

**ASIA, AFRICA & AUSTRALIA**

**ADVENTURES** \* BY **DISNEY**

Australia | Sydney, Ayers Rock, Palm Cove, Great Barrier Reef, Gold Coast | 11 Days / 10 Nights



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## Australia

11 Days / 10 Nights

Explore Australia's tropical rainforests, white-sand beaches and its red desert featuring otherworldly rock formations. Discover the rich culture of the Aborigines who've lived here for over 40,000 years. Ride a camel across the desert, experience the life of an Australian cowboy, snorkel on the Great Barrier Reef and more—and experience Australia firsthand on this remarkable *Adventures by Disney* vacation!



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**FLIGHT INFORMATION:**

Arrive: Sydney Airport (SYD)

Return: Brisbane Airport (BNE)

**AGES:**

Minimum Age: 4

Suggested Age: 7+

**MEALS:**

10 Breakfasts

6 Lunches

6 Dinners

**AUSTRALIA VACATION HIGHLIGHTS**

**Great Barrier Reef**

Snorkel through the living ecosystem of this natural wonder made up of over 3,000 individual reefs.

**Red Desert Sunrise Camel Ride**

Watch the desert landscape come to life as you traverse the sands on the back of a camel.

**Taronga Zoo**

Interact with some local Australian species as you enjoy a private tour of this famous zoo.

**Sydney Harbour Lunch Cruise**

Enjoy a delicious lunch as you see the iconic sites of the city while cruising Sydney Harbour.

**Sydney Opera House**

Go backstage on a special tour of one of the most recognizable architectural wonders in the world.

**Tjapukai Aboriginal Culture Park**

Learn about the world's oldest living culture through its people, stories and traditions.

**Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park**

Explore the iconic Uluru (Ayers Rock) on a hike around the base of this sacred Aboriginal site.

**Explore Scenic Sydney**

See the wonderful sites and iconic landmarks this vibrant harbor front city has to offer.

**Hartley's Crocodile Adventures**

Meet the crocodiles and other wildlife that call the Australian woodlands and rainforest home.

**Mt. Tamborine Experience**

Take to the trails by foot and 4WD vehicle as you explore the natural beauty of this rainforest.

**Tobruk Sheep Farm**

Live the life of an Australian cowboy as you learn the art of sheep herding and shearing on a real farm.

**Kayak in Byron Bay**

Kayak the waters of Byron Bay and enjoy a beautiful view of its white-sand beach and iconic lighthouse.

**Gold Coast**

Discover the Gold Coast, which includes a vibrant city scene, spectacular beaches and a tropical rainforest.

**Skyrail to Caravonica**

Take to the skies for breathtaking views as you cross the rainforest canopy on the way to Caravonica.

**Kuranda Village**

Savor delicious local fare and explore a variety of shops featuring Aboriginal artifacts and handcrafted goods.

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#### Arrive at Sydney Airport

G'day! Be greeted by your Adventure Guides and assisted with your luggage. A driver takes you to your hotel in Sydney.

#### Check-In at Shangri-La Sydney

As your Adventure Guides check you in and handle your luggage, settle into your comfortable room and discover all the amenities available to you at this distinctive hotel. Located in the historic Rocks district at the heart of the city, the Shangri-La Sydney offers easy access to many attractions nearby.

#### On Your Own in Sydney

Explore this exciting city, beginning with the historic Rocks district where your hotel is located and where settlement in Australia began. Near Circular Quay and the Harbour Bridge, this district features famous pubs, historic buildings, galleries exhibiting renowned Australian artists and many delightful shops, including some featuring fabulous opals!

#### Ferry to Taronga Zoo

Take in beautiful views of the city on the ferry crossing Sydney Harbour en route to the famous Taronga Zoo.

