



# BOOMERANG TOUR

Deluxe Tour (3 & 4 Star accommodation throughout)

## All Three Test Matches + Melbourne Rebels

15 July - 04 August | 21 Days Away / 17 Nights In Australia

### PRICE BREAKDOWN

ALL PRICES ARE IN EURO

**Tour Package: €17,495** per person sharing.

**Tour Package Excluding International Flights: €14,995** per person sharing.

*Please note that airport-hotel-airport transfers are not included if you choose to book ex flights.*

**Single Supplement: €2,895**



### TOUR ITINERARY

#### Tuesday 15 July

Depart from Dublin airport or your chosen airport.

#### Wednesday 16 July

In transit.

#### Thursday 17 July

Land in Brisbane and transfer to the centrally located 5\* [The Sebel, Brisbane](#) for 4 nights B&B. Welcome drinks reception this evening.

#### Friday 18 July

Day at leisure. *Optional Extras available to book.* This evening enjoy a tour event including food and drinks.

#### Saturday 19 July

Match Day - **First Test!** Wallabies v The Lions, at Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane. *Please note there are no match transfers included because the public transport infrastructure is far quicker!*

#### Sunday 20 July

Day at leisure. *Optional Extras available to book.*

#### Monday 21 July

Check out of your hotel and fly to Melbourne (2hr10m). On arrival transfer to the 5\* [Pullman Melbourne City Centre](#) and check in for 6 nights B&B.

#### Tuesday 22 July

Match Day! Melbourne Rebels v The Lions, Marvel Stadium, Melbourne. *Please note there are no match transfers included because the public transport infrastructure is far quicker!*

#### Wednesday 23 July

Day at leisure. *Optional Extras available to book.*

#### Thursday 24 July

Full-day (8hr) Yarra Valley Wine Tour with lunch (**included**). The Yarra Valley is richly endowed with some of the most beautiful countryside in Victoria. Includes three premium wine tastings, local produce samples and lunch at a local winery.

#### Friday 25 July

Day at leisure. Optional Extras available to book. This evening enjoy a tour event including food and drinks.





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### MATCHES INCLUDED

**Wallabies v The Lions - 1st Test**

19 July - Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane

**Melbourne Rebels v The Lions**

22 July - Marvel Stadium, Melbourne

**Wallabies v The Lions - 2nd Test**

26 July - MCG, Melbourne

**Wallabies v The Lions - 3rd Test**

02 August - Accor Stadium, Sydney



### TOUR ITINERARY (CONTINUED)

**Saturday 26 July**

Match Day - **Second Test!** Wallabies v The Lions, MCG. *Please note there are no match transfers included because the public transport infrastructure is far quicker!*

**Sunday 27 July**

Check out of your hotel and fly to Ayers Rock (3hr5m). On arrival, transfer to the **3\* Desert Garden Hotel** and check in for 2 nights B&B. This afternoon, you will be taken to the base of the Kata Tjuta and walk through Walpa Gorge. Then travel into the National Park and take your place at the Uluru Sunset Platform. Watch as the sun sets over the outback and changes the colours of Uluru. This is followed by an Uluru BBQ Dining Experience: Wonder at the scale of Uluru at night on the only evening dining experience inside Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. Explore native apple, bush tomato, and quandong flavours, savour renowned Australian BBQ steak, kangaroo and seafood, fresh salads and classic dessert with a twist. All accompanied by Australian wine and star gazing with our local guide.

**Monday 28 July**

Uluru Sunrise Tour: Departing the resort early this morning (collect your boxed breakfast from hotel reception), travel through the landscapes to the entrance of the Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park. As you travel towards Uluru, its vast shape rises from the sand dunes in the early dawn light, highlighting its presence in this country. Your guide will take you to a special location to watch the sun rise over this amazing monolith and enjoy breakfast. You will visit Mutijulu Waterhole on the Kuniya Walk and learn the Creation stories of Liru (poisonous snake) and Kuniya (python). After this short walk we will drive around the base of Uluru and hear the story of the Mala people before returning to the resort. Afternoon at leisure - you may want to join any complimentary activities the resort has to offer.

