



SOUTHERN EXPLORER WITH SYDNEY STAY

INDIAN PACIFIC

PERTH TO SYDNEY

DEPARTURE SUNDAY 20 OCTOBER 2024

This rich and rewarding journey through the major ports, inland landmarks and pristine islands off the southern coast is the perfect snapshot of the best of Australia. Across 18 magical days you'll travel from Perth to Sydney and back again in absolute style, taking in a huge variety of amazing experiences both on land and water.

INCLUSIONS

- 4 Days aboard the Indian Pacific, Perth to Sydney, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experiences in Kalgoorlie, Rawlinna, Cook, Adelaide and the Blue Mountains
- Transfer from Sydney Central Station to Hotel
- 3 nights' accommodation in Sydney, including breakfast daily
- Sydney Harbour Dinner Cruise
- Transfer from Hotel to Cruise Terminal
- 11 days Southern Explorer from Sydney to Fremantle onboard Crown Princess® cruise ship including all main meals
- 17 breakfasts, 14 lunches, 15 dinners

**A valid passport or government-issued photo identification is required to travel onboard Crown Princess®*

HIGHLIGHTS

- Ponder the vastness of the Australian continent as you cross the Nullarbor Plain
- Enjoy sightseeing and fine food and wine around cosmopolitan Adelaide
- Travel through the World Heritage-listed Blue Mountains to Sydney
- Cruise Sydney Harbour on a 78ft luxury vessel and enjoy a premium lunch
- Sail past Sydney Opera House and the Iconic Sydney cityscape, Taronga Zoo, Luna Park and more
- Stop in the ports of Hobart, Melbourne, Adelaide, Albany and Busselton (Margaret River) with optional shore excursions ^
- Take a dip in the sparkling freshwater pools
- Put your feet up at Movies Under the Stars (TM)

^ Shore Excursions have fees applied

DAY 1 – BOARD THE INDIAN PACIFIC IN PERTH

This morning, board the Indian Pacific and before long, you'll be heading through the delightful Avon Valley. Take time out and relax into the rhythm of this iconic train and its creature comforts. Enjoy a pre-dinner drink in the Outback Explorer Lounge with fellow travellers in anticipation of your late-night arrival into the gold-mining township of Kalgoorlie, where you'll participate in your first Off Train Experience. (L,D)

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights Indian Pacific

DAY 2 – INDIAN PACIFIC, NULLARBOR PLAIN

Wake to a spectacular Nullarbor morning. Relax throughout the day, taking in the outback vistas before visiting the extraordinary and slightly eerie ghost town of Cook, home to a thriving population of four. (B,L,D)

DAY 3 – INDIAN PACIFIC, ADELAIDE

As the landscape changes in the morning and rich ochre sands make way for forests and farmlands, you will arrive into Adelaide, where a range of Off Train Experiences are on offer. You can take a behind-the-scenes tour of Adelaide Oval or see the highlights of the city on foot or by coach. After taking in some of the highlights of the South Australian capital, return to the Indian Pacific to continue your journey toward Sydney. (B,L,D)

DAY 4 – INDIAN PACIFIC, BLUE MOUNTAINS AND SYDNEY

Wake this morning to take in the full spectacle of the Blue Mountains on Sydney's doorstep. After your arrival into Katoomba, select from numerous mountain experiences to explore the World-Heritage listed area. See the majestic Three Sisters at Echo Point and take in the views at Jamison Valley before the culmination of your epic transcontinental crossing. Pulling into Sydney Central Station, you will be transferred to your hotel to check in and make the most of this beautiful harbourside city. (B,L)

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights Swissotel Sydney



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DAY 5 – SYDNEY HARBOUR DINNER CRUISE

Sydney Harbour is photogenic at any time of day, but as the sun sets and you get that pink glow, it really is something else. And of course, once the sun goes down, the city lights shine bright and you appreciate what a gleaming metropolis Sydney really is.

The dinner cruise allows you to see the Harbour from both perspectives, all in sublime comfort and style.

Dinner will be three courses paired with a selection of beers, wine, or soft drinks.

Highlighting the multicultural influences that make Sydney cuisine special including local products of New South Wales. (B,D)

DAY 6 – SYDNEY AT LEISURE

Enjoy leisure time to explore the Harbour City from the CBD to Chinatown, Manly to Newtown, or Barangaroo to Darling Harbour. There are plenty of diverse sights, flavours and experiences to enjoy, including museums, galleries, aquariums, gardens and more. Consider booking an optional tour (additional expense) to make the most of your time in the harbour city (B)

We recommend: Sydney Opera House guided tour – from \$45 pp

Tour the Sydney Opera House with an experienced guide giving you an insider perspective. Learn about the history of this magnificent Concert Hall, from the design and construction to the many unforgettable performances hosted within these elegant halls. Access areas only available on this tour and watch moments from past performances.

