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### HERITAGE TOURS

#### NEWCASTLE TOUR

27 – 29 March  
Organised by Lachlan Branch  
of the National Trust

We will be travelling via Bathurst and the Blue Mountains to scenic Mt Penang to visit the gardens. Then onto Australia's second oldest city Newcastle, situated at the mouth of the Hunter River. The days will be spent exploring the heritage of the city and port, including convict buildings, the Hunter Heritage Centre, Court House, Post Office, Christ Church Cathedral, Edwardian houses on the Terrace, Nobby's Lighthouse and Fort Scratchley, giving excellent views over the city. We will also be visiting National Trust properties Miss Porter's House and Tomago House. Return trip will be via Merriwa and Wellington.

**Enquiries:** Janette Thomas (02) 6852 2347

#### BLUE MOUNTAINS & JENOLAN CAVES TOUR

Saturday 28 April, 8am – 8pm  
Organised by the After Hours  
Committee

Join the After Hours Committee for a leisurely fun day with Wilderness Tours to the Blue Mountains and Jenolan Caves. Relax in a luxury coach and forget the hassle of driving and reacquaint yourself with our beautiful Blue Mountains on the way to Jenolan Caves. Take the scenic route and enjoy our spectacular Australian bush scenery with a stop for morning tea with cakes and slices on the way. On our trip to Jenolan Caves we will travel to Kings Tableland Rocky Lookout, then to Leura township, where we will have about 35 minutes to stroll through the shops and arcades. Then on to visit the Three Sisters and Echo Point, a visit to the Chocolate Factory, and a stop at Govett's Leap Lookout before heading for the Caves. On arrival at Jenolan Caves we will have lunch at Caves House. After lunch we will do a cave tour. Then at 4pm we will attend a Hungarian Gypsy Music Concert which runs for an hour. After the concert, we will set off on our return journey to Sydney. Departure and drop off at Gordon Railway Station at 8am. Additional pick ups can be arranged.

**Cost:** \$130 per person, all inclusive

**Bookings:** Ticket Application Sheet

**Enquiries:** Tony Bastow 0404 292 208;  
Ron Bottrill 0418 112 018;  
Pat Barling 0414 702 677



### NATIONAL TRUST WAY

Holidays, short breaks and day tours

Organised by the National Trust Tours Committee

#### DIARY DATES 2007

##### Holiday Tours

May	Canada & The Rocky Mountains Tuscany
July	Outback Queensland
September	Indian Pacific Coast to Coast
October	New England New Zealand – South Island

#### DIARY DATES 2008

##### Holiday Tours

February	Laos, Cambodia & Thailand
March/April	Vietnam

##### Day Tours 2007

March	South Head Walking Tour
May	Walsh Bay & Millers Point

Please see the National Trust website for more information  
[www.nsw.nationaltrust.org.au](http://www.nsw.nationaltrust.org.au)



### NATIONAL TRUST WAY- HOLIDAY TOURS

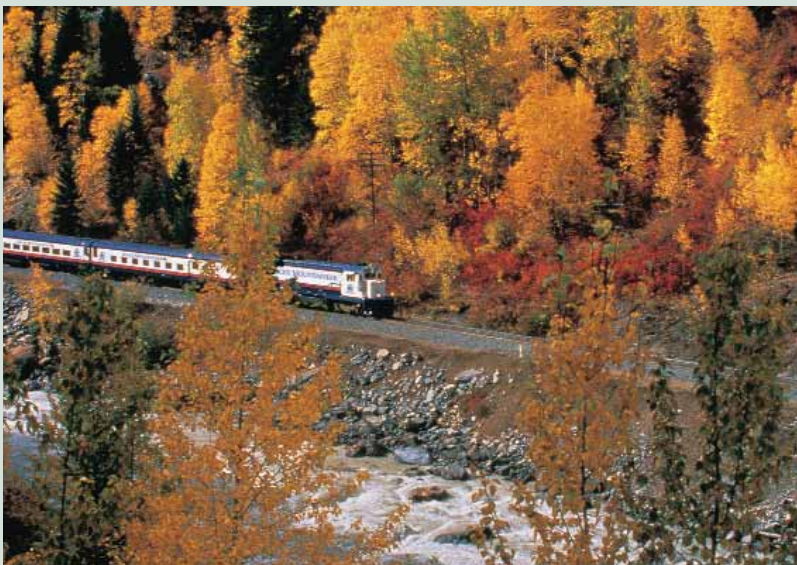
#### CANADA & THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS

3 – 20 May

Canada affords the traveller incredible  
scenery – snow-capped mountains,

lush valleys, glaciers, brilliant turquoise lakes, and wildlife – elk, moose, mountain lions, grizzly and black bears may all be sighted. The most enjoyable and scenic way to explore Canada is by rail.