**Tuesday 29 July**

Depart Ayers Rock for Kings Canyon, enroute we will stop at Curtin Springs for a two-course lunch (included, ex-drinks) and view Atila (Mt. Conner). After turning off the Lasseter Highway and onto Luritja Road your Driver Guide will provide commentary about the history of the surrounding cattle stations. Check into the **3\* Kings Canyon Resort** for 1 nights DB&B. Enjoy a 3 course dinner (included, ex-drinks) at the hotel this evening.





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### TOUR INCLUDES

Deluxe Three, Four & Five Star Hotel accommodation on a B&B basis

Official Silver Category Tickets to all Test Matches as per this itinerary

Official Bronze Category ticket to the Melbourne Rebels match (with option to upgrade at a later date)

International Flights ex Dublin (option to book the tour ex flights)

Three Domestic Flights

Official Lions Hat, Jacket & Backpack

Tour escorted by our experienced and friendly RTI staff

Various Rugby Legends making appearances throughout

Option to upgrade your International Flights

Welcome Drinks Reception

Uluru Sunset & Sunrise Tours

Kings Canyon Tour

Earth Sanctuary Dinner & Show

1 Wine Tour including lunch

2 Events including Food and Drink

### TOUR ITINERARY (CONTINUED)

#### Wednesday 30 July

For the energetic, walk the 6km Rim Walk to Kings Canyon and be rewarded with spectacular views. After the walk, depart Kings Canyon and travel through beautiful desert landscapes. Stop at ERLDUNDA for a light lunch (included, ex-drinks) and continue to Alice Springs. If time permits, stop at ANZAC Hill, the most visited landmark in Alice Springs. Check in to the [4\\* Crowne Plaza Lasseters Alice Springs](#) for 1 nights B&B. This evening experience the "Spirit of the Outback" at Earth Sanctuary's award winning Dinner & Show.

#### Thursday 31 July

Check out of your hotel and fly to Sydney (3hr). On arrival check into the 5\* Swissotel Sydney and check in for 3 nights B&B.

#### Friday 01 August

Day at leisure. *Optional Extras available to book.* This evening enjoy a tour event including food and drinks.

#### Saturday 02 August

Match Day - **Third Test!** Wallabies vs The Lions Accor Stadium, Sydney. Executive return coach transfers included.

#### Sunday 03 August

Check out of your hotel and transfer to Sydney International Airport for your return flight.

#### Monday 04 August

Arrive back in Dublin or your chosen airport.





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### TOUR EXCLUSIONS

- Single Room Supplement (*if applicable*)
- Visa Applications (free online application that must be made by you)
- Portorage and Gratuities
- Meals, snacks and beverages unless specified
- Travel Insurance
- Optional Excursions
- Excess baggage costs





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### READY TO BOOK?

1. Log onto [www.rugbytravelireland.com](http://www.rugbytravelireland.com)
2. Choose your tour
3. Then click the "Book Now" button!

### EMAIL US

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### CALL US

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### PAYMENT OPTIONS

**Option A:** Full payment upon booking (25% is non-refundable)

**Option B:** 25% non-refundable deposit upon booking, 25% by 30 June 2024, 25% by 31 October 2024 and Final Balance by 28 February 2025

- If your booking is made on or after 28 February 2025 full payment is required.

### TOUR ADD ONS

We are extremely flexible so if you are looking to extend your stay in Australia, visit NZ, chill out in Fiji or relax in the Maldives then let us know. We would be delighted to assist.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**TRAVEL DOCUMENTS:** Travel documents will be issued to you 14 - 30 days approx prior to departure via the RTI Travel App.

