



BEER TRAVEL
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Beer Down Under 2027 Tour

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Beer Down Under presents our very own customised Beer Tour. Come and experience the best that Australia has to offer, from the world famous **Sydney Harbour**, the local wildlife like **kangaroos** and **koalas**, the heritage listed Blue Mountains, the unspoilt South Coast and the cosmopolitan city of **Melbourne**.

Not only will you experience these bucket list items, you will get to taste some of **Australia's best beers** direct from the brewery, sample delicious local cuisine, and travel through some of the most beautiful coastline in the country.

This 15 day tour is **full escorted** and lead by a local **Beer Expert, Nigel Ayling (aka The Beerducator)** who lives on the South Coast and knows the Australian beer scene better than most. He will take you **behind the scenes** at local breweries, introduce you to brewers and share his valuable knowledge about beer in general.

This tour is a must for anyone who loves beer and has always wanted to visit Australia.



Day 1. **Sydney**

Arrive in Sydney, settle in to your hotel and explore the city at your leisure before heading out this evening on the stunning Sydney Harbour sunset dinner cruise. Relax in quality accommodation located in Sydney city centre.

Meals: Dinner cruise included. Overnight accommodation in Sydney



Day 2. **Sydney**

See the city from the top of the famous **Sydney Harbour Bridge** as you climb to the top on a guided tour. In the afternoon we will take a walk around the historic Rocks area (birth place of European settlement in Australia). This guided tour will take you to breweries like the Lord Nelson Hotel and Fortune of War Hotel

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner Included. Moderate to hard walking. Overnight accommodation in Sydney.



Day 3. **Sydney**

This morning's options include a tour of the **Opera House**, a visit to the Wildlife Park to see **Kangaroos and Koalas** or you can choose a trip to the world famous **Bondi Beach**. This afternoon we will visit some of Sydney's best breweries such as [Slow Lane Brewing](#)

Meals: Breakfast, Day Tour, Dinner and some beers Included. Overnight accommodation in Sydney



Day 4. **The Blue Mountains**

This morning we leave Sydney and travel out to the Heritage Listed **Blue Mountains** where you will see the famous **3 sisters** and ride on the famous Zig Zag railway. We will visit [Mountain Culture Brewing](#) one of Australia's highest rated breweries famous for New England IPAs.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner Included: Driving: 2 hours on Bus: Moderate walking. Overnight accommodation Meadlow Bath (Blue Mountains)



Day 5. **Wollongong**

Today we leave Sydney for a short trip South to **Wollongong** where we will begin the [South Coast Ale Trail](#) adventure. The Ale Trail spreads over 370km and includes 30 breweries. Today we will visit [Reub Goldberg Brewing Machine](#) and try some tasty lagers before heading to [Resin Brewing](#) and their Heritage House for dinner.

Meals: Breakfast. Light Lunch and Dinner Included: Driving: 2 hours on Bus. Overnight accommodation in Wollongong



Day 6. **Wollongong**

This morning is free for you to explore Wollongong or visit a local beach. Today you will get to hear from the founder of [Mogwai Yeast Labs](#), who cultivates **liquid yeasts** that are used in lots of the local beers. Then you will be in for a special treat tasting some unique open ferment and **barrel aged beers** from Barrel Sheppard Blenders.

Meals: Breakfast included. Walking: Some walking.
Overnight accommodation in Wollongong



Day 7. **Huskisson**

This morning starts slow with a leisurely visit to the [Nan Tein Buddhist temple](#) to explore its peaceful settings and then head to [Seeker Brewing](#) for lunch and some award winning beers. Then we take a short trip to the beautiful seaside town of Huskisson with the [worlds whitest beaches](#) then an afternoon visit to one of the local breweries like Jervis Bay Brewing or Flamin Galah.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included. Walking: Some walking. Driving: 1 hour on bus. Overnight accommodation in Huskisson



Day 8. **Mollymook**

Spend the morning on the beautiful blue waters of **Jervis Bay** aboard a [Dolphin watching cruise](#) and then it's on to Cupitts Estate for lunch and some awards winning wines and beer. Tonight you are in for a treat staying at Celebrity Chief **Rick Steins resort**, Banisters where you will enjoy a Degustation Dinner matched with local beers.

Meals: Lunch and Dinner included. Driving: 2 hours on bus.
Overnight accommodation in Mollymook



Day 9. **Tilba and Bermagui**

The scenery changes today from coastal to farm land as we make our way to Bodalla, the start of dairy country, a visit to the **Cheese Factory** and **Malt Man Brewing**, before heading on to the quaint Heritage listed town of Tilba. Dinner tonight is at the iconic **Dromedary Hotel** and home of [Tilba Brewing](#) for a chefs table dinner.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included. Driving: 1.5 hour on bus. Overnight accommodation Merimbula



Day 10. Merimbula

This morning you can take a swim in the famous [Blue Pools](#) (ocean rock pool) then it's on to **Merimbula**. We will take you to **Broadwaters Oysters** where you can taste the freshest Sydney Rock Oysters and enjoy a seafood dinner at **Wheeler's restaurant**. We will also make a visit to our very own [South Coast Tap House](#) where you will try a selection of local beers.

