

Travelrite International invite you to join us on the 2026

NEW SOUTH WALES

HERITAGE RAIL TOUR

FOR THE

HUNTER STEAMFEST

9 – 21 April 2026



Sydney, Bowral, Kiama,
Southern Highlands, Goulburn,
Junee, Cowra, Bathurst, Oberon,
Lithgow, Zig Zag, Katoomba,
Kandos, Maitland, Hunter Valley



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INCLUDES



Accommodation, sightseeing and entry fees, 8 heritage trains,
coach transport, Travelrite tour leader, most meals

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Take part in an unforgettable 13-day rail tour of New South Wales to experience historic railways, the wonderful Hunter Valley Steamfest and fascinating towns. Start in Sydney and enjoy dinner at the Eveleigh Railyards before travelling to the picturesque Southern Highlands town of Bowral to tour the Bradman Museum. Enjoy a vintage heritage steam loco ride at the NSW Rail Museum in Thirlmere, see the famous Kiama Blowhole and visit the Light Railway Museum at Albion Park where you'll ride on a steam train. Later, enjoy a trip on the famous Cockatoo Run, a vintage train through the Southern Highlands to Robertson and finish by riding a heritage tram at the Sydney Tramway Museum in Loftus. Drop in to the Goulburn Rail Heritage Centre, tour the former railway workshops, the Junee Roundhouse Railway Museum, and have dinner at the historic 1878 built Junee Hotel. Spend two nights in Bathurst where you'll take a peak inside the Bathurst Railway Museum, tour Abercrombie House and have dinner in their grand ballroom. Explore the Oberon Tarana Heritage Railway centre where you'll enjoy a workshop tour and High Tea in their heritage rail carriage. In Lithgow, you'll ride on the 19th century historic Zig Zag Railway, venture down to Katoomba to see the famous Three Sisters and tour Scenic World, home to the world's steepest railway, plus the Scenic Skyway and Cableway. Have High Tea at the Hydro Majestic Hotel, ride heritage train to Kandos and spend the full day at the Hunter Valley Steamfest to see and ride on their spectacular collection of steam trains. Finish by enjoying a wine tour and lunch in the Hunter Valley before returning to Sydney.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- Ride on the historic Zig Zag Railway in the Blue Mountains
- Spend two days at the Hunter Valley Steamfest
- Enjoy lunch at two wineries and dinner at Abercrombie House
- Ride on the famous Cockatoo Run, a vintage train to Robertson
- Wander the interesting towns of Bathurst, Junee and Goulburn
- Explore the picturesque Southern Highlands town of Bowral



DAY 1 Thursday 9 April 2026

Sydney

Arrive in Sydney and enjoy a welcome dinner with your tour leader and group. Sydney, spectacularly draped around its glorious harbor and beaches, has visual wow factor like few other cities. This evening, we'll catch the Light Rail to Central Station to enjoy dinner at a restaurant in the Eveleigh Railyards. *Overnight: The Vibe Hotel, Sydney (D)*

DAY 2 Friday 10 April 2026

Bowral

This morning, you'll take a local train to the picturesque Southern Highlands town of Bowral where the famous Sir Donald Bradman grew up. On arrival, enjoy free time at lunch and tour the Bradman Museum and International Cricket Hall of Fame Museum, the gardens and heritage home



at the 1821 built Retford Park, the delightful town centre and the world-renowned Fairground Follies – a Mechanical Music Museum and a treasure trove of nostalgic delights. This evening, you'll stay in a heritage property on the outskirts of town and enjoy fine dining at dinner. *Overnight: Berida Hotel, Bowral (B,D)*

DAY 3 Saturday 11 April 2026

Kiama

This morning, you'll visit the NSW Rail Museum in Thirlmere to explore Australia's largest collection of heritage rolling stock including the stunning Governor General's Carriage and the Rail Pay Bus. Enjoy a ride on a vintage heritage steam locomotive from historic Thirlmere Station to

Buxton and back to Thirlmere. Check into your hotel, tour the town and see the famous Kiama Blowhole. *Overnight: The Sebel, Kiama (B)*

