Fairmont Travel presents... Exploring Australia September 13 – 27, 2014



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15 Days • 21 Meals: 12 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 7 Dinners

Per Person Rates*:

Double \$7,769

Single \$9,269; Triple \$7,719

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Houston Intl, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers **Not included in price:** Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$270 per person

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change and based on a minimum of 20 passengers

traveling in your group

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. Once deposited, you have 7 days to send us written consumer consent or withdraw consent and receive a full refund. (See registration form for consent.)



Day 1 – 2: September 13 – 14, 2014 Depart from Home Board your overnight flight for your trip to Australia. Crossing the International Dateline, you skip a day ahead.

Day 3: Monday, September 15, 2014 Arrive Melbourne, Australia - Tour Begins

Your tour begins in the beautiful Victorian city of Melbourne on the shores of Port Phillip Bay. You'll immediately sense its lively and cosmopolitan pulse. This evening, enjoy fine Australian cuisine on the fabulous Colonial Tramcar Restaurant. (D)

Day 4: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 Melbourne This morning enjoy a city tour which includes Fitzroy Gardens, the Shrine of Remembrance and Parliament House. Enjoy some time at leisure to explore Melbourne independently. You may visit the elegant parks and gardens in this friendly city, take a ride on a streetcar or enjoy lunch at an outdoor café in the quaint Italian neighborhood of Carlton. Then, visit Phillip Island, a renowned nature reserve and home of the world's largest colony of Little Penguins. At the Phillip Island Little Penguin Reserve, the Little Penguins are protected and rangers diligently study them. View the Little Penguin Parade as hundreds of them waddle out of the sea and cross the beach

to their burrows in the dunes. At the interpretation center you have a chance to learn about the life of the Little Penguins and their significance to the area. (B, D)

Day 5: Wednesday, September 17, 2014 Melbourne Enjoy a free morning to independently explore the elegant parks and gardens in the friendly city of Melbourne. Later, visit a real Australian farm, Warrook Farm. Take a guided tour including the 100-year-old heritage homestead and many of the secrets of this cattle farm. Next, make your way back to Phillip Island for a stop at a Koala Conservation Center to see koalas in their natural setting. (*B*)

Day 6: Thursday, September 18, 2014 Melbourne - Alice Springs This morning, depart for Alice Springs and delve into life in the remote Outback. A sightseeing tour of the area includes the Old Telegraph Station where you learn how people communicated in the 1800s. Gain insight into the educational system in the Outback with a visit to the School of the Air; you may even see a class in session! Visit the Royal Flying Doctor Service Visitor Centre to enjoy a spectacular interactive museum. Stop at Anzac Hill for wonderful views of Alice Springs. Tonight, enjoy dining and entertainment during a traditional



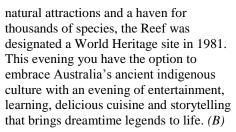
dinner in the bush. Bask in Outback hospitality under the stars of the Southern Hemisphere. (B, D)

Day 7: Friday, September 19, 2014 Alice Springs - Uluru (Ayers Rock) Today you journey to Uluru, the Aboriginal name for Ayers Rock. Set in the heart of the Australian Outback, this huge monolith and the sandstone domes known as Kata Tjuta were created through the process of upheaval and erosion. Tour the Olgas and the base of "the Rock," learning about their geological beginning and attributes. As the sun sets, enjoy a champagne toast and watch as Uluru magically changes color. (*B*)

Day 8: Saturday, September 20, 2014

Uluru This morning, meet your fellow travelers at the Circle of Sand in the town square. Here you will be met by your local Anangu guide to have a "yarn," the word commonly used by the Indigenous people meaning "to have a chat" or to "storytell." The yarn you receive depends on the season. This evening, enjoy the Sounds of Silence. **Dine in the desert night and listen to tales of the stars from your very own storyteller.** (*B*, *D*)

Day 9: Sunday, September 21, 2014 Uluru - **Cairns** Leaving behind Australia's Outback, you are off to Cairns, the tropical gateway to the Great Barrier Reef. One of the world's most spectacular



Day 10: Monday, September 22, 2014 **Cairns** This morning, board the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway for an unforgettable ride above the rain forest canopy. There are two stops where you may get off the cableway and experience the forest floor from specially designed boardwalks. The amazing diversity of plants, animals and birds simply astounds. This afternoon a thrilling undertaking awaits as you search for crocodiles in their natural habitat during a visit to Hartley's Croc Farm. Boardwalks take you on a path of adventure through rain forests and woodlands to see animals such as wild birds, reptiles and wallabies. While visiting you also have the opportunity to meet some of the local koalas and have a private talk with a wildlife naturalist to learn more about these cuddly creatures. Embark on an exciting cruise in the lagoon looking for crocodiles before enjoying a delicious Aussie barbecue. (B, D)



Day 11: Tuesday, September 23, 2014 Great Barrier Reef Board a high-speed catamaran for an exciting excursion to the Great Barrier Reef. From your base on Green Island, you are able to explore the reef in many ways. Enjoy a trip on a glass bottom boat* where beautifully colored fish swim beneath in their natural habitat. Choose a stroll on the walking trail to take in the rain forest and the beaches, snorkel or watch the fish and sea turtles swim past from the pier. You may also visit the underwater observatory. For a more adventurous encounter with the reef, optional scuba diving and an outer reef tour are also available. (B, L)

