

MELBOURNE DAY TOURS AT GREAT PRICES

17/18

**Eco
Platypus Tours**

GREAT OCEAN ROAD
GREAT OCEAN ROAD SUNSET
PHILLIP ISLAND PENGUIN PARADE
PENGUIN PARADE EXPRESS
GRAMPIANS NATIONAL PARK
MELBOURNE CITY SIGHTS
SOVEREIGN HILL BALLARAT
PUFFING BILLY TRAIN JOURNEYS
YARRA VALLEY FOOD & WINE
HEALESVILLE SANCTUARY
BLUE MOUNTAINS
HUNTER VALLEY

FROM JUST
\$54



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GREAT VALUE TOURS



Eco Platypus is a sightseeing tour company specialising in nature-based soft adventure tours for backpackers and travellers interested in experiencing Australia's true beauty. Our company is Australian owned and operated and has been hosting international guests for many years now.

We offer great value for money, quality touring experiences highlighting the best destinations Victoria has to offer. Let us provide you with memories that will last a lifetime.

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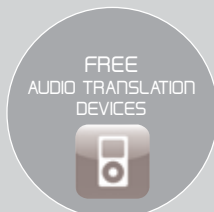
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your local travel agent
or hotel concierge.



SOME OF OUR POPULAR PICKUP LOCATIONS:

Base Backpackers	(17 Carlisle St, St Kilda)
Coffee Palace	(Cnr Grey & Jackson St, St Kilda)
Discovery Melbourne	(167 Franklin St)
Exford Hotel	(Cnr Lt Bourke & Russel St)
Immigration Museum	(400 Flinders St)
King Street Backpackers	(Cnr Lt Bourke & King St)
Miami Hotel Melbourne	(13 Hawke St, West Melb)
Melbourne Metro YHA	(78 Howard St, North Melb)
Nomads Melbourne Industry	(206 A'Beckett St)
Regent Theatre	(191 Collins St)
Urban Central	(334 City Road, Southbank)
YHA Central Melbourne	(562 Flinders St)



Cantonese, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin, Portuguese (Brazil), Spanish (Latin).

We provide FREE audio translation in 10 languages for Great Ocean Road, Phillip Island and Grampians tours. This commentary service covers all the highlights of the tour, delivered in a clear, concise and informative manner.

** Please note to guarantee the use of our free audio translation devices, we ask that you request this at the time of booking. Also, we require a small holding security deposit on day of travel.*

TOUR OPTIONS



GREAT OCEAN ROAD
FROM JUST \$105



GREAT OCEAN ROAD SUNSET
FROM JUST \$90*



PHILLIP ISLAND PENGUIN PARADE WITH KOALAS
FROM JUST \$115



PENGUIN PARADE EXPRESS
FROM JUST \$105*



GRAMPIANS NATIONAL PARK
FROM JUST \$110



SOVEREIGN HILL & BALLARAT
FROM JUST \$140



MELBOURNE CITY SIGHTSEEING
FROM JUST \$54



YARRA VALLEY FOOD & WINE
FROM JUST \$125



½ DAY PUFFING BILLY
FROM JUST \$100



PUFFING BILLY & YARRA VALLEY
FROM JUST \$140



PUFFING BILLY & HEALESVILLE SANCTUARY
FROM JUST \$140



2DAY OVERNIGHT GREAT OCEAN RD & PENGUIN PARADE
FROM JUST \$239



BLUE MOUNTAINS - SYDNEY
FROM JUST \$130



HUNTER VALLEY - SYDNEY
FROM JUST \$140

GREAT OCEAN ROAD

FULL DAY OPERATES: DAILY

*SUNSET OPERATES: DAILY (Nov to Mar only)

Departs 7:00am/10:00am* - Returns: 9:00pm/11:00pm*

GOR01 + GORS01*



INCLUDES
LUNCH

FULL DAY
FROM JUST
\$105

12 APOSTLES
SUNSET
FROM JUST*
\$90

HIGHLIGHTS

- › Take a snapshot of the Memorial Arch at the gateway to the Great Ocean Road
- › Enjoy lunch in the coastal town of Apollo Bay
- › Spot koalas in the wild near Kennett River
- › Cape Otway and Port Campbell National Parks
- › Walk amongst Ancient rainforests and giant eucalyptus trees (*full day only*)
- › Explore Loch Ard Gorge, historic shipwreck coastline
- › Breathtaking and picturesque coastal lookouts
- › London Bridge or Gibson Steps (*full day only*)
- › View the spectacular 12 Apostles in all their glory

INCLUDES: Morning tea & biscuits, lunch, Onboard commentary, National Park entry – Aircond. Bus travel.

