



SPRINGTIME IN THE BLUE MOUNTAINS

SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER

Ex Brisbane

Unpack once and spend seven wonderful days exploring the beautiful Blue Mountains. This World Heritage Listed area offers some of the most unique scenery and cultural attractions in NSW. Relax and enjoy all this iconic Australian Wilderness has on show. Secure your place now or please call us for more information.



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 5 nights' staying at The Carrington
 All touring in a private air-conditioned coach
 All sightseeing, activities and entrance fees as per itinerary
 Daily breakfast, 1 lunch, 6 dinners

HIGHLIGHTS

Sydney Opera House
 Scenic World
 Mayfield Garden
 Megalong Valley
 Blue Mountains Botanic Gardens
 Whisk & Pin
 Hydro Majestic
 Norman Lindsay Gallery



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Day 1 Monday**Home – Blue Mountains****[In-Flight Service/D]**

This morning we make our own way and meet our fellow travellers at the Brisbane Domestic Airport and board our Qantas flight to Sydney. On arrival in Sydney we will be met by our Fantastic Aussie Tours Coach Captain who will assist with luggage before we head off for our tour of the **Sydney Opera House**. We will have a private tour of this incredible landmark, uncovering the stories and magical history. Lunch will be at own expense at nearby Circular Quay before boarding the River Ferry to Parramatta (own cost for ferry using your Seniors/Pension Card). Our driver will meet us on arrival at Parramatta to start the journey to the Blue Mountains arriving early evening.

Overnight: The Carrington Hotel–6 nights' accommodation

Day 2 Tuesday**Katoomba Highlights****[B/AT/D]**

Today after breakfast, we will start discovering the major attractions of the Upper Blue Mountains. Our first stop will be at **Scenic World** where you can ride the steepest railway in the Southern Hemisphere, take a ride on the skyway, enjoy the boardwalk through the rainforest and return from the valley on the cableway. The EATS270 restaurant is a great place to purchase lunch while we take in the beauty of the escarpments. In the afternoon we will travel to Leura and visit a private garden and some time to enjoy the boutique style shops before returning to our hotel for dinner.

Day 3 Wednesday**Mayfield Garden****[B/D]**

First stop today is at the historic inland settlement of Hartley where we will have a self-guided tour of the Courthouse and Church. We then venture out to the township of Oberon to visit **Mayfield Garden**. Inspired by the grandeur of English country garden estates, the Hawkins family and their local garden team have spent many years shaping the family farm into a stunning garden legacy, of which 36 acres is open year-round. Here you can purchase lunch at the Mayfield Kitchen Café and enjoy a leisurely afternoon before heading back to our accommodation, with a quick stop at Mt York on the way.

Day 4 Thursday**Hop On Hop Off Explorer Bus****[B/D]**

After breakfast, you can set out on your own exploration of Katoomba and Leura on the **Hop-On Hop-Off Blue Mountains Explorer Bus**. The Explorer Bus has 29 exciting stops, with our Red Double Decker buses every 30 minutes. You can hop on and off at your leisure and enjoy our driver's live commentary as you travel around the circuit. Some of the many highlights include Leura Cascades, Echo Point Lookout, Leuralla NSW Toy and Railway Museum, Leura Village and the Blue Mountains Chocolate Factory. Returning to our motel in the evening for dinner.

Day 5 Friday**Megalong Valley & Blackheath****[B/MT/D]**

You can enjoy a slower start today – our first stop will be morning tea at **The Gingerbread House**, which is set in a beautifully restored 100-year-old former church. We then journey down through the lush, green paradise of forests and pastures to the Megalong Valley. Lunch can be purchased at the popular Megalong Valley Tea Rooms, which sits beneath the iconic escarpments of the upper Blue Mountains. This afternoon we partake in a wine tasting at **Dryridge Estate**, before returning to our accommodation that includes a brief stop at Govetts Leap on the way to take in the magnificent panoramic cliff views.

Day 6 Saturday**Katoomba & Mt Tomah****[B/D]**

This morning you have some free time to use the Hop On-Hop Off bus to revisit any favourite stops, or any you have wanted to investigate further. We will meet and depart before lunch to visit the **Blue Mountains Botanic Gardens** at Mt Tomah, which showcases a world class collection of cool-climate plants grouped according to their geographical origin. The Potager Restaurant and Ugly Mug Kiosk offers varying styles of refreshments for lunch. We return to our accommodation with time to freshen-up before our Farewell Dinner at Carrington Hotel.

Day 7 Sunday**Blue Mountains – Home****[B/L/In-Flight Service]**

For our last day in the Blue Mountains we start with a site visit to **Whisk & Pin**, where you will enjoy tasting their freshly baked products, and watch the chocolate room in production while hearing the story of what it really means to be a handmade, Australian sourced, premium wholefood local company. Lunch will be High Tea at the **Hydro Majestic**, where you can experience the glory of its recent refurbishment and dine with stunning views of the valley. Sadly, all things must come to an end, and we make our way back to Sydney Airport with a viewing of the **Norman Lindsay Gallery** at Faulconbridge – the home of the Magic Pudding, with displays of the artist and writer. On arrival into Brisbane, we sadly say our good-bye's as we make our way home.

Key: B=Breakfast HT=High Tea L=Lunch D=Dinner