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Join us on a unique music-themed journey following in the footsteps of the First Fleet — from historic Sydney to the dramatic convict ruins of Norfolk Island. Enjoy two nights in Sydney with highlights including a sightseeing tour, Bondi Beach, a Manly Ferry cruise, and a welcome dinner with live music. Explore The Rocks precinct and tour the inside of the Sydney Opera House. Then fly to Norfolk Island for six nights of scenic beauty, rich history, and island hospitality. Enjoy convict heritage tours, clifftop walks, local flavours, and lively evening entertainment.



### DAY 1 Monday 13 April 2026

#### Sydney

Morning Tour group members flying into Sydney today, please arrive no later than 11am. **Afternoon:** Coach tour of Sydney's main sights, including a walk on Bondi Beach and a visit to the Australian Museum — Australia's oldest museum. The museum's '200 Treasures' collection showcases 100 significant objects alongside the stories of 100 influential Australians. **Evening:** cruise, from Circular Quay to Manly, on the Manly Ferry. Great views of Sydney Opera House & Sydney Harbour Bridge. In Manly, enjoy Commencement of Tour Dinner, at an Italian restaurant, including fun-filled entertainment by excellent Italian accordionist/vocalist, Philippe Wittwer. **Overnight:** Great Southern Hotel, Sydney. (D)

### DAY 2 Tuesday 14 April 2026

#### Sydney

Spend most of the day in The Rocks area (historic precinct, near Sydney Opera House/Sydney Harbour Bridge). **Morning:** Enjoy a 1 hour Sydney Opera House Guided Tour (tour the inside of one of the world's most iconic buildings). Then enjoy a walking tour of The Rocks area, including a visit to The Rocks Discovery Museum (see archaeological artefacts found in The Rocks area). See Cadman's Cottage (1816), Sydney's oldest surviving house. You will have free time to explore The Rocks/Circular Quay area at your leisure. **Evening:** Enjoy dinner (own expense) at the Canterbury-Hurlstone Park RSL Club, with entertainment by outstanding country music duo, Bryen Willems & Glenn Skarratt. (B)



### DAY 3 Wednesday 15 April 2026

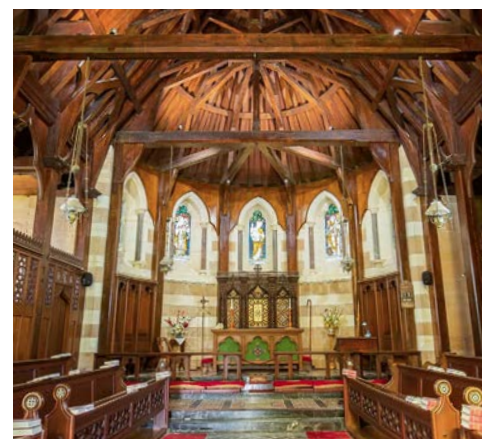
#### Norfolk Island

**Morning:** Board your Qantas flight from Sydney to Norfolk Island. Upon arrival (1.25pm), you'll be warmly greeted and transferred to your accommodation. **Afternoon:** A free afternoon for you to explore the area around our hotel. You may like to visit Queen Victoria Memorial Gardens, right next to our hotel (free admission). Also, our hotel is only a 5 minute walk from the island's main shopping precinct (Burnt Pine). **Evening:** Enjoy Norfolk Island's iconic Progressive Dinner...a delicious 3-course dinner, with each course served at a different family home. As you move from house to house you'll learn about the island's fascinating past & present and get to know the warm & welcoming locals. **Overnight:** Paradise Hotel & Resort. (B,D)

### DAY 4 Thursday 16 April 2026

#### Norfolk Island

**Morning:** 8.30am: Enjoy a Half Day Tour (orientation coach tour) of Norfolk Island, including a Devonshire Morning Tea at 'Orn Dar Cliff', an exclusive property with stunning coastal scenery. The tour includes a visit to St. Barnabas Chapel. This beautiful historic church was built by missionaries, complete with mother-of-pearl inlays and stained-glass windows. The ship-like vaulted timber ceiling adds to its charm. Wander through the small cemetery next to the chapel. **Afternoon:** Free time for you to explore the island at your leisure. You may like to visit Burnt Pine shopping precinct, where you can have lunch, go shopping, & spend time in the Visitor Information Centre. **Evening:** Enjoy the renowned Island Fish Fry dinner, at 'Orn Dar Cliff'. After dinner spend a relaxing evening in and around our hotel. (B,MorningTea,D)



### DAY 5 Friday 17 April 2026

#### Norfolk Island

**Morning:** Discover the best of island enterprise, with the Over the Cattlestops Tour. Meet locals running farms, distilleries, & creative workshops, as you travel 'over the cattlestops' (grids) into rural Norfolk Island. The tour includes some light 'tastings', and tea/coffee at one of the visits. Lunch (own expense) at Salty Beer Garden, a casual Norfolk Island restaurant/bar. **Afternoon:** Guided tour of the Kingston and Arthur's Vale Historic Area...a UNESCO World Heritage site. Established in 1788, the site includes well preserved buildings & ruins from Norfolk Island's convict past. Also, visit the historic & picturesque Norfolk







### Philippe Wittwer

Sydney musician, Philippe Wittwer, is an outstanding accordion player, vocalist, & entertainer. He performs solo, and in many other varying ensembles. He always gets everybody involved... singing, dancing & laughing. Although born in Switzerland, he performs many styles of music, including Italian, French, German, etc. Philippe will be playing for us, at our Commencement of Tour Dinner, at an Italian restaurant, in Sydney, on the 1st night of our tour. He will be performing for us as an Italian accordionist/vocalist.



