



Australia: Melbourne, Tasmania & Great Barrier Reef

12 days, Melbourne to Cairns

Trip code OATC

What's included

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- Free time and opportunities to explore Melbourne, Tasmania, Sydney, Manly, and Cairns independently
- All tips included, except CEO tips
- Transportation throughout the itinerary to all included activities

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VALIDITY: Valid for all trips departing June 29th, 2026 and onwards

Itinerary



NOTE: Accommodations vary per departure and are subject to change until tour start date; they are not final and should be used as examples only. Travellers may login to the G Adventures App to view accommodations specific to their departure.

Day 1

Welcome to Australia

Australia's cultural capital is the perfect place to begin the adventure. Arrive in Melbourne and settle into the hotel before meeting the CEO and fellow travellers for a welcome gathering. Then head out for a relaxed dinner, raising a glass to the journey ahead while getting a first taste of the city's renowned food scene. It's an easy introduction to the days ahead and the experiences waiting across Australia.

Arrive by 3PM to join the welcome meeting and enjoy a special welcome dinner with the group.



Meals included

Dinner



Accommodation

Rydges Melbourne Hotel (or similar)

Hotel



Today's Activities

Arrival Transfer

Melbourne Airport - Melbourne

You will be met at the airport and transferred to the hotel to start your adventure.

ACTIVITY

Your opportunity to meet your CEO and fellow travellers, and learn more about your tour and join the group for a local meal afterwards. Don't forget to see the notice in the lobby (or ask reception) for the official time and place to meet up with the group.

Start the day with an Indigenous-guided walk that offers a deeper understanding of Melbourne through the stories, traditions, and enduring connection to Country of the Traditional Owners. Later, join your CEO for an orientation walk, discovering some of the city's iconic laneways, hidden corners, and vibrant neighbourhoods before the afternoon opens up for independent exploration.

**Meals included**

Breakfast

**Accommodation**

Rydges Melbourne Hotel (or similar)

Hotel

**Today's Activities**

Indigenous Cultural Walking Experience

Melbourne

Explore Melbourne through the stories, traditions, and living culture of Traditional Owners of the land. Guided by an Indigenous storyteller, this immersive experience reveals deep connections to cultural heritage, and the traditions that continue to influence the city today.

Free Time

Melbourne

Enjoy free time to discover Melbourne your way, from hidden laneways and local cafés to world-class dining, art, and neighbourhood gems.

Fly to Hobart before travelling along Tasmania's spectacular east coast to the seaside town of Swansea, gateway to Freycinet National Park. Check in to the stunning Piermont Retreat, a stylish waterfront escape set on a private peninsula, and take time to soak in the coastal views before the adventures ahead. This evening, gather for dinner in Swansea, enjoying fresh local flavours and a relaxed introduction to Tasmania's east coast before exploring one of Australia's most spectacular national parks tomorrow.



Meals included

Breakfast | Dinner



Accommodation

Piermont Retreat (or similar)

Resort



Today's Activities

Plane

Melbourne - Hobart

1h30m-1h30m

Look! Up in the sky! It's a bird! It's a plane! It's... yup, it is a plane, actually.

Discover Freycinet's Coastal Wonders

Spend the day exploring Freycinet National Park, where pink granite peaks, white-sand beaches, and turquoise waters create some of Australia's most iconic coastal scenery. Discover the park's spectacular landscapes before enjoying an included lunch surrounded by nature. Return to your hotel in the afternoon with time to relax by the water or simply soak in the peaceful surroundings.



Meals included

Breakfast | Lunch



Accommodation

Piermont Retreat (or similar)

Resort



Today's Activities

Freycinet National Park & Wineglass Bay

Freycinet National Park

Set out for Freycinet National Park, a coastal paradise known for its dramatic scenery and iconic Wineglass Bay. Hike through native bushland, discover panoramic viewpoints, and immerse yourself in Tasmania's wild beauty.

