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FEATURING BEYER-GARRATT 6029

Welcome to one of the most extraordinary rail experiences offered in decades. This is an incredibly rare opportunity to experience diesel and steam trains from Sydney to Victoria and back! Travel behind several steam locomotives including the incredible Beyer-Garratt 6029, A2986 and R707. You'll also enjoy private visits to the heritage rail yards at Seymour and Newport to get up close to the locomotives and rolling stock. Most carriages offer windows that open so you won't miss a thing. With so much included, all you have to do is sit back and enjoy this remarkable experience. All aboard!

FROM \$2,190 pp

5 DAY EXCLUSIVE HERITAGE STEAM AND DIESEL RAIL TOUR



Departing Sydney, covering two states, experiencing six operators and up to four steam locomotives, a highlight will undoubtedly be the journey from Goulburn to Junee and return, hauled by the immense Beyer-Garratt steam locomotive 6029.



After a night's rest in Albury, the journey continues with a touch of history when Seymour Railway Heritage Centre runs for the first time on standard gauge from Albury to Seymour with Spirit of Progress cars hauled by the newly restored locomotive P22.

An exclusive inspection of the yard at Seymour Railway Heritage Centre is followed by a diesel-hauled journey to Melbourne aboard the Spirit of Progress on broad gauge. The next day the fun continues when steam locomotive A2986 heads for Castlemaine where you will transfer to the Victorian Goldfields Railway for a return steam-hauled journey to the quaint country town of Maldon with its lovely tree lined streets.



Your Sunday starts when R707 steams from Melbourne to Newport where you have the rare chance to visit the rail yard and sheds - home to Steamrail, 707 Operations and DERMPAV. R707 will then head back to Melbourne where you will change trains to the Spirit of Progress for your journey to Albury.

The final day starts with a diesel-hauled trip to Junee before 6029 steams to Goulburn. Diesels will then take over to whisk us at speed back to Sydney. This unheard of heritage rail journey, never before attempted in Australia, is certainly one for the history books. All aboard!

YOUR HOLIDAY INCLUSIONS

- Return diesel hauled heritage rail journey from Sydney to Albury
- Steam hauled travel between Goulburn and Junee (return) by Beyer-Garratt locomotive 6029
- 2 nights Albury accommodation at the Atura Albury with breakfast daily
- Inaugural standard gauge diesel hauled heritage rail journey from Albury to Melbourne and return by Seymour Railway Heritage Centre aboard the Spirit of Progress hauled by locomotive P22
- Private inspection at Seymour Railway Heritage Centre
- Rail journey from Albury to Melbourne aboard the Spirit of Progress
- 2 nights Melbourne accommodation at the Vibe Savoy Hotel with breakfast
- Return rail journey from Melbourne Southern Cross Station to Castlemaine hauled by steam locomotive A2986
- Return rail journey on the Victorian Goldfields Railway from Castlemaine to Maldon and return by steam locomotive J549 or K153 or K190
- Steam hauled rail journey from Melbourne Southern Cross Station to Newport Heritage Rail Yard and return hauled by steam locomotive R707
- Private inspection at Newport Heritage Rail Yard with access to Steamrail Victoria, 707 Operations and DERMPAV Victoria
- Private coach transfers in Albury from station to hotel and vice versa
- Professional Cruise Express Tour Managers

IMPORTANT NOTICE: While every endeavour will be made to run this tour as advertised with the locomotives listed in the itinerary, they are subject to change at any time. In the event that any locomotive becomes unavailable, there will be no refunds. All fares are for the rail experience as a whole, not any individual locomotives. Should a locomotive be unavailable it will be replaced by suitable heritage steam or diesel traction. All timings are approximate and for guidance only.

	AUG 2018	YOUR HOLIDAY ITINERARY	ARR	DEP
	THU 30	Sydney - embark at Sydney Central Station on your daylight diesel and steam hauled heritage train to Albury Goulburn - attach steam locomotive 6029 Junee - detach steam locomotive 6029 Albury - transfer by coach to your hotel Overnight: Atura Albury (or similar) (B)		5.30am
	FRI 31	Albury - transfer to Albury Station for the inaugural Seymour Railway Heritage Centre Spirit of Progress standard gauge run to Seymour . Short walk for inspection of Seymour Railway Heritage Centre yard and rolling stock. Lunch will be for sale in the station dining room. Rejoin the Spirit of Progress for Melbourne. Melbourne - disembark at Southern Cross Station and walk to your nearby hotel. Overnight: Vibe Savoy Hotel (or similar) (B)	8.45am	10am 2.20pm 6pm 8.30am
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	SAT 01	Melbourne - Full day steam hauled trip to Castlemaine with time to explore before joining the Victorian Goldfields Railway for a round trip to Maldon where you will have two hours for lunch. Return to Melbourne . Overnight: Vibe Savoy Hotel (or similar) (B)		7.40am 7.45pm
	SUN 02	Melbourne - join R707 for a short trip to the rail yards at Newport for a private inspection of Newport Heritage Rail Yard. Inspect the vast sheds and the many locomotives and carriages that reside here. Rejoin your train for Melbourne where you will embark the Spirit of Progress standard gauge service for Albury . On arrival transfer to your hotel. Overnight: Atura Albury (or similar) (B)		9am 9.30am 12.30pm 2pm 6pm
	MON 03	Albury - transfer back to Albury Station to join your daylight diesel and steam hauled heritage train to Sydney. Junee - attach steam locomotive 6029 Goulburn - detach steam locomotive 6029 and proceed under diesel power Sydney - disembark at Sydney Central Station		6am 8.20am 2pm 6.45pm 9.30am 3.15pm

YOUR HOLIDAY FARES

5 DAY TOUR	TWIN	SINGLE
EXCURSION CLASS Up to 8 per compartment	\$2,190	\$2,790

UPGRADE to FIRST CLASS on from Melbourne to Maldon and return - seated in Parlor cars. + \$100 per person
Limit of 40 people.

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