### DAY 1: Sydney

#### Meal(s) Included:

Dinner

#### Accommodations

Shangri-La Hotel, Sydney

#### Sky Safari to the Top of the Zoo's Plaza

Enjoy an aerial view of the zoo and the Sydney Harbour beyond as you head up the hill in a cable car for your welcome dinner.

#### Taronga Zoo

Be greeted by the zookeeper of Sydney's famous city zoo, home to over 340 species and 2,600 animals. Delight in a privately guided tour—with a chance to interact with some of the native Australian species that live there!

#### Private Welcome Dinner at The View Restaurant at Taronga Zoo

Savor a delightful dinner while enjoying one of the best views of Sydney Harbour you can find anywhere! Enjoy this exclusive meal where you will have the opportunity to meet and mingle with your fellow Adventurers.

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## DAY 2: SYDNEY

### Meal(s) Included:

Breakfast and Lunch

### Accommodations

Shangri-La Hotel, Sydney

### Breakfast at the Hotel

Wake up to a delicious breakfast to help you get this action-packed day started!

### On Your Own in Sydney

Take the morning to explore Sydney some more. Ask your Adventure Guides to recommend the museums, shopping districts, parks and gardens and activities that are best suited for your family.

### Harbour Lunch Cruise

Enjoy lunch aboard this sleek cruise ship as you tour Sydney Harbour, with sights that include Luna Park, Fort Denison and waterfront mansions. This cruise offers quality dining in a luxurious setting—and the views can't be beat!

### Sydney Opera House

Go backstage for a tour of one of the most famous architectural wonders in the world. Discover the remarkable story of how the Sydney Opera House's design was conceived and built and the challenges over the years of hosting world-class performances.

### On Your Own Afternoon, Dinner and Evening in Sydney

The rest of the day and evening is yours to enjoy on your own in this city filled with wonderful sights and activities. Consult with your Adventure Guides for their recommendations regarding activities and dining venues.

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**Breakfast at the Hotel**

Begin your day with a hearty breakfast and get ready for climbing and shepherding adventures ahead.

**On Your Own Morning and Lunch in Sydney**

Pursue your own favorite activity and lunch interests during the first half of this day. Ask your Adventure Guides to help you book a place on the Sydney Bridge Climb\*, a classic "must do" at the top of many Guests' wish list. With a Sydney Bridge Climb Leader at your side, reach the top of this iconic bridge and enjoy spectacular views of one of the world's great harbors! If climbing isn't for you, ask your Adventure Guides for recommendations for other activities. And, of course, feel free to inquire which dining venues they would recommend for your family.

**Visit the Tobruk Sheep Farm**

Live the life of an Australian cowboy at the Tobruk Sheep Farm! After the public goes home, it's your turn to visit this farm in a private experience that shows you some of the duties involved, including watching a demonstration of a sheep being sheared—and, all by yourself, directing sheep dogs to herd sheep!

**DAY 3: Sydney****Meal(s) Included:**

Breakfast and Dinner

**Accommodations**

Shangri-La Hotel, Sydney

**BBQ Dinner at Tobruk Sheep Farm**

Now that you've worked up an appetite, relish a barbeque dinner featuring classic Australian dishes in the serene natural setting of the farm.

\*Please Note: There is an additional cost for the Sydney Bridge Climb activity.

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**Breakfast at the Hotel**

Enjoy a filling breakfast before you set off to Australia's red desert that spans the middle of the continent.

**Flight to Ayers Rock**

Head to the heart of the outback to explore the startling beauty of Australia's Red Centre.

**Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park**

Take a motor coach into Aboriginal land when you visit Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park, home to one of Australia's iconic landmarks. Uluru, also known as Ayers Rock, is a sandstone monolith that stands like a mammoth mesa in the middle of the vast desert. Considered one of the great wonders of the world, it is 1,141 feet high (348 meters), 2.2 miles long (3.6 km) and 1.2 miles wide (1.9 km). The Aboriginals who have inhabited this area over 10,000 years consider Uluru a sacred part of their "dreamtime" creation belief.

