

# Australia's Reef and Rock

## Sydney-Cairns-Ayers Rock

11 days / 10 nights

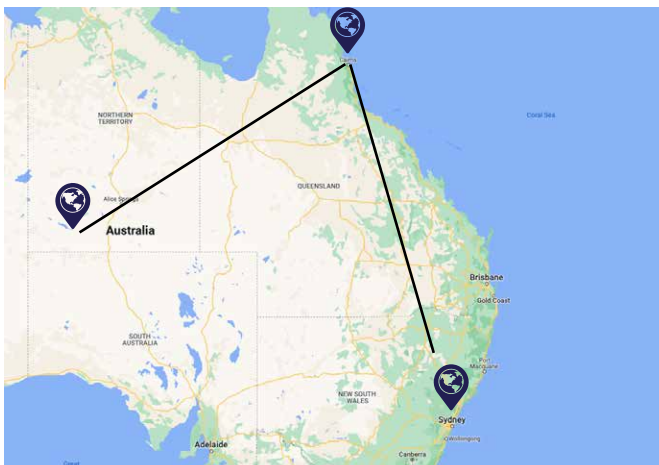
From

# \$3,399

Per person/Double occupancy/Land package

For travel between May 1 and November 30, 2024/3.5\*

Explore some of the major sites of this land Downunder on this 11-day tour. Discover Sydney with its stunning harbor and beautiful beaches, learn the history of the first settlers to arrive – see the famous bridge and opera house and head inland for a tour to Hunter Valley Wine Country. Travel north to Cairns and the Great Barrier, ride on an historic train, and take a cable car over the tropical rain forest for views over the Coral Sea. Finally, enjoy watching the sun fade away over Ayers Rock and enjoy a delicious dinner in the silence of wide-open spaces.



### Day 1: Sydney Arrival

After clearing custom and collecting your luggage, your transfer will be waiting outside the arrivals area and will transfer you to the hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

**Overnight: Sydney**

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### Day 2: Sydney

In the afternoon, embark on a 5-hour small group tour of Sydney's historic areas. The first settled area was the Rocks precinct highlighting the birthplace of Sydney with its convict-built cottages, pubs and the first church in Australia.

From Mrs. Macquarie's Chair by the water's edge, there is a short walk along the harbour's edge with great views of the Sydney Harbour Bridge and Sydney Opera House.

Traveling along the coves and shores of one of the world's most impressive harbors, stop for photo opportunities including a panoramic photo of the Sydney skyline. Pass through areas such as Kings Cross, Double Bay, and Rose Bay before arriving at Watsons Bay where you have the option of a short coastal walk with views of the South Pacific Ocean and entrance to Sydney Harbor. Travel on to famous Bondi Beach for a 30-minute stop.

Re-board the vehicle and continue to Tamarama and Bronte beaches before returning to the city via Centennial Park and Paddington, a trendy district with elegant terrace houses and boutique shops along Oxford Street. Tour concludes at Darling Harbor or Circular Quay.

**Overnight: Sydney**



### Day 3: Sydney – Hunter Valley

Begin your Hunter Valley Wine Tour with scenic views of Sydney Harbour as you travel the famous Harbour Bridge to one of the most famous wine-growing regions in Australia, the Hunter Valley. The Hunter Valley hinterland is famous for its Semillon.

It also produces award-winning varieties of wine including Shiraz, Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon and Verdelho. Wander through vineyards and pop into boutique cellar doors for a complete hosted wine-tasting experience.

Enjoy two wine-tasting experiences before lunch and one in the afternoon. Enjoy lunch at Cypress Lakes, a delicious cafe-style meal in the picturesque Hunter Valley Village. After lunch, time to browse the bespoke collection of boutique shops, and galleries and sample more of the local produce, with an educational course in cheese making at the Hunter Valley Cheese Factory. End your day at a boutique cellar door and enjoy a structured tasting with a vineyard representative showcasing their range of wines.

After a wonderful day, return to Sydney. (L)

**Overnight: Sydney**

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### Day 4: Sydney

Today is a free day for you to explore this beautiful city on your own. Enjoy a day on the water with a harbour cruise or just relax at one of the many outdoor restaurants.

**Overnight: Sydney**

### Day 5: Sydney – Cairns

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Cairns. Flight not included.