FULL DAY FARE PRICES

Book 1 Adult \$109pp
Book 2 or more Adults \$105pp
Book 1 Child \$85pp (0-12yrs)

* SUNSET FARE PRICES

Book 1 Adult \$95pp
Book 2 or more Adults \$90pp
Book 1 Child \$80pp (0-12yrs)
(*Nov-Mar only)

ADD ONS:

12 Apostles Helicopter
Flight (+FLY) \$145
(*subject to availability, only on full day*)

Add on Eureka
Skydeck & Edge
Experience (ET)
voucher for \$27
(normally \$32)

EUREKA
ADD ON
\$27



PHILLIP ISLAND PENGUIN PARADE WITH KOALAS

OPERATES: DAILY

Departs 9:30am/1:30pm* - Returns: 10:00pm/midnight*

PEX01 + PPX01*



INCLUDES
LUNCH

FULL DAY
FROM JUST
\$115

PENGUINS
EXPRESS
FROM JUST*
\$105

HIGHLIGHTS

- › Spend a day exploring the scenery and magnificent rocky coastline of Phillip Island
- › Take the opportunity to relax and see one of Phillip Island's most pristine surf beaches
- › Visit a wildlife park and see an abundance of Aussie wildlife up close, koalas, kangaroos, wallabies, wombats, dingoes, emus, parrots and reptiles (*full day only*)
- › Explore the newly developed Nobbies Centre and seal colony with optional extra Antarctic Journey for \$18 (*full day only*)
- › Learn about the astonishing life of the penguins at the interactive, award winning information centre
- › Witness the world's smallest and cutest penguins waddle ashore at sunset

FULL DAY INCLUDES: Penguin parade entry fee, National Park fee, lunch, afternoon tea, Wildlife Park entry, air-cond. Bus travel.

***EXPRESS INCLUDES:** Penguin parade entry fee, National Park fee, air-cond. Coach travel.

FULL DAY FARE PRICES

Book 1 Adult \$119pp
Book 2 or more Adults \$115pp
Book 1 Child \$90pp (0-12yrs)

* EXPRESS FARE PRICES

Book 1 Adult \$110pp
Book 2 or more Adults \$105pp
Book 1 Child \$90pp (0-12yrs)

ADD ONS:

Penguins Plus Viewing
Platform (P+) = \$30

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voucher for \$27
(normally \$32)

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GRAMPIANS NATIONAL PARK

OPERATES: TUES/WED/FRI/SAT*/SUN

Departs 7:00am – Returns 8:30pm (*seasonal)

GRA01



FROM JUST
\$110

INCLUDES
LUNCH



HIGHLIGHTS

- › Explore and wonder at the outstanding natural beauty of the sandstone mountain range, known as the Grampians National Park
- › View the famous Jaws of Death as featured in the famous Japanese Animation film Princess Mononoke
- › Pass through the historic gold towns of Beaufort & Ararat
- › Visit the scenic township of Halls Gap where we stop for lunch
- › See an abundance of Australia wildlife in their natural habitat
- › Enjoy the spectacular views from Reeds Lookout and Boroka Lookout
- › Experience the amazing rock formations at Balconies Walk
- › Hike down to the base of MacKenzie or Silverband Falls
- › Learn about the rich indigenous heritage from this region, at Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre
- › Moderate level of fitness required to complete the walks

INCLUDES: National Park entry, Morning tea & biscuits, picnic lunch, Aircond. Bus travel.

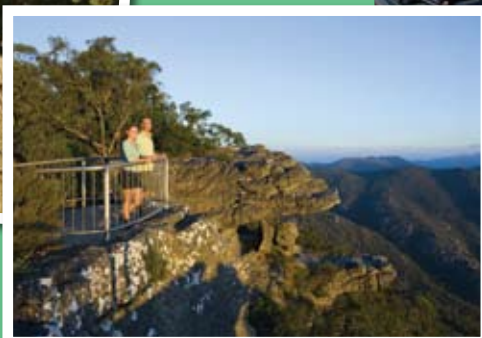
** This itinerary may be subject to change due to extreme weather, road and track conditions.*

