

# A TALE OF TWO HARBOUR CITIES WITH BILL PEACH JOURNEYS

Sojourn Vivid Sydney & Newcastle

6 Days | 5 - 10 Jun 2022 | AUD\$5,595pp twin share | Single Supplement FREE\*

# **EXCLUSIVE HIGHLIGHTS**

- Spend 3 nights at the multi award-winning Four Seasons Hotel Sydney with harbour views
- Private cruise on Sydney Harbour viewing the bright lights of Vivid Sydney
- Historical private tour of The Rocks and Art Gallery of NSW
- Discover the world's finest Akoya Pearl while cruising the scenic lower Hawkesbury River
- ₩ Discover Newcastle's convict and industrial past
- Cruise the spectacular Lake Macquarie
- All meals breakfast, lunch and dinner including a harbourside welcome dinner at Matt Moran's Aria and farewell dinner at renowned Ouav
- Explore the Vivid highlights of Sydney with new friends while enjoying your own room with no single supplement charge
- All touring and transfers included
- W Escorted throughout by a dedicated Journey Director

"You provided a great itinerary, a great trip, a great Journey Director. Another 5 star Bill Peach Journey!"

Elizabeth Wheeler, Paradise Waters, QLD

ivid Sydney is the world's largest festival of light, music and ideas set against the backdrop of the spectacular Harbour City which is transformed by this unique colourful, creative canvas. The centrepiece of Vivid Sydney is the immersive light sculptures, multimedia interactive work and building projections that transform various buildings and landmarks such as the Sydney Opera House and Sydney Harbour Bridge in and around the city. Discover the history of The Rocks precinct by day and marvel at this incredible city as it comes to life under breathtaking lights. Each evening return to the comfort of your centrally located luxury accommodation, the Four Seasons Hotel Sydney. We then head north to explore another harbour city, Newcastle. Here we will learn about its industrial and convict past and discover the impact world conflicts had on the city. Other highlights include a private cruise on Sydney Harbour to view Vivid, a guided tour of the NSW Art Gallery, discover the world's finest Akoya Pearl at NSW's only pearl farm, cruise sparkling Lake Macquarie and indulge in exquisite dining. Don't miss out!

#### **ABOUT SOJOURNS**

Our Sojourn programmes are short break journeys put together in conjunction with themes, events or experiences.

These programmes range from cruising New Zealand's North Islands to world class sporting events and unique experiences throughout Australia and New Zealand.

#### FULLY INCLUSIVE

When you travel on a Sojourn

with Bill Peach Journeys everything is included and arranged before you even leave home. That includes all sundries like tips, taxes and transfers. In fact you won't even need to carry your bags.

Enjoy the finest level of accommodation, dining and service all in the one fare. From the very moment your journey begins, your seamless travel experience with Bill Peach Journeys begins.









#### DAY 1 | ARRIVE SYDNEY

Transfer from Sydney Airport to the Four Seasons Hotel Sydney, the perfect base for our upcoming Vivid Sydney touring. Enjoy the many facilities of this exceptional hotel and take advantage of its incredible location as it places you among the city's vibrant shopping and business precincts and next to the popular historic Rocks district and harbourside, Circular Quay. Your welcome dinner this evening at Matt Moran's renowned Aria will be hosted by your Journey Director.

Overnight: Four Seasons Hotel Sydney

## DAY 2 | SYDNEY & VIVID

We begin this morning in appreciation of the spectacular "Emerald City" magnificently perched on breathtaking Sydney Harbour. We will stroll the shoreline then explore The Rocks, wandering down hidden alleyways, into shady courtyards, along cobbled lanes and discover the living history and heritage of Australia's first British settlement. Hear tales of the plague, Suez Canal, Nurses Walk, the Argyle Cut, the green bans that saved The Rocks and the characters and rogues who called it home.

This afternoon, we visit The Art Gallery of NSW, one of Australia's leading art museums. Enjoy a guided tour in a gallery housing a collection of Australian, Aboriginal, European, Asian and contemporary art.

This evening we board our private cruise on Sydney Harbour to enjoy the spectacular visual feast that has become Vivid Sydney. Marvel as Vivid transforms Sydney into a wonderland of 'light art' sculptures, innovative light installations and grand-scale projections. It is a magical celebration of light-design excellence and the world's largest outdoor art-gallery.

Vivid Sydney engages lighting artists, designers and manufacturers from around Australia and the world to illuminate, interpret and transform Sydney's urban spaces through their creative vision.

Overnight: Four Seasons Hotel Sydney

### DAY 3 | SYDNEY - NEWCASTLE

Departing Sydney this morning we head to Newcastle past Peats Ridge and Mooney Mooney set on the rocky foreshore of the Hawkesbury River. Upon arrival, we enjoy a historical tour of the city. We will learn about the city's colonial heritage and industrial past viewing the rock pool carved by convicts and the Convict Lumber Yard they built.

We learn about the impact of war on Newcastle and how it shaped its character including a visit to Fort Scratchley, the only coastal fortification in Australia to return fire on an enemy vessel during World War II.

Overnight: Novotel Newcastle



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# DAY 4 | LAKE MACQUARIE

Today we enjoy the spectacular Lake Macquarie, the largest permanent coastal saltwater lake in the southern hemisphere. It is twice the size of Sydney Harbour and home to 30 kilometres of pristine coastline. Lunch on the waterfront at Trinity Point before returning to Newcastle where we will enjoy dinner along the wharf.

Overnight: Novotel Newcastle

## DAY 5 | NEWCASTLE - SYDNEY

After breakfast, we visit Broken Bay Pearl Farm which grows the world's rarest and most valuable Akoya pearls. Here we enjoy a cruise upon the oyster punt "Rose" where we will discover the colourful history of pearling in Australia. After lunch, we transfer back to Sydney. Tonight we indulge in a special harbourside farewell dinner at Quay, where we will savour a progression of rare and beautiful ingredients where texture, flavour and harmony are paramount.

Overnight: Four Seasons Hotel Sydney

# DAY 6 | DEPART SYDNEY

Saying a fond farewell to new friends, the journey concludes and you will be transferred to Sydney Airport for your flight home.

\*Conditions Apply: Single Supplement Free offer cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer.



