

# TASMANIA

A TRAVEL PROFESSIONAL'S GUIDE



Kayaking on the Pieman River,  
Corinna  
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# TASMANIA

COME DOWN FOR AIR



Dove Lake and Lake Lilla, Cradle Mountain  
Cradle Mountain Lake St Clair National Park  
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Tasmania is no ordinary place.  
And Tasmanians are no ordinary people.

# WHY TASMANIA



Mount Field National Park  
Tasmanian Wilderness  
World Heritage Area  
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## SLOW DOWN. UNPLUG. BREATHE DEEP.

—— A journey to Tasmania is a rare chance to disconnect from stress and reconnect with the things that matter.

About 40 per cent of the island is protected as national parks, reserves and UNESCO World Heritage areas and, remarkably, these wild places are easily accessible. Hike the tallest sea cliffs in the southern hemisphere, and breathe some of the purest air in the world. In World Heritage wilderness, walk in valleys where Huon pines grow for thousands of years, where rivers meet rare temperate rainforest, and snow-peaked mountains shadow buttongrass plains. See wildlife that exists nowhere else on Earth.

Geographic isolation has contributed to unique biodiversity, and it has also fostered a rare community of creative, down-to-earth, resourceful people with time to make you feel welcome. This is a place where seasonality and hospitality go hand in hand.

One of the joys of travelling in Tasmania is not just the chance to taste produce straight from the farm and ocean, but the ease of meeting the makers at cellar doors, farm gates and local markets. And with four distinct seasons, there's always something new to see, taste and feel.

This is a place for adventure, however you define it. Test yourself on scores of mountain-bike trails, tee off on top-ranked golf courses overlooking Bass Strait, cast for wild brown trout in glacial tarns, and raft on wild rivers. Find stories and freedom on road trips connecting wild places, quintessential Tassie towns and friendly locals.

Whether the view is from the privacy of a hot tub in a forest, from a kayak for two, or fireside with Tassie whisky and friends, the world looks different from Tasmania.



# ABOUT TASMANIA



Tasmanian devil (*Sarcophilus harrisii*),  
Tasmanian Devil Unzoo  
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## Tasmania has Australia's...

### **PUREST AIR**

Kennaook / Cape Grim

### **OLDEST BRIDGE**

Richmond, convict-built in 1825

### **OLDEST CONTINUALLY OPERATING BREWERY**

Cascade Brewery, Hobart

### **HIGHEST SEA CLIFFS**

Turakana / Tasman Peninsula

### **TOP PUBLIC-ACCESS GOLF COURSES**

Cape Wickham Golf Links,  
Barnbougle Dunes,  
Barnbougle Lost Farm  
and Ocean Dunes

### **LARGEST TRACT OF TEMPERATE RAINFOREST**

takayna / Tarkine

### **LARGEST NUMBER OF WORLD HERITAGE CONVICT SITES**

Five of Australia's 11 UNESCO  
World Heritage convict sites

### **WILDEST BIG-WAVE SURF**

Shipstern Bluff,  
Turakana / Tasman Peninsula

### **DEEPEST CAVE**

Niggly Cave, about 394m deep,  
near Mount Field National Park

### **BEST SINGLE MALT WHISKY**

Hellyers Road Distillery's  
Henry's Legacy Freestone Cove

### **BEST SINGLE CASK SINGLE MALT WHISKY**

Adams Single Malt Whisky,  
peated ex-port cask

### **DEEPEST LAKE**

Lake St Clair, about 200m deep

### **TOWN WITH THE MOST SANDSTONE BUILDINGS**

Oatlands

### **ONLY NATIVE DECIDUOUS TREE**

*Nothofagus gunnii*,  
aka deciduous beech or fagus

## Tasmania has the world's...

### **LARGEST CARNIVOROUS MARSUPIAL**

Tasmanian devil

### **TALLEST FLOWERING PLANT**

*Eucalyptus regnans*, or mountain ash

### **BIGGEST PRIVATE LAVENDER FARM**

Bridestowe Lavender Estate

### **OLDEST LIVING PLANT SPECIES**

*Lomatia tasmanica*, believed to be  
43 000 years old

### **BEST SPARKLING WINE**

House of Arras E.J. Carr  
Late Disgorged 2004

And Tasmania supplies a quarter of  
the wild abalone consumed globally

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03 - Cape Wickham Golf Links, King Island  
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04 - Shipstern Bluff, Tasman National Park  
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Tasman Island  
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## Where we are

Australia's only island state lies about 250km across the formidable Bass Strait from Victoria. Next stop south is Antarctica, 3000km away. Surrounded by the Tasman Sea, the strait and the mighty Southern Ocean, Tasmanians breathe some of the cleanest air in the world. The island, and the 334 smaller islands that make up the Tasmanian archipelago, is directly in the path of the Roaring Forties, at latitude 42 degrees south, and is about the size of the Republic of Ireland: 315km from east to west and 286km from north to south. The population is about 541 500, with almost half living in the state capital of Hobart, established in 1804 and Australia's second-oldest city.





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04 – Martha Lavinia Beach, King Island © Stu Gibson

west coast has an annual average rainfall of 2 400mm, which sustains the island's cool temperate rainforests.

No matter when you travel here, it's important to prepare for sudden changes in the weather, and especially if you're bushwalking. Pack warm, fast-drying layers for maximum flexibility, particularly in the cooler months, and be sure to carry extra warm clothing and a waterproof jacket.

## Getting around

Tasmania's compact size, diverse landscapes and network of roads covering most of the state create superb touring.

Travellers can hire cars or vans, bring their own from the mainland on the Spirit of Tasmania ferry between Melbourne and Devonport, or join a coach tour or a small escorted group. There are no public trains.

## More information

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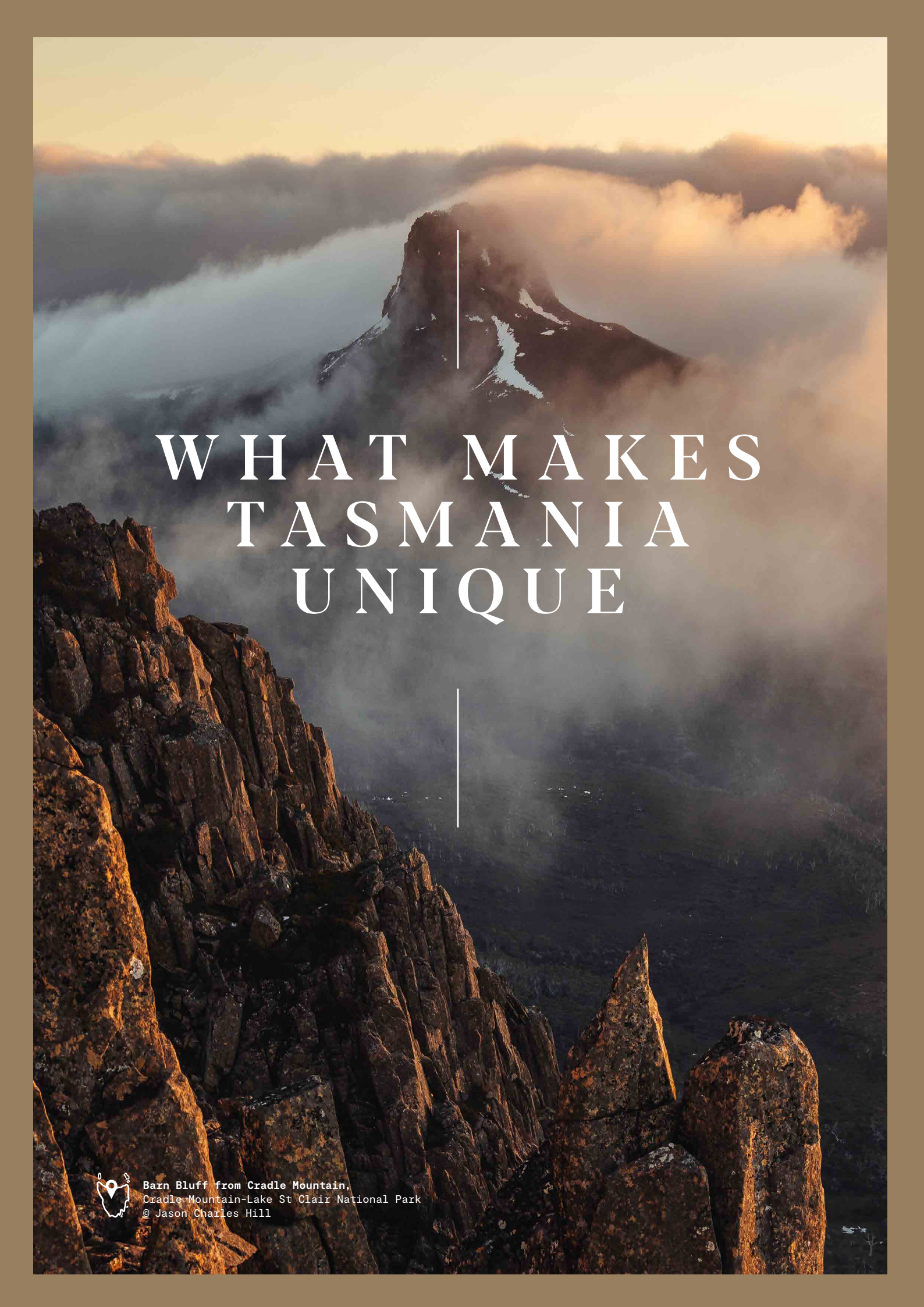
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## Weather

Tasmania's four distinct seasons are reason to travel year-round. Average maximum temperatures in summer, from December to March, are 17-23°C (63-73°F). Average maximum winter temperatures, from June to August, are 3-11°C (37-52°F). Enjoy beach life and blooming lavender fields in summer, the 'turning of the fagus' in autumn when Australia's only native deciduous tree turns brilliant colours, fish for wild brown trout in spring, and in winter join solstice festivals (fancy a communal nude swim?) and warm up around hot tubs and log fires with fine Tassie whisky.

