



PUBLIC DAY TOURS, SHORT BREAKS & EVENTS BROCHURE

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Even if a tour has sold out, we encourage you to contact us via email or phone to be placed on our Wait List. If we have a cancellation or two, we contact those on the list to see if they still wish to join us on the tour.

If you see “(DEP10)” next to the price of a day tour/event, a \$10 non-refundable deposit will be required to secure your booking.

2026 PUBLIC DAY TOURS (More to be added soon!):

- **Pretty Woman: The Musical** - Wednesday 21st January 2026 - **sold out**
- **Sydney Harbour Long Lunch Cruise** - Friday 6th February 2026 - 2 seats left **Venue:** King St Wharf **Cost:** \$165 - Includes ^home pick-up & drop-off service, return transport to King St Wharf, 2.5-hour Captain Cook cruise on Sydney Harbour, 3 course a la carte lunch ***Itinerary:** 10:15-11:15am home pick up service 11:30am Depart Kariong after comfort stop 1.00pm - Arrive at King St Wharf 1:30 - 4:00pm Long Lunch Cruise 5:30 - 6:00pm Arrive back at Kariong & begin home drop off service
- **History & High Tea at the QVB** - Tuesday 10th February 2026 – **currently sold out** **Venue:** Sydney CBD **Cost:** \$160 - Includes ^home pick-up & drop-off service, return transport to venue, 1 hour guided history tour of the QVB, traditional high tea in the QVB Tearooms ***Itinerary:** 8:15 - 9:15am Home pick up service (within our pick up area for this day tour) 10:30am - Arrive at the Queen Victoria Building, Town Hall 11:00am - 12:00pm - Guided tour of the QVB 12:30pm - 2:00pm - Traditional High Tea in the QVB Tea Room 3:00pm Depart QVB for the Central Coast after enjoying a bit of retail therapy *Please note:* although escalators & elevators are used to access the different levels of the QVB, this tour may not be suitable for those with limited fitness as it is a walking tour
- **An Afternoon in Coogee** - Thursday 19th February 2026 **Venue:** Coogee **Cost:** \$70 - Includes ^home pick-up & drop-off service, return transport to Coogee via Double Bay, Dover Heights, Bondi Beach & Tamarama & complimentary afternoon tea ***Itinerary:** 12:00 - 1:00pm: ^Home pick up service (within our pick up area) Afternoon tea en route to Coogee 3:30 - 6:30pm: free time to explore Coogee(shopping beach, photograph the scenery, enjoy dinner at one of the local eateries) 8:00-8:30pm - Arrive back at Kariong & begin home drop off service
- **Lovely Lunches with Connect Coaches: Strangers' Restaurant** - Monday 23rd February 2026 **Venue:** NSW State Parliament **Cost:** \$140 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service within our advertised pick up/drop off area, return transfer to venue in Macquarie St Sydney, two course lunch selected from the a la carte menu at Strangers Restaurant on the day followed by tea/coffee (**drinks can be purchased independently on the day**) **Itinerary:** 9:00 - 10:00am: home pick up service (within our advertised pick up area) 10:15am: depart Kariong after a comfort stop 12:00pm - 2:00pm: enjoy your lovely lunch in Strangers' Restaurant 3.30pm: arrive back on Coast
- **Bingo Afloat on Newcastle Harbour** - Wednesday 4th March, 2026 - **currently sold out** **Venue:** Newcastle **Cost:** \$135 – Includes ^ home pick up & drop off service, return transport to Newcastle, 3 hour cruise, morning tea, plated lunch & dessert, games of bingo, trivia, prize giveaways & Captain's commentary **Itinerary:** 7.45 - 8.45am: home pick up service (within our advertised pick up area) 9.00am: Depart Tuggerah after a comfort stop 10.30am: Nova Cruises - Lee Wharf, 4 Honeysuckle Dr, Newcastle 11am - 2pm: Bingo Afloat Cruise 3.30-4pm: arrive back on Coast
- **Cobbitty Village Markets** - Saturday 7th March 2026 **Venue:** Cobbitty **Cost:** \$70- Includes pick-up & drop-off service & return transfer to venue, complimentary bottled water & biscuits **Itinerary:** 6:30 - 7:30am: **Pick up route before departing West Gosford by 7:45am (after a comfort stop) 10:00am - 12:00pm Free time to explore Cobbitty Village Markets 12:30pm - 1:00pm A quick drop into the Darrell Lee Factory, Ingleburn 3:00pm **Arrive back at West Gosford & begin drop off route **** For this event, Connect Coaches will pick up passengers from various locations on the Central Coast**
- **Kiama Seaside Markets** - Sunday 15th March 2026 **Venue:** Kiama **Cost:** \$90 - Includes pick-up & drop-off service & return transfer to venue **Itinerary:** 6:00 - 6:45am **Pick up route (not home pick up service) before departing the Central Coast by 7:00am. There will be a coffee & comfort stop along the way 10:30am - 1:30pm Free time to explore the beautiful seaside markets in Kiama 1:30pm Depart for the Central Coast & begin **drop off route **** For this event, Connect Coaches will pick passengers up from various locations on the Central Coast & will be sending two drivers due to the distance & time involved in getting to/from Kiama. Please contact Alison/Liam to find out your closest pick up location.** ~Min. Number for this event to proceed = 20



