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NSW Central Coast Tour ***The Entrance***

6 Days – 5 Nights *\$1,695 ppts

(*minimum 30 passengers)

Enjoy a well-paced and scenic journey through some of New South Wales' most iconic coastal and inland regions on this 6-day touring holiday. From the waterways and beaches of the Central Coast to the heritage towns of the Southern Tablelands and the dramatic landscapes of the Blue Mountains, this itinerary combines natural beauty, relaxed sightseeing, and engaging local experiences.

Based for three nights at The Entrance on the shores of Tuggerah Lakes, we explore the highlights of the Central Coast including coastal villages, national park lookouts, and the historic Hawkesbury River. A signature experience of the tour is the Riverboat Postman cruise, offering a unique perspective of river life along one of Australia's most historic waterways, complete with lunch onboard.

Our journey also features a comfortable overnight stop in Goulburn and Young, allowing for a relaxed pace and an enjoyable travel experience through regional New South Wales. The return leg showcases the spectacular Blue Mountains, including Echo Point and the world-famous Three Sisters, before travelling through Bathurst and the Lachlan Valley region.

This carefully designed itinerary blends coastal charm, inland heritage, and outstanding natural scenery, offering a varied and memorable touring experience with a balance of travel, comfort, and discovery.

Day 1 Hume Highway – Albury/Wodonga – Holbrook – Goulburn

We depart your club at 7.00am and travel to the Hume Highway. We then travel to the Euroa Service Centre for morning tea (own expense). We then continue along the Hume Highway into North-East Victoria and then into New South Wales to Holbrook for lunch. Holbrook is known as "The Submarine Town". Submarine Park boasts the 'above water' sections of the HMAS Otway (the submarine measures about 80metres from bow to stern). We then continue our journey along the Hume Highway (comfort stop enroute) to Goulburn for our overnight stopover. Our accommodation is at the Heritage Motor Inn. Tonight, we enjoy dinner served in the motel licensed restaurant.

Day 2 Sydney – Hawkesbury River – Central Coast – The Entrance

This morning we farewell Goulburn (8.00am motel departure) and travel along the Hume Highway to Sydney (comfort stop enroute). We then travel around Sydney on the M7 Motorway to the Pacific Highway onto the Hawkesbury River. We then travel to the Wyong Service Centre for lunch. This afternoon we travel into the Central Coast to The Entrance – our destination for the next 3 nights (arrive approx. 3.30pm). Our accommodation is at the Ibis Styles The Entrance situated

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approximately 1km from the centre of town and overlooks the stunning Tuggerah Lakes. Tonight, we enjoy dinner served at Diggers Licensed Club which is attached to Ibis Styles The Entrance. There is an enclosed walkway on Level 2 for direct access to Club. Guests at Ibis Styles have access to all entertainment facilities at the Club.

Day 3 Norah Head Lighthouse Tour – The Entrance – Old Wyong Dairy Little Creek Cheese Shop – Luka Chocolate Shop

This morning we visit the Norah Head Lighthouse – the lighthouse was constructed in 1903 and sits on a dramatic headland overlooking the Pacific Ocean. We enjoy a guided tour through this historic lighthouse. You can even climb the stairs to the top for breathtaking 360-degree views. We then visit Soldiers Beach – one of the most popular surfing & swimming beaches before returning to The Entrance for lunch. This afternoon we continue our exploration of the Central Coast travelling around Tuggerah Lakes to Wyong. We visit the old Wyong Cheese Factory – home to Little Creek Cheese Shop and Luka Chocolate Shop. We then leisurely return to The Entrance. Tonight, we enjoy dinner served at the Diggers Club.

Day 4 Riverboat Postman @ Hawkesbury River – Gosford – Brisbane Waters – Woy Woy – Avoca Beach – Terrigal

This morning we travel south along the Pacific Highway to Brooklyn on the banks of the Hawkesbury River to board the *Riverboat Postman* (departs daily at 10.00am). The Riverboat Postman started the run in 1910 delivering the mail and other essentials along the river. Enjoy entertaining and informative commentary from the local skipper as we stop for deliveries at Dangar & Milsons Islands, Kangaroo Point, Bar Point, Marlow Creek, Fisherman's Point and Milsons Passage. This 3-hour cruise includes morning tea and a delicious Ploughman's Lunch served on board. This afternoon we explore Brisbane Waters, Woy Woy, Avoca Beach and Terrigal – famed for its broad golden sand beach, tranquil lagoon and seaside vibe. This Norfolk pine-lined Esplanade is filled with cafes, boutiques, ice-cream parlours and rooftop bars – most popular holiday destination on the Central Coast. We then return to The Entrance and tonight enjoy another dinner served at the Diggers Club.