**PASSPORTS:** All passengers travelling require a full passport. In the case of people coming to Australia temporarily, the passport must be valid either for at least 6 months beyond the date you intend to travel to and from Australia.

All passengers other than Australian and New Zealand citizens need to present the following documents to officers in immigration clearance:

- a valid passport
- a valid visa to enter Australia (including electronic visas). Residents of Republic of Ireland, United Kingdom and Europe need a travel visa to enter Australia and stay for a duration of up to 90 days. You can get further information and apply online free of charge for the eVisitor (subclass 651) visa by [clicking here](https://www.immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas)
- a completed and signed Incoming Passenger card, including health and character declaration.

Anyone who arrives without a valid travel document, visa or authority, might be refused entry to Australia or delayed until their identity and claims to enter Australia have been confirmed.





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**TIME DIFFERENCE:** During May, June and July Australia is +8 or 12 hours ahead of GMT.

**CLIMATE:** The average daytime temperatures on tour range from 18° in Perth and Sydney, 21° in Brisbane, 26° in Cairns. Melbourne averages are around 14° and rain is most likely here.

**FLYING TIMES:** The total flying and transfer time from Dublin to Australia is 30 hours approx.

**LOCAL CURRENCY:** The Australian dollar is the currency used in Australia. The exchange rate as of March 2024 is €1 = \$1.65 & £1 = \$1.94. Rate correct as of March 2024

**HEALTH:** No inoculations are required. We strongly advise you to arrange your own health insurance. Australia's public and private medical/hospital facilities provide a high standard of treatment and service, but it is important to note these services are not free to visitors, except as a result of an accident.

**SECURITY:** Visitors are advised to take the same care with your personal safety and your possessions as you would do at home. Take copies of your important documents (like your passport and credit cards) and keep them separate from the originals. You should also keep a record of the description and serial number of valuable items (like cameras, tablets and smart phones). And remember, in an emergency dial 000.

**ACCOMMODATION:** All accommodation is 4 & 5 star hotels on a bed and breakfast basis.

**FLIGHTS:** We only ever work with highly reputable International airlines.

**BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE:** One check in item (minimum 20kg check in allowance) and two pieces of hand luggage per person (1 handbag/laptop bag & 1 additional cabin bag).

**TOUR MERCHANDISE:** Official merchandise will be provided.

**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.





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FOR FULL TERMS & CONDITIONS PLEASE '[CLICK HERE](#)' - [WWW.RUGBYTRAVELIRELAND.COM/BIL-TOUR-FAQ](http://WWW.RUGBYTRAVELIRELAND.COM/BIL-TOUR-FAQ)

**INSURANCE:** We consider adequate travel insurance with a reputable insurance company to be essential and as such we make it a condition of our contract with you. Your travel insurance should cover the cost of cancellation, medical expenses, loss of luggage or money, personal liability claims, participation in activities and costs of assistance (including repatriation) in the event of accident, injury, illness (including full Covid-19 cover) or death.

**FLIGHT UPGRADES:** Although the comfort and service offered by the airlines we use is excellent, you may wish to upgrade your flight to Business Class or First Class (not available for internal flights). Please ask for details as prices do fluctuate.

**INTERESTED IN ROOM SHARING:** All our rates and charges are calculated on the basis of two people sharing a room. If a room is being used by just one person, then the single supplement makes up for the unsold "half" of the room. If you are travelling solo and wish to share with someone to avoid the single supplement, then we are happy to help pair you with another similar tour guest with the same request. We will put you directly in touch with each other and you can both make the decision whether you are suitable to share throughout the tour. If a suitable person cannot be found, the single room supplement will be payable in full no later than 31 March 2025.

**FINANCIAL PROTECTION - BOOK WITH CONFIDENCE:** OTP Travel Services Ltd T/A Rugby Travel Ireland (RTI) is fully bonded assuring you that your monies are secure at all times. Rugby Travel Ireland is bonded and licensed with the Irish Aviation Authority Regulation, Tour Operators Licence No. T.O.260. Further details are available at [www.iaa.ie/](http://www.iaa.ie/).

