

Yarrowonga & Murray River Towns
Featuring the New Silo Trail!
7 Days/6 Nights



Date: Tuesday 1 to Monday 7 November 2022

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DAY 1 – Tuesday

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Welcome to your 7-day Yarrowonga & Murray River Towns Tour! Your tour begins with mini coach pick up in the morning from your home, before meeting with our large coach. Off we go! From the coast we pass through the Southern Highlands and Goulburn, with light morning tea stop to be provided by Kiama Scenic Tours en-route. The latest Silo to be painted in NSW is the **Murrumburrah Mills Silo** and was only completed in February 2021. Today is Melbourne Cup Day, so it's time to don our racing attire for our **Melbourne Cup luncheon** at the **Light Horse Hotel**. It's the race that stops the nation as we see the race on the big screen. Afterwards, continue south via Junee to **Wagga Wagga** where we settle in for our first nights' accommodation. Dinner taken onsite at the accommodation. Accommodation: Quality Rules Hotel, Wagga Wagga Ph 02 6931 2000

DAY 2 – Wednesday

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Cooked Breakfast provided at accommodation. This morning we visit the **Mount Erin Heritage Centre**, that is located on the original Mount Erin Convent which was built in 1874. This historic site is where five Presentation Sisters from Ireland established a convent and school in 1876. The Heritage Centre displays the history of the Presentation Sisters in the Riverina and beyond. A timeline, changes in dress, photographs and unique memorabilia show the sisters' lifestyle over the years. A harp brought from Ireland by the pioneers, and priceless lace are among the exhibits.



Mid-morning, we depart Wagga and arrive at **The Rock** where we stop at the **Marrocka Emu Farm** for a **guided tour** of the farm and **morning tea**. We take a look at the Water Tank Art in **Milbrulong**, then arrive in Lockhart in time for **lunch**.

This afternoon a **local guide** joins us on the coach and we take a look at the Water Tower Art and the Farm Sculptures followed by a visit to the **Greens Gunyah Museum** and the **Doris Golder Gallery**. The portraits in this collection were created using washed wool from white and coloured sheep, no dyes were used. Doris spent over 14 years successfully creating these rare pieces of art, during which time over 30 portraits were completed. From Lockhart we now make our way into **Albury** and settle into our accommodation for the next 4 nights. Dinner taken onsite at the accommodation. Accommodation: Siesta Resort, Albury Ph 02 6025 4555

DAY 3 – Thursday

BLD



Cooked Breakfast provided at accommodation.

After our breakfast we make our way north to **Corowa**, the small town on the New South Wales side of the Murray River. We stop in at the **Federation Museum** to see the collection of material relating to the Federation of Australia and the part Corowa played in its development.

Following our tour, we head to **Yarrowonga** where we join the **PS Cumberoona** for a **luncheon cruise** on **Lake Mulwala**. The Lake is dominated by a vast number of trees standing in the water and the lovely homes along the foreshore. Lake Mulwala was formed by the completion of the Yarrowonga Weir, which in turn was part of the massive Lake Hume project to harness the waters of the Murray for irrigation.

Following our cruise, we welcome a **local guide** onboard the coach for a locally guided tour of the area. We top off the day with a stop in **Rutherglen** on our way back to Albury.

Dinner taken onsite at the accommodation.

Accommodation: Siesta Resort, Albury Ph 02 6025 4555

DAY 4 – Friday

BLD



Cooked Breakfast provided at accommodation.

Today we will be looking at the four Silo's that have been painted in the Victorian townships of **Tungamah**, **St James**, **Devenish** and **Goorambat**. Tungamah was the first of the Silos painted and it features several Brolgas and a Kookaburra. In **St James** you will notice a large mural of **Sir George Coles**, the founder of Coles Supermarkets and the town has a plaque showing where his first business was located. The **Devenish Silo** was unveiled on Anzac Day Eve 2018 and coincides with the 100-year centenary of the end of the First World War. The artwork is of both a First World War nurse and a modern day combat medic. The **Goorambat silos** were painted by famed iconic Melbourne Street artist Dvate, known for his striking renditions of endangered animals from across Australia. Dvate has created another monumental artwork depicting an endangered bird of prey from the area. Whilst in Goorambat we will also see the impressive **"Sophia"** mural in the Uniting Church, painted by the Melbourne-based artist Matt Adnate. We have **lunch** in Benalla and take a look at several of the Murals in town, then we make our way back to Albury via Glenrowan.

Dinner taken onsite at the accommodation.

Accommodation: Siesta Resort, Albury Ph 02 6025 4555

DAY 5 – Saturday

BLD



Cooked Breakfast provided at accommodation.

