



JOURNEY BEYOND
INDIAN PACIFIC

PERTH LUXURY STAY

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SYDNEY TO PERTH
DEPARTING WEDNESDAY
(JANUARY TO DECEMBER)
7 Days / 6 nights

Crossing Australia from Sydney to Perth aboard the Indian Pacific is one of the world's great rail journeys and your experience doesn't have to end when you arrive. Enjoy three nights' accommodation at the beautiful Ritz-Carlton, Perth, and try your hand at harvesting your very own pearl at Willie Creek Pearls.

INCLUSIONS

- 3 nights aboard the Indian Pacific, Sydney to Perth, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experiences in Broken Hill, Adelaide, Cook and Rawlinna
- Transfer from East Perth Rail Terminal to hotel
- 3 nights' accommodation in Perth, including breakfast daily
- Willie Creek Pearls, Harvest Your Own Pearl experience
- 6 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 3 dinners

HIGHLIGHTS

- Witness the barren beauty of the Nullarbor Plain
- Discover the almost-ghost town of Cook
- Explore the vibrant city of Perth, Australia's sunniest capital
- Harvest your own Australian South Sea Pearl straight from a *Pinctada maxima* oyster
- Taste the rare and expensive delicacy of pearl meat

Please note, itineraries 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. (D)

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights Indian Pacific

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 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)



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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. Transfer to your accommodation, where your Perth discovery begins. (B)

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights The Ritz-Carlton, Perth

DAY 5 – WILLIE CREEK PEARLS, PERTH

Enjoy a unique, once in a lifetime experience of harvesting your own Australian South Sea Pearl straight from a *Pinctada maxima* oyster. The pearls are produced at the Willie Creek Pearl Farm in Broome and brought to Perth for this exclusive experience. The value of the pearl inside remains unknown until the breathtaking moment the oyster is opened. After the pearl has been harvested, you will be taken through the grading process and explore the five key virtues that influence its value. If the pearl is valued between \$500 and \$3,000 AUD, it is yours to keep.

As part of your tour experience, you will have the opportunity to enjoy a taste of the rare and expensive delicacy of pearl meat with a glass of Margaret River sparkling wine.

Conclude your tour with a guided introduction to the Willie Creek Pearls showroom and marvel at the stunning range of pearl jewellery. (B)

DAY 6 – PERTH

Today is a day of relaxation, take advantage of the hotel facilities or explore the city of Perth. (B)

DAY 7 – FAREWELL

After breakfast, check out of your accommodation. This signals the end of your epic journey across Australia. (B)