



SPARK TRAVEL



| 10 Day

# NORFOLK ISLAND 'CHRISTMAS IN JULY'

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| Fully Escorted From Adelaide

| Return Home Transfers

| Return Flights

| Traditional Christmas Dinner

## HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Hughes Home Pick Up Service (zoned area only).
- Escorted from Adelaide by an experienced Spark Travel Tour Manager.\*
- Economy Class flights Adelaide to Norfolk Island via Brisbane and return.
- 1 night's accommodation in Brisbane pre and post tour including airport transfers, dinner and breakfast.
- 7 nights' accommodation on Norfolk Island at the delightful Paradise Hotel & Resort.
- Sumptuous Island Style dinner and entertainment.
- Traditional Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings, fun, trivia and Christmas Carols.
- Comprehensive touring programme with Baunti Tours including Norfolk Orientation Tour including Sunday Island Markets, Convict Kingston Tour, Glass Bottom Boat excursion into beautiful Emily Bay, Taste of Norfolk Tour, Norfolk Island Culture Tour, 'Trial of the 15,' Colleen McCullough Home Tour, Norfolk Today Tour, visit to the fascinating Norfolk Museums, including the Pier Store, HMS 'Sirius' Museum and No. 10 Quality Row, Pinetree 'Sound & Light Show,' and finally, Anson Bay and Captain Cook Memorial.
- Commandant's Dinner, and enjoy warm island hospitality with local Norfolk families at the Progressive dinner.
- Visit to the fascinating Cyclorama.
- Pre-departure get together to meet your Tour Manager and travelling companions.

## YOUR ACCOMMODATION ON NORFOLK ISLAND:

The Paradise Hotel and Resort is a charming and popular resort, nestled in beautifully landscaped grounds and handy to the Norfolk Island Burnt Pine tax-free shopping centre and restaurants. All rooms are tastefully appointed, fan-cooled with private facilities, telephone, tea/coffee making facilities, TV, iron/ironing board, self-serve guest laundry. The property's other facilities include The Garden Restaurant and cocktail bar – a great place to meet people and chat, complimentary all day tea and coffee station, and a delightful outdoor swimming pool set in lush colonial gardens. Free computer access is available in the hotel lobby and personal wifi is available for purchase from Reception.



## NOTES:

Health and Fitness: To assist us when booking, please advise your Spark Travel consultant if you have any special needs such as mobility, dietary etc.

**\*\*A minimum level of fitness is required in order to be able to participate. You will need to be able to walk up a flight of stairs and manage coach steps unaided and you must inform us before the commencement of the tour of any medical condition which may affect your ability to participate in the tour. If you are unable to manage on your own, it will be necessary to be accompanied by another person who is fit and able to assist you in day to day tasks and capable of providing the assistance required. Dietary requests must be accompanied by the appropriate dietary information.**

**\*\*It should be noted that to be fair to all passengers, specific coach seats cannot be reserved. Maximum coach size on tour is a 22 seater. (not toilet-equipped).**

**\*\*Please note that for your flights the seating within the confines of the group is computer allocated alphabetically by the airline concerned and is beyond the control of Spark Travel.**

**\*\* At the time of your tour departure some inclusions could be on a different day from that displayed in the itinerary – this is known as ‘Island Time.’**

**\*\*Tour extensions subject to availability and extension booking criteria.**

## HUGHES TRANSFERS TO AND FROM YOUR HOME:

Hughes transfers apply in the zoned area. These transfers may be available at additional cost to passengers who live outside the zoned area - please ask your Spark Travel consultant.

