

TRAVEL NEWS

Newsletter of exciting travel offers
from Macleay Valley Travel



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British Palaces, Castles & Gardens Tour

This magnificent 17 day tour departing 20th September is suited for people with an interest in British Royalty, for garden lovers and for British history enthusiasts.

Royalty fans will love the inside visits to Buckingham, Hampton Court, Edinburgh & Holyrood palaces and Windsor, Cardiff, Kenilworth & Ainswick castles, the Royal

the Royal Mint, Shakespeare's home, Hardwick Hall, York Minster Cathedral, the National Railway Museum & Hadrian's Wall.

The twin share price of \$8675 is great value as all of the following are included:

- Air fares from Sydney, Melbourne & Adelaide into London & out of Edin-



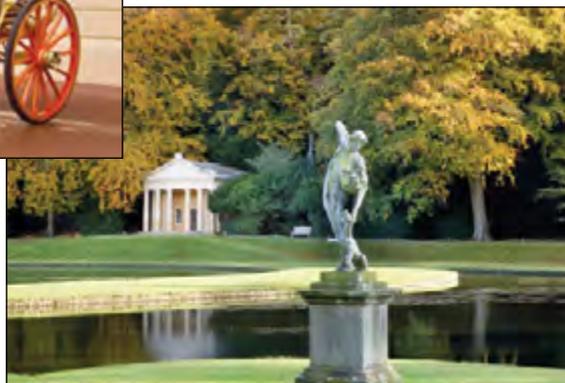
Yacht Britannia, the Royal Mews display of royal coaches and a special display of outfits worn by the queen.

Garden lovers will be impressed by their lovely gardens and grounds and Studley Royal Park Water Garden.

Of special interest to history buffs will be the visits to the Household Cavalry Museum & Banqueting House, Westminster Abbey, the Tower of London, the Roman Baths,

burgh with Qatar Airways, voted the world's best airline in 2015.

- 15 days touring England, Scotland & Wales.
- Good 3 to 4 star accommodation throughout.
- Many meals, all entrance fees, transport & tips.
- Services of British tour guides and Australian tour escort.



For anyone requiring a single room there is an extra charge of \$1135.

Tour departs Australia 20th September and returns 6th October 2016. ♦

New Zealand Garden Tour

On the next page there are details of a wonderful New Zealand tour for garden lovers. A feature of the tour is a visit to the Taranaki Garden Festival, plus visits to 6 outstanding north island gardens. ♦

NOTE: If you don't have someone to travel with, but wish to travel at twin share rates, we will do our best to assign you with another traveller

STOP PRESS — We have recently completed or are in the process of completing arrangements for the following tours: Japan Autumn Leaves – 8 Nov \$6195; Inside Vietnam – 16 Nov \$3985; India – 17 Nov \$5265; Thai Shopping Tour Nov.

NOTE: Our prices now include airport taxes and levies payable with the air tickets. MVT is now on Facebook!

It's Not Too Late!

There are still a limited number of seats available on the following tours:

Balkans & the Dalmatian Coast: 20 day tour departing May 12 – \$6985.

Vietnam Explorer Tour: 2 week tour departing May 13 – \$2625.

Italy with Hong Kong: 18 day tour departing June 3 – \$6985.

Inside Vietnam: 20 day tours departing June 7 & Nov 16 – \$3985.

Switzerland: 2 week tour departing July 15 – \$4995.

U.S.A. National Parks: 18 day tour departing July 19 – \$4925.

Thailand Mountains & Beaches: 2 week tour departing Aug 3 – \$3275.

Vietnam Discovery: 3 week tour departing Aug 16 – \$3885. (4 seats only).

Scandinavia & the Arctic Circle: 22 day tour departing Aug 18 – \$7265.

Laos, North Vietnam & Golden Triangle: 24 day tour departing Sep 1 – \$4590.

USA & Canada: 4 week tour departing Sep 2 – \$6995.

Sri Lanka (Ceylon): 16 day tour departing Sep 19 – \$4385.

Greece & the Greek Islands: 18 day tour departing Oct 7 – \$5785.

