

Tasmania's Wild Walks







Our Travel Style

Our global network of local experts deliver the types of experiences that can't be Googled. Immersive trips that enable you to explore authentic local culture in a sustainable, experience-rich way. We love the highlights, but the real magic for us happens well away from a beaten path, the real life experiences you won't find in a search engine.

Original: the classic Intrepid experience

These are the trips we built our reputation on! They're the perfect choice for those after a great mix of included activities and insights from a local leader or guide, as well as free time to explore a destination on their own. Original trips use centrally located, locally run accommodation and include some meals.



Accommodation

Local guesthouses and homestay experiences are featured on many itineraries and you may even camp from time to time. Expect 3star accommodation on average.





Transport

Uses a mixture of private and local transport like tuk-tuks, camels, private safari vehicles, buses, trains, canoes – whatever is the best and most sustainable way to get around.

Inclusions

With a balance between free time and included activities, your experienced local leader or guide will help you discover things you won't find on your own. There are some meals included, but the rest are up to you!

Tasmania's Wild Walks 14 days / 13 nights

About Your Trip

Start Location Hobart, Tasmania

Accommodation Hotel/Lodge (13 nights)

Rooming Requirements Twin Share

Included Meals

Breakfast (13) Lunch (12) Dinner (13)

Transport Ferry, private vehicle

Leader/Guide English Speaking Leader throughout

Included Activities Per Daily itinerary

Entrance/Admission Fees Where applicable with included activities

Airport Transfers

Arrival and departure transfers are included on a group basis

Support

24-hour support from our local office

Exclusions

- International Flights
- Any visas required
- Services not mentioned in the itinerary
- Late check out at hotels
- Meals and drinks not mentioned in the itinerary
- Drinks with included lunches and dinners
- Tips for leaders, guide and driver
- Expenditure of personal nature
- Personal Insurance
- Optional activities

Safe and responsible travel, always.

As you look to get back on the road, we continue to ensure our trips are safe for everyone. That includes our travellers, our leaders and crew and the people we visit along the way. Our health and safety policies follow recommendations from the World Health Organization and the World Travel & Tourism Council's (WTTC) Safe Travel protocols for tour operators. Before we resume trips in any destination, our itineraries undergo a comprehensive risk assessment and audit, while leaders and suppliers will complete COVID-19 health and safety training. We have also introduced specific policies around testing and vaccination for your safety.



Who we are

For over 30 years we've been taking travellers around the globe, on small group tours with like-minded Intrepid people. Our extensive COVID-19 Health & Safety Guidelines ensure your wellbeing is looked after during your travels.

Safe travels

We're with you every step of the way through our value chain - from our suppliers, to our on ground operations and leaders.

Certified B Corp

When we became certified as the world's largest travel B Corp in 2018, it was not only our official pledge to be a responsible business, but also a promise to be the best travel company for the world.

About Your Tour Leader

Tour leader

On this trip you will be accompanied by one of our tour leaders. The aim of the tour leader is to take the hassle out of your travels and to help you have the best trip possible.

Your leader will provide information on the places you are travelling through, offer suggestions for things to do and see, recommend great local eating venues and introduce you to our local friends. While not being guides in the traditional sense you can expect them to have a broad general knowledge of the places visited on the trip, including historical, cultural, religious and social aspects. We aim to support local guides who have specialised knowledge of the regions we visit. If you were interested in delving deeper into the local culture at a specific site or location then your leader can recommend a local guide service in most of the main destinations of your trip.

Tasmania's Wild Walks Itinerary

Day 1 / Saturday, 29th of March 2025 Arrival into Hobart

Welcome to Tasmania! Make your way to the Hobart CBD, which is approximately 30 mins from the airport.

This evening, head out for an included dinner with the group before beginning activities tomorrow morning.

Accommodation

TravelLodge Hobart

Day 2 / Sunday, 30th of March 2025 Lady Barron Walk & Mt Field East

After breakfast, leave early from Hobart and head west to Mt Field National Park. Our introductory walk is an easy 2.5hrs walk through a forest of towering tree ferns; moss and lichens leads us to the beautiful Russell Falls – one of the prettiest in Tasmania. A great introduction and "get to know you" walk.