**HOTELS:** Tour costs are based on twin/double rooms with two people sharing. Triple/Family rooms can be quoted subject to availability. Should we change your hotel we will advise you at the earliest opportunity, but we will always endeavour to offer a hotel of the same standard. If this is not possible, an alternative will be provided, and a credit note will be applied. All accommodation is on a bed and breakfast basis.

**CHANGES TO YOUR TOUR:** RTI reserve the right to change/readjust the tour schedule, transportation, hotel accommodation and services indicated in the package. Promotions may end without notice. All tours are subject to availability. It is unlikely that we will have to make changes to your travel arrangements but we reserve the right to do so at any time.

**IF YOU WISH TO CANCEL:** If you cancel prior to 30 Jun 2024 = 25% deposit cancellation charge. If you cancel between 01 Aug – 31 Oct = 50% cancellation charge. If you cancel between 01 Nov – 31 Jan = 70% cancellation charge. If you cancel between 01 Feb 2025 – 28 Feb 2025 = 90% cancellation charge. If you cancel on or after 01 Mar 2025 = 100% cancellation charge.

*If the reason for your cancellation is covered under the terms of your insurance policy, you may be able to reclaim these charges from your insurer. This is why it is imperative that you have travel insurance in place well in advance of you travelling.*

**YOU MUST HAVE TRAVEL INSURANCE TO TRAVEL ON OUR LIONS TOUR**

 ROI RESIDENTS ONLY  
[Get Travel Insurance Quote](#)

**CONTACT US:** If you have any further questions please don't hesitate to contact one of our friendly RTI staff members at [hello@rugbytravelireland.com](mailto:hello@rugbytravelireland.com) or by calling us directly on +353 61 624 734 / +353 1 556 7776.



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### TESTIMONIALS

We have always had the most dedicated, fun loving and passionate supporters on our British & Irish Lions tours, dating back to our first ever Lions tour in 2009 to South Africa. If you are looking for a professionally organised official tour that runs seamlessly with lots of added extras, then look no further! We look forward to welcoming back our many regular guests from all four nations and to also welcoming our new guests for what will be an epic tour to Australia in 2025

**Mark Pinsent**

*Managing Director, Rugby Travel Ireland*

The 2017 Lions tour to NZ with Rugby Travel Ireland surpassed all expectations. The itinerary and price was unrivalled when we compared it with other travelling rugby fans. We are going to follow The Lions again and would not consider going with any other company.

**Roy & Judith - England - NZ 2017**

Rugby Travel Ireland delivered the perfect tour. All the matches, social events, a great choice of accommodation plus lots of extra options to make the most of the time between the matches made this a brilliant tour. The staff were friendly, courteous, efficient and well informed.

**Gwyn - Wales - NZ 2017**

I just wanted to thank you and your brilliant team for what you did for me and my two sons which was the trip of a lifetime in 2017 in New Zealand following The Lions on the Kiwi tour – we will book again!

**Nick, Wesley & Geoff - Ireland - NZ 2017**

At 58, NZ 2017 was my first ever Lions tour. Thanks to RTI for making it an amazing tour and such a memorable life event for me.

**Craig - Scotland - NZ 2017**

NZ 2017 was the trip of a lifetime for me. I booked as a solo female and I arrived home with a new family. I cannot praise RTI enough, from the time I booked, to the time I arrived home and everything in between, they were beyond fantastic.

**Michelle - Ireland - NZ 2017**

We had always wanted to go on a Lions tour. We booked with RTI for 2017, it was fantastic. They were flexible, delivered a superb programme and we have ended up with lifelong friends. It was so good we also booked with RTI for the Rugby World Cup in 2019; another meticulously planned and delivered tour. The tour, people and atmosphere were electrifying.

**Howard and Rachel - Scotland - NZ 2017**