Journey south toward Hobart with a stop at Maria Island National Park, a peaceful island sanctuary known for its dramatic coastal scenery, abundant wildlife, and fascinating convict history. Explore on foot, keeping an eye out for wombats, kangaroos, and native birdlife before enjoying an included lunch. Continue to Hobart and settle into your hotel before the evening is yours to explore Tasmania's vibrant waterfront.



Meals included

Breakfast | Lunch



Accommodation

Vibe Hotel Hobart (or similar)

Resort



Today's Activities

Maria Island: Tasmania's Island Sanctuary

Maria Island National Park

Travel to Maria Island National Park, a peaceful island sanctuary known for its pristine landscapes, abundant wildlife, and rich history. Explore scenic trails, spot native animals in their natural habitat, and discover the stories that have shaped this remarkable corner of Tasmania.

Day 6

A Day of Discovery in Hobart

Discover Hobart's creative edge with a visit to Museum of Old and New Art (MONA), one of Australia's most unconventional and thought-provoking cultural experiences. Arrive by ferry along the Derwent River before exploring the museum's immersive collection of contemporary art, ancient artefacts, and unexpected installations at your own pace. Return to Hobart with the afternoon free to continue exploring the city's waterfront, historic streets, and thriving food scene. Enjoy the flexibility to discover the city your own way before another evening in Tasmania's charming capital.



Meals included

Breakfast | Dinner



Accommodation

Vibe Hotel Hobart (or similar)

Resort



Today's Activities

Visit to MONA

Hobart

Explore MONA, Hobart's iconic Museum of Old and New Art, where ancient artifacts meet contemporary works in a bold and unexpected celebration of creativity. Wander its immersive galleries and discover why this boundary-pushing museum has become one of Tasmania's most talked-about cultural experiences.

Free Time

Hobart

Enjoy free time in Hobart to explore the city's waterfront, historic neighbourhoods, local markets, and renowned culinary scene at your own pace.

Fly from Tasmania to Sydney and make your way to the seaside neighbourhood of Manly, stopping along the way to enjoy lunch with views of the city's iconic harbour landmarks. Continue to Q Station, a unique heritage retreat set within Sydney Harbour National Park. This afternoon, uncover the fascinating stories of the former quarantine station on a guided experience through the property's historic grounds. End the day with a relaxed beachside BBQ, enjoying good food, great company, and the coastal atmosphere that makes Manly so special.



Meals included

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



Accommodation

Q Station Manly (or similar)

Hotel

Step back in time with an unforgettable stay at Q Station, a historic harbourfront retreat set within Sydney Harbour National Park. Discover the stories of this former quarantine station while enjoying peaceful surroundings, heritage charm, and stunning views just minutes from Manly.



Today's Activities

Plane

Hobart - Sydney

2h-2h

Look! Up in the sky! It's a bird! It's a plane! It's... yup, it is a plane, actually.

Coastal Stories & Beachside BBQ

Manly

Uncover the layers of history at the Quarantine Station on a guided walking tour through its heritage buildings, learning about the site's role in Australia's history and the stories of those who lived and passed through here. After exploring the grounds, enjoy a beachside BBQ surrounded by coastal views and the relaxed atmosphere of this unique setting.

Start the day with a scenic ferry ride across Sydney Harbour, arriving in the heart of the city with unforgettable views of the Opera House, Harbour Bridge, and waterfront skyline. Join your CEO for an orientation walk through Sydney's most iconic areas, discovering the stories and landmarks that shape Australia's most famous city. The rest of the day is yours to explore at your own pace. Take in world-class museums, wander historic neighbourhoods, shop along bustling streets, or choose an optional adventure like climbing the Harbour Bridge. Return by ferry to peaceful Manly and the unique surroundings of Q Station for the evening.



Meals included

Breakfast



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Today's Activities

Ferry

Manly - Sydney

30m-30m

Board the ferry from Manly to Sydney for a scenic journey across the harbour.