FARE PRICES

Book 1 Adult \$115pp
Book 2 or more Adults \$110pp
Book 1 Child \$85pp (8-12yrs)

Add on Eureka Skydeck & Edge Experience (ET) voucher for \$27 (normally \$32)

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\$27



SOVEREIGN HILL & BALLARAT GOLD MINES

OPERATES: MON/TUE/THUR/SAT

Departs 7:30am – Returns 5:30pm

SH01



FROM JUST
\$140

HIGHLIGHTS

- › Step back in time to a perfectly recreated 1850's Goldmining Town
- › Visit shops and goldsmiths and craftsmen of a bygone era
- › Try your luck panning for gold
- › See working Clydesdale horses go about their everyday business
- › Take an underground adventure tour of the Red Hill Mine, which depicts the discovery of the world's second largest gold nugget ever found
- › See theatre performers bring back to life the ways of old
- › Hear the story of Australia's infamous Eureka Stockade
- › Visit the historic and charming town of Ballarat, with optional wildlife park
- › Visit the Gold Museum

INCLUDES: Entry to Sovereign Hill, Underground mine tour, Air conditioned Coach travel.

FARE PRICES

Book 1 Adult \$145pp
Book 2 or more Adults \$140pp
Book 1 Child \$85pp (0-12yrs)

ADD ONS:

Ballarat Wildlife Park entry (WP) = \$35

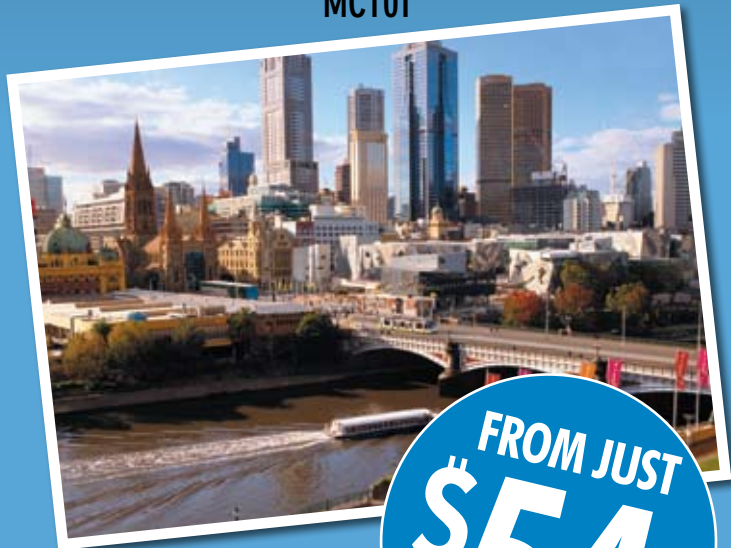


MELBOURNE CITY SIGHTSEEING

OPERATES: DAILY

Departs 8:00am – Returns: 11:45am
(1hr River Cruise option: Departs 12:00am – Returns: 1:00pm)

MCT01



FROM JUST
\$54

HIGHLIGHTS

- › Explore the famed cosmopolitan city centre of Melbourne
- › Take a look at our architectural landmark buildings, such as the historical Parliament House
- › Walk around the Royal Botanic Gardens
- › View Captain Cook's Cottage in Fitzroy Gardens
- › See the bustling Queen Victoria Markets
- › Drive alongside the Formula 1 track at Albert Park
- › See the World famous Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG)
- › View Port Phillip Bay, the Yarra River and Victorian Arts Centre
- › See Melbourne Town Hall, the Royal Exhibition Buildings and Federation Square

INCLUDES: Sightseeing Commentary,
Air conditioned Coach travel.

FARE PRICES

Book 1 Adult \$59pp
Book 2 or more Adults \$54pp
Book 1 Child \$32pp (0-12yrs)

ADD ONS:

1hr Melbourne River
Cruise = \$30

(receive ticket from driver in the morning)

