



## SOUTHERN EXPLORER WITH PERTH STAY

### INDIAN PACIFIC

SYDNEY TO PERTH

DEPARTURE WEDNESDAY 08 OCTOBER 2025

This circuit of southern Australia is a rich and rewarding journey through the major ports, inland landmarks and pristine islands off the southern coast, followed by a transcontinental train adventure. Across 1 magical days you'll travel from Sydney to Perth and back again, taking in a variety of incredible experiences on both land and water

#### INCLUSIONS

- 4 days aboard the Indian Pacific, Sydney to Perth, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experiences in Broken Hill, Adelaide, Cook and Rawlinna
- Transfer from Rail Terminal to Hotel
- 2 nights' accommodation in Perth, including breakfast daily
- Full-day Discover Rottnest tour
- 11-day Southern Explorer Cruise from Fremantle to Sydney with Crown Princess®, with select meals included
- 16 breakfasts, 13 lunches, 14 dinners

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

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Engage with Broken Hill's booming arts scene and mining heritage
- Taste the local products in the world-famous wine regions around Adelaide
- Ponder the vastness of the Australian continent as you cross the Nullarbor Plain
- Explore the vibrant city of Perth, Australia's sunniest capital
- Meet the quokkas on beautiful Rottnest Island
- Stop in the ports of Busselton (Margaret River), Albany, Adelaide, Melbourne, Hobart, and Sydney 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*

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

#### DAY 1 – BOARD THE INDIAN PACIFIC IN SYDNEY

Departing Sydney's Central Station, get acquainted with your cabin and fellow travellers. Take in spectacular views as the Indian Pacific winds through the Blue Mountains. Tonight, you will enjoy your first meal on board – a regionally inspired dinner paired with fine wine and beverages. After dinner, consider a nightcap in the lounge before you retire to your cabin. (B,D)

#### DAY 2 – INDIAN PACIFIC, BROKEN HILL AND ADELAIDE

Prior to breakfast, prepare for your first Off Train Experience in Broken Hill, the Silver City. Explore mining heritage through visiting the Broken Hill Trades Hall and the striking Miners Memorial that stands over the town or for a different take on Broken Hill, go on a tour of the main drag with fabulous local Drag Queen sensation, Shelita Buffet.

Art aficionados may opt to visit the captivating Living Desert Sculpture site or take in the exhibitions at the oldest regional art gallery in New South. Alternatively, ignite a sense of nostalgia at Bells Milk Bar, an icon of Broken Hill, sipping on malted milk while a performance by Cindy and Johnny takes you back to the 50's.

Breakfast is served back on board as the Indian Pacific departs the Silver City. Travel south west through Ngadjuri country for lunch onboard as the Indian Pacific enters the southern tips of the ancient Flinders Ranges.

Arriving in Adelaide in the late afternoon, you'll have the opportunity for an Off Train Experience, exploring the South Australian Museum or indulging in an epicurean experience. Visit the Barossa Valley or McLaren Vale to sample fine South Australian wines before an indulgent meal, or try a cheese or gin tasting in the charming Adelaide Hills village of Hahndorf before feasting at Haus – a German restaurant showcasing the best in local produce. Alternatively, visit Adelaide Central Markets for a tour and exclusive sit-down dinner.

After dinner, return to the train to continue your journey west. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 3 – INDIAN PACIFIC, NULLARBOR PLAIN

Today is all about those amazing outback views as you cross this famous stretch of the Australian interior, the ancient Nullarbor Plain, on the longest stretch of straight



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railway track in the world. En route, the Indian Pacific calls in to Cook, once-bustling, now almost-ghost town that was originally built as a support town for the railway. Travelling further west, the next stop is at Rawlinna on the fringe of Australia's largest sheep station for a signature dinner under a thousand stars (seasonal). (B,L,D)

### DAY 4 – INDIAN PACIFIC, PERTH

Admire the delightful undulations of the Avon Valley and enjoy a final breakfast on board as the final stage of your transcontinental crossing unfolds, heading into Perth. After being transferred to your hotel, the rest of the day is yours to explore Perth at your leisure. (B,L)

**OVERNIGHT:** 2 nights Novotel Perth Murray St

### DAY 5 – ROTTNEST ISLAND

Join the scheduled transfer by Rottnest Express or make your way to Barrack Street Jetty and board Rottnest Express bound for Rottnest Island, 22kms offshore. Upon arrival enjoy time to explore the island at your leisure – make sure you meet a quokka! A 90-minute air-conditioned afternoon bus tour around 'Rotto' takes you to some spectacular locations, including Wadjemup Lighthouse and the boardwalk lookout at the rugged west end. Return to Perth by ferry in the afternoon. (B)

### DAY 6 – BOARD THE CROWN PRINCESS® IN FREMANTLE

You will be transferred to the Cruise Terminal and board the Crown Princess® ready to truly light up the seas. Expect 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<sup>(TM)</sup> - whatever you decide to do, your time on board will be unforgettable. (B,D)

**OVERNIGHT:** 11 nights Crown Princess®

### DAY 7 – CROWN PRINCESS®, MARGARET RIVER (BUSSELTON)

(Water Shuttle Required, Wheelchair access limited)

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 Busselton Jetty are glistening white-sand beaches and sun-drenched seaside villages stretch along the coast. 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 8 – 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. You can not only board a whaling boat, but also have the opportunity to spot migrating whales. (B,L,D)

### DAY 9 – 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 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®, 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 the 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)



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### 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 outdoor activities and entertainment available elsewhere on the ship. (B,L,D)

Farewell the Crown Princess® this morning upon arrival into Sydney where your incredible journey comes to an end. (B)

### DAY 13 – 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 14 – CROWN PRINCESS®, AT SEA

Today is yours to enjoy. Take some time 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. Don't forget to peruse the daily newsletter 'Princess Patter' for today's events. (B,L,D)

### DAY 15 – 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 16 – CROWN PRINCESS®, AT SEA

Visit the Shops of Princess for the last chance to pick up some keepsakes and souvenirs. Enjoy a musical production, dabble in the casino~, or simply relax in a lounge sipping one last cocktail~ as you enjoy your final evening on board the Crown Princess®. (B,L,D)

### DAY 17 – CROWN PRINCESS®, SYDNEY

As your ship passes Harbour Heads, you are presented with the shimmering skyline of Sydney - hailed by many seafarers as "the most beautiful harbour in the world." Two prominent landmarks, Sydney Harbour Bridge and the sail-like curves of the Sydney Opera House, grace the backdrop of this picturesque harbour.