

Bay of Fires Walk

5 Days



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A feast for the eyes as well as the soul, Tasmania's north-east region including larapuna/ Bay of Fires and the Blue Tier range is nothing short of spectacular, where white sand meets turquoise-blue water, bordered by green coastal heathland, and dotted with the famous vivid orange and grey granite boulders; it's a destination that begs to be explored, one foot after the other. This five day small group walking tour ex-Launceston is a chance to do just that.

Begin with a day at leisure and a welcome dinner in Launceston, and then put your best foot forward as you journey along larapuna/Bay of Fires. Take in spectacular locations including The Gardens, Eddystone Point Lighthouse, the temperate rainforest of the Blue Tier range - and many more! You'll also learn about the abundant birds and wildlife that call the region home, as well as sites of local Aboriginal significance, from the professional tour guides. Package includes four nights' hotel accommodation, 12 meals including all meals during the walking tour, national park fees, and return transfers from Launceston.

Details

Arrive: Launceston

Depart: Launceston

Duration: 5 Days

Group Size: Maximum 12 quests

Average Age: 55-75

Activity Level: Moderate to Challenging

Testimonials

"Although initially hesitant to join an organised tour, I'm so glad I did. From emails early on, to phone calls with me to check things, like "How to prepare" emails ... IO's communication is superb. Our guides, Sarah and Anna, were intelligent, empathetic, knowledgeable, humble, caring and safety conscious. Add to the mix a great group of like minded people and delicious home cooked meals and the result was a first class holiday. Such a gorgeous part of Australia. Adventure made easy."

Barbara E - 2018





Highlights



Iconic orange rock formations which give the area its name.



Walk along stunning coastline and rainforest.



Look out for crepuscular wildlife.

What to expect



Each night we return to comfortable accommodation where you can relax in a social setting.



Carry only a daypack and leave all the heavy work to us!



Average Temperature

(min - max, degrees celcius):

Autumn: 8 - 18

Summer: 12 - 22

Spring: 7 - 18





Itinerary

5 day guided walking tour of the famous larapuna/Bay of Fires region and Blue Tier range in north-east Tasmania. White beaches, vibrant orange lichen covered rocks and aqua marine waters. Comfortable accommodation, all meals.

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Day 1 ARRIVAL DAY WITH WELCOME DINNER

Arrive at any time during the day and make your way to the Hotel Grand Chancellor Launceston for a 2pm check-in. Meet in the lobby of the hotel at 6pm for a tour briefing followed by a 7pm welcome dinner at the hotel restaurant.

Activity: Travel day

Meals: D

Accommodation: Hotel Grand Chancellor - Launceston (or similar)

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Day 2 THE GARDEN TO POLICEMAN'S POINT

Your holiday begins! We will depart the Grand Chancellor at 7:30am and we have a 2-2.5hr drive to The Gardens area at the southern end of the Bay of Fires Conservation Area.

After a lovely homemade morning tea and taking in some of those spectacular orange rocks this coastline is so famous for, we will start our walk heading north. The Eddystone point Lighthouse will be our guiding beacon in the distance, as we will be walking towards it the whole day. This section of the walk has a few longer loose pebble sections as well as few headlands with rock boulders to navigate around.

The end point today is at Policeman's Point from where we will make our way to your comfortable accommodation in a Superior Room at the Bayside Hotel in St Helens for dinner and an evening at leisure.

Activity: 15km walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Bayside Inn - St Helens (or similar)

Day 3 MUSSELROE BAY TO BOULDER POINT

Today it's a decent drive to the other end of the Bay of Fires coastline, where we start heading south from Musselroe Bay, aided by the prevailing winds. We will be heading along those famous and stunningly white and isolated beaches in Mt William National Park. The beautiful blue water might even invite you for a relaxing swim at Boulder Point.





After our beach and sand walking is done for the day we make our way to Mt William (wukalina) for some 360 views from its peak (216m). On a good day you can see as far as the islands of the Furneaux Group in Bass Strait. Finish the day back at your comfortable accommodation where you can relax and enjoy a hot dinner.

Activity: 12km walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Bayside Inn - St Helens (or similar)

Day 4 BOULDER POINT TO PICNIC ROCK

More isolated and wide white sandy beaches await us today. We head along the coast from Boulder Point past Cobblers Rocks to Deep Creek, and finish around Picnic Rock.

Along the way we should encounter some of the many shorebirds that call this area home and will pass Aboriginal sites of significance.

