

JULY 2019  
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Welcome to this year's biggest rail adventure - a rare opportunity to experience diesel and steam trains all the way from Sydney to Victoria and back! Travel behind steam locomotives A<sup>2</sup>986 and R707 as well as several heritage diesels including 4204, B74, S303 and special guest locomotive B61. 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. You'll travel on the delightful Bellarine Railway and be aboard when A<sup>2</sup>986 becomes the first A<sup>2</sup> class in 56 years to travel from Ballarat to Melbourne via Bacchus Marsh! With so much included, all you have to do is sit back and enjoy this truly remarkable experience.

FROM \$2,590 pp



Welcome to our 2019 Rail Spectacular - a tour quite unlike any other. Over five days you will travel behind no less than 10 spectacular diesel and steam locomotives in a wide variety of heritage carriages, some of which are privately owned. Meet our special guest Bernie Baker, who will be joined for part of the journey by B61 - the locomotive named after this legend of the rail industry. You will also have the opportunity to meet the volunteers and see the trains up close in their rail yards. Best of all, Cruise Express will escort you the whole way so all you have to do is sit back, relax, make new friends and enjoy!



### YOUR HOLIDAY INCLUSIONS

- Return rail journey from Sydney to Albury hauled by heritage diesel 4204 and special guest diesel B61
- Special guest rail personality Bernie Baker
- 2 nights at the ATURA Albury with breakfast daily
- Standard gauge journey from Albury to Seymour aboard 'Spirit of Progress' hauled by diesel locomotives P22 and T357
- Broad gauge journey from Seymour to Melbourne including State Car 4 and Yarra Parlor Car, hauled by diesel locomotives B74 and S303
- 2 nights the Savoy Hotel Melbourne with breakfast daily
- Return rail journey from Melbourne Southern Cross to Geelong and Ballarat hauled by steam locomotive A2 986 with dinner in Ballarat
- Return rail journey on the Bellarine Railway from Drysdale to Queenscliff hauled by heritage diesels X3 & X20 including return coach transfers from Geelong and lunch in Queenscliff
- Rail journey from Melbourne Southern Cross to Newport hauled by steam locomotive R707
- Private inspection at Newport Heritage Rail Yard with access to Steamrail Victoria and 707 Operations
- Rail journey from Newport to Seymour hauled by steam locomotive R707
- Private inspection at Seymour Railway Heritage Centre
- 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.

JUL 2019	YOUR HOLIDAY ITINERARY	ARR / DEP
THU 18	<b>Sydney</b> - embark at Sydney Central Station on your privately chartered daylight diesel hauled heritage train to Albury <b>Goulburn</b> - short stop <b>Junee</b> - short stop <b>Albury</b> - transfer by coach to your hotel Overnight: Atura Albury (or similar) (L)	early AM    early evening
FRI 19	<b>Albury</b> - transfer to Albury Station to join the Spirit of Progress for Seymour. At Seymour change trains for our special train featuring State Car 4 and Yarra Parlor Car, hauled by B74 and S404. <b>Melbourne</b> - disembark at Southern Cross Station and walk to your nearby hotel. Rest of day at leisure. Overnight: Savoy Hotel (or similar) (B)	mid morning   early afternoon
SAT 20	<b>Melbourne</b> - Full day steam hauled trip to <b>Geelong</b> . Transfer by coach to Drysdale and enjoy a return journey to Queenscliff on the Bellarine Railway. Return to Geelong and steam to <b>Ballarat</b> with dinner at the nearby Miners Tavern. Then steam to Melbourne via Bacchus Marsh - the first time a sole A2 class has hauled this route in 56 years! Overnight: Savoy Hotel (or similar) (B,L,D)	morning   late evening
SUN 21	<b>Melbourne</b> - 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 <b>Seymour</b> where you have time to inspect the Seymour Railway Heritage Centre and purchase lunch. Embark the Spirit of Progress standard gauge service for <b>Albury</b> . On arrival transfer to your hotel. Join us for farewell drinks at the hotel. Evening at leisure. Overnight: Atura Albury (or similar) (B)	morning   early evening
MON 22	<b>Albury</b> - transfer back to Albury Station to join your daylight diesel hauled service and retrace your journey north. We will stop in Junee for lunch and make a short stop at Goulburn for a leg stretch before our arrival at Sydney Terminal. (B,L)	morning   late evening

### YOUR HOLIDAY FARES

5 DAY TOUR	TWIN	SINGLE
EXCURSION CLASS Up to 8 per compartment	\$2,590	\$2,990
UPGRADE to FIRST CLASS seated in First Class, Parlor or Lounge cars Limit of 48 passengers		+ \$400 per person



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