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Cancellations and amendments:

Cancellation fees will be levied relative to the amount of notice given:

42 days or more—loss of deposit

31-41 days: 50% of fare plus deposit

30 days before and Day of departure: 100% of fare.

In case of concert or sporting tours, where admission tickets are purchased in advance, a minimum cancellation fee equivalent to the cost of admission tickets will apply.

Some accommodation require prepayment and refund will be subject to their own conditions.

Please note: Passenger baggage to be a maximum of 20kg. per person

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CHRISTMAS IN THE SNOWY MOUNTAINS



7 days
Wednesday 23—Tuesday 29 December
2020

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Day 1 (D): PORT MACQUARIE TO GOULBURN: Wednesday 23 December 2020

Welcome to our **Christmas tour** to the **Snowy Mountains!** This morning we load the coach and begin our journey south, departing the Port Macquarie Coach terminal at 8.00am. We'll stop for a lunch break en-route, arriving into our overnight destination of Goulburn in time to freshen up for dinner. *(Lunch at own cost / dinner in motel)*

Mercury Goulburn

Day 2 (BD): GOULBURN TO JINDABYNE: Thursday 24 December 2020

Following breakfast, we set off on our days touring into the Snowy Mountains. From Goulburn we travel to Canberra and arrive at the

COST: \$2100.00 per person

(based twin/double share accommodation)
Single supplement \$575.00

A deposit of \$500.00 per person is required upon booking with final payment being 1 November 2020

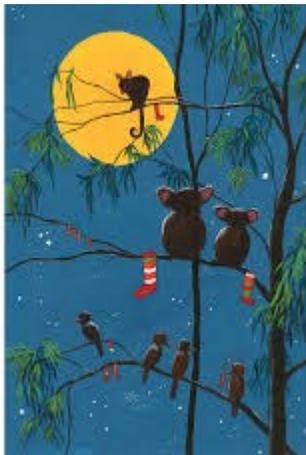
TOUR INCLUSIONS:

- Air conditioned Coach travel
- 6 night's motel accommodation
- 6 cooked motel breakfasts
- 5 motel dinners + 1 light supper
- 4 included lunches – see below
- Rydges Snowy Mountains Resort Christmas lunch with all trimmings including 2 hr standard drinks package
- Adaminaby Snowy Scheme Museum - Entry
- Eucumbene Trout Farm Group tour & smorgasbord lunch including trout, hot chips salad, bread and self serve tea or coffee
- Crackenback Farm – 2 course cooked lunch seasonal menu

- Wildbrumby Schnapps (Thredbo Valley Distillery) - Afternoon Tea including Schnapps tasting & talk
- Innes Boatshed - Group Lunch - Fish, chips and salad including tea/coffee

itself has become a major attraction because its location is at exactly the point where the Illawarra escarpment plunges into the South Pacific Ocean, delivering an amazing driving experience. In the **Central Coast** we stop for lunch, then our journey's final leg this afternoon sees us arrive back into Port Macquarie, completing our fabulous 6 day Christmas in July holiday to the **Snowy Mountains**.
(breakfast in motel / lunch at Club)

All itineraries are subject to change due to occasional restrictions in opening times/days of some attractions. We cannot be held responsible for any changes due to closures, inclement weather or any other reason outside our control.



National Gallery of Australia. Exhibiting at the time is **Botticelli to Van Gogh: Masterpieces from the National Gallery, London.** More than sixty paintings by some of Europe's most revered artists, including Titian, Rembrandt, Vermeer, Velázquez, Goya, Turner, Renoir, Cézanne and Gauguin are on show, exclusive to Canberra. We spend the majority of the morning here, then have some free time to purchase lunch (*passengers own expense*) in the **Canberra Civic Centre**. This afternoon we depart Canberra and make our way to Jindabyne, which will be our base for the next three nights. (*Breakfast & dinner in motel / lunch at own expense*)

Rydges Snowy Mountains Resort

Day 3 (BLD): CHRISTMAS DAY: Friday 25 December 2020

Merry Christmas!! This morning we take a drive to **Dalgety**. Believe it or not, in 1904 Dalgety was suggested as the site of a possible national capital but was passed over in favour of Canberra. Today it is a very tiny settlement with probably no more than 40 or 50 houses. There's a bridge, dating from 1888, a pub 'Buckleys Crossing Hotel' and the old 'Dalgety House'. The town is surrounded by strange granite outcrops which give the area a very cold, glaciated feel. Following our sightseeing we return to Jindabyne where we tuck into our **Christmas luncheon!** The rest of the day is free and for those still a little peckish, a light supper will be served before retiring for the night (breakfast, Christmas lunch & light supper in motel).

