



TASMANIA

A TRAVEL PROFESSIONAL'S GUIDE

TASMANIA



Overland Track, Barn Bluff,
Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park
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COME DOWN FOR AIR

Acknowledgment of country

We acknowledge the Tasmanian Aboriginal people
and their enduring custodianship of lutruwita (Tasmania).

We honour their uninterrupted care, protection and belonging
to these islands, skies and waterways, before the invasion
and colonisation of European settlement.

As part of a tourism industry that welcomes visitors to these lands,
we acknowledge our responsibility to represent to our visitors
Tasmania's deep and complex history, fully, respectfully, and truthfully.

We acknowledge the Aboriginal people who
continue to care for this country today.

We pay our respects to their Elders, past and present.

We honour their stories, songs, art, and culture,
and their aspirations for the future of their people and these lands.



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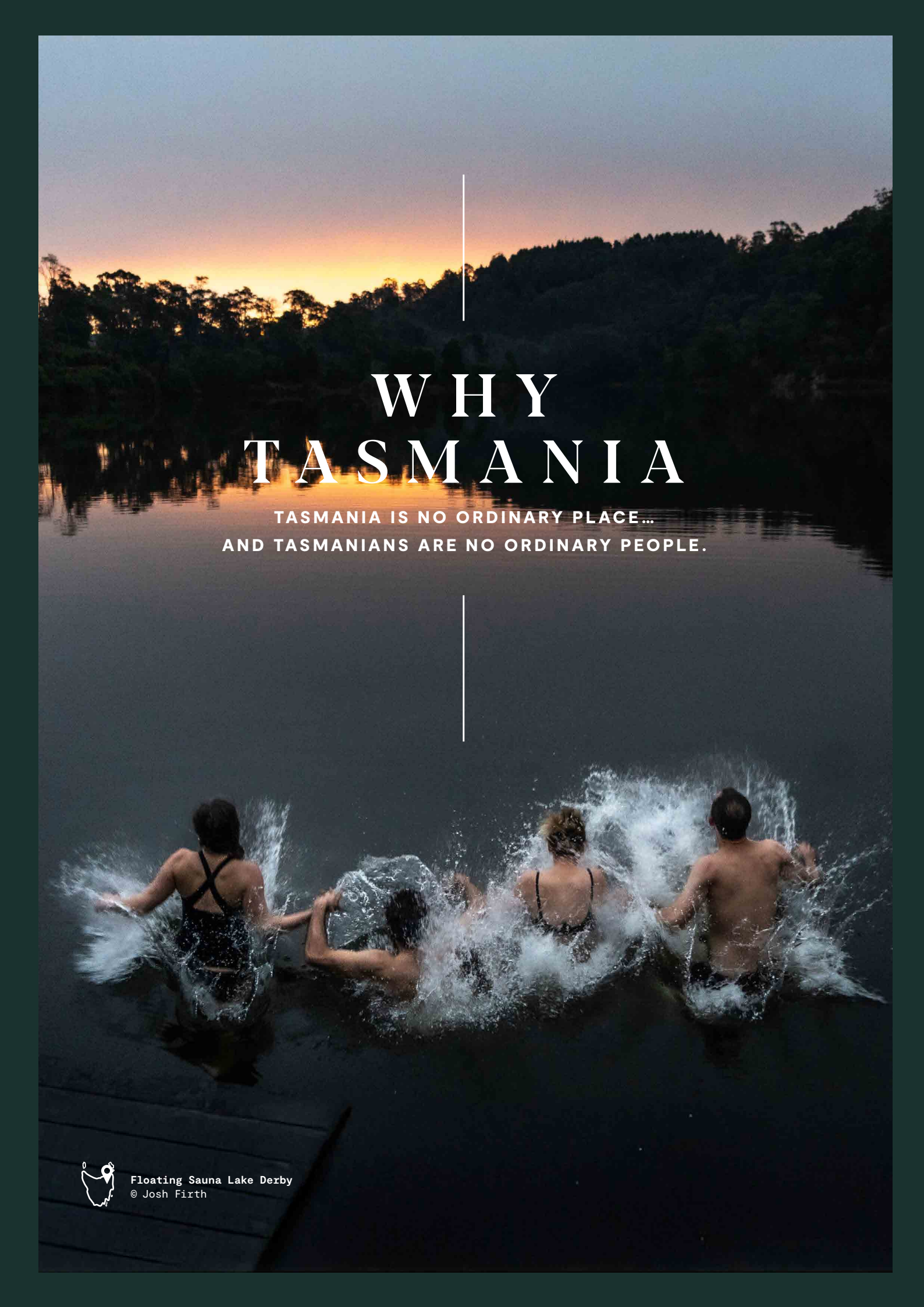
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A group of people are seen from behind, splashing in a lake at sunset. The water is dark, and the sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue. The people are creating large splashes of white water. The background shows a dark, silhouetted forest on a hill.

WHY TASMANIA

TASMANIA IS NO ORDINARY PLACE...
AND TASMANIANS ARE NO ORDINARY PEOPLE.



Floating Sauna Lake Derby
© Josh Firth

SLOW DOWN. UNPLUG. BREATHE DEEPLY.

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

About 40% of the island state is protected as national parks, reserves and the UNESCO Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area – and remarkably, most of 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. Follow wild rivers into rare temperate rainforest where Huon pines grow for thousands of years. Cross buttongrass plains below snow-peaked mountains and meet wildlife that exists nowhere else on Earth.

Geographic isolation has nurtured Tasmania's unique environment, and has fostered a rare community of creative, down-to-earth, resourceful people with time to make you feel welcome. This is a place where biodiversity 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, the ocean, the winery or the distillery...but also to meet 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 here.

Tasmania is also a place for adventure, however you spin it. Test yourself on epic mountain-bike trails, tee off on top-ranked golf courses overlooking Bass Strait, cast for wild brown trout in glacial tarns, or raft along wild rivers.

Or, if you're feeling more sedate, experience Tasmania's unique convict-built architecture – stately homesteads, elegant bridges and haunting prison ruins offering a window into the hardships of the past.

Heritage, adventure, wildlife, wild places and fine food and drink: plan your next move from a hot tub in a forest, a kayak for two, or fireside with a local whisky and some good friends. The world looks very different from Tasmania.

ABOUT TASMANIA



Dove lake Kayak, Cradle Mountain,
Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park
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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
Turrakana / Tasman Peninsula, over 300m high

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

DEEPEST CAVE Delta Variant Cave, about 401m deep,
near Mt Field National Park

DEEPEST LAKE Lake St Clair, over 200m deep

WILDEST BIG-WAVE SURF
Shipstern Bluff, Turrakana / Tasman Peninsula

TOWN WITH THE MOST SANDSTONE BUILDINGS
Oatlands (around 150)

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

...and Tasmania supplies a quarter of the wild abalone
consumed globally.

01 - Richmond © Brian Dullaghan
02 - White Knights, Evercreech Forest Reserve © Jason Charles Hill
03 - Ocean Dunes Golf Course © Adam Gibson
04 - Shipstern Bluff, Tasman National Park © Stu Gibson



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Tasman Island
© Emilie Ristevski

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 334 islands of the Tasmanian archipelago sit at latitude 42°S, directly in the path of the Roaring Forties winds.

Tasmania is about the same size as the Republic of Ireland: 315km from east to west and 286km from north to south. There are around 573,000 Tasmanians with almost half living in the state capital of Hobart, established in 1804 and Australia's second-oldest city.

AUSTRALIA

Sydney
Melbourne

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Weather

Tasmania's four distinct seasons deliver different travel experiences 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 and warm up around 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 west coast has an annual average rainfall of 2400mm, 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 here

From mainland Australia, there are direct domestic flights into Hobart and Launceston from most capital cities. Domestic flights are also available from Melbourne to Devonport, Burnie, King Island and Flinders Island. *Spirit of Tasmania* passenger and vehicle ferries operate daily across Bass Strait between Geelong and Devonport. A direct international flight is available seasonally from Auckland to Hobart, providing additional international connection options.

Getting around

Tasmania is prime road-trip territory, with diverse landscapes and excellent road coverage – and never more than a few hours between A and B. Visitors can hire cars or vans, bring their own vehicle from the mainland on the *Spirit of Tasmania* ferry, or join a coach tour or a small escorted group. There are also intercity and regional public bus services.

