

Norfolk Island Experience

With Trade Travel - EX Melbourne

9 Days / 8 Nights - Fully Escorted



TRADE TRAVEL
Effortless Journeys, Endless Memories

Departs: Thursday 14 November - Friday 22 November, 2024.



Day 1. Thu 14 Nov: Melbourne - Sydney

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Flight Details: Melbourne - Sydney (flight times to be advised)

After our arrival into Sydney, we transfer to our hotel for check-in and regather this evening for dinner.

Overnight Sydney: Mantra Sydney Airport Hotel

Day 2. Fri 15 Nov: Sydney - Norfolk Island

B & D

This morning we enjoy breakfast, before our transfer to the Sydney International airport to board our flight to Norfolk Island.

Flight Details: Sydney - Norfolk Island (flight times to be advised)

Upon arrival we are transferred to our accommodation where we check in for the next 7 nights. Ahead of us is a wonderful week of Norfolk Island hospitality enjoying dinner and hot breakfasts every day. After check in and rest we gather for our first dinner on the Island.

Tonight enjoy a 2 course dinner in "The Garden Restaurant & Bar".

Overnight: Paradise Hotel & Resort

Day 3. Sat 16 Nov: Norfolk Island Discovery Tour - Pitcairn Settlers Village - 1856 The Untold Story

B & D

Norfolk Island Discovery Tour

This morning we get to discover the wonderful Island. Our guide will explain all of the Island's history from Polynesian settlements many years ago to how life is today on Norfolk Island. We cover most of the Island and learn what it was like in the first settlement, during penal times in Norfolk Island and the arrival of the Pitcairn Islanders, descendants of the famous Mutiny on the Bounty. Visit Kingston, Cascade, Anson Bay and the wonderful St Barnabas Chapel. After our morning tour, why not visit the **Cyclorama**, (own costs) a multi award winning Norfolk Island attraction. Cyclorama is an amazing 360 degree mural that vividly illustrates the journey of the Bounty aboard the HMS Bounty from England to Tahiti to Pitcairn Island and Norfolk Island. An experience not to be missed!

Pitcairn Settlers Village

Experience the proud Heritage of the Pitcairn Island Settlers. Our guided tour will include the gracious original Bailey homestead and gardens including a stroll through the barn dairy and out buildings. Visit the museum filled with items of nostalgic and historic interest and see the oldest working forge in the South Pacific. Also included is a visit to an ex New Zealand Army hut with war - time memorabilia. Complimentary refreshments are included.

Tonight enjoy a 2 course dinner in "The Garden Restaurant & Bar".

1856 The Untold Story

On 8 June 1856 a total of 194 people, descendants from the Bounty, arrived on Norfolk Island from Pitcairn Island aboard the Morayshire. This consisted of 40 men, 47 women, 54 boys and 53 girls. They arrived in cold, wet blustery conditions, few had ever been to sea before, they were seasick, homesick and heartsick. The journey of 6,000km /3,700 miles took five weeks. They arrived to a recently abandoned penal settlement set aside for the 'worst of the worst', it was full of ghosts, terrible stories and horrific memories. It was a large and frightening testimony of man's inhumanity to man. The 1856 untold story will follow their journey within the World Heritage Listed Kingston area. This tour will bring the past to life with an audio aboard our touring bus, recounting stories of the families, where they lived and how they adapted to their new life on Norfolk Island.

Overnight: Paradise Hotel & Resort

Day 4. Sun 17 Nov: Church/Sunday Markets - Convict Kingston - Scenic BBQ Dinner

B & D

Church Service or Sunday Markets

This morning those who wish to, can attend either the local church service or the Sunday Markets.

Convict Kingston Tour

On this tour we learn about World Heritage Listed Kingston. Hear about the first settlers, the Polynesians who came 900 years ago, the first and second convict settlements and the facts and legends associated with each. Learn how Norfolk became home to descendants of the infamous 'Bounty' mutiny. Walk through the historic cemetery.

Scenic BBQ Dinner

The Scenic BBQ is an alfresco experience at a scenic location. This is an opportunity to taste the local beef and dishes. We will be serenaded by a local entertainer surrounded by Norfolk's beauty.