Vietnam Luxury Tour: 20 day tour departing Oct 10 – \$4999. ♦

New Zealand North Island Garden Tour

11 Day Conducted Tour for \$4,139 per person twin share



THIS WONDERFUL garden orientated tour includes:

- ★ Air fares with Air New Zealand from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane into Auckland and out of Wellington.
- ★ Very good accommodation, mainly 4 to 4½ star hotels with private facilities.
- ★ All transfers, many meals and entrance fees.
- ★ A spectacular tour of the North Island of New Zealand, visiting Ayrlires Garden, Waiheke Island Gardens, Hamilton Gardens, Rotorua Government Gardens, Taranaki Garden Festival, Cross Hills Rhododendron Garden and Wellington Botanic Gardens.
- ★ Other highlights of the tour include a cruise to Waiheke Island, Hobbiton Movie Set Tour, Thermal Mud Pools, Traditional Maori Concert, and much more.
- ★ Professional services of a driver/guide.

The tour will be accompanied by Horticulturalist Vasili Kanidiadis, who is best known for his TV show Vasili's Garden to Kitchen. Join Vasili as he escorts us through the North Island of New Zealand and to the premier garden event, the Taranaki Garden Festival.

For a single room there is an extra cost of \$1,000.

The tour departs Australia on the 26th October and returns 5th November 2016

Around Taiwan

9 Day Conducted Tour for only \$3,345 per person with no single supplement for solo travellers



THIS great price includes all of the following:

- ★ Return economy class air fares from Sydney and Melbourne to Taipei with Cathay Pacific Airways.
- ★ An 8 day tour around Taiwan, visiting Taipei, Sun Moon Lake, Kaohsiung, Taitung and Hualien. Our tour includes the East Coast National Scenic Area and Taroko Gorge.
- ★ Very good accommodation, 3 star in Taipei and 4 – 5 star outside of Taipei.
- ★ Nearly all meals and all transport and transfers.
- ★ Prepaid gratuities to the tour guide and drivers.
- ★ Services of an English speaking Taiwanese tour guide and if there are 10 or more passengers there will be an Australian Tour Escort.

With this tour, single travellers can have a single room without paying a single room supplement.

The tour departs Australia on the 2nd November and returns 10th November 2016

Central Asia Tour

26 Day Conducted Tour for only \$9,275 per person twin share

HERE IS great value as the price includes all of the following:

- ★ Air fares from Sydney into Almaty, Kazakhstan and out of Tashkent, Uzbekistan with Asiana Airlines, plus four flights within Central Asia. Asiana Airlines is considered by many to be one of the world's best airlines.
- ★ A 22 day land, air and high speed train tour of Central Asia, visiting the countries of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and Turkmenistan.
- ★ Very good accommodation, mainly 3½ to 4½ star, or the best available in the remote areas.
- ★ A stopover in Seoul, South Korea in each direction.
- ★ Nearly all meals, all entrance fees, transfers and transport.
- ★ Prepaid gratuities to the guides and drivers.
- ★ Services local tour guides, a national guide and if there



are 12 or more participants, there will be an Australian tour escort. For a single room there is an additional cost of \$1365.

Tour departs Australia 6th October and returns 31st October 2016

Mexico and Cuba

18 Day Conducted Tour for \$8,975 per person twin share

INCLUDED in this great price are:

- ★ Air fares from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane into Mexico City with Qantas and American Airlines, plus international flights from Cancun to Havana and Havana to Mexico City with Aero Mexico and a domestic flight within Mexico.
- ★ An 8 day tour of Mexico and the Yucatan, visiting the awe-inspiring Mayan Temples, pyramids and many other places of historical importance.
- ★ A 7 day tour of Cuba, visiting Trinidad, Cienfuegos, Santa Clara and four nights in Cuba's capital Havana. Cuba is a unique blend of communism and capitalism. It is like a country stuck in time since Castro took over in the 1950's.
- ★ A stopover in Dallas, Texas on the way home.
- ★ Good accommodation, mainly 3 to 4 star.
- ★ Prepaid gratuities to the main tour guides and drivers.
- ★ Services of local tour guides and if there are 15 or more tour participants there will be an Australian tour escort.



If you don't have a travel partner but wish to travel at twin share rates we will try and assign you with another traveler, but this is not guaranteed. For anyone requiring a single room there will be an extra charge of \$1955.

This is a special group tour with a maximum of about 25 passengers.

