Heart of Tasmania

Hobart Return

10 days / 9-night Classic Journey

Visit 17 places

Tasmania is home to an array of natural splendours – be tempted by its beauty with 10 days to discover its untamed experiences. Savour highlights with a cruise on the Gordon River from the town of Strahan. Explore the majestic Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park. Finally, visit the fascinatingly untouched Tarkine region on a journey across the island.

Trip Overview

Day	Destination
01	Hobart
02	Strahan
03	Cradle Mountain
04	Cradle Mountain
05	Smithton
06	Launceston
07	Launceston
08	Freycinet National Park
09	Freycinet National Park
10	Hobart

Signature Experiences

- Cruise tranquil Gordon River.
- Explore Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park and Dove Lake.
- Exclusive – Enjoy a guided walk through the wilderness of the Tarkine.
- Exclusive – Savour a Tasmanian fare dinner.
- Visit Josef Chromy, a northern winery that celebrates Tasmanian grapes, for a specially prepared lunch.
- Exclusive – Tour Bridestowe Lavender Estate distillery and sample unique fare.
- Meet a rare Tasmanian devil at East Coast Natureworld.

Key

Signature Experience
Freedom of Choice
BLD Breakfast Lunch Dinner

Day 01: Arrive Hobart

Arrive in the romantic harbour town of Hobart, where we'll meet you on arrival and transfer you to your hotel. The second-oldest capital in Australia, Hobart offers captivating history, exceptional experiences and classic heritage charm. Later, enjoy your selected Freedom of Choice activity. This evening, delight in a welcome dinner and drink with fellow APT travellers. **D**

Stay: Hobart, Hotel Grand Chancellor.

Day 02: Russell Falls, Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park, Strahan

Discover the magic of Russell Falls in Mt Field National Park today, then continue to World Heritage-listed Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park. Visit The Wall in the Wilderness, before travelling via the mining town of Queenstown to Strahan. Tonight, savour dinner at View 42° Restaurant and Bar. **BD**

Stay: Strahan Village, Harbour View Room.

Day 03: Strahan, Cradle Mountain

After breakfast this morning, board the luxurious Spirit of the Wild for a cruise along the secluded wilderness highway, the Gordon River. From the comfort of the Captain's Premier Upper Deck, glide across Macquarie Harbour and enter the Franklin-Gordon Wild Rivers National Park. Stopping at Heritage Landing, prepare for a guided rainforest walk. Back on board, you'll be treated to a delicious lunch of fresh produce before arriving at Tasmania's World Heritage-listed Sarah Island. Here you'll get a chilling insight into the cruelties of convict life as you explore the ruins of what was once a prison settlement. Cruise past Hells Gates, then return to Strahan. From here, set off by coach for Peppers Cradle Mountain Lodge, set on the edge of Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park. **BLD**

Two Nights: Peppers Cradle Mountain Lodge.

Day 04: Cradle Mountain, Dove Lake

Today, set out to explore Dove Lake with a friendly local guide, admiring the beauty of Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park. Visit Waldheim Chalet, then enjoy your Freedom of Choice Sightseeing inclusion. Perhaps indulge in a wine and cheese tasting or learn about the flora and fauna of the region during a walk with a naturalist guide. Alternatively, enjoy a free afternoon then go searching for native animals on a night spotlight tour. **BD**

Day 05: Stanley, Tarkine, Smithton

Today, travel to Stanley, set in the shadow of The Nut. Journey through the Tarkine region and stop at Sumac Lookout for views of the Arthur River. Continue to the Julius River Forest Reserve for a rainforest walk and afternoon tea. Later, head to Smithton for an exclusive Tasmanian fare dinner. **BD**

Stay: Smithton, Tall Timbers Hotel.

Day 06: Smithton, Sheffield, Launceston

This morning, visit Entally House, an historic homestead surrounded by splendid gardens. The house contains a collection of regency furniture and fine silver, and its outbuildings include a chapel, coach house, stables and Australia's oldest conservatory. Continue on to Sheffield, to see the life-size murals that have put this farming community on the map as the 'Town of Murals'. Then travel to Cataract Gorge. Follow a river path to see its geological wonders and enjoy the fresh Tasmanian air. **BD**

Two Nights: Launceston, Peppers Silo Hotel.

Day 07: Launceston

Packed with a plethora of old country charm, delicious food and wine, as well as elegant Colonial and Victorian architecture, Launceston has one of the best-preserved early cityscapes in Australia. Here, enjoy your selected sightseeing activity. Perhaps discover the wonders of Seahorse World or

see the elusive inhabitants of Platypus House in a unique indoor setting. Alternatively, embark on a historic journey as you enjoy a guided tour of the Beaconsfield Mine & Heritage Centre. Or, join a fully guided tour of James Boag's historic brewery, which concludes in a tasting. Continue to Josef Chromy, a northern winery that prides itself on celebrating Tasmanian grapes. Here you'll be treated to a specially prepared lunch and have the chance to sample some of the winery's finest drops. The remainder of the afternoon will be enjoyed at your leisure. **BL**

Day 08: Launceston, Bridestowe Lavender Estate, Freycinet National Park

Today you'll travel through the scenic wine-producing areas of northern Tasmania en route to the Bridestowe Lavender Estate. Here, take a tour of the distillery and sample unique lavender-infused fare. After, traverse Weldborough Pass, past forested hills and farmland, and stop at East Coast Natureworld to meet a Tasmanian devil. Enjoy a relaxed dinner this evening. **BD**

Two Nights: Freycinet National Park, Freycinet Lodge.

Day 09: Freycinet National Park

After breakfast this morning, you'll enjoy a guided tour along Cape Tourville, admiring the stunning coastal scenery. Tonight, savour a gourmet BBQ that showcases the finest regional produce, with views overlooking Coles Bay (weather permitting). **BD**

Day 10: Freycinet National Park, Ross, Richmond, Hobart

Depart for Hobart this morning, via Ross and Richmond. Spend time at leisure before you bid a fond farewell to the Apple Isle. We also say goodbye before we transfer you to the airport for your flight. **B**

Above The Nut, Stanley

Trip from **$4,995** per person twin share

Dates and Prices (A$)	Twin From	Solo From
10 Days Hobart Return (RTH10)		
2020 January **7**, **21**; February **4**, **18**, **25**; March **3**, **17**, **31**; May **5**; August **11** September **8**, 22; October **6**, 20; November **3**, 17; December 8, **22**	$4,995	$6,495
2021 January **5**, 12, **19**, 26; February **2**, 9, **16**, 23; March **2**, 9, 16, 23, **30** April 13, **27**; May 11, 25; June 15; July 20; August 17	$4,995	$6,495

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