Sydney Orientation Walk

Sydney

Get a feel for the city on a short orientation walk led by your CEO.

Free Time

Sydney

Spend the rest of the day exploring Sydney at your leisure, then make your way back to Manly whenever you're ready.

Ferry

Sydney - Manly

30m-30m

Return to Manly by ferry at your leisure after a day exploring Sydney.



Optional Activities - Day 8

Sydney Harbour Bridge Climb

Sydney

385-415None

3h-4h

Climb one of the most famous bridges in the world – the Sydney Harbour Bridge. Soak in amazing panoramic city views of Sydney at the top – a perfect photo opp and memory to take home with you!

Today is your OMG Day – a chance to dive into the coastal lifestyle that makes Manly so iconic. Start the morning with an unforgettable adventure on the water, choosing between kayaking along the harbour or learning to surf the waves of Manly Beach. Whether paddling past scenic shorelines or catching your first wave, it's a hands-on way to experience Australia's famous outdoor spirit. The afternoon is yours to enjoy Manly at your own pace, from relaxing on the beach to exploring local cafés and shops, or heading back into Sydney for more discoveries. This evening, return to the hotel and gather with the group for an included dinner, the perfect way to share stories from the day's adventures.



Meals included

Breakfast | Dinner



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Today's Activities

ACTIVITY

Experience Manly from the water with a choice of kayaking on the harbour or surfing at one of Australia's most famous beaches.

Free Time

Manly

Spend a leisurely afternoon in Manly, or return to Sydney by ferry if there's more of the city you'd like to discover.

Leave Sydney behind and fly north to Cairns, the gateway to Tropical North Queensland. Begin your adventure by trekking through the lush rainforest trails of Mossman and floating through its crystal-clear streams while learning about this ancient ecosystem and its hidden secrets. After reconnecting with nature, settle into your hotel and enjoy the evening at leisure, taking in the relaxed atmosphere of this vibrant coastal city.



Meals included

Breakfast



Accommodation

Crystalbrook Cairns (or similar)

Resort



Today's Activities

Plane

Sydney – Cairns

3h

Look! Up in the sky! It's a bird! It's a plane! It's... yup, it is a plane, actually.

Private Vehicle

Cairns – Port Douglas

1h15m-1h30m

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

River Drift Experience

Port Douglas

Escape into the Daintree Rainforest on a guided trek and refreshing river float through the lush landscapes of Mossman Gorge.

Private Vehicle

Port Douglas – Cairns

1h15m-1h30m

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Today, discover one of the world's most extraordinary natural wonders with a full-day adventure on the Great Barrier Reef. Cruise beyond the coastline into a vibrant underwater world, where colourful coral gardens and incredible marine life await. Enjoy time to snorkel, swim, or simply take in the beauty of this remarkable ecosystem, with lunch included along the way. Return to Cairns and gather this evening for a farewell dinner, celebrating the unforgettable landscapes, wildlife, and experiences shared across Australia's east coast.



Meals included

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



Accommodation

Crystalbrook Cairns (or similar)

Resort



Today's Activities

Full Day Trip to the Great Barrier Reef

Great Barrier Reef

Set out from Cairns for a full-day escape to the Great Barrier Reef. Explore spectacular coral reefs by snorkel, encounter an incredible array of marine life, and relax on board with an included lunch as you take in the tropical surroundings.

Enjoy a final breakfast in Cairns before your adventure comes to an end. Take one last moment to soak in the tropical surroundings before departing with unforgettable memories of Australia's diverse landscapes, rich cultures, and extraordinary experiences.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Departure Day

Not ready to leave? Your CEO can help with any onward travel arrangements you require.

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Is there a travel disclaimer for my itinerary I should review before booking this trip?

While it is our intention to adhere to the route described below, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. The itinerary is brief, as we never know exactly where our journey will take us. Due to our style of travel and the regions we visit, travel can be unpredictable. The Trip Details document is a general guide to the tour and region and any mention of specific destinations or wildlife is by no means a guarantee that they will be visited or encountered. Aboard expedition trips visits to research stations depend on final permission.

