

## Capital Connection

### Departing from Adelaide

Discover Melbourne, Canberra and Sydney on this great rail holiday incorporating the Overland, Southern Explorer and Indian Pacific. Explore the laneways of Melbourne, enjoy free time in Canberra, and finish with a spectacular dinner cruise on Sydney Harbour.

### DEPARTS EVERY SUNDAY – 12 DAYS / 11 NIGHTS

**Sunday:** This morning depart on the Overland, and travel in Red Premium Service to Melbourne, arriving into Southern Cross Station early evening. *Overnight: Quality Hotel Batman's Hill or similar, 4 nights (BL)*

**Monday:** This morning you will be collected for your city tour. Learn about the famous laneways and arcades and tour past iconic landmarks such as the Queen Victoria Markets, St Paul's Cathedral, Flinders Street Station and the Melbourne Cricket Ground. Finish the tour with a relaxing cruise on the Yarra River.

**Tuesday:** Travelling through the Dandenong Ranges, you will enjoy morning tea at Sherbrooke. Ride on the historic Puffing Billy Steam Train from Belgrave to Menzies Creek, and enjoy free time to wander the quaint town of Sassafras.

**Wednesday:** Today is a free day to explore the sights of Melbourne.

**Thursday:** This morning board the XPT and arrive into Cootamundra after lunch. Transfer to the Queanbeyan Coach Service, arriving into Civic late this afternoon. *Overnight: Novotel Canberra or similar, 3 nights*

**Friday & Saturday:** Over the next two days, perhaps visit the National Museum of Australia, and wander through the many exhibitions. Or head to the Australian War Memorial, with its range of galleries and exhibitions detailing the Australian experience of war. Maybe take a guided tour of Parliament House and see Australia's

democracy in action, or visit the National Gallery of Australia and see the art and world class exhibitions on show, including 'Blue Poles' by Jackson Pollock and the Ned Kelly series by Sidney Nolan.

**Sunday:** Mid morning, make your way to Canberra Station to board the Southern Explorer. Watch the scenery change as you travel through the picturesque Highlands region, arriving into Sydney late this afternoon. *Overnight: Rendezvous Hotel Sydney Central or similar, 3 nights*

**Monday & Tuesday:** Over the next two days use your Hop On Hop Off Explorer pass, and visit such places as Taronga Zoo, Manly, Watsons Bay, Luna Park, Shark Island or Barangaroo. Entry fees may be an additional cost. On one evening enjoy Sydney Harbour's signature dinner cruise aboard the MV Sydney 2000. Feast from an a la carte menu, with the lights of Sydney as your spectacular backdrop. Live music will keep you entertained as you cruise the Harbour. (D)

**Wednesday:** Today make your way to Central Station to board the Indian Pacific. Settle into your Gold Service cabin, and enjoy the facilities available to you. *Overnight: Indian Pacific (D)*

**Thursday:** This morning enjoy an off train excursion in Broken Hill, and visit Pro Hart's gallery, or head to the Miner's Memorial, before continuing on to Adelaide. (BL)

(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner

### Inclusions

- > Red Premium Seat on the Overland, Adelaide to Melbourne
- > 4 nights in Melbourne
- > Half Day Melbourne Laneways, Arcades & City tour plus Yarra Cruise
- > Half Day Puffing Billy & Dandenong Ranges tour
- > First Class Seat on the XPT, Melbourne to Canberra (via Cootamundra)
- > 3 nights in Canberra
- > First Class Seat on the Southern Explorer, Canberra to Sydney
- > 3 nights in Sydney
- > Hop On Hop Off Explorer Pass
- > Sydney Harbour Brilliant Dinner Cruise
- > Gold Service on the Indian Pacific, Sydney to Adelaide, including all meals, beverages and an off train excursion in Broken Hill
- > Transfers & Meals as stated - 2 x breakfast / 2 x lunch / 2 x dinner

\$3120<sup>pp</sup>  
Twin Share  
Low Season

\$3390<sup>pp</sup>  
Twin Share  
High Season

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