

Tour Prices

Per person twin share \$1690.00 \$ 465.00 Single supplement

Deposit (per person) at time of booking

\$350.00

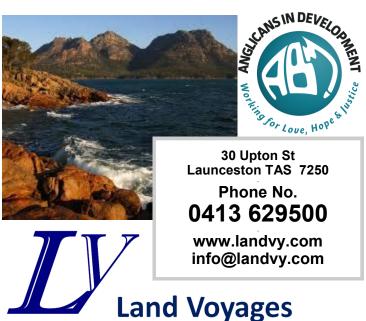
Final Payment due by 6th March 2023 **Maximum Tour Group Size: 25 people**

Tour price is all inclusive of morning tea, lunch, breakfast and dinner, entrance fees and events as detailed. Accommodation is of 3 to 4+ star rating or best available. Travel in luxury touring coach. Tour price is all inclusive of land based touring within Tasmania.

B, L, D = Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner. **Exclusions / Terms & Conditions** as listed on our website including cancellation

This tour is a major fund raising event to benefit ABM AID's

Sustainable Communities Program



Hidden Treasures **Tasmania**

Making connections within Tasmania

Arranged with the Tasmania ABM Committee



21st - 27th March 2023 7 Days - 6 Nights

\$1690.00 ppts

Tour price is all inclusive land based Tasmania

Single Room Supplement\$ 465.00





Day 1: Hobart and Surrounds (L, D)

- Arrive at Hobart Airport Meet and greet
- Hobart, Australia's most southern and second oldest capital is on the edge of the Great Southern Ocean. Dominated by Mount Wellington it is like no other Capital city.
- There is no better way to get to know Hobart than from the top of Mt
 Wellington. At 1271metres it is 200metres higher then the famed Table
 Mountain in Cape Town and offers unrivalled views over Hobart, its surrounding suburbs and waterways with views extending over Southern Tasmania.
- We will explore more of Hobart with a drive through the southern suburbs and following the shoreline.
- The shot tower of 1870 nearly 60 metres tall. It was the tallest building in Australia until 1874 and in Hobart until 1960. Its purpose was to drop molten lead into a water drum at the base to form lead shot. As it falls, it forms a perfect spherical ball and solidifies. Climb the stairs to take in the view from the top.
- Mt Nelson gives a great contrasting view of Hobart and its waterways and was originally set up as a semaphore station to allow Hobart to communicate with the penal settlement at Port Arthur.
- Check into our overnight accommodation. Then head to All Saints, South Hobart for welcome drinks and to meet fellow ABM supporters, before heading to dinner with them.
- Overnight Hobart

Day 2: Hobart, Richmond, Coles and Great Oyster Bay, Bicheno (B,L,D)

- The quaint town of Richmond with its historic bridge is one of the most photographed sites in Tasmania and it feels as if time has stood still.
- Just before arriving at Buckland is the Tasmanian Bushland Garden, developed in 2010 from a disused quarry by a group of passionate volunteers. This beautifully landscaped garden features many sculptures and a waterfall. This is truly a hidden Tasmanian treasure.
- At Orford we arrive at the east coast and head north. Further up the coast we find the Spiky Bridge, built from field stones and laid without mortar or cement. Sharp stones pointing upwards have been placed to give the bridge a spiky appearance.
- The bayside town of Swansea is at the heart of the East Coast and offers some of the best views looking across Great Oyster Bay towards the Freycinet Peninsula and the Hazards. While here we will meet the local church community. Time to share and make some new friends. Hear about life on the coast.
- At Dolphin Sands, the road follows the shoreline of Great Oyster Bay, along 9 mile beach. The houses look over the bay and towards the Hazards, three spectacular granite mountains which are tinged with pink, they rise straight out of Coles Bay to the height of 454 metres
- Coles Bay, located at the north end of the Freycinet Peninsula and at the entrance to the National Park, is a small bayside village which over the years has become very exclusive.
- Arriving at Bicheno, this small fishing town is also a favourite holiday destination. With some luck if you visit the beach
 - on dusk you might see the penguins arriving back after fishing all day.
- Tonight we will invite the local church community to have dinner with us, a time to share in fellowship.
- Overnight Bicheno









Day 3: The East Coast of Tasmania - Small settlements and Deserted beaches (B,L,D)

• Spend some time to exploring Bicheno. There is a great foreshore walk waiting to be investigated and a coastal drive which takes us to the blow hole.

Travel north along the coast drive with ocean views, see the many deserted beaches while passing through

the small townships and settlements of Chain of Lagoons, Scamander, and Recumeric, all with heavitiful white conde

and Beaumaris, all with beautiful white sands.

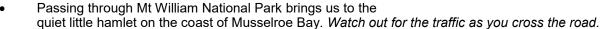
St Helens is sited on Georges Bay which has a shoreline of 50km.
 Today it is a busy fishing port and the major town and commercial centre on the east coast.