Day 5 Penrith – Blue Mountains – ‘The Three Sisters’ at Echo Point – Lithgow – Bathurst – Lachlan Valley – Cowra – Young

This morning we farewell The Entrance and travel south along the Pacific Highway towards Sydney. We travel around Sydney to the M2 Motorway and then onto the Western Highway through Penrith onto the Blue Mountains. As we gradually ascend into the Blue Mountains we travel through the towns of Glenbrook, Blaxland, Springwood, Faulconbridge, Hazelbrook and Lawson to Katoomba. We visit ‘The Three Sisters’ at Echo Point – the lookout also has breathtaking views of the Blue Mountains and the Jamison Valley. We then travel through Blackheath (the highest town in the Blue Mountains), before descending down into the Lithgow Valley (lunch stop details to be confirmed). This afternoon we follow the Western Highway onto Bathurst. At Bathurst we take a short diversion to drive around the Mt Panarama Racing Circuit. The circuit is a public road and other than designated race meetings you can drive around the circuit. We then continue our journey through the old gold mining towns of Blayney and Carcoar to Cowra and then onto Young for our overnight stopover. Our accommodation is at the Cherry Blossom Motel. Tonight, we enjoy dinner at the Young Services Club.

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Day 6 Cootamundra – Junee – Culcairn – Albury – Home

This morning we farewell Young and travel south along the Olympic Way through Cootamundra, Wagga and Junee to Culcairn for lunch. We then travel to Albury and then continue our homeward journey travelling south along the Hume Highway (comfort stop enroute) to Melbourne before arriving back at your club approx. 5.00pm (depending on traffic & road conditions).

New South Wales Central Coast Tour Includes:

- ✓ *Seat-belt equipped coach travel – departs from your club*
- ✓ *3 nights motel accommodation at the Ibis Styles The Entrance located approx. 1km from the centre of town overlooking Tuggerah Lakes*
The hotel is a multi-level complex with lift access to all upstairs rooms
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- ✓ *Overnight motel accommodation at the Heritage Motor Inn, Goulburn and Cherry Blossom Motel, Young*
- ✓ *2- Course dinners served at the Diggers Club, The Entrance – 3 nights*
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- ✓ *2 -Course dinner served at Young Services Club, Young*
- ✓ *Hot & cold breakfasts served at Diggers Club – The Entrance*
- ✓ *Cooked breakfasts served each morning @ Diggers Club, The Entrance and also Heritage Motor Inn, Goulburn. Continental breakfast served at Cherry Blossom Motel, Young*
- ✓ *All admissions and sightseeing teas as per itinerary*
- ✓ *Riverboat Postman Hawkesbury River Cruise including Ploughman's lunch*

Conditions:

- *The tour price quoted \$1,695 per person is based on twin share accommodation and requires a minimum of 30 passengers. The single supplement is an additional \$90 per night. Should passenger numbers fall below the minimum 30 passengers then the tour price will increase according to the number of passengers.*
- *The tour price quoted does not include lunches (exc. Day 4) or travel insurance. Designer Tours recommends all passengers have suitable travel insurance.*
- *Please note that should unsuitable or unsafe conditions not allow the tour to visit a particular attraction or place of interest or an attraction on the itinerary has now closed or is closed on the day then a suitable alternative will be substituted. Designer Tours reserves the right to make a decision on unsuitable or unsafe conditions.*
- *Cancellation Policy: \$400 cancellation fee applies per person to any booking cancelled prior to seven days before departure. There is no refund for any booking cancelled less than seven days before tour departure.*
- *Designer Tours recommends that all passengers have suitable travel insurance – please take special notice of cancellation policy.*