Depending on the tide, we may need to take off shoes to cross Groves Creek close to the end of our walk.

Once we meet up with the bus again, we will do a little detour to Eddystone Lighthouse, to finally see up close what we have been walking towards in the last couple of days.

Activity: 15km walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Bayside Inn - St Helens (or similar)

Day 5 PICNIC ROCK TO ANSONS BAY - LAUNCESTON

After 3 wonderful days exploring this amazing place todays walk will summarise everything we have seen in one day.

From Picnic Rock we will head across Eddystone Point to a white and seemingly endless beach before navigating our way around some headlands with those famous orange boulders.

The last section of our walk today takes us inland through coastal tea tree and heath country.

Our walk ends at Ansons Bay, which completes our end to end along the larapuna coastline. We will have some time to observe swans, cormorants, pelicans and many more birds, who usually frequent the lagoon.





From Ansons Bay it's a scenic 2.5hr drive back to Launce	ston, which sees us getting back to
Launceston around 5pm.	

Activity: 12km walk

Meals: B, L

Departure Dates

08 Oct 2022	-	12 Oct 2022

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18 Oct 2023 22 Oct 2023

28 Oct 2023 01 Nov 2023

08 Nov 2023 12 Nov 2023

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Pricing

2022

\$1,999 Per Person

\$350 Deposit

Optional Extras

Single Supplement \$440

Inclusions

- All transport in a private mini bus
- Professional guiding and support each day
- Emergency support: guides carry satellite phones and a full first aid kit
- National Park entrance fees
- 4 night's comfortable accommodation
- 4 healthy breakfasts cereal, fruit, yogurt, toast
- 4 morning teas, carried by your guide
- 4 lunches
- Pre-dinner nibbles each night
- 4 delicious two course dinners
- Excellent itinerary and planning drawn from 20 yrs experience

Exclusions





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Jump onto our website www.inspirationoutdoors.com.au, find your tour in the menu and click on the orange button in the top right hand corner that states, 'CheckAvailability/ Book Now' alternatively call us on 08 6219 5164 (international calls dial +618 62195164) or email us at walk@inspirationoutdoors.com.au.

Pay a \$350pp deposit to secure your booking (full payment is required six weeks prior to departure or at time of booking if booking within six weeks).

Cancellation Policy

All our tours are guaranteed departures.

We hope that you do not need to cancel your booking. However, if you do, our cancellation fee, based on the notice given prior to the departure date, is:

- 85 days or more, you will be refunded all monies paid, less a \$50 administration fee.
- 42 to 84 days prior to departure, you will lose your deposit
- 28 to 41 days: 25% of full tour cost
- 14 to 27 days: 50% of full tour cost
- less than 14 days: 100% of full tour cost, no refund

We understand times are still uncertain as we ride the rollercoaster of state outbreaks. That's why we've introduced flexible cancellation terms so that if you're in a pickle, your adventure isn't. Please see our cancllation policy during covid restrictions here https:// www.inspirationoutdoors.com.au/covid-19/

If you have any concerns about cancelling, please take out travel insurance covering this contingency. This policy will be adhered to despite the most compelling and compassionate circumstances.



About our tours

First, our tours are for people who like to walk long(ish) distances. That means we usually leave our accommodation pretty early each morning (between 7.30 and 8.30) and finish walking mid to late afternoon.

You won't break any records on our walks - for fastest or slowest hike. We keep a steady pace, but there are plenty of opportunities to rest, take photos and appreciate the views along the way.

A relaxed, social and supportive atmosphere is central to our tours. Have a chat and enjoy the sights and smells with your walking companions. Then back at the accommodation, slip into your comfy slacks and slippers and put your feet up with a cup of tea or a wine. Enjoy the conversation around the dinner table. And if you want to go to bed as soon as you've finished the last spoonful of dessert, or stay up and chat, you can.

We don't specialise in birds or plants or rare subterranean amphibians - although we're interested in all of these things. There are no evening lectures and you don't need to bring a notepad and pen (unless you want to). We have a sound and ever-expanding knowledge of the unique and special environments that we walk through, and love sharing what we know with those who are interested. We especially like digging around for stories of the plants and people whose history is linked with the areas we walk in and we'll share those stories with you as we walk.

Our tours are for those who enjoy the simple pleasure of walking in nature, combined with the luxuries of a proper relaxing holiday. We pay attention to the details so that you can relax and enjoy the experience. With the assistance of a team of knowledgeable friends, Inspiration Outdoors aims to provide... Recreation Beyond Expectation

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