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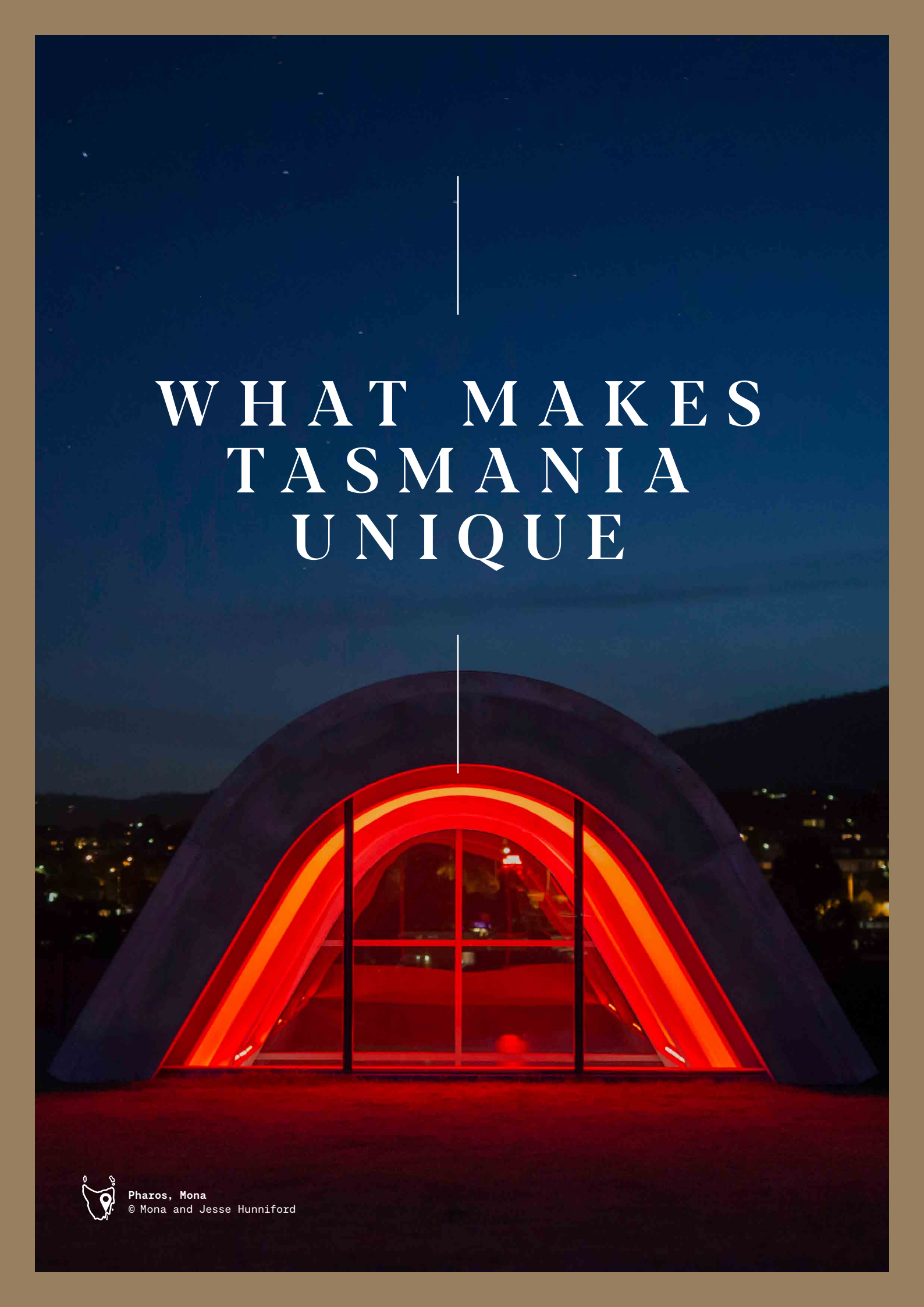


Businesses across the island have undertaken training to create safe spaces for LGBTQIA+ travellers. For a full list of Rainbow Tasmania Tourism Accredited operators, visit discovertasmania.com.au/rainbow-accredited.

More information

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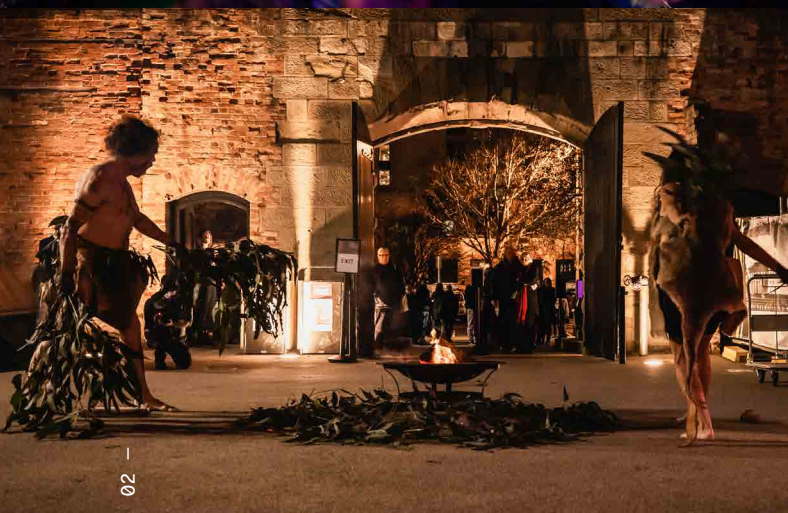
WHAT MAKES TASMANIA UNIQUE



Pharos, Mona
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Arts, culture and events

Wild terrain, fascinating history and try-anything spirit infuse Tasmania with creative energy, inspiring a community of artists, designers and performers. Moná, the provocative private Museum of Old and New Art in Hobart, presents an alternative universe of ideas and expression, and a diverse range of exhibitions and seasonal events connecting travellers to island life – including the offbeat offerings of Dark Mofo in winter and summer gatherings such as Cygnet Folk Festival and Clarence Jazz Festival.

Other eclectic events around the state include the National Penny Farthing Championships in Evandale in February; Tassie Scallop Fiesta, Festival of Voices and Tasmanian Whisky Week in winter; and the finish of the annual Rolex Sydney Hobart Yacht Race on the Hobart waterfront, just in time for the New Year's Eve fireworks.

01 - Penny farthing rider © Rob Burnett
 02 - Beaker Street Festival - Festival Hub © Beaker Street
 03 - Judy's © Dearná Bond
 04 - ECHO - East Coast Harvest Odyssey © Dearná Bond
 05 - Dark Mofo: Winter Feast © Jarrad Seng



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01 - Bonorong Wildlife Park © Dearna Bond
 02 - Nungu / West Point, Arthur River © Jess Bonde
 03 - Fagus (Nothofagus gunnii), Deciduous Beech © Emilie Ristevski

Wilderness and wildlife

Tasmania's many wilderness areas are a living museum of plants and animals, including a relatively large number of endemic species, found nowhere else on Earth. The island's unique ecology has evolved in isolation, 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 habitats relatively intact and few introduced predators or pests, Tasmania is now a refuge for a fascinating crew of creatures, including platypuses and echidnas (egg-laying mammals, called monotremes) and marsupials including wombats, wallabies, spotted quolls and the endangered Tasmanian devil. The last known thylacine – aka the Tasmanian tiger – died in a Hobart zoo in 1936, and the Tasmanian government officially declared the species extinct in 1986. However, unconfirmed sightings continue to this day...

Many of Tasmania's animals are nocturnal and elusive, though a walk at dawn or dusk

will often reward the patient observer. Or you can visit one of the island's many wildlife sanctuaries for tours and close encounters. Top spots include:

- Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary in Brighton
- Trowunna Wildlife Sanctuary at Mole Creek
- Devils @ Cradle at Cradle Mountain
- East Coast Natureworld at Bicheno
- Platypus House at Beauty Point; and
- Tasmanian Devil Unzoo on Turrakana / Tasman Peninsula.

And don't forget to look up! Aside from towering *Eucalyptus regnans* trees, which can grow to 100m tall, Tasmania is one of the few places in the world to see the glimmering Aurora Australis, the magical Southern Lights. Year-round sightings anywhere on the island are possible, though long dark winter nights in the southern region offer the best chance.



Tasmania's Top 5 animals

TASMANIAN DEVIL

Sharp teeth, a devilish cry and an irritable disposition – plus a bite as strong as a Bengal tiger. The world's largest carnivorous marsupial, the size of a small dog, has a fearsome reputation. But these nocturnal hunters are endangered: your best chance of seeing one is at a wildlife park.

PLATYPUS

The shy platypus, with its webbed feet and peculiar 'duck bill', burrows into the banks of freshwater rivers and lakes around the state, including the Hobart Rivulet. Look for a tell-tale trail of bubbles across the surface and keep quiet – you might have a lucky sighting.

WOMBAT

About the size of a chunky sports bag, a wombat on the march is a curious sight – a muscular, waddling creature with squat legs and a stubby tail. Maria Island National Park off the east coast is a great spot to spy one, munching grass and producing cube-shaped dung.

01 – Bennetts Wallaby (*Macropus rufogriseus*) © Jess Bonde
 02 – Pademelon © Rob Burnett
 03 – Tasmanian devil (*Sarcophilus harrisii*) © Jess Bonde
 04 – Camping at Darlington, Maria Island © Jamie Douros & Camille Helm
 05 – Eastern quoll (*Dasyurus viverrinus*) © Ash Thomson Photography
 06 – Platypus (*Ornithorhynchus anatinus*) © Ash Thomson Photography



SPOTTED QUOLL

Tasmania's tree-climbing spotted quoll is another carnivorous marsupial, related to the Tasmanian devil and extinct thylacine. They're shy and nocturnal, and are far from picky eaters: insects, roadkill, rats, rabbits, birds and lizards are all on the menu. Meet one at a wildlife park.