Rainfall varies significantly across the island. Hobart is the second-driest capital city in Australia (after Adelaide), while the

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# WHAT MAKES TASMANIA UNIQUE



Barn Bluff from Cradle Mountain,  
Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park  
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## Wilderness and wildlife

About 40 per cent of the island is protected in national parks and reserves, and vast tracts of wilderness have UNESCO World Heritage status. Remarkably, much of it is within easy reach of the island's cities.

Among the diversity of plants and animals are a relatively large number of endemic species, found nowhere else on Earth. This 'living museum' was created when sea levels rose at the end of the

last Ice Age some 12 000 years ago, separating Tasmania from the rest of Australia. With relatively intact habitat and few introduced predators or pests, Tasmania is a refuge for fascinating creatures. The most prominent are platypuses and echidnas (egg-laying mammals, called monotremes) and marsupials including wombats, wallabies, quolls, and the endangered Tasmanian devil.

Many animals are nocturnal and elusive, though a walk at dawn or dusk will often reward a patient observer. Or visit one of several wildlife sanctuaries for tours and closer encounters. And look up – Tasmania is one of the few places in the world to see the natural light show of Aurora Australis, or the Southern Lights. Year-round sightings anywhere on the island are possible, though long dark winter nights in the southern region offer the best chance.



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01 – Wombat (*Vombatus ursinus*) © Graham Freeman  
 02 – Tasmanian devil (*Sarcophilus harrisii*) © Rob Burnett  
 02 – nungu / West Point, Arthur River © Jess Bonde  
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## Unordinary adventures

Whatever your passion, Tasmania is the place to pursue it.

### Walking

There are 2 800km of managed walking tracks and more than 880 walks in national parks, reserves and conservation areas. Head out on one of 60 Great Short Walks or a multi-day bushwalk; among the most popular is the 65km Overland Track. Take an easy stroll or prepare for a challenge, go DIY camping or join a luxe guided walk.

### Fly fishing

Arguably the world's purest strain of wild brown trout thrives in the fresh water of more than 3 000 Tasmanian waterways, from Central Highland lakes and the broad rivers of the south to meadow streams in the north. Crystal-clear water allows superb sight fishing in season, from August to April (...sight fishing involves seeing the fish and casting to it, rather than guessing where it is).

### Mountain bike riding

Tasmania's global reputation as an exceptional mountain biking destination is growing as bike parks and trail networks expand. Among them are Blue Derby (125km of trails, north-east Tasmania); St Helens Mountain Bike Trails, comprising the Bay of Fires Trail (a 42km ride from mountain to sea) and the St Helens Stacked Loop Network (66km of trails with eight stacked loops, also in the north east); Wild Mersey Mountain Bike Trails (more than 100km of trails in the north west); and on the rugged west coast, the challenging new Mount Owen network spans 35km on the rocky slopes above Queenstown; and Maydena Bike Park (73 trails in the Derwent Valley, known as the largest gravity park in the world).

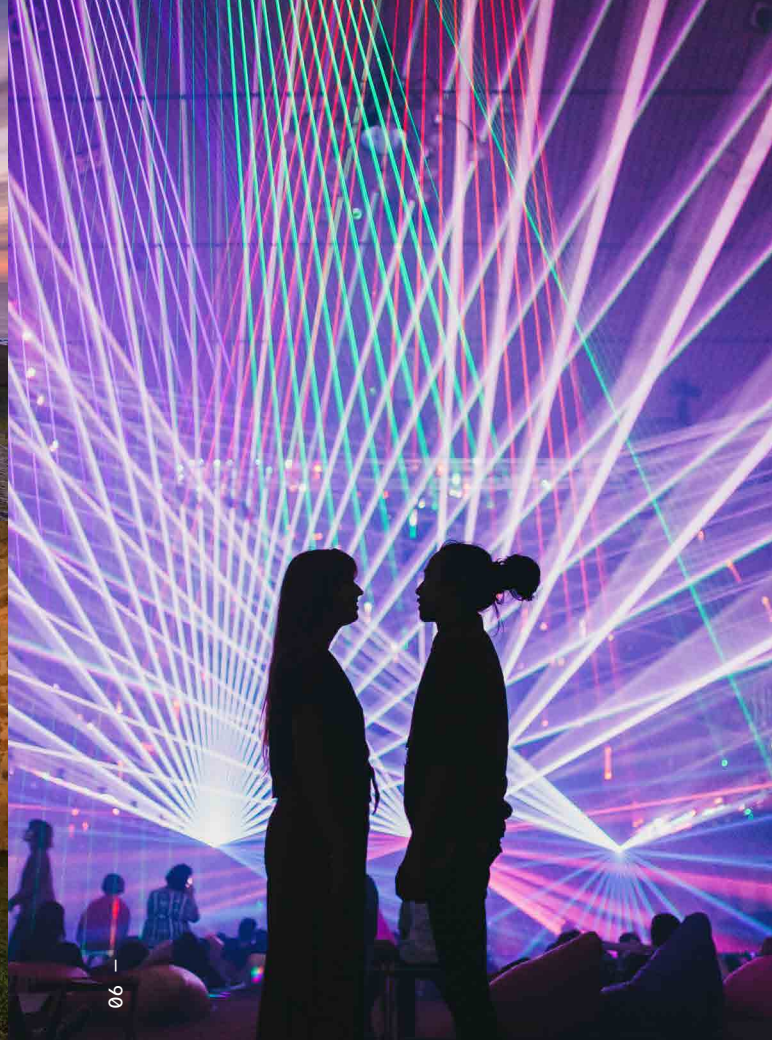
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## Golf

Among some 65 golf courses are links perched on rugged coastlines, holes scattered in sand dunes, and others surrounded by paddocks grazed by sheep. Tasmania has four of the top 13 Australian golf courses, as ranked by *Australian Golf Digest*: Barnbougle Dunes and Barnbougle Lost Farm at Bridport, and Cape Wickham Golf Links and Ocean Dunes on King Island.

## Arts, culture and events



Wild terrain, fascinating history and a try-anything spirit give Tasmania a special creative energy and inspire an active community of artists, designers and performers. Mona, the provocative private museum near Hobart, presents an alternative universe of ideas and expression, and a diverse range of singular galleries, museums and seasonal events connect travellers to island life. There's a lot to celebrate, from scallops and garlic to mural painting and penny-farthing racing, and much more.

## History and heritage

Much of Tasmania's rich and complex history is tangible in streetscapes, gardens and homes, and preserved by World Heritage status. Deepen your understanding of Tasmanian Aboriginal stories and connection to country through palawa guided experiences. Learn about the 76 000 convicts transported to Tasmania (known then as Van Diemen's Land) between 1804 and 1853 at evocative open-air museums – five of Australia's 11 World Heritage convict sites are in Tasmania, among more than 1000 convict sites across the island.



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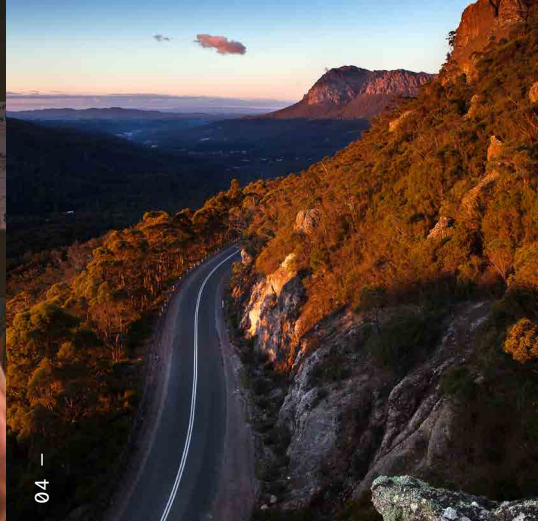
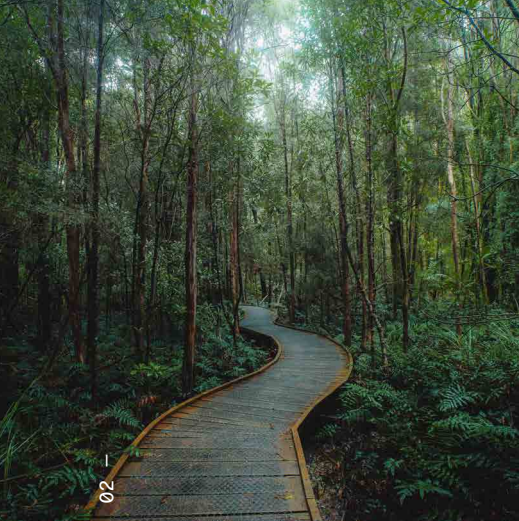
## Food and wine

One of the joys of travelling in Tasmania is not just the pleasure of tasting farm-fresh and ocean-fresh produce, but the ease of meeting farmers and makers at cellar doors, farm gates and local markets. A growing collection of paddock-to-plate experiences, tasting trails, wine trails, cooking schools and gourmet walking tours allows travellers to forage, cook, taste and learn first-hand.

Tasmania's reputation for great produce is based on its highly fertile land and ocean, clean water, strong biosecurity practices and GMO-free status, and the rhythm of four distinct seasons. Slow down and pick your own apples and pears – Tasmania is known as the Apple Isle for its 200-year history of growing, canning and fermenting the fruit. In summer, gather cherries and raspberries at farms across the north and south. In winter, hunt for truffles.