Additionally, any travel times listed are approximations only and subject to vary due to local circumstances.

What important notes should I be aware of before the trip?

1. Please be aware that wifi and internet access is not as readily available in Australia as in other parts of the world. There are often additional charges to connect to the internet, and speeds may be slower than what you are used to.

2. Over public holidays in Australia (such as Christmas, New Years Day, Easter, and Anzac Day) there may be some limitations of services and disruptions to schedules. In general our tours still operate effectively over public holidays, but there may be closures of optional activities and restaurants, and slight itinerary adjustments in order to provide all tour inclusions.

What is the role of the group leader during this trip?

This G Adventures group trip is accompanied by one of our group leaders, otherwise known as a Chief Experience Officer (CEO). The CEO will be the group manager, leader and driver - this person is experienced in the routes travelled and will organize and lead the meal preparations and has experience in cooking a variety of local and international dishes for large groups.

As the group coordinator and manager, the aim of the CEO is to take the hassle out of your travels and to help you have the best trip possible. While not being guides in the traditional sense, you can expect them to have a broad general knowledge of the countries visited on the trip, including historical, cultural, religious and social aspects. They will also offer suggestions for things to do and to see, recommend great local eating venues and introduce you to our local friends.

We also use local guides where we think more specific knowledge will add to the enjoyment of the places we are visiting - we think it's the best of both worlds.

What is the maximum and typical number of participants on this tour?

Max 16, avg 12

What meals are included in this trip?

11 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 6 dinners

What are the modes of transportation on my trip?

Private vehicle, internal flights, ferry, walking.

Are local flights included in the cost of the trip?

All local flights are included in the cost of your tour unless otherwise noted. It is important that we have your passport information at the time of booking in order to process these tickets. Internal flight tickets are issued locally and will be given to you prior to the flight departure.

The max luggage allowance on domestic flights within Australia is 1 checked bag (20 kgs) and 1 carry on (7 kgs) per person.

Is there an extra cost for travelling solo?

We believe solo travellers should not have to pay more to travel so our group trips are designed for shared accommodation and do not involve a single supplement. Single travellers joining group trips are paired in twin or multi-share accommodation with someone of the same sex for the duration of the trip. Some of our Independent trips are designed differently and solo travellers on these itineraries must pay the single trip price.

Where will we stay during the trip?

Hotels (11 nts)

If I choose to purchase My Own Room, are there any exceptions during the trip?

Please note that if you have booked the "My Own Room" option for this tour, you will receive your own single room for all night stops

What should I do if I can't find my airport transfer or experience arrival issues?

We don't expect any problems, and nor should you, but if for any reason you are unable to commence your trip as scheduled, please refer to the emergency contact details provided in this dossier and contact us as soon as possible. If you have a pre-booked transfer, and you have not made contact with our representative within 30 minutes of clearing customs and immigration, we recommend that you make your own way to the Starting Point hotel, following the Joining Instructions. Please apply to your travel agent on your return for a refund of the transfer cost if this occurs.

Who do I contact for arrival issues or in the event of an emergency?

Should you need to contact G Adventures during a situation of dire need, it is best to first call our local office in Melbourne. If for any reason you do not receive an immediate answer, please leave a detailed message and contact information, so we may return your call and assist you as soon as possible.

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

G Adventures Local Office and after office hours emergency number

From outside Australia: +61 432 705 621

From within Australia: 0432 705 621

If you are unable for any reason to contact our local operations manager, please call the numbers listed below which will connect you directly with our Sales team who will happily assist you. Hours of operation by region can be found [here](#).

Toll-free, North America only: 1 888 800 4100

Calls from UK: 0344 272 0000

Calls from Germany: 0800 365 1000

Calls from Australia: 1 300 796 618

Calls from New Zealand: 0800 333 307

Outside North America, Australia, New Zealand, Germany and the UK: +1 416 260 0999

What are the packing guidelines and luggage restrictions?