- **St Patrick's Day Celebrations at The Fiddler** - Monday 16th March, 2026 (*currently sold out*) **Venue:** Rouse Hill **Cost:** \$140 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service within our advertised pick up/drop off area, return transfer to venue, welcome drink upon arrive, 2 course lunch, tea/coffee, themed dining room & Irish entertainment **Itinerary:** 9:15am - 10:15am: home pick up service 10:30am: Depart Kariong after a comfort stop 11.45am: Arrive at the The Fiddler, Rouse Hill 12:00pm - 2:30pm: St Patrick's Day Celebrations 4:00pm: Arrive back on the Central Coast
- **Bradfield: Australia's Newest City** - Thursday 19th March 2026 **Venue:** Bradfield **Cost:** \$95 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service within our advertised pick up/drop off area, return transfer to venue, biscuits & juice, Bradfield Visitor Centre experience & lunch **Itinerary:** 7:15am - 8:15am: home pick up service 8:30am: Depart Kariong after a comfort stop 10:00am: Comfort & snack stop en route 11:00am - 12:00pm: Learn about the future of Bradfield City, witness stunning architecture in the First Building, see how industry and innovation is coming to life in the Bradfield Visitor Centre & complete our visit with a walk through the First Building's garden 12:30pm - 2:00pm: Lunch at a nearby cafe 4:00pm: Arrive back on the Central Coast & begin home drop off service
- **Zig Zag Railway Adventure** - Friday 20th March 2026 **Venue:** Clarence **Cost:** \$145 - Includes ^home pick-up & drop-off service, return transfer to Clarence, ticket for the 90 minute ride on the Zig Zag Railway & picnic lunch ***Itinerary:** 7-8am home pick up service then depart Kariong by 8:30am ; Comfort & coffee stop en route to Clarence before arriving at venue by 11:45am Lunch before or during train ride 12:30-2pm Zig Zag railway adventure 3:15 - 4:00pm Bilpin Fruit Bowl(time permitting) 6:00pm Arrive back at Kariong **Note; payment for this day tour will be due 6 weeks beforehand**
- **Lovely Lunches with Connect Coaches: Bobbin Inn Cafe** - Thursday 2nd April 2026 - *currently sold out* **Venue:** Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park **Cost:** \$90 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service within our advertised pick up/drop off area, return transfer to venue, national park entry fee, 2 course lunch (main course pre-selected) with tea/coffee station & a visit from the Connect Coaches Easter Bunny! **Itinerary:** 9:30 - 10:30am: home pick up service (within our advertised pick up area) 10:45am: depart Kariong after a comfort stop 11:30am: Arrive at café which is located within the beautiful Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park 12:00pm: Enjoy a lovely lunch before departing at about 2:00pm 3.00pm: Arrive back at Kariong **Please note;** this venue is not licensed but is a BYO (no corkage fee)
- **History of the Hawkesbury Lunch Cruise** - Friday 10th April, 2026 **Venue:** Brooklyn **Cost:** \$120 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service within our advertised pick up/drop off area, return transfer to Brooklyn Wharf, 3 hour lunch cruise with commentary, morning tea & Ploughman's lunch **Itinerary:** 8:15am - 9:15am: Home pick up service 9:30am: Depart Kariong after a comfort stop 10:30am - 1:30pm: Sit back, enjoy the view & learn about the rich military & political history of the Hawkesbury River 2:30pm: Arrive back on the Central Coast & begin home drop off service
- **ANSTO Guided Tour** - Monday 13th April 2026 **Venue:** Lucas Heights **Cost:** \$90 - Includes ^home pick-up & drop-off service, return transfer to venue, bottled water, juice & biscuits ***Itinerary:** 7:15-8:15am home pick up service then depart Kariong by 8:30am ; Comfort & coffee stop en route to venue 11:00am - 12:00pm Lunch at the ANSTO Cafe (to be purchased by passengers on the day) 12:30pm - 2:00pm Guided tour of the Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation 4:30pm - 5:00pm Arrive back at Kariong & begin home drop off service
- **Cluedo the Play (the ultimate whodunnit that will leave you dying with laughter and keep you guessing until the final twist.)** - Wednesday 15th April 2026 **Venue:** Theatre Royal **Cost:** \$150 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service within our advertised pick up/drop off area, return transfer to venue & ticket to the 1pm performance of this hilarious whodunnit play (Stalls Rows N & P, centre of row) **Itinerary:** 9-10am home pick up service 10:15am Depart Kariong after a comfort stop 11:30am Arrive at venue & have time to purchase lunch from one of nearby eateries 1:00pm - 3:30pm Matinee performance of "Cluedo the Play" 5:00pm Arrive back at Kariong
- **Old Government House Tour** - Friday 17th April 2026 **Venue:** Parramatta **Cost:** \$120 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service, complimentary morning tea, 1 hour guided tour of venue & lunch at a local club ***Itinerary:** 7:15am - 8:15am: home pick up service 8:30am: depart Kariong after a comfort stop 9:45am: complimentary morning tea at Parramatta Park 10:30am - 12:00pm: Guided tour of ground floor of house followed by self-guided tour of upper level 12:30pm: lunch at Parramatta Leagues Club 3:30pm: Arrive back at Kariong & begin home drop off service **Please note; there are only two steps to access the ground floor (guided tour) but there are two flights of stairs to access the first floor(self-guided tour)**
- **Bundanoon Highland Gathering** - Saturday 18th April 2026 **Venue:** Bundanoon **Cost:** \$120 - Includes pick-up & drop-off service from pick up points, return transfer to event & entry ticket **Itinerary:** 6:00 - 6:45am - ******Pick up route (not home pick up service) before departing the Central Coast by 7:00am. There will be a comfort stop along the way #10:00am - Free time to enjoy the excitement & events at the highland gathering By 2:00pm - Depart for the Central Coast 4:30-5:00pm - Approx. arrival time back on the Coast & begin ******drop off route **** For this event, Connect Coaches will pick passengers up from various locations on the Central Coast & will be sending two drivers due to the distance & time involved in getting to/from Bundanoon. Please contact Alison/Liam to find out your closest pick up location. #Please note; the street parade begins at 9:00am which we will not arrive in time for.**
- **Manly's Quarantine Station - Guided Tour + Lunch** - Thursday 23rd April 2026 - *currently sold out* **Venue:** Manly **Cost:** \$135 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service, complimentary morning tea, 1 hour guided walking tour at Q Station & lunch ***Itinerary:** 7:30am - 8:30am: home pick up service 8:45am: depart Kariong after a