**Lunch and Orientation at the Uluru-Kata Tjuta Cultural Center**

Enjoy a boxed lunch at the Cultural Center and hear from a local expert about this magnificent and sacred area. Learn about the plants and animals that live in this environment and the geology that explains how Uluru was formed. Find out about the *Anangu* people—the Aboriginal tribe owners of Uluru, Kata Tjuta and surrounding lands. And be introduced to *Tjukurpa*, the law that guides their daily life and is at the foundation of their culture.

**DAY 4: Sydney, Ayers Rock (Uluru)****Meal(s) Included:**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Accommodations**

Sails In The Desert

**Private Guided Walking Tour around the Base of Uluru**

Hike on a trail that wraps around the edge of this massive, 600-million-year-old sandstone rock formation.

**Check-In at Sails in the Desert**

After your trek in the outback, experience pure luxury at Sails in the Desert! Located in Australia's Red Centre, this 5-star hotel is a place to pamper yourself in style after a day of exploration. Before dinner, take a moment to enjoy the relaxing spa and delightful pool surrounded by gumtrees, view the gallery filled with indigenous arts and crafts—or simply bask in the splendor of the sun setting over the red desert.

**Dinner at the Ilkari Restaurant at the Hotel**

Enjoy international flavors as well as favorite local dishes at this premium restaurant and share stories about today's adventures with your fellow Adventurers.

**Star Gazing**

Count your lucky stars tonight—you get a chance to see the night sky lit up in all its sparkling glory! Considered one of the premier places in the world for star watching, the outback invites you to turn your gaze upward and be truly starstruck.

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#### **Sunrise Camel Experience**

Watch the desert awaken as you ride on a camel across it, stunned by the red landscape and the stillness of its beauty. At the end of the ride, enjoy beer bread, biscuits and tea or coffee.

#### **Breakfast at the Hotel**

Return to the hotel for a delicious breakfast and get ready to see some more amazing rock formations.

#### **Guided Walking Tour of Kata Tjuta**

Enter Walpa Gorge at Kata Tjuta—the "sister rock" to Uluru! Kata Tjuta is a geologic wonder consisting of 36 monoliths similar to Uluru, all of which have rich sandstone textures that change colors as the day progresses. Wander between the towering domes and be awestruck by their power.

#### **Lunch at Gecko's Café**

Take a lunch break at this friendly café, with Mediterranean and Western-style food, including wood-fired pizzas, pastas and salads. Fuel up for the next leg of the trip.

#### **Flight to Cairns**

Head for Queensland and your coastal home for the next 3 nights.

### **DAY 5: Ayers Rock, Palm Cove**

#### **Meal(s) Included:**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

#### **Accommodations**

Pullman Palm Cove Sea Temple Resort And Spa

#### **Check-In at the Pullman Palm Cove Sea Temple Resort and Spa**

While your Adventure Guides check you in and handle your luggage, take a good look around this upscale, 5-star AAA rated resort on the beach at the resort village of Palm Cove in tropical Queensland. With 3 spectacular swimming pools & a spa, prepare for a fun time ahead!

#### **Dinner at the Hotel**

Enjoy a delightful dinner with your family and fellow Adventurers at an excellent restaurant. Adults can stay and enjoy a leisurely end to the meal, while Junior Adventurers head off for a special movie night.

#### **Junior Adventurers Disney Movie Night**

Junior Adventurers join Adventure Guides to see a classic Disney movie in this private experience.

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## DAY 6: Palm Cove

### Meal(s) Included:

Breakfast and Lunch

### Accommodations

Pullman Palm Cove Sea Temple Resort And Spa

### Breakfast at the Hotel

Get a good start on the day with a tasty breakfast. And get ready—the Great Barrier Reef is our destination today!

### Marina Mirage

Take a motor coach to the Marina Mirage in Port Douglas, where you can board the catamaran that will take you into the Great Barrier Reef.

