

# HIGHLIGHTS

So much to see



Woolmers Estate



Tasmanian Botanic Gardens



Port Arthur World Heritage Site



Australia's Oldest Bridge



Hobart

# WHAT'S INCLUDED

Costs & Inclusions

## Return Airfares

Virgin Australia  
Christchurch - Tasmania  
(via Melbourne)

## 4\* Accommodation

Share-twin basis

## All Garden Entries

(including Flower Show)

## 5\* Coach Travel

Informative commentary  
and assistance

## Port Arthur Day trip

(includes guided walking  
tour and river cruise)

## Most Meals

10 Breakfasts  
6 Morning Teas  
4 Lunches  
8 Dinners

## Fully Escorted

by Gail Scrivener

## 4 Star Accommodation



### Best Western Plus

Launceston 5 Nights



### Wrest Point Casino

(Tower Mountain View Rooms)  
Hobart 5 Nights

# TOUR COSTS

Payments & Deposits

**\$4,799 per person**

\$975 Single supplement per person  
(subject to availability and currency fluctuations)

A deposit of \$500 is required for registration and to  
confirm your place by the **end of April 2017**

Please complete the enclosed booking form and  
return with your deposit payment as soon as possible.  
Limited numbers, please register early to secure your  
place. **Final payment due 7 July 2017**

# BLOOMING TASMANIA

LAUNCESTON FLOWER SHOW &  
11 DAYS OF AMAZING GARDENS



19-29 September 2017

## Tasmania Longer Break

### Includes

Return Airfares Virgin Australia  
All Entrance Fees  
4\* Hotel Accommodation  
11 days fully guided coach touring  
10 Breakfasts, 6 morning teas,  
4 lunches and 8 dinners

**\$4,799<sup>pp</sup>**



Canterbury  
Horticultural Society

# ITINERARY

## 11 Day Longer Break

**DAY: 1 TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER (D) LAUNCESTON CHC - MEL 3.55pm | MEL - LST 8.15pm**

Arrive Launceston and transfer to your hotel by coach. Enjoy a light supper before bed.

**DAY: 2 WEDNESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER (B,L,D) MOLE CREEK ~ GARDENS**

Short city orientation tour before traveling to Mole Creek where we spend the remainder of the day exploring three beautiful gardens. Wychwood, Marakooa and Old Wesley Dale, a 1829 historic property set within a landscape described as, 'The Vision Splendid'.

**DAY: 3 THURSDAY 21 SEPTEMBER (B,D) LAUNCESTON ~ CATARACT GORGE**

Explore Launceston's city centre and magnificent Cataract Gorge with its cliff-side gardens, peacocks, pools, suspension foot bridge and one of the longest single span chairlifts in the world. Tour the scenic Tamar Valley to Grey Sands Vineyard described as a collectors garden.

**DAY: 4 FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER (B,L) TAMAR VALLEY ~ WOOLMERS ~ BRICKENDON**

History, architecture and beautiful gardens are on offer today as we explore the stunning countryside around Launceston. Visit World Heritage Woolmers Estate and National Rose Garden. Travel to the nearby Brickendon Estate, after lunch explore Panshanger Estate and the village of Evendale where we visit Strathmore, a colonial estate with extensive gardens overlooking Lockmaben Lake.

**DAY: 5 SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER (B,D) LAUNCESTON FLOWER SHOW**

Full day to enjoy the Blooming Tasmania, Launceston Flower Show. Located at the Albert Hall the venue is well positioned so you can enjoy not only the flower show but also the nearby city park,

the John Hart Conservatory noted for displays of begonias, cyclamens and other hot house blooms.

**DAY: 6 SUNDAY 24 SEPTEMBER (B,D) HERITAGE HW ~ ROSS ~ OATLANDS ~ HOBART**

Travel down the Heritage Highway to Hobart. Pass through Ross and view the historic Celtic carved Herbert Archer Bridge. Continue to Oatlands, one of Tasmania's oldest settlements containing the largest collection of colonial sandstone building in Australia. On arrival in Hobart we take a city sights tour before settling into our hotel.

**DAY: 7 MONDAY 25 SEPTEMBER (B,L,D) D'ENTRECASTEAUX CHANNEL ~ LOCAL GARDENS**

Take in the panoramic views of the city and estuary from Mt Nelson before travelling to Margate where we visit Inverawe Native Gardens then Avi Flora known for its spring bulbs, annuals, flowering shrubs, roses, irises and perennials. Stop at Crawleigh Wood Garden before returning to Hobart.

**DAY: 8 TUESDAY 26 SEPTEMBER (B,L) BOTANIC GDNS ~ PLENTY SALMON ~ MT FIELD**

Tasmanian Botanic Gardens followed by lunch at Plenty Salmon Ponds, the birthplace of trout in Australia and the origin of Tasmania's legendary trout fishery. Enjoy the English style public open space of superb trees, hedges and lawns. Visit Mt Field National Park then return to Hobart via Prospect House.

**DAY: 9 WEDNESDAY 27 SEPTEMBER (B,D) HOBART ~ PORT ARTHUR**

Travel via Sorell Causeway and Midway Point for our full day tour to Tasman Peninsula. Take in magnificent views from the look-out above picturesque Eaglehawk Neck and Pirates Bay before continuing to the Port Arthur Convict Settlement. Enjoy a guided walk and short cruise and time to explore the ruins or restored gardens.

**DAY: 10 THURSDAY 28 SEPTEMBER (B,D) RUNNYMEDE ~ HOBART ~ FREE TIME FAREWELL DINNER**

Morning visit to Runnymede Historic House managed by the National Trust. The gardens are typical of 19th century colonial homes with sweeping lawns, flowerbeds and many significant trees that reflect the horticultural passion of the owners. Remainder of the day free to explore Hobart, take in MONA art gallery, museums, Salamanca Place shops or a river cruise.

**DAY: 11 FRIDAY 29 SEPTEMBER (B) RICHMOND ~ HOME**

This morning we visit the historic village of Richmond where the local garden club will supply a morning tea and a guided tour of some of their members gardens. In Richmond you can also walk across Australia's oldest bridge, built by convict labour between 1823 and 1825. Mid morning travel to Hobart Airport for your flight home.

**HOB - MEL 12.30pm | MEL - CHC 5.30pm**  
Arrive Christchurch 11.55pm

B=Breakfast L=Lunch D=Dinner

## CONTACT

### Canterbury Horticultural Society

This quality tour is organised by the Canterbury Horticultural Society and guided by Gail Scrivener. The CHS office in South Hagley Park is open Monday to Friday from 9am to 4pm

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