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6 DAYS | ADELAIDE RETURN | Departs 25 March 2026

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What to expect

Australia's grand festival of gardens, the Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show is a showcase for garden design and horticulture. Wander among world-class floral displays and view the work of Australia's leading floral designers and exquisite feature displays.

Discover the must-see highlights of the beautiful Yarra Valley, enjoy a ride on the Puffing Billy Steam Train through the Dandenong Ranges and explore historic Ballarat.

This immersive journey is the perfect mix of garden design, horticulture, fascinating history and is packed with unmissable sights, and experiences to enjoy.

Tour Inclusions

- Return domestic flights from Adelaide in economy class
- 5 nights' superior accommodation in Melbourne
- 12 meals
- Sightseeing per itinerary with applicable fees
- Coach touring with commentary by driver throughout the tour
- Lunch with wine, soft drink or beer including tea/coffee station at Fortnums Restaurant
- One way train ride on the Puffing Billy Railway
- Entry to the Melbourne International Flower Show
- Entry to Sovereign Hill, Ballarat
- 1 hour Garden Tour and Devonshire Tea at Coombe - The Melba Estate
- Talk and group chocolate tastings including one ice cream scoop per person at Yarra Valley Chocolaterie and Ice Creamery
- Farewell Dinner at Berth Restaurant
- Pre departure function and tour documentation
- Escorted from Adelaide with a Phil Hoffmann Travel escort

Personally escorted
by Kim Manning



BONUS

Choose from one of the following offers



Fitness Levels



Physical Rating – Level 2

A good level of fitness is required for this tour. This tour involves getting on and off coaches, walking around sites, climbing steps or stairs, and navigating uneven terrain. Expect a moderate amount of walking each day (2-3 hours).

TOUR COST PER PERSON FROM

TWIN SHARE	\$3,799*
SOLO	\$4,499*



DAY 1 | 25 MAR 2026, WEDNESDAY Depart Adelaide

Stay: Batman's Hill on Collins - 5 nights*

On arrival into Melbourne, transfer to hotel. (D)

DAY 2 | 26 MAR 2026, THURSDAY Dandenong Ranges

Today travel to Belgrave to ride on the famous Puffing Billy Steam Train through to Lakeside. Journey through the magnificent Dandenong Ranges, with lush fern gullies brushing past and Mountain Ash trees towering overhead onboard the open sided carriages. On arrival at the new Lakeside Visitor Centre, wander through Lakeside Hall – a glimpse into days gone by with rarely seen images and historic steam artifacts. Lunch is at Fortnum's Restaurant, which has the bright airy look and feel of an English conservatory with a charming atmosphere and delicious food. After, travel to Sky High on the uppermost reach of the Dandenong Ranges, for a spectacular view, over the Mornington Peninsula, Port Phillip Bay, and Melbourne's growing urban fringes. (B,L,D)

DAY 3 | 27 MAR 2026, FRIDAY Melbourne International Flower Show

After breakfast, spend the day at the Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show. Set in the stunning Royal Exhibition Building and beautiful Carlton Gardens, the show is a feast for the senses with vibrant floral displays, stunning landscape designs, and innovative garden concepts. This show is a hallmark event in Victoria and the most prestigious of its kind in Australia. Over 300 exhibits are on show representing horticulture,

nurseries, landscape gardening, floristry and cut flowers. (B,D)

DAY 4 | 28 MAR 2026, SATURDAY Ballarat and Sovereign Hill

Today travel to Ballarat and embark on a tour with a local tour guide to learn more about this historic gold mining city, with its outstanding heritage, architecture and gardens. Travel along Ballarat's Avenue of Honour, Australia's longest Avenue of Honour. It spans some 22 km with 3,771 trees; each planted with a plaque dedicated to the individual men and women from Ballarat who enlisted their services in World War 1. Next, visit the Botanical Gardens, which were established in 1858 and are considered one of Australia's best examples of the 19th Century gardenesque style landscape. The Prime Ministers Avenue displays bronze busts of each Australia's heads of state. The gardens also comprise the Australian Ex Prisoner of War Memorial, – the first Military Memorial of National Significance outside of Canberra. Next, visit the Eureka Centre, dedicated to the central theme of democracy, where young miners bravely stood up for their rights in 1854, and explore the events surrounding the Eureka Stockade and view exhibitions including the Eureka Flag. Lastly,



visit Sovereign Hill, a world standard attraction, and step back in time to the golden past and the days of the goldrush. After an incredible day, return to the hotel for dinner. (B,D)

DAY 5 | 29 MAR 2026, SUNDAY The Yarra Valley

The Yarra Valley is a stunning area to visit at this time of year. Journey through Coldstream and visit Coombe Yarra Valley – one of the largest and oldest family estates in the Yarra Valley. Established in the late 1800's and once the home of famous opera singer Dame Nellie Melba, it is still owned and operated by her descendants, the Vestey family. The history, elegance, beauty and romance of Coombe – The Melba Estate makes it a unique place to visit. Explore the Coombe Cottage property which includes seven acres of historic, landscaped gardens to explore, then stop to enjoy a lovely Devonshire morning tea. Afterwards, take a short drive to Yarra Glen and stop for lunch and visit Alowyn Gardens, which have been developed into six distinct areas. In the afternoon, visit the Yarra Valley Chocolaterie and Ice Creamery to enjoy free chocolate tastings, and view displays of thousands of premium chocolates and European chocolatiers at work handcrafting chocolate creations. Tonight, dine at Berth Restaurant, overlooking the Docklands for a farewell dinner. (B,L,D)

DAY 6 | 30 MAR 2026, MONDAY Depart Melbourne – Arrive Adelaide

After breakfast transfer to Melbourne Airport for the flight to Adelaide. (B)

**or similar. (B) Breakfast (L) Lunch (D) Dinner*



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*Conditions Apply: A tour escort will escort the journey once a minimum of 15 guests is confirmed. Prices are per person, correct as of 1 Jul 2025, and subject to change and availability. Phil Hoffmann Travel Booking Conditions and Advisory Services Apply. E&OE.
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