### The Quicksilver Catamaran - Sail to the Outer Reef

Head out to the Coral Sea and the Great Barrier Reef, a vast living organism that is home to an array of colorful fish, star fish and mollusks as well as turtles, dolphins and sharks. The only living thing on earth visible from space, the Great Barrier Reef contains over 3000 individual reef systems, hundreds of islands and over 600 types of coral. The base of operations for your exploration is an amazing floating pontoon and you will be guided by a marine biologist so you can make the most of your day investigating the outer reef up close by snorkeling. If you don't want to get wet, take a semi-submersible submarine and cruise several feet under water to view it and the array of undersea creatures who call it home!

### Lunch on the Quicksilver Pontoon

Enjoy a delightful lunch with fellow Adventurers on a pontoon floating in the waters of the Great Barrier Reef!

### On Your Own Dinner and Evening in Palm Cove

Be enchanted by this tropical village by the sea! Go shopping at fabulous boutiques and stroll through galleries—or simply soak in a little paradise at night on the beach. Choose where to dine from an array of world-class restaurants or ask your Adventure Guides to recommend the restaurant that best fits your family's needs.

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**Breakfast at the Hotel**

Begin your day with a delicious breakfast and get ready for a day of discovery.

**Private Activities at Tjapukai Aboriginal Culture Park**

Discover the history of the world's oldest living culture, dating back over 40,000 years! Visit this 25-acre park that celebrates the traditions of the Aboriginals as explained by the local Djabugay, the original inhabitants of the rainforest around Kuranda. Delight in Aboriginal dance, song, storytelling, artwork and artifacts. Participate in privately guided interactive activities: Play a didgeridoo, hurl a spear and paint your own boomerang—and then learn how to throw it!

**On Your Own Lunch in Kuranda Village**

Take a motor coach to this picture-perfect mountain village, surrounded by a rainforest. With a thriving arts culture, Kuranda offers a variety of shopping opportunities—with shops featuring Aboriginal artifacts and handcrafted goods—and is a sanctuary for butterflies, birds, koalas, bats and snakes. Choose from a variety of restaurants that serve international as well as local cuisine in this relaxed environment, surrounded by tropical beauty.

**DAY 7: Palm Cove****Meal(s) Included:**

Breakfast and Dinner

**Accommodations**

Pullman Palm Cove Sea Temple Resort And Spa

**Skyrail to Caravonica**

Take the Skyrail across Australia's World Heritage listed tropical rainforest canopy from Kuranda to the Caravonica terminal—and enjoy breathtaking views!

**On Your Own at the Pullman Palm Cove Sea Temple Resort and Spa**

Swim in one of the beautiful pools or relax in the spa. Whichever activity you choose, this tropical paradise is the ideal spot to unwind!

**Exclusive Wildlife Viewing and Dinner at Hartley's Crocodile Adventures**

Meet some amazing crocodiles and local wildlife in an exclusive experience! Wander through the spectacular woodlands and rainforest at Hartley's Crocodile Adventures where you can get a close look at tropical birds and other native fauna. Then, enjoy an exclusive Australian dinner with your fellow Adventurers and share stories about today's adventures.

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## DAY 8: Palm Cove, Gold Coast

### Meal(s) Included:

Breakfast

### Accommodations

Sheraton Mirage Gold Coast

### Breakfast at the Hotel

Fuel up for the trip ahead with a filling breakfast. And then you're off to the Gold Coast!

### Fly to the Gold Coast

Visit the sunny, subtropical Gold Coast with its skyscraper skyline and combination of exciting city life, world-famous surfing beaches and canal systems. Add to that its spectacular tropical rainforest, containing a vast array of flora and fauna with colors so rich they create an otherworldly ambiance.

### Check-In at Sheraton Grand Mirage Resort, Gold Coast

As your Adventure Guides check you in and assist with luggage, explore the tranquil Sheraton Grand Mirage Resort, Gold Coast.