Arrive in Cairns and transfer included to the hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

**Overnight: Cairns**

### Day 6: Cairns - Kuranda

6:00am transfer to Freshwater Railway Station. At 8:45am board the Kuranda Scenic Railway for a full day Grand Kuranda tour. On arrival at enjoy time to wander through the Kuranda Village and visit the Australian Butterfly Sanctuary. Transfer to the Rainforest Nature Park for lunch and a performance by the Pamagirri Aboriginal Dance Troupe and the Dreamtime Walk. Tour through the rain forest in an amphibious Army Duck and visit the Tropical Fruit Orchard. Visit the Koala and Wildlife Park to have your photo taken with a koala (at own expense), hand feed kangaroos and view the awesome crocodiles. At 3:45pm transfer to Skyrail Rainforest Cableway and glide above the rainforest canopy to the Smithfield Terminal with stops along the way at Red Peak Station and Barron Falls Station. (L)

**Overnight: Cairns**

### Day 7: Cairns

Free day to explore Cairns on your own.

Try the laneway bar Three Wolves for their 50 types of whiskey on the menu, check out Prawn Star, a floating restaurant that serves some of the freshest local prawns and seafood in the city, or simply relax at the sparkling Esplanade Lagoon.

There may be no beach in Cairns, but the 4800 square meter saltwater pool is a great substitute and is lined with parks, shady banyan trees, boardwalks, and barbecues.

**Overnight: Cairns**



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### Day 8: Cairns – Great Barrier Reef

Enjoy travelling aboard a fast, air-conditioned catamaran to a large pontoon (floating platform located at pristine Moore Reef, about 40km from Cairns).

Lunch is included.

A range of included activities and exclusive use of the custom-designed floating pontoon, all ages and abilities can explore and enjoy the wonders of the Great Barrier Reef. With clear water, colourful coral, abundant fish life and friendly resident turtles and Māori wrasse, Moore Reef is the ultimate destination to experience all that the outer reef has to offer. (L)

**Overnight: Cairns**



### Day 9: Cairns – Ayers Rock

Today, you say farewell to this tropical paradise as you transfer to the airport for your flight to Ayers Rock. You will meet your driver in the arrivals area for the transfer to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure before your pick-up for the Sounds of Silence Dinner. (D)

**Overnight: Ayers Rock**

### Day 10: Ayers Rock

Free day to explore on your own before your 30-minute Heli-flight over Ayers Rock.

This evening, experience the many colors of Uluru at sunset. Admire the immensity of Uluru as you marvel at the environmental changes of this world-renowned icon.

Relax with a glass of sparkling wine and light refreshments as the sun sets in the west.

The rest of the day is at leisure for you to relax at your hotel or shop around town.

**Overnight: Ayers Rock**

### Day 11: Ayers Rock Departure

Your adventure ends as you are transferred to the airport for your onward flight.

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### The Package Includes:

- All required transfers in Sydney, Cairns, and Ayers Rock
- 10 nights accommodation: 4 nights Sydney, 4 nights Cairns, 2 nights Ayers Rock, as selected
- Half-day Panoramic Sydney Tour
- Hunter Valley Wine and Dine Tour including wine tastings and a 2 course lunch
- Kuranda Rail, Rainforestation and Skyrail Tour with lunch
- Uluru Sunset Tour with a glass of sparkling wine

- Sounds of Silence Dinner including dinner, beer, and wine
- 30-minute Heli-flight over Ayers Rock

### The package does not include;

- Any flights (domestic flights required for: Sydney-Cairns-Ayers Rock)
- Personal expenses
- Gratuities
- Meals or beverages, unless mentioned in the inclusions

### 3.5\* hotels :

#### Rates 11 days / 10 nights

**Sydney:** Best Western Plus Stellar - Standard Queen  
**Cairns:** Cairns Plaza Hotel – Standard Room  
**Ayers Rock:** The Lost Camel - Standard Room

Dates	Per person Single Occupancy	Per person Double Occupancy
May 1, 2024 - March 31, 2025	\$ 4,999	\$ 3,399

### 4\* hotels :

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**Sydney:** Mantra 2 Bond Street - Queen Studio  
**Cairns:** Double Tree Inn by Hilton – Guest Room  
**Ayers Rock:** Desert Gardens- Garden View Room

Dates	Per person Single Occupancy	Per person Double Occupancy
May 1, 2024 - March 31, 2025	\$ 5,349	\$ 3,499

**Surcharges may apply over Christmas, New Years and special events in each city**

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