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## *With Ezi Drive Coaches*



*5 Days / 4 Nights - with Brian and Mary*

**Tour Departs Sunday 30 December 2012 - Thursday 3rd January 2013**

### **Tour Inclusions:**

- Pick up from your home, transport to Young and return (Sydney Metropolitan area)
- Luxury Coach Travel Seatbelts & Restroom
- 4 Nights Minimum Three Star Quality Motel Accommodation
- 4 Three Course Dinners & All Fully cooked Hot Buffet Breakfasts
- Lunches Day 2, 3 & 4
- All Entry Fees and Guides as per Itinerary
- Escorted tour

### **Tour Highlights:**

Miss Trails House & Garden; River Park Wines; Lambing Flat Museum; Bluestill Distillery Cafe & Gallery; Donald Bradmans Birthplace & Memorabilia Cottage; Cootamundra Town tour including Captains Walk; Wombat Heights Orchard; Chinese Tribute Gardens; Poppas Fudge & Jam Factory; landra Castle; Sunnyside Rose Gardens; Grenfell - Walk of Fame; Harden Light Horse Memorial and more.

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| <b>Tour Fee including GST:</b> | <b>Members</b>           | <b>\$1399.00 per person, twin share</b> |
|                                | <b>Non Members</b>       | <b>\$1419.00 per person, twin share</b> |
|                                | <b>Single Supplement</b> | <b>\$272.00</b>                         |

**Minimum loading 20 passengers booked and paid by 08 November, 2012**

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# The Itinerary

## Day 1. Sunday 30th December: Bringelly / Young

A/Tea & Dinner

This morning we pick you up from home and begin our way along the Great Western Highway through to Bathurst where we stop in at **Miss Traill's House & Garden** a colonial Georgian home which contains the collection of the Lee family who were amongst the very first European settlers to the west and pioneering settlers in the Bathurst District. The house, horse paddock, 19th century cottage gardens and the memorabilia collection by Miss Traill and her family provide an accurate window into the past. We have time to purchase some lunch in Bathurst (own expense) before continuing along to **Cowra** where we stop in at **River Park Wines**. Bill and Christine Murphy produce Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon on their lovely vineyard & surrounding gardens overlooking the Lachlan River. We enjoy Devonshire tea and tasting this afternoon before arriving into Young this afternoon. We settle into our rooms later this afternoon and enjoy dinner in the motel restaurant tonight.

Overnight: Young

## Day 2. Monday 31st December: Young & Cootamundra

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

This morning after a cooked breakfast we visit the **Young Visitor Information Centre**, which is located in the historic former Young Railway Station. Here we watch a short dvd on the area as well as having a look through the range of souvenirs and a range of local products such as jam, olive oil and more for purchase. We make our way to **Lambing Flat Museum** where we have a talk and time to wander around the Museum. This 1883 school building is full of items of Young's unique history including the "Roll Up Flag" that was carried by rioting minors in 1861. The museum also has household, textile and war exhibits to name a few. **Bluestill Distillery Café & Gallery** will be our next stop today, a family operated distillery just out of town. They distill a range of quality spirits which are nationally distributed. We are treated to a freshly cooked home style lunch followed by tastings. After lunch we travel south to **Cootamundra** where we visit **Donald Bradman's Birthplace and Memorabilia Cottage** for a talk and tour before picking up our local guide for a tour of the town including the Captains Walk featuring bronze sculptures of Aussie Test Captains, the unusual Milestones featuring wheat sculptures and the Wiradjuri Windows. The Wiradjuri Windows project involved collaborating artists, a stained glass artist and a visual artist. They worked on the story of Ngarradan the original dreamtime creation story of Cootamundra with designs for stained glass windows installed in the Cootamundra Town Hall. We return to Young later this afternoon to our accommodation.

Overnight: Young

## Day 3. Tuesday 1st January: Wombat / Young

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

We wake up to the new year and after a leisurely breakfast we make our way just out of town to **Wombat Heights Orchard**, located near the lovely rural village of Wombat. We enjoy an introductory talk and depending on the season will have time to pick our own peaches. We have time to have a look and purchase from the **Grog Shed** which has cherry wines and other liquors, home made jams, pickles, chutneys and preserves. Next we travel to the **Chinese Tribute Gardens** where we enjoy a cuppa from the coach before having a relaxing wander through the gardens and enjoy the 'Pool of Tranquility'. The gardens stand as a reminder to the contribution made by the Chinese to both Young and Australia as a nation. We enjoy a packed lunch in the gardens before heading into town to **Poppas Fudge & Jam Factory**. Here we find a huge range of chocolates, fudge, jam and sauces all grown by Poppa and made in store. This afternoon we head back to our accommodation where we enjoy the rest of the afternoon at leisure before meeting up for dinner in the motels restaurant later tonight.

Overnight: Young

## Day 4. Wednesday 2nd January: Grenfell / Young

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

This morning after a cooked breakfast we make our way to **landra Castle** which is a magnificent 53 room castle similar to those one would see in the English countryside. The castle was built by Mr G.H. Greene and construction took four years from 1899 - 1903. After our tour we then make our way to **Sunnyside Rose Gardens and Clydesdales** for the ultimate country experience. Overlooking the orchards of Wirrimah, Sunnyside boasts a garden with over 2000 landscaped roses. We can wander through the gardens and can see the bygone farm machinery and view the works of our resident artist. We enjoy lunch in the function centre with live entertainment including easy listening music, bush poetry and yarns to complete our country experience. Later in the afternoon we travel back to Young via Grenfell. In **Grenfell** we walk the **Walk of Fame** which commemorate the 50th Henry Lawson Festival of Arts in 2007, plaques honouring each official guest were laid in the Main Street footpaths. The plaques are randomly placed on both sides of the street. Grenfell is the **birthplace of Henry Lawson** one of Australia's most famous poets, who wrote short stories like the slapstick Loaded Dog and the moving Drivers Wife. A monument to Lawson now shaded by a sugar gum planted by his daughter, Bertha, is located two minutes drive from the town centre and a bust is situated in the aptly named Main Street. We arrive back at our accommodation to freshen up before dinner.

## Day 5. Thursday 3rd January: Young / Bringelly

Breakfast

Today after our full breakfast we farewell our hosts and travel home via **Murrumburrah** and **Harden**. Gold was discovered as early as 1856 in the picturesque Harden district. Gold here was found in creeks, in reefs close to the surface and in deep mines which continued to produce gold until the mines got so deep they flooded and were no longer productive. We stop at the **Light Horse Memorial** in Murrumburrah which commemorates the birthplace of the 1st Australian Light Horse at Murrumburrah in 1897. Bronze sculptures of Cpl William Bradford of the 1st Australian Light Horse, the 'Retreat at Romani' with horse 'Bill the Bastard' carrying five men, and a diorama of Beersheba by Murrumburrah sculptor Carl Valerius, granite blocks, a wall or remembrance and a number of commemorative plaques are set in a tranquil garden which glides down to Murrumburrah Creek. In Harden we stop at the **Light Horse & Military Museum** where Brian and Judy Dunn open their private museum. Brian gives a tour of the exhibits, highlighting the role of the men of the Light Horse regiments from their founding in the late 19th century. We stop at Bowning for lunch (own expense) and arrive back home to say goodbye at your door after spending a fabulous few days in Young with Ezi Drive Coaches.

For information and bookings phone: 02 4774 9700

Please note that itinerary is subject to change without notice.