### On Your Own Afternoon Through Evening on the Gold Coast

Find your own serenity on the grounds of the Sheraton Grand Mirage Resort, Gold Coast—take advantage of its beachfront location and expansive pool. Stroll across the footbridge to the bustling marina at lunchtime for a selection of waterfront restaurants to suit anyone's tastes where you can enjoy lunch and dinner at your own leisure. Ask your Adventure Guides to recommend the activities and restaurants that best fit your family's needs.

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## DAY 9: Byron Bay

### Meal(s) Included:

Breakfast and Lunch

### Accommodations

Sheraton Mirage Gold Coast

### Breakfast at the Hotel

Get ready for a day of activity with a tasty breakfast at the hotel.

### Private Kayaking at Byron Bay

Visit Byron Bay, with its famous white-sand beach and breathtaking ocean views. Stroll along the shore, lounge in the sun or answer the call of the inviting blue waters—go kayaking!

### Lunch at a Byron Bay Beach Pub

Join the locals for lunch and experience one of the Byron Bay's celebrated pubs.

### Visit the Cape Byron Lighthouse

Visit this iconic lighthouse, located on Byron Bay in the most eastern point of the mainland of Australia—an ideal spot for whale and dolphin watching\*!

### On Your Own Dinner and Evening on the Gold Coast

Return to the Gold Coast for an evening of marina and beach strolling as well as wonderful nightlife activities.

Dine in one of the excellent restaurants that grace this beautiful location. Ask your Adventure Guides for recommendations.

\*Whale and dolphin-watching is season dependent.

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**DAY 10: Gold Coast****Meal(s) Included:**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Accommodations**

Sheraton Mirage Gold Coast

**Breakfast at the Hotel**

Enjoy a hearty breakfast and get ready for a morning packed with fun activities.

**Mt. Tamborine Experience**

Enter the tropical rainforest for a half-day experience at one of the region's secret treasures: Mt. Tamborine. Ride in a 4WD vehicle, looking for native wildlife as you follow an early pioneer route through the national park. Discover one of the park's waterfalls on foot. And take a moment to master your boomerang throwing!

**BBQ Lunch at a Local Farm**

After working up an appetite from your adventures, visit a nearby farm and enjoy some local fare at a delicious barbeque lunch.

**On Your Own Afternoon on the Gold Coast**

Take one more swim in the pool, show off your boomerang skills on the beach or return to the marina shops for that Australian jewelry you have been eyeing since you arrived. All the while, take in the glorious views of the coastline and mountains!

**Farewell Dinner at the Hotel**

Share stories about your adventure with your fellow Adventurers and Adventure Guides at a farewell dinner. Wish them a fond "Good on ya, Mate!" until you meet again.

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**DAY 11: Gold Coast****Meal(s) Included:**

Breakfast

**Accommodations**

None

**Breakfast at the Hotel**

Enjoy a filling breakfast to prepare for your flight.

**Transfer to Brisbane Airport (BNE)**

Be transferred to the airport and bid farewell to Australia... until you return again!

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## AUSTRALIA TRIP TIPS

### PREPARING FOR YOUR ADVENTURE

#### Required Travel Documentation

You will need a current passport valid for the duration of your stay, as well as a visa that must be issued before your trip. As a short-term visitor you can get your visa on the Internet, using the Australian government's Electronic Travel Authority (ETA). Apply for a Visitor ETA, which is an electronic visa that takes the place of a stamp in your passport. You can also have your Travel Agent or airline apply for the ETA when you book your plane ticket.

In addition, when traveling internationally, Guests 17 years of age and younger may be required to show additional documentation if they are not traveling with both parents. Usually a notarized letter, signed by the parent or parents not traveling with the child and stating the child's name, adult guardian's name, itinerary, dates of travel and flight information, is required.