comfort stop 9:30am: complimentary morning tea at Wahroonga Park 11:00am: arrive at North Head & catch the shuttle bus down to the wharf 11:30am - 12:30pm: "Quarantine Wander Tour" 12:45pm - 1:45pm: lunch at the venue's café; photo opportunity at North Head lookouts before departing for the Central Coast 4:00pm: Arrive back at Kariong & begin home drop off service ***Please note; attendees must be mobile and wear comfortable walking shoes as the tour includes a few stairs, inclines and declines.***

- **Tocal Field Day** - Saturday 2nd May 2026 **Venue:** Patterson **Cost:** \$105 - Includes pick-up & drop-off service from pick up points, return transfer to event & entry ticket, bottled water & snack **Itinerary:** 7:30 - 8:30am - **Pick up route (not home pick up service) before departing the Central Coast by 8:45am. There will be a comfort stop along the way 10:00am - Free time to enjoy the excitement & events at the field day 4:30pm - Approx. arrival time back on the Coast & begin **drop off route ** ***For this event, Connect Coaches will pick up/drop off passengers from/to various locations on the Central Coast. Please contact Alison/Liam to find out your closest pick up location.***
- **Featherdale Wildlife Park** – Monday 4th May 2026 **Venue:** Doonside **Cost:** \$115 - Includes ^home pick-up & drop-off service, return transfer to venue, morning tea & entry fee into venue **Itinerary:** 8:45am Depart Kariong after home pick up service 10:00 - 1:00pm Morning tea followed by free time to explore Featherdale. Lunch can be brought from home or purchased from one of the cafes at the zoo. 2:30 - 3:00pm Arrive back at Kariong **Please note;** this park stretches across 7 acres of flat terrain with a few bridges that pass over waterways.
- **Seniors Big Day Out Lunch Cruise on Sydney Harbour** – Tuesday 5th May 2026 **Venue:** Sydney Harbour **Cost:** \$145 - Includes ^home pick-up & drop-off service, return transport to Pyrmont Wharf, 3.5hour cruise, buffet lunch, tea/coffee station, entertainment & trivia **Itinerary:** 8 - 9am: ^Home pick up service 9:15am - Depart Kariong after a comfort stop 10:30am - Arrive at Casino Wharf, Pyrmont 11:00am - 2:30pm - Sydney Harbour Lunch Cruise 4:00pm - Arrive back at Kariong & begin home drop off service
- **Nooroo Garden in Autumn** – Thursday 7th May 2026 **Venue:** Mount Wilson **Cost:** \$135 - Includes ^home pick-up & drop-off service, return transfer to venues, morning tea, lunch & entry fee into garden **Itinerary:** 8:15am Depart Kariong after home pick up service 10:15am-11:00am Fresh apple pie with tea/coffee at Bilpin Fruit Bowl 11:45am-2:00pm Explore Nooroo Garden at your leisure. There are some tables & chairs scattered throughout the garden so you can choose where you sit to enjoy your lunch 5:00pm Arrive back at Kariong **Please note;** although this garden is very accessible, this tour may not be suitable for those with limited mobility &/or fitness as the ground may be uneven in places & there are a few steps to navigate
