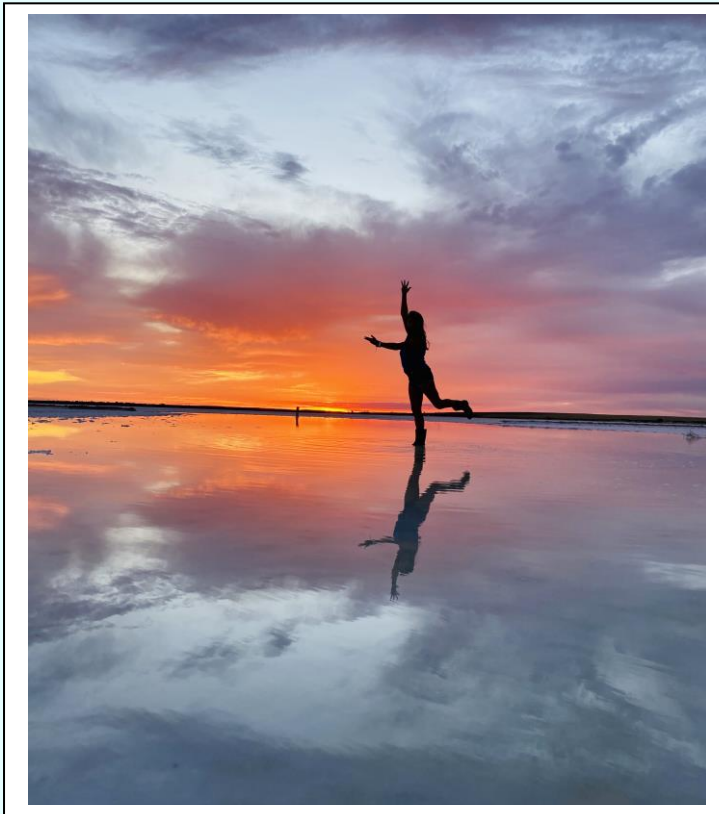


Victoria West Discovery Tour



Travelabout's... 11 Day Coach Tour – Departing 6 October 2022

An exciting itinerary that includes... Echuca, Swan Hill, Sea Lake, The Grampians, Great Ocean Road, Otway Forest Park, Ballarat, Bendigo, and Benalla!

The highlights include... the iconic 12 Apostles, Sovereign Hill, Swan Hill Pioneer Village, The Port of Echuca Discovery Centre, Paddle-steamer rides, Shipwrecked Sound & Laser show, Jade Buddha stupa, Central Deborah Gold Mine, picturesque towns and gardens, Benalla Street Art and the magnificent and popular Western Silo Art Trail!

Travel in a very modern seat-belted coach with built-in toilet, excellent accommodation mostly in 3.5 star motels

A complete holiday package with almost everything included... including luxury coach transport, experienced coach captain, 10 dinners, 10 cooked breakfasts and 3 lunches, including private tour and entry fees to attractions

Price \$2880pp twin share

\$3570 solo

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Victoria West Discovery Tour itinerary

Day 1 6 Oct Thu Sydney – Albury

Depart West Ryde at 8.30am and travel south via Yass with included lunch at the Soldiers Club, then continue to Albury. O/n Siesta Motel Albury (L,D)

Day 2 7 Oct Fri Albury - Glenrowan – Benalla – Echuca

Today we travel to Glenrowan and visit the Ned Kelly Museum and big 'Ned Kelly' monument. Then onto nearby Benalla for a guided tour that includes war hero 'Weary Dunlop' statue, Benalla Ceramic Mural, Lake Benalla, Museum, Art Gallery, and many murals. Some free time for lunch (own expense). Later continue via the towns of Gooramab, Devenish, Tungamah, and St James, to admire some amazing silo art, as part of the Eastern 'silo art trail'. We arrive in Echuca late afternoon. O/n Meninya Palms Moama (L,D)

Day 3 8 Oct Sat Echuca – local sightseeing

We visit The Port of Echuca Discovery Centre for a guided tour and discover the story of the bustling Port of Echuca. Learn how Australia's inland river system connected the cities of our emerging colony. We wander pass the many river boats moored at the banks, sawmill, steam display and more. We also enjoy a guided Port walking tour and see the secret tunnel from the Star Hotel bar. Some free time for lunch (own expense) before Murray River cruise onboard an authentic Paddle-steamer. Later visit the popular Holden Museum. O/n Meninya Palms Moama (B,D)

