

6 Day

SYDNEY CHRISTMAS & INDIAN PACIFIC TRAIN

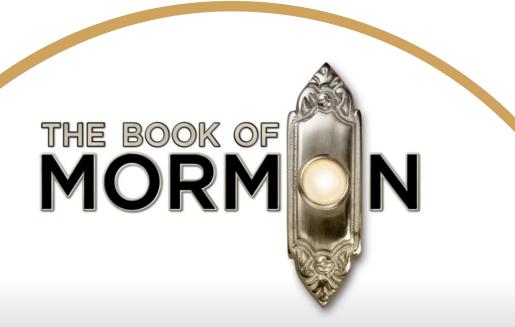
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Monday 22 December 2025

Fully Escorted From Adelaide Return Home Transfers Indian Pacific Train From Adelaide To Sydney Buffet Christmas Lunch Boxing Day Captain Cook Cruise

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Hughes Home Pick Up Service (zoned area only).
- 2 nights' Adelaide to Sydney on board the Indian Pacific Train in Gold Class, including a welcome dinner in the Barossa Valley.
- Virgin Australia Flight Sydney to Adelaide
- 3 Night's accommodation at the centrally located Vibe Hotel Sydney.
- 'The Book of Mormon' is back! Premium seats to the hilarious musical at the Capitol Theatre.
- Fabulous all you can eat Buffet Christmas Lunch and 3 hour drinks package at the Crowne Plaza Resort in the beautiful Hawkesbury Valley.
- Explore the historic town of Windsor at the head of the Hawkesbury river.
- Boxing Day Captain Cook Cruise to follow the start of the Sydney/Hobart Yacht race.
- See Sydney Opera House and Harbour Bridge, visit beautiful and historic La Perouse.
- Free time to explore The Rocks Saturday Markets.



INDIAN PACIFIC:

Accommodation on board the train is in comfortable Gold Service in twin cabins with upper and lower berth or single roomettes, which during the day convert into conventional seating. Twin cabins have their own refurbished private shower, toilet and washbasin, whilst the singles have refurbished washbasin facilities, with toilets and showers being available at the end of each carriage. Enjoy stylish dining in the famed Queen Adelaide Restaurant with complimentary soft drinks, beer, wines, base spirits and tea/coffee included in the Outback Explorer Lounge and Queen Adelaide Restaurant. Indian Pacific also includes off train excursions in both Broken Hill and the Blue Mountains. Upgrade to Platinum Class or Gold Premium subject to additional cost and availability.

'THE BOOK OF MORMON' MUSICAL AT THE CAPITOL THEATRE

The Tony, Olivier & Grammy award-winning production of 'The Book of Mormon' is returning to Sydney.

The 'New York Times' calls it "the best musical of this century". It's 'The Book of Mormon' the nine-time Tony Award-winning Best Musical.

This outrageous musical comedy follows the misadventures of a mis-matched pair of missionaries, sent on a mission to a place that is about as far from Salt Lake City as you can get.

'The Book of Mormon' features book, music and lyrics by Trey Parker, Robert Lopez and Matt Stone.

The production is co-directed by Casey Nicholaw and Trey Parker.

Disclaimer: 'The Book of Mormon'

The show features strong language and controversial themes which may be offensive to some people.

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. 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 flight/rail are involved, the seating within the confines of the group is computer allocated alphabetically by the airlines/rail concerned and beyond the control of Spark Travel.

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.

ITINERARY:

DAY 01 - MONDAY, 22 DECEMBER - JOIN THE INDIAN PACIFIC TRAIN, WELCOME DINNER

4.30pm Check in at **Adelaide Parklands Terminal**, (formerly Keswick Station), where you will be met by your **Spark Travel Tour Manager**. Passengers joining the train in Adelaide will transfer by coach to the **Barossa Valley** and **Seppeltsfield Estate** for a **signature dining experience and fine wines**, before boarding the train back at the Adelaide Parklands Terminal.

Depart Adelaide at 10.40pm on board the **Indian Pacific** and travel through the wide open spaces of the South Australian mid-north, arriving early tomorrow morning into the mining town of **Broken Hill**.

OVERNIGHT: ON BOARD THE INDIAN PACIFIC. (D)

DAY 02 - TUESDAY, 23 DECEMBER - ON BOARD THE INDIAN PACIFIC - BROKEN HILL This morning, we disembark from the train at Broken Hill where a selection of complimentary tours off the train are on offer. (Ask your Spark Travel Consultant for the choices available so you can select your preferred choice of tour which will be confirmed on the train). Later, reboard the Indian Pacific and continue our journey to the Blue Mountains and Sydney. OVERNIGHT: ON BOARD THE INDIAN PACIFIC. (B,L,D)

DAY 03 - WEDNESDAY, 24 DECEMBER - INDIAN PACIFIC & MAGNIFICENT BLUE MOUNTAINS - SYDNEY

This morning, wake up and enjoy **breakfast** as we wind our way into the heart of the magnificent **Blue Mountains**. Disembark from the Indian Pacific at **Mt Victoria Station** to explore the world-heritage listed national park. First stop is a complimentary visit to **Scenic World** – ride the steepest incline railway in the world or try the cable car ride, the choice is yours. See panoramic views of the **Three Sisters** and the scenic **Jamison Valley**. Later, at the **Lookout Restaurant** enjoy a **light lunch including award-winning wines and beer**, not to mention the picturesque views. From **Katoomba** board a privately chartered train and be whisked away to **Sydney Central Station**, arriving at **3.15pm**.

After collecting our luggage, the **Spark Travel private charter coach** will transfer the group to the nearby **Vibe Sydney Hotel**, our home for the next 3 nights.