- **Bargo Dingo Sanctuary** – Tuesday 12th May 2026 **Venue:** Bargo **Cost:** \$130 - Includes ^home pick-up & drop-off service, return transfer to venues, entry & guided tour of venue, 'Up Close & Personal Encounter', lunch (meal only pre-ordered from the lunch specials menu) **Itinerary:** 7:15-8:15am: Home pick up service(within our advertised pick up area) 8:30am: Depart Kariong after a comfort stop 10:45am: Arrive at venue (comfort stop en route) & learn about the Australian dingo in a 1 hour guided tour of the sanctuary. You will have the opportunity, if you wish, to get 'up close & personal' with one of the friendly dingoes 12:30pm Enjoy lunch just up the road at Tahmoor Inn before departing for the Central Coast 4:00 - 4:30pm: Arrive back at Kariong & begin home drop off service
- **Nutcote Guided Tour + High Tea** – Thursday 14th May 2026 **Venue:** Kurralba Point **Cost:** \$140 - Includes ^home pick-up & drop-off service, return transfer to venue, entry & guided tour of venue, traditional high tea **Itinerary:** 10:00am: Depart Kariong after home pick up service 11.15am: Guided tour & high tea before departing by 2:30pm 3:30 - 4.00pm Arrive back at Kariong & begin home drop off service **Accessibility:** May Gibbs' Nutcote is an historic property and can be difficult for people who have trouble walking up and down a full flight of stairs and sloping paths
- **"Steel Magnolias" - the beloved film that starred Julia Roberts, Shirley MacLaine, Sally Field & Dolly Parton now live on stage** - Wednesday 27th May 2026 **Venue:** Theatre Royal **Cost:** \$155 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service within our advertised pick up/drop off area, return transfer to venue & ticket to the 2:00pm performance (Stalls Rows H & J - centre of row) **Itinerary:** 10-11am home pick up service 11:15am Depart Kariong after a comfort stop 12:30pm Arrive at venue & have time to purchase lunch from one of nearby eateries 2:00pm - 4:30pm Matinee performance of "Steel Magnolias" 6:00pm Arrive back at Kariong & begin home drop off service
- **Lovely Lunches with Connect Coaches: The Deck Café, Port Stephens** - Thursday 28th May 2026 **Venue:** Soldiers Point Marina **Cost:** \$145 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service within our advertised pick up/drop off area, return transfer to venue & a lovely 3 course lunch overlooking the Karuah River **Itinerary:** 8:45-9:45am - home pick up service 10:00am - depart Tuggerah after a comfort stop 10:50-11:10am - Comfort stop at Beresfield 12:00-2:00pm - Enjoy your waterfront dining experience (shared entrée; main & dessert to be pre-selected) 3:45-4:00pm - Arrive back at Tuggerah Westfield & begin home drop off service
- **A Taste of the Middle East** – Monday 1st June 2026 **Venue:** Auburn **Cost:** \$145 - Includes ^home pick-up & drop-off service, return transfer to venues, guided tour of the mosque, banquet lunch, Lebanese pastries **Itinerary:** 8.30am: Depart Kariong after home pick up service 9.30am: Comfort & coffee stop - Auburn McDonalds/Krispy Kreme



10.30am: Guided tour of Auburn Gallipoli Mosque 12.30pm: Banquet lunch at Jasmin1 Restaurant, Auburn 2.30: Visit Abla's Pastries, Granville (Lebanese pastries) 5:00pm Arrive back on the Central Coast