**‘HUGHES HOME PICK UP SERVICE’ will call you two (2) days before the commencement of the tour to confirm the time they will be arriving at your home. If you have missed the call, please contact Spark Travel (08) 8876 5121, a day prior to departure for your pickup time. If you reside at a retirement village, please ensure Hughes have clear instructions from you as to means of entry and directions to find your home. Also, if you are out of zone there will be an additional payment due and this should be made at the time of booking. For safety reasons, suitcases should weigh no more than 20kgs. The Hughes home pick up service only applies to scheduled tour departure and return tour dates. Those passengers wishing to extend their tours will be responsible for their own transfers.**

## DOCUMENTATION:

All visitors to Norfolk Island must have either a valid passport or alternative valid Australian official photo ID such as a current driver's licence or SA ID card – the alternative photo ID for entry is new and **not recommended** as we have been advised *there can be considerable delays in re-entering Australia* whilst a person's immigration status is confirmed.

At the time of booking your tour, please ensure that your document name provided is exactly as per your Passport or photo ID. Any re-issue of travel documents due to incorrect name will incur the relevant amendment fee. **If you have a preferred name for your nametag, please also advise this at the time of booking.**

## ITINERARY:

### DAY 01 – FRIDAY: ADELAIDE/BRISBANE

**Don't forget your valid Passport or alternative Photo ID!**

Depart Adelaide Airport at 1150 (11.50am) on Virgin Australia flight VA1393 to Brisbane, arriving at 1445 (2.45pm). Transfer by shuttle from Brisbane Domestic Terminal to the IBIS BRISBANE AIRPORT for overnight including dinner and breakfast. (D)

### DAY 02 – SATURDAY: BRISBANE/NORFOLK ISLAND

After breakfast at the Ibis Brisbane Airport, transfer to Brisbane International Terminal for your Qantas flight QF183, departing at 1135 (11.35am), arriving Norfolk Island at 1445 (2.45pm). On arrival at Norfolk Island our local Spark Travel representative from Baunti Tours will meet and transfer you to the Paradise Hotel and Resort, your home for the next 7 nights. Enjoy a light lunch at the hotel and time to settle in and relax. Dinner and entertainment at the hotel. (B,L,D)

Also, during your leisure time on the island you have an entry ticket to **Fletcher's Mutiny Cyclorama** – a 360 degree panoramic painting of how the world's most famous mutiny on **HMS Bounty** created the Pitcairn and Norfolk communities. Two local artists took 16 months to paint the Cyclorama and with an evocative soundtrack by musician **Rick Robertson**, history comes to life.

**DAY 03 – SUNDAY: ON NORFOLK ISLAND – ORIENTATION TOUR & SUNDAY MARKETS, CONVICT KINGSTON TOUR – TONIGHT - ISLAND STYLE DINNER & ENTERTAINMENT**

This morning after breakfast, depart on an informative **Orientation Tour**, explore the **Sunday Markets**, - very popular with visitors for the local handicrafts, then down to beautiful **Emily Bay**. As you journey around the Island your **driver/guide** will relate Norfolk's intriguing history of the first convict settlement from 1788 to the present day, and home of the descendants of the Bounty Mutineers. At the historic area of **Kingston**, see perhaps the best collection of **Georgian architecture** in the Southern Hemisphere. Drive up to the picturesque **Queen Elizabeth Lookout** for a wonderful photo opportunity, then north to the old whaling and landing area of **Cascades** before a leisurely return to **Burnt Pine**.

Enjoy a **picnic lunch**, then back at **Kingston** with our local driver/guide, take in the **Convict Kingston tour** - learn about the history of the various settlements of Norfolk Island - the Polynesians, the first European settlement of 1788, the convict penal settlement of 1825, and the arrival of the Pitcairn Islanders in 1856, visit the historic Convict cemetery.

Tonight, enjoy a sumptuous **Island Style dinner and entertainment at the hotel**. (B,L,D)

**DAY 04 – MONDAY: ON NORFOLK ISLAND – FREE TIME, GLASS BOTTOM BOAT**

Enjoy free time this morning - why not spend some time around the Burnt Pine shopping area, maybe visit the Scottish Shop in Taylors Road, or the duty free Bond Store (take your Qantas ticket and photo ID with you). Also be sure to pop into Max's department store too, for great savings on quality clothing such as Dannimac, Berber jackets and Burberry's of London and many more or maybe partake of the delicious cheese and bacon scones at Café Tempo opposite the Emporium.