OVERNIGHT: VIBE SYDNEY HOTEL, SYDNEY. (B,L,D)

DAY 04 - THURSDAY, 25 DECEMBER - IN SYDNEY - WINDSOR & CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON AT CROWNE PLAZA HAWKESBURY VALLEY

This morning after breakfast we head an hour north west of Sydney to the beautiful Georgian town of **Windsor** at the head of the mighty Hawkesbury River The 4th oldest place of British settlement on the Australian continent, dating back to 1791. On arrival in Windsor there will be time to take a walk around this beautiful historic town after which we head off to our lunch venue at the **Crowne Plaza Hawkesbury Valley**. Here we will enjoy a **sumptuous Christmas Buffet Luncheon** which includes locally sourced produce, seafood, tender marinated meats and mouthwatering treats. Your lunch also includes a **3 hour Standard Beverage Package**, **Christmas Bon Bons and theming and a visit from the 'Man In Red' (Santa)!** Later we return to our hotel in Sydney. A **light evening meal** in the hotel will be provided tonight. **OVERNIGHT: VIBE SYDNEY HOTEL, SYDNEY. (B,L,EM)**

DAY 05 - FRIDAY, 26 DECEMBER - IN SYDNEY - BOXING DAY CAPTAIN COOK CRUISE TO START OF THE SYDNEY TO HOBART YACHT RACE - 'BOOK OF MORMON' MUSICAL

Today, we transfer down to King Street Wharf No.4. for our Captain Cook cruise. Experience the excitement of the start of the Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race. Watch one of the world's greatest ocean races as they set sail for Hobart, from one of the largest, most beautiful natural harbours. Sail under the famous Sydney Harbour Bridge and see the iconic Sydney Opera House. After the cruise, enjoy free time to explore Darling Harbour, then transfer back to our hotel to prepare for our night out.

'THE BOOK OF MORMON' AT THE CAPITOL THEATRE

This evening transfer to the Capitol Theatre. From Premium seats enjoy the **7.30pm** performance of 'THE BOOK OF MORMON' musical.

After the show we conclude the evening at our hotel with a light supper and 'glass of bubbly.' OVERNIGHT: VIBE SYDNEY HOTEL, SYDNEY. (B,S)

DAY 06 - SATURDAY, 27 DECEMBER - SYDNEY/ADELAIDE - THE ROCKS SATURDAY MARKETS. LA PEROUSE, LUNCH AT BRIGHTON-LE-SANDS RSL

After loading the coach our first stop today will be at **The Rocks** for a break and a chance to explore the iconic **Rocks Saturday Markets**. See the original Rocks houses, and don't forget to walk down Playfair Street to view the delightful statue of 'Biggles' the Schnauzer, a much-loved former member of The Rocks community. Also look up behind the buildings towards the cliffs where remnants of some of the original settlement houses can be seen. Our next stop will be at **La Perouse** on the northern headland of Botany Bay to see the fascinating historic precinct, then onto **Brighton Le Sands**. Lady Robinson's Beach, at 7kms in length, is the longest beach in Sydney and in 1874 was named after Governor Sir Hercules Robinson's wife. Perhaps take a stroll along the Grand Parade overlooking the bay, view the Bicentennial Monument which commemorates the First Fleet Landing in 1788 or the statue of 1896 Olympian Spyros Louis. Enjoy a **light lunch** at the **Brighton Le Sands RSL**, after which we transfer to Sydney Airport for the flight home. Please ensure you have photo ID ready for presentation in order to receive your boarding pass. **4:30pm Depart Sydney Airport** on Virgin Australia flight **VA428**, arriving **Adelaide Airport** at **6.10pm (B.L)**

AFTER YOUR TOUR A HUGHES CAR WILL DRIVE YOU BACK HOME

TOUR COST: Sharing twin/double: \$4985.00 per person Single supplement: \$465.00 per person

MEAL CODINGS: (B) - Breakfast (L) - Lunch (D) - Dinner

(EM) - Evening Meal (S) - Supper

TOUR INCLUDES:

- Hughes transfers from/to your home (zoned area only).
- Escorted from Adelaide by an experienced Spark Travel Tour Manager.
- Travel Adelaide to Sydney on board the iconic Indian Pacific Train including a dinner in the Barossa Valley and off-train excursions.
- Fly Sydney to Adelaide with Virgin Australia.
- Luxury air-conditioned touring coach.
- Hotel accommodation with private facilities at the Vibe Sydney Hotel.
- Buffet Christmas Lunch including 3 hour drinks package at the Crowne Plaza, Hawkesbury Valley.
- Captain Cook cruise to Follow the Start of the Sydney Hobart Yacht Race.
- Premium seats to 'The Book of Mormon' musical at the Capitol Theatre.
- Cooked breakfast each morning, 3 dinners, 1 light evening meal, 1 supper, 4 lunches (including Christmas lunch).
- Touring as detailed in the itinerary.
- Goods and Services Tax.

NOT INCLUDED:

- Meals, morning and afternoon teas, drinks other than indicated in the itinerary.
- Porterage. A suitcase with wheels is recommended max weight 20kgs plus a small overnight bag maximum weight 7kgs.
- Items of a personal nature.

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, rail or our coach company.

Conditions Apply

DOMESTIC TOUR BOOKING CONDITIONS

TRAVEL INSURANCE:

Travel insurance is strongly recommended. Please ask your consultant for details.

Should you have any pre-existing medical conditions, please let your consultant know so they can be listed on the policy.

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 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. Dietarty 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 \$1000.00 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 on Wednesday, 18 June 2024, or in the case of bookings made made after 18 June 2024, 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 prior to 18 June 2024, full refund less deposit and booking fee and any other non-refundable services or
- (b) Bookings cancelled on or after 18 June 2024 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