DAY 4 Sunday 12 April 2026

Kiama

This morning, you'll tour the Light Railway Museum at Albion Park and enjoy a ride on a steam train before taking a ride on the famous Cockatoo Run, a vintage train operated by East Coast Heritage Rail from Wollongong via the beautiful Southern Highlands to Moss Vale (*subject to track work). Enjoy reliving the railway experience of years gone by in the beautifully restored luxury of the heritage Lounge Class. Later, take a step back in time at the Sydney Tramway Museum in Loftus and take a ride on a heritage tram. Return to Kiama for a free evening. *Overnight: The Sebel, Kiama (B)*



DAY 5 Monday 13 April 2026

Goulburn – Junee

Today you will drive to the Goulburn Rail Heritage Centre and former railway workshops. Tour the museum, the roundhouse and turntable, ancillary buildings and see the restoration of heritage rolling stock. Enjoy free time at lunch and tour the Junee Roundhouse Railway Museum. Explore the largest roundhouse in the Southern Hemisphere and check into your hotel. Tonight, you'll enjoy dinner at the historic 1878 built Junee Hotel. *Overnight: Junee Motor Inn, Junee (B,D)*





DAY 6 Tuesday 14 April 2026

Junee – Cowra – Bathurst

This morning, explore Junee, a pretty country town and a major stop on the Melbourne-Sydney railway line. See the delectable Licorice and Chocolate Factory, the Ray Warren statue and stop for morning tea at the old Railway Refreshment Rooms at Junee station. You'll pause at the heritage-listed, 1940s Bethungra Rail Spiral, one of Australia's most significant rail engineering feats of its time and tour the Cowra Heritage Rail Depot to wander through an extraordinary collection of historic engines, carriages and wagons. Arrive in Bathurst in the late afternoon. *Overnight: Rydges Hotel, Bathurst (B)*



DAY 7 Wednesday 15 April 2026

Bathurst

This morning, we'll wander the heart of Bathurst to see some historic sights before exploring the Bathurst Railway Museum where you'll enjoy morning tea. Later, see the finest and rarest mineral crystals and fossils from around the world at the Australian Fossils and Minerals Museum and enjoy free time for lunch. In the mid-afternoon, you'll tour the 19th century granite and sandstone building of Abercrombie House. You'll marvel at this outstanding example of Victorian Tudor style architecture and enjoy dinner in their grand ballroom. *Overnight: Rydges Hotel, Bathurst (B,D)*



DAY 8 Thursday 16 April 2026

Oberon – Lithgow

After breakfast, there's free time to explore the National Motor Racing Museum next to our hotel to learn about the spiritual home of Australian motor racing, Mount Panorama. Later, you'll travel to Renzaglia Wines, nestled in beautiful rolling hills just south of Bathurst for an exquisite lunch and wine tasting. Arrive at Oberon, to explore the Oberon Tarana Heritage Railway centre where you'll enjoy a workshop tour and High Tea in their



heritage rail carriage. Arrive in Lithgow in the late afternoon for a free evening. *Overnight: Lithgow Workies Club Motel, Lithgow (B,L)*



DAY 9 Friday 17 April 2026

Zig Zag – Katoomba – Lithgow

Today you will soak up the sights, smells and scenery of the Blue Mountains on a 19th century historic rail adventure on the Zig Zag Railway. Enjoy a relaxing ride on the romantic and nostalgic steam locomotive as it hauls you over the Great Lithgow Zig Zag. Enjoy lunch together and hop aboard a local train at the 7-metre long Zig Zag Station, for a journey through a dozen tunnels and through bushland to Katoomba where you'll enjoy High Tea at the timeless elegance of the Hydro Majestic Hotel Blue Mountains, see the famous Three Sisters and tour Scenic World, home to the world's steepest railway, plus the Scenic Skyway and Cableway. *Overnight: Lithgow Workies Club Motel, Lithgow (B,L)*

DAY 10 Saturday 18 April 2026

Kandos Heritage train – Hunter Valley

This morning, you'll experience a nostalgic heritage rail journey from Lithgow to Kandos on a privately chartered rail carriage. These 620/720 class railcars are a class of diesel-hydraulic multiple units (DHMU) and operated from 1961 until 2007. Travel through the breathtaking Capertee Valley and enjoy a scenic ride through the World Heritage-listed Blue Mountains, crossing the Great Dividing Range to Kandos, where you'll have lunch on their Railway Station platform. Later, drive the 3 hours to the Hunter Valley and check into your hotel. *Overnight: Punthill Maitland, Hunter Valley (B,L)*

