

## Perfect Tasmania

### 12 Day Guided Holiday | Hobart Return | THLH



#### The Tour

The island of Tasmania is renowned for its pristine wilderness, abundant wildlife, gourmet food and wine, and friendly locals. On this wide-ranging journey, you'll visit Hobart's bustling Salamanca Market. Witness the stunning natural beauty of Cradle Mountain and Freycinet National Park, and indulge your tastebuds with fresh Tasmanian artisan cheeses and other delicious treats.

#### Choose This Trip If You'd Love To:

- Take some free time to explore Salamanca Market
- Have the choice of differing walking tours at Dove Lake
- Enjoy access to incredible Wineglass Bay (minus the trek)
- Explore the Gordon River by modern, quiet electric boat

#### Highlights

##### Local Connection

Visit a local family at colonial-era Shene Estate, with its awarded gin distillery and King George III's personal horse stable.

##### Insider Knowledge

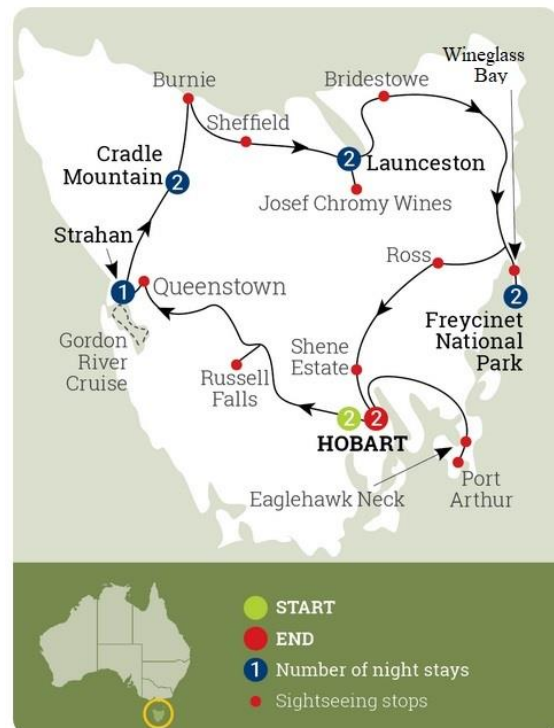
Enjoy free time exploring Hobart and Launceston with plenty of insider knowledge and help from your Travel Director.

##### Cultural Immersion

Delve deep into historic Port Arthur with your private interpretive tour, guided by a local historian.

##### Sustainable Footprints

Your holiday contributes to National Parks and Wildlife, protecting Tasmania's wilderness including the Franklin-Gordon Rivers.



## Itinerary

### Day 1 Welcome to Hobart

Begin your exploration of the beautiful island of Tasmania with a city sights tour of its capital. Visit the Botanic Gardens, historic Battery Point, and Constitution Dock, then drive to Mt. Nelson for panoramic views over the city. Join your Travel Director tonight for a Welcome Reception and dinner.

**Hotel:** Hotel Grand Chancellor Hobart , 2 nights

**Included Meals:** Dinner with wine

### Day 2 Salamanca Market

A free day to enjoy the sights, sounds, flavours, colour and action of Salamanca Market. Explore the market stalls, wander through the historic sandstone warehouses discovering innovative Tasmanian arts and crafts and delight in the taste and aroma of freshly baked goods and local produce.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast

### Day 3 Hobart – Strahan

This morning see the tiered cascade of Russell Falls. Then take the winding road to iconic Lake St. Clair and The Wall in the Wilderness, a monumental sculpture handcarved in rare Huon pine. Passing through the moonscape of the mining town of Queenstown, your final stop today is seaside Strahan.

**Hotel:** Strahan Village

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner with wine

### Day 4 Strahan – Cradle Mountain

A highlight today is your cruise on the Gordon River. Be awestruck by the dark waters, stained amber by buttongrass tannins, which reflect the untouched wilderness. Stop at Sarah Island for an insight into a relic of Tasmania's convict history, and see Hells Gates, the notoriously treacherous entrance to the harbour.

**Hotel:** Cradle Mountain Hotel, 2 nights

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner with wine

### Day 5 Cradle Mountain

This morning you'll marvel at the inspiring beauty of Cradle Mountain National Park. Join your Travel Director for a visit to the Waldheim Chalet for insight into the early history of the Cradle Mountain area. Later, take a guided walk by Dove Lake. You may spot Bennetts wallabies, echidnas and pademelons grazing along the way.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner with wine

### **Day 6 Cradle Mountain – Launceston**

After breakfast, take a walk with a local expert through the Hellyers Road Whisky Distillery in Burnie. Continue to quirky Sheffield, the 'Town of Murals', then call in at the award winning Ashgrove Tasmanian Farm to try a selection of local cheeses. Travel through the Meander Valley to Launceston.

**Hotel:** Hotel Grand Chancellor Launceston, 2 nights

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner with wine

### **Day 7 Launceston**

See Launceston's magnificent Cataract Gorge before taking a scenic drive through rolling hills for lunch and wine-tasting at a Josef Chromy Wines. This afternoon you may like to take an optional experience cruise on the beautiful Tamar River or further explore Launceston and its surrounds.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

### **Day 8 Launceston – Freycinet**

Visit the beautiful Bridestowe Lavender Estate this morning and treat yourself to its famous lavender ice cream. Later visit the unique Legerwood Carved Memorial Trees site. Then travel south along the picturesque coast to Freycinet National Park.

**Hotel:** Freycinet Lodge, 2 nights

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner with wine

### **Day 9 Wineglass Bay Cruise**

Experience a four-hour lunch cruise along the coast of the stunning Freycinet Peninsula. The cruise will take you from the gentle shores of Coles Bay past towering pink granite cliffs to Wineglass Bay, a flawless crescent of dazzling white sand.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner with wine

### **Day 10 Freycinet – Hobart**

Journey to historic Ross, renowned as the finest nineteenth-century village in Australia. As you travel towards Hobart, spend time at Shene Estate and enjoy a Be My Guest morning tea. This afternoon, choose an Included Choice sightseeing experience. Visit the iconic Museum of Old and New Art (MONA) and return to Hobart on the MONA ferry, or enjoy a walking tour of Hobart with a local guide.

**Hotel:** Hotel Grand Chancellor Hobart , 2 nights

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Be My Guest morning tea

### **Day 11 Port Arthur**

Explore the Port Arthur Historic Site, taking a cruise around the Isle of the Dead and a walk through the infamous convict prison. This evening, join your Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner at one of Hobart's popular restaurants.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Farewell Dinner

### **Day 12 Farewell from Hobart**

Say farewell to your fellow travellers when your holiday comes to an end after breakfast.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast