GIPPSLAND & SALE TOUR

Tuesday 7 to Thursday 9 May 2024





Gippsland and the surrounds offer so much to see and do, this tour will see us explore some of the best ……

Day 1 (D) MELBOURNE TO SALE – Tuesday 7 May 2024

Today to start this wonderful tour we make our way to ***Yarragon*** for our morning stop. It is here we will have plenty of time to discover this quaint little village and all she has to offer. From here we head to ***Sale,*** our home for the next two nights and where we will have a chance to wander the streets and have lunch at our own expense. After lunch we will drift back into a different time when the waterways were the highways as we board ***The Rubeena*** for a cruise from the Port of Sale to the heritage listed Swing Bridge. The Rubeena was first launched at Lakes Entrance in 1912 and will cruise down the river past birds and wildlife whilst our guide recounts the region's remarkable stories from its first people, the ***Gunnaikurnai*** through to modern day. Following our cruise we will check into our accommodation before making our way out for dinner.

* Social games will be available.

Overnight accommodation: Matador Motel - Sale

Day 2 (BLD) A DAY OF ART – Wednesday 8 May 2024

After a leisurely breakfast in the motel, we make our way to ***The Gippsland Art Gallery*** where we have time to discover and marvel the art of Annemieke Mein OAM, an international artist famed for her depictions of native Australian wildlife. For lunch today, we are off to ***The Vines on Avon***, a beautiful restaurant and vineyard located in ***Maffra.*** The Vines boasts breath-taking panoramic views, superb country atmosphere, combined with our award-winning team, you are guaranteed to appreciate your visit. From lunch we head just down the road to the ***Gippsland Vehicle Collection Motor Museum***, with an outstanding display of more than 160 special cars, motorbikes, machinery, historic vehicles and auto memorabilia. Their exhibits change every four months – ensuring a fresh and exciting display for new and returning visitors. From here we make our way to **John Brady's Chainsaw Sculptures**, with 35 years of experience in wood carving, John Brady's Wood Sculpture Gallery is sure to intrigue you. With intricately detailed works formed by chainsaw, John's pieces can be found all across the world, including right here in Gippsland.

Overnight accommodation: Matador Motel - Sale

Day 3 (BL) HEADING HOME - Thursday 9 May 2024

This morning we farewell our hosts and travel to ***Walhalla,*** a small town in Gippsland founded as a gold-mining community in late 1862, and at its peak, was home to around 4,000 residents. As of 2016, the town has a population of 20 permanent residents, though it has a large proportion of houses owned as holiday properties. A legacy of the gold rush in the town is home to the ***Walhalla Goldfields Railway*** is a 2 ft 6 in (762 mm) narrow gauge tourist railway located in the Thomson River and Stringers Creek valleys. We will board the train and make the journey into Walhalla where we will be met by our coach and enjoy lunch at the ***Wally Pub***. After our time in Walhalla it is time to head towards home, and as we make our way down the Princes Highway, we make one last stop in Garfield at one of the many orchards for a chance to pick up some delicious treats to take home with us.

All itineraries are subject to change due to occasional restrictions in opening times/days of some attractions, e.g. churches, wineries etc. We cannot be held responsible for any changes due to closures, inclement weather etc.

Highlights:

- Deluxe Coach Travel
- Fully Escorted with Driver & Hostess
- 3.5 Star Accommodation
- 2 Hotel Dinners
- 2 Continental Breakfasts
- 2 lunches
- Sale Heritage cruise
- Walhala Goldfields Railway
- Gippsland Art Gallery
- Chainsaw carvings

Tour Cost:

*** $754 per person (twin/double share)**
*** $175 single supplement**

* Price is based on minimum 30 guests travelling

*** A $100 refundable deposit is required by Thursday 28th March 2024 to secure a seat on this tour with final payment required before Monday 8th April 2024. Deposit and payment to be made to Southern Star Tours directly. Payment details are provided on the booking form.**

Southern Star Tours reserves the right to cancel this tour due to insufficient numbers.

This itinerary is to be read in conjunction with the Southern Star Coaches '**Booking Form**' together with the '**Terms & Conditions**'



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TOUR BOOKING FORM

3 DAY SALE & GIPPSLAND TOUR DEPARTING – TUESDAY 7 MAY 2024

ROOM TYPE: DOUBLE ___ TWIN ___ SINGLE ___ SHARING WITH: _____

PASSENGER ONE DETAILS:

Full name:

_____

Preferred name: _____

Address:

_____

_____ VIC _____

Phone/mobile number:

_____ / _____

Email address:

_____

EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS:

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone number: _____

MEDICAL & DIETARY CONDITIONS:

Do you have any medical or dietary conditions?