PADEMELON

Like a wallaby, only smaller and with pointier features, this unique creature can be found quite commonly throughout Tasmania, often grazing on grass and darting through scrub. Other commonly spotted Tasmanian animals include endearing echidnas and bouncing Bennett's wallabies.



Unordinary adventures

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

WALKING

Tasmania is criss-crossed by 2800km of managed hiking tracks and more than 880 walks in national parks, reserves and conservation areas. You can stretch out on one of the [60 Great Short Walks](#), tackle a challenging DIY multi-day bushwalk, or sign up for a luxe guided hike with fine food and accommodation. Popular trails include the 65km Overland Track, the short-but-steep Wineglass Bay walk in Freycinet National Park, the 46km Three Capes Track on Turrakana / Tasman Peninsula, and the legendary 85km South Coast Track across the bottom of the island.

FLY FISHING

Arguably the world's purest strain of wild brown trout thrives in more than 3000 Tasmanian waterways, from fresh highland lakes and broad southern rivers to northern meadow streams. In the August-to-April season, crystal-clear water delivers superb sight fishing (...seeing the fish and casting to it, rather than guessing where it is).

MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDING

Tasmania has a global reputation as an exceptional mountain biking destination, with hundreds of kilometres of trails, loops and downhill runs. Key locations include:

- Derby and St Helens Mountain Bike Trails, both in the north east
- Wild Mersey Mountain Bike Trails in the north west
- Maydena Bike Park in the Derwent Valley
- Queenstown's challenging Mt Owen network on the west coast; and
- Zeehan's Heemskirk network, Silver City MTB.

GOLF

Tasmania is known for its unique links golf courses lining the rugged coastlines, with greens scattered through sand dunes and surrounded by paddocks grazed by sheep. Tasmania has four of Australia's top 13 golf courses, as ranked by *Australian Golf Digest*: Barnbougle Dunes and Barnbougle Lost Farm at Bridport in the north, and Cape Wickham Golf Links and Ocean Dunes on King Island.

01 - Fly fishing on the Meander River @ Adam Gibson
 02 - Cape Wickham Golf Links, King Island @ Stu Gibson
 03 - St Helens Mountain Bike Trails @ Stu Gibson
 04 - Walking in the Tasman National Park @ Dearna Bond



History and heritage

Tasmania's human history dates back many thousands of years. Visit the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery (TMAG) in Hobart or the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery (QVMAG) in Launceston to learn more about palawa (Tasmanian Aboriginal) history, culture and ongoing custodianship of Country. You can also deepen your understanding of palawa stories and connection through guided experiences on Country, such as the wukalina Walk in the Larapuna / Bay of Fires area; palawa kipli, focusing on Tasmanian Aboriginal food and bush tucker experiences; and Launceston's kooparoona niara Tours, taking visitors on a cultural tour into Cataract Gorge.

Much of Tasmania's rich and complex European history is tangible in streetscapes, gardens, houses and farms across the state. Notably, there are more than 1000 convict sites here – evocative open-air museums where visitors can learn about the 76,000 convicts transported to Tasmania (known then as Van Diemen's Land) between 1804 and 1853.

Five of these sites are part of Australia's 11 UNESCO World Heritage convict sites, recognised for their universal historic value:

- Darlington Probation Station on Maria Island National Park
- Port Arthur Historic Site on Turrakana / Tasman Peninsula
- Coal Mines Historic Site, also on Turrakana / Tasman Peninsula
- Cascades Female Factory in Hobart; and
- Brickendon and Woolmers Estates in rural Longford.

Tasmania's industrial and mining heritage is also a riveting read. Across the state you can visit former mining towns reborn as mountain-bike meccas and arts hubs; marvel at a colossal concrete hydroelectric dam; and tour mines of yesteryear.



Food, wine and whisky

Hungry? Tasmania offers a growing collection of paddock-to-plate experiences, food, wine, beer and spirits trails, cooking schools and gourmet walking tours, allowing travellers to forage, cook, taste and learn about Tasmanian produce first-hand.

Tasmania's prolific produce flows from the island's fertile soils and seas, clean water, strong biosecurity practices and GMO-free status, and the rhythm of four distinct seasons. Slow down and pick a few apples – there's a 200-year history of growing, canning and fermenting apples here. In summer, gather cherries and raspberries at farms across the north and south. In winter, follow the truffle hounds on a hunt to unearth some of these funky fungi.

Expect great seafood year-round, including wild-caught abalone. Peak season for scallops and oysters is winter, while rock lobsters – known locally as crayfish – are abundant in summer. The roll-call of star produce from the island's north and north west 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.

Time for a drink? 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 DIY stills fuelled by biodiesel, flavouring gin with native mountain pepperberry, and distilling vodka from sheep's whey.

Tasmanian single malt whisky is a standout, receiving global accolades. Making whisky here may seem like an obvious pursuit, with clean mountain waters, abundant barley crops and misty highland vibes. But distilling was outlawed on the island in 1838, and it was more than 150 years before anyone other than the odd moonshiner made whisky here. The antiquated laws were repealed in 1992, and the industry has since exploded: today there are more than 50 Tasmanian whisky distilleries, many of which are open for tours and tastings.



- 01 – Bangor Vineyard Shed © Tourism Australia
- 02 – Old Kempton Distillery © Tourism Australia
- 03 – Crayfish © Adam Gibson
- 04 – Oyster Bay Tours - Freycinet Marine Farm © Tourism Australia
- 05 – Tasmanian cheese platter © Mitch Osborne

- 06 – The Truffle Farm Tasmania © Tourism Australia
- 07 – Table Cape Tulip Farm © Luke Tscharke
- 08 – Willie Smith's Apple Shed © Stu Gibson
- 09 – Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm Cafe © Danielle Prowse
- 10 – Road to the Sentinel Range © Jason Charles Hill



Road trips

Tasmania's diverse landscapes, compact size and excellent road network make the island state a prime self-drive destination. You can dash between Hobart and Launceston in two hours, but why rush? The pleasure of driving in Tasmania is taking some time to explore villages, meet the locals, 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 **Heartlands** in central Tasmania.

SOUTHERN * EDGE



D'Entrecasteaux Channel; swing by the farm gates and cider houses of the Huon Valley; and detour

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 the edges of river and sea. Follow country roads past the hidden coves of the broad

by ferry for just-shucked oysters and farmhouse cheeses on Bruny Island. Venture to Australia's southernmost edge (next stop Antarctica), and into the south-west wilderness. Look forward to wildlife watching, just-harvested produce, stargazing and solitude.

NORTHERN FORAGE

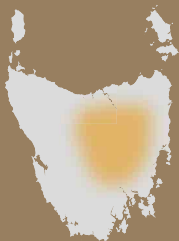


Framed by wild Bass Strait coastlines, threaded by rivers and thatched by some of the most fertile farmland in Australia, a Northern Forage road trip is a chance to slow down and follow your foodie instincts from paddock to plate. Stop at farm gates, distilleries and cellar doors

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 then plot your way out again – from ocean to valley and forest to farm, foraging from breakfast to dinner.



HEARTLANDS



A journey through central Tasmania can span a couple of hours or a couple of thousand years: a Heartlands road trip has a way of nudging your sense of time and history in unexpected directions. Detour along convict-

built roads past Georgian facades in heritage towns. Follow country lanes hemmed by hedgerows, past paddocks that have produced fine merino wool for generations. Venture into the Central Highlands and north to the Great Western Tiers – wild, ancient landscapes of lakes, mountains and moors steeped in more recent hydro-industrial history.

WESTERN WILDS



Tasmania's west protects a huge area of globally recognised wilderness – the UNESCO Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area. Less well-known are the human stories of the region: tales of Aboriginal culture dating back thousands of years; of pioneering challenge, folly and grand vision; of mining booms and busts. A Western Wilds road trip takes you through remote landscapes,

ghost towns and streets studded with ornate Victorian and Art Deco architecture. Climb aboard a steam train through rainforest, and raft the rivers. Chat with locals, marvel at a mighty dam wall and drive the 99 Bends. Facing the Roaring Forties winds, fresh from South America, discover a place like nowhere else.

GREAT EASTERN DRIVE



Road trips along Tasmania's east coast pass through laidback hinterland villages and classic beach-holiday towns, strung together by uncrowded shores and photo-worthy national parks. The perfect arc of Wineglass

Bay is an east-coast essential – as is the magical combo of white sand, turquoise ocean and orange boulders in the Larapuna / Bay of Fires area. Venture across open heathland, along forest trails or out to Maria Island National Park. Embrace simple luxuries – pull over and follow a beach track, soak in a hot tub with water views, order catch-of-the-day at a seafood shack, then fall asleep to an ocean soundtrack.