### Bryen Willems & Glenn Skarratt

Bryen Willems and Glenn Skarratt are members of Sydney based honky-tonk band The Bayou Boogie Boys and have a long history and deep love of country music. Glenn is a master on guitar and mandolin, and a wonderful vocalist – nailing that high lonesome country sound. Bryen's low down gravelly vocals remind one of Waylon Jennings or Johnny Cash. They trawl through a virtual treasure trove of country music, including songs by artists like Willie Nelson, Slim Dusty, Merle Haggard, Charley Pride and a whole heap more....sit back and sing along!



### Trent Christian

Born on Pitcairn Island, Trent moved to Norfolk 34 years ago, after spending his entire early life on Pitcairn (only leaving once for medical treatment in New Zealand). Since settling on Norfolk Island, he's become a local favourite, performing regularly at markets and community events. Trent's warm voice and guitar style are featured on his albums *A Trip Down Memory Lane* and *Sings Old Time Favourites*. He blends storytelling and music to share the island spirit with locals and visitors. Trent will very likely be performing for us at the popular Island Fish Fry.



### The Baunti Byuutis

The Baunti Byuutis is a traditional Norfolk Island dance group established 20 years ago by the Christian-Reynolds family. Their performances, choreographed and led by Mikaela Christian-Reynolds, reflect the island's Polynesian roots and vibrant local culture. The group performing at our Island Fish Fry is the core Baunti Byuutis group, known for their expressive storytelling, colourful costumes and graceful movement. They perform to recorded Norfolk Island songs, adding a local flavour to each routine. Their dances are a celebration of tradition, community, and island pride.

Island Cemetery (famous Australian writer, Colleen McCulloch is buried there). Also visit the Norfolk Island Museum, including the Pier Store (learn about the Bounty mutineers and their descendants), the HMS Sirius Museum (artefacts from the 1st Fleet's flagship, which was wrecked off the N.I. coast in 1790), and the Commissariat Store (items from the convict era). Our tour includes a Convict Pass, which gets you into these 3 museums, plus No. 10 Quality Row (a restored Georgian house, with beautiful furniture; see how an official lived, back in the convict days). **Evening:** Dinner (own expense) at the Norfolk Island RSL Club, which has live music on Friday nights. (B,MorningTea)

## DAY 6 Saturday 18 April 2026

### Norfolk Island

**Morning:** 7am: Enjoy Norfolk Island's Breakfast Bushwalk & Clifftop BBQ. A hearty BBQ breakfast with clifftop views and good company. The BBQ area is known as Captain Cook's Lookout, including sweeping ocean views & Captain Cook's Monument. The monument shows where Captain Cook landed, in 1774, on his 2nd voyage around the world. **Remainder of morning:** Free time. **Afternoon:** Visit Norfolk Island Botanic Gardens (5.5 hectares of lush vegetation), lovely Anson Beach, and the excellent Fletcher's Mutiny Cyclorama. **Evening:** Dinner (own expense) in The Garden Restaurant, at our hotel. After dinner, enjoy our own informal singalong/music session, hosted by John Howie. A great opportunity for tour group members to



perform, individually, and sing along with the rest of the group. We will invite a local Norfolk Island singer/musician to join us for this fun-filled music session. (B)

## DAY 7 Sunday 19 April 2026

### Norfolk Island

**Morning:** Visit the Norfolk Island Arts & Craft Market. There may be some local buskers performing, and you will be able to have morning tea at the Market. **Afternoon:** Visit Emily Bay and enjoy the outstanding Norfolk Island Glass-Bottom Boat Experience. See the colourful coral and marine life. **Evening:** Dinner (own expense) at Bailey's Restaurant, over the road from our hotel, at Governor's Lodge. (B)

## DAY 8 Monday 20 April 2026

### Norfolk Island

We will call this 'Adventure Day'. Your opportunity to enjoy your own 'adventure' activity (optional).