After lunch, we will head off on our second walk for the day. There are a few options depending on time and the weather. Lucky for us Mt Field National Park has a wide range of walks to offer to suit the conditions. The accommodation in Maydena is then not too far away, which should leave some time for Platypus spotting in the pools in the late afternoon,

Accommodation

Giants Table Cottages

Day 3 / Monday, 31st of March 2025 The Tarn Shelf, Mt Field

A steep drive up to Lake Dobson brings us to the start of our day's main walk, the Tarn Shelf circuit (15.3km). A bit of a climb gets us up to the small glacial lakes, or tarns, of the Rodway Range, with magnificent views over the glacierformed landscape. From there we will walk along the rocky shelf with its small rock gardens and pools. Once back down off the plateau the walk then changes to a more forested path for a shady afternoon. Happy and tired after a full day we'll head back to our accommodation at the Giants Table Cottages in Maydena for a second night.

Accommodation

Giants Table Cottages

Day 4 / Tuesday, 1st of April 2025 Lake St Clair, Cynthia Bay to Echo Point

It's a couple of hours drive to Lake St Clair where we'll take a walk alongside the picturesque lake from Echo Point through an enchanting temperate rainforest. After a short ferry ride, our walk will take us through a canopy of Sassafras, myrtle, celery- top pine and leatherwood with a wide array of moss, lichens and fungi below. Our accommodation for the night is in the very nice cabins at Lake St Clair and we'll eat together at the Lake St Clair Lodge.

Accommodation

Lake St Clair Lodge

Day 5 / Wednesday, 2nd of April 2025 Shadow Lake Circuit

An amazing and quintessentially Tasmanian day. The Shadow Lake circuit has a wide variety of vegetation and landscapes and stunning views of Mt Rufus. The walk has moderate terrain and allows us access to the shores of Shadow Lake.

We will finish the walk early afternoon, and then drive on to Strahan, which will take a couple of hours. In Strahan, we will be staying at the local motel for one night.

Accommodation

Strahan Village

Day 6 / Thursday, 3rd of April 2025 Gordon River Cruise

One of the must do experiences of Tasmania, is a Gordon River cruise. This six-hour cruise includes lunch, a short walk and an opportunity to set foot on the notorious Sarah Island, whilst hearing about the areas grisly past.

After the cruise, it is about a 2-hour drive up to Cradle Mountain, where we will be staying in the cabins at Cradle Mountain Discovery, for 2 nights.

Accommodation

Cradle Mountain Discovery Holiday Park

Day 7 / Friday, 4th of April 2025 Cradle Mountain

Depending on the weather and the energy levels of the group, there are a number of options for today's walk. We'll enjoy imposing mountain vistas, pristine glacial lakes, vast button grass plains, and an all-round fantastic day of walking. This is a popular park – and we'll see why!

Accommodation

Cradle Mountain Discovery Holiday Park

Day 8 / Saturday, 5th of April 2025 Cradle Mountain to Bay of Fires

Today we say goodbye to the wild mountain country and hello to the beautiful east coast of Tasmania. We have 4.5 hours of driving to do today, but rather than rush, we are going to spend the day visiting a few tourist sites for a relaxed look around.

We'll stop in at some lovely small towns along the way where you might pick up a souvenir or two, or enjoy the local coffee shops and bakeries. We will arrive in St Helens in the afternoon and check in to our hotel for 2 nights.

Accommodation

Bayside Hotel St Helens

Day 9 / Sunday, 6th of April 2025 Bay of Fires

There are many options for our walk today. We will focus on the southern end of the Bay of Fires trail with its wide white beaches, and spectacular orange lichen covered rock. The walking is pretty moderate, so we will have plenty of time to soak up the atmosphere.

Accommodation

Bayside Hotel St Helens

Day 10 / Monday, 7th of April 2025 Wineglass Bay Circuit, Freycinet National Park

It is about 1.5 hours along one of Tasmania's great coastal drives to get to Wineglass bay.

We will enjoy a gorgeous 11km circuit walk, which takes in the white sand beach of Wineglass Bay and the equally beautiful Hazards Beach on the other side of the isthmus.

After the largest part of the walk, and perhaps an icy but refreshing swim at Wineglass Bay, we head to Swansea for the night, and a meal at the pub.

Accommodation

Swansea Motor Inn

Day 11 / Tuesday, 8th of April 2025 Maria Island

Today we will keep heading south down the east coast before we take the short ferry ride across to Maria Island. There are are few options today but the most scenic is a challenging but rewarding climb up Mt Bishop and Clerk. The walk is steep but the views from the dolerite columns at the summit of the mountain are sensational. The forested section of path offers delightful walking, with glimpses of ocean beyond the sheer cliffs.

For those wanting an easy day, there is plenty to explore including the Painted Cliffs, the Fossil Cliffs and the old Darlington settlement, which has seen many transformations over the years.

