


 **RUGBY TRAVEL IRELAND**

**IRELAND'S SUMMER TOUR
SERIES V AUSTRALIA
JUNE 2018**

5TH-18TH JUNE 2018



V



1ST & 2ND TEST

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TOUR SUMMARY

PRICE

€3,695 PER PERSON SHARING

TOUR COST INCLUSIONS

DAYS / NIGHTS

14 DAYS / 10 NIGHTS IN AUSTRALIA

INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS

RETURN INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS WITH EMIRATES. DUBLIN—BRISBANE / MELBOURNE—DUBLIN

DOMESTIC FLIGHTS AND TRANSFERS

EXECUTIVE COACH TRANSFERS THROUGHOUT PLUS A DOMESTIC FLIGHT:

- NEWCASTLE — MELBOURNE

HOTELS

- 3 NIGHTS AT THE 4* HOTEL GRAND CHANCELLOR, BRISBANE (1ST TEST)
- 1 NIGHT AT THE 4* BREAKFREE AANUKA BEACH, COFFS HARBOUR
- 3 NIGHTS AT THE 4* CROWNE PLAZA, HUNTER VALLEY
- 3 NIGHTS AT THE 4* RYDGES HOTEL, MELBOURNE (2ND TEST)

MEALS

- BREAKFAST EVERY DAY
- PRE-MATCH EVENTS FOR ALL THREE TESTS INCLUDING FOOD & THREE DRINKS VOUCHERS (WINE, BEER AND SOFT DRINKS) PER MATCH

MATCH TICKETS

CATEGORY 1 MATCH TICKET TO BOTH TEST MATCHES

ALSO INCLUDED

- VINEYARD TOUR AND WINE TASTING FOLLOWED BY DINNER DURING STAY IN HUNTER VALLEY
- SOCIAL EVENTS WITH LOCAL RUGBY CLUBS
- TOUR ACCOMPANIED BY RUGBY LEGEND DONAL LENIHAN
- TOUR BACKPACK AND FLEECE JACKET

TOUR COST EXCLUSIONS

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT @ €895

TRAVEL INSURANCE, PASSPORTS AND VISAS IF APPLICABLE (NO VISA REQUIRED FOR EU CITIZENS)

UPGRADE TO BUSINESS CLASS OR FIRST CLASS FLIGHTS. SUPPLEMENT APPLIES AND SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY

ADMISSION FEES INTO SIGHTS OF INTEREST NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR COST / ITINERARY. PERSONAL EXPENSES SUCH AS TIPS FOR MEALS, GRATUITIES, TELEPHONE CALLS, BEVERAGES, ALL MEALS NOT MENTIONED UNDER INCLUSIONS AND ANYTHING ELSE OF A PERSONAL NATURE

TUESDAY 5TH JUNE | DEPARTURE DUBLIN

Emirates flight departs Dublin for Brisbane with a short transfer in Dubai.

THURSDAY 7TH JUNE | BRISBANE

Land in Brisbane. Transfer to the centrally located **4* Hotel Grand Chancellor Hotel** and check in for 3 nights. The hotel affords commanding views of the city skyline and the Brisbane River. It also has a rooftop swimming pool!

FRIDAY 8TH JUNE | BRISBANE

Brisbane is the capital of Queensland and Australia's third largest city. We recommend a cruise or water taxi along the Brisbane River, a trip up Kangaroo Point Cliffs (for great views) or even a Brewery Tour!

SATURDAY 9TH JUNE | BRISBANE | 1ST TEST

Match Day! Australia v Ireland at the Suncorp Stadium. Transfer to our exclusive Rugby Travel Ireland venue which is next door to the stadium! Enjoy pre-match food and three complimentary drinks (beers, wines and soft drinks). Pre-match analysis provided by our rugby ambassador. Category 1 match tickets are included for what will be a huge Test match. Post-match return to our venue and enjoy the rest of the evening. Transfers back to the hotel included.

SUNDAY 10TH JUNE | COFFS HARBOUR

Depart this morning by coach for Coffs Harbour via Surfers Paradise with a coffee stop off at Byron Bay. It's a stunning drive down the east coast to Coffs Harbour, one of the sailing capitals of Australia. Enjoy one night at the **4* BreakFree Aanuka Beach Resort**, a relaxed tropical style beachfront resort with great food and wine set right on the sands of Diggers Beach.

MONDAY 11TH JUNE | HUNTER VALLEY

We depart this morning for Hunter Valley with a lunch stop at the lovely seaside town of Port Macquarie. We then arrive and check into the excellent **4* Crowne Plaza, Hunter Valley Resort** for 3 nights. This hotel includes a 25m outdoor heated pool, spa, tennis courts and its own 18 hole golf course. We love this hotel and it is your chance to kick back and relax in this stunning countryside location surrounded by vineyards!



