NOUMEA – NEW CALEDONIA

CULTURE, NATURE & ISLAND LIFE

FULLY ESCORTED GIPPSLAND DEPARTURE

10-Day Escape to the Lagoon, Local Traditions and Kanak Culture

MONDAY 7TH JUNE – WEDNESDAY 16TH JUNE 2027

MON 07 JUNE 2027
Day 1 BAIRNSDALE - MELBOURNE
Our journey begins from Bairnsdale with an overnight at the Park Royal before our early morning international flight to Noumea the following day. Tonight's dinner at leisure at the hotel.
Accommodation: Park Royal Melbourne Airport

TUE 08 JUNE 2027
Day 2 MELBOURNE TO NOUMEA (D)
Welcome to our fascinating tour to Noumea in New Caledonia! We head over to the airport ready to board our flight to New Caledonia. On arrival our coach operator will meet us for the transfer to the stunning Hilton Noumea La Promenade Residences that overlooks the beautiful Anse Vata Beach. Following check in we meet again for dinner at local restaurant Miretti Gascon.
Refreshments inflight
Accommodation: Hilton Noumea La Promenade Residences, Noumea

WED 09 JUNE 2027
Day 3 NOUMEA (BLD)
We have a leisurely start this morning. Following a beautiful buffet breakfast, we take a short stroll to board our specially chartered Tchou Tchou Train for a tour of Noumea. Sit back and relax as we visit many of the popular tourist lookouts and sights as we make our way on a circuit around Noumea with a local guide giving commentary in English. Now that we have familiarised ourselves with the town, we head back to our hotel and have lunch at L'équilibre restaurant. This afternoon is totally free to become acquainted with what's on offer at our hotel. We're located right on the beach so perhaps take a swim in the ocean or the pool. Walk through the parklands or along the waterfront and check out the nearby specialty shops and supermarket. Enjoy your afternoon! This evening, we take a short walk to Le Roof Restaurant that is situated looking out toward Anse Vata Bay. This will be a wonderful location for our memorable dinner.
Accommodation: Hilton Noumea La Promenade Residences, Noumea

THU 10 JUNE 2027
Day 4 KANAK IMMERSION (BD)
In the morning, visit the iconic Tjibaou Cultural Centre to discover the rich history, traditions, and contemporary culture of New Caledonia's Kanak people. Stroll through the impressive architecture and exhibitions before returning to the hotel for lunch. In the afternoon, enjoy a hands-on workshop to learn the traditional art of soapstone carving and create your own small piece to take home as a souvenir. Tonight we dine in the hotel restaurant.
Lunch at own expense and arrangement
Accommodation: Hilton Noumea La Promenade Residences, Noumea

FRI 11 JUNE 2027
Day 5 NOUMEA SIGHTSEEING (BD)
Following breakfast, we meet our local English-speaking guide for a coach tour through Noumea where we can hear more of the local history and interesting facts before stopping in Port Moselle for some free time to look through the small markets. We then visit the Maritime Museum of New Caledonia followed by the WW2 Museum. We return to our hotel this afternoon where we have some time out—enjoy a siesta, a swim in the ocean or perhaps lounge around the pool. At the end of the day, dinner at the revolving restaurant L'entrecôte 360.
Lunch at own expense and arrangement
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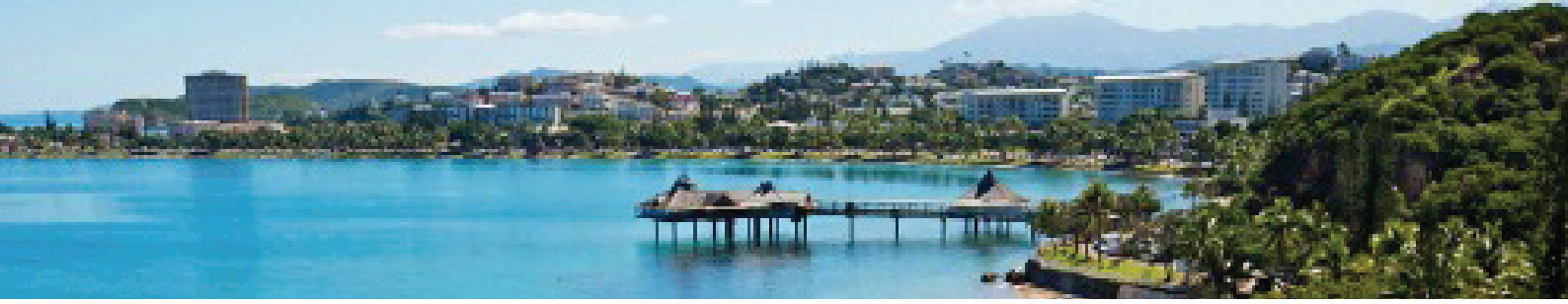


SAT 12 JUNE 2027
Day 6 NOUMEA SIGHTSEEING (BD)

Our local guide joins us this morning for some further sightseeing and touring around Noumea with visits to Maison de la Perle and the lookout at Ouen Toro. For something unique we visit one of the largest supermarkets in Noumea to see the huge range of cheese, bakery items and smallgoods, before arriving at Lemon Bay in time to purchase lunch. Lemon Bay is known for its calm waters and lounging in the shade under the large banyan trees that surround it. It's a favourite spot for the locals to come to enjoy a wine, take a walk while enjoying a tasty icecream or just to relax on the beach. Our afternoon visit is to the Noumea Aquarium - Aquarium des Lagons Nouvelle Caledonie. With its multiple different tanks, you can admire a collection of phosphorescent corals unique in the world. The aquarium also boasts a garden featuring a turtle pool. When we return to our hotel, we'll have time for some last-minute shopping or to relax. Tonight we dine in the hotel restaurant.

