

THE SOUTHERN AURORA

featuring a Melbourne to Sydney heritage rail journey

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For the first time you can step aboard the newly refurbished Explorer Dream on her maiden season from Australia as part of this thrilling rail and sail journey. Cruise from Sydney to the iconic Tasmanian ports of Port Arthur and Hobart where you can soak up the history and scenery of this beautiful state. Then discover Melbourne with a full day and night to shop or explore as you please. The excitement reaches a new level as you embark the Spirit of Progress with its original compartment and parlor cars as you head for Albury. Your final day on this adventure is aboard the famous all first-class express train Southern Aurora which will whisk you to Sydney in style. All aboard!

FROM \$2,990 PP

8 DAY HERITAGE RAIL AND SAIL JOURNEY FEATURING THE SOUTHERN AURORA

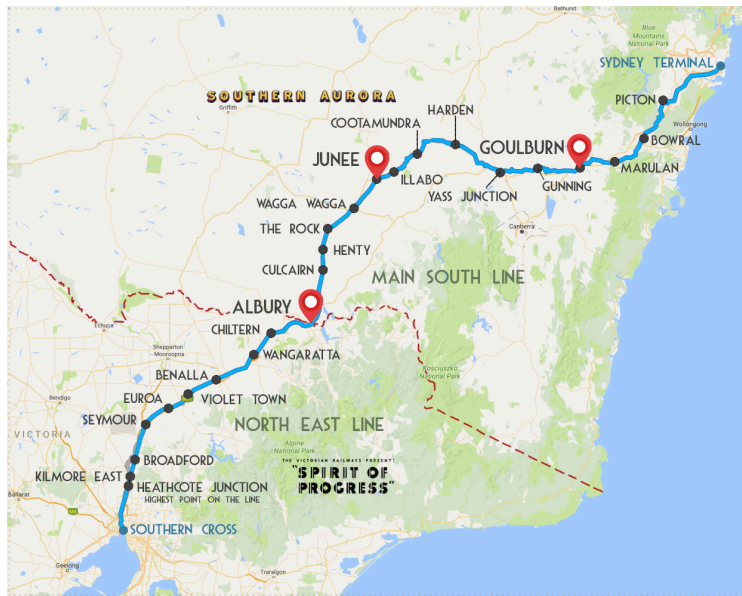


Come with us and see why Australia's island state is topping all the "hot destinations" lists. You'll be fascinated by Port Arthur's historic island penal colony and UNESCO World Heritage site. Hobart's restaurant scene is booming, but there's also wineries, the country's oldest brewery and a chocolate factory.

Step ashore in Melbourne and join your fellow travellers for an exclusive dinner on the first night. There's a full day free to do as you please giving you time to shop and explore. Perhaps visit St. Kilda for a stop at one of the cake shops on Acland Street. After breakfast on day 7 you'll board the gleaming blue and gold Spirit of Progress for an express run to Albury where you're invited to join us for complimentary farewell drinks at our hotel.

From Albury you'll join the 'Southern Aurora' - an icon in Australian railway history, that ran the express overnight service from Sydney to Melbourne from 1962 to 1986. The train still features original air-conditioned sleeping, lounge and dining cars. Relax in your own private compartment or join friends in one of the lounge cars for a drink.

Come with us on an all new exciting adventure!



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Twinette: Private compartment with comfortable seats for day-time travel with private toilet and wash basin. Spacious wardrobe, full length mirror, vanity bar, power plug, individual reading lights and adjustable venetian blind.



Roomette: Private compartment with single seat for day-time travel. Private toilet and wash basin. Spacious wardrobe, full length mirror, vanity bar, power plug, adjustable venetian blind. Toilet is also available at the end of the carriage.

Limited to 10 guests.

FEB 2020	YOUR HOLIDAY ITINERARY	ARR	DEP
SUN 09	Sydney - embark Explorer Dream at the White Bay Cruise Terminal (D)		7pm
MON 10	At Sea (B,L,D)		
TUE 11	Port Arthur - Tasmania (B,L,D)	6am	6pm
WED 12	Hobart - Tasmania (B,L,D)	6am	3pm
THU 13	Melbourne - disembark Explorer Dream at Station Pier and transfer to your hotel. Rest of day at leisure. Dinner tonight at your hotel Overnight: Batmans Hill on Collins# (B,L,D)	3pm	
FRI 14	Melbourne - Full day at leisure Overnight: Batmans Hill on Collins# (B)		
SAT 15	Melbourne - take a short stroll to Southern Cross Station to board the Spirit of Progress. Enjoy a light lunch aboard. Albury - disembark the Spirit of Progress and transfer to your hotel. Evening drinks tonight at your hotel. Overnight: ATURA Albury# (B,L)	AF	MM
SUN 16	Albury - Transfer to the station to board the Southern Aurora June - Lunch at the Railway Station Café Goulburn - short stop Sydney - disembark the Southern Aurora at Sydney Terminal (B,L)	ME	EM

B = Breakfast; L = Lunch; D = Dinner

EM = early morning; MM = mid morning; AF = afternoon; ME = mid evening

YOUR HOLIDAY INCLUSIONS

- 4-night voyage aboard Explorer Dream including all meals, entertainment and gratuities
- Welcome Aboard function on Explorer Dream
- 2-nights Melbourne accommodation with breakfast daily
- Dinner at your hotel on first night
- Daylight service from Melbourne Southern Cross to Albury aboard the Spirit of Progress in a shared air conditioned compartment
- 1-night Albury accommodation with evening drinks and breakfast
- Daylight service from Albury to Sydney Terminal aboard the Southern Aurora in a private air conditioned compartment
- Group transfers in Melbourne and Albury
- Meals as per itinerary
- Professional Cruise Express Tour Managers

YOUR HOLIDAY FARES

EXPLORER DREAM	TWIN Southern Aurora Twinette	SINGLE Southern Aurora Roomette
Inside	\$2,990	\$3,390
Oceanview	\$3,190	\$3,690
Balcony	\$3,590	\$4,590



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