Overnight: Paradise Hotel & Resort

Day 5. Mon 18 Nov: Glass Bottom Boat - Who Killed the Surveyor Dinner

B & D

Glass Bottom Boat

Christian's Glass Bottom boat will take us on a cruise within the lagoon of Emily and Slaughter Bay. Norfolk Island has the second southernmost coral reef in the world and attracts a diversity of marine life. View varied species of coral and a wide variety of species of colourful fish as we cruise the crystal-clear pristine waters of the lagoon.

Free Afternoon

Who Killed the Surveyor Mystery Dinner

The tour takes place in one of the original, elegantly restored Georgian houses at No. 9 Quality Row, on the beautiful Kingston foreshores. Go back in time and dine with the Chief Magistrate Frederick Young and his wife Mary. Frederick is hosting this dinner to honour His Excellency, Governor General Denison who is making yet another visit to the island. A young English surveyor from Sydney is found washed up on the cove southeast of Point Hunter. Dine on a 3-course dinner while we help solve the mystery of "Who Killed the Surveyor?".

Overnight: Paradise Hotel & Resort

Day 6. Tue 19 Nov: Colleen McCullough Home Tour - Taste of Norfolk - Progressive Dinner

B & D

Colleen McCullough Home Tour

Colleen McCullough, world renowned author of 24 books called Norfolk Island home for almost 36 years. She and husband, Norfolk Islander, Ric Robinson, created a luxurious hideaway and maintained their privacy to ensure that Colleen had the perfect environment for her writing. Some of her most powerful titles were created in this much-loved sanctuary. Her beloved property "Out Yenna" is now open exclusively to Baunti Escapes customers. We are escorted through her magnificent home and view Ric and Colleen's priceless collection of artefacts gathered on their travels all over the world. This is a glimpse into the life of a modern day literary icon. Experience the world of Colleen McCullough, author of "Tim", "The Thornbirds" and "Morgan's Run".

Taste of Norfolk

Meet first hand local passionate producers. Taste and discover the fascinating history of Norfolk Island liqueurs. Producing 15 liqueurs, rum, and whiskey from mostly local ingredients. Visit a local bee-keeper to taste local honey. Meet a host making local salt from the oceans that surround our little island. And taste our local beef. Onto a cooking demonstration and tasting, learn about our traditional dishes handed down by our Tahitian foremothers.

Progressive Dinner to Island Homes

Tonight we are collected from our resort to experience a wonderful evening together. The Progressive Dinner is legendary, and a fixture on Norfolk Island itineraries. The perfect way to get a taste of the real Norfolk lifestyle. Relax and enjoy home cooked food, bursting with the goodness of fresh island produce, chat with our fellow diners and soak up stories of our island hosts as they share their passion for their island home. 3 Courses - includes complimentary glass of wine with mains.

Overnight: Paradise Hotel & Resort

Day 7. Wed 20 Nov: Museum Tour - Norfolk Island Culture - Commandant's Dinner

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Museum Tour

Located in four of Kingston's World Heritage buildings, the Museum Tour lets us explore the 3 Museums and the restored home at Number 10, Quality Row. Discover our turbulent past and today's living culture.

Norfolk Island Culture Tour

Learn about the rich history from the first Polynesian settlement, through to the Mutiny on the Bounty. The settlement of Pitcairn Island with the 12 Tahitian foremother's and the arrival of the Pitcairn Islanders on Norfolk Island in 1856, the whaling days, through to life today. See a Tapa beating and weaving demonstration. Hold history in our hands, with relics of the past. Fish brining and smoking demonstration with tasting and much more.

Commandant's Dinner

Imagine dining with a Commandant! This factual yet fun dinner theatre is the newest interactive show to hit Norfolk Island. The Commandant's Dinner is a "must do" for our Norfolk visit! The cast of actors will take us on an entertaining journey back in time. Be enthralled by the Commandant's stories about the notorious convict settlements on Norfolk Island and how the convicts were treated through punishment and reform. Listen to a chilling recall of one of the infamous rebellions. Marvel at how the Commandant's and their families adapted to life in a Norfolk Island penal colony, recreating a little piece of England in the Pacific. Explore their great challenges, impressive successes and shameful secrets. The Commandant's Dinner is a night of great entertainment, delectable hearty, wholesome British fare fit for a Commandant and his good lady wife, and loads of fun.