Lunch at own expense and arrangement

Accommodation: Hilton Noumea La Promenade Residences, Noumea

SUN 13 JUNE 2027
Day 7 CALEDONIAN FAR WEST (BLD)

Depart Nouméa for a full-day discovery of the Caledonian "West Coast" and its vast bush landscapes, known locally as "La Brousse". Travel through wide open plains, cattle stations, and small rural villages to experience a different side of New Caledonia. In the morning, visit a vanilla plantation to discover the cultivation process, harvesting techniques, and the unique aromas of locally grown vanilla. After that, visit a local farm specialising in cattle and horse breeding, where you will learn more about the daily life of local breeders, their traditions, and the importance of livestock farming in the region. Enjoy a traditional "broussard" barbecue lunch at the farm alongside the breeders, featuring local specialties in a warm and authentic atmosphere. We meet up this evening for a Wine & Cheese Tasting experience.

Accommodation: Hilton Noumea La Promenade Residences, Noumea

MON 14 JUNE 2027
Day 8 ILOT MAITRE & ISLAND TRADITIONS (BLD)

Enjoy a relaxed breakfast this morning and a little free time before we transfer to Port Moselle and board the transfer boat for the crossing to the DoubleTree by Hilton Noumea Ilot Maitre Resort. Located just a 30-minute boat ride away from Nouméa, the resort is surrounded by a protected 200-hectare marine reserve and features luxurious overwater bungalows. Upon arrival, enjoy lunch and day use of the resort facilities. During the afternoon, take part in a selection of traditional cultural workshops, such as coconut grating, coconut palm leaf weaving, and other local handicraft activities, offering a hands-on introduction to New Caledonia island traditions. In the mid-afternoon, return to Nouméa and transfer back to the hotel, with the remainder of the afternoon at leisure. Tonight, enjoy your final dinner at Marmite & Tire Bouchon Restaurant before perhaps having an early night in preparation for tomorrow's early departure.

Accommodation: Hilton Noumea La Promenade Residences, Noumea

TUE 15 JUNE 2027
Day 9 NOUMEA TO MELBOURNE (B)

Having had a wonderful holiday, we now prepare for our return home. We check out of our hotel and make our way to the La Tontouta International Airport. Arriving home to complete a wonderful South Pacific holiday. Due to the late arrival in Melbourne we will head over to the Park Royal for an overnight stay before our journey back to Bairnsdale the following day.

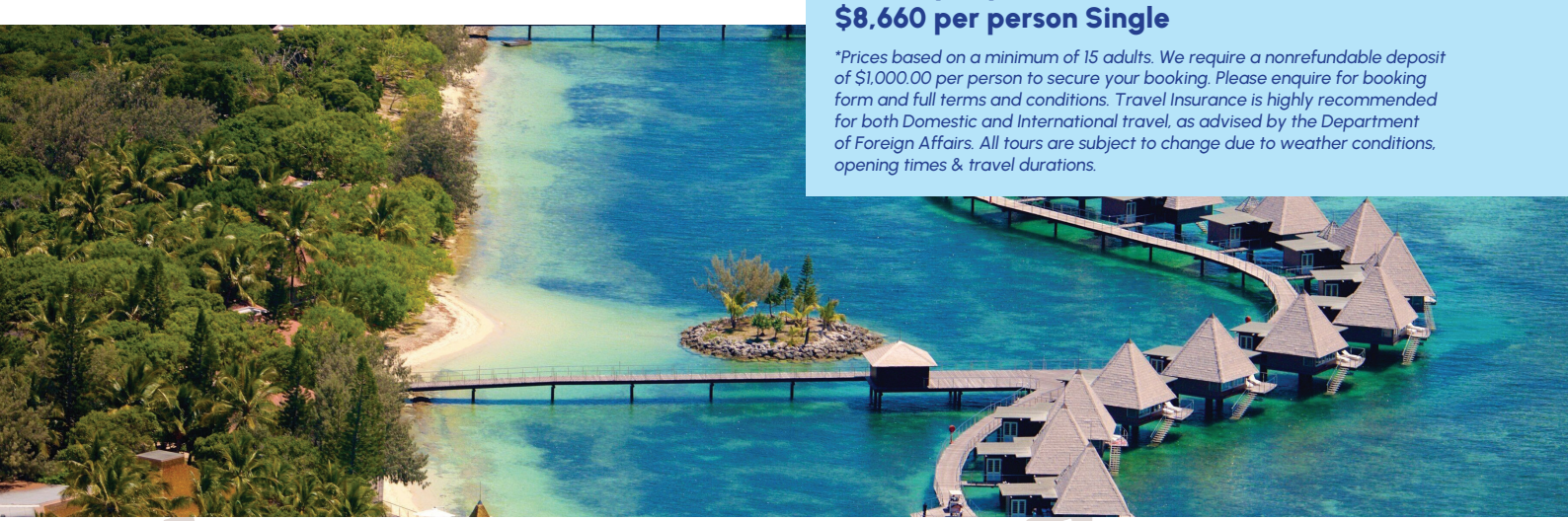
Accommodation: Park Royal Melbourne Airport

WED 16 JUNE 2027
Day 10 MELBOURNE TO BAIRNSDALE (B)

Our last leg of the trip to get home begin after breakfast – board the coach and relax as we arrive into Bairnsdale at approximately midday.

Tour Price –
$6,750 per person Twin/Double
$8,660 per person Single

**Prices based on a minimum of 15 adults. We require a nonrefundable deposit of $1,000.00 per person to secure your booking. Please enquire for booking form and full terms and conditions. Travel Insurance is highly recommended for both Domestic and International travel, as advised by the Department of Foreign Affairs. All tours are subject to change due to weather conditions, opening times & travel durations.*



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