



SPARK TRAVEL



| 3 Day

AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL AIRSHOW

plus

AEROSPACE AND DEFENCE EXPOSITION AVALON
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| Fully Escorted From Adelaide

| Return Melbourne Flights

| 3 Day Gold Pass Grandstand Ticket

| 2 Nights's Accommodation in Geelong

PROGRAMME: AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL AIRSHOW 2025

The Australian International Airshow 2025 is back and returning with a 'BANG.' The largest Airshow in the Southern Hemisphere will kick off the weekend with the famous Friday 'Night Alight.' featuring live music, night-time aerobatics and the unforgettable 'Wall of Fire.'

All weekend you are promised to see the most potent assets in our air defence arsenal strut their awesome stuff at Australia's world famous aviation spectacular. Marvel as jet fighters, strike bombers and heavy lift leviathans are joined by swarms of attack helicopters, both from home and abroad, for a series of breathtaking routines and simulated combat manoeuvres.

The aerospace showcase will feature the technology of tomorrow. Hundreds of the world's leading innovators will display their latest and most exciting aerospace, aviation, defence products and inventions.

Airshow 2025 will be the most dynamic pageant of its kind ever staged in Australia.

HIGH-FLYING CAREERS

The sky is the limit for young people pursuing careers in aviation, aerospace and defence. At public sessions of the Airshow exhibitors will be available to discuss careers in their respective industries. The Australian Defence Force will have a substantial recruitment presence highlighting the careers available in defence. Comprehensive industry displays will provide a glimpse of what it is like to work in aviation, aerospace and defence – from technical trades and engineering to operations and business management.

UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

See the aircraft - speak to those who fly them! The Airshow static and tarmac displays will feature hundreds of aircraft of just about every style and size. From the latest combat jets to experimental and historic aircraft. This is your chance to get up close and personal with the aircraft and those who fly, own and restore them.

AIRSHOW SHOPPING

The Flyers Market will offer a wide range of collectables for the aviation enthusiast. Shop for a great selection of souvenirs, kites, books, badges, posters and model aircraft. There are novelties for the children, nostalgic items for serious collectors and all types of aircraft memorabilia for sale. A wide range of quality official merchandise is available for purchase on site.

WHAT IS INCLUDED IN YOUR GOLD PASS:

- Reserved Gold Pass Grandstand seats directly overlooking the runway action!
- Private Gold Class enclosure and facilities – exclusive food outlets, bar and dining area (all food and drinks at own cost).
- Complimentary AIRSHOW 2025 Gold Pass cap and programme.
- PLUS: Friday Gold Pass Holders have early access to the Airshow site.
(Note: Persons under 16 years of age can only enter the Exposition Pavilion from 2.00pm)

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 in writing.

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

****It should be noted** that to be fair to all passengers, specific coach seats cannot be reserved.

****Please note** that on tours where flights are involved, the seating within the confines of the group is computer allocated alphabetically by the airlines concerned and beyond the control of Spark Travel.

ITINERARY:

DAY 01 – FRIDAY, 28 MARCH – FLY ADELAIDE/MELBOURNE, – FULL DAY AIRSHOW & ‘NIGHT ALIGHT’

0430 (04.30am) Meet your **Spark Travel Tour Manager** at **Adelaide Airport Main Terminal** and check in for your **Virgin Australia flight** to **Melbourne**. Please present photo ID ready to pick up your boarding pass.

0610 (06.10am) Depart **Adelaide** on flight **VA204**

0800 (08.00am) Arrive **Melbourne Terminal 3**.

On arrival in **Melbourne**, join our **private charter coach** for the journey direct to the **2025 Avalon International Airshow** at **Avalon near Geelong**. (Note: Before entering the Airshow it will be necessary to undergo normal airport security screening).

3 DAY RESERVED GRANDSTAND GOLD PASS SEATING directly in front of the runway.

Enjoy the exciting **Avalon International Airshow** and from your **reserved Gold Pass seats**, view the thrilling **Friday ‘Night Alight’ Show**.

At the end of the evening’s flying displays, rejoin the coach and transfer to our overnight accommodation in nearby Geelong. A **light supper** will be provided tonight (drinks at own cost).