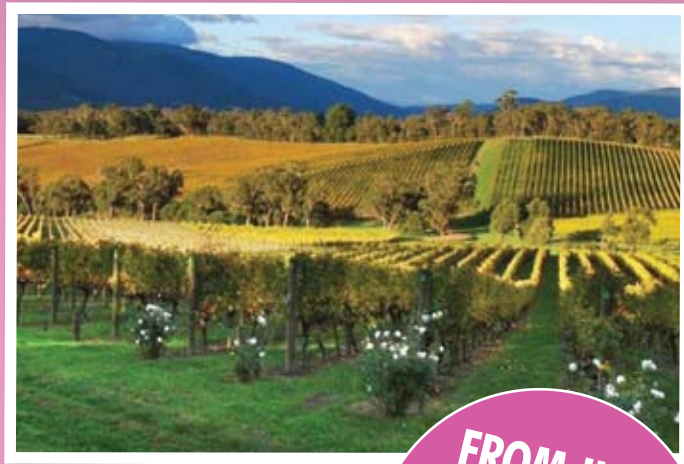


YARRA VALLEY FOOD & WINE

OPERATES: MON/WED/FRI/SAT/SUN

Departs 7:30am – Returns: approx. 5:30pm

YV01



FROM JUST
\$125

HIGHLIGHTS

- › Visit 3 friendly award-winning wineries and be greeted by the winemakers
- › Learn about the different styles of wine, whether it be red, white and sparkling varieties of the region
- › Relax in a social touring experience through the stunning Yarra Valley Region
- › Napoleone Cider House & Brewery tastings
- › Indulge at the Yarra Valley Chocolaterie & Ice-Creamery with free chocolate samples and watch how they delicately handcraft over 250 different sweets
- › Sample 10th generation sparkling wines, influenced by the French style of wine making at Dominique Portet Winery
- › Enjoy a sit down restaurant winery lunch at the world famous Rochford Wines
- › Taste the best seasonal local produce on offer at Gateway Estate, with indoor hydroponic greenhouse.
(Optional – strawberry picking at own expense)

INCLUDES: Wine Tasting, Winery lunch, Chocolate samples, Entertaining Driver/
Tour Guide, On-board cool box to keep your purchases fresh.

The itinerary may change depending on availability at the wineries. Minimum age 18.

FARE PRICES

Book 1 Adult \$130pp
Book 2 or more Adults \$125pp

ADD ONS:

River Hot Air Balloon over Yarra Valley
(HOT8) = \$405pp (flight only)



½ DAY PUFFING BILLY

OPERATES: TUES/THUR/SAT

Departs 7:45am – Returns 1:00pm

PB01



HIGHLIGHTS

- › Ride on the world famous colonial steam train Puffing Billy
- › Journey through the breathtaking Dandenong Ranges
- › Dangle your arms and feet out of this custom designed open concept train carriage
- › Experience some of Australia's most beautiful natural scenery and enormously tall trees
- › Relax in the enchanted Sherbrooke forest, whilst you enjoy a traditional Devonshire tea with homemade scones
- › Get up close to some amazingly colourful native birds
- › Hear the history of the picturesque and charming towns that played an important role in the development of Victoria

INCLUDES: Puffing Billy Train Fare (from Belgrave to Menzies Creek), Devonshire Tea & Scones, Air conditioned Coach travel.

FARE PRICES

Book 1 Adult \$105pp
Book 2 or more Adults \$100pp
Book 1 Child \$60pp (0-12yrs)



PUFFING BILLY & YARRA VALLEY

OPERATES: MON/WED/FRI/SUN

Departs 7:45am – Returns 5:30pm

PBW01



FROM JUST
\$140

HIGHLIGHTS

- › Ride on the world famous Colonial Steam Train Puffing Billy
- › Travel through the breathtaking Sherbrooke Forest & Dandenong Ranges
- › See Mountain Ash trees, the worlds tallest flowering Eucalyptus, towering over the winding railway tracks hidden in the lush forest
- › Sample wine from 2 or more local wineries, located in the heart of Victoria's wine region
- › Soak up the spectacular views within the Yarra Valley
- › Enjoy tastings at the famous Rochford winery

INCLUDES: Puffing Billy Train fare (from Belgrave to Menzies Creek), Wine Tastings, Devonshire Tea & Scones, Air conditioned Coach travel.

FARE PRICES

Book 1 Adult \$145pp
Book 2 or more Adults \$140pp
Book 1 Child \$85pp (0-12yrs)

ADD ONS:

Winery lunch \$45



PUFFING BILLY, & HEALESVILLE SANCTUARY

OPERATES: MON/WED/FRI/SUN

Departs 7:45am – Returns 5:30pm

PBH01



FROM JUST
\$140

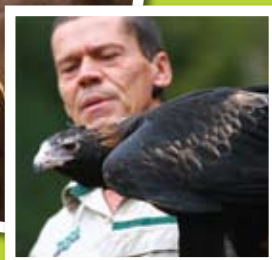
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- › Visit one of Australia's most acclaimed sanctuaries Healesville Sanctuary
- › Take a guided tour with the experts to find out everything you ever wanted to know about Aussie animals
- › See the astonishing Birds of Prey 'Spirits of the Sky' Presentation

INCLUDES: Puffing Billy Train fare (from Belgrave to Menzies Creek), Entry into Healesville Sanctuary, Devonshire Tea & Scones, Air conditioned Coach travel.