Expect great seafood year-round, including wild-caught abalone, though peak season for scallops and oysters is winter, and rock lobsters – known locally as crayfish – are abundant in summer. Some of the world's finest pasture for beef and dairy spans the north west. The roll-call of star produce from the island includes grass-fed beef from Kennaook / Cape Grim and King Island, Robbins Island wagyu, and Pyengana cloth-matured cheddar. Inhale the scent of a rare temperate rainforest in leatherwood honey: intense, floral and found only in Tasmania.

Follow one of the island's four regional wine trails and taste cool-climate wines at cellar doors ranging from heritage stables to designer sheds. Tasmania is particularly known for its pinot noir and sparkling wines, as well as small-batch whisky, cider, beer, gin and vodka. Island distillers are a resourceful bunch, making paddock-to-bottle rye whisky in a DIY still fuelled by biodiesel, for example, flavouring gin with native mountain pepperberry, and distilling vodka from sheep's whey, the byproduct of an on-site cheesery.



## Road trips

Tasmania's diverse landscapes, relatively compact size and extensive road network make this one of the world's great self-drive destinations. Though the island can be crossed from Hobart to Launceston in two-and-a-half hours, the pleasure of driving in Tasmania is taking time to explore villages, meet local people, take walks and stop at farm gates and cellar doors along the way.

The island has five well-signposted drive journeys: the **Great Eastern Drive** on the east coast; **Northern Forage** across northern Tasmania; **Western Wilds** in the west; **Southern Edge** in the south; and the **Heartlands** in central Tasmania.

As well, the island is criss-crossed by a network of self-drive 'experience' trails that showcase historical themes and food and wine regions, plus routes for lovers of whisky, gin, cider and beer.

## SOUTHERN \* EDGE



For every epic landscape in southern Tasmania, there's a seascape to match, or a deep, wide river running through it. Southern Edge road trips are framed by water and defined by the edges of river and sea. Follow country roads past the bays and hidden coves of the

broad D'Entrecasteaux Channel, swing by the farm gates and cider houses of the Huon Valley along the mighty Huon River, and detour by ferry for just-shucked oysters and farmhouse cheeses on Bruny Island. Venture to Australia's southernmost edge, next stop Antarctica, and into the Southwest Wilderness. Come for wildlife watching and just-harvested produce, for star-gazing and solitude, and follow paths edged by forest, river and ocean.

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- 05 – Bruny Island Premium Wines © Adam Gibson



## NORTHERN FORAGE



Framed by a wild coastline fronting Bass Strait, threaded by rivers and thatched by some of the most fertile farms and pasture in Australia, road trips across northern Tasmania are a chance to slow down and follow your food from paddock to plate. Stop at farm gates, distilleries

and cellar doors along the way for tastings and to meet the makers. Linger in rural villages and quirky coastal towns. Marvel at the monumental landmarks of The Nut and Table Cape. Plunge deep into wilderness. Plot a route from ocean to valley, forest to farm, and forage from breakfast to dinner.

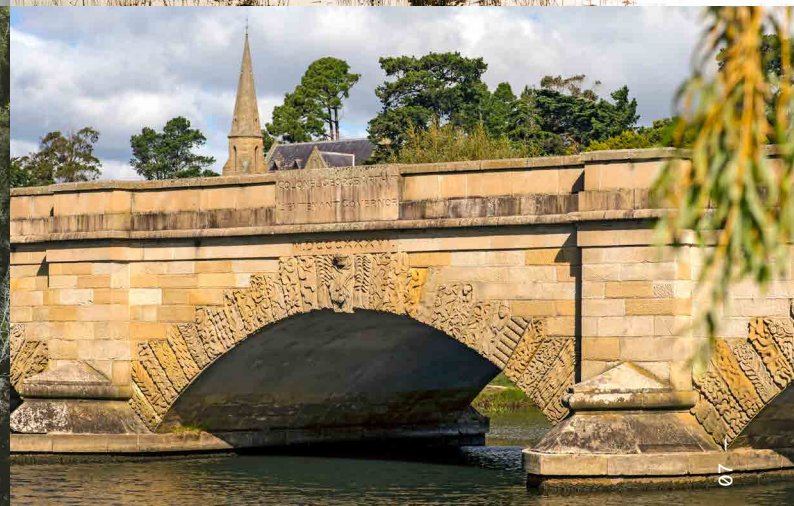
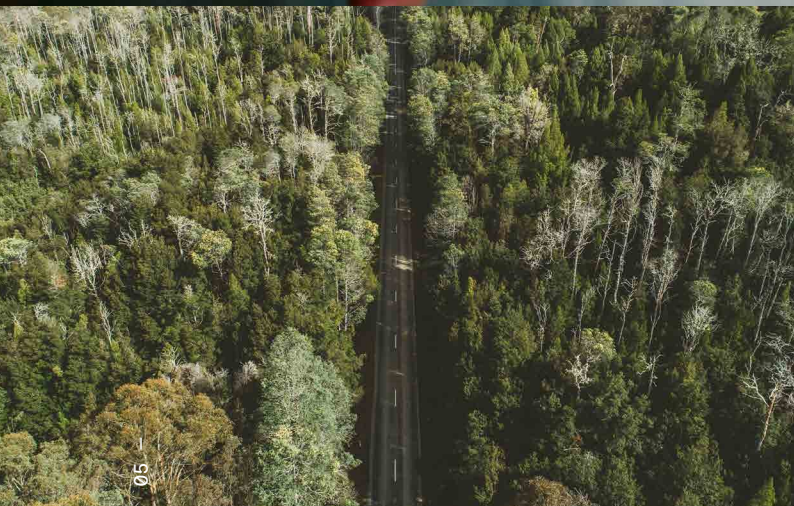
## GREAT EASTERN DRIVE



Just when you've seen the longest, loveliest beach, the road sweeps around and another sparkling coastline stretches ahead. Road trips along Tasmania's east coast take in laidback hinterland villages and a string of classic holiday towns along stretches of

uncrowded beaches and dramatic shoreline. The perfect arc of Wineglass Bay is among these gems, along with the magical combo of white sand, turquoise ocean and orange boulders at Bay of Fires. Many of these coastal views open wide into heath and eucalypt forest, flanked by islands and mountains protected as national parks and threaded with walking tracks. Embrace simple luxuries – the time to pull over and follow a beach track, soak in a hot tub with water views, order catch of the day at a seafood shack, and fall asleep with an ocean sound track.

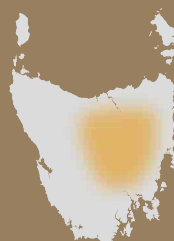
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- 05 – Travelling on the Lyell Highway towards Tarraleah © Stu Gibson
- 06 – Fly fishing on Penstock Lagoon © Adam Gibson
- 07 – Ross Bridge © Rob Burnett



Tasmania's west is globally recognised for its wilderness. Less known are the human stories of the region: epic tales of an ancient Aboriginal culture that has thrived for thousands of years, of pioneers who tackled extraordinary challenges,

of mining booms and busts. On Western Wilds road trips through wild landscapes, ghost towns and streetscapes studded with ornate Victorian and Art Deco features, hear stories of bold enterprises and endurance, of folly and grand vision. Climb aboard a steam train through rainforest, and raft the rivers. Chat with locals, and abseil a mighty dam wall. Drive the 99 Bends, and cruise a river of countless reflections. On the edge of a vast harbour, facing the Roaring Forties fresh from South America, discover a place like nowhere else.

## HEARTLANDS



A journey in central Tasmania can span a couple of hours or thousands of years – Heartlands road trips have a way of nudging your sense of time and history in unexpected directions. Detour on convict-built roads for old-fashioned

country hospitality. Stroll among glorious Georgian-era facades and gardens in heritage towns. Take a country lane hemmed by hedgerows and follow the contours of paddocks that have produced fine merino wool for generations. Venture into the Central Highlands and north to the Great Western Tiers, a wild landscape of lakes, mountains and moors, and follow a 'power trail' for immersion in hydro industrial history.

*Before setting off, visit the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery in Hobart or the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery in Launceston to learn more about the story of Tasmanian Aboriginal People and their ongoing culture and custodianship of country.*



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## Experience trails

### CONVICT TRAIL

From historic Richmond to the Tasman National Park, Teralina / Eaglehawk Neck and Port Arthur Historic Site, this fascinating trail is rich in convict history and natural beauty. The Turrakana / Tasman Peninsula is a place of breathtaking seascapes, some of the tallest sea cliffs in the world and wild ocean views.

### HIGHLANDS POWER TRAIL

Trace the history of Tasmania's hydroelectric scheme through the Central Highlands. Don't miss the Waddamana Power Station, commissioned in 1916 and at the heart of 80 years of hydroelectricity development in Tasmania.

### CRADLE TO COAST TASTING TRAIL

Follow your nose to more than 30 of the north west's finest farms, cellar doors, distilleries and makers.

### WINE TRAILS

Plot a course between cellar doors on the island's four well-established cool-climate wine trails: the Tamar Valley Wine Trail, the Cradle Coast Wine Trail, the East Coast Wine Trail, and the Southern

Wine Trail. Nominate your designated driver, follow country roads and allow time for cellar-door chatting.

### TASMAN WINE AND SPIRITS TRAIL

Discover boutique wineries and artisan distilleries among the landscapes and historic sites of the Turrakana / Tasman Peninsula.

### TASMANIAN BEER TRAIL

Visit more than 20 breweries, sample local brews and uncover Tasmania's rich beer-making history, dating back to convict times.

### TASMANIAN CIDER TRAIL

Sample boutique ciders from the orchards of the Huon Valley and farms of the north west.

### TASMANIAN WHISKY TRAIL

Meet the makers and discover the stories behind the island's renowned distilleries.