- **Anastasia the Musical** - Wednesday 3rd June, 2026 (*currently sold out*) Venue: Lyric Theatre Cost: \$145 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service within our advertised pick up/drop off area, return transfer to venue & ticket to the 1pm performance (Stalls Rows M & N, centre of row) Itinerary: 9-10am home pick up service 10:15am Depart Kariong after a comfort stop 11:30am Arrive at venue & have time to purchase lunch from one of nearby eateries 1:00pm - 3:30pm Matinee performance 5:00pm Arrive back at Kariong & begin home drop off service
- **Port Stephens History Lunch Cruise** - Thursday 4th June 2026 Venue: Nelson Bay Cost: \$145 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service within our advertised pick up/drop off area, return transfer to Nelson Bay, 3.5 hour lunch cruise with commentary, Ploughman's lunch, tea/coffee Itinerary: 6:00am - 7:15am: Early home pick up service 7:30am: Depart Tuggerah after a comfort stop (there'll be a quick comfort stop en route) 9:30am: Arrive at Nelson Bay & board the MV Tea Gardens (the queen of the company's fleet) which offers easy wheel-on/wheel-off access 10am - 1:30pm: Sit back, relax & be enthralled by the beautiful scenery as you are kept captivated by the commentary of local legend, John "Stinker" Clarke. He will entertain you with real stories, real history, and iconic humour as you pass each point of interest 4:00pm: Arrive back at Tuggerah
- **Disney's The Lion King** - Wednesday 17th June 2026 – *sold out* Venue: Capitol Theatre Cost: \$185 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service within our advertised pick up/drop off area, return transfer to venue & ticket to the 1pm performance of "The Lion King" (Stalls Rows S & T, centre of row) Itinerary: 9-10am home pick up service 10:15am Depart Kariong after a comfort stop 11:30am Arrive at venue & have time to purchase lunch from one of nearby eateries 1:00pm - 3:30pm Matinee performance of "The Lion King" 5:00pm Arrive back at Kariong
- **Hunter Valley Highlights**: - Monday 22nd June 2026 Venue: Pokolbin Cost: \$145 - Includes ^home pick up & drop off service, return transport to venues in the Hunter Valley, cheese & fudge tasting, wine tasting, chocolate samples & lunch *Itinerary: 7:30 - 8:30am: Home pick up service (within our advertised pick up area) 8:45am: Depart Tuggerah after a comfort stop 10:00am - 11:00am: Premium cheese & fudge tasting at Hunter Belle Cheese 11:15am - 12:15pm Wine tasting at a local vineyard 12:30pm Lunch at Cypress Lakes Bistro & Bar 2:15pm - 3:00pm Visit the HV Chocolate Co. & sample the goods 4:15pm: Arrive back at Tuggerah & begin home drop off service
- **Carisbrook Historic House**: - Monday 13th July 2026 Venue: Lane Cove Cost: \$105 - Includes ^ home pick up & drop off service, return transport to venue, morning tea & guided tour of house & grounds *Itinerary: 7:15-8:15am - Home pick up service then depart Kariong at 8:30am after a comfort stop 9:45am - Arrive at Carisbrook Historic House, Lane Cove & enjoy morning tea 10:30am - 12:00pm - Guided tour of venue - *you will be transported back to life as you would have lived it one hundred and forty years ago. The house is furnished as it would have been when the original owners, the Brooks family, moved into their new house* (although this venue does have a few steps & the paths can be uneven in places, it is accessible with a walker) 12:15 - 2:15pm - Birkenhead Point (free time to purchase lunch & shop) 3:30pm - Arrive back at Kariong & begin home drop off service
- **State Parliament Guided Tour & 'Christmas in July' High Tea** – Friday 17th July 2026 Venue: Macquarie St, Sydney Cost: \$145 - Includes ^home pick up & drop off service, return transport to venue, guided tour of venue & traditional high tea (Christmas-themed) *Itinerary: 8:45 - 9:45am: Home pick up service (within our advertised pick up area) 10:00am: Depart Kariong after a comfort stop 11:30 am - 12:30pm: Guided tour of venue 12:30 - 2:00pm: Traditional High Tea at Parliament House 3:30pm: Arrive back at Kariong & begin home drop off service
- **Nepean Belle Yulefest Lunch Cruise** - Wednesday 22nd July 2026 Venue: Nepean River Cost: \$145 - Includes ^home pick up & drop off service, return transport to venue near Penrith, 2.5hour cruise on the Nepean River & 2 course Christmas-themed lunch *Itinerary: 10.15am: Depart Kariong after home pick up service 11:45am Arrive at Tench Reserve & board the 'Belle' 12-2:30pm: Christmas lunch cruise (2 courses) 4:30pm : Arrive back at Kariong & begin home drop off service. Drinks can be purchased from the licensed bar onboard (cash only). Please note; the toilets are located upstairs on this vessel
- **Lovely Lunches with Connect Coaches: Foreshore Bistro & Café, Gwandalan** - Friday 31st July 2026 Venue: Gwandalan Bowling Club Cost: \$70 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service within our advertised pick up/drop off area, return transfer to venue & a lovely lunch (pre-ordered from the Light Lunch Menu) overlooking Lake Macquarie Itinerary: 10:00 - 11:00am - home pick up service 11:15am - depart Tuggerah after a comfort stop 12:00-2:00pm - Enjoy your lovely lunch with a view 3:00pm - Arrive back at Tuggerah Westfield
- **Animal Antics & Angel's Whispers** - Friday 7th August 2026 Venue: Wyong Creek/Yarramalong Cost: \$140 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service within our advertised pick up/drop off area, return transfer to venues, entry into the Central Coast Zoo, 2 course lunch (main & dessert, pre-selected) with tea/coffee, bottled water & biscuits Itinerary: After our convenient ^home pick up service, you will have a couple of hours to explore one of the Coast's best attractions, Central Coast Zoo. You will have the opportunity to bottle feed & pat some furry friends & learn lots of interesting facts at the wildlife presentation. After farewelling the menagerie of animals (including penguins,



capybaras, lions & penguins), we will travel over to the family-owned, **Angel Sussurri** (“Angels’ Whispers”) located at Yarramalong to enjoy a delicious two course lunch with tea/coffee.