Day 12: Wednesday, September 24, 2014 Cairns - Sydney Head for the exciting city of Sydney! Tonight, sample Sydney's best dining experiences – all in a single evening. Think of it as an epicurean tour with each course in a different, unforgettable restaurant on Sydney's stunning Darling Harbour. (*B*, *D*)

Day 13: Thursday, September 25, 2014 Hunter Valley Today you travel to Hunter Valley, Australia's oldest wine producing district. The vineyards that dot the landscape of Hunter Valley produce some of Australia's most renowned wines. Visit some of the wineries for tastings, guided tours and lunch. The evening is free to explore Sydney at your leisure. Maybe try one of Sydney's eclectic restaurants! (B, L)

Day 14: Friday, September 26, 2014

Sydney Your day is at leisure. Those interested can choose to take an optional tour of Sydney and the Sydney Opera House, one of the world's most fascinating architectural structures. Highlights of this city tour include Kings Cross, the Harbour Bridge, Chinatown, the Rocks, Circular Quay, the Botanic Gardens and the fashionable suburb of Paddington. This evening, say farewell to Sydney with an unforgettable experience as you dine while cruising Svdnev Harbour. Marvel at grand views of the city's great icons - the Harbour Bridge and the Sydney Opera House. (B, D)

Day 15: Saturday, September 27, 2014 Sydney - Tour Ends You depart for home with wonderful memories of this inspiring country. (*B*)

For important reservation information visit www.collettevacations.com/link/570357. You can also find this information on your tour documents.

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Days 1, 2	Overnight Flight
Days 3 – 5	Novotel Melbourne on Collins, Melbourne
Day 6	Hilton Alice Springs, Alice Springs
Days 7, 8	Desert Gardens, Ayers Rock
Days 9 – 11	Novotel Cairns Oasis Resort, Cairns
Days 12 – 14	Novotel Rockford Darling Harbour, Sydney
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On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

PLEASE NOTE:

To complete your vacation, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing Collette airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Subject to change pending air schedule.

*If you purchase the outer reef option in the Great Barrier Reef, the glass bottom boat ride will be replaced by a semi-submersible boat on the outer reef pontoon.

Due to changes in air schedules while on tour, the order of days in the itinerary may change. Due to early arrival times in some cities, rooms may not always be ready for immediate check-in.

NOTES:

Wildlife sightings cannot be guaranteed with the exception of visits to wildlife parks.

The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price of your vacation. These flights need to be arranged and purchased separately if you arrange your own air. Internal flights are included with the air portion of your vacation if you purchase air through Collette Vacations.

This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven grounds and cobblestone streets.

Air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

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RES#: 570357 TRAVEL DATE: 9/13/2014 TERRITORY: T1

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First deposit of \$250 per person due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the seat reduction date of 4/8/2014 are based upon availability. Final payment due by 7/13/2014. The waiver insurance fees are fully refundable up to 4/15/2014.

YOUR INFORMATION:

Clearly print your full name (first/middle/last) as it appears on your government issued travel documentation.

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Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult.

Sydney

Tour Sydney and the Opera House

Spend your morning exploring the fun-loving city of Sydney where the English explorer James Cook first dropped anchor in 1770. Begin with a tour that includes sights such as Kings Cross, the Harbour Bridge, Chinatown, the Rocks, Circular Quay, the Botanic Gardens and the fashionable suburb of Paddington. Discover one of the world's most fascinating architectural sights as you take a guided tour of the Sydney Opera House, poised majestically on Sydney Harbour. *Duration: Approximately 3.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Cairns

Aboriginal Cultural Experience After Sunset

At Tjapukai by Night, embrace Australia's ancient indigenous culture with an evening of entertainment, learning, good home-cooked food and storytelling that brings dreamtime legends to life. Enjoy a welcome drink on arrival before you are initiated into the Tjapukai culture through a mystical didgeridoo blessing ceremony. Dine on a delicious international buffet then watch as the Aboriginal dancers perform live for you. It's an unforgettable cultural evening you shouldn't miss! *Duration: Approximately 3 hours.* Please note a minimum of 1 passengers is required. Transportation is included.



The Outer Reef Experience

Jump in and explore the vibrant, colorful world teeming with life at the outer Great Barrier Reef. This massive reef system, the largest in the world, can actually be seen from space. Cruise across the water by catamaran to the Outer Reef pontoon where a diverse, bountiful ecosystem is yours to discover. See the kaleidoscopic underwater sea life from up close as you snorkel along the reef and board a semi-submersible. Many other fascinating activities await you on the Outer Reef. If you're feeling adventurous, you can even take an introductory scuba dive along the reef. You're sure to have a once-in-a-lifetime experience exploring one of the seven natural wonders of the world.

Passengers choosing this option and the "Hot Air Ballooning Adventure" may take a later boat without a stop on Green Island. Important Notations: This option is recommended for strong swimmers and those comfortable in an ocean environment. Scuba diving is an additional cost and some medical restrictions and a waiver of liability will apply. *Duration: Approximately 8.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 1 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

\$100 USD

\$130 USD

\$170 USD



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