### SEAFOOD TRAILS

Set your fish finder to the Seafood Trails for salty breezes and the day's catch – fresh oysters, crayfish, abalone, scallops and fish.

01 - Southern Wild Distillery @ S. Group  
02 - Binalong Bay @ J. Da Seymour Photomedia  
03 - Freycinet Marine Farm @ Andrew Wilson



# TASMANIA'S REGIONS



Road to Bicheno  
© Stu Gibson



The Candlestick, Cape Hauy  
© Jason Charles Hill

## HOBART AND SOUTH

From wildlife to city life, a tour of Tassie's southern region spans the compact capital of Hobart, some of the nation's most evocative convict sites, charming country towns, Bruny Island, the orchards and farm gates of the Huon Valley, and vast tracts of World Heritage wilderness. All roads end here – Cockle Creek is the southernmost point you can drive in Australia.

### Hobart

Contemporary cool meets colonial heritage in this vibrant city, set between kunanyi / Mount Wellington (1271m) and the River Derwent.





## Turrakana / Tasman Peninsula

Best known for the Port Arthur convict site, 300m-high sea cliffs, dramatic coastline, and the Three Capes Track. Access is via Teralina / Eaglehawk Neck, an isthmus just 30m wide and once guarded by dogs to prevent convicts escaping.

## Bruny Island

Catch the ferry across D'Entrecasteaux Channel to Bruny, known for its coastal walks, bird and marine life, and outstanding produce, particularly oysters, artisanal cheese, craft beer and smallgoods.

## Huon Valley

Pass orchards, vineyards, waterways and riverside towns until you reach tall forests, underground caverns and World Heritage wilderness. The road ends at Cockle Creek, the trailhead for the 85km South Coast Track.

## Derwent Valley

Upstream from Hobart, the River Derwent narrows, passing vineyards and the old town of New Norfolk. Deeper in the valley are the hopfields of Bushy Park, the lakes and waterfalls of Mount Field National Park and the road into the Southwest Wilderness, ending at the mighty double arch of the Gordon Dam.

## Southern Midlands

Follow the Heritage Highway through rolling farmland and explore towns such as Oatlands and Bothwell. Sculptural silhouettes of convicts and bushrangers along the highway recall the region's storied colonial past.

## Richmond

Explore the town's Georgian streetscape, cross Australia's oldest bridge, check the Wine Wall and taste the cool-climate wines of the Coal River Valley.

## Lake St Clair

Australia's deepest lake forms the southern end of Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park in the Central Highlands. Nearby is The Wall in the Wilderness, a 100m series of carved panels in Huon pine depicting the region's history.

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Pipers Brook Vineyard  
© Jarrad Seng

## LAUNCESTON AND NORTH

Northern Tasmania is celebrated for its rich farmland, cool-climate vineyards and heritage estates producing superb food and wines with great paddock-to-plate experiences.

### Launceston

Just an hour's flight from Melbourne and 90 minutes from Sydney, Tassie's second-biggest city is an ideal launchpad. Launceston has one of the best-preserved Georgian and Victorian cityscapes in Australia, and a thriving food and drink scene. Shop and learn at the Saturday-morning farmers' market, walk in Cataract Gorge, a slice of wild in the heart of the city, and don't miss Queen Victoria Museum & Art Gallery and Design Tasmania.

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## Tamar Valley

From Launceston, follow the Tamar Valley Wine Trail through the region's cool-climate vineyards – best known for premium pinot noir and sparkling wines – and allow time for cellar-door chatting. Continue the country drive beyond the vineyards through forested hills and farms, lavender fields and orchards. Explore pretty riverside towns and old villages such as Longford and Evandale and, south along the Heritage Highway, the towns of Ross and Campbell Town.



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## Derby

At the heart of this mountain-biking destination in Tassie's north east is the friendly former tin-mining town of Derby and a network of 125km of trails, called Blue Derby, through temperate rainforest.

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Painted Cliffs,  
Maria Island  
© Stuart Gibson

## EAST COAST

White-sand beaches, tick. Dramatic coastline, tick. Tasmania's east coast has the classic features of the best beach holiday – plus wombats and wallabies, seafood shacks and boutique wineries, and a string of holiday towns and national parks.

### Freycinet National Park

This park is known for the pink granite peaks of the Hazards, secluded bays, white sandy beaches, abundant birdlife and Wineglass Bay, Tasmania's most photographed location. Explore by boat, sea kayak or on foot. Access the park from Coles Bay.

### Maria Island National Park

Take a 30-minute ferry ride from Triabunna to explore this wildlife haven, starring wombats, wallabies, echidnas and 11 of the state's 12 endemic bird species, including the endangered forty-spotted pardalote and Cape Barren goose. The island was originally inhabited by the Tyreddeme people, and has been a whaling and sealing post, a penal settlement, and an Italianate pleasure resort. Explore the island by mountain bike or on foot, taking in the Painted Cliffs, Fossil Cliffs and twin mountain peaks.





## Bay of Fires

Spanning about 50km from Binalong Bay to Eddystone Point in the north, this spectacular stretch of coastline is distinctive for its white beaches, turquoise water and granite rocks splashed with orange lichen. Stay at beachfront campsites or take a luxury guided walk – learn about palawa (Tasmanian Aboriginal) culture on the four-day wukalina Walk, Aboriginal owned and operated.

## St Helens Mountain Bike Trails

There aren't many places in the world where you can ride from the mountains to the sea. The 42km Bay of Fires Trails starts at the Blue Tier trailhead, at the top of the Derby Mountain Bike Trails, and emerges on the white sand of Swimcart Beach on the east coast. Also in the region, the St Helens Stacked Loop Network has scenic routes for all experience levels on 66kms of trails with eight stacked loops and four descents.

## East Coast Wine Trail

Meet growers and cool-climate winemakers at 10 wineries along the east coast, with great views along the way.

### CONTACT

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Kayaking on the Pieman River  
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## NORTH WEST AND WEST COAST

Spanning Tasmania's west and north-west coast, as well as King Island, this region is known for its remarkable wild places and outstanding produce, with plenty of paddock-to-plate stories to discover on the Cradle to Coast Tasting Trail. There are even more stories to hear on a Western Wilds road trip and on the Tarkine Drive. Wilderness hotspots include Cradle Mountain and the Franklin-Gordon Wild Rivers National Park, both part of the huge Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area.

### takayna / Tarkine

The world's second-largest tract of rare cool-temperate rainforest is found in this vast wilderness in the north west. Explore it from the eco-retreat of Corinna, a former mining town on the Pieman River. From here, set off on walks or cruises, or gently paddle a kayak past Huon pine, sassafras and myrtle to Lovers Falls.



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- 01 - Road to the Sentinel Range © Jason Charles Hill
- 02 - Tasmanian devil (*Sarcophilus harrisii*) © Mark Eveleigh
- 03 - Cradle Mountain Canyons © Off the Path
- 04 - Gordon River Cruises © Supplied Courtesy of RACT Destinations
- 05 - Wombat in Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park © Jess Bonde



## Cradle to Coast Tasting Trail

Choose a themed itinerary and follow your nose to more than 30 of the northwest's finest farms, cellar doors, distilleries and makers.

## Tarkine Drive

Dotted with walks, lookouts, significant sites and picnic spots, this loop drive from Smithton can span two days or two separate day trips on rainforest or coastal sections on the wilderness area's northern fringe.

## Cradle Mountain

At the northern end of the popular Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park, head out on superb day walks or the 65km Overland Track, either DIY camping, or on a pack-free guided walk staying at private huts.

## Strahan

On the shore of Macquarie Harbour on the west coast, the lively town of Strahan is the gateway to the Franklin-Gordon Wild Rivers National Park, and a launchpad for boats, planes and helicopters into the Southwest Wilderness.

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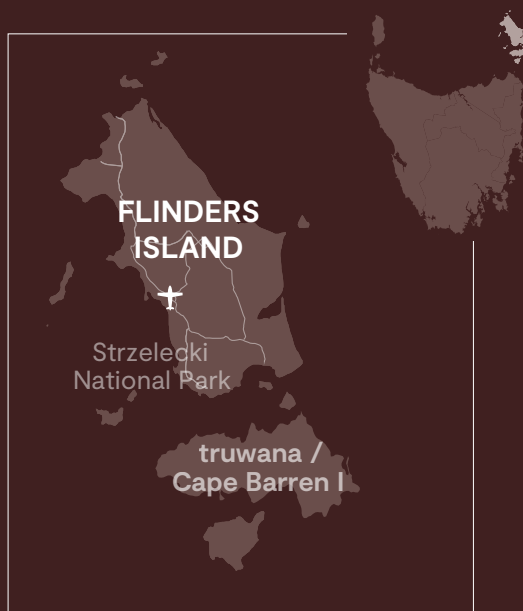
Castle Rock  
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## FLINDERS ISLAND

Off Tasmania's north-east coast, Flinders Island is the largest of the Furneaux Group's 52 islands in Bass Strait. With a population of about 1 000, distinctive produce and rugged scenery, Flinders offers a true island-off-an-island experience. Eat crayfish on Flinders Wharf, walk long deserted beaches, watch birds or go fishing, or fossick for Killiecrankie diamonds, a pale, lustrous topaz found on the windswept shores of Killiecrankie Bay. With abundant crayfish, abalone and scallops and quality lamb and beef, the island's reputation for special paddock- and ocean-to-plate experiences is growing.



Trousers Point, Flinders Island © Luke Tscharke



### HIGHLIGHTS

- Reflect on the consequences of colonisation at Wybalenna.
- Shop for local produce at the towns of Lady Barron and Whitemark.
- Fossick for Killiecrankie diamonds.
- Watch the sun set from Walkers Lookout.
- Enjoy unspoiled beaches and walks in Strzelecki National Park.
- Spend a day fishing, golfing, diving, four-wheel driving or hiking.
- Spot migratory birds in the wetlands of Logan Lagoon Conservation Area.