Tour Departs Australia 7th November and returns 24th November 2016

Europe in Depth

34 Day Conducted Tour for \$8,795 per person twin share

This price includes airport taxes & levies

UNBELIEVABLE VALUE for such a comprehensive tour of Europe, as it includes:

- ★ Economy Class airfares with Cathay Pacific from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane into London and out of Paris.
- ★ A 31 day tour of western and central Europe, visiting eleven countries including: England, Belgium, The Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Austria, Croatia, Italy, France and Spain. Some of the many highlights include a Romantic Rhine cruise, the Black Forest in Germany & the Amalfi Coast.
- ★ A 2 night stopover in Hong Kong.
- ★ Very good accommodation, mainly 4 star.
- ★ Many meals and all transport and transfers, including the high speed Eurostar & TGV train trips.
- ★ Prepaid gratuities to the main tour guide and drivers.
- ★ Services of English speaking tour guides, and if there are 14 or more passengers there will be an Australian tour escort.

The tour will visit Europe in late Autumn, which is generally considered to be the off season, allowing a saving of approximately \$3000 per person on the same tour in peak season. The cool weather will provide beautiful scenery and travelling at this time of the year will afford an opportunity for some unique Christmas shopping.

For a single room there is an extra cost of \$2,445.



The tour departs Australia on the 2nd November and returns 5th December 2016

Vietnam Overland

Three Week Conducted Tour for only \$3,815 per person twin share includes airport taxes and levies



THIS MUST BE the best value tour of Vietnam as the price covers all of the following:

- ★ Return air fares from Sydney, Melbourne & Brisbane into Saigon and out of Hanoi with Singapore Airlines.
- ★ A 19-day coach tour of Vietnam from south to north, visiting all the interesting places in this fascinating and beautiful country. It goes to several areas not often visited by tourists, including Sapa.
- ★ All entrance fees.
- ★ Services of a Vietnamese tour guide and if there are 12 or more passengers there will be an Australian tour escort.
- ★ All transport and transfers in Vietnam
- ★ A cruise on Halong Bay in an historic junk.
- ★ Quality 3 to 4 star accommodation.
- ★ Many meals as stated in the itinerary

If you require a single room, there will be an additional charge of \$995.

There is an optional 3 day extension to Angkor Wat.

Two Tours departing Australia 25th July and 7th November 2016

13 Day Conducted

China Highlights Tour

Only \$3,290 per person with no single room supplement for solo travellers

THIS incredible price includes:

- ★ Air fares from Sydney and Melbourne into Shanghai and out of Beijing with China Eastern Airlines, plus two flights within China.
- ★ A wonderful 12 day tour of China including 4 nights in Beijing, 3 nights in Shanghai, 2 nights in Xian and 1 night each in Hangzhou and Suzhou.
- ★ Good accommodation, mainly 3 – 4 star.
- ★ Nearly all meals, all entrance fees and transport.
- ★ Prepaid gratuities to the main tour guides and drivers.



- ★ Services of Chinese tour guides, a national guide and if there are 12 or more participants there will be an Australian tour escort.

With this tour, single travellers can have a single

room without paying a single room supplement.

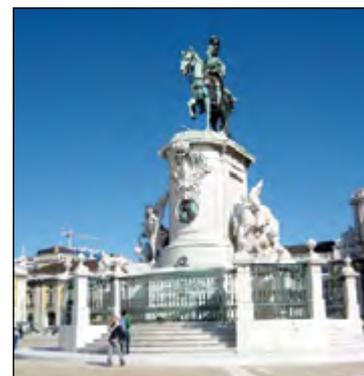
Tour departs Australia 13th October and returns 25th October 2016

Spain, Portugal and Morocco

20 Day Conducted Tour for only \$5,195 per person twin share

AN INCREDIBLE price which includes all of the following:

- ★ Return air fares from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane into Madrid, Spain with Cathay Pacific.
- ★ Good accommodation, mainly three to four star.
- ★ A 17 day tour of Spain, Portugal and Morocco.
- ★ A 1 day stopover in Hong Kong.
- ★ Breakfast daily plus many meals as per the itinerary.
- ★ Services of local tour guides and if there are 14 or more tour participants, there will be an Australian tour escort.
- ★ All transport and transfers and prepaid gratuities to the main tour guides and drivers.



For a single room there is an additional cost of \$1235.