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TRAVEL TASMANIA SAFELY

Travellers should be mindful of weather and wildlife on Tasmania's roads. When fog, ice and snow occur, slower driving is recommended.

Drivers might encounter narrow, windy roads in Tasmania's remote areas or national parks, requiring slower travel speeds. Before driving, travellers should plan their route and download offline maps and emergency apps.

And remember, Tasmania's roads are shared with native wildlife, so drivers should be reminded to slow down and watch out for animals – particularly at nighttime, dawn and dusk.

Up-to-date information on weather-related road closures is available at police.tas.gov.au.

Experience trails

Tasmania 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.

CONVICT TRAIL

From historic Richmond to Teralina / Eaglehawk Neck and Port Arthur Historic Site, [this fascinating trail](#) is rich in convict history and natural beauty. Turrakana / Tasman Peninsula is a place of towering sea cliffs, surging surf and wild ocean views.

HIGHLANDS POWER TRAIL

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

01 - Peppers Cradle Mountain Lodge © Dearna Bond
 02 - Ross Bridge © Rob Burnett
 03 - wukalina Walk © Tayla Gentle
 04 - Wineglass Bay aerial © Jason Charles Hill
 05 - Mt Mueller, Gordon River Road © Mauricio E. Mozo
 06 - Port Arthur Historic Site © Tourism Australia
 07 - Cascades Female Factory Historic Site © Alastair Bett



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TASTING TRAIL TASMANIA

Follow your nose north west from Launceston to discover more than 30 of Tasmania's finest farms, cellar doors, distilleries, makers and bakers. Cheese, honey, ice-cream, berries, salmon, whisky, beer, wine...it's all here.

TASMANIAN BEER TRAIL

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



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WINE TRAILS

Plot a course between cellar doors on the island's four cool-climate wine trails: the **Tamar Valley Wine Trail**, the **North West Wine Trail**, the **East Coast Wine Trail**, and the **Southern Wine Trail**. Pick a designated driver and head off down the country roads.

TASMANIAN CIDER TRAIL

Sample hand-crafted ciders from the orchards of the Huon Valley and farms of the north west. They don't call Tasmania the Apple Isle for nothing...

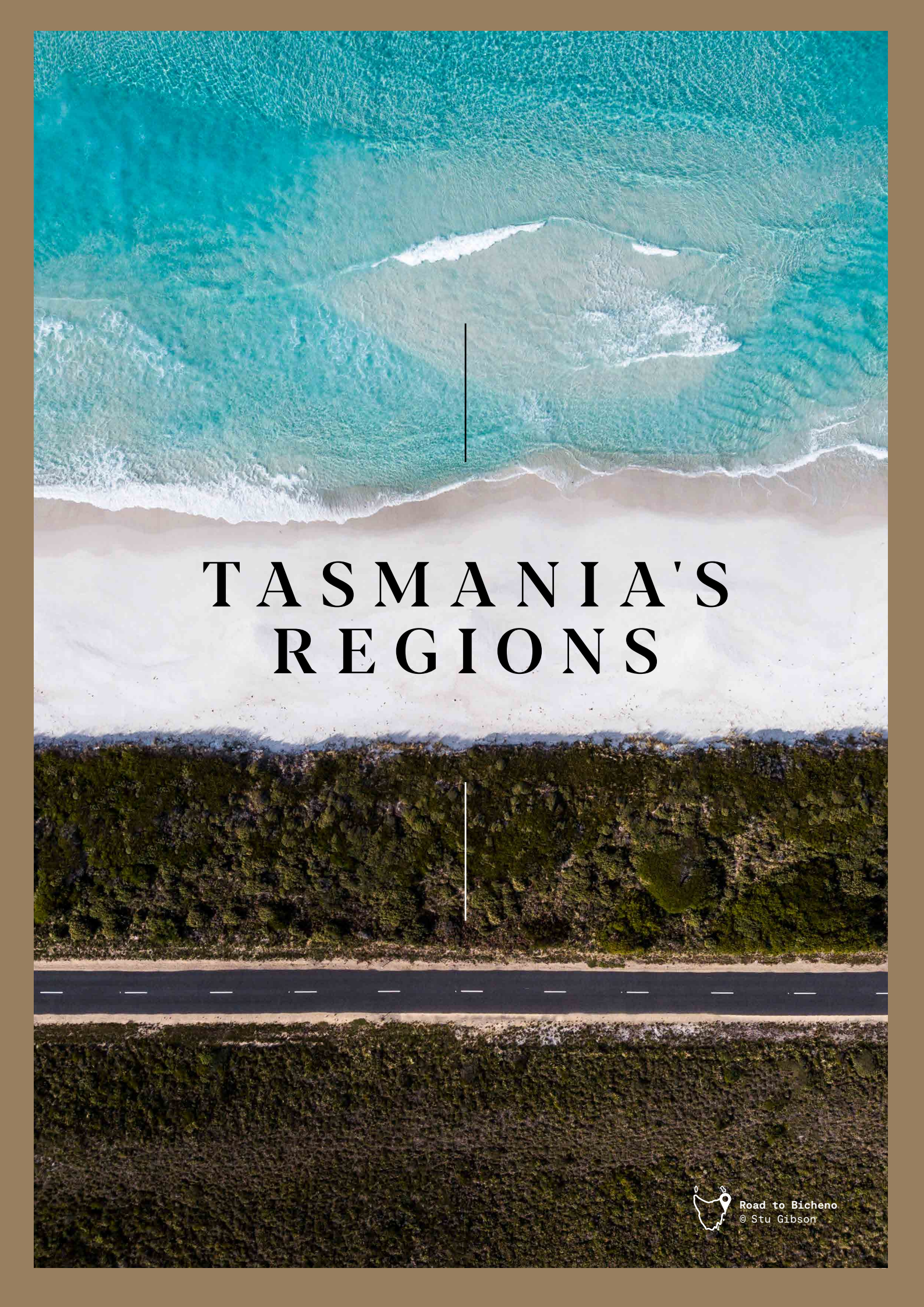
TASMANIAN WHISKY AND SPIRITS TRAIL

Meet the makers, hear the stories and sip the product at the island's renowned distilleries.

TASMANIAN SEAFOOD TRAILS

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

01 - Southern Wild Distillery © S. Group
 02 - Spreyton Cider Co. © Boomtown Pictures
 03 - Devil's Corner Cellar Door © Tourism Australia
 04 - Hazelbrae at Hagley © Tourism Australia



TASMANIA'S REGIONS



Road to Bicheno
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HOBART AND SOUTH



The Candlestick, Cape Huay
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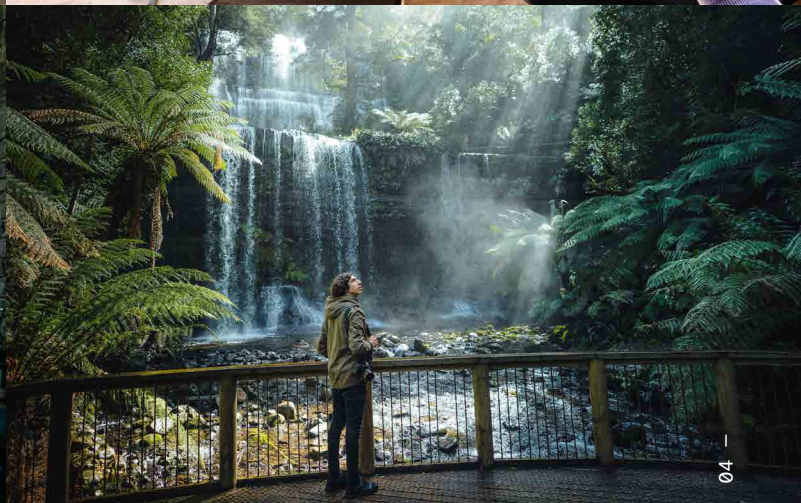
From wildlife to city life, a tour of Tasmania's south on the **Southern Edge** road trip spans the compact capital of Hobart, evocative convict sites, diverse Bruny Island, the orchards and farm gates of the Huon Valley, and vast tracts of World Heritage wilderness.

Hobart

Contemporary cool meets colonial heritage in this vibrant city, set between Kunanyi / Mount Wellington (1271m) and the broad River Derwent. Look forward to a busy festival calendar and simmering arts and foodie scenes.



- 01 - Pancho Villa Restaurant and Bar © Osborne Images
- 02 - Summit of Kunanyi / Mt Wellington overlooking Hobart © Dearn Bond
- 03 - Bruny Island Cheese Co © Tourism Australia
- 04 - Russell Falls, Mt Field National Park © Jason Charles Hill



Turrakana / Tasman Peninsula

This craggy peninsula plays host to the haunting [Port Arthur Historic Site](#), 300m-high sea cliffs and the epic Three Capes Track. Access is via Teralina / Eaglehawk Neck, a 30m-wide isthmus once guarded by dogs to deter convict escapees.