The max luggage allowance on domestic flights within Australia is 1 checked bag (20 kgs) and 1 carry on (7 kgs) per person.

You will be on the move a lot, so our advice is to pack as lightly as possible.

We recommend using a backpack for your convenience, or a medium-sized suitcase if you prefer. Heavy luggage is not recommended for the health of the CEO, who will take a lead in loading the storage trailer. Due to space in the trailer, we will not be able to accommodate more than one piece of main luggage per person. A good size day-pack (20-35L) is also essential to carry your personal gear for the day, as access to luggage between destinations will be limited. This daypack will be used to carry your personal gear for the day, your lunch and a water bottle.

What should I pack for this trip?

Documents:

- Flight info (required) (Printouts of e-tickets may be required at the border)
- Insurance info (required) (With photocopies)
- Vouchers and pre-departure information (required)
- Passport (required) (With photocopies)
- Visas or vaccination certificates (With photocopies)

Essentials:

- Toiletries (required) (Shampoo, bodywash, soap, etc.)
- Binoculars (optional)
- Camera (With extra memory cards and batteries)
- Cash, credit and debit cards
- Day pack (Used for daily excursions or short overnights)
- Ear plugs
- First-aid kit (should contain lip balm with sunscreen, sunscreen, whistle, Aspirin, Ibuprofen, bandaids/plasters, tape, anti-histamines, antibacterial gel/wipes, antiseptic cream, Imodium or similar tablets for mild cases of diarrhea, rehydration powder, water purification tablets or drops, insect repellent, sewing kit, extra prescription drugs you may be taking)
- Flashlight/torch (Headlamps are ideal)
- Fleece top/sweater
- Footwear
- Hat
- Headphones (Noise-cancelling recommended)
- Locks for bags
- Long pants/jeans
- Moneybelt
- Outlet adapter
- Personal entertainment (Reading and writing materials, cards, music player, etc.)
- Reusable water bottle
- Shirts/t-shirts
- Sleepwear
- Small travel towel
- Sunglasses
- Swimwear
- Watch and alarm clock
- Waterproof backpack cover
- Windproof rain jacket

Health & Safety:

- Face masks (Clients will be only be required to wear a face mask where it is mandated by local regulations.)
- Hand sanitizer
- Pen (Please bring your own pen for filling out documents.)

Warm Weather:

- Sandals/flip-flops
- Sturdy water shoes/sandals
- Shorts/skirts (Longer shorts/skirts are recommended)
- Sun hat/bandana
- Swimwear

What are the visas and entry requirements for my trip?

All countries require a valid passport (with a minimum 6 months validity). Contact your local embassy or consulate for the most up-to-date visa requirements, or see your travel agent. It is your own responsibility to have the correct travel documentation. Visa requirements for your trip will vary depending on where you are from and where you are going. We keep the following information up to date as far as possible, but rules do change and sometimes without warning. While we provide the following information in good faith, it is vital that you check the information yourself and understand that you are fully responsible for your own visa requirements.

Visa information specific to your destination and nationality can be found in our Important Pre-Departure Information page [here](#)

What should I consider when planning my personal expenses and discretionary spending for this itinerary?

Every traveller is different and therefore spending money requirements will vary. Some travellers may drink more than others while other travellers like to purchase more souvenirs than most. Please consider your own spending habits when it comes to allowing for drinks, shopping and tipping. Please also remember the following specific recommendations when planning your trip.

What should I know about currency, credit cards, and exchanging money while on this tour?

The Australian currency is the Australian Dollar (AUD).

Credit cards are accepted almost everywhere in Australia and can be used to purchase small and large items. When purchasing products or services with a foreign credit card you may be charged additional fees by your credit card company for foreign purchases.

Credit cards and debit cards are very useful for cash advances but you must remember to