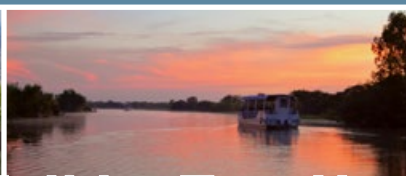


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# Travellers' Tales

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Day Tour & Holiday Tour News

September 2019  
NEWSLETTER

## MANAGER'S TOUR – SECRETS OF TASMANIA

**Yes, I'm getting to escape the office again on a tour of my choosing! This time I've chosen a trip to one of my favourite places in Australia – Tasmania!**

To make this trip special, I have concentrated on the northern part of the island, and included some attractions we don't normally visit. This itinerary includes a big variety of places and activities that I think will prove to be very memorable.

For example, we stay for three nights in the north west of the state at Smithton giving us the opportunity to visit Woolnorth, a property right at the north-west tip, that enjoys some of the cleanest air in the world.

From Smithton we also divert for a day to Arthur River, on the west coast. Here we take a cruise along the river to see a very special part of the state. The Arthur

River area has never been logged, so the forest we travel through, known as the Tarkine, is in its natural state. Many people have cruised the Gordon River, but not many get to the Arthur River. That means we get to cruise in a beautiful, smaller boat with real character, enjoy a barbeque lunch in the rainforest, and with luck we might even spy some sea eagles!

Other highlights include seeing the incredible (and massive!) Tasmanian freshwater lobster, and discovering the home of the first woman elected to the House of Representatives and to serve in Cabinet (oh, her husband also served as Prime Minister!).

If you would like to join me on this tour please give us a call as soon as possible. **We'll be travelling in February next year.**



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## WE'VE MIXED UP OUR DAY TOURS

If you are a regular traveller on our Day Tours, you are likely to notice that we have changed some days around over the next three months!

In October, Ramsay and Warnes travellers on the first Monday of the month have been changed to the first Tuesday instead, due to the Labour Day public holiday. Also, Inwood and Zadow travellers,

Unaipon and Bagot travellers on Thursdays, and Oliphant and Florey travellers on Fridays will find that your day is a week later than usual.

In November, due to Melbourne Cup Day, Haywood and Gibson travellers who are used to travelling on the first Tuesday will find your day on the second Tuesday.

In December there aren't enough days before Christmas for all of

our trips! So if you normally travel in the second week of the month, your day will be in the first week instead. And if you normally travel in the third or fourth week of the month, your days are in the second week instead.

**Please accept our apologies for all of these changes, and if you are at all confused please give us a call: we are happy to talk you through it.**

## CHRISTMAS SHOPPING OVERNIGHTER

Do you enjoy browsing through interesting shops, seeing things you wouldn't normally see – even if it's just to window shop?

Would you like a great opportunity to find something special and a little different for a Christmas gift? Our Shopping Overnighter is the perfect short break!

This trip travels through beautiful areas. We stop at venues through the Adelaide Hills, have a little free time in Hahndorf, and stay overnight in Mannum. Then we explore more shops and markets in the Barossa Valley before returning home.

To join this great two-day trip please call us today, and we'll send you the itinerary and booking form. **This trip travels on the 29th and 30th of November** – perfect for the lead up to Christmas!



## CONGRATULATIONS

We would like to congratulate our latest Boomer's Club winner, **Darrol and Maxine Graetz!** We hope you enjoy your prize, a special hamper. It'll be coming your way very soon.

## LOXTON LIGHTS



## SA'S AWARD-WINNING COMMUNITY FESTIVAL!

Did you know that the Loxton Lights Festival in the Riverland is so good that it has won the SA Tourism Award for Best Event/Festival in the State four times?!

Loxton is a country town with a huge community spirit! That's why it is able to put on an event which wins awards and wows visitors year after year. And it's so much more than just coloured lights.

It started when one man began a small Christmas display. Now over 350 properties decorate their homes and gardens with lights and other displays. There's also a Christmas tree festival and other events to complement the festival.

We have loved supporting the Loxton Lights Festival with tours for many years, and again this year we have an overnight trip staying at Loxton to take in the lights and displays. If you haven't been before you really don't know what you're missing!

Call now for a detailed itinerary, and join us for this fun overnighter! **We'll be away from December 7 to 8.**



# CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS TOURS

If you are thinking of enjoying a stress-free holiday over Christmas or New Year you need to be quick!

Our two Christmas tours are booking up quickly. Our five day **South East Christmas**, based in lovely Naracoorte, is close to being booked out with just a handful of seats left. This will be a delightfully relaxed trip, with four nights staying in a very comfortable motel.

For a slightly longer trip, our **Christmas Around Melbourne** is perfect. This tour stays in Melbourne's south-eastern suburbs and explores the areas around, including the Dandenongs and the Mornington Peninsula. This tour is likely to travel in a smaller group in our smaller bus, and at this stage we are expecting a maximum of 20 people.

Both tours include a special Christmas lunch, and you'll never feel like you're left on your own (unless you want time to yourself, of course).

Our **New Year in the Yarra Valley** is also close to booking out, with currently only four rooms left at the accommodation. The Yarra Valley is a pretty area with delightful villages, orchards and gorgeous scenery. It's also close to other special areas, such as the stunning Black Spur drive to Marysville with its massive, towering eucalypts.

This tour stays at Oscar's on the Yarra, in one of the most delightful locations. It is set well away from the road, just by the banks of the Yarra River. Forget what you know of the Yarra in Melbourne. Here, the Yarra is a pretty, free-flowing river providing a very special atmosphere to the location.

So to avoid the hassles of Christmas and New Year, enjoy a holiday away with us – but be quick!