This afternoon travel back to **Emily Bay** to view the marine delights of one of the most southern lagoon reefs in the Pacific on our **Glass Bottom Boat tour** (time and day for this is flexible, dependent on weather and tides). Your local guide will also provide interesting commentary on the history of Emily and Slaughter Bays. Dinner at the hotel this evening. (B,D)

**DAY 05 – TUESDAY: ON NORFOLK ISLAND - FREE MORNING, TASTE OF NORFOLK TOUR, TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS DINNER**

After free time this morning, head off to the **Taste of Norfolk Tour**. Meet firsthand passionate local producers including Norfolk Island Liqueurs, a local beekeeper, including tastings with seasonal fruits, taste salt made from the ocean and finish with a demonstration and tasting of Tahitian traditional dishes.

This evening enjoy a **Traditional Christmas Dinner** at the hotel **with all the trimmings, fun, trivia and Christmas Carols**. (B,D)

**DAY 06 – WEDNESDAY: ON NORFOLK ISLAND - 'BRUNCH' AT SERIOUSLY CHOCOLATE, NORFOLK ISLAND CULTURE TOUR, 'TRIAL OF THE 15,' COMMANDANTS DINNER**

This morning transfer to **Seriously Chocolate** at Burnt Pine for a delightful **'brunch'** and a **glass of 'bubbly'**, and an opportunity to explore the work of artist **Adam Jauczius** at nearby **Norfolk Art**.

This afternoon we take the **Norfolk Island Culture Tour** – be immersed in the Island's rich cultural heritage, from the first Polynesian Settlement through to the arrival of the Pitcairn Islanders, the whaling days and to life today. See a Tapa beating and weaving demonstration, hold history in your hands with relics of the past, fish brining and smoking with tastings and much more.

Later this afternoon at the **'Trial of the Fifteen'** in the Ferny Lane Theatre, be transported back in time for a memorable journey through Norfolk's unique past as the cast portrays 15 colourful characters from Norfolk's history.

We end the day with the in-costume **Commandants' Dinner and Show**. The factual and interactive show is a great way to learn about Norfolk's convict history and how the Commandants and their families adapted to life on a remote penal island. (B,BR,D)

**DAY 07 – THURSDAY: ON NORFOLK ISLAND – NORFOLK TODAY TOUR, MUSEUMS TOUR, FREE AFTERNOON & TONIGHT – SOUND & LIGHT SHOW**

Today we begin with a modern tour, **Norfolk Today**, to learn how Norfolk Islanders live in the 21st Century and the essential services which make life possible on a tiny South Pacific Island. To see what makes Norfolk 'tick,' learn how the Islanders reap the ocean's bounty, bring fuel and gas to the Island, power their world, deal with waste, forecast the weather – the Norfolk Today tour will make it all clear!

After a **light lunch** at the hotel, this afternoon take an exciting and interesting **Museums excursion**. First visit the **Pier Store** – for the **true story of the Mutiny on the Bounty** and the resettlement of the Pitcairn population to Norfolk Island, then on to the **HMS Sirius Museum**, one of Australia's most important shipwrecks. Finally we visit **No. 10 Quality Row**, built in 1844 for Thomas Seller, Foreman of Works during the height of the brutal 2nd settlement. This is a beautiful fully furnished colonial home of the era.

**Dinner** at the hotel tonight, after which transfer to the **Pinetree Sound and Light Show**. This is a must for the history lover with a sense of the dramatic! Nightfall at Kingston brings a different mood to the Convict Settlement with the dramatic use of real life sound together with theatrical lighting and costumed actors as you are taken through the decades of Norfolk Island's horrific convict era. (B,L,D)

**DAY 08 – FRIDAY: ON NORFOLK ISLAND - COLLEEN MCCULLOUGH HOME TOUR, PROGRESSIVE DINNER**

To begin the day, visit the home of the late world-renowned author **Colleen McCullough**. Colleen created an amazing majestic home on Norfolk Island with her husband, Ric Robinson. This is an exclusive escorted tour through Ric and Colleen's home to view some of their priceless collections from around the world after which enjoy free time or maybe take in the Cyclorama.