- **Ferragosto Italian Festival 2026** - Sunday 16th August 2026 - Venue: Five Dock Cost: \$75 Itinerary: 7:30am - 8:30am **Pick up route (not home pick up service)then depart the Central Coast by 8:45am. From 10:00am - Arrive in Five Dock & spend time enjoying the sights, sounds & flavours of Italy with vibrant performances, bustling market stalls & live cooking demonstrations 2:00pm - Depart Five Dock 3:30pm - Approx. arrival time back on the Coast & begin **drop off route **** For this event, Connect Coaches will pick up/drop off passengers from/to various locations on the Central Coast. Please contact Alison/Liam to find out your closest pick up location.**
- **Waitress” the Hit Broadway Musical & feel good show of 2026!**- Wednesday 19th August 2026 Venue: Lyric Theatre Cost: \$145 – Includes ^home pick up & drop off service within our advertised pick up/drop off area, return transfer to venue & ticket to the 1pm performance of this uplifting & feel-good musical(Stalls Rows M & N) Itinerary: 9-10am home pick up service 10:15am Depart Kariong after a comfort stop 11:30am Arrive at venue & have time to purchase lunch from one of nearby eateries 1:00pm - 3:30pm Matinee performance of “Waitress” 5:00-5:30pm Arrive back at Kariong
- **Dungog Tea Party** - Wednesday 9th September 2026 Venue: Dungog Cost: \$105 (**DEP10**) - Includes ^home pick up & drop off service, return transport to venues in Dungog & lunch Itinerary: 7:15am - 8:15am: home pick up service (within our advertised pick up area) 8:30am: Depart Tuggerah Westfield 10:30am: Arrive at Dungog (there will be a comfort stop en route to Dungog) & head over to the historic James Theatre to see the market stalls of all things tea related, including the competition tea cosies and trivets. 12:30pm: Enjoy lunch at the *Dungog Trading Post* before heading back to the Central Coast 3:30-4:00pm: Approx. arrival time back at Tuggerah
- **Tulip Time in Bowral** - Saturday 19th September 2026 Venue: Southern Highlands Cost: \$110 (Concession or Senior) /\$115 (Adult) - Includes pick-up & drop-off service from pick up points, return transfer to Bowral, entry ticket to Tulip Time at Corbett Gardens, bottled water/juice & biscuits Itinerary: 6:15 - 7:15am - **Pick up route (not home pick up service)then depart the Central Coast by 7:30am. There will be a comfort stop along the way 10:30am - Arrive in Bowral & have free time to visit Corbett Gardens for this year's Tulip Time event. There will also be plenty of time to enjoy some retail therapy in town & purchase lunch from one of the many cafes. 1:30pm - Depart Bowral 4:30pm - Approx. arrival time back on the Coast & begin **drop off route **** For this event, Connect Coaches will pick up/drop off passengers from/to various locations on the Central Coast. Please contact Alison/Liam to find out your closest pick up location.**
- **Historic Cockatoo Island & Parramatta River** - Tuesday 6th October 2026 Venue: Sydney Cost: \$100 - Includes home pick up & drop off service, return transport, 1 hour guided tour, bottled water & biscuits (BYO Opal Card for the ferry/RiverCat) Itinerary: Depart the Central Coast after a comfort stop at Kariong then arrive at Barrangaroo & purchase lunch. Board the RiverCat/Ferry with your Connect Coaches Guide & be transported across to Cockatoo Island 12:15am - 1:45pm: Guided tour - "Island Highlights Tour" 2:00pm Catch the River Cat to Sydney Olympic Park Wharf with your CC Guide then meet your coach driver who will transport you back to the Central Coast 4:15pm (approx.): Arrive back on the Central Coast & begin home drop off service
Please Note: This tour is not suitable for those with limited mobility as there is walking involved & steps/sloping ground to navigate. The guided tour will start on the lower island but will also move up to the plateau which is accessed by walking up a slope. Those who do not wish to participate in the tour of the upper level are welcome to stay on the lower part of the island (there is a café on the lower part of the island)
- **Sunset Dinner Cruise on Lake Macquarie** – Friday 6th November 2026 Venue: Lake Macquarie Cost: \$160 - Includes ^home pick up & drop off service, return transport to Booragul Wharf, 3hour sunset cruise & BBQ dinner *Itinerary: 3:45pm Depart Tuggerah after home pick up service 5:00pm Arrive at Booragul Wharf 5:30 - 8:30pm Sunset dinner cruise on Lake Macquarie 9:30pm Arrive back at Tuggerah
- **Lovely Lunches: Drummoyne Sailing Club** – Monday 9th November 2026 Venue: Drummoyne Cost: \$105 (**DEP10**) - Includes ^home pick up & drop off service, return transport, lunch (meal only, pre-selected from the Seniors' Lunch Menu) *Itinerary: 8.15 - 9.15am - Home pick up service (within our advertised pick up area) 9.30am - Depart Kariong after a comfort stop 11.00am - Arrive at Circular Quay & catch the Parramatta Ferry with your Connect Coaches' Guide to Drummoyne (look out for some Jacarandas in bloom!) where your Driver will meet you 12:00pm Enjoy a lovely lunch in Sailors' Grill Bistro overlooking the Parramatta River 3:30pm - Approx. arrival time at Kariong **Please note;** you must bring your **OPAL card** to board the ferry & **Photo Id** to enter the sailing club
- **End of Year Party at The Fiddler** – Tuesday 25th November 2026 Venue: Rouse Hill Cost: \$140 (**DEP10**) - Includes ^home pick up & drop off service, return transport to venue, welcome glass of sparkling wine on arrival, 2 course traditional Christmas lunch with tea/coffee, themed dining room & 1 hour show *Itinerary: 9.15 - 10.15am - Home pick up service (within our advertised pick up area) 10.30am - Depart Kariong after a comfort stop 11.45am-2.30pm - Sit back & enjoy a two course lunch & a fabulous show 4.00pm - Approx. arrival time at Kariong