Bruny Island

Catch the ferry across the 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 apple orchards, vineyards, waterways and riverside towns until you reach tall forests and peaks of the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area. At the end of the road is Cockle Creek – the trailhead for the 85km South Coast Track, and as far south as you can go in Australia without a boat.

Derwent Valley to Lake St Clair

Upstream from Hobart, the River Derwent narrows, passing vineyards, hopfields and the antique-filled town of New Norfolk. Beyond the valley is snowy [Mt Field National Park](#) and Lake St Clair (Australia's deepest lake), at the southern end of Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park.

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.

Southern Midlands

Follow the Heritage Highway through rolling farmland to discover historic sandstone towns like Oatlands, Bothwell and Kempton. Sculptural silhouettes of convicts and bushrangers along the highway recall the region's storied colonial past.

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LAUNCESTON AND NORTH

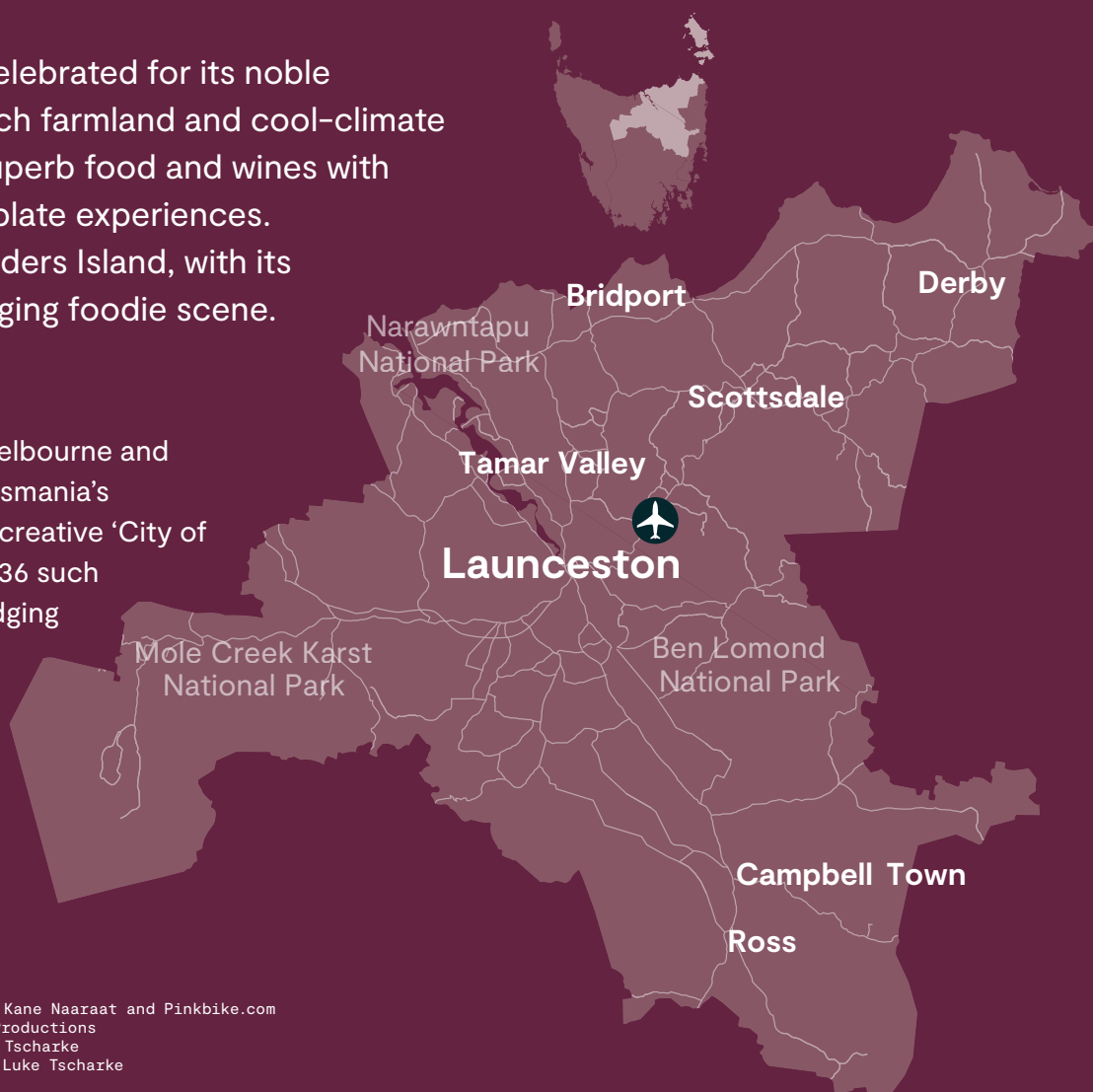


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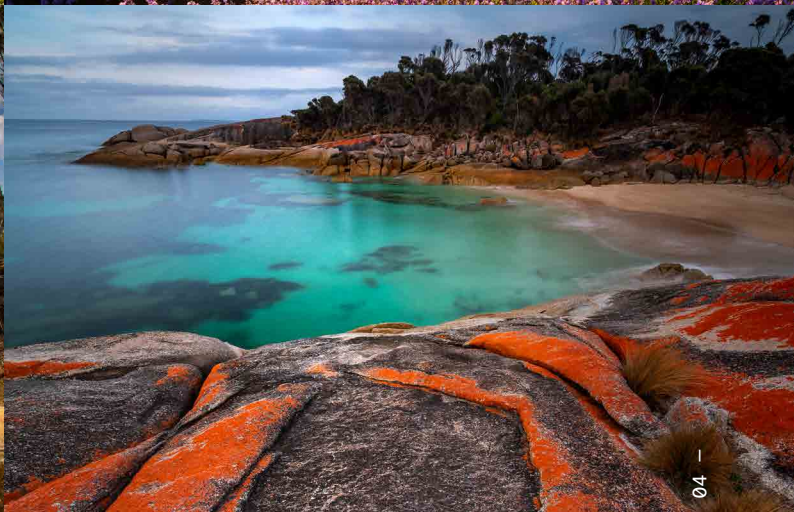
Northern Tasmania is celebrated for its noble convict-built estates, rich farmland and cool-climate vineyards, producing superb food and wines with authentic paddock-to-plate experiences. Out in Bass Strait is Flinders Island, with its craggy peaks and emerging foodie scene.

Launceston

Just an hour's flight from Melbourne and 90 minutes from Sydney, Tasmania's northern hub is a UNESCO creative 'City of Gastronomy' – one of only 36 such cities worldwide, acknowledging the region's unique foodie culture. 'Launnie' also has some of Australia's best-preserved Georgian and Victorian streetscapes, and Cataract Gorge, a slice of downtown wilderness.



01 – Blue Derby Mountain Bike Trails © Kane Naaraat and Pinkbike.com
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04 – Trousers Point, Flinders Island © Luke Tscharke



Tamar Valley

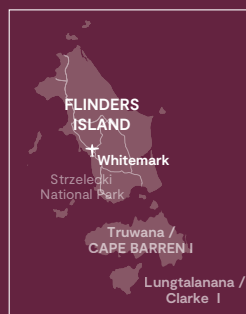
From Launceston, follow the Tamar Valley Wine Trail to visit the region's many cellar doors, bottling-up premium cool-climate pinot noir and sparkling wines. Beyond the vineyards are forested hills and farms, lavender fields and orchards.

Northern Midlands

Explore the picture-perfect villages of Longford and Evandale, home to heritage pubs, penny-farthing races and the UNESCO convict-built estates of Brickendon and Woolmers. Continue south for more history in Perth, Campbell Town and Ross along the Heritage Highway.

Derby

This mountain-biking mecca in Tasmania's north east was once a tin-mining town – now home to a 125km network of trails through temperate rainforest, called Blue Derby.



Flinders Island

Flinders is the largest of the 52 islands in the Furneaux Group, adrift in Bass Strait off Tasmania's north-east coast. With a population of 1000 islanders, rugged scenery

and a growing reputation for distinctive paddock-to-plate produce experiences – including crayfish, abalone, scallops and quality lamb and beef – Flinders offers a true island-off-an-island experience.

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EAST COAST



Wineglass Bay
© Matthew Donovan

White-sand beaches, photogenic coastline... Tasmania's east coast has the classic features of the best beach holidays – plus wombats and wallabies, seafood shacks and boutique wineries, strung between sandy holiday towns and epic national parks. See it all along the **Great Eastern Drive**.

Freycinet National Park

Freycinet is home to the craggy pink granite peaks of the Hazards, secluded bays, wallabies, native birds and sandy Wineglass Bay, Tasmania's most photographed location. Head for holiday hub Coles Bay then explore by boat, sea kayak or on foot.