Meals: Lunch and Dinner included. Driving: 1.5 hour on bus.
Overnight accommodation Merimbula



Day 11. Merimbula

This morning we will visit [Ryefield Hops Farm](#) for a tour of a working hop farm, then a 20 minute drive to [Longstocking Brewery](#) for beers made using Ryefield hops and more local oysters. If you are lucky you might get to see some Kangaroos in the wild.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner included. Driving: 1.5 hour on bus.
Overnight accommodation Merimbula



Day 12. Melbourne

Today we say goodbye to the **South Coast** and take a short flight (price not included) to Melbourne. Once we get settled we will visit some local breweries like [Hawkers](#) or [Stomping Ground Brewing](#).

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner included. Travel 1.5 hour flight.
Overnight accommodation in Melbourne



Day 13. Melbourne

Today is free for you to explore the cosmopolitan city of **Melbourne**, catch a Tram, or do some shopping at the iconic Block Arcade. Tonight you will be treated to a modern Australian culinary Chefs Table experience at [Molly Rose Brewing](#).

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner included.
Overnight accommodation in Melbourne



Day 14. Melbourne

Today you will visit the hallowed turf of the **Melbourne Cricket Ground** (MCG) Australia's largest sports ground and visit the sports museum. This afternoon we will visit [Moon Dogs Wild West](#) for dinners and drinks.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner included. Overnight accommodation in Melbourne



Day 15. **Depart Melbourne**

Unfortunately all good things must come to an end and it time to leave Australia, although now you have come all the way here, you might want to add an optional extension or organise your own trip. Check out the optional extensions we have on offer below.

Meals: Breakfast.

See ya' later mate !

Optional Extensions

- Fly back to Sydney or out of Melbourne
- Visit [Phillip Island](#) to see the Furry Penguins
- Head down the [Mornington Peninsula](#) and enjoy some wine, golf or day spas
- [Cruise to Tasmania](#) and explore the Apple Isle
- Fly home via [New Zealand](#), home of Lord of the Rings
- US visitors arrange a stayover in Hawaii



What's Included

Here is what is included in the Beer Down Under Tour.

- Fully escorted from start to finish with local Beer Expert Nigel Ayling
- Transport from Sydney to Merimbula via minibus
- Local Transfers in Melbourne
- Accommodation in a variety of 3-4 star motels and hotels
- Some meals are included as per the itinerary
- Some drinks and tasting paddles at breweries
- South Coast Ale Trail Cap

What's not Included

- Internal flight from Merimbula to Melbourne (Contact us for details)
- Meals are not included other than the ones listed in the itinerary
- Extra drinks at venues
- Personal spending money
- Airport transfers in Sydney and Melbourne
- Optional Extensions
- Tips and gratuities (Not normal practice in Australia)

Price Per Person

Twin/Double Share Price \$6500 AUD per person

Single Price POA

Booking Conditions

- A \$1000 AUD deposit is required to secure your booking
- Final price subject to variation up until final payment has been received
- Final balance due 3 months prior to departure
- The tour is subject to a minimum number of people travelling. If we do not get the minimum number the tour may be cancelled and your money refunded. We reserve the right to cancel the tour for up to 3 months before departure date
- Cancellations – Made more than 3 months before departure receive a deposit refund less 20% Cancellations made less than 3 months before departure receive no refunds.

FAQs

1. **What sort of accommodation is included?**
We include a range of 3-4 Star Accommodation based on location and availability. All rooms are double or twin share. If you require your own single room, please contact us for pricing
2. **Is the Tour Fully Escorted?**
Yes, your Tour Guide will be with you for start to finish. You will join some other day tours on some days which will have their own guides as well
3. **What size group will it be?**
We run small personalised tour with the average group size around 15-20 people.
4. **Is there much walking involved?**
Overall there is not a lot of walking involved on most days, however you do need to be able to walk unassisted. The Sydney Harbour Bridge Climb requires a good level of fitness and includes moderate to difficult walking.
5. **What if I don't want to participate in a Day Tour?**
If you don't want to participate in a day tour, you can chose to rest or do other activities nearby. We may be able to arrange an alternative if you contact us early.
6. **What if I don't like Beer?**
This is a Beer Tour and we visit a lot of breweries, however if you don't like beer, there will be some alternatives at most venues
7. **Can I extend my stay at the beginning or end of the Tour?**
Of course you can. We have provide some suggestions for tour extensions, and you can contact us for my ideas and suggestions.
8. **Is there any down time?**
We try to pack a fair bit in, but there will be times when you can have a bit of a rest when we are not travelling.

For more information and bookings, contact Nigel Ayling at journey@southcoastaletrail.net.au