- On the south entrance of Georges Bay is St Helens Point. Take in the coastal views.
- Binalong Bay, at the end of the world famous Bay of Fires. Enjoy the crystal clear azure water, the pure white sands and the burnt orange lichen covered granite boulders which are iconic to this area.
- Visit the St Helens History Room
- Invite the local church community to join us for dinner.
- Two night stay



Day 4: North East Coast - Into uncharted territory, the north east top of Tasmania (B,L,D)

- Day trip from St Helens to the north east of Tasmania. We will ask the local church community to join us for the day.
- The Blue Lake, originally a mine hole but now full of water, reflecting a vivid aqua blue from the minerals on the floor of the now blue lake.
- Gladstone is Tasmania's most easterly town. It was once a
 large thriving mining town and very important within the
 district. Today, once again Gladstone is an important town
 as it is the gateway to Mt William National Park and the
 isolated wilderness of this area. The coast is fringed with
 gorges, bays and streams.



 Inland from the coast at Little Musselroe Bay is the wind farm with its 56 wind turbines which can generate 5% of Tasmania's electricity. Call into the visitors' centre. Return to St Helens.

Day 5: St Helens to Launceston – Time stands still (B,L,D)

- Award winning Pyengana dairy and cheese has a 135 year old tradition of producing award winning hand crafted cheese and dairy products.
- Derby. This once dying town has now been reborn and now become a mecca for mountain bikes. 125km of purpose built trails have been developed and it has become one of the world's premier bike trails.
- At the little town of Ledgerwood is a memorial to those who served in WWI. Trees were planted to remember
 the local servicemen. 90 years later as the trees were deemed unsafe, they were cut down with the stumps
 being sculpted into shapes of men from the district who served.
- The RSL Museum at Scottsdale has a restored, decommissioned RAAF Iroquois helicopter on display.
- Bridport, 19km north of Scottsdale is on the north coast and is a very popular holiday destination for Launcestonians especially at Christmas time when the population can be five times more than normal.
- Set on the sand dunes and overlooking Anderson Bay is one of the top 10 in Australia and top 100 golf courses in the world. The restaurant at Lost Farm has timeless views, looking over the greens and out to sea. A perfect place to enjoy a special lunch,
- Iconic Bridestowe Lavender Farm, the largest privately owned farm that produces pure French lavender.

 Travel east to Launceston, passing through timeless and rolling country side.

 Tonight we will be hosted to dinner and meet some of the local people connected with ABM

Launceston 3 nights



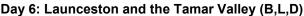






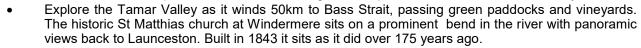






For today's tour we will be joined by both local ABM supports and local church community, who will enjoy the day with us. Join the 8.30 church service at Holy Trinity which

will include an ABM presentation. After Morning tea with parishioners we set off for the day.



- Georgetown is a larger town on the river and is a sharp contrast to the more relaxed settlement of Low Head which is at the entrance to The Tamar River. From the headland look over Bass strait and deserted East Beach. The Low Head Pilot station was established in 1805 and is the 3rd oldest in Australia and is set around a green. A real step back in time.
- Cross over the Batman Bridge to the west bank of the Tamar River, pass through the vineyards at Rowella. The bridge was built at the narrowest point in the river, replacing a vehicle ferry. On the change of tide, the flow direction is very noticeable. At Beaconsfield, in 2006, 3 miners were trapped 250 metres underground for 2 weeks. The peaceful town of Beauty Point is the operational base for the Maritime College and not that long ago was a major wharf for the export of apples to the UK.
- The scenic drive back to Launceston, follows the river most of the way and is one of the prettiest drives in Tasmania. Paper Beach which looks towards the Batman Bridge and Swan Point, is on a major river bend. At Rosevears look across the river to St Matthias.
- Tonight we will be joined by ABM supporters for a progressive dinner commencing with canapés at St Matthias, the main course at Holy Trinity and dessert at Holy Trinity Rectory.









Day 7. The Gorge, Rural Towns, Staley Homes

- Orientation tour of Launceston, with its historic buildings, beautiful parks and views over the Esk and Tamar rivers.
- In the heart of Launceston is the magnificent Cataract Gorge with its tranquil cliffs and lawns with peacocks roaming. Ride the world's longest single span chairlift across the gorge.
- Leaving Launceston and heading to the picturesque town of Longford to see the magnificent windows of Christ Church. These windows dominate the west wall of the church.
 - Finally we head through the township of Evandale and onto the grand National Trust property Clarendon House. Set in 7 hectares of park land on the banks of the South Esk River this magnificent Georgian house is an extraordinary achievement for wealthy farmer and merchant James Cox.
- From here we travel to Launceston Airport (This day may alter depending on flight but is designed in close vicinity of the airport.)