Martha Lavinia Beach  
© Stuart Gibson



## KING ISLAND

Some 80km off Tasmania's northwest coast, King Island has rugged coastline, famously good produce and

seafood, a rich seafaring history and some of the finest golf experiences in the world. Two oceanfront links are ranked among Australia's top 13 (Ocean Dunes is #13, Cape Wickham is #2) golf courses by *Australian Golf Digest*: Cape Wickham on the rugged north coast, and Ocean Dunes on the west coast. Expect holes almost in the sea and sightings of whales and seals. Take a deep breath of salty air, and swing.

## HIGHLIGHTS

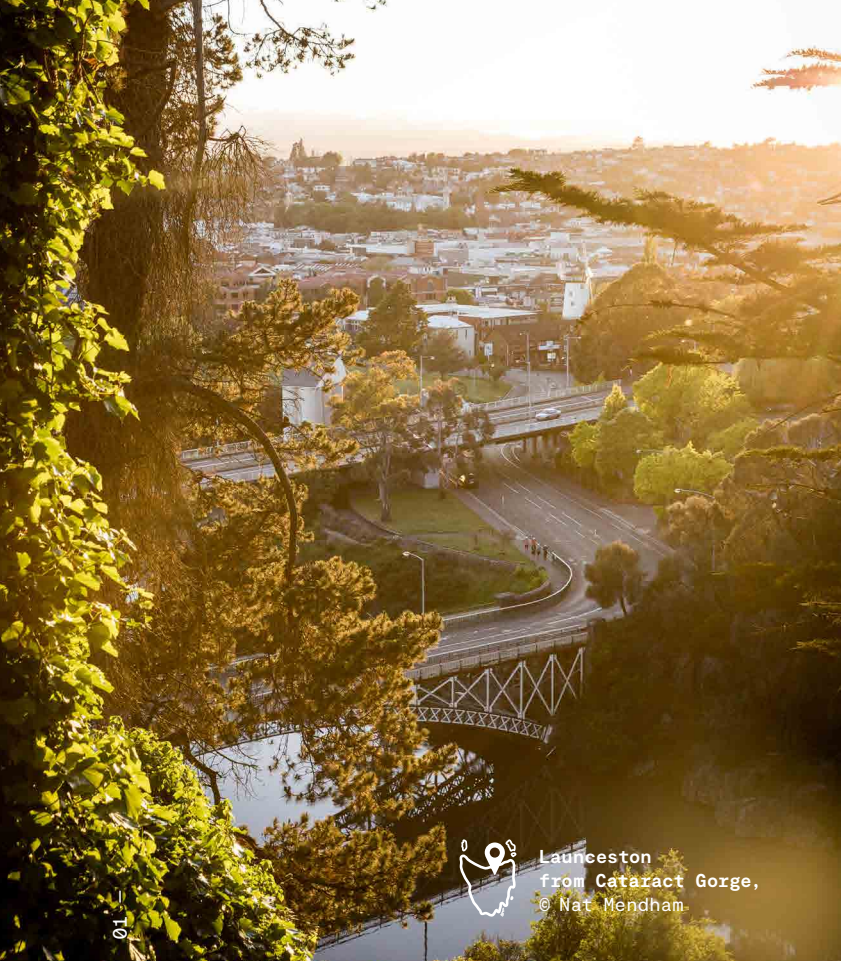
- Tee off at two top-ranked golf courses: Cape Wickham and Ocean Dunes.
- See the Calcified Forest near the island's southernmost tip, the limestone remains of an ancient forest.
- Gaze up at Cape Wickham lighthouse, built in 1861 and the tallest in the southern hemisphere.
- Surf Martha Lavinia, a highly rated beach break.
- Swim in Pennys Lagoon, a rare perched lake.
- Follow the shipwreck trail for stories of heroism and heartbreak surrounding a few hundred wrecks.
- Visit the King Island Historical Museum at Currie (open October-May).

A topographic map of a mountainous region with a river, a camera, a rock, and a leaf on a wooden surface.

# ITINERARIES



Walking the Overland Track  
© Tayla Gentle



Launceston  
from Cataract Gorge,  
© Nat Mendham



## TOTAL TASMANIA

### 14-DAY ITINERARY

#### Launceston Round Trip

##### DAY 1 – LAUNCESTON AND SURROUNDS | 144 KM

- Taste wine at Josef Chromy Wines, on the city's southern outskirts, and beer at James Boag's Brewery, established in 1881.
- Tee off on the links courses at Barnbougle, one of the world's top golf destinations.
- Get set for adventure. Go mountain-biking at Derby, ziplining at Hollybank Wilderness Adventures or rock climbing at Penny Royal Launceston.
- Then meet the fascinating residents of Seahorse World at Beauty Point and, right next door, see platypuses and echidnas at Platypus House.
- Watch little penguins waddle ashore at dusk on a tour at Low Head.
- Overnight in Launceston.

##### DAY 2 – LAUNCESTON TO DEVONPORT | 150 KM

- Follow the Cradle to Coast Tasting Trail, stopping at some of the 30 outstanding farms, wineries, distilleries and artisanal makers in the north west.
- Raise a glass at Seven Sheds Brewery at Railton, known as the Town of Topiary.
- Stroll around the street-front artworks at Sheffield, known as the Town of Murals.

- Join a truffle hunt at The Truffledore, Lower Barrington.
- Taste wine with Bass Strait views at Ghost Rock Wines, near Port Sorell.
- Watch chocolate being made at Anvers Chocolate factory at Latrobe.
- Take note of the local botanicals infused in spirits at Southern Wild Distillery, Devonport.
- Overnight in Devonport.

##### DAY 3 – DEVONPORT TO STANLEY | 124 KM

- Sip a dram at Hellyers Road Distillery, Burnie.
- See fields of tulips at Table Cape in spring.
- Walk in Rocky Cape National Park.
- Explore early European history at Highfield Historic Site overlooking Stanley.
- Overnight in Stanley.

##### DAY 4 – STANLEY AND SURROUNDS | 125 KM

- Walk or take the chairlift to the summit of The Nut.
- Order the catch of the day at the port at Stanley.
- Follow the Tarkine Drive into the wilderness of takayna/Tarkine.
- Stand at the Edge of the World
- Overnight in Stanley.

01 – Stillwater © Nat Mendham  
02 – J Boag & Son Brewery © Chris Crerar

#### DAY 5 – STANLEY TO CRADLE MOUNTAIN | 215 KM

- Taste the sweetness of Leatherwood Honey at Blue Hills Honey Experience.
- Don't miss the (fibreglass) star resident of Penguin.
- Visit the cellar door at Spreyton Cider, Spreyton.
- Get lost in the mazes at Tasmazia and the Village of Lower Crackpot, in the wonderfully named Promised Land.
- Overnight in Cradle Mountain.

#### DAY 6 – CRADLE MOUNTAIN

- Stride out on day walks including Dove Lake Circuit and Crater Lake Circuit.
- Go canyoning with Cradle Mountain Canyons or take flight with Cradle Mountain Helicopters.
- Join day and night-feeding tours at Devils@Cradle.
- Overnight in Cradle Mountain.

#### DAY 7 – CRADLE MOUNTAIN TO STRAHAN | 150 KM

- This is the chance to follow a Western Wilds road trip. Among the options, visit the heritage town of Zeehan, and take the easy one-hour return walk along the Spray Tunnel, an abandoned 100-metre train tunnel that once led to a silver mine.
- All aboard the West Coast Wilderness Railway, through rare rainforest and pioneering history.
- Add pretty Hogarth Falls for a stroll around the lively west-coast town of Strahan.
- Watch the sunset at Ocean Beach.
- Overnight in Strahan.

#### DAY 8 – STRAHAN AND THE GORDON RIVER

- Take a full-day cruise on the serene Gordon River.
- Watch a nightly performance of The Ship That Never Was, a swashbuckling true tale of 19th-century hijack and escape.
- Overnight in Strahan.



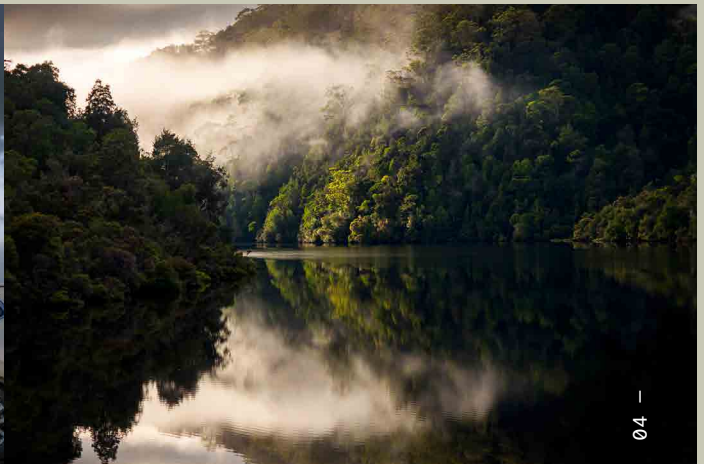
#### DAY 9 – STRAHAN TO HOBART | 300 KM

- Explore the art galleries, museums and lookouts in Queenstown, once the world's richest mining town.
- Stand before the Wall in the Wilderness, a gallery in Derwent Bridge housing a series of carved Huon pine panels documenting the region's history.
- Take a tour of Currunga Farm, a 300-hectare working sheep and crop farm.
- Hunt for antiques and vintage treasures in New Norfolk, in the Derwent Valley.
- Overnight in Hobart.