The itinerary has been especially designed to maximise your enjoyment by allowing time to relax and explore each destination. We will visit the vibrant harbourfront city of Vancouver, Victoria on Vancouver Island with its beautiful



Explore Canada and the Rocky Mountains. Photo courtesy Rocky Mountaineer.

gardens and stunning harbour, the resort town of Whistler, and the charming villages of Banff, Jasper and Lake Louise in the heart of the Canadian Rockies and home to some of the most spectacular scenery on the continent. We will journey on the renowned VIA Rail Canada's 'The Canadian', travelling in Silver and Blue Class and one of the world's most legendary train journeys, the Rocky Mountaineer. Stops will also be made in Los Angeles, Seattle and San Francisco. Many tour operators offer tours to Canada, but if your preference is to fly Qantas on a tour that's fully escorted from Sydney, with a comprehensive itinerary that includes all the major sights, then this tour can't be beat. And with a strong exchange rate, now is the time to go!

**Cost:** \$10,560 per person twin share; \$2,190 single supplement.

**Tour Leader:**  
Petra O'Neill (02) 9331 3288

**Bookings/enquiries:** Kerry Bryant,  
Goway Travel: (02) 9262 4755 Ext 43

### TUSCANY

15 – 19 May

Experience the heartland of Tuscany in spring with our special behind-the-scenes tour planned by Tours Committee member Loma Priddle, who lived in Italy for 12 years. On this tour you will only have to unpack twice. Our first hotel is in the charming Renaissance town of Pienza and our second is in San Gimignano. Journey highlights include the gardens of 'La Foce' created by Anglo-American writer Iris Origo, a dinner in a private

16th century farmhouse, a cooking demonstration, the ancient spa town of Bagno Vignoni, the small village of Petroio known as the 'capital of terracotta', the fascinating town of San Gimignano with its medieval towers and beautiful Siena. The relaxed pace will ensure that you have time to enjoy the local cuisine and wines and experience the warm hospitality that Tuscany offers.

**Bookings/enquiries:** David Smith,  
Travelscene on Capri 1800 679 066

**Tour leader:** Loma Priddle  
(02) 9412 2875

### OUTBACK QUEENSLAND – THE CHANNEL COUNTRY

9 July – 24 July

This fascinating Richard Quilty tour by coach departs Sydney and travels via White Cliffs, Tibooburra and Innamincka to Birdsville. Here we visit the great red sandhill on the edge of the Simpson Desert before traveling via Bedourie to Boulia. Then on to Winton to visit Carisbrook Station and Lark Quarry to see remains of a dinosaur stampede. At Longreach we visit the Stockman's Hall of Fame and the Qantas Museum. We then head south to Windorah, followed by Ray Station. Thagomindah is our last stop in Queensland before traveling back to Sydney via Bourke and Narromine.

**Tour leader:**  
Margaret Durham (02) 9326 2963

**Bookings/enquiries:**  
Richard Quilty 0418201677

### THE INDIAN PACIFIC: COAST TO COAST

12 – 28 September

This is one of the world's great epic train journeys, spanning 4,352 kms. Travelling in comfortable Gold Kangaroo Class, with whistle stops in Broken Hill, Kalgoorlie and three days touring Adelaide and surrounds, our journey will be relaxing and enjoyable. On arrival in Perth we will tour the Swan Valley and Fremantle before commencing our journey by privately chartered coach with Australian Pinnacle tours north to Broome, exploring sights of interest along the way including Geraldton, the Pinnacles, Monkey Mia, Carnarvon, Ningaloo Reef, Karratha and Port Hedland.

**Tour Leader, and for bookings/  
enquires:** Petra O'Neill: (02) 9331 3288

### NEW ENGLAND IN AUTUMN

From 6 October

The autumn leaves of New England are one of the geographic wonders of the world and to experience their beauty is an overwhelming experience. Although this tour will have an autumn theme there will also be an emphasis on the history, art and architecture of the area concentrated around the regions of Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine. Some of the wonderful sights which will be included are the amazing Newport Mansions near Providence, fossicking for antiques at Cape Cod, a visit to two of the best art museums in Boston, exploring beautiful small towns around Holden and Princeton, taste testing at maple syrup stalls, as well as a visit to



Exploring Outback Queensland.