To ensure smooth travel, *Adventures by Disney* requires all travelers to comply with the regulations for the country you are visiting. This information is available from the country's consulate. *Adventures by Disney* is not responsible for the disruption of travel caused by improper documentation for any travelers, including children traveling without both parents. For specific documentation requirements, visit the U.S. State Department or the Australian Embassy.

If you are not a U.S. citizen, please check with the Australian Embassy or Consulate for information on documentation requirements.

#### Passport/Visa Services

You can apply for a passport and/or visa through CIBT, Inc., a third-party travel document company servicing the travel industry (not affiliated with the Walt Disney Company). Get more information about CIBT or call CIBT at (800) 406-1523. Be sure to mention *Adventures by Disney*, account #55134, for special pricing options.

PLEASE NOTE: ADDITIONAL CHARGES WILL APPLY FOR TELEPHONE CALLS made to access CIBT specialists.

#### What to Pack

##### Luggage Recommendation

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Because of the 3 domestic flights you'll be taking while in Australia, please limit your baggage per person as follows:

- One checked bag not to exceed 20 kg/44 lbs. Total dimension not to exceed 55 linear inches.
- One carry-on bag and one small carry-on item (i.e. purse) not to exceed 7 kg/15 lbs. combined (for both, total). The carry-on must not exceed 22" x 14" x 9" (so that it can fit under the seat or in overhead storage).

With frequent security policy changes, we recommend that you check with your air carrier as well as the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) for current restrictions.

### **Packing for Australia**

Your Australian tour is filled with active adventure in a climate that ranges from generally warm and dry conditions to cool and wet conditions depending on the season and region.

Bring light, breathable fabrics that dry quickly. Especially in summer, a hat, sunscreen, swimsuit and sandals are essential. In winter months (June-August), a jacket and cold-weather clothing are highly recommended for travel. Neat but comfortable clothing is acceptable almost anywhere, although one "smart casual" outfit is recommended.

Here is a suggested list of what to bring along. Remember that access to shops may be limited in certain locations during your travels. Hairdryers are available at all hotels.

### **Clothing**

- T-shirts (both short and long-sleeved)
- Collared shirts
- Light sweater
- Jeans or long pants
- Casual dress/skirt (optional)

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- Shorts
- Lightweight rain jacket
- Hat
- Swimsuit
- Closed-toe shoes
- Sturdy-soled walking shoes
- Sandals

#### Miscellaneous

- Passport and Visitor ETA
- Medication
- Camera/video camera
- Extra batteries or charger for camera
- Electric adapter
- Sunglasses
- Sunscreen
- Insect repellent
- Toiletries
- Umbrella

#### Weather

Visit [weather.com](http://weather.com) for the most up to date weather information for your vacation dates and destinations.

#### The Adventures by Disney Vacation Protection Plan

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**EN ROUTE**

**Arrival/Departure Information**

Upon arrival at Sydney International Airport (SYD), follow airport signage to the Baggage Claim area. At Baggage Claim, look for a representative holding an orange *Adventures by Disney* sign. This representative can assist you with your baggage and will escort you to your prearranged ground transportation to your hotel. Please be sure to arrive by 3:00 PM. Please note that with the time zone change and flight time, Guests would actually depart the United States 2 days before the start of the tour. At the conclusion of your adventure, we'll arrange ground transportation to the Brisbane International Airport (BNE) for your return flight home.

|           | Day | Airport Code | Arrival/Departure Time |
|-----------|-----|--------------|------------------------|
| Arrival   | 1   | SYD          | No later than 3:00 PM  |
| Departure | 11  | BNE          | Anytime                |

**DURING YOUR ADVENTURE**

**Currency**

The unit of currency in Australia is the Australian dollar. U.S. dollars are not accepted at hotels, shops or restaurants, but ATM machines are available in most places throughout your adventure to obtain cash in the local currency. Most hotels and restaurants accept major credit cards or prepaid debit cards. Check online or with your bank for the current exchange rate.