Day 4 9 Oct Sun Echuca – Swan Hill - Sea Lake

Today we travel to Swan Hill and visit Pioneer Settlement. Firstly, we enjoy a cruise to historic Murray Downs on the Murray River onboard PS Pyap. Then enjoy free rides in vintage car and horse and carriage, plus ample time to visit the steam workshop, wood turner, blacksmith, bakery, souvenir and more. Lunch is at our own expense. Later we drive to the town of Sea Lake, on the shores of Lake Tyrrell, Victoria's largest inland salt. Special dinner tonight at Juke's Restaurant. Tonight, we enjoy a spectacular guided sunset tour at Lake Tyrrell. O/n Lake Tyrrell Accommodation Sea Lake (B,D)

Day 5 10 Oct Mon Sea Lake – Silo Art Trail – Halls Gap

Today we take the western Silo Art Trail to The Grampians, through the Victorian wheat-belt, and enroute visiting 7 magnificent and completely different works of art that depict local history and characters. These professional local and international artists have the challenging task of using spray cans and a cherry picker for creative artistry on silos up to 27m high. Silo locations are Sea Lake, Lascelles, Rosebery, Brim, Sheep Hills, Rupanyup, and Murtoa. Lunch stop is at Warracknabeal (own expense) with some free time to wander the antique and collectables stores. O/n Grampians Motel Halls Gap (B,D)

Day 6 11 Oct Tue Halls Gap – The Grampians - Warrnambool

Visit The Grampians NP known for its sandstone mountains, wildflowers and wildlife, and spectacular views. A local guide will take us to easy access viewings, including Reeds Lookout, The Balconies, Lake Bellfield lookout, and more. We also visit the Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre which gives insight into local Aboriginal history. Lunch is at our own expense. We continue via Dunkeld and Hamilton with a visit to the Botanic Gardens. Then onto Port Fairy with time to wander the historic waterfront area. This evening we enjoy a spectacular Shipwrecked Sound & Laser show. O/n Mid-City Motel (B,D)

Day 7 12 Oct Wed Warrnambool – Ballarat

Today's drive takes us along the scenic Shipwreck Coast, via Bay of Islands, Worm Bay, London Bridge, and Loch Ard Gorge to the iconic 12 Apostles. Later we travel through the Otway Forest Park to Lake Colac, where lunch is at own expense. Then onto Ballarat stopping at Black Hill Lookout and Prime Ministers Avenue. O/n Bell Tower Inn (B,D)

Day 8 13 Oct Thu Ballarat – City Tour - Sovereign Hill

This morning our local guided tour of Ballarat will include the Town Hall, Her Majesty's Theatre and Ballarat's Lydiard Street heritage precinct. Then most of today is spent in Sovereign Hill which provides a unique Australian experience and a full day of entertainment. Much loved activities such as the troopers and red coats, panning for gold in the diggings, and coach rides are available along with new, hand-on experiences like sweet-making brings to life the excitement of Australia's great 1850s gold rush. Lunch is at our own expense. O/n Bell Tower Inn (B,D)

Day 9 14 Oct Fri Ballarat – Bendigo

This morning we travel to Bendigo via the spa towns of Hepburn Springs and Daylesford, where we visit Lake Daylesford and sample natural spring water at Hepburn Mineral Springs Reserve. Then onto the beautifully restored town of Castlemaine for a visit. We continue to Bendigo to visit the magnificent Jade Buddha of Universal Compassion in the Great Stupa standing 50 metres. Here we have a guided tour of the complex followed by an included light lunch. Later join a guided walking tour and visit the Dai Gum San precinct, which also features the Yi Yuan Gardens and Kuan Yin Temple. O/n Quality Inn Colonial (B,L,D)

Day 10 15 Oct Sat Bendigo - Albury

We start this morning with a return ride on a Vintage Talking Tram from Central Deborah Gold Mine, the Bendigo Joss House Temple. Then visit the Central Deborah Gold Mine, enjoy a guided underground mine tour, and explore the hidden tunnels of a real gold mine of the 1900s. Lunch is at our own expense, and then we visit the iconic Bendigo Pottery. We drive to Albury for our overnight stay. O/n Best Western Plus Hovell Tree Inn (B,D)

Day 11 16 Oct Sun Albury – West Ryde

Today we travel to West Ryde with a stop in Gundagai to see the iconic 'Dog on the Tuckerbox'. We continue to Yass for our included lunch at Yass Soldiers Club. Expected arrival at West Ryde around 5pm. (B, L)

Please note... that all passengers must be double vaccinated, and the itinerary is subject to change, and NSW and Victorian Health Orders and post-Covid conditions