NO: ____ YES: ____ (if yes, please specify)

_____

I confirm that I am an independent traveller who can care for myself, and manage travel without assistance

YES: ____ NO: ____

(if no, I am travelling with a carer)

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

I have read, understand and accept the Terms & Conditions as outlined on the reverse of this Booking Form, together with any other Terms & Conditions that may apply to the tour that I am booking. I understand that it is my sole responsibility to take Travel Insurance for this tour.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

PASSENGER TWO DETAILS:

Full name:

_____

Preferred name: _____

Address:

_____

_____VIC _____

Phone/mobile number:

_____ / _____

Email address:

_____

EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS:

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone number: _____

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Date: _____

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TOUR BOOKING FORM

SOUTHERN STAR TOURS – TERMS & CONDITIONS

a) **Completed booking form together with a $100 per person non-refundable deposit is due no later than the close of business Thursday 28 March 2024.**

b) **Balance of payment due by close of business Monday 8 April 2024.**

c) Cancellation policy, following final payment if a cancellation occurs within 30 – 15 days before departure a partial refund may be given. Any cancellations within 14 – 8 days before departure will be given on a motel and supplier's discretion and individual refund policies. Cancellations made within 7 days of departure will be subject to a 100% cancellation fee. Travel Insurance is highly recommended.

d) No refund shall be made for any unused portion of the itinerary, any changes to the itinerary made by a passenger will be entirely at the passenger's expense.

e) Tour prices are correct at time of printing but may be subject to change without notice for unforeseen circumstances such as higher motel prices or venues closing and replacing them with alternate venues. All tour costs include GST and exclude drinks, telephone calls, insurance or personal items.

f) A limited number of single rooms are available on each tour, additional cost occurs for sole use of a room. 'Forced singles' are not guaranteed by Southern Star Coaches and are only accepted according to the motel's policy.

g) Dietary requirements and special need requests must be advised at the time of booking. All efforts will be made to accommodate the requirements and requests of the passenger, however Southern Star Coaches cannot guarantee that special requests are always met. Any passenger with dietary requirements will be advised by Southern Star Coaches to all venues prior to departure, however special dietary requirements cannot be guaranteed by Southern Star Coaches and it is therefore the responsibility of the passenger to confirm with the venue upon arrival. Southern Star Coaches will not be held responsible for non-supply of such meal.

h) Southern Star Coaches does not accept responsibility for financial loss or delays incurred due to services not being provided as listed in the itinerary due to circumstances beyond its control, including but not limited to, the cessation of trading by a service provider for any reason.

i) Southern Star Coaches reserves the right for any reason to substitute the vehicle to the best alternative vehicle within reason and at its discretion.

j) As per the tour costing a minimum number of passengers are required to operate this tour, should these numbers not be met Southern Star Coaches reserves the right to cancel the tour.

k) It is a requirement of travel that all passengers must be physically and mentally capable of caring for themselves. Passengers requiring special assistance are welcome on board however they must be accompanied by an able bodied companion capable of providing all necessary assistance and do not require the assistance from Southern Star Coaches personnel or other passengers on the tour. It is recommended passengers carry any medical scripts that may in an emergency require filling whilst on tour

l) Any passenger leaving the tour for any reason during the tour does so at their own expense.

m) Southern Star Coaches whilst on tour reserves the right to alter or change the itinerary, in the best interests of the passengers, accommodation or carriers at any time for any reason. Whilst travelling we shall not be liable to any person taking the tour for loss, injury or damage to such persons or their belongings or otherwise in connection with any accommodation, transportation or other services or resulting directly or indirectly for any occurrences beyond its control including breakdown of equipment, theft, or cancellation or changes in itinerary or schedules etc.

n) Cancelations must be made in writing and are not effective until reached by the office of Southern Star Coaches. Southern Star Coaches highly recommends that passengers take out Travel Insurance to cover any unforeseen circumstances that may arise.

PAYMENT DETAILS:

Payment can be made via:

- **Cheque** payable to 'Southern Star Coaches'
- **Direct Debit** to 'Southern Star Coaches' **BSB 633108 | Account number 161422530** (please use your name as the bank reference)
- **Credit Card** payments - please contact the Southern Star office on 9598 1354.

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