Following breakfast, we take a look around Albury. Prominent hills lie at each end of Dean Street and offer excellent vistas of Albury and the surrounds. Once aptly named **Eastern Hill** and **Western Hill**, a memorial Pillar (to the Soldiers of WWI) resulted in the name change from Western Hill to **Monument Hill**. From here we can see Albury and the Murray River winding below, then make our way down to the **Albury Botanical Gardens**; they are located at the western end of Albury's main shopping area on a 4-hectare (10 acre) site. The gardens feature an impressive plant collection of both native and exotic origins. The first trees (Elm Avenue) were planted in 1877 and the tallest tree is a Queensland Kauri Pine, reaching a towering 41 metres.



We then see **Albury Railway Station** which, in 1883, became a “change over station” for passengers between Melbourne and Sydney due to the different rail gauge used in NSW and Victoria. The station has the longest platform in NSW.

Next, we visit the **Bonegilla Migrant Experience**. The migrant experience features the remnant huts and buildings of "Block 19" one of the original 24 accommodation blocks and other buildings that once covered a 130ha area. The original complex was built as the Bonegilla Migrant Reception and Training Centre in 1947 and until 1971 served as Australia's largest and longest operating migrant centre. It was the first Australian home for more than 300,000 post war migrants from over 50 countries.



After our busy morning we are ready for **lunch**, and then we'll visit the **Murray Arts Museum Albury (MAMA)**. Re-opened in October 2015, every corner of MAMA is bold, vibrant and alive. Along with an emphasis on innovative, self-curated exhibitions, MAMA features a stunning 24-hour 'art skin', interactive workshops and immersive cultural experiences. MAMA reimagines what a gallery can be. After our visit, we head back to the motel with time to relax and freshen up before dinner.

Dinner taken onsite at the accommodation.

Accommodation: Siesta Resort, Albury Ph 02 6025 4555

DAY 6 – Sunday

BLD



Cooked Breakfast provided at accommodation.

Leaving Albury, we make our way to Holbrook and our first stop is at the **Submarine Museum**. You might think it's a bit odd to find a life-sized submarine in the middle of rural NSW? Our visit will reveal why the HMAS Otway's final resting spot came to be in Holbrook. Through an amazing holograph presentation, we will hear how a brave young Submariner, whose exploits during the First World War earned him the honour of having a town named after him. We also have time to take a look at the **National Museum of Australian Pottery** – another of Holbrook's interesting attractions. There are over 1500 pieces of domestic pottery on display from 120 companies established between European settlement and 1920 and include a few rare examples made by the convict Jonathan Leak who's few surviving pieces are the earliest pottery produced in Australia. We make our way to the **Gundagai District Services Club** for our lunch stop before continuing on to Yass for our overnight accommodation. Time to relax before dinner.



Dinner taken onsite at accommodation.

Accommodation: Thunderbird Motel, Yass Ph 02 6226 1158

DAY 7 – Monday

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Cooked Breakfast provided at accommodation.

With our bags packed full of wonderful memories we head for home.

Kiama Scenic Tours to provide light morning tea en-route.

Lunch stop taken along the way at venue of driver's choice (own expense).

Return to your home late afternoon.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to Covid-19, all itinerary attractions are subject to change without notice

B = Breakfast **M** = Morning Tea **L** = Lunch **D** = Dinner

Inclusions:

6 nights' accommodation, all breakfasts, all dinners, light morning tea on 3 days, lunch on 6 days, entry to all attractions and coach pick up & drop off from your home.
(Illawarra, Shoalhaven and Sydney areas only)

	Price per person twin share	Single supplement
Travel Club Members	\$2150	\$513
Non-Members	\$2200	\$513

Deposit required upon booking: \$100 per person

Balance due: Friday 30 September 2022

CANCELLATION FEES AND AMENDMENTS

All fees will be levied relative to the amount of notice given

Days Notice:	60-90 Days ↓	31-60 Days ↓	Within 30 days ↓
Deposit:	Full refund <u>OR</u> Transferable**	50% refundable & Non-transferable	Non-refundable & Non-transferable

**If you cancel your booking 60 days or more prior to your booked tour, the deposit is transferable to another advertised tour. This deposit is only transferable once. Should you cancel a tour a second time, full deposit will be lost. Please contact office for further details.

All payments can be made by the following options:

- In person at our tour office
- Via credit card payment over the phone (VISA or Mastercard only)
- Cheque or money order sent to our post office box. All cheques/money orders are to be made payable to 'Kiama Scenic Tours'.
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- All tours are subject to minimum numbers
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- Due to seating restrictions, we cannot reserve seats on the coach.
Seat rotation will apply for all extended tours.
- All guests must be Double Vaccinated (or have medical exemption) to travel on our coach
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