## SEE THE BLUE LAKE BLUE . . . . .

One of our best short stayput holidays is coming up soon! Late in November we have our trip to the lower south east, staying three nights in Mount Gambier.

We always plan this tour for this time of year for one major reason – the Blue Lake is blue! Tucked inside the crater of a former volcano, it's famous for its colour, but it only changes to this brilliant blue in late spring. Now, any lake inside a volcano's crater is impressive no matter its colour, but when this lake turns blue it becomes something altogether more spectacular!



Port Lincoln, Credit: SATC

## MY TRIP TO PORT LINCOLN

If you haven't been to Port Lincoln for a little while, I highly recommend taking our tour coming up in November.

I had the pleasure of a quick trip to Port Lincoln in August. The drive itself is an interesting one, with regular changes of scenery along the way. I enjoyed seeing the views across the gulf, and developments such as the Sundrop facility which produces tomatoes for around Australia using solar power to desalinate sea water. The waterfront at Port Augusta is looking great, and it is good to see Whyalla with so much optimism for the future. Driving down the eastern side of the Eyre Peninsula means visiting towns like Cowell and Tumby Bay – it's a beautiful coastline!

Speaking of coastline, the drive alongside Boston Bay in Port Lincoln is magnificent. This city is located in such a delightful spot. I stayed the night in the accommodation we use on tour – the Port Lincoln Hotel. This modern property is perfectly located opposite the water, and being such a new facility the rooms are beautiful, and extremely comfortable.

While I was in Port Lincoln I popped out to Coffin Bay, because I find it one of the prettiest spots around. Despite its name, this spot has nothing whatsoever to do with dead bodies or their coffins! Matthew Flinders names the location after a friend of his – Sir Isaac Coffin. The Bay is probably best known for its oyster growing, but for me the peace and beauty of the location are what make it special.

If you would like to experience what I recently did (plus quite a lot more!), book now on our November tour, **travelling from the 14th to the 19th**. You'll be so glad you did!

A lift takes us down to the level of the surface of the lake. It's a special experience to get close to the water and see the incredible colour – so blue even on a cloudy day!

This tour stays in the very comfortable Silver Birch Motel, where we always receive excellent hospitality. We would love to have you join this special trip away, **travelling from the 25th to the 28th of November**.





## MELBOURNE CUP

**Good news! After missing our special Melbourne Cup function last year, we now have a new venue and are ready to take bookings!**

If you would like a fun day out for Melbourne Cup, come along with us! We have arranged an excellent lunch at McCracken Country Club at Victor Harbor. We'll be enjoying an delicious meal while looking out over the golf course. Our day features a complimentary glass of sparkling wine on arrival, lots of sweeps, a special raffle raising money for charity, fancy hat competition and parade, and lots more.

**We have limited spots available for this day trip, so please call as soon as possible to avoid missing out. Home pick-ups are available in all of our usual day tour home pick-up areas.**

# GREAT HOLIDAYS IN 2019

**Please note** All prices quoted in this brochure are 'per person, all inclusive'. All tours depart from, and return to, Adelaide.

## TWO DAYS

Anlaby Open Gardens  
– October 20 to 21  
– Twin share \$559, sole use \$629

Christmas Shopping Overnighter  
– November 29 to 30  
– Twin share \$549, sole use \$599

Loxton Christmas Lights Weekender  
– December 7 to 8  
– Twin share \$549, sole use \$599

## THREE DAYS

Renmark Rose Festival  
– October 17 to 19  
– Twin share \$869, sole use \$995

Overland Train & Grampians Highlights (train/coach tour)  
– November 11 to 13  
– **Booked out, waiting list only**

## FOUR DAYS

Mildura Cruises  
– September 25 to 28  
– **Booked out, waiting list only**

Mount Gambier and the Blue Lake  
– November 25 to 28  
– Twin share \$1149, sole use \$1265

## FIVE DAYS

Silo Art Trail  
– September 19 to 23  
– Twin share \$1395, sole use \$1659

## Yorke Peninsula Explorer

– October 1 to 5  
– Twin share \$1395, sole use \$1595

## Murray River Cruise

– Torrumbarry to Tooleybuc  
– October 28 to November 1  
– **Booked out, waiting list only**

## Christmas in the South East

– December 23 to 27  
– Twin share \$1695, sole use \$1895

## SIX DAYS

Port Lincoln  
– November 14 to 19  
– Twin share \$2295, sole use \$2695

## New Year in the Yarra Valley

– December 29 to January 3  
– Twin share \$1995, sole use \$2395

## SEVEN DAYS

Edinburgh Tattoo & Sydney (coach/fly tour)  
– October 12 to 18  
– Twin share \$3495, sole use \$4269

## Christmas Around Melbourne

– December 22 to 28  
– Twin share \$2495, sole use \$2879

## EIGHT DAYS

Lord Howe Island – Oct 12 to 19  
– **Booked out, waiting list only**

## NINE DAYS

Edinburgh Tattoo & Stunning NSW South Coast (fly/coach tour)  
– October 18 to 26  
– **Booked out, waiting list only**

## ROYAL EDINBURGH MILITARY TATTOO TOURS

Edinburgh Tattoo & Sydney (coach/fly tour)  
– October 12 to 18 (seven days)  
Edinburgh Tattoo & Stunning NSW South Coast (fly/coach tour)  
– October 18 to 26  
– **Booked out, waiting list only**

## CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR TOURS

Christmas Around Melbourne  
– December 22 to 28 (seven days)  
Christmas in the South East  
– December 23 to 27 (five days)  
New Year in the Yarra Valley  
– December 29 to January 3 (six days)

**And lots more to come!**

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