DAY 7 – BOARD THE CROWN PRINCESS® IN SYDNEY

The Crown Princess® truly lights up the seas, serving up tantalising cuisine, dazzling live entertainment, and enriching experiences. Relax in The Sanctuary, a tranquil haven reserved for adults, or put your feet up at Movies Under the Stars (TM) - whatever you decide to do, your time onboard will be unforgettable. (B,D)

OVERNIGHT: 11 nights Crown Princess ®

DAY 8 - CROWN PRINCESS®, AT SEA

Familiarise yourself with the layout of the ship today. A variety of everyday dining venues are available including The Salty Dog Grill, Horizon Court, International Café and Slice Pizzeria. Choose from specialty restaurants~ Sabatini's Italian Trattoria, Crown Grill, the Salty Dog Gastropub and the Chef's Table (B,L,D)

DAY 9 – CROWN PRINCESS®, HOBART

Tasmania's capital has much in common with Sydney. Founded but a few years later, Hobart also owes its origins to the establishment of a penal colony - and its natural setting is just as impressive. Seen from its fine deep-water harbour, Hobart spills over the lower reaches of the Derwent Valley as Mt. Wellington towers in the background. Much of the city's heritage is centred on the historic waterfront. North of the city stretches the vast parkland of the Queen's Domain. Many of Tasmania's other attractions are within easy reach of Hobart. (B,L,D)

DAY 10 CROWN PRINCESS®, AT SEA

Enjoy today at your leisure. Perhaps indulge in a decadent afternoon tea in the dining room where you can enjoy freshly prepared finger sandwiches, cakes and cookies, accompanied by a wide variety of teas, or coffee. (B,L,D)

DAY 11 – CROWN PRINCESS®, MELBOURNE

Melbourne is a UNESCO City of Literature and Australia's cultural capital. It is home to arts, music and an unparalleled sporting scene. Effortlessly walkable, spend your time here strolling the quaint arcades and laneways. The ship docks at Melbourne's Station Pier Cruise Terminal, a short light rail ride away from the city centre. (B,L,D)

DAY 12 – CROWN PRINCESS®, AT SEA

Relax in one of the lounges, read a good book or visit The Sanctuary, an exclusive adults-only retreat offering a relaxing alternative to the myriad of outdoor activities and entertainment available elsewhere on the ship. (B,L,D)



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DAY 13 – CROWN PRINCESS®, ADELAIDE

Adelaide combines the charm of a picturesque country town with lively cosmopolitan offerings. The city centre is compact and easily walkable, with wide, tree-lined boulevards, superb Victorian and Edwardian architecture, tranquil parks and the highest number of restaurants per capita of any city in Australia. The ship docks at the Outer Harbour of Port Adelaide, with a railway station close by providing easy access to the city centre.

Beyond the city and the rugged Adelaide Hills lie the Barossa and Eden Valleys. Here Australian vintners are winning international acclaim for their Cabernet Sauvignon, Riesling, Sauvignon Blanc and Shiraz. (B,L,D)

DAY 14 – CROWN PRINCESS®, AT SEA

Enjoy a musical production, dabble in the casino, or perhaps join a cooking demonstration~. Don't forget to peruse the daily newsletter 'Princess Patter' for today's events. (B,L,D)

DAY 15 – CROWN PRINCESS®, AT SEA

Today is yours to enjoy. Take some time today to relax and revitalise with a dip in one of the freshwater pools or hot tubs. Enjoy the sea breeze as you soak up the sun in a padded lounge with a good book, listen to music, or dream about your next adventure. (B,L,D)

DAY 16 – CROWN PRINCESS®, ALBANY

Albany is situated on the south coast of Western Australia's tourist region. It faces the Southern Ocean and is on the shores of King George Sound and Princess Royal Harbour. Being the site of the first European settlement, much of their legacy remains today with around 50 colonial buildings standing proudly as museums, galleries, and restaurants. Visitors can take in almost two centuries of history on a 30-minute walk following the Amity Trail. The whaling station at Frenchman Bay was the last whaling station in all of Australia, closing in 1978. Today it is home to Whale World, the only museum of its kind in the world to be housed in a formerly fully-operational whaling station. One can not only board a whaling boat but also have the opportunity to spot migrating whales. (B,L,D)

DAY 17 – CROWN PRINCESS®, MARGARET RIVER (BUSSELTON)

This vibrant coastal city is a laid-back charmer with an enticing array of natural wonders and active pursuits. Just steps from the mile-long Jetty are glistening white sand beaches and sun-drenched seaside villages. Yet the magic of the Margaret River area beckons with 120 premium wineries; ancient caves boasting a subterranean world of jaw-dropping stalactite, stalagmite, helictite and shawl formations; a fascinating Aboriginal culture rooted in ancient history; and a picture-perfect landscape of meandering country roads and spectacular scenery. (B,L,D)

DAY 18 - CROWN PRINCESS®, FREMANTLE

Lying at the mouth of the Swan River, historic Fremantle - founded in 1829 - is your gateway to Perth, the capital of Western Australia. Situated on the banks of the Swan River some 15 miles upriver from Fremantle, Perth is a bustling city where soaring high-rises co-exist with elegant sandstone buildings from the colonial era.

Your incredible journey exploring capital cities, outback deserts, pristine islands, and remote wilderness concludes as you farewell the Crown Princess® this morning upon arrival into Fremantle (B)

~ Charges apply. Specialty Restaurants, pricing, and menu items vary by ship and are subject to change.