To end the day, we head out to the unique 3 course **Progressive Dinner** - meet local families and enjoy warm Island hospitality, whilst being welcomed into their homes. (B,D)

**DAY 09 – SATURDAY: ON NORFOLK ISLAND – ANSON BAY & CAPTAIN COOK MEMORIAL**

Today we say farewell to **Norfolk Island**. Bags will need to be down in Reception after breakfast. We will join our Baunti coach for a delightful final excursion to **Anson Bay** to view the **Captain Cook Memorial** with **morning tea included**. Later we return to our hotel to collect our bags and transfer to Norfolk Island Airport for the journey home. Board Qantas flight **QF184** departing from **Norfolk Island** at **1545 (3.45pm)**, arriving **Brisbane International Airport** at **1715 (5.15pm)**. After clearing immigration and customs, shuttle transfer to the **IBIS BRISBANE AIRPORT** for dinner and overnight. (B,M,D)

**DAY 10 – SUNDAY: BRISBANE/ADELAIDE**

After **breakfast** at the hotel, transfer by shuttle back to **Brisbane Virgin Domestic Terminal**. Check in and obtain our boarding passes for our flight to **Adelaide**.

Depart **Brisbane** on Virgin Australia flight **VA1388** at **08.45 (08.45am)**, arriving **Adelaide Domestic Airport** at **1110 (11.10am)**. (B)

**AFTER YOUR TOUR A CHAUFFEUR CAR WILL DRIVE YOU BACK HOME**

TOUR COST:

Twin/double: \$4985.00 per person  
Single supplement: \$ 955.00 per person

MEAL CODINGS:

(B) – Breakfast (M) – Morning tea (BR) - Brunch  
(L) – Lunch (D) - Dinner

TOUR INCLUDES:

- Hughes transfers from/to your home (zoned area only).
- Services of an experienced Spark Travel Tour Manager\*
- Economy Class Virgin Australia flight including taxes Adelaide/Brisbane and Qantas Brisbane/Norfolk Island/Brisbane/Adelaide. Your ticket includes 20kgs checked in baggage, 7kgs hand baggage and in-flight refreshments.
- 1 night's accommodation at the Ibis Brisbane Airport **pre & post tour**, including dinner, breakfast and airport shuttle transfers
- 7 nights' accommodation with private facilities at the Paradise Hotel and Resort, Norfolk Island.
- 9 breakfasts, 9 dinners, including Dinner & Entertainment, Island Style Dinner & entertainment, Traditional Christmas Dinner, 3 lunches, 1 brunch and in-flight refreshments.
- Tours and entries with Baunti Tours as specified in the itinerary.
- Complimentary Paradise Hotel & Resort tea and coffee station.
- Complimentary hotel morning shuttle service to/from Burnt Pine Shopping Precinct.

NOT INCLUDED:

- Meals, morning and afternoon teas, drinks other than indicated in the itinerary.
- Portage - a suitcase with wheels is recommended **maximum weight 20kgs and 1 hand baggage maximum 7kgs.**
- Optional tours.

ESSENTIAL ITEMS FOR YOUR TOUR:

Waterproof and windproof jacket, umbrella, hat, sunscreen, sunglasses, comfortable walking shoes, camera, binoculars if interested in bird watching, small pocket torch.

COVID-19:

No responsibility is taken by Spark Travel or the Event Organisers in regard to Covid-19. It is highly recommended that visitors wear a mask on board flights and whilst in enclosed spaces and we also recommend full vaccination against Covid-19.

IMPORTANT:

Due to OSH requirements, baggage weighing more than 20kgs will not be carried by Hughes, airlines or our coach company.

\* A Spark Travel Tour Manager accompanying the tour is dependent on minimum numbers for a tour being reached.

\*\*NOTE: Air costs and taxes are variable and subject to change.