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the coastline of Maine where the colour meets the shore. Whatever you are doing in New England at this time of the year you can be assured of being astounded by the sheer beauty of nature at every turn.

**Tour leader:** Carole McFadden  
(02) 9498 1612

**Bookings/enquiries:** David Smith,  
Travelscene on Capri 1800 679 066.  
Email: sales@tsoncapri.com.au

### NEW ZEALAND – SOUTH ISLAND

22 October – 1 November  
Belinda McKenzie of Homestead Tours has agreed to organise another of her very popular and unique tours in the South Island of New Zealand. This tour will commence in Christchurch with two days to enjoy this beautiful garden city. We then travel by coach to Dunedin via Omarou, a very pretty area. In Dunedin we will visit the Albatross Sanctuary, the university and other interesting sites. Rhododendrons should be in full bloom – a wonderful time to visit this area. Continue on to Invercargill, before returning home from Christchurch. Belinda will organise visits to private properties and gardens where we will meet many locals.

**Bookings/enquiries:** Margaret Durham  
(02) 9326 2963,  
Carole McFadden (02) 9498 1612  
until 26 February

### ADVANCE NOTICE – LAOS, CAMBODIA AND THAILAND

February 2008

A cruise on the Mekong, World Heritage – listed Luang Prabang, stays in grand historic hotels and a journey on the luxurious Eastern & Oriental Express will feature in this tour.

**Tour Leader:** Petra O'Neill  
(02) 9331 3288

**To register your interest call:** Rob Lovell,  
Alumni Travel (02) 9290 3856

### ADVANCE NOTICE – VIETNAM

March/April 2008

The tour for March 2007 proved such a sell out success, it will be repeated in 2008, with an optional extension to Cambodia.

**Tour Leader:** Petra O'Neill  
(02) 9331 3288

**To register your interest:** call Rob Lovell,  
Alumni Travel (02) 9290 3856



### DAY TOURS

### SOUTH HEAD WALKING TOUR

Thursday 29 March, 10.30am –  
12.30pm

South Head is located at the entrance to Sydney Harbour and is characterised by a coastal landscape of great beauty, sandstone cliffs, and maritime and military

historic sites. This special guided tour along the Heritage Trail offers spectacular views over the harbour, Middle Head and North Head, and will include Hornby Lighthouse, the Lightkeepers' Cottages, built in 1858, and gun emplacements from the 19th and 20th centuries. We meet at 10am at the Watsons Bay wharf near Doyles restaurant. To get there catch Sydney Bus Service 324 or 325, or the 10.10am ferry from Circular Quay. Limited on street parking is available. Wear comfortable shoes for this 2km walk graded easy to medium.

**Cost:** \$28 per person

**Enquiries:** Loma Priddle (02) 9412 2875

**Bookings:** Ticket Application Sheet

### WALSH BAY & MILLERS POINT

Wednesday 9 May, 10am – 11.45am

A special walking tour of Walsh Bay and Millers Point has been arranged for National Trust members and friends. The refurbished wharves and maritime buildings of Walsh Bay have incorporated heritage elements with stylish new facilities. The precinct has become one of Sydney's most interesting cultural and residential areas. We meet at 10am outside the Garrison Church in Argyle Place, and walk through the historic residential streets of Millers Point to Walsh Bay.

**Cost:** \$38 per person including  
private tour and morning tea

**Enquiries:** Loma Priddle (02) 9412 2875

**Bookings:** Ticket Application Sheet



## TICKET APPLICATION SHEET INSTRUCTIONS

The Ticket Secretary is at Lindesay, Darling Point. **Please do not send Ticket Application Sheets to the Trust Centre at Observatory Hill.**

**When paying by credit card or cheque, please send:**

- The entire (completed) Ticket Application page; please do not cut it up
- Enclose a stamped, self-addressed business size envelope
- Enclose a cheque payable to the National Trust of Australia (NSW), or credit card details, to:

The Ticket Secretary  
National Trust of Australia (NSW)  
PO Box 53, Edgecliff NSW 2027

**Credit card payment only**  
**FAX (02) 9328 2649**

Admission will only be allowed on presentation of tickets. Members wishing to attend activities with friends must apply on the same application form in order to receive tickets in the same group.

**Please use credit card wherever possible. Please use only one payment to cover each group application.** Refunds will only be allowed with one week's notice and return of tickets for re-sale. A cancellation fee may be charged. Membership fees should not be included with activity payments.

**No telephone bookings accepted.**  
**ENQUIRIES TO TICKET SECRETARY**  
(02) 9363 2401  
10am–1pm, Mon–Fri