; May 1; Sept. 18; Oct. 2, 9, 23, 30; Nov. 6, 20, 27; Dec. 11.

5 Days Hobart to Launceston (TX5AA)

2009: Jan. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26; Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26; Apr. 2, 9, 16, 23; May 7; Sept. 24; Oct. 8, 15, 22, 29; Nov. 5, 12, 26; Dec. 3, 10, 17, 31.

2010: Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28; Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25; Mar. 4, 11, 18, 25; Apr. 1, 8, 15, 22; May 6; Sept. 23; Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28; Nov. 4, 11, 25; Dec. 2, 9, 16.

Most dates are guaranteed – ask when booking.

Duises (LIVC)

Prices (UK£)		
To 31 August 2009	Twin Share	Single Supp.
10 Day tour TXT10		
Room Only (Feature Meals x 4)	£1060	£225
With All Meals	£1245	£225
6 Day tour TX6AA		
Room Only (Feature Meals $x\ 2$)	£665	£185
With All Meals	£780	£185
5 Day tour TX5AA		
Room Only (Feature Meals x 2)	£585	£150
With All Meals	£690	£150