**Gratuities**

**Adventure Guide Gratuities**

Gratuities for your Adventure Guides are not included. Based on the quality of service you receive, we suggest \$8-\$11 USD per member of your travel party per Adventure Guide, per day.

Example: For a 11-day adventure, the suggested Adventure Guide gratuity per Guest, per Adventure Guide is \$88-\$121 USD. For a family of four that comes to \$396-\$484 USD per Adventure Guide or a total of \$792-\$968 USD for 2 Adventure Guides.

The Adventure Guides gratuity can be paid in U.S. dollars, Australian dollars or travelers checks. Please ask your Adventure Guide if he or she also accepts PayPal.

**All Other Gratuities Are Included**

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Gratuities for all other services provided on this adventure are included in the price of your adventure. There is no need for you to tip the bellmen, housekeepers, waiters, drivers and local guides.

### **Transportation**

When spending time on your own in Australia, your options vary from place to place. Sydney is very walkable, but you can also get around by taxi, bus or ferry. In Palm Cove, Ayers Rock and the Gold Coast, taxis or shuttles can be arranged through the resorts' concierge. If you have any questions regarding transportation, your Adventure Guides will be happy to assist you.

### **Language**

English is the primary language of Australia, so you'll have no trouble getting about. Plus, you'll have fun learning some of the Aboriginal words and place names as well as becoming acquainted with the unique local phrases, mate!

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### How do I book my *Adventures by Disney* vacation?

If you are in the United States, please call (800) 543-0865^ to speak to a *Vacationista*, or contact your Travel Agent.

If you are outside the United States, please call (866) 983-7872 to speak to a *Vacationista*, or contact your Travel Agent.

Guests under 18 years of age must have parent or guardian permission to call.

### Do I need vaccinations to travel to this country?

If you are coming from the U.S., you do not need any special vaccinations to travel to Australia.

### What are the arrival and departure airports?

ARRIVAL: On this itinerary, we will pick you up at Sydney International Airport (SYD) in Sydney on your arrival day. Your flight should arrive no later than 3:00 PM local time.

DEPARTURE: On the last day of your adventure, we'll provide ground transportation to Brisbane International Airport (BNE) for your return flight home. You can depart at any time.

### Are transfers included if my arrival or departure times and locations differ from those listed on the itinerary?

No. Transfers are only included from the specified arrival and departure airports and hotels.

### Can I extend my vacation beyond the *Adventures by Disney* itinerary?

Yes. You're welcome to join us in Sydney on our first day and to continue on after final day in Gold Coast. Pre- and post-night stays in Sydney and Gold Coast are available at special rates if booked through *Adventures by Disney* Travel Services, Inc. in conjunction with a land package and cannot be combined with any other offer. Please contact a *Vacationista* at (800) 543-0865^ for further information.

### How will our group travel between destinations?

You will travel by commercial airplane flights and motor coach.

### How strenuous are the activities?

This is an active trip with most activities being easy to moderate. Hikes include a 30-minute walk through the rainforest and hiking around parts of the

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base of Ayer's Rock and the Mala Gorge at the Olgas. These hikes are all on unpaved trails and uneven terrain with minimal uphill. Temperatures may be hot during summer months (December-April), particularly in the desert, so be prepared with cool clothes, hats and water. During winter months (May-November), the weather can be very cold, so it is important to dress in layers.

You will also have the opportunity to swim, snorkel on the Great Barrier Reef, sea-kayak and explore a number of areas by foot. While none of the trip's highlights are strenuous, taken together, the vacation is a physically active experience.

### **I'm interested in climbing the Sydney Bridge. Will I be able to schedule this into our itinerary?**

Yes. You'll be able to do the Sydney Bridge Climb during your time on your own in Sydney. Please contact your *Vacationista* at (800) 543-0865^ for information on how to book this activity.

