

# DISCOVER ALPINE CHARM WITH BILL PEACH JOURNEYS

Sojourn Bright & The Victorian High Country

7 Days | 24 - 30 Sep 2022 | AUD\$5,995pp twin share | Single Supplement FREE\*

### **EXCLUSIVE HIGHLIGHTS**

- Spend 7 days exploring Victoria's High Country
- Explore the towns of Albury, Mt Beauty, Bright Milawa, Myrtleford, Beechworth and Rutherglen
- Enjoy 2 nights of superb comfort in boutique stylish accommodation at The Lancemore Milawa
- Marvel at nature's display in the spring colours of the Victorian alpine regions
- 🤯 Visit the Kiewa Hydroelectric station at Bogong
- Try your hand at fly fishing in the cool waters in Harrietville
- Includes return economy flights to Albury from Sydney or Melbourne
- All meals breakfast, lunch and dinner
- Escorted throughout by a dedicated Journey Director

"Every day was full of highlights. Particularly good was not having to queue up and having special guides."

Judith Pollock, Sutherland NSW

Explore an area of outstanding natural beauty with mountains, rivers and lush fertile valleys and picturesque historic towns. Gracious avenues of poplars, maples, silver birches, pin oaks, liquid amber and verdant ashes - many planted early last century cloak the towns and villages of the area in stunning foliage. Dotted along the Ovens and Kiewa rivers the towns are nestled at the very foot of the Mount Buffalo and Alpine National Parks.

A photographer's paradise, the mountains offer spectacular vistas, beautiful wildflower displays and the chance to see Australia's native birds and animals in their natural environment. Visiting during spring we will fully appreciate the vibrancy of this region and be awed by nature's colour palette. With breathtaking backdrops you will learn a fascinating history shaped by pioneering pastoralists, fortune-seeking gold miners and post-war migrants that unfolded in Victoria's High Country. Delightful accommodation and incredible food and wine as usual! We would love you to join us.

#### **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 ALBURY

Fly from Sydney or Melbourne to Albury and transfer to the award-winning Atura Albury. A welcome dinner tonight hosted by your Journey Director is the perfect chance to meet your fellow travellers.

Overnight: Atura Albury or similar

## DAY 2 | ALBURY - MT BEAUTY - BRIGHT

Travel to breathtaking Mount Beauty, nestled in Victoria's high country and visit the Kiewa Hydroelectric station. Drive to Bright and enjoy a spot of shopping before embarking on a historical tour of the town. We will learn about the history of Porepunkah and the bushrangers during the gold rush on a private tour of Bright Museum. This afternoon, sample alpine valley alternative varietals at Billy Button Wines.

Overnight: Ovens Valley Motor Inn or similar

#### DAY 3 | BRIGHT

We head further into the Alpine National Park today, visiting the lush village of Harrietville. Located at the foot of Mt Feathertop and Mt Hotham, this charming destination is noted for its outdoor pursuits and stunning mountain scenery. Enjoy a delightful morning tea at the Lavender Hue Farm before we tour the nearby trout farm. Later we drive to picture-perfect Wandiligong and discover a valley patchworked with apple orchards and nut groves. We visit the Chinese Swing Bridge which commemorates the contribution of

the Chinese during the gold mining days. Overnight: Ovens Valley Motor Inn or similar

#### DAY 4 | BRIGHT -BEECHWORTH - MILAWA

Transfer this morning to the township of Myrtleford which is beautifully positioned in the northern foothills of the Mt Buffalo Range adjacent to the Ovens River. Stunning scenery provides a dramatic backdrop as we learn about the town's gold mining, hops and tobacco past.

Learn about Beechworth's famous past this afternoon as we visit the Historic Courthouse where Ned Kelly was tried and the Burke Museum. The visit would not be complete without a stop at Beechworth Visitors Centre where Bill Peach himself was a patron and has a piece of artwork dedicated to him. Your boutique accommodation this evening, the Lancemore Milawa, is situated in the picturesque Milawa gourmet wine region. It is a tranquil country house hotel brimming with elegance and style - the perfect base to experience a rich bounty of world-class food and wine, high country history and breathtaking landscapes.

Overnight: Lancemore Milawa or similar

#### DAY 5 | BEECHWORTH

Today we embark on a true farm-totable wine and food adventure at Brown Brothers Winery. Join the chefs to learn about and forage for produce, before taking a tour of the winery and finishing

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off with a specially designed lunch, perfectly paired with wine.

Later we visit the Eldorado Dredge, one of the largest in the Southern Hemisphere. Continuing on to Benalla, we spend some time at the Benalla Art Gallery and Botanic gardens to delight in the spring colours. On our journey we will make a stop at the famous Silo Art, a celebration of street art. Overnight: Lancemore Milawa or similar

#### DAY 6 | MILAWA -RUTHERGLEN - ALBURY

After breakfast we transfer to the Rutherglen region to enjoy the produce for which the area is world-renowned. Sample handmade cheese at the Milawa Cheese Company and delicious olive inspired delights at The Wicked Virgin. Enjoy tastings and lunch at Jones Winery which has been producing award-winning wines since 1860. Indulge in whiskey and chocolate at the Corowa distillery set in a heritage-listed 1920's flour mill before exploring contemporary pieces at the Albury Art Gallery. This evening we enjoy our farewell dinner.

Overnight: Atura Albury or similar

#### DAY 7 | DEPART ALBURY

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Sydney or Melbourne. Say farewell to new friends and take away memories of a delightful High Country Sojourn.

Please contact Bill Peach Journeys or your local travel agent for assistance with airfares.





