









#### ABOUT AIRCRUISING

An Aircruise with Bill Peach Journeys is the perfect way to explore these hard to reach destinations in the style, speed and comfort of your own private aircraft. Travelling by private aircraft means that we can land directly in each location ensuring time on the ground is spent discovering each region. The style of aircraft is chosen to provide the best possible access into remote locations.

When you travel on an Aircruise everything is included. This means not only does your holiday include accommodation, dining and all excursions but every one of these elements is the finest in its class. Throughout the journey you will have a Journey Director on hand to look after each detail.

#### FITNESS LEVEL - EASY GOING

"The standard of care from the crew was 1st class. Getting off the aircraft to a waiting coach was just fabulous. Cruising over the Australian outback and coastlines was just magic."

Wendy Richards, Richmond, NSW

### WHY BILL PEACH JOURNEYS?

- A name you can trust with over 34 years of experience in the luxury travel industry
- Fully inclusive journeys, all meals, accommodation, touring, entrance fees, porterage taxes and luggage
- Travel throughout the outback requires expert planning and organisation. Our Journey Planners ensure you enjoy an intimate exploration of the places visited in comfort and style
- A dedicated Journey Director that ensures you are looked after every step of the way
- ₩ Local professional guides at every location
- ₹ 55% of our travellers return to travel with us again within the first year of their initial journey



# EXPLORE THE GREAT SOUTHERN LANDS WITH BILL PEACH JOURNEYS

Aircruising Great Southern

12 Days | 4 Sep - 15 Sep 2018 | AUD\$16,250pp twin share | Single Supplement \$1,100

## **EXCLUSIVE HIGHLIGHTS**

- Explore outback towns Broken Hill, Coober Pedy and Kalgoorlie
- Cruise down the Swan River in Perth
- Experience spectacular aerial flightseeing of the Great Australian Bight
- Wisit the historic whaling port of Albany
- Explore the acclaimed Margaret River region, including a picturesque coastal drive through Yallingup and Canal Rocks
- W Enjoy exceptional seafood at Port Lincoln
- W View spectacular wildflowers throughout
- Spend 2 nights at the acclaimed Lindenwarrah and explore Beechworth, Bright and Myrtleford
- All touring, transfers and meals included
- Escorted throughout by a dedicated Journey Director

"The entire journey was a totally wonderful experience. Seeing our country from the air was a new experience with spectacular highlights."

Mr Brian Bousfileld, Ballarat, VIC

Spend 12 days exploring the Great Southern region of Australia with Bill Peach Journeys. On this Aircruise, you will travel by private aircraft visiting Coober Pedy, Kalgoorlie, Perth, Margaret River, Albany, Esperance, Port Lincoln and the high country of Victoria. Also experience tremendous aerial flight-seeing over the stunning West Coast and the Great Australian Bight. This journey is a wonderful combination of wildflowers and wildlife, following a huge arc across the continent, from East to West, highlighting Australia's many varied and beautiful landscapes. As always, the journey is fully inclusive of all accommodation, touring and meals and escorted by a Journey Director. Join us on this fascinating tour of our Great Southern Lands.











# THE GREAT SOUTH BY PRIVATE AIRCRAFT

#### DAY 1 | SYDNEY CHECK-IN

Journeys Aircruise you will discover why we are the leaders in private luxury aircraft travel in Australia for over 34 years. Your friendly and experienced Flight Crew and Journey Director will ensure that you will experience the journey of a lifetime from the moment you arrive at the private executive departure lounge. Here, you will meet your fellow travellers. After your initial check in, you will not need to check in again for each flight nor be troubled with luggage until your return at the conclusion of the Aircruise. All will be taken care of for you so that when you arrive into each new destination, your luggage will be waiting for you in your hotel room. Your knowledgeable and professional Journey Director will ensure that all arrangements for your Bill Peach Journeys Aircruise will be taken care of throughout the entire tour so that your complete travel experience with us is seamless.



#### SYDNEY - BROKEN HILL - COOBER PEDY

On arrival in Broken Hill we embark on a tour of this historic mining town which was established over a century ago. The fine old buildings of the main street are typical examples of colonial architecture, while the mine itself looms in the background. Visit the Royal Flying Doctor Service base and learn about the incredible work they do in the outback. After lunch we make our way to the opal mining town of Coober Pedy. This afternoon you will enjoy a tour of the opal fields, an opal mine and the town. There will also be an opportunity to visit an underground home and church, mine museum and underground potteries.

Overnight: Desert Cave Hotel or similar

#### DAY 2 | COOBER PEDY - KALGOORLIE

From the moment you first check in for your Bill Peach Continuing westward today we fly over some of the most desolate landscapes in Australia, across the incredible vastness of the Great Victorian Desert and the Nullarbor Plain. Kalgoorlie's glory days began in 1893 when gold was found near Mt. Charlotte, and prospectors soon discovered the immense deposits of the Golden Mile, the richest square mile of gold-bearing land on earth. After lunch spend some time exploring this fascinating town and have an opportunity to visit the Australian Prospectors and Miners Hall of Fame.

Overnight: Rydges Kalgoorlie or similar

#### DAY 3 | KALGOORLIE - PERTH

We reboard our private aircraft and continue our journey westward to the city of Perth. Today explore this fascinating city, including Kings Park and the Botanic Gardens. Continuing on to Fremantle we take a scenic tour of the city on our journey back to Perth. Fremantle, is a vibrant port city you can't miss. Fremantle has world-famous heritage buildings and a fascinating maritime and convict history.