#### DAY 10 – HOBART TO BRUNY ISLAND | 170 KM

- Drive or catch a shuttle bus to the summit of kunanyi / Mount Wellington, rising immediately behind Hobart, and take in the views.
- Drive to Kettering and take the car ferry to Bruny Island (check ferry times in advance).
- Drop in for freshly shucked oysters at Get Shucked and taste distinctive artisanal cheeses and beer at Bruny Island Cheese and Beer Co.
- Skirt sea cliffs and marine wildlife with Bruny Island Cruises.
- Overnight on Bruny Island.





#### DAY 11 – BRUNY ISLAND TO HOBART | 202 KM

- Take the return ferry from Bruny Island to Kettering, and stock up at Nutpatch Chocolates for today's Southern Edge road trip.
- Deep in the Huon Valley, walk in the tree tops on the Tahune Airwalk and raft along the Picton River.
- Plunge into the Southwest Wilderness on a day walk in Hartz Mountains National Park.
- Overnight in Hobart.

#### DAY 12 – HOBART TO COLES BAY | 185 KM

- Plot a course today along the Great Eastern Drive, with time for cellar-door chatting at a few of the east coast's boutique wineries.
- Take the easy loop walk around Cape Tourville Lighthouse for stunning coastal views of Freycinet National Park.
- Overnight at Coles Bay.

#### DAY 13 – COLES BAY TO LAUNCESTON | 180 KM

- Start the day with a walk or cruise to photogenic Wineglass Bay.
- As part of a Heartlands road trip in central Tasmania, stroll the Georgian streetscape of Campbell Town.

- Explore the neighbouring World Heritage convict sites of Brickendon and Woolmers Estate at Longford.
- Take a walk at Cataract Gorge, a slice of wilderness just a stroll from the centre of Launceston.
- Tap into the island's design talent at Design Tasmania in City Park.
- Overnight in Launceston.

#### DAY 14 – LAUNCESTON

- Meet farmers and makers at the popular Harvest Market in the CBD on Saturday mornings.
- Take a walking tour of Launceston, known for its well-preserved heritage streetscapes.
- See treasures and hear stories at Queen Victoria Museum & Art Gallery, Australia's largest regional gallery.
- Depart Launceston.

01 – Aerial of the Gordon River © Jess Bonde  
 02 – Bruny Island Traveller - Pennicott Wilderness Journeys  
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 03 – The Nut, Stanley © Jason Charles Hill  
 04 – Gordon River © Lauren Bath  
 05 – Geronimo Aperitivo Bar & Restaurant © Lusy Productions



## HOBART TO LAUNCESTON

### 7-DAY ITINERARY

Start Hobart, Finish Launceston

#### DAY 1 – HOBART AND SURROUNDS

- Wander along the Hobart waterfront and explore historic Salamanca Place. On Saturdays, browse Salamanca Market.
- Take the ferry from the harbour to Mona, the Museum of Old and New Art, for a day of thought-provoking art and entertainment.
- Head to tastings at Moorilla, Mona's on-site winery, and Moo Brew, the on-site brewery.
- Love golf and have a few days to spare? Fly to King Island direct from Hobart with Sharp Airlines and hit the greens at Ocean Dunes and Cape Wickham Golf Links.
- Overnight in Hobart.

#### DAY 2 – HOBART TO BRUNY ISLAND | 75 KM

- Visit an island off an island. Drive to Kettering (30 minutes from Hobart) and take the car ferry to Bruny Island.
- Try the oysters at Get Shucked and taste artisanal cheese and beer at Bruny Island Cheese and Beer Co.



- Explore the spectacular coastline and spot the wildlife with Bruny Island Cruises.
- Overnight on Bruny Island.



#### DAY 5 – PORT ARTHUR TO TAMAR VALLEY | 378 KM

- Drop into a few wineries in the Coal River Valley on the way to the historic village of Richmond.
- Embark on a Heartlands road trip and visit the heritage towns of Oatlands, Ross and Campbell Town.
- Visit the World Heritage convict sites of Brickendon and Woolmers Estate, Longford.
- Watch little penguins waddle up the beach to their burrows on a tour at Low Head.
- Overnight in the Tamar Valley.

#### DAY 6 – TAMAR VALLEY TO LAUNCESTON | 105 KM

- Meet the fascinating residents at Seahorse World and the cute platypuses and echidnas at Platypus House.
- Plot a course along the Tamar Valley Wine Trail, and allow time for tastings and cellar-door chatting.
- In Launceston, raise a glass at James Boag's Brewery, established in 1881.
- Overnight in Launceston.

#### DAY 7 – LAUNCESTON AND SURROUNDS

- Take a walk through City Park and visit the monkeys.
- Pick up fresh produce and meet the farmers and makers at Harvest Market, open every Saturday morning.
- Check out the exhibitions at Queen Victoria Museum & Art Gallery.
- Ride the chairlift, cross the suspension bridge and take a dip at Cataract Gorge.
- Experience the Tamar River on a cruise.
- Depart Launceston.

01 – Salamanca Market © Alastair Bett  
 02 – Tahune Airwalk, Tahune Adventures © Jess Bonde  
 03 – Platypus (*Ornithorhynchus anatinus*) © Ash Thomson Photography  
 04 – Clover Hill Vineyard © Cultivate Productions

#### DAY 3 – BRUNY ISLAND TO HUON VALLEY | 231 KM

- This is a chance to follow a Southern Edge road trip. Among the options, see hand-crafted boats made from local timber at the Wooden Boat Centre Tasmania in the pretty riverside town of Franklin.
- Head underground at Hastings Caves, the largest dolerite cave open to visitors in Australia, and then warm up in a pool fed by thermal springs.
- Walk among the treetops at Tahune Airwalk near Geeveston.
- Follow the Huon Valley leg of the Tasmanian Cider Trail, past orchards and stopping at cideries for tastings.
- Overnight in the Huon Valley.

#### DAY 4 – HUON VALLEY TO PORT ARTHUR | 150 KM

- Head to Turrakana / Tasman Peninsula. Explore the spectacular formations of Tasman Blowhole, Devil's Kitchen and Tasman Arch at Teralia / Eaglehawk Neck.
- Call in for a lavender ice-cream at Port Arthur Lavender.
- Taste whisky or gin at McHenry Distillery.
- Spend a few hours at Port Arthur Historic Site, followed by an evening ghost tour.
- Overnight in Port Arthur.



The Arcadia II, Pieman River  
© Rob Burnett

## WEST COAST

### 7-DAY ITINERARY

Start in Launceston, end in Hobart

#### DAY 1 – LAUNCESTON TO STANLEY | 225 KM

- Take a walk through Launceston City Park and visit the monkeys.
- Pick up fresh produce and meet the farmers and makers at Harvest Market, open every Saturday morning.
- Ride the chairlift, cross the suspension bridge and take a dip at Cataract Gorge.
- Explore the city on a walking tour.
- Take a Northern Forage road trip, filling a hamper along the way, to the picturesque seaside village of Stanley.
- Overnight in Stanley.

#### DAY 2 – STANLEY AND SURROUNDS | 72 KM

- Explore early European history at Highfield Historic Site overlooking Stanley.
- Walk or take the chairlift to the summit of The Nut.
- Get your seafood fix – Stanley is known for its fish and chips.



- Visit Kennakoak / Cape Grim with Woolnorth Tours and inhale some of the cleanest air on the planet.
- Overnight in Stanley.

01 – The Proud and The Punished, Cascades Female Factory © Alastair Bett  
02 – Michele Steane, King River Rafting © Rob Burnett  
03 – Tarkine Hotel © Stu Gibson  
04 – Gordon Dam © Rob Burnett



### DAY 3 – STANLEY TO CORINNA | 196 KM

- Continue your Northern Forage road trip along part of the Tarkine Drive to Corinna.
- Visit the Tarkine Interpretation Centre in Waratah to unravel the region's history.
- Take a short walk to Philosopher Falls.
- From the eco-retreat of Corinna, hire a kayak or hike along the Pieman River to explore the rainforest.
- Overnight in Corinna.

### DAY 4 – CORINNA TO STRAHAN | 99 KM

- Take a Pieman River cruise from Corinna.
- Drive to the lively harbourside town of Strahan.
- See the play *The Ship That Never Was* in Strahan, a nightly performance about the last attempted convict escape in the region.
- Watch a magnificent sunset at Ocean Beach.
- Overnight in Strahan.

### DAY 5 – STRAHAN TO LAKE PEDDER | 300 KM

- As part of your Western Wilds road trip, explore the town of Queenstown. Join a mining tour or raft the King River.
- Begin the drive to Lake Pedder.

- Stop at the Wall in the Wilderness in Derwent Bridge and see the history of the area carved in 100 metres of Huon-pine panels.
- Overnight at Strathgordon.

### DAY 6 – LAKE PEDDER TO HOBART | 158 KM

- Enjoy a walk or try fly fishing in the lake.
- Visit the impressive Gordon Dam by following the road out of Strathgordon to the end.
- Fossick in the antique shops of New Norfolk on your way to Hobart.
- Overnight in Hobart.

### DAY 7 – HOBART AND SURROUNDS

- Visit the summit of kunanyi / Mount Wellington, take a guided tour and take in the views.
- Pick up fresh produce at Farm Gate Market in the city every Sunday morning.
- Learn about the gruelling life of convicts at Cascades Female Factory.
- See fascinating creatures at Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary in Brighton, just north of Hobart.
- Pop into a few vineyards in Coal River Valley on your way to the historic village of Richmond.
- Depart Hobart.