Maria Island National Park

A 30-minute ferry ride from Triabunna is this wildlife haven, starring wombats, wallabies, echidnas and 11 of the state's 12 endemic bird species, including the endangered forty-spotted pardalote. The traditional lands of the Tyreddeme people, Maria has been a whaling post, a penal settlement and, since 1972, a national park. Explore peaks and cliffs by mountain bike or on foot.





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Larapuna / Bay of Fires

Spanning 50km from Binalong Bay to Eddystone Point in the north, the spectacular Larapuna / Bay of Fires area is graced with white beaches, turquoise water and granite rocks splashed with orange lichen. Stay at beachfront campsites or learn about palawa (Tasmanian Aboriginal) culture on the four-day Aboriginal-owned and -operated wukalina Walk.

St Helens Mountain Bike Trails

The trails around St Helens – including the 42km Bay of Fires Trail from Derby to Swimcart Beach, and the 66km St Helens Stacked Loop Network – offer dramatic descents and scenic routes for all mountain biking abilities.

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 02 - Wineglass Bay Walking Track © Tourism Australia & Hugh Stewart
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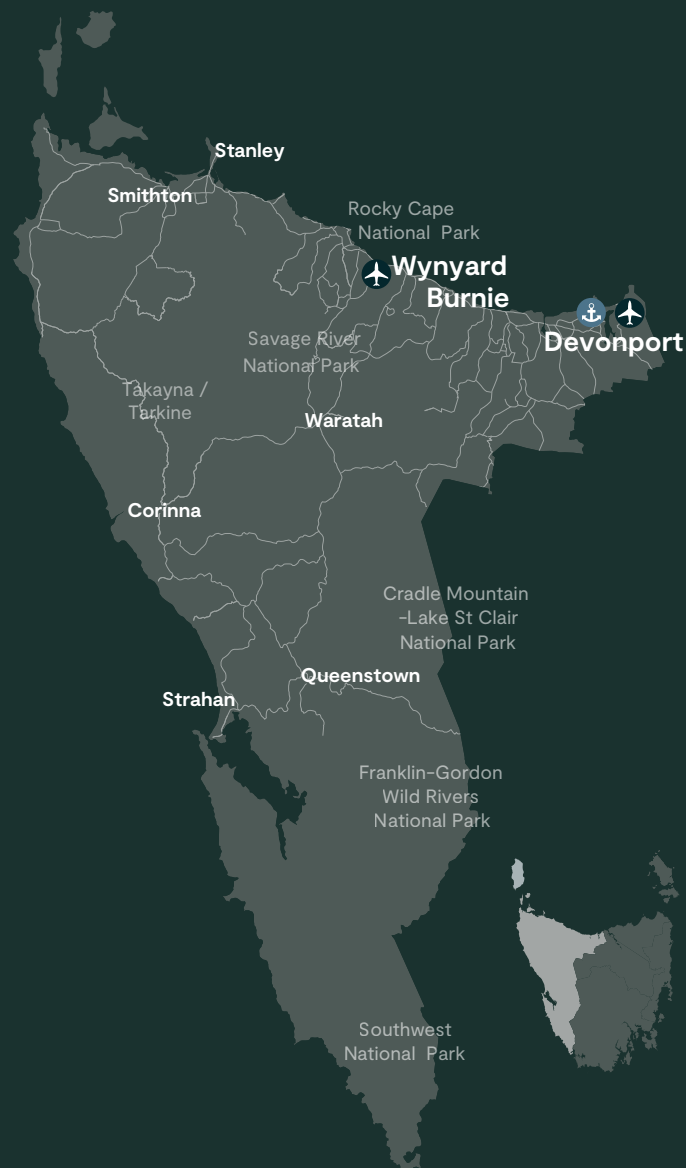


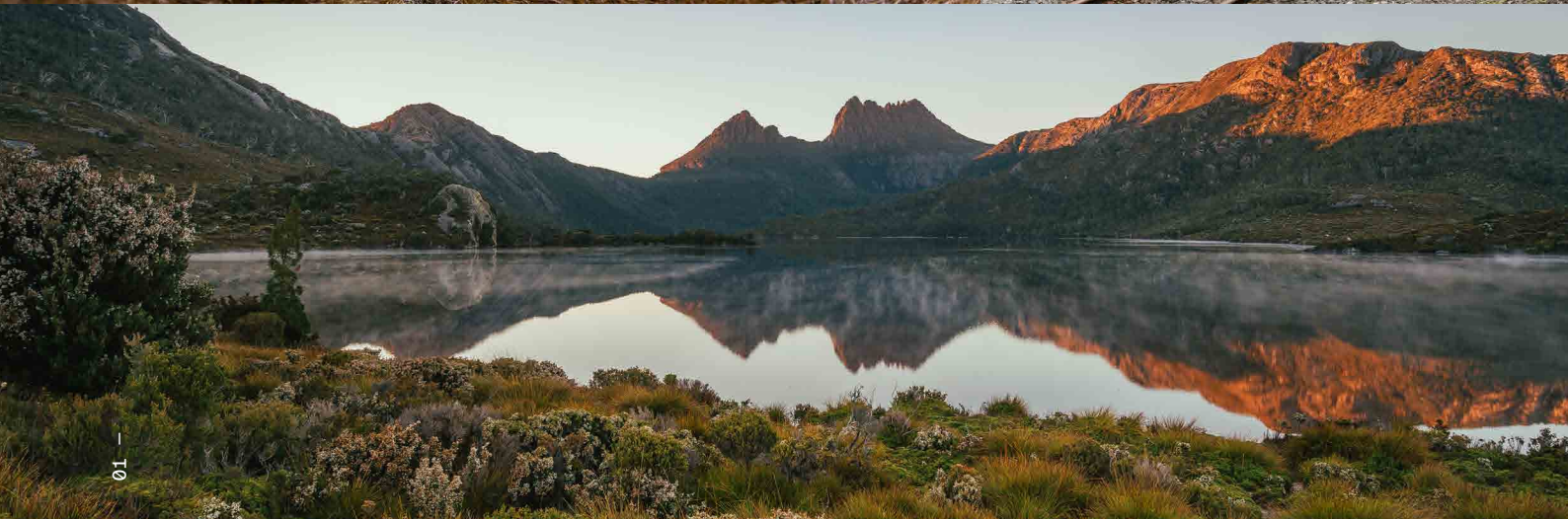
Nelson Falls
© Luke Tscharke

From Tasmania's wild west to the north-west coast and out to King Island, this region is known for its World Heritage-listed wilderness, mining heritage and outstanding produce, with plenty of paddock-to-plate stories to hear along the Tasting Trail Tasmania. Tackle the **Western Wilds** and **Northern Forage** road trips and see where the road takes you.

Takayna / Tarkine

The world's second-largest tract of rare cool-temperate rainforest survives in this precious north-west wilderness. The two-day Tarkine Drive takes you into the wilds from Smithton; or base yourself in tiny Corinna on the Pieman River for walks, cruises and kayak trips.





Cradle Mountain

Meet the local wildlife on superb day walks in Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park – part of the vast UNESCO Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area. Or propel yourself along the 65km Overland Track, either DIY camping or on a pack-free guided walk sleeping in private huts.

Strahan

On the remote west-coast shores of Macquarie Harbour, Strahan is the gateway to Franklin-Gordon Wild Rivers National Park and home to some great places to eat and drink. Strahan is also a launchpad for boats, planes and helicopters into the south-west wilderness.



King Island

Some 80km off Tasmania's north-west coast, King Island offers rugged coastline, famously good produce and seafood, a rich seafaring history and

