

PERTH & SYDNEY LUXURY STAY

INDIAN PACIFIC

SYDNEY TO PERTH
DEPARTING SUNDAY (JANUARY TO DECEMBER)
10 Days / 9 nights

Start your rail adventure ensconced in luxury with three nights accommodation in Sydney and VIP guided touring at Sydney Opera House. Then, cross Australia from east to west aboard the Indian Pacific, one of the world's great train rail journeys. Your experience doesn't end when you arrive. Enjoy three nights' accommodation in Perth and try your hand at harvesting your very own pearl at Willie Creek Pearls.

INCLUSIONS

- 3 nights' accommodation in Sydney, including breakfast daily
- Sydney Opera House Bennelong Experience including guided tour and dinner
- Transfer from hotel to Sydney Central Station
- 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
- 9 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 4 dinners

HIGHLIGHTS

- Discover the history of the Sydney Opera House with a VIP guided tour
- Delight in a culturally significant and inspiring menu at Bennelong
- Explore mining and artistic history in Broken Hill
- Visit the foodie capital of South Australia, Adelaide
- 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 – ARRIVE SYDNEY

Make your way to Sydney, where your holiday experience starts after checking into your stunning accommodation. The rest of the day is at your leisure to discover the many attractions of this buzzing harbour city.

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights Kimpton Margot Sydney

DAY 2 – SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE, BENNELONG EXPERIENCE

This morning is at your leisure to enjoy the many comforts of your accommodation or perhaps head out for some self-guided exploration.

Later today, make your own way to the Sydney Opera House to meet your guide. Your VIP tour will take you on a journey to uncover the untold stories and history. Learn about the magnificent Concert Hall and gain specific access to areas that are usually off limits to the public.

Conclude your tour at Bennelong restaurant where you will indulge in a culturally significant and inspiring 2-course dinner showcasing a most magnificent production of Australian food and wine. (B,D)

DAY 3 – SYDNEY

Today is yours 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 take in, including museums, galleries, aquariums, gardens and more. (B)

DAY 4 – BOARD THE INDIAN PACIFIC IN SYDNEY

Your adventure begins at Sydney's Central Station, where the Indian Pacific waits to carry you across the continent. As the train eases away from the platform and city skylines fall away, you'll soon be surrounded by the soaring sandstone cliffs and deep valleys of the Blue Mountains. Settle into your cabin or join fellow travellers in the lounge for a drink as the journey unfolds.

This evening, take your seat in the dining carriage for your first regionally-inspired dinner, thoughtfully paired with fine Australian wines and beverages. Afterward, return to the lounge carriage for a nightcap or retreat to your cabin as the train rolls westward. (B,D)

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights Indian Pacific



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DAY 5 – INDIAN PACIFIC, BROKEN HILL, MCLAREN VALE, ADELAIDE AND SURROUNDS

Your morning begins in Broken Hill, the fabled Silver City. After a hearty breakfast, step off the train for your first Off Train Experience and discover the town's rich mining history and enduring character on a guided walking tour. Alternatively, explore its creative spirit with a lively morning of entertainment, local flavours, and stories that reveal a different side of Broken Hill.

Back on board, enjoy breakfast and lunch as the Indian Pacific sweeps past the southern tip of the Flinders Ranges, South Australia, and arrives into Adelaide by late afternoon for a choice of curated food and wine experiences. Savour the flavours of the Fleurieu Peninsula with a tasting of regional wines, local produce, and South Australian spirits, followed by dinner showcasing the region's seasonal character. Alternatively, discover the Adelaide Hills with a wine tasting among the vines before dinner inspired by the region's German heritage and local produce. In the city, explore Adelaide's brewing heritage with a behind-the-scenes Coopers brewery experience, followed by a teppanyaki dinner and evening stroll to Adelaide Oval (seasonal). Or discover the historic Adelaide Central Market after hours with curated tastings, a hands-on culinary experience, and a produce-led dinner accompanied by regional wines and live music.

After a memorable evening, return to the Indian Pacific to continue your westward journey. (B,L,D)

DAY 6 – INDIAN PACIFIC, NULLARBOR PLAIN

Today is all about the vast, unforgettable views of the Nullarbor Plain. Awaken to the rolling dunes of Ooldea and spend the morning watching from your window as the landscape morphs into iconic arid country. You'll journey across the legendary expanse on the world's longest stretch of straight railway track, before pausing at Cook, a once-bustling railway town and now a near-empty outpost with stories etched into its weathered buildings.

By evening the train will roll into Rawlinna, on the edge of Australia's largest sheep station. Here, the outback comes alive as you dine beneath a canopy of stars at a spectacular signature long-table dinner (seasonal/weather permitting). Alternatively, gather around a roaring bonfire with drinks and canapés to soak up the atmosphere of this remarkable setting. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 – INDIAN PACIFIC, PERTH

Wake to the soft light over Western Australia's Avon Valley, its rolling green hills a fitting finale to your transcontinental adventure. Savour a leisurely brunch on board as the train makes its final approach into Perth. Soon, you'll step off the Indian Pacific, farewelling fellow travellers and crew before transferring to your accommodation, where your Perth discovery begins with the remainder of the day at leisure. (B)

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights COMO The Treasury

DAY 8 – 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 9 – PERTH

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

DAY 10 – FAREWELL

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