TUESDAY 12TH JUNE | HUNTER VALLEY

Hunter Valley boasts more than 150 vineyards. The area has also become a haven for foodies, with restaurants making the most of the views: picturesque rolling hills and row after row of grapevines. This afternoon we have included a trip to some local vineyards followed by group dinner at a local restaurant with a welcome drink on arrival, a three course meal and return transfers.



WEDNESDAY 13TH JUNE | HUNTER VALLEY

Day at leisure. A chance to simply relax or book a round of golf at the hotel's golf course.



THURSDAY 14TH JUNE | MELBOURNE

Check out this morning and transfer (1 hour) to Newcastle Airport for your 14.30 flight to Melbourne. On arrival at Melbourne airport transfer to the 4* **Rydges Hotel** and check in for 4 nights. You cannot get more central than this hotel and you will love the fact that you are in the heart of the theatre district and on the edge of Chinatown with great value restaurants and bars on your doorstep.



FRIDAY 15TH JUNE | MELBOURNE

Day at leisure. With Melbourne's combination of world-class dining, art galleries, homegrown fashion, great coffee and a packed sports calendar, it's no surprise Victoria's capital is regarded as the world's most liveable city. The vast Crown Casino is also definitely worth a visit during your stay in Melbourne.

SATURDAY 16TH JUNE | MELBOURNE | 2ND TEST

Match Day! 2nd Test. Australia v Ireland at the AAMI Park. Enjoy pre-match food and drinks just a short walk from your hotel. Pre-match analysis provided by our rugby ambassador. Category 1 match tickets are included. Private return transfers to the stadium. Post-match return to our venue and enjoy the rest of the evening.

SUNDAY 17TH JUNE | DEPART MELBOURNE

Today we board the flight from Melbourne and begin the journey home via a transfer in Dubai.



MONDAY 18TH JUNE | DUBLIN

Land into Dublin. What an incredible tour. Thank you so much for travelling with Rugby Travel Ireland and we hope to see you on another of our tours in the near future.



"The tour was outstanding, from start to finish. Our guides, Mark & Donal, were friendly, polite, courteous and went above and beyond what was expected of them!"

Sheran & Steve, South Wales.
B&I Lions Tour Australia.

"I wanted to say a big huge massive thank you for everything on the Tour. I appreciate how much effort you all went to make everyone welcome and I cannot thank you enough as it was particularly relevant to those travelling solo."

Siofra, Dublin.
B&I Lions Tour Australia.

"A big thank you for everything! You all contributed to make our first Lions Tour very special for Christine and I. We enjoyed every minute."

Eoin, Co Down.
B&I Lions Tour NZ.

"The level of organisation was incredibly detailed and made a huge contribution to everyone's enjoyment. The itinerary was great with flexibility to mix or do your own thing as people wanted."

Owen & Ginny, Co. Louth.
B&I Lions Tour Australia.

I just wanted to thank you so much for an unforgettable tour. It was my first tour and certainly won't be my last. It was so well organised but not regimented, you were all so friendly and helpful, like one big rugby family! Thanks again, keep up the good work.

Jackie, Dublin.
B&I Lions Tour NZ



TOUR ROUTE



PAYMENT TERMS

50% Deposit to secure. Balance End of April
*Please note that we are flexible with payment terms if required.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

INSURANCE: It is vital that you have travel insurance and we strongly recommend that you are covered from the time of booking as this may assist you in recovering monies paid in the unfortunate event of you having to cancel your trip. We offer travel insurance to Australia starting from €59pp.

PRICE CHANGE: The tour price is correct at the time of print but may change. Please refer to our website for any price changes.

PASSPORTS: We strongly recommend that your passport is valid for at least six months after your departure date from Australia.

VISAS: You will need a valid Australian visa to enter the country (unless you are an Australian or New Zealand citizen). The eVisitor is a free three month holiday visa and is available to passport holders from the European Union and a number of other European countries. You will need to

apply online on this Australian Government website: <http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visi/Visi/Visitor-visas/eVisitor-online-application> Please note that you first have to set up an account and then make the eVisitor application. It will take about 10-15 minutes to complete. Once completed, and if accepted, your visa is valid for twelve months.

HOTELS: Prices are based on twin/double rooms with two people sharing. If a triple room is requested then we must check availability first. Single occupancy incurs a single room supplement as outlined in our costs. Should we (through circumstances beyond our control) be forced to change your accommodation, we will advise you at the earliest opportunity. In these rare cases we will offer a hotel of the same standard or higher and any extra cost will be absorbed by us.

CANCELLATION CHARGES: Should you wish to cancel your booking, we will require notification in writing. Cancellation charges will be levied in accordance with the scale set out in our full set of terms and conditions <http://www.rugbytravelireland.com/terms-conditions>

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