### **What ages are appropriate for this adventure?**

While we welcome children ages 4 and up on our Australia adventure, we recommend that children be at least 7 years old at the time of travel. We base this on several factors, such as flight time and jet lag, the length and pace of the vacation, the potential for extreme temperatures in summer months (December-April), and amount of physical activity involved (e.g., hiking, swimming, snorkeling, kayaking). Because each child is different, call a *Vacationista* at (800) 543-0865^ to discuss whether this is the right vacation for your kids.

### **What types of meals are served on this *Adventures by Disney* Trip?**

Typically, breakfast is served buffet-style. Lunches and dinners usually include a variety of options including fish, meat, and pasta or rice entrées along with vegetables, salad, cheese, desserts and fruit. While the menus have been planned to give you a taste of typical Australian cuisine, they also include familiar American fare. Some lunches and dinners are served buffet style while others offer a limited-choice menu. Because we dine as a group, we regret that *à la carte* menu choices are not available. Children-friendly options are available at all meals. Menu items are subject to change due to the availability and seasonality of foods.

In order to give you and your family a chance to dine by yourselves, we've scheduled a few on-your-own meals throughout the vacation. These are planned in towns or cities, where you will have plenty of options available.

If you have any questions or concerns about dining at any time during your vacation, your Adventure Guides will be happy to assist you.

### **Is alcohol included with meals?**

Alcoholic beverages are typically not included with your scheduled meals. However, you're welcome to purchase them on your own.

### **Can you accommodate special dietary needs?**

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*Adventures by Disney* will make a reasonable effort to accommodate special dietary needs at no additional charge. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee we will be able to do so in every case at every dining venue on our itinerary. Please contact a *Vacationista* in advance of your departure at (800) 543-0865^ for more information and dining options so you can enjoy your vacation to the fullest.

### **Is this itinerary appropriate for travelers with special needs?**

This vacation includes activities that present certain challenges to Guests with special needs. It is strongly recommended that persons requiring assistance be accompanied by a companion who is capable of and totally responsible for providing assistance. Neither *Adventures by Disney* nor its suppliers may physically lift or assist Guests onto transportation vehicles. Contact a *Vacationista* at (800) 543-0865^ for more information.

### **What if *Adventures by Disney* cancels the adventure prior to departure?**

We will make every reasonable effort to operate the vacations as advertised; however, we reserve the right to curtail or modify the itinerary, or to substitute activities, hotels, meals or transportation as we deem necessary. We further reserve the right to reduce the number of Adventure Guides to one, and to modify other services to accommodate a smaller group, if a minimum number of Guests is not reached. Similarly, we may marginally exceed the stated group maximum size if necessary to accommodate a family. Please also note that during certain holidays and peak periods, some activities may be disrupted or unavailable. None of these modifications or changes shall affect the land package price. We reserve the right to cancel a trip at any time prior to its commencement for any reason, such as if there are too few Guests, or if the quality of the trip or the safety of the Guests would, in our opinion, be compromised, such as may result from unforeseen circumstances (acts of God) or other circumstances beyond our reasonable control. If we cancel your trip prior to its commencement because there are too few Guests: (i) we will attempt to re-book you on another departure of the same itinerary, subject to availability, and we will bear any reasonable airline re-booking charges; however, if we are unable to rebook you, we will issue a full refund of your land package price and Plan (unless you have filed a claim); and (ii) if you booked airfare through us, we will issue a full refund of your airfare; and (iii) if you did not book airfare through us, we will reimburse you for your reasonable out-of-pocket (subject to proof) airline cancellation charges or, in the case of bookings using frequent flier miles, a reasonable cancellation service fee, provided you have exercised best efforts to mitigate such charges/fees; and (iv) the aforesaid payments and/or rebooking by us shall constitute a full settlement.

### **Is travel insurance available?**

Yes, you can protect your vacation investment by adding the *Adventures by Disney* Vacation Protection Plan to your reservation.

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