

## Tamworth, Quirindi, Nundle, Uralla & Armidale

Six day holiday package departing Monday 9<sup>th</sup> & returning Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2020 & including:

- \* Luxury return coach travel from Sydney
- \* 5 nights' accommodation at the Econo Lodge Tamworth located on a flat block with ground floor rooms including all rooms with a walk shower recess.
- \* Hearty breakfasts & delicious evening meals in the Motels licenced Restaurant plus light lunches every day.
- \* Fascinating day tours and entry to all attractions as detailed in the itinerary

### Day 1- Sydney to Tamworth

Board your luxurious Australia Wide Coach at your designated departure location this morning. A morning tea break at the M1 Service centre with time to purchase a coffee & a snack followed by lunch provided in Muswellbrook. It's an easy journey today with an afternoon comfort stop mid way to Tamworth. You will be warmly welcomed at the very comfortable Tamworth EconoLodge. The contact number will be 02 67657022. All allocated rooms will be ground floor & all rooms have a walk in shower recess & an easy flat stroll to the on site Motel Restaurant.

### Day 2-Tamworth local day

Start the day with a morning town tour with a local guide on board taking in the history of Country Music, highlights of Tamworth, Cahors Cottage a drive through the amazing Equine Centre complex.

A special lunch will be provided at the Long Paddock Restaurant adjacent to the Big Golden Guitar. The Golden Guitar stands 12 metres high & was unveiled by Slim Dusty in 1988. There is a gift shop, music shop, Country Music Roll of honour & memorabilia of the Golden Guitar winners since 1973

Mid afternoon enjoy some free time with a drop off & pick up at the main street shops. Tamworth has a very attractive, tree lined main Street with a huge variety of country stores.

### Day 3-The Uralla region & Armidale

Morning tea upon arrival in Uralla before a visit to Sunhill dairy goats farm just 15 minutes on the eastern side of Uralla. A family operated farm where you will see the white goats with opportunity to taste their cheese & see their range of goats milk skin care products.

Return to Uralla & McCrossins Mill for an entertaining talk & lunch. Built in 1870, McCrossin's Mill is a restored three storey flour mill which now houses a multi-award-winning museum & gallery. Many locals once believed the "Old Mill" to be haunted. Occupying the ground floor, a series of nine paintings by artist Phillip Pomeroy depict the fatal events of 25th May 1870, when Constable Alexander Walker brought an end to the reign of gentleman bushranger, Captain Thunderbolt. Upstairs, the museum is renowned for its empathic, humorous and even bizarre exhibitions.

After your visit continue onto Armidale for a town tour on the coach. It is home to the oldest regional university in New South Wales and is a gracious country city steeped in history with fine architecture, cathedrals, churches and historic buildings. At an altitude of 980 metres, with four distinct seasons, Armidale's air is clean, fresh and invigorating.

### Day 4- Wallabadah, Quirindi & Werris Creek

Morning tea at the First & Second Fleet memorial Gardens at Wallabadah on the way to Quirindi

It is a short drive to Quirindi & the incredible Bobs Shed packed with an amazing range of Collectibles

Take a stroll down memory lane at the Old Time General Store, the "Railway Hotel & the local Mechanics Garage.

See the classic cars on display & visit Peter Brock World including a replica of Peter Brock's 1985 Holden dealer team racing Commodore & the most amazing range of Peter Brock memorabilia anywhere in the country. The entire "Shed" is immaculate, not a speck of dust to be seen anywhere. You will enjoy a home style BBQ lunch prepared by Bob & his wife. This afternoon as you return a stop will be included at Werris Creek Railway Station. Still operating as a station, the Museum tells the story of how the railways shaped the nation with an interpretive display in the Former Refreshment Room. Once again it is an impressive display.

### Day 5-Historic Nundle

It's only 60 kilometres to Nundle, a picturesque & historic gold-mining village.

The Nundle Woollen Mill is one of the last spinning Mills still operating in Australia with machinery dating back to 1890. Take in the charm of the main streets range of stores housed in the revitalised historic buildings. Be sure to visit Odgers & McClellands Exchange Store also dating back to the 1890's for an incredible range of hard to find traditional house wares. Enjoy lunch at the Mount Misery Gold Mine Café & take a stroll through the adjoining section of the old Mine. The Mount Misery Gold Mine Museum features a 150 metre underground mine tunnel and is packed with mining and gold rush memorabilia. The Museum gives you an authentic taste of the life and trials of the pioneers. It includes historic gold panning and mining equipment plus newspaper extracts from the gold rush era, which allow you to learn more about the local characters and events occurring in Nundle during the time.

### Day 6-Tamworth to Sydney

Depart Tamworth this morning with a morning tea break along the way before lunch provided in the Hunter Valley. An afternoon comfort stop at the M1 Service centre between Newcastle & Sydney this afternoon.

We trust that the warmth and friendship shared on this trip will last forever. Thank you for choosing this tour. We look forward to you joining our other coach tours in the future & we would welcome your call for further information.

\*Tour prices are valid at time of publication but are subject to changes to accommodation costs & fuel costs. On occasions it may be necessary to amend the advertised itinerary or the order of the days to fit in with the local conditions & the venues. Such changes will only be made in the best interests of all passengers comfort & safety.

Daily seat rotation on the coach is required & it is essential for all passengers to participate (280219)

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