

# Gippsland's Best & Phillip Island

(Incl Penguin Parade – Underground Viewing Experience)

Sun 18 to Thu 22 May - 5 days / 4 nights

## The Tour Price Includes:

- Luxury Daytripper Coach Travel
- 4 Nights Quality Motel Accommodation
- All Touring and Entrance Fees as per Itinerary
- Most Meals as per Itinerary
- Home Pick Up & Return (T&C's apply)



## Tour Highlights:

- Phillip Island
- Vietnam Veterans Museum
- Lone Pines RSL
- Penguin Parade – Underground Viewing Area (out of the elements)
- Wonthaggi State Coal Mine
- Fish Creek
- Agnes Falls Scenic Reserve
- Yarram Street Art
- Tarra Bulga National Park
- Sale
- Sale Botanical Gardens
- Golden Beach
- Seaspray
- Traralgon RSL
- Historical Walhalla
- Walhalla Telegraph & Post Office
- Walhalla Historical Rail
- Walhalla Gold Mine
- Poowong Hotel
- Village of Loch
- Rubeena (C. 1912) Heritage Cruise



## Day 1 – Sunday

(L/ Supper)

Welcome aboard! Get ready for a fabulous day as we set off to lovely **Phillip Island**, just off the southern coast of Victoria. After being **picked up from home** and joining the ever-enthusiastic Kevin and our coach, we cross the bridge to the island. Our first stop? The enchanting **Vietnam Veterans Museum**. Kickstart your day by grabbing yourself an energising coffee at the museum's café. The museum houses an internationally unique collection of artifacts and memorabilia from the Vietnam war era that is dedicated to telling the story of the service and sacrifice of the veterans involved. Following an informative morning, we'll savour a delightful **lunch at the local RSL**. Then, we're off to the Kaloha Resort, where we'll settle in and recharge for the highlight of our adventure—the mesmerising **Penguin Parade**! Once we arrive, take some time to explore the centre and maybe grab a coffee or snack before heading to the **underground viewing area**. Here, we'll be sheltered from the elements, sitting right by the glass viewing windows as those adorable little penguins waddle right past us—some might even come close to say g'day! After this fabulous evening, we'll return to our resort for a **cosy supper**, reminiscing about the day before we retire for a well-deserved rest.

*Overnight – The Kaloha Holiday Resort, Cowes (1 night)*

## Day 2 – Monday

(B/L/D)

After a delightful breakfast, we say goodbye to Phillip Island and embark on the journey to the **Wonthaggi State Coal Mine**, where we will uncover the fascinating story of the mine through a self-guided surface tour. Our next destination is **Fish Creek**, a charming town that serves as a vibrant hub for South Gippsland's arts and culture, offering us the perfect opportunity to seek out the town's hidden gems. As we travel through **Foster and Toora**, we will pause at **Agnes Falls Scenic Reserve** to relish a lovely picnic lunch amidst breathtaking scenery. Continuing on to **Yarram**, a small town that's been transformed into a **gallery of murals** by muralist and artist Heesco Khosnaran. Yarram proudly embraces its new nickname, Heesco Town! Our final stop for the day is the serene **Tarra Bulga National Park**, before we arrive in Traralgon, where we will spend the next three nights. After time to refresh, we will gather at the on-site restaurant for a delightful dinner, celebrating the experiences of the day.

*Overnight – The Mantra Traralgon (3 nights)*





### Day 3 – Tuesday

(B/L/D)

After enjoying a delicious buffet breakfast, we set off, heading east towards **Sale**. Once we arrive at the **Port of Sale**, we'll hop on the **Rubeena** for a wonderful **heritage cruise**! The Rubeena, a charming wooden boat that first set sail in 1912. It's like stepping back in time when our waterways acted as highways. We'll cruise leisurely from the Port of Sale to the **iconic Swing Bridge**, keeping an eye out for birds and wildlife along the way. Our guide will share amazing stories about the region—from its first inhabitants, the Gunnaikurnai, to early settlers and present-day life. After our relaxing cruise, we'll take some time to wander through the beautiful **Botanical Gardens** and enjoy a light lunch together. Next, we'll hop back on the bus and head towards the coast, making stops at **Golden Beach** and **Seaspray**. After a delightful day, we'll return to Traralgon, where you can unwind and freshen up before we gather for a delicious dinner at the **local RSL**. Such a lovely day full of exploration and good company!

*Overnight – The Mantra Traralgon (3 nights)*

### Day 4 – Wednesday

(B/L/D)

After savouring another delicious buffet breakfast, we embark on our journey northward to the enchanting **Historical Walhalla**, a hidden gem nestled in Gippsland's alpine wilderness. Founded in late 1862, this charming township once boasted a bustling population of around 4,000 during its heyday as a gold mining hub and stood as one of Australia's wealthiest towns. Today, it retains a quaint charm with just about 20 permanent residents. During our visit, we'll delve into the town's rich history with a tour of the **Telegraph and Post Office**, hop aboard the **Historic Walhalla Railway** for a scenic ride, and explore the intriguing local **gold mine**. We'll enjoy a delightful lunch in the township, soaking in the unique atmosphere. As the day comes to a close, we'll return to Traralgon, where we have a chance to unwind and refresh before heading out for a sumptuous **dinner at Mandarin Palace**. It promises to be a memorable day filled with history and exploration!

*Overnight – The Mantra Traralgon (3 nights)*



## Day 5 – Thursday

(B/L)

This morning begins with another delightful buffet breakfast, fuelling us for our journey towards home. Driving through the picturesque **Mirboo North** and **Leongatha**, we stop at the **Poowong Hotel** for a satisfying **homestyle lunch**. Afterward, we explore the charming **village of Loch**, embracing its unique spirit before embarking on our final leg and home. Arriving back mid-afternoon, filled with wonderful memories, we enjoy the ease of being **dropped at our door**, having enjoyed another fabulous holiday with Daytripper Tours!

**Tour Cost from \$ 2255- per person Twin Share  
(\$390- single supplement)  
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