Blue Derby Mountain Bike Trails  
© Kane Naaraat and Pinkbike.com

## EAST COAST

### 7-DAY ITINERARY

Start in Hobart, end in Launceston

#### DAY 1 – HOBART AND SURROUNDS

- Take the ferry from the harbour to Mona, the Museum of Old and New Art, for a day of thought-provoking art and entertainment.
- Head to tastings at Moorilla, Mona's on-site winery, and Moo Brew, the on-site brewery.
- Wander along the Hobart waterfront and explore historic Salamanca Place. Browse Salamanca Market on Saturdays.
- Overnight in Hobart.

#### DAY 2 – HOBART TO SWANSEA | 140 KM

- Visit the historic village of Richmond and see Australia's oldest bridge.
- Follow a Great Eastern Drive road trip to the coastal town of Triabunna, the ferry stop for the unique national park of Maria Island.
- Explore Maria Island – choose a walk, hire a bike, go for a swim and spot the wombats.
- Back on your Great Eastern Drive road trip, stop at Spiky Bridge, a unique convict-built bridge.
- Overnight in Swansea.

#### DAY 3 – SWANSEA TO COLES BAY | 53 KM

- Continue the road trip to Coles Bay.
- Visit one of the many wineries on your way.
- Explore Wineglass Bay and the Hazards. Walk to the lookout and the beach or take a cruise.
- Go for a swim at beautiful Friendly Beaches.
- Overnight in Coles Bay.





#### DAY 4 – COLES BAY TO BICHENO | 35 KM

- Take a kayaking tour at Coles Bay and explore the area from the water.
- See little penguins waddle up the beach on a tour in Bicheno.
- Overnight in Bicheno.

#### DAY 5 – BICHENO TO ST HELENS | 75 KM

- Visit the blowhole at Bicheno, and tuck into fish and chips on the waterfront.
- See what lies beneath on a glass-bottom boat tour in Bicheno.
- Meet the residents at East Coast Natureworld wildlife sanctuary in Bicheno.
- Drive north along the coast to Binalong Bay and Irapuna/Bay of Fires and rock-jump the boulders splashed orange by lichen.
- Overnight in St Helens.

#### DAY 6 – ST HELENS TO LAUNCESTON | 200 KM

- Try the renowned farmhouse cheeses at Pyengana Dairy Company in Pyengana.
- Stretch the legs on a walk to spectacular St Columba Falls in Pyengana.
- Shred the trails at Blue Derby Mountain Bike Trails.

- Stop for a glass of sparkling at Clover Hill Wines.
- Get an adrenaline kick in the treetops at Hollybank Wilderness Adventures.
- Overnight in Launceston.

#### DAY 7 – LAUNCESTON

- Check out designs in wood, metal, glass and ceramics by Tasmanian artisans at Design Tasmania.
- Fill the picnic hamper at Harvest Market on Saturday mornings.
- Check out the exhibitions at Queen Victoria Museum & Art Gallery.
- Ride the chairlift, cross the suspension bridge and have a swim at Cataract Gorge.
- Depart Launceston, or stay on for a few extra nights to experience wukalina Walk. A three-night, four-day Aboriginal owned and operated guided walk based around Irapuna/Bay of Fires and wukalina/Mount William area.

01 – Holy Cow Cafe, Pyengana Dairy © Rob Burnett

02 – Bay of Fires © Rob Burnett

03 – The Fish Van, Triabunna – Cara Wilson © Rob Burnett

04 – Wombat, Maria Island © Stu Gibson



## HOBART AND SURROUNDS

### 3-DAY ITINERARY

#### Hobart round trip

#### DAY 1 – HOBART TO D'ENTRECASTEAUX CHANNEL | 143 KM

- Delve into island history at Tasmanian Museum & Art Gallery, Mawson's Huts Replica Museum and the Maritime Museum of Tasmania.
- Wander along the Hobart waterfront and explore historic Salamanca Place. Browse Salamanca Market on Saturdays.
- Embark on a Southern Edge road trip along the D'Entrecasteaux Channel.
- Stop at the pretty village of Woodbridge, see local craft and have lunch at the Woodbridge Village Emporium.
- Follow the Huon Valley leg of the Tasmanian Cider Trail, past orchards and stopping at cideries for tastings.
- Overnight in Hobart.

#### DAY 2 – HOBART AND SURROUNDS

- Visit the summit of kunanyi / Mount Wellington, take in the views and stretch the legs on a walk.
- Take the ferry from the harbour to Mona, the Museum of Old and New Art, for a day of thought-provoking art and entertainment.

- Head to tastings at Moorilla, Mona's on-site winery, and Moo Brew, the on-site brewery.
- Overnight in Hobart.

#### DAY 3 – HOBART TO DERWENT VALLEY | 220 KM

- Step back in time and explore the historic city precinct of Battery Point.
- Drive into the Derwent Valley and fossick for treasures at some of the region's antique shops.
- Head to Pulpit Rock Lookout for a view over the Derwent Valley and New Norfolk.
- Have lunch at The Agrarian Kitchen Eatery, located in an old mental asylum in New Norfolk.
- Book a tour or tasting experience at the New Norfolk Distillery.
- Learn the history of trout and salmon in Tasmania at the Salmon Ponds and Museum of Trout Fishing in Plenty.
- Depart Hobart.



Apple picking, Huon Valley  
© Chris Phelps



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## LAUNCESTON AND TAMAR VALLEY

### 3-DAY ITINERARY

#### Launceston round trip

#### DAY 1 – LAUNCESTON AND SURROUNDS | 130 KM

- Take a walking or cycling tour of Launceston, known for its well-preserved heritage streetscapes.
- Taste wine at the cosy cellar door of Josef Chromy Wines, on the city's southern outskirts.
- Heading north along the Tamar River, take in the views at Brady's Lookout.
- Admire the star residents Seahorse World, Beauty Point. Right next door, see platypuses and echidnas at Platypus House.
- Overnight in Launceston.

#### DAY 2 – LAUNCESTON AND TAMAR VALLEY | 153 KM

- Meet the farmers and makers at Harvest Market every Saturday morning.
- Go ziplining, tree roping and Segway touring at Hollybank Wilderness Adventures.
- Tour Bridestowe Lavender Estate, the world's largest privately owned lavender farm.
- Allow time for cellar-door chatting along the Tamar Valley Wine Trail.

- Watch little penguins waddle ashore on a dusk tour at Low Head.
- Overnight in Launceston.

#### DAY 3 – LAUNCESTON

- Tour and taste at James Boag's Brewery.
- Tap into the island's creative energy at Design Tasmania in City Park.
- Catch an exhibition at Queen Victoria Museum & Art Gallery.
- Walk in Cataract Gorge, a slice of wild in the city.
- Depart Launceston.

01 - New Norfolk and the River Derwent © Stu Gibson  
 02 - Hollybank Wilderness Adventures © Rob Burnett  
 03 - Cataract Gorge, Launceston © Jarrad Seng  
 04 - Launceston City Ghost Tours © Rob Burnett