DAY 11 Sunday 19 April 2026

Hunter Valley Steamfest

The entire day today is devoted to the Hunter Valley Steamfest – a celebration of steam power, history, and fun! The heart and soul of Steamfest is



its spectacular collection of steam trains. Witness the thrill of the annual ARTC Great Train Race and hop aboard a heritage steam train ride to explore stunning Hunter destinations. Step back in time at The Bloomfield Group Steam Rally, home to a vast display of antique machinery, traction and portable engines and see over 500 classic cars, plus food stalls, live entertainment, heritage walks, market stalls, gourmet food, and much more. *Overnight: Punthill Maitland, Hunter Valley (B)*

DAY 12 Monday 20 April 2026

Hunter Valley Wineries – Sydney

This morning, you'll tour the scenic Hunter Valley around Pokolbin and enjoy lunch at the Audrey Wilkinson Winery. If there was an award for the most picturesque winery in the Hunter, Audrey Wilkinson would win it hands down. Best of all, the wines inside the country-house tasting room stand tall as well. Soak in the breathtaking views of the Brokenback Mountain Ranges as you sip stand outs such as semillon, chardonnay and shiraz over lunch. Return to Maitland for the early afternoon TrainLink express service to Sydney Central Station. Check in and enjoy a farewell dinner together. *Overnight: The Vibe Hotel, Sydney (B,L,D)*

DAY 13 Tuesday 21 April 2026

Sydney – Depart

Our tour comes to an end this morning after breakfast and hotel check-out. (B)



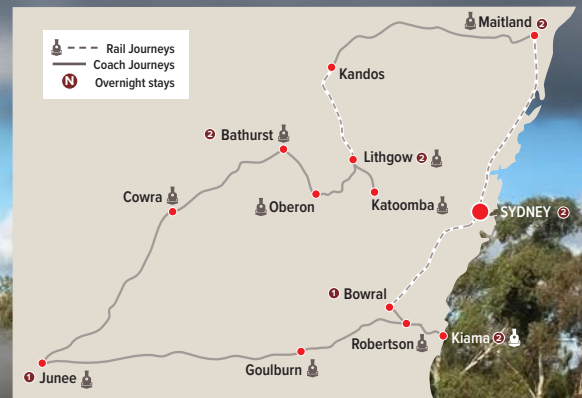
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Tour Prices

Per person twin-share \$ 6,950
Single supplement \$ 1,650

Included in the tour price:

- 12 nights' accommodation in well-located first-class hotels with private facilities, on a twin-share basis. Hotel taxes and service charges included
- 12 breakfasts, 4 lunches, and 5 dinners
- Eight heritage train journeys and experiences
- Private coach transportation
- Entry to all sightseeing attractions mentioned in the itinerary, except for those marked 'optional' plus locally guided tours
- Tour management by Travelrite
- Local guides

Not included in the price:

- Return flights
- Arrival and departure transfers
- Insurance. Travel insurance is strongly recommended
- All items of personal nature, such as drinks, room service, laundry and phone calls
- Meals and drinks, unless specified in itinerary. Breakfasts, lunches, dinners, that are 'included' are marked B,L,D in the itinerary



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General information and booking conditions

Touring can involve a considerable amount of walking and stair climbing in the places visited and it is important that all tour participants have a 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 at 20 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 non-refundable deposit of \$900 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 America Express.

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

CHANGES TO THE TOUR ITINERARY: Travelrite International reserves the right to make changes to the tour itinerary to fit in with operational requirements. Any changes to the itinerary will be replaced with similar arrangements with an equal or greater value.

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.

DELAYS AND UNFORESEEN EVENTS: You engage Travelrite International to book this tour on your behalf and you acknowledge that Travelrite International acts as your agent for the purpose of making contracts between you and the various providers of accommodation, transportation and other services that comprise the tour. Travelrite International may without reference to you provide or make available to you, or may as your agent engage any third party to provide or make available to you, any good or service which Travelrite International reasonably believes is necessary for your benefit to maintain the tour itinerary, repatriate you or otherwise accommodate, transport or sustain you in circumstances in which the tour itinerary fails wholly or partly for any reason. You appoint Travelrite International your attorney for this purpose. You agree to pay

Travelrite International any cost thereof and you indemnify Travelrite International in respect of any cost it incurs in this regard. Travelrite International advises you to obtain travel insurance generally including in respect of the risk that any such good or service may become required.

HOW TO BOOK: Bookings can be made by completing a booking form and sending it with a non-refundable deposit of \$900 per person to:

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