



CHRISTMAS IN JULY WITH BILL PEACH JOURNEYS

Sojourn Yuletide in Mudgee & Orange

5 Days | 26 Jul – 30 Jul 2018 | AUD\$4,995pp twin share | Single Supplement FREE*

EXCLUSIVE HIGHLIGHTS

- ✦ Spend 4 nights at boutique Central West accommodation Parklands Resort in Mudgee and DeRussi Suites in Orange
- ✦ Experience the exquisite produce and wines of the central west including some of the region's finest dining experiences
- ✦ Touring of Mt Tomah Gardens, Gulgong, Mudgee, Millthorpe, Orange, Eugowra, Forbes and Canowindra
- ✦ Discover the fascinating pre-historic finds in Canowindra at the 'Age of Fishes' Museum
- ✦ All meals - breakfast, lunch and dinner
- ✦ Celebrate the Yuletide feast at the award winning hatted restaurant, The Zin House in Mudgee
- ✦ Your own room with no single supplement charge
- ✦ Escorted throughout by a Journey Director

"Travelling with Bill Peach Journeys everything is so well organised. Highlights were meeting and being with some very interesting people in the group, seeing lots of lovely sights and eating and drinking great food and wine."

Janet Bennet, Shepparton, Vic

Bill Peach Journeys presents our 2018 Yuletide celebrations. Stopping first at the delightful Mt Tomah Gardens for lunch, you will then travel through the Central West exploring the beautiful wine regions of Orange and Mudgee.

We also visit Gulgong, the town featured on our ten dollar note, where a local historian will bring to life the interesting history of the town. This journey will tempt your senses with five days of fine dining, which include some of the state's best food and wine tastings at Mudgee Honey, High Valley Cheese and some of the region's best wine estates.

Discover the fascinating prehistoric history at the 'Age of Fishes' exhibition and the exciting days of bushrangers Frank Gardiner and Ben Hall. Local guides will provide a rich insight into the region while you make new friends during our Christmas in July Sojourn.

ABOUT SOJOURNS

Our Sojourn programmes are short break journeys put together in conjunction with themes, events or experiences.

These programmes range from exploring Australia's Top End to world class events and unique experiences throughout Australia and New Zealand.

FULLY INCLUSIVE

When you travel on a Sojourn with Bill Peach Journeys

everything is included and arranged before you even leave home. That includes all sundries like tips, taxes and transfers. In fact you won't even need to carry your bags.

Enjoy the finest level of accommodation, dining and service all in the one fare. From the very moment your journey begins, your seamless travel experience with Bill Peach Journeys begins.



DAY 1 | SYDNEY - MUDGEE

Transfer from Sydney to the Blue Mountains where we tour and lunch at the beautiful Mt Tomah Gardens. The only botanic gardens located in a World Heritage site, the Greater Blue Mountains, the garden is home to a collection of plants from the cooler southern hemisphere. Mount Tomah provides a wonderful habitat for the local fauna, in winter the large proteas provide honeyeaters a welcome treat. We enjoy a tour of the formal gardens and lookout with a horticulturalist to answer all of your flora questions. We transfer to the Parklands Resort Mudgee in time to freshen up for your welcome dinner, as always, a special event hosted by your Journey Director.

Overnight: Parklands Resort Mudgee or similar

DAY 2 | GULGONG & MUDGEE

This morning visit Gulgong, famous for being featured on our ten dollar note and where the buildings and streetscape present a remarkable intact and picturesque example of a nineteenth century town. We will be met by a local historian who will bring to life an interesting history of this town including visits to the Pioneers Museum and the Henry Lawson Centre. We return to the Mudgee region which has long been recognised as a fertile and picturesque valley where grapes, stone fruit, nuts and olives thrive. The wine industry was established in the 1850's by

German vigneron, descendants of whom still live in Mudgee. Today there are over 40 cellar doors in Mudgee and today takes us to Gilberts Family Wines for wine and cheese tasting followed by lunch. An afternoon at leisure before joining your fellow travellers to revel in the festivity and flavours of a Christmas in July feast at The Zin House, Kim Currie's award winning, hatted country restaurant serving organic and biodynamic produce most of which is grown on the property.

Overnight: Parklands Resort Mudgee or similar

DAY 3 | MUDGEE - ORANGE

Today we head to the Orange region, renowned for fine fresh produce available throughout its 23 villages. The altitude, cool climate, soil structure and topography are the unique points of difference which distinguish wines from the Orange region. Explore Millthorpe, a picturesque and historic village set amidst gently rolling hills classified by the National Trust celebrating its 150th anniversary this year. We next enjoy a tour of the Emmaville Cottage which is a tangible link to the period when Australian iconic poet Banjo Patterson was born. A historic tour of Orange this afternoon. Dinner at one of Orange's finest restaurants.

Overnight: DeRussi Suites Orange

DAY 4 | ORANGE

Today we explore the central west of New South Wales first visiting Eugowra, famous

for the 1862 robbery of 84.56kg of gold by bushranger Frank Gardiner and his gang. Noted for its fine parks and gardens and its large and gracious public buildings, our next destination of Forbes. Finally, today we visit Canowindra and the fascinating Museum of Fishes as we learn about fossil finds from the Devonian period - The 'Age of Fishes'. Long before the dinosaurs the mighty rivers of the Central West teamed with bizarre ancient fishes - fish with armour shells, fish with lungs, and huge predators with jaws like crocodiles. This evening we enjoy the fine produce and wines of Orange at our farewell dinner.

Overnight: DeRussi Suites Orange

DAY 5 | ORANGE - SYDNEY

After an early lunch we transfer to Orange airport for our flight back to Sydney, where this delightful Yuletide sojourn concludes.



Please contact Bill Peach Journeys or your local travel agent for assistance with airfares.

*Conditions Apply: Single Supplement Free offer cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer.

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