FARE PRICES

Book 1 Adult \$145pp
Book 2 or more Adults \$140pp
Book 1 Child \$85pp (0-12yrs)



2 DAY OVERNIGHT GREAT OCEAN RD & PENGUIN PARADE

OPERATES: MON/WED*/THUR/SAT

Departs 7:00am – Returns 10:00–11:00pm (*seasonal)

EC010



DORMS
\$239
INCL. ACCOM, MORNING
TEA, 1L, 1D, 1B & ALL PARK
ENTRY FEES

HIGHLIGHTS

- › Take in the breathtaking views of the 12 Apostles
- › Adventure down to Loch Ard Gorge, Gibson Steps or London Bridge
- › Explore the ancient Rainforest Walks in the Otway's
- › Stop off at some beautiful coastal surf beaches
- › Stay overnight on the World's Famous Great Ocean Road
- › Relax on the Ferry across Port Phillip Bay to Sorrento
- › Get up close and personal at an Australian Wildlife Park
- › Before making our way to watch the Penguin Parade at Sunset

INCLUDES: Morning tea & biscuits, 1 lunch, 1 dinner, 1 breakfast, 1 Night Accommodation, National Park entrance fees, ferry ride, wildlife park and penguin centre entry fees, small group touring, air conditioned vehicles.

ADD ONS:

12 Apostles Helicopter
Flight \$145



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voucher for \$27
(normally \$32)



SYDNEY-TOUR BLUE MOUNTAINS

OPERATES: DAILY

Departs Sydney 7:00am – Returns 6:00pm

BM01



HIGHLIGHTS

- › Experience the best of the Blue Mountains, a World Heritage listed National Park
- › An itinerary designed for soft adventurers, with a guided bushwalking
- › View the abundance of native flora, fauna and unique Australian wildlife
- › Stop at Featherdale Wildlife Park for an up close personal experience
- › Enjoy a relaxing picnic lunch in one of Australia's most iconic locations
- › Descend the Furber Stairs to the spectacular Jamison Valley and Katoomba Falls.
- › Ride the steepest railway in the world at a staggering 64-degree incline through a cliff-side tunnel (\$19 own expense) or walk back up cliff face
- › See the famous Three Sisters rock formation overlooking an amazing one million hectares of eucalyptus rainforest

INCLUDES: National Park entry, Wildlife Park entry, lunch, Experienced Driver/ Guide, Comprehensive commentary, Small Group Touring.

FARE PRICES

Book 1 Adult \$135pp
Book 2 or more Adults \$130pp

A reasonable level of fitness is required to complete the walks. Enclosed sturdy walking shoes recommended. Minimum age 8 years old.

SYDNEY-TOUR HUNTER VALLEY

OPERATES: TUES/THUR/FRI/SAT/SUN

Departs Sydney 7:00am – Returns 6:30pm

HV01



HIGHLIGHTS

- › Explore a full day in the picturesque Hunter Valley
- › Visiting 3 different boutique wineries and be greeted by the winemakers
- › Take a guided walk through the vines
- › Enjoy a rustic lunch with wine
- › Distillery Vodka, Gin, Liqueur tastings available
- › Sample great Australian wine, cheese, chocolate and fudge
- › Relaxing afternoon in the Hunter Valley Village

INCLUDES: Lunch & Wine Tastings, Experienced Driver Guide, Comprehensive commentary, Travel in small group air-conditioned vehicles.

FARE PRICES

Book 1 Adult \$145pp
Book 2 or more Adults \$140pp

The itinerary may change depending on availability at the wineries. Minimum age 18.

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Luggage Policy: Luggage for **day tours:** There are no luggage storage facilities on day tours, please do not bring your luggage with you. Luggage may be stored with your accommodation provider for the day. Any inappropriate luggage presented on the departure day (including strollers) may result in refusal to board. Luggage for **multi day tours:** Maximum of 20kg per person in a soft travelling pack.

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