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## Organised Tours

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# Birrarung Wilam (River Camp) Walk

The Birrarung Wilam Walk is a journey from Federation Square down to the Birrarung Wilam (Common Ground) Aboriginal art installations, experiencing the Aboriginal history of the Birrarung Marr (Beside the river of mists) and Aboriginal Peoples of the Kulin Nation.

With an experienced Koorie guide, learn how the land on which Melbourne is located has changed over time and about the significance of the Birrarung Wilam to the local Kulin peoples. Gain a deeper and more meaningful understanding of this incredible location; an important gathering place for the Kulin Nation and one of Melbourne's most popular meeting hubs.

Cost: \$38.00 per person

Duration: 1 hour

Date: Monday 26 June 2023

Time: 10.00am – 11.00am

Departure point: Federation Square

Minimum 10 paying participants

Maximum 30 paying participants

Activity level: basic fitness required for walking tour





# Bullen Bullen Cultural Tour & Healesville Sanctuary

The Wurundjeri people (Woi-wurrung language group), are the Traditional Custodians of Melbourne and surrounding lands. Experience a Wurundjeri guided tour of the Margaret Leister Trail and also participate in indigenous activities including the crushing of ochre, emu feather art, hand printing, colourings with charcoal and an artefact. Participate in the ancient tradition of Tanderrum – a ceremony to welcome guests to Country. By walking through sacred smoke and accepting the local hospitality, guests agree to care for Country, respect the land, the lore, and the Wurundjeri people. Glimpse the traditional lifestyle of Wurundjeri Ancestors. Learn about the rhythms, rituals and relationships between people and place. Come to know cultural values and the great leaders who continue to guide such as Wonga and Barak. Heighten your senses and open your heart to Country. Come and see, smell, taste, touch and hear the music of Country.

Continue the journey to Healesville Sanctuary to enjoy a light lunch, followed by free time to enjoy this Australian wildlife experience with the opportunity to see iconic Australian animals including koalas, kangaroos, platypus, dingoes, wombats, emus and more.

Cost: \$290.00 per person

Duration: 8 hours

Date: Tuesday 27 June 2023

Time: 9.00am – 5.00pm

Departure point: Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre

Minimum 20 paying participants

Maximum 25 paying participants

Activity level: basic fitness required for walking tour with some uneven surfaces

Accessibility: This tour is not suitable to persons with limited mobility or who require a walking frame, a cane or a wheelchair – due to uneven ground.





# Chinese Museum Tour

The Chinese Museum has researched, preserved and presented Chinese culture and Australian history, to recognise and celebrate the identity of Chinese Australians. The One Million Stories exhibition showcases the many, varied and fascinating journeys of individuals, families and community groups that have settled, integrated and helped form Australian society as we see it today. Learn about Australia's Chinese community through a guided tour of the Chinese Museum and experience both the rich history and culture of Melbourne's Chinatown. A private guided tour will help recreate life on the goldfields in the 1850s, discover three generations of Melbourne's processional dragons and learn about the diverse histories of migrants. Explore the oldest Chinatown in the Southern Hemisphere. Discover different buildings and architectural styles from the 19th century. Gain both insight into the rich history of Australia's Chinese community, as well as a look at contemporary Chinese culture.

Cost: \$49.00 per person

Duration: 4 hours

Date: Tuesday 27 June and Thursday 29 June 2023

Time: 9.30am – 1.00pm

Departure point: Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre

Minimum 10 paying participants

Maximum 25 paying participants

Activity level: basic fitness required for short walk to/from venue and within venue.



# Melbourne Multicultural Walking Tour

Explore the City of Melbourne, the home of one of the world's most harmonious and culturally diverse communities. Residents from 180 countries live side by side, speaking over 233 languages and dialects and following 116 religious faiths. Over half of Melbournians were born or have a parent born overseas. Melbourne is also home to one of the largest populations of Chinese citizens outside China. Then there are the 3,000 restaurants serving 70 national cuisines!

This 2.5-hour walking tour looks at how Melbourne cultures have evolved from before and since settlement including Indigenous, United Kingdom, Chinese, Greek and other cultures and how they are expressed through multiculturalism today.

Cost: \$65.00 per person

Duration: 2.5 hours

Date: Wednesday 28 June 2023

Time: 9.30am – 12.00pm

Departure point: Federation Square

Minimum 10 paying participants

Maximum 20 paying participants

Activity level: basic fitness required for walking tour

Accessibility: This tour is not suitable to persons with limited mobility or who require a walking frame, a cane or a wheelchair – due to uneven ground.





# Phillip Island Wildlife

On this full day/evening tour journey to one of Melbourne's most colourful attractions – the iconic Brighton Beach bathing boxes – for an opportunity to visit the beach and take some time to admire these historic landmarks. Continue to Moonlit Sanctuary Wildlife Conservation Park and enjoy an opportunity to meet and hand-feed many species of native Australian animals. Learn about iconic species such as kangaroos, koalas, emus, and wallabies, as well as some of the lesser-known favourites.

Continue to Phillip Island, where a visit to Point Grant and The Nobbies gives an opportunity to enjoy views of Bass Strait, including Seal Rocks, home to Australia's largest population of fur seals.

And then it's onwards to the main event, the Phillip Island penguin tour. Just after dark every night, the world's smallest penguins waddle ashore after spending the day fishing out at sea. Watch as the stars of the show emerge from the surf on their journey back to their homes.

After the parade, explore the visitor centre and purchase dinner before the journey back to Melbourne. Meals are not included on this tour, however there are opportunities to purchase meals throughout the day.

Cost: \$198.00 per person

Duration: 11 hours

Date: Thursday 29 June 2023

Time: 10.00am – 9.00pm

Departure point: Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre

Minimum 10 paying participants

Maximum 24 paying participants

Activity level: basic fitness required with some uneven surfaces

Accessibility: This tour is not suitable to persons with limited mobility or who require a walking frame, a cane or a wheelchair – due to uneven ground.



# Melbourne Street Art & Graffiti Walking Tour

Explore Melbourne's famous street art and graffiti in the city's labyrinth of lanes. On this 2.5-hour walking tour discover one of the most radical urban art movements in the world. View stencils, paintings, paste-ups, 3D structures, installations and mosaics by some of the world's best artists and crews. Your local guide will identify local, interstate and international artists, as well as help to discover the architecture behind the paint – the history of lanes, buildings, venues and the 150-year-old walls.

On this fascinating urban tour, learn the difference between street artists, street writers, graffiti taggers and how the 'permit lane' system work in Melbourne. Experience the social culture of the back lanes where Melbournians celebrate their artists, cafes, music and coffee.

Cost: \$65.00 per person

Duration: 2.5 hours

Date: Friday 30 June 2023

Time: 9.30am – 12.00pm

Departure point: Federation Square

Minimum 10 paying participants

Maximum 20 paying participants

Activity level: basic fitness required for walking tour

Accessibility: This tour is not suitable to persons with limited mobility or who require a walking frame, a cane or a wheelchair – due to uneven ground.