SHORT BREAKS & EXTENDED TOURS:

- **Wollongong Explorer 4 Day Tour - Monday 9th - Thursday 12th March, 2026 - currently sold out**
Cost: Single – \$2377 Twin Share/Double - \$1940 (per person) **Highlights Include:** 3 nights at the Novotel, North Wollongong; Symbio Wildlife Park; Illawarra Steelworks guided tour; tour of Kiama; HARS Air Museum; Nan Tien Temple; Historic Bundeena ferry ride; beautiful scenery over the 4 days ***Itinerary:** Ask us for a detailed itinerary
- **Melbourne Flower & Garden Show Tour – Monday 23rd - Monday 30th March, 2026 - currently sold out**
Cost: Single – \$4173 Twin Share/Double - \$3604 (per person) **Highlights Include:** Red Cow Farm; Black Wattle Alpaca Farm; Brookfield Gardens; High Country Maze & Gallery; Alowyn Gardens; Melbourne International Flower & Garden Show; Puffing Billy train ride; Queen Victoria Markets; flights included
Accommodation: Mercure Goulburn (1night), Quality Resort Siesta, Lavington (1 night), Peppers Marysville (1 night), Hyatt Place Melbourne Caribbean Park (4 nights) ***Itinerary:** Please ask us for a detailed itinerary
- **Taronga Zoo Wildlife Retreat — Monday 20th - Tuesday 21st April, 2026 - currently sold out** **Venue:** Mosman
Cost: Single \$1115 ; Double/Twin \$815 (per person) **Highlights Include:** Catching the Church Point Ferry around Scotland Island; lunch at Harbord Diggers; a luxurious overnight stay at Taronga Zoo's Wildlife Retreat; 3 x special tours at the zoo; zoo entry; a shared dining experience at the award-winning restaurant, Me-Gal ***Itinerary:** Please ask us for a detailed itinerary
- **South Coast to the Southern Highlands 5 Day Tour – Monday 27th April - Friday 1st May 2026** **Venues:** Kiama - Berry - Huskisson - Batemans Bay - Central Tilba - Mogo - Braidwood - Goulburn - Bowral **Cost:** Single - \$2290 / Twin or Double - \$1990 per person **Highlights Include:** Following the scenic Coast road on our way south ; Kiama Blowhole ; Berry Treat Factory ; the seals at Narooma ; Bodalla Dairy ; Mogo Zoo ; Fairground Follies & more!
Please let us know if you'd like a detailed itinerary
- **Dubbo Zoofari Tour - Monday 18th - Friday 22nd May, 2026 - 2 Bushland rooms left** **Overnight Stays in:** Bathurst - Parkes - Dubbo - Orange **Cost:** Single \$3250(animal view lodge) or \$3050(bushland lodge) ; Double/Twin \$2350pp(animal view lodge) or \$2150pp(bushland lodge) **Highlights Include:** Beautiful Highfield Gardens in Little Hartley; historic Abercrombie House in Bathurst; Henry Parkes Centre & Parkes Observatory; luxurious overnight stay in Dubbo's Zoofari Lodges; Blue Mountains lookouts ***Itinerary:** Please ask us for a detailed itinerary
- **A Very Vivid Tour — Wednesday 10th - Thursday 11th June 2026 - currently sold out** **Venue:** Sydney CBD **Cost:** Single \$900 ; Double/Twin \$750 (per person) **Highlights Include:** Tour & Dine Experience at the Sydney Opera House ; 3 hour Captain Cook dinner cruise on Sydney Harbour to view the spectacular Vivid lights without the crowds (3 course dinner, served alternately) ; Visit the new Sydney Fish Markets to purchase lunch & fresh produce to take home ; Overnight stay at the heritage-listed & beautifully restored Grace Hotel built by the Grace Brothers in the 1920s (rooms have walk-in showers) ***Itinerary:** Please ask us for a detailed itinerary
- **Carnival 9 Night Cruise: Sydney to Great Barrier Reef – Wed. 24th June - Fri. 3rd July 2026** **Current Cost** (in an interior, ocean view or balcony cabin) **Single:** between \$3750 - \$5450 / **Twin Share/Double:** between \$2275 - \$3130 **Includes:** ^home pick up & drop off service (within our advertised pick up/drop off area); transport to & from the Sydney cruise terminal; 9 night cruise onboard the Carnival Splendor with meals, some drinks & lots of onboard activities; the company of two fabulous people from the Connect Coaches' team & a group of friendly, fun-loving Seniors to enjoy dinner with every night! ***Itinerary:** Day 1: Depart Sydney at 3:30pm Days 2 & 3: Fun days at sea Day 4: Airlie Beach Day 5: Cairns Day 6: Willis Island (onboard experience) Day 7: Fun day at sea Day 8: Tangalooma Moreton Island Day 9: Fun day at sea Day 10: Sydney
- **Christmas in July Overnighter - Wednesday 8th - Thursday 9th July, 2026** **Venue:** Camden **Cost:** \$880 - Single / \$750 - Twin/Double (per person) **Highlights Include:** a delicious Christmas in July lunch cruise onboard the Nepean Belle; a tour of Penrith's Museum of Fire; a visit to the interesting Warragamba Dam Visitor Centre; an overnight stay at the Camden Valley Inn ("where rustic charm meets modern elegance"); a 90 minute guided tour around Camden to view some of the region's early colonial buildings & hear about the industrious Macarthur family and the legacies they left to the nation; a fun & fabulous Christmas in July-themed lunch with entertainment at the Camden Valley Inn (there will be prizes for best-dressed!)
- **The Tulip Express - Tuesday 22nd - Wednesday 23rd September 2026** **Venues:** Bowral - Sutton - Canberra - Berrima **Cost:** \$825 - Single / \$700 - Twin/Double (per person) **Highlights Include:** Tulip Time at Corbett Gardens in Bowral + retail therapy; visit lovely Tulip Top Gardens ; an overnight stay in our Nation's Capital at the Ramada Diplomat; marvel at the colourful displays at the Floriade Spring Festival; view the National Capital Exhibition overlooking Lake Burley Griffin; enjoy a delicious lunch in Berrima
- **Springtime in the Mountains Tour - Thursday 1st - Friday 2nd October 2026** **Cost:** \$785 - Single / \$675 - Twin Share/Double (per person) **Highlights Include:** Blue Mountains Botanic Garden (Mount Tomah); Windyridge Garden in Mount Wilson; an overnight stay at Leura Gardens Resort; attend the annual Leura Garden Festival; enjoy a delicious lunch at Bygone Beautys