After our ferry trip back to the mainland we'll head south to the historic town of Port Arthur.

Accommodation Port Arthur Motor Inn

Day 12 / Wednesday, 9th of April 2025 Cape Raul, Tasman Peninsular

Today we will explore the second of the Three Capes on the Three Cape Track, after a short drive from Port Arthur. Our walk today starts inland where we get to enjoy some beautiful heath country. As we come closer to the coastline, the bush opens up and we get some of our first glimpses of the absolutely spectacular dolerite cliffs of the Tasman National Park. If we're lucky we may encounter some of those intense winds the capes are famous for.

Eventually the trail starts heading east along the cliff tops and we descend onto the Cape Raoul plateau. Here we are rewarded with coastal banksia scrub and the odd glimpses of the northern coastline and the impressive 300m high cliffs of Cape Pillar in the distance.

Once we've had plenty of time taking in all the beautiful scenery at the end of Cape Raoul we make our way back the same way to the bus. From the end of the walk, it is a short drive back to Port Arthur.

Accommodation Port Arthur Motor Inn

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Day 13 / Thursday, 10th of April 2025 Cape Hauy, Tasman Peninsular

Our last walk, on the Tasman Peninsular, is nothing short of spectacular. As we've come to expect from Tasmania, there are up's and there are downs and there are absolutely incredible views to marvel at. As we walk along Cape Hauy, the promontory narrows and the views get better and better. Massive dolerite cliffs descend vertically into the ocean on either side, making this an exciting walk to finish on.

After our walk, we'll head back into Hobart, arriving late for our final night together.

Accommodation Travelodge Hobart

Day 14 / Friday, 11th of April 2025 Hobart

Our trip ends today after breakfast.

Important Information

• This trip involves plenty of walking over varied terrain and is best suited to travellers with a good level of mobility. Good footwear, clothing for all types of Tasmanian weather, plus perhaps walking poles are recommended.

Booking Conditions

By booking this Intrepid Travel Tailor-Made Adventure, you agree to the Intrepid Standard Booking Conditions <u>https://www.intrepidtravel.com/au/booking-</u> <u>intrepid/booking-conditions</u> and any deviations specified below that apply to your Tailor-Made booking as set out below.

If you are making a booking on behalf of a group, you must ensure each traveller has read and agrees to our Booking Conditions before making the booking.

- You must provide a travellers' name list and details including name as per passport, passport number and expiration date, nationality, DOB, gender, rooming requirements, dietary requirements, medical concerns at least 60 days prior to departure of the trip.
- All rates are per person, based on indicated numbers travelling together as one movement. Any changes to the group size at any time before or after confirmation of services will require the trip to be repriced.
- The details set out in your proposal are a quotation only. The pricing and itinerary are subject to availability of accommodation, transport, leaders, and other suppliers at time of booking. We reserve the right to amend and requote itinerary if such suppliers are not available.
- By making your payment, you are agreeing to the most recent itinerary and price quote. All revisions will be subject to requote and additional approval.
- A contract will exist when we accept your deposit.
- If we, or a third-party operator, is required to make amendments to your original proposal, subsequent pricing may become applicable to your booking.
- Any changes to the itinerary made by you AFTER services have been confirmed will require a revised quote and may be subject to an additional charge (as levied by hotels, ground operators or airlines). No additional changes are permitted within 30 days prior to departure.

- Hotels listed in the quote are indicative only and are subject to change. If the hotel listed in the quote is unavailable, we will confirm an alternative hotel of similar standard.
- If complimentary transfers are included, (on a group basis) they are only applicable if going to accommodation booked through us. Please advise flight arrival details (flight number and arrival time) at least 30 days prior to departure if you wish to have this transfer provided. There is no guarantee we can arrange this transfer if we receive these details within 30 days of departure.
- Some Tailor-Made tours, such as our Tailor-Made Australia trips, may have cancellation terms that deviate from those set out in the Intrepid Standard Booking Conditions. Your Tailor-Made consultant will advise you of the cancellation conditions that apply to your booking prior to you paying your deposit.
- You acknowledge that you are choosing to travel at a time where you may be exposed to the COVID-19 virus. We will take all reasonable steps to ensure your safety and may require you to follow additional safety protocols before and during your trip. Depending on the most recent health information available to us, we may require you to comply with mandatory health policies, including the need for proof of vaccination or medical tests. More information can be found on our Covid-19 Customer Information page <u>here</u>. Please note that these policy requirements are subject to change following advice from relevant authorities.