**\*\*Conditions Apply\*\***

## DOMESTIC TOUR BOOKING CONDITIONS

### TRAVEL INSURANCE:

Travel insurance is strongly recommended. Please ask your consultant for details. Please note that the majority of insurance policies do not cover Pandemics such as Covid-19.

### EVENTS BEYOND THE CONTROL OF SPARK TRAVEL:

Should an event occur which is beyond the control of Spark Travel, ie: delays to ship, aircraft, train, coach thereby incurring extra expenses, these additional costs are borne by the passenger at the time of the event. A travel insurance claim for reimbursement should be submitted to the insurance company upon return home. Please keep any receipts. It should be understood that neither Spark Travel nor any subsidiary company or representative shall be liable for any loss, injury or damage arising from our services.

### ITINERARIES:

Itineraries are subject to change and no responsibility can be accepted. Coach operator and size of coach may be changed at the discretion of Spark Travel without notice. Where a tour does not meet minimum numbers travelling together on the outward journey a cost surcharge will apply. If group numbers fall below 15 adult paying passengers no tour leader will be provided. No itemisation of tour arrangements can be given and no refund for any portion of a tour not taken. Flora and fauna as described in an itinerary is nature and as such cannot be guaranteed.

### ACCOMMODATION:

Spark Travel reserves the right to alter hotel/motel accommodation and to substitute a suitable alternative. Where accommodation is booked on a 'will share basis,' at the time of finalisation if there is nobody suitable to share with, it may be necessary to pay the appropriate single supplement. Spark Travel does not accept any responsibility for the non-compatibility of 'sharing' clients. If by choice a single room is requested and booked a single room surcharge will apply.

### HEALTH AND FITNESS:

A minimum level of fitness is required in order to be able to participate. As a minimum you will need to be able to walk up a flight of stairs and manage coach steps unaided. You must inform us before the commencement of the tour of any medical condition which may affect your ability to participate in the tour. Dietary requests must be accompanied by the appropriate dietary information. To protect yourself and fellow travellers, vaccination against Covid-19 is recommended.

### FUEL SURCHARGES AND TAXES:

All bookings may attract additional fuel surcharges and taxes which can be levied up to and including the date of departure even if final payment has been made. Booking is subject to final audit.

### SECURITY DEPOSIT:

A non-refundable security deposit of **\$675.00 per person (inc GST)** is required within five (5) days of booking.

### FINAL PAYMENTS:

The security deposit forms part of the total price, the balance of which is due 60 days prior to departure, or in the case of bookings made within that 60 day period, the final payment is due as soon as the booking is confirmed.

### LATE BOOKINGS AND AMENDMENTS:

Bookings made within 7 days inclusive of departure will incur a **late booking fee of \$75.00 per person**. Late bookings subject to availability. Once a booking has been made a **\$75.00 per person amendment fee** will apply for any alterations on selected departures only, and if applicable, one (1) change only to that booking. Transfers to other tours not permitted.

### CREDIT CARDS:

If paying by credit card, a surcharge applies of 2% for Visa and Mastercard and 3.5% for Amex and Diners cards.

### CANCELLATION CONDITIONS:

- i) We act as an Agent; and
- ii) That our Terms and Conditions are in addition to the Terms and Conditions of each Travel supplier listed on the quote itinerary; and
- iii) That it is the Terms and Conditions of the Travel supplier that determine the terms of cancellation and refunds, if any.

#### BOOKINGS CANCELLED AFTER THE FINAL PAYMENT HAS BEEN MADE:

- (a) Bookings cancelled 61 days or earlier, full refund less deposit and booking fee and any other non-refundable services or products.
- (b) Bookings cancelled 60 days or less prior to departure will incur a cancellation fee of 100% of the tour cost.
- (c) No refund can be given for any portion of the tour not taken and no refund after the tour has commenced.

## | Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is strongly recommended for all travel including domestic.

Travel insurance is available to cover you for cancellation including COVID-19.

Please ask your consultant for a quote.

## | Accreditation