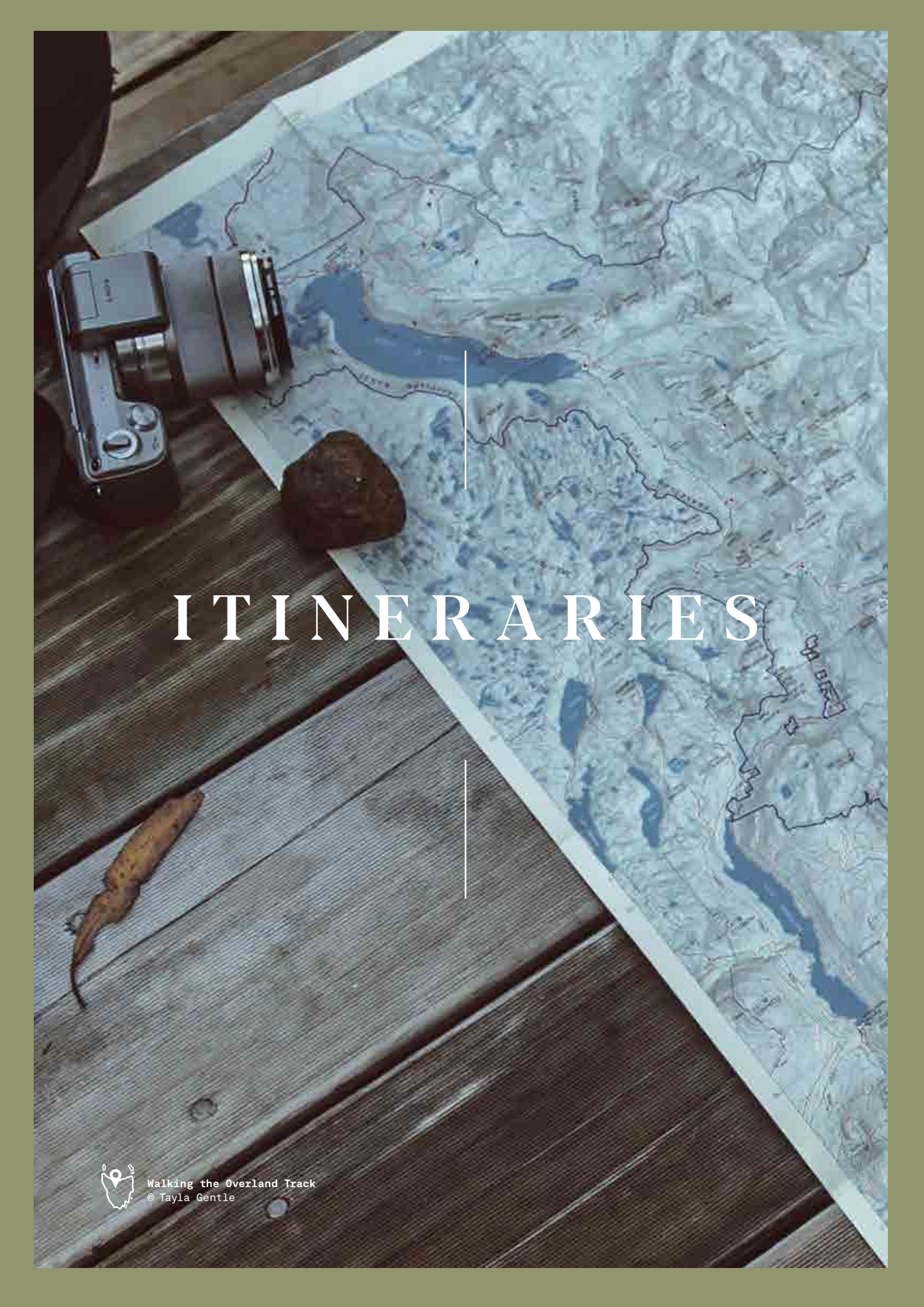
some of the finest golf experiences in the world: Cape Wickham on the rugged north coast, and Ocean Dunes on the west coast. Look forward to greens on the edge of the sea, with passing whales and seals as you tee off.

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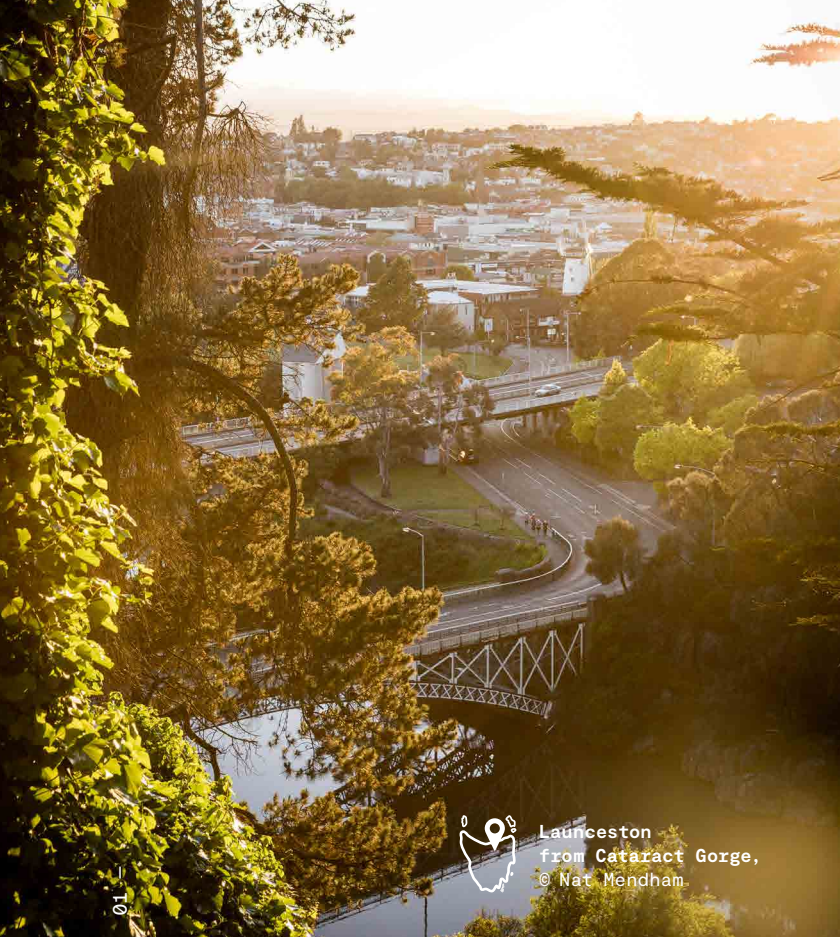
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A topographic map of a mountainous region with a river, a camera, a rock, and a leaf on a wooden surface. The map is spread out on a wooden plank surface. A silver camera with a lens is positioned on the left side of the map. A dark, irregularly shaped rock sits on the map near the center. A single, dried, brown leaf lies on the wooden surface to the left of the map. The word "ITINERARIES" is printed in large, white, serif capital letters across the middle of the map. Two thin white vertical lines are positioned on either side of the text.

ITINERARIES



Walking the Overland Track
© Tayla Gentle



Launceston
from Cataract Gorge,
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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 Du Cane Brewery and Dining Hall, serving up woodfired pizza topped with local ingredients.
- Tee off on the links courses at Ocean Dunes and Lost Farm, two of the world's top golf destinations.
- Get set for adventure. Go mountain-biking at Derby, ziplining at Hollybank Treetops Adventure or rock climbing at Penny Royal Launceston.
- Meet the fascinating residents of Seahorse World at Beauty Point and, right next door, see platypuses and echidnas at Platypus House.
- Overnight in Launceston.

DAY 2 – LAUNCESTON TO DEVONPORT | 150 KM

- Follow the Tasting Trail, stopping at some of the 30 outstanding farms, wineries, distilleries and artisanal makers in the north west.
- Raise a glass dram at Western Tiers Distillery, using botanicals sourced from the tiers and water from the Central Highlands lakes.
- Stroll around the street-front artworks at Sheffield, known as the Town of Murals.

- Join a truffle hunt at The Truffledore in Lower Barrington or The Truffle Farm in Deloraine.
- 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 lookout and breathe some of the cleanest air in the world.
- Overnight in Stanley.

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, Crater Lake Circuit and Marions Lookout.
- Go canyoning or kayaking 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. Departing from Queenstown or Strahan, journey 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

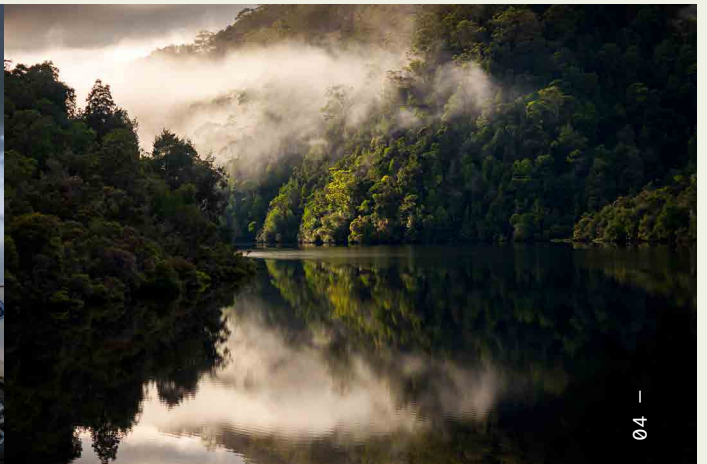
- Explore the art galleries, museums and lookouts in Queenstown, once the world's richest mining town.
- Stand before the Wall in the Wilderness, a gallery in Derwent Bridge housing a series of carved Huon pine panels documenting the region's history.
- Take a tour of Currunga Farm, a 300-hectare working 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.



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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.
- Visit Bicheno in the evening and sample fresh seafood at the waterside Lobster Shack before watching little penguins waddle ashore at dusk.
- Overnight at Coles Bay.

DAY 13 – COLES BAY TO LAUNCESTON | 180 KM

- Start the day with a walk or cruise to photogenic Wineglass Bay.
- Take a kayak tour from Coles Bay, exploring the spellbinding Freycinet region from the water.

- 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 Estates 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 – Melshell Oyster Shack © Tourism Austral and Prime Perspectives
 03 – The Nut, Stanley © Jason Charles Hill
 04 – Gordon River © Lauren Bath
 05 – Anvers Chocolate Factory © Jess Bonde



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.
- Get an aerial perspective of Hobart with a scenic flight above the city and into the 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.
- Explore Hobart on foot with an informative walking tour, blending the city's unique history with its vibrant contemporary culture.
- 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.