Tour departs Australia 11th October and returns 30th October 2016

Eastern Turkey & Black Sea

18 Day Conducted Tour for only \$5,985 per person twin share



HERE IS a great price which includes:

- ★ Return air fares from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane to Istanbul with Singapore Airlines, plus a flight within Turkey.
- ★ A fascinating 15 day tour of eastern Turkey, the Black Sea coast, the "fertile crescent" where civilization began, and views of Mt. Ararat of Noah's Ark fame.
- ★ A one day stopover in Singapore.
- ★ Very good accommodation, mainly 3 to 5 star and special class heritage hotels.
- ★ Many meals, all transfers and entrance fees to many attractions.
- ★ Prepaid gratuities to the main tour guide and drivers.
- ★ Services of Turkish tour guides, and if there are 15 or more tour participants there will also be an Australian tour escort.

For a single room there is an extra charge of \$975.

Eastern Turkey is very much off the usual tourist track, but is quite beautiful with a wonderful history and culture.

Tour departs Australia 5th October and returns 22nd October 2016

West Turkey with Singapore Stopover

18 Day Conducted Tour for only \$5,490 per person twin share

A VALUE TOUR which includes all of the following:

- ★ Return air fares from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane to Istanbul with Singapore Airlines.
- ★ A 15 day tour of fascinating, historical Turkey, including a visit to Anzac Cove, Gallipoli, and the amazing restoration of Ephesus.
- ★ A one day stopover in Singapore.
- ★ Service of tour guides and if there is 15 or more tour participants there will also be an Australian tour escort.
- ★ Many meals and entrance fees to most attractions.
- ★ Very good accommodation, mainly 3½ to 4 star.
- ★ Prepaid gratuities to the main tour guide and drivers.



If you require a single room, there will be an additional charge of \$920.

For anyone with an interest in history, Turkey is a fascinating country. Just to see the excavation of Ephesus would by itself make the whole trip worthwhile.

This tour is exclusive to Macleay Valley Travel tour participants.

Tour departs Australia 19th October and returns 5th November 2016

Vietnam Explorer

15-day Conducted Tour for only \$2,625 per person twin share

INCREDIBLE VALUE as this price covers all of the following:

- ★ Return air fares from Sydney, Brisbane & Melbourne into Saigon and out of Hanoi with Singapore Airlines plus two flights within Vietnam.
- ★ There will be four nights in bustling Saigon, four nights in historic Hoi An, four nights in beautiful Hanoi, the "Paris of the East" and one night in Halong Bay.
- ★ Good three to four star accommodation. The hotels rooms are all air conditioned and have private facilities.
- ★ Breakfast daily plus three lunches and two dinners.
- ★ Service of a Vietnamese tour guide and if there are 12 or more passengers there will be an Australian tour escort.
- ★ A full day boat cruise of amazing Halong Bay, one of Vietnam's spectacular World Heritage sites.



There will be a full program of optional half-day and full-day tours.

If you require a single room, there will be an additional charge of \$720.

NOTE: There is an optional 3 day extension to Angkor Wat available for an additional \$995 per person twin share and \$1,100 single room.

Tour departs Australia 19th October and returns 2nd November 2016

The Essence of South America

22 Day Conducted Tour for \$10,995 per person twin share

THIS PRICE is great value for such an extensive tour as it includes:

- ★ Return air fares from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane into Santiago de Chile with Lan Airlines and Qantas plus all flights within South America.
- ★ A superb tour of South America by plane, coach and rail, visiting Chile, Peru, Bolivia, Brazil and Argentina, including Machu Picchu, Sacred Valley, La Paz, Christ the Redeemer and Iguazu Falls.
- ★ Good accommodation throughout, mainly 3 ½ star to 4 star.
- ★ Meals as per the itinerary and many entry & national park fees.
- ★ All transport and transfers.
- ★ South American tour guides and if there are 12 or more Macleay Valley Travel tour participants there will be an Australian tour escort.



A single room is an extra \$1,730

There is an optional 6 day pre tour Galapagos Islands extension available for an additional \$5,260 per person twin share or \$7,450 single room.

There is also an optional pre tour Amazon extension available for an additional \$1,185 per person twin share of \$1,767 single room.

Tour departs on Australia 9th October and returns 31st October 2016

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