

GOURMET ESCAPE

GREAT SOUTHERN

BRISBANE TO ADELAIDE DEPARTURE FRIDAY

Combine premium food and wine with stunning natural landscapes and some of the country's best cultural icons on this five-night tour of Australia's south-east. Depart from Adelaide and settle into your cabin before arriving in the Grampians for your first included Off Train Experience. Journeying on, you'll immerse yourself in Canberra's rich culture before arriving into Brisbane where the adventure continues beyond the tracks. A culinary adventure awaits you in Tamborine Mountain while three nights in Brisbane make for the perfect way to end your journey.

INCLUSIONS

- 3 nights' accommodation in Brisbane including breakfast
- 1 day Winery tour including lunch
- 4 days / 3 nights aboard the Great Southern, Brisbane to Adelaide including all meals, beverages and Off Train Excursions in Northern New South Wales Coast, Hunter Valley and regional Victoria
- 6 x breakfasts, 4 x lunches, 3 x dinners

HIGHLIGHTS

- Enjoy the drive through beautiful mountain scenery and rainforest to Tamborine Mountain's unique food and wine trail, and take in breathtaking views from one of Tamborine Mountain's iconic lookout points
- Be guided through private wine tastings at 3 picturesque boutique wineries, and enjoy a gourmet two-course lunch at one of the mountain's top wineries
- Visit Australia's most awarded distillery and taste naturally flavoured vodka and liqueurs
- Enjoy a special beachside dining experience on the northern New South Wales coast
- Savour the flavours and sights of picturesque Hunter Valley or Port Stephens
- Immerse yourself in cosmopolitan Melbourne or regional Victoria

DAY 1 – ARRIVE BRISBANE

Welcome to Brisbane! After checking into your accommodation your connection with vibrant Brisbane begins today, with a day free to explore at your leisure. The Queensland capital has come of age and continues to grow as a cosmopolitan metropolis with loads of appeal. It's elegant 19th century sandstone buildings sit alongside superb modern architecture and a cultural precinct lining the banks of the Brisbane River.

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights Pullman Brisbane

DAY 2 – TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN

Today, your gourmet escape sees you leave the city to experience Tamborine Mountain's unique food and wine trail while absorbing spectacular views of rainforest and picturesque landscapes along the journey. Be guided through tastings at three boutique wineries and visit the iconic Tamborine Mountain Distillery. You'll enjoy a gourmet two-course winery lunch and finish with the option to stop at a cheese factory and craft brewery. (B,L)

DAY 3 – LEISURE DAY, BRISBANE

Your connection with the vibrant river city continues today, with a day free to explore at your leisure. Perhaps catch a City Cat and take in the city from the water. Venture across to South Bank, Brisbane's premier lifestyle and cultural destination. It's 17 hectares of lush parklands, world-class eateries, stunning river views make it the perfect place to relax and unwind. Tonight, you may wish to visit Eagle St Pier, one of Brisbane's renowned food precincts. You will find plenty of alfresco dinner options if you are looking to enjoy your last night in the River city with river views. (B)

DAY 4 – BOARD THE GREAT SOUTHERN IN BRISBANE

After setting off from Brisbane, enjoy lunch on board and a relaxing afternoon settling into your private cabin before arriving at the coastal town of Coffs Harbour. As the sun dips beneath the horizon, enjoy a unique beachside dinner where you'll feast on local produce and fresh seafood matched with fine wines, while the waves lap at the shore nearby. After a few leisurely hours, you'll reboard the train and set off for the night. (B,L,D)

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights Great Southern



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DAY 5 - GREAT SOUTHERN, HUNTER VALLEY

Start the day with a hearty breakfast on board before setting off for a full day of Off Train Excursions.

Today you get to choose your own adventure with your choice of the Hunter Valley, Newcastle or Port Stephens. In the evening, return to the train to enjoy a regionally-inspired meal prepared on board before retiring for the night. (B,L,D)

DAY 6 – GREAT SOUTHERN, VICTORIA

After enjoying breakfast and lunch on board, enjoy an afternoon of unique touring experiences in the outback New South Wales towns of Silverton or Broken Hill. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 – GREAT SOUTHERN, ADELAIDE

Upon arrival into Adelaide, your Gourmet Escape comes to an end, or does it? This is the winery state after all where food and wine abound – perhaps you'll choose to stay and explore. (B)