Overnight: Paradise Hotel & Resort

Day 8. Thu 21 Nov: Breakfast Bushwalk - Farm & Industry Tour - Baunti Island Fish Fry

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Breakfast Bushwalk

Today we rise a little earlier to discover the incredible scenic beauty of Norfolk Island's natural environment on a relaxing, informative and guided one hour bush walk. Learn about the unique ecosystems and endemic flora and fauna. Following our bush stroll we enjoy a well-deserved hearty breakfast within the park.

Farm & Industry Tour

On this tour, we make our way to a private farm property on the western side of the island to discover how we grow seasonal produce. Next stop is a visit to our family sheep. Continuing on to the eastern side of the island we'll explore a home industry farm with ducks, chickens, bees and more... Here we'll enjoy afternoon tea and lively conversation about all things 'farm and industry' on the island! On the way back, we'll stop off at the liqueur factory. This is an all-weather tour, and at times this may mean slightly muddy conditions. Please bring a hat, sunscreen & secure footwear.

Baunti Island Fish Fry

This evening we enjoy one of Norfolk Island's most famous dinners - the Island Fish Fry. We will have an eagle-eye view of the tiny crescent-shaped beach and the magnificent spread of ocean stretching to the far horizon. It's the most glamorous picnic we will ever attend! Scrumptious fresh, local fish is prepared the local way and accompanied with a range of seasonal island dishes including those passed down from Polynesian fore-mothers. This extends even to dessert. Our feast kicks off with entertainment with a local singer and Tahitian-style dancers. The Island Fish Feast is something that we will remember as a highlight of our Norfolk tour.

Overnight: Paradise Hotel & Resort

Day 9. Fri 22 Nov: Norfolk Island - Sydney - Melbourne

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Enjoy our final buffet breakfast on the island, before being transferred to the airport where we check in for our flight home. We say farewell to our fellow travellers and take home countless memories of a great week in Norfolk Island with Trade Travel.

Flight Details: Norfolk Island - Sydney - Melbourne (flight times to be advised)



Tour Highlights: Norfolk Island Discovery Tour; Pitcairn Settlers Village Tour; 1856 The Untold Story; Sunday Church Service or Markets; Convict Kingston Tour; Scenic BBQ Dinner; Glass Bottom Boat; Who Killed the Surveyor Mystery Dinner; Colleen McCullough Home Tour; Taste of Norfolk; Progressive Dinner to Island Homes; Museum Tour; Norfolk Island Culture Tour; Commandants Dinner; Breakfast Bushwalk; Farm & Industry Tour; Baunti Island Fish Fry & much more.



Norfolk Island Experience



Tour Price Includes:

- Trade Travel Tour Host
- Return economy flights Melbourne - Sydney - Norfolk - Sydney - Melbourne
- 8 Nights quality accommodation (1 night in Sydney)
- Full buffet breakfast daily - including 1 Breakfast Bushwalk
- 8 Dinners as per itinerary - including the following specialty dinners:
 - **Scenic BBQ, Who Killed the Surveyor, Progressive Dinner, Commandants Dinner & Baunti Fish Fry**
- All bus touring, transfers, attractions & tours as per itinerary on Norfolk Island

Tour Price Excludes:

- Optional touring
- Travel insurance
- Meals not specified in the itinerary

Tour Cost: \$4548.00 per person Twin Share (Single Supplement \$775.00)

(+ \$280.00 Airport Taxes, Levies & Fuel Surcharges)

A minimum of 20 passengers is required for this tour to proceed.

We wish to advise that all pricing for International Travel is subject to tax, surcharges, fuel increases and currency fluctuations. It may be necessary to make adjustments to the pricing during the course of the tour booking, at ticketing and at the final payment deadline to ensure these currency changes are allowed for in the pricing.

Please note that itinerary is subject to change without notice.

Deposit: A deposit of **\$500** per person is due now on booking to secure your place on this tour, (\$100 non refundable at time of booking).

Final Payment: Due no later than **Friday 6 September, 2024.**

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