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TASMANIA IN STYLE

Discover the extraordinary sights, sounds and tastes of Tasmania on this leisurely self-drive journey from Hobart to Freycinet National Park.

Tailor-Made Journeys, Suggested Itineraries



Australia, Tasmania



7 days from AU\$5,440 pp



Private

Journey Overview

Discover the extraordinary sights, sounds and tastes of Tasmania on this leisurely self-drive journey from Hobart to Freycinet National Park. Explore the attractions of Hobart, including an A&K-exclusive visit to the Raptor Refuge, featuring three of the largest raptor flight aviaries in the Southern Hemisphere. Then continue on to revel in the stunning beauty of Freycinet National Park from the intimate seclusion of Saffire Freycinet, framed by the pink granite peaks of the Hazards. Here you can choose from an array of activities, including private wine tastings, a guided walk to Wineglass Bay, fishing, kayaking or mountain bike riding

Journey Highlights

- Enjoy an expertly guided full-day tour around magnificent Hobart
- Revel in an A&K-exclusive visit to the Raptor Refuge for an intimate behind-the-scenes encounter with these rare and inspiring birds
- Indulge at Tasmania's luxury coastal sanctuary, Saffire Freycinet
- Dine at Palate, possibly Tasmania's most exclusive restaurant
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Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Hobart

Arrive into the Apple Isle and collect your rental car* at Hobart Airport. Drive to your waterfront hotel with the rest of the day to relax or explore the surrounds.

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Day 2: Hobart

Embark on a full-day tour of magnificent Hobart. Beginning at the waterfront, your guide will take you on an historical journey back to the 1820s, sharing stories of Old Wharf immigrants and convicts. Visit historic Battery Point, before wandering around the exquisite Botanical Gardens learning all about its extensive collection of international and native plants. Dine at a local restaurant before continuing to the seaside town of Kettering.

This afternoon, revel in an A&K-exclusive visit to the Raptor Refuge. Be invited into the bird care and exercise areas for an intimate encounter with the winged patients. Observe behind-the-scenes procedures, witness the Peregrine Falcon whizzing around the flight tunnel, and spot wedge-tailed eagles in the flight aviary. Leave with a greater understanding of the wild beauty and strength of Australia's greatest birds.

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Day 3: Hobart

Today is at leisure to explore the sites around Hobart. A fast ferry can take you to visit MONA, the breathtaking and utterly brilliant Museum of Old and New Art, or you may choose to head to the 1,271 metre summit of Mt Wellington for a stunning view over the city. Further afield you'll find the UNESCO World Heritage site of Port Arthur, Bruny Island or the tranquil Huon Valley.

For a day spent on the water, savour a unique full-day cruise from Hobart, down the famous Derwent River into the sheltered waters of the D'Entrecasteaux Channel. Enjoy freshly shucked oysters, premium rock lobster and see your guide dive for abalone and sea urchin. Observe your catch being turned into a delicious seafood feast accompanied by gourmet local produce and Tasmanian wines (additional cost).

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Day 4: Hobart - Freycinet National Park

Leave the city behind and drive up the East Coast to the majestic mountains, azure bays and white beaches of Freycinet National Park. Settle into luxury boutique lodge Saffire Freycinet and soak up mesmerising views of the Hazards over Great Oyster Bay. Tonight, dine at Palate: possibly Tasmania's most exclusive restaurant.

Saffire Freycinet / BLD

Days 5-6: Freycinet National Park

Enjoy two days at leisure to explore the coastal reserve your way. Perhaps take a guided walk to stunning Wineglass Bay with a gourmet picnic thrown in. Keen anglers may enjoy a fishing expedition, or for something active try kayaking or mountain biking. Wine lovers can savour private tastings at Craigie Knowe Vineyard or tour a local oyster farm before tasting the fresh bounty. For something more relaxing, take time out for a complimentary spa treatment or visit Saffire's open-range Tasmanian Devil enclosure. For the ultimate adventure, head out on a gourmet quad bike expedition; or join a Saffire cruise for close-up interactions with soaring sea birds, playful marine mammals and a diversity of life on Tasmania's temperate reefs (additional cost).

Saffire Freycinet / BLD

Day 7: Freycinet - Depart Hobart

Drive yourself back to Hobart Airport and return your rental car* before checking in for your homebound flight.

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Note

*Rental car not included.

Map



Accommodation

Saffire, Freycinet



Magnificent in every detail, Saffire is defined by its subtle but chic interiors, and a fluid architectural design. Water is a strong theme here with reflective ponds, calming spas and the sanctuary's pool. Glass has been cleverly used throughout, creating a sense that the sanctuary and the environment are the same space.

All the suites are luxuriously appointed, featuring the best in design and furnishings. The furnishings are an eclectic mix of traditional and contemporary, with locally made timber pieces alongside mid-century classics such as chairs designed by Charles and Ray Eames and Herman Miller.

Beautiful though Saffire is, however, it plays second fiddle to the surrounding landscapes. The powder-white sandy beaches are as undisturbed and uncrowded as they were in the early 1800s, when French explorer Nicholas Baudin stepped ashore. Southern Right Whales continue on their annual migration in intensely turquoise waters, and wildlife roams the heath and forests in abundance.

Why we like it

- All suites have private courtyards and decks with views of the Hazards Mountains, crystal-clear blue waters and white sandy beaches

- Saffire is a luxury sanctuary on Tasmania's east coast
- The restaurant, Palate, showcases the best Tasmania has to offer
- Spa Saffire is wonderful - highly trained therapists offer an array of innovative treatments
- Other facilities include a 'classic cool' lounge with panoramic views, a courtyard, a gym, a magnificent collection of artwork, mountain bikes, kayaks, cookery classes and a wide range of excursions and experiences

MACq 01 Hotel, Hobart



A unique hotel of unlimited intrigue, MACq 01 is inspired by the stories of Tasmania and its most colourful characters. Located in the heart of the historic Hobart waterfront, this storytelling hotel offers an informal luxury setting. From the rooms and decor to the service, the food, the entertainment, the views and even the people you meet within its walls, MACq 01 has been designed to offer a quintessentially Tasmanian experience like no other. Inside the hotel, you'll encounter the essence of Tasmania amidst a cornucopia of delights: fresh Tassie produce, a roaring open fire, trinkets and curiosities of the distant past, touches of live entertainment, all surrounded by the stories and characters that have made Tasmania the unforgettable place it is today.

Why we like it

- Each room is unique with a design inspired by a different Tasmanian character
- Amazing views of Hobart harbour and surrounds
- Gourmet restaurant serving the finest local ingredients
- Suites offer butler service

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