You may like to go swimming & snorkelling, at Emily Beach or Slaughter Bay (both have calm, clear waters); play a round of golf at beautiful Norfolk Island Golf Club; hire some fishing gear, and go fishing, or even pay to go on a fishing charter boat. **Evening:** Enjoy a group Farewell Dinner, in our hotel. If you've caught fish, during the day, the chef, at our hotel, will cook your fish, for dinner! After dinner John Howie will lead the tour group in a fun-filled informal end-of-tour music/singalong session. If you are a musician, please bring your instruments along on the tour, and join in! (B,D)

## DAY 9 Tuesday 21 April 2026

### Departure

**Morning:** Free time. Afternoon: Commence our flight from Norfolk Island airport to Sydney, via Brisbane. Tour concludes in Sydney (B)





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Per person, twin-share	\$ 4,195
Air taxes as of 1/6/2025	\$ 325
Total package per person, twin-share	\$ 4,520
Single supplement	\$ 695

### INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE

- Accommodation in well-located hotels, on a twin-share basis, with private facilities, throughout the tour. Hotel taxes and service charges.
- Economy airfares from Sydney to Norfolk Island return.
- Daily breakfast (except for Day 1); 4 dinners; 2 morning teas. ('Included' breakfasts, morning teas, & dinners are shown in the 'meals indicator', at the end of each day's text, in the tour brochure.)
- The tour includes 6 tours/events run by Norfolk Island travel company, Pinetree Tours, as follows: (1) Half Day Tour (orientation tour); (2) Progressive Dinner; (3) Island Fish Fry dinner (with live entertainment); (4) Over the Cattlestops Tour; (5) Convict Settlement Tour; (6) Breakfast Bushwalk (incl. BBQ b'fast).
- Glass-bottom Boat Experience, at Emily Bay.
- Convict Pass, which provides admission to 4 Norfolk Island museums.
- Entry to all sightseeing attractions mentioned in the itinerary, except for any marked 'optional' or 'own expense'. Note: If our brochure says 'see' an attraction, it doesn't mean we go into that attraction.
- Entry to all music shows/events specifically mentioned in the itinerary, except for any marked 'optional' or 'own expense'.
- Cost of return trip on the Manly Ferry (evening of Day 1).
- Travel in first-class chartered coach, throughout the tour.

### Not included in the price:

- Travel to Sydney to meet the tour. Travel home, from Sydney Airport, at the end of the tour.
- Travel insurance.
- Meals unless specified in itinerary.
- Sightseeing and general expenses not specified in the itinerary.
- Cost of optional daytime activities, on 'Adventure Day' (Day 8).
- Any additional cost, for a restaurant on Norfolk Island, to cook fish you have caught, on 'Adventure Day' (Day 8).
- Day 1 (Evening): Cost of public bus or train fares, from our hotel to Circular Quay area (to catch Manly Ferry), and from Circular Quay area to our hotel (later in the evening). Day 2. Cost of public bus or train fares, from our hotel to The Rocks area, and from The Rocks area back to our hotel (later in the day).
- Cost of transport, to and from various places, on Norfolk Island, during 'free time', and to and from optional activities on 'Adventure Day' (Day 8).
- Additional travel arrangements not in the detailed itinerary.

## General Information and Booking Conditions

It is important that all tour participants have a basic level of physical fitness that allows them to take part in this activity without the need of assistance from others.

**TOUR OPERATOR:** Travelrite International Pty Ltd. A.C.N. 005 817 0781 (Travelrite International) is the tour operator.

**TOUR COSTS:** The tours costs are based on transport, accommodation costs and entrance costs on 1 June 2025. Travelrite reserves the right to alter the costs if any of these factors change, giving any passenger that has booked the right to withdraw with full refund of monies paid or modify arrangements. No alterations to costings will be made within 60 days of departure.

**DEPOSITS AND PAYMENTS:** A deposit of \$500 per passenger is required at the time of booking. Full payment will be required 60 days before departure. A 1.5% administration charge will be added to payment by Visa, Mastercard and American Express.

**CANCELLATIONS:** Cancellations within 60 days prior to departure will result in the loss of all monies paid. Cancellation outside 60 days from departure will result in a cancellation fee of \$500 per person. Travel insurance is recommended to cover the costs of cancellation fees due to illness, death in family, etc.

**MINIMUM TOUR NUMBERS:** The tour has been costed on the basis of a minimum number of passengers having booked 60 days prior to departure. Travelrite reserves the right to cancel the tour, giving a full refund of all monies paid or offer arrangements to proceed with the tour at a modified cost if the minimum number is not achieved.

**REFUNDS:** The tour is based on arrangements which do not allow for any refunds in respect to sightseeing, accommodation, meals or other services not utilised after the tour has commenced.

**BAGGAGE:** All passengers qualify for 1-piece free baggage allowance.

**RESPONSIBILITY:** Travelrite International Pty Ltd. is the tour organiser. Travelrite International acts only as agents in making of arrangements with carriers, hoteliers and others for the tour. As a result we cannot accept liability for any act or omission whatsoever, whether negligent or otherwise of those carriers, hoteliers or other persons providing services in connection with the tour over whom we have no direct or exclusive control. We do not accept responsibility for any injury, damage, loss, delay, change of schedule or any other events which are beyond our direct control, such as, but not limited to, war, flood, fire, civil disturbance, acts of God, acts of government, or any other authorities, terrorism, accidents to or failure of machinery or equipment, or industrial action. The passage contract in use by the carriers concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the transportation companies or firms and the purchasers of these tours and the passengers. Baggage is at own risk throughout the tour. The contract shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Victoria and any legal action must be undertaken in the State of Victoria.

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