Banksia Grove,  
Rocky Cape National Park  
© Jess Bonde

## NORTH WEST

### 3-DAY ITINERARY

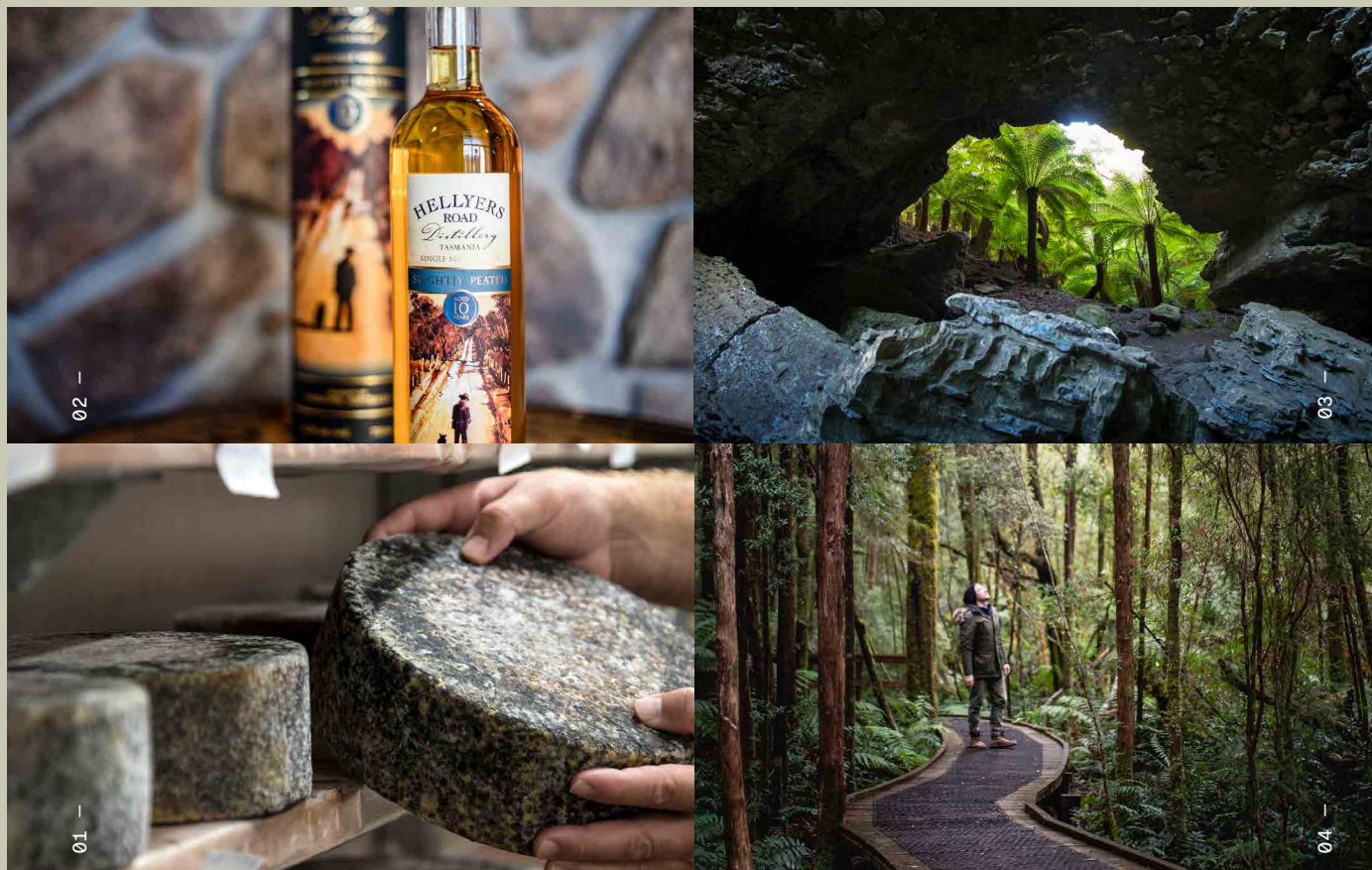
#### Devonport round trip

##### DAY 1 – DEVONPORT TO STANLEY | 130 KM

- Plan a Northern Forage road trip across northern Tasmania, perhaps starting with a hot chocolate at the Anvers Chocolate factory, Latrobe.
- Go behind the scenes on a tour of Hellyers Road Distillery, Burnie.
- Plunge toes into white sand at lovely Boat Harbour.
- Explore Table Cape Lighthouse and Rocky Cape National Park.
- Learn about early European history in the north west at Highfield Historic Site, overlooking Stanley.
- Overnight in Stanley.



- 01 – Ashgrove Cheese © Rob Burnett
- 02 – Hellyers Road Distillery © S. Group
- 03 – Trowutta Arch © Rob Burnett
- 04 – Huon Pine Walk © Rob Mulally
- 05 – Kennaook / Cape Grim, Woolnorth Homestead, Woolnorth © Kraig Carlstrom
- 06 – Blue Hills Honey © Rob Burnett



#### DAY 2 – STANLEY TO SMITHTON | 133 KM

- Ascend 143 metres to the summit of The Nut by foot or chairlift.
- Try freshly shucked oysters at Tarkine Fresh Oysters, Smithton.
- Head to the Edge of the World, aka Gardiner Point.
- Visit Kennaook / Cape Grim with Woolnorth Tours and inhale some of the cleanest air on the planet.
- Overnight in Smithton.

#### DAY 3 – SMITHTON TO DEVONPORT | 174 KM

- Head into a subterranean wonderland at Gunns Plains Caves.
- Learn about wildlife and regional history with Leven River Cruises, Ulverstone.
- Raise a glass of Dasher+Fisher gin at Southern Wild Distillery, Devonport.
- Learn about seafaring history at Bass Strait Maritime Centre, Devonport.
- Depart Devonport.





Newdegate Cave, Hastings Caves  
and Thermal Springs  
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## FAR SOUTH

### 4-DAY ITINERARY

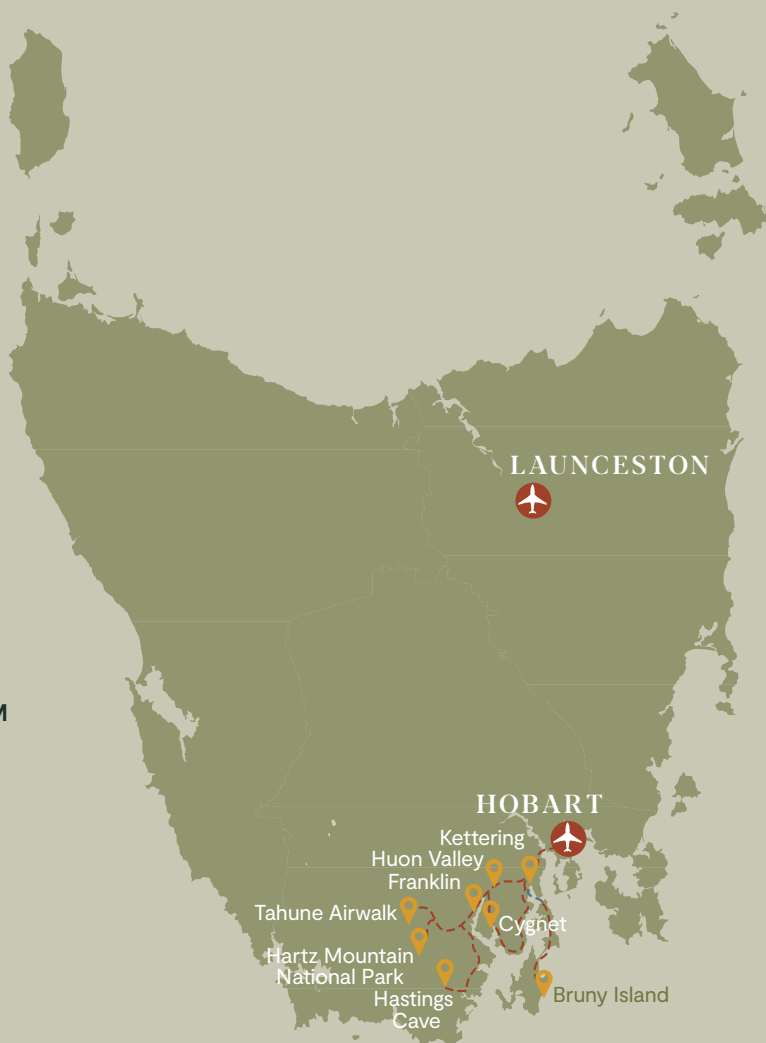
Hobart round trip

#### DAY 1 – HOBART TO BRUNY ISLAND | 75 KM

- Drive to Kettering and take the car ferry to Bruny Island (check times in advance).
- Drop in for freshly shucked oysters at Get Shucked and taste distinctive artisanal cheeses and beer at Bruny Island Cheese and Beer Co.
- Skirt sea cliffs and marine wildlife with Bruny Island Cruises.
- Overnight at Bruny Island.

#### DAY 2 – BRUNY ISLAND TO HUON VALLEY | 89 KM

- Take the return ferry from Bruny Island to Kettering for today's Southern Edge road trip.
- Stop at the pretty village of Woodbridge, see local craft and have lunch at the Woodbridge Village Emporium.
- Stop for a coffee at one of Cygnet's picturesque cafes.





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- See hand-crafted boats made from local timber at the Wooden Boat Centre Tasmania in the pretty riverside town of Franklin, or take a cruise on the Huon River.
- Overnight in the Huon Valley.

#### DAY 3 – HUON VALLEY | 207 KM

- Continue your Southern Edge road trip. Deep in the Huon Valley, walk in the tree tops on the Tahune Airwalk and raft along the Picton River.
- Plunge into the Southwest Wilderness on a day walk in Hartz Mountains National Park.
- Head underground at Hastings Caves, the largest dolomite cave open to visitors in Australia, and then warm up in a pool fed by thermal springs.
- Overnight in the Huon Valley.

#### DAY 4 – HUON VALLEY TO HOBART | 50 KM

- Follow the Southern Wine Trail, and allow time for cellar-door tasting and chatting.
- Prefer cider? Follow the Huon Valley leg of the Tasmanian Cider Trail, past orchards and stopping at cideries for tastings. Buy local apples at farm gates.
- Stop for baked treats at Summer Kitchen Bakery, Ranelagh.
- Depart Hobart.



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 02 – Swinging Bridges, Tahune Adventures © Jess Bonde  
 03 – Franklin © Jess Bonde  
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## GRAZING FOR FOOD LOVERS

### 4-DAY ITINERARY

#### Launceston round trip

#### DAY 1 – LAUNCESTON AND SURROUNDS | 177 KM

- Bring your curiosity and appetite. Many of Tasmania's finest farm-to-fork experiences can be enjoyed on Northern Forage road trips across the island's north. In particular, the Cradle to Coast Tasting Trail covers more than 30 outstanding farms, wineries, distilleries and artisanal makers in the north west.
- From Launceston, plot a course along the Tamar Valley Wine Trail and allow time for tasting and cellar-door chatting.
- Have lunch among the vines at restaurants including Timbre Kitchen, at Velo Wines, or at Josef Chromy Wines.
- Mingle with locals over a pre-dinner drink at the city's wine or brew bars, and book dinner at one of its restaurants for a true taste of northern Tasmania.
- Overnight in Launceston.





#### DAY 2 – LAUNCESTON TO STANLEY | 265 KM

- Visit one of the truffle farms near Deloraine.
- Enjoy the sweet treats at Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm.
- Fill a hamper along the Cradle to Coast Tasting Trail.
- Walk up an appetite in Rocky Cape National Park.
- Stop for freshly shucked oysters at Tarkine Fresh Oysters, Smithton.
- Overnight in Stanley.

#### DAY 3 – STANLEY

- Walk or take the chairlift to the summit of The Nut.
- Learn more about the history of the region at Highfield Historic Site.
- Enjoy fresh seafood and crayfish by the port.
- Overnight in Stanley.

#### DAY 4 – STANLEY TO LAUNCESTON | 226 KM

- Take your time and explore the seaside towns of Wynyard, Burnie, Penguin and Ulverstone.
- Along the Cradle to Coast Tasting Trail, stop for olives and whisky, berries and cheese, wine and honey.
- Depart Launceston.



- 01 – Josef Chromy Wines © Scott Sporleder, Matador
- 02 – Seven Sheds Brewery, Meadery and Hop Garden, Willie Simpson © Rob Burnett
- 03 – Stanley wharf © Rob Burnett
- 04 – Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm © Graham Freeman
- 05 – Stillwater, Launceston © Nat Mendham



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