Overnight: Duxton Hotel Perth or similar

#### DAY 4 | SANDALFORD ESTATE & THE SWAN RIVER

Today enjoy a tour of the historic Sandalford Estate. The establishment of Sandalford Wines in the Swan Valley in 1840 coincided with both the first European settlement at the Colony of Perth and the birth of Western Australia's world famous wine industry. Your tour of Sandalford Estate commences with the history of estate. Then journey behind the scenes and tour the operational winery from suspended overhead walkways. You will discover Sandalford's winemaking process from vine to bottle. Lunch today will be at Sandalfords famous restaurant. Return to Perth by cruising the Swan River.

Overnight: Duxton Hotel Perth or similar

#### DAY 5 | PERTH - BUSSELTON

After breakfast this morning reboard our private aircraft for a scenic flight down the southern coastline of Western Australia arriving into Busselton, which is on the shores of picturesque Geographe Bay. The town's distinctive pier was the longest timber jetty in Australia until part of it was destroyed by a cyclone in 1978. Continuing on we visit the Cape Naturaliste lighthouse with its spectacular coastal views. Situated on a











rugged promontory, the surrounding environment is host to a diverse range of flora and fauna. A climb to the top of the lighthouse offers panoramic 360 degree views across Geographe Bay, the Indian Ocean and Cape Naturaliste.

Overnight: Pullman Resort Bunker Bay or similar

#### DAY 6 | MARGARET RIVER

This morning visit Margaret River's most favourite Providore and Chocolate Company. Margaret River Providore combines vineyards, olive groves and organic vegetable gardens with finest take home foods and ingredients from the region. Continuing to one of Margaret River's finest wineries the Leeuwin Estate for a wine tasting experience followed by lunch. One of the icons of the Australian wine industry, it has earned an international reputation for making wines that rank alongside the world's finest.

Overnight: Pullman Resort Bunker Bay or similar

#### DAY 7 | BUSSELTON - ALBANY

After breakfast this morning we transfer to Albany. The township is the third largest deep water port in the world with spectacular coastal scenery, charming reminders of its early days and history of whaling. On 1 November 1914, Albany was the final departure point for the first ANZAC troops on their way to the battlefields of the First World War. Today on this same small piece of paradise stands the award winning state-of-the-art National Anzac Centre that remembers the stories of the men and women who left from here. After a tour of this incredible centre we head to "The Gap" and Anzac Hill for a photo opportunity.

Overnight: Dog Rock Motel or similar

#### DAY 8 | ALBANY - ESPERANCE

This morning visit Whale World located on the picturesque southern coast of King George Sound. The station ceased whaling operations and was decommissioned in 1978. Departing Albany fly east to Esperance and enjoy spectacular aerial flightseeing over the Rescherche Archipelago. This area is famed for its coastal scenery. Pure white sandy beaches run into the brilliant blue waters of the Southern Ocean, and massive pre-Cambrian granite outcrops break up the long beaches to form many sheltered bays and coves along hundreds of kilometres of coast. Offshore, the chain of more than a hundred islands make up the Archipelago just above the ocean's surface.

Overnight: Comfort Inn Bay of Isles or similar

#### DAY 9 | ESPERANCE - PORT LINCOLN

Enjoy a cruise of the Rescherche Archipelago this morning. The islands are a refuge for some unique wildlife including hair seals, mutton birds and Cape Barren geese. Departing Esperance enjoy one of the highlights of this journey spectacular low flying over the Great Australian Bight. This afternoon arrive into Port Lincoln, the "Seafood Capital of Australia", nestled on the beautiful, blue Boston Bay found almost at the end of the Eyre Peninsula in Nawu country. Boston Bay is three times the size of Sydney Harbour, and is the base for Australia's largest tuna fleet and tuna-farming industry. This afternoon visit the Axel Stenross Maritime

Overnight: Port Lincoln Hotel or similar

#### DAY 10 | PORT LINCOLN - MILAWA

This morning cruise the waterways of Port Lincoln including a visit to a tuna farm. After a delicious seafood lunch we reboard the aircraft for our flight to Wangarratta. On arrival we transfer to Milawa. Visit the Milawa Cheese Company, a small but highly regarded speciality cheese factory. All cheeses are handmade at the historic Milawa Butter Factory using traditional methods, without preservatives and using nonanimal rennet.

Overnight: Lindenwarrah at Milawa or similar

#### DAY 11 | BRIGHT & MYRTLEFORD

Today we drive to Bright and along the way pass through the township of Glenrowan and the Mt Buffalo region. Spring in Bright is a veritable bouquet of colour! Everything comes to life with startling clarity. Snow fed creeks and rivers roar and the skies overhead are a brilliant blue. We return to Lindenwarrah via Myrtleford which is beautifully positioned in the northern foothills of the Mt Buffalo Range adjacent to the Ovens River, Happy Valley Creek and Barwidgee Creek. Tonight we celebrate a very special Farewell Dinner.

Overnight: Lindenwarrah at Milawa

#### Day 12 | Beechworth - Sydney

This morning transfer by road to Beechworth. This historic town is respectfully known as the 'Elegant Dame', with all the sensibilities of a grand 19th century town, as you look down from the foothills of the Australian Alps onto the wide, tree-lined streets, with their deep granite gutters and shady, century-old verandahs. After a delicious lunch we transfer to Wangaratta airport for our return flight to Sydney.