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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 Teralina/ Eaglehawk Neck.
- Call in for a lavender ice-cream at Port Arthur Lavender or a leisurely lunch at Bangor Wine Shed.
- 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.

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.
- Sip some fine Tasmanian spirits at Callington Mill Distillery in Oatlands or Old Kempton Distillery in Kempton.
- Explore the neighbouring World Heritage convict sites of Brickendon and Woolmers Estates at 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 chatting at cellar doors such as Clover Hill and Holm Oak Vineyard.
- In Launceston, take a free ride on the accessible Gorge Scenic Chairlift high above the city's famed wilderness haven, Cataract Gorge.
- 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 and Art Gallery (QVMAG).
- 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 Adventures, Tahune Airwalk
 03 – Platypus House © Tourism Australia
 04 – Heritage Horse Drawn Carriages © Tourism Australia
 05 – Puddleduck Vineyard © Dearn Bond



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.
- Explore Takayna / Tarkine in style on a 4WD tour.
- Overnight in Stanley.



DAY 3 – STANLEY TO CORINNA | 196 KM

- Visit the Tarkine Interpretation Centre in Waratah to unravel the region's history.
- Continue your Northern Forage road trip along part of the Tarkine Drive to Corinna.
- Take a short stroll along the Huon Pine Walk at Corinna.
- 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 shred the trails around Queenstown.
- Begin the drive south.

- Along the way, pull over and enjoy one of Tasmania's 60 Great Short Walks.
- 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 in the area at Maydena or Mount Field.

DAY 6 – LAKE PEDDER TO HOBART | 158 KM

- Enjoy a walk or try fly fishing in a local 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.



Honeymoon Bay,
Freycinet National Park
© Krista Eppelstun

EAST COAST

7-Day Itinerary

Start Hobart, Finish 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.
- Explore the Hobart waterfront from a kayak and tuck into some freshly cooked fish and chips.
- Get an aerial view of Hobart with a scenic flight above the city and into the surrounds.
- 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.
- Overnight in Orford, Triabunna, Swansea or surrounds.

DAY 3 – SWANSEA TO COLES BAY | 53 KM

- Back on your Great Eastern Drive road trip, stop at the unique, convict-built Spiky Bridge, or eat up at Melshell Oyster Shack.
- Visit one of the many wineries along the Great Eastern Drive for a tasting or leisurely lunch.
- Explore Wineglass Bay and the Hazards mountains. 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.
- Find a whale-watching spot from May to December along 3km of coastal walkway
- 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 in the Larapuna / Bay of Fires area 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 or House of Arras.
- Get an adrenaline kick in the treetops at Hollybank Treetops Adventure.
- 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 the Larapuna / Bay of Fires area and Wukalina / Mount William.

01 – Milton Vineyard © Tourism Australia
 02 – Blue Derby Mountain Bike Trails, Blue Tier Descent © Flow Mountain Bike
 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, with lunch at the Peppermint Bay Hotel.
- 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, or grab a Moo Brew or two.
- 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.
- Learn the history of trout and salmon in Tasmania at the Salmon Ponds and Museum of Trout Fishing in Plenty.
- Explore the walking tracks and waterfalls of Mount Field National Park.
- Depart Hobart.



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.
- 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 Treetops Adventure.
- 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 Josef Chromy Wines, strolling the gardens and learning the Art of Sparkling.
- Tap into the island's creative energy at Design Tasmania in City Park.
- Catch an exhibition at Queen Victoria Museum & Art Gallery.
- Walk around or take the chairlift across Cataract Gorge, a slice of wild in the city.
- Tee off on the links courses at Barnbougle, one of the world's top golf destinations.
- Depart Launceston.



The Nut, Stanley
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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.



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



DAY 2 – STANLEY TO CRADLE MOUNTAIN | 182 KM

- Ascend 143m to the summit of the Nut in Stanley, on foot or by chairlift.
- Try freshly shucked bivalves at Tarkine Fresh Oysters, Smithton.
- Join day and night feeding tours at Devils@Cradle.
- Explore the Cradle Mountain Wilderness Gallery.
- Overnight in Cradle Mountain.

DAY 3 – CRADLE MOUNTAIN TO DEVONPORT | 118 KM

- Stride out on alpine day walks including Dove Lake Circuit and Crater Lake Circuit.
- Descend into a subterranean wonderland at Gunns Plains Caves.
- 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).
- Sample freshly shucked oysters, artisanal cheeses and beers, leatherwood honey and local whiskies.
- Skirt sea cliffs and marine wildlife with Bruny Island Cruises.
- Overnight at Bruny Island.



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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, with lunch at the Peppermint Bay Hotel.
- Stop for a coffee at one of Cygnet's picturesque cafes.
- 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.

- Drive as far south as you can go in Australia and enjoy a walk from Cockle Creek — perhaps to Fishers Point.
- 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.

01 – Bruny Island Cruises, Pennicott Wilderness Journeys
 @ Joe Shemesh
 02 – Bruny Island Cheese Co. @ Alastair Bett
 03 – Swinging Bridges, Tahune Adventures @ Jess Bonde
 04 – Franklin @ Jess Bonde
 05 – Wooden Boat Centre Tasmania @ Nick Osborne



Providore Place
Sunday Market, Devonport
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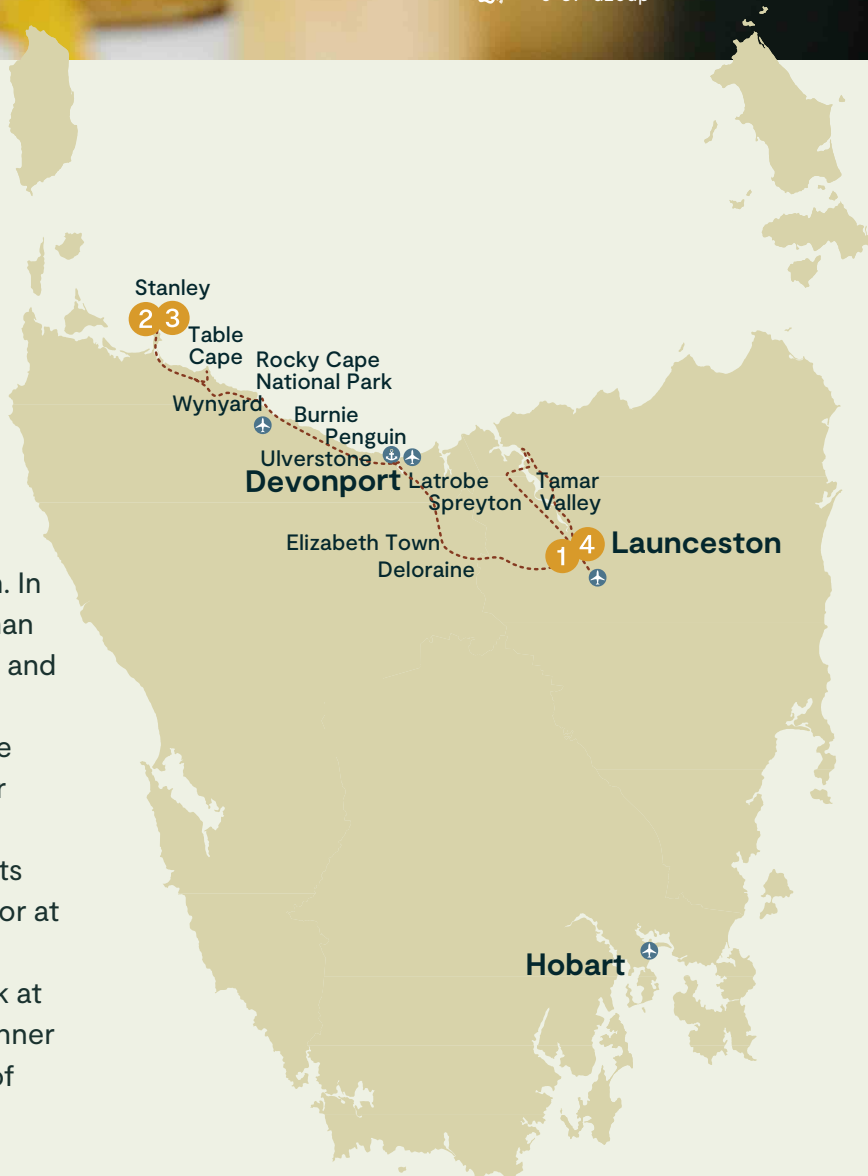
GRAZING FOR FOOD LOVERS

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 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 Tasting Trail.
- Walk up an appetite in Rocky Cape National Park, amid palawa cultural sites and coastal heath.
- 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 Tasting Trail, stop for olives and whisky, berries and cheese, wine and honey.
- Depart Launceston.



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