

Southern Comforts



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SOUTHERN COMFORTS - 7 DAYS

7 May 2022

Price from \$2395 pp Twin Share and from \$2695 SOLO room **See Notes

TOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1

PERTH TO BRIDGETOWN

Start your journey with a coach transfer from Perth Station to Bridgetown. Check in to your hotel and time for a quick visit to town before meeting your guide, Peter Casonato, who will take you for an exclusive tasting at the beautiful Bridgetown Cidery. Welcome Dinner tonight in town.

DAY 2

EXPLORING THE COMFORTS OF THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE

A fabulous touring day today along the south west's most scenic roads, visiting the colonial towns of Bridgetown, Nannup and Balingup, known as the golden triangle. All three towns boast a history that incorporates forestry and farming. The first stop will be at the historic Mill Town at Donnelly River, now a unique holiday village in the Shire of Nannup. Explore the village and get up close with the local wildlife before morning tea at the General Store. Then it is off to Nannup where you will see the beautiful, restored railway bridge and the famous flood tree. Take in some history as you wander past the historic buildings that make Nannup a uniquely preserved colonial timber town and meet some of the local shopkeepers. Some free time for wandering here. Today a beer pairing lunch with local produce at the brand new attraction, Nannup Brewery.

After lunch we continue on our Golden Triangle scenic drive along the Blackwood River and will make a stop to check out the World's biggest wooden pendulum clock and learn about its story from clockmaker, Kevin Bird, before continuing our gorgeous drive back to Bridgetown.

Free evening in Bridgetown tonight.

DAY 3

COMFORTS OF FRESH PRODUCE & WONDERFUL WINE IN SOUTHERN FORESTS

Time for a wander around Bridgetown this morning before a leisurely drive to Manjimup, fast becoming known as the Food Bowl of WA. The extraordinary fertility of the soils in this region along with the purity of the rainfall makes this a food lovers paradise.

An opportunity to taste a variety of local wines over lunch and then a very special truffle product and wine pairing experience at Truffle Hill Wines.

Naturally, more stunning scenery as we make our way to the quaint timber town of Pemberton, and the historic Forest Lodge Resort overlooking the lake and the Karri Forest, home for the next 4 nights.

Tonight, a welcome dinner at the lodge.

DAY 4

COMFORTS IN MEETING THE LOCAL FARMERS

After a wonderful breakfast in the lodge, overlooking the lake, you will head off with Peter to explore the surrounds starting with a visit at the Gloucester Tree, climb if you dare or just enjoy the beautiful trees and the bright blue robins fluttering around. Take in the magnificent forest and some roadside stalls and farms and visit the local chocolatier. Walk through Beedalup falls, set amongst giant Karri, Jarrah, and Marri Trees. Do you dare to cross the 25-metre suspension bridge over the falls?

A relaxing lunch today and wine tasting at one of the oldest wineries in the area, newly reimaged, Ampersand Estates (formally Donnelly River Wines). Ampersand Estates is also home to Australia's only single harvest distillery, Rainfall Distillery, specialising in vodka and gin distilled in a single region and year using local ingredients found in the region - so of course a Gin and Vodka tasting here is a must.

This afternoon you will meet Dougy at the Strawberry and try some of the sweetest strawberries you have ever had. Return to Pemberton for a relaxing evening around the lake and enjoying the comforts of the resort.

Own arrangements tonight. Why not join Pete at the Pemby pub for Dinner?

DAY 5

COMFORTS OF TOURING WITH LOCALS ON A BEACH & FOREST ECO TOUR

A fabulous adventure today with Graeme of Pemberley Discovery Tours with a Beach & Forest Eco Tour through the forests, the Yeagarup Dunes and to the coast. This experience is by 4WD vehicle and covers the unique terrain between the deep forests and the wild coastline with plenty of stops giving you opportunities for walks and photography. On the journey enjoy a picnic in the forest and finish with a special visit to some private gardens that even a non-gardener will fall in love with. Wander through the gardens or enjoy a coffee on the deck admiring the many small birds that call this garden home

A platter dinner / wine tasting at the Lodge tonight, sitting over the lake with local winemaker, Chris Knight.

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DAY 6

A COMFORT HIGHLIGHT WITH A VERY SPECIAL DONNELLY RIVER CRUISE

This morning enjoy some free time around the resort before taking the included transfer to join the Pemberton Tramway for a journey through the deep forests and picturesque countryside with a stop at the Cascade waterfalls.

Some time in town to wander and get some lunch and then be ready for an afternoon transfer to your boat where Pete will take you down the pristine Donnelly River, which will include a sunset BBQ and Marron entrée for dinner. This is an incredibly special evening and a fabulous way to finish your Southern Comforts experience

Sunset BBQ and Marron entree on the Donnelly

DAY 7

RETURN TO PERTH

Private coach transfers will take you back to Perth after breakfast.

INCLUSIONS

- Escorted by Peter Casonato of Donnelly River Cruises/Southern Forest Experiences
- Private coach transfers from Perth to Bridgetown and return from Pemberton
- 2 Nights' accommodation Nelsons of Bridgetown
- 4 Nights' accommodation Forest Lodge Resort *** See Notes
- Welcome Dinner in Bridgetown
- Escorted by Local Guides
- Cider tasting at Bridgetown Cidery
- Morning tea at Donnelly River Village
- Lunch at Nannup Brewery -local produce and beer pairing
- Touring Manjimup inc lunch
- Truffle tasting and wine matching experience at Truffle Hill
- Daily breakfast at Forest Lodge Resort
- 2 x Dinner at the Forest Lodge resort
- Lunch at Ampersand Estates with wine, gin and vodka tasting
- Entry into the Private Gardens with afternoon tea
- Beach and Forest Eco Tour including lunch
- Transfers to Pemberton Tram/Town on free morning
- Transfers to town for Free evening
- Exclusive Donnelly River Cruise evening cruise
- A very special Sunset Dinner cruise on the Donnelly River

CONDITIONS

- Based on dates 7 May 2022
- Subject to minimum numbers of 10 and maximum of 12
- Price based on twin share
- Deposit of \$200 due within 7 days of confirmation
- Final payment due 45 days prior to departure
- Amendment and Cancellation fees do apply and can be up to 100%
- Subject to availability and subject to change without notice
- Please ask your Travel consultant for a competitive Travel Insurance quote

If regional borders are closed due to Government action, prior to departure, then all monies paid will be fully refundable. This does not include any restrictions on the Western Australian border. If the Western Australian border is closed and/or if new quarantine measures are introduced that would affect your travel into WA, then normal cancellation fees will apply. We suggest you carefully consider the risk of last-minute changes/closures to the WA Border if coming from outside WA.

NOTES - SOLO Accommodation at Forest Lodge Resort

4 chalets which are very large with full size lounge and kitchen, laundry, and large deck. Has one separate bathroom and separate toilet. Linen, towels, and a hairdryer are provided. There will be 2 guests in each 2-bedroom chalet so own room but sharing bathroom with one other. Each room has queen size bed.

3 standard rooms available for solo occupancy from an additional \$150.