OVERNIGHT: RYDGES GEELONG, GEELONG. (S)

DAY 02 – SATURDAY, 29 MARCH – IN GEELONG – FULL DAY AT AVALON AIRSHOW

This morning after a **buffet breakfast** at the hotel, transfer in the **Spark Travel private coach** back to **Avalon** for the **Australian International Airshow**. Enjoy an exciting day, again with **reserved Gold Pass Seats**, to enjoy the action in the air, also time to explore the hundreds of exhibits. Late afternoon transfer back to our hotel. Tonight is free for own dinner arrangements.

OVERNIGHT: RYDGES GEELONG, GEELONG. (B)

DAY 03 – SUNDAY, 30 MARCH – MELBOURNE/ADELAIDE – FULL DAY AT AVALON AIRSHOW

This morning enjoy a **buffet breakfast** at the hotel.

0900 (09.00am) Transfer by our coach (with bags) to **Avalon** and another **full day at the Avalon International Airshow** with **reserved Gold Pass seating**.

At the completion of the day’s flying we transfer by coach to **Melbourne Airport** for your return flight to **Adelaide**.

Check in for your flight. Please have photo ID ready for inspection.

2120 (9.20pm) Depart **Melbourne** on flight **VA249**

2210 (10.10pm) Arrive **Adelaide Airport Main Terminal. (B)**

TOUR COST: **Sharing twin/double:** **\$2198.00 per person**
Single supplement: **\$379.00 per person**

MEAL CODINGS: (B) - Breakfast (S) - Supper

TOUR INCLUDES:

- Virgin Australia flights Adelaide/Melbourne/Adelaide.
- 2 nights' accommodation at the Rydges Geelong, with light supper on Friday night and 2 full buffet breakfasts Saturday and Sunday.
- Coach transportation as per itinerary.
- 3 Day Gold Pass to the Australian International Airshow 2025 with reserved Grandstand seating directly in front of the runway – All day Friday and 'Night Alight' and all day Saturday and Sunday plus Airshow 2025 Gold Pass cap and programme.
- Access to the exclusive 'Gold Pass' enclosure. Within this exclusive area you will find food outlets, bar, 'alfresco' dining and private facilities. Note: Food and beverages in the 'Gold Pass' enclosure not included in tour cost.
- Goods and Services Tax.

NOT INCLUDED:

- Meals and refreshments, drinks, other than those specified in the itinerary.
- Items of a personal nature.

ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE AIRSHOW

We recommend the following: Comfortable shoes, shirt or blouse with sleeves, sun hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, small towel to cover seat, water bottle, camera and binoculars. Wheelchair facilities are not available to hire at Avalon, however Virgin Australia will fly your wheelchair at no cost – this will need to be noted at the time of booking. Any wheelchair passengers must be accompanied by persons fit and able to assist.

DISCLAIMER:

Spark Travel and the Event Organisers of the Australian International Airshow & Aerospace and Defence Exposition 2025 do not accept responsibility for any negligent acts or omissions by performers, display participants, spectators, visitors, exhibitors, caterers, contractors, suppliers or other persons. The right is reserved to vary, add, withdraw or substitute performances, exhibits or displays.

REMOTELY PILOTED AIRCRAFT ('Drones')

Remotely Piloted Aircraft ('Drones') may not be brought onto the Event site. Should these aircraft be available for purchase at the Airshow they are not permitted to be flown either at the Event or in the Carpark and must remain in sealed and unopened packaging.

ADELAIDE AIRPORT PARKING:

Parking is available at Adelaide Airport in the Main Terminal Carpark, approximately \$200.00 for 3 days or in the Long Stay Carpark a 10 minute walk distance, approximately \$90.00. Costs estimate only based on 2024 parking prices.

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 coach company.

****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.

AVALON AIRSHOW: See itinerary.

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. It is recommended masks be worn on flights and in crowded or inside spaces. 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 **\$650.00 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 is due no later than Friday 10 January 2025 or in the case of bookings made within that 70 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.

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 71 days or earlier, full refund less deposit and booking fee and any other non-refundable services or products.
- (b) Bookings cancelled 70 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

