



New South Wales

WINE & WILDLIFE SAFARI

7 day Guided Journey

2021 Dates: 24 Apr / 20 Nov

Discover the famous Blue Mountains National Park, home to some of the country's natural attractions, charming villages, scenic walks and native birdlife. Descend into the ancient Jamison Valley by Cableway & explore Jurassic rainforest via the longest boardwalk in Australia. Take a scenic drive to Mudgee for local food and wineries. Enjoy a variety of fantastic cellar doors from local winemakers including of course, wine tasting. Stop in Dubbo and visit the Old Dubbo Gaol before experiencing a slice of Africa with a visit to the Taronga Western Plains Zoo and a stay at the stunning Zoofari Lodge. Lastly, discover the charm of Orange and local villages.

Day 1: Sydney to Blue Mountains (L)

Depart Sydney for the famous Blue Mountains National Park, home to some of the country's most dazzling natural attractions and villages. Arrive at Wentworth Falls & head off on a nature track with spectacular views, swamps, lush ferns and tranquil pools. On completion of our walk, arrive at the Conservation Hut for lunch. From here, we visit the village of Leura before arriving at our accommodation. Dinner is at own expense. *Parklands Country Gardens*

Day 2: Blue Mountains (B)

Explore the beauty of the Blue Mountains. First stop is at the iconic Scenic World, renowned for providing the ultimate Blue Mountains adventure of native birdlife and breathtaking views of the World Heritage-listed region including the Three Sisters, Katoomba Falls and Jamison Valley.

Journey on the world's steepest incline railway, glide between clifftops on the glass-floored Skyway suspended 270 m in the air, descend into the ancient Jamison Valley by Cableway, explore Jurassic rainforest along the 2.4 km walkway - the longest boardwalk in Australia.

Your guide will discuss the history of the Blue Mountains and it's flora and fauna. Return to Lillianfels for some leisure time before travelling to Cahill's Lookout to watch the sunset with views across the Megalong Valley. Enjoy sunset drinks & some light nibbles before arriving at a local restaurant in Leura for a casual dinner. Dinner is at own expense. *Parklands Country Gardens*

Day 3: Blue Mountains - Mudgee (BL)

Enjoy the scenic drive to the Tomah Botanical Gardens. Sitting at 850 metres above sea level, they are the most elevated gardens in Australia and are a showcase of local and imported cool climate plants and alpine rainforest. The 28 hectares of curated garden and a further 244 hectares of wilderness sits inside the UNESCO World Heritage Area.

Continue on a scenic drive to Mudgee. On arrival into the region, enjoy lunch at a local winery and visit a selection of the local wineries before checking in to our accommodation. Dinner is at own expenses. *Perry St Hotel Mudgee*

Day 4: Mudgee Wine Experience (BL)

Mudgee has become one of the most visited Wine Regions in NSW. It is one of the great wine towns, where wineries set on rolling hills serve award-winning drops & epicurean fare.

Today is all about enjoying the delights, wines and locals of the region. Visit 2 boutique wineries for a tasting experience then travel to Guneemooroo Wines for an exclusive lunch with the Winemaker experience.

Before lunch take a walk in the vineyard before enjoying a seated wine tasting paired with lunch. Last stop is at Mudgee Honey Haven for some sampling of the "Honey Mead" and explore the range of local products available.

Return to your accommodation with time to relax and explore town at your leisure. Dinner reservations will be made at a local restaurant and is at own expense. *Perry St Hotel Mudgee*

7 days from \$ 2,995[^]

Single Supplement from \$1,190

INCLUSIONS

- Travel in air conditioned 14-17 seat tour vehicle with reclining leather seats
 - Expert Driver Guide Escort
- 6 nights twin-share accommodation
 - Meals as per itinerary (B-Breakfast, L-Lunch, D-Dinner)
 - Admissions & National Park fees
 - Tours as per Itinerary
- Sustainable water bottles on board.

* Minimum 6 Guests

Day 5: Mudgee - Dubbo (BLD)

Enjoy a country drive to our next destination, Western Plains Zoo. Enroute, we visit the pioneer town of Gulgong. Arrive in Dubbo for a casual lunch & visit to Old Dubbo Gaol.

Then arrive at Western Plains Zoo, where you will experience a slice of Africa without leaving Australia! Zoofari Lodge is set right beside a stunning savannah, home to giraffes, rhinos, zebra and antelope and offers an unrivalled in-zoo safari experience with accommodation in unique lodges. This evening includes dinner and Wine Tasting at the Lodge followed by an evening Spotlight Tour with a Zoo Ranger. *Zoofari Lodge - Animal View*

Day 6: Western Plains Zoo - Orange (B)

Set your alarm or just rely on the Zoo's wildlife alarm to wake you in the morning! We will set off early for a guide morning Tour at the Zoo, followed by breakfast. Checking out of the lodge, we will spend majority of the day exploring the Zoo and its range of exhibits. Mid-afternoon, depart the Zoo and drive to Orange. On arrival, check into our accommodation. *Byng St Boutique Hotel*

Day 7: Orange - Sydney (B)

First stop today is at Swinging Bridge Wines. This family-owned estate is at the forefront of the new guard of premium, cool-climate winemaking. From here it's a short drive to explore the historic heritage listed village of Millthorpe. Enjoy lunch (own expense) at the Old Mill Café. Depart Millthorpe and commence the journey back to Sydney.