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Day 4 (BLD): ADAMINABY & EUCUMBENE: Saturday 26 December 2020

This morning we drive across to **Adaminaby**. The present township of Adaminaby resulted from the damming of the Eucumbene River for the **Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Scheme**. The original township was relocated before the surrounding valleys were flooded and over 100 buildings were dismantled and re-erected at the new site. We visit the **Snowy Scheme Museum** which celebrates the people and the power of this great engineering project, say hello to the Big Trout for a photo opportunity and have a short break here before heading to **Lake**

Eucumbene. Lake Eucumbene is the highest and largest man-made lake in the Snowy Mountains Hydro Electric Scheme. Our next visit is to the **Eucumbene Trout Farm** for, not only a tour but also lunch. The farm focuses on sustainability and our tour will include an inspection of the trout grow out tanks, the biofiltration dam and the 6 hectare Stony Lake. Keep eyes peeled for the many wrens, robins and finches that live in the area! *(Breakfast and dinner in the motel, lunch Eucumbene Trout Farm Café)*

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Day 5 (BLD): SNOWY MOUNTAINS: Sunday 27 December 2020

The original town of **Jindabyne** was inundated by the Snowy Scheme and the new township now sits on the shores of Lake Jindabyne. We make a stop at **Charlotte Pass Lookout** for breathtaking views of the Main Range and Mount Kosciusko – Australia’s highest mountain. Perhaps take the opportunity for a short, gentle walk along the **Snow Gums Boardwalk** which starts at Charlotte Pass lookout and has some of the best, and easily accessed views of Australia’s highest peaks. The boardwalk winds along the tree-line, past twisted snow gums and spring wildflowers. After 200m, climb the steps to Main Range lookout for sweeping views of the Main Range, Mount Kosciuszko, and the Snowy River. We continue into the Perisher Valley with plenty of time to take in the spectacular views. We rejoin the **Alpine Way** and enter the **Kosciuszko National Park**. We stop to see the famous **Skitube Alpine Railway at Bullocks Flat**. The Swiss designed rack-rail train that takes passengers from Bullocks Flat on the Alpine Way through a tunnel in the Ramshead Range to the Perisher Resort. It is Australia’s longest transport tunnel at 6.3km long, and at its deepest point it is 550m below the surface! Admiring the beautiful scenery we arrive at **Thredbo**, Australia’s premier Ski Resort which, in summer is a beautiful, picturesque alpine village. Thredbo was sited and initially developed by Tony Sponar, one of the many larger than life characters of the “snowy”. The site and design was based on European Alpine Villages – compact,

interesting and, in winter, in the snow. We stop for lunch at **Crackenback Farm**, then head back towards Jindabyne, making a stop at the **Wild Brumby Schnapps Distillery**. The distillery produces Wild Brumby Schnapps and is the only Schnapps distillery in Australia where beautiful local fruit is used to make special Mango, Raspberry, Pear or Apple Schnapps. Other local produce specialties include everything from tasty mountain trout to cherry brandy. The working distillery offers a fascinating insight into the art of making pure fruit Schnapps. We stop here for afternoon tea to enjoy coffee, tea and cake as well as a tasting of 3 or 4 different varieties of Schnapps at the cellar door. From here we head back to Jindabyne and the motel to relax before dinner *(breakfast & dinner in motel / picnic lunch)*. * Note: Sponars Chalet not available for lunch at this time of the year.

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Day 6 (BLD): JINDABYNE TO NOWRA: Monday 28 December 2020

We farewell our hosts this morning and head via Cooma and **Nimmitabel** to **Tilba** for some free time to stretch our legs and purchase morning tea. (Passengers own expense) From here we pass through the lovely coastal towns of **Narooma**, **Moruya** and **Mogo** before stopping in **Batemans Bay** for our fish and chips lunch at the **Batemans Bay Boatshed**. Our final destination today is **Nowra**, but in **Huskisson** we can have some free time to look around and check out **Jervis Bay**, before we arrive at our hotel and settle in for the night. Dinner and breakfast are served in the adjoining sports club. *(Breakfast & dinner in motel / fish & chips lunch)*

Parkhaven Inn, Nowra