- **The Long Way South – Monday 19th - Thursday 29th October 2026 - currently sold out** **Venues:** Kiama - Batemans Bay - Eden - Lakes Entrance - Traralgon - Wilsons Promenade - Phillip Island - Fly Home **Cost:** Single - \$6560 Twin or Double - \$5970 per person **Highlights Include:** HARS Air Museum ; Berry; Shoalhaven Zoo; Bodalla Dairy; Merimbula; whale watching cruise in Eden; wildlife lunch cruise; Sale heritage cruise; penguin parade; 3 night stay on Phillip island; Seal Island; Koala Conservation Reserve & more! *Please let us know if you'd like a detailed itinerary*
- **2026 tours currently in their planning stages:**
 - **The Majestic Tour** - Includes zig zag railway, high tea & overnight stay at the Hydro Majestic & more (**Details to be released in late Jan. 2026**)
 - **10 Night Carnival Cruise** - New Zealand: Monday 15th - Thursday 25th February 2027 (**Details to be released in January**)

Tour/Payment Information:

- ⇒ *Payment must be received by the due date printed on the invoice. If payment has not been received by the due date & alternate arrangements have not been made by contacting Liam or Alison, Connect Coaches reserves the right to consider this booking cancelled & to reissue this ticket to another person*
- ⇒ *Once payment has been received, refunds will only be issued if we can resell your ticket or if we cancel the event/tour*
- ⇒ *Due to the popularity of some day tours/events, a \$10 non-refundable deposit (DEP10) will be required to secure your booking. Once paid, we will email/post out another invoice for the balance which will be due 4 weeks before this event.*
- ⇒ *Payment for theatre day tours is due two weeks after booking (this is because we pay upfront for group theatre tickets)*
- ⇒ *Payment made over the phone by card incurs a 1% surcharge*
- ⇒ **Times indicated are approximations only & subject to change*
- ⇒ *^Home pick up/drop off service for day tours applies to those passengers who live within our pick-up area on the Central Coast. See our website for map or call us to find out if you are within this area on 4325 4053.*
- ⇒ *From 2026, we may not be able to pick you up from home if you live in the following suburbs: Narara, Niagara Park, Lisarow, Holgate, Matcham, Avoca Beach, certain parts of Wamberal (see website for details)*
- ⇒ *Our Pick-up/Drop off service from villages will be from a central location (eg; the bowling green at Tarragal Glen, the Arts & Crafts building at Henry Kendall Gardens, the taxi rank in Yallambee Ave at Evergreen Life Care etc.)*
- ⇒ *For weekend events, Connect Coaches does not provide a home pick up & drop off service (see website for pick up locations for Saturday & Sunday events)*
- ⇒ *Short breaks/Extended tours - If your pick-up address is not within our advertised pick up/drop off area, there will be an additional fee charged if you would like us to arrange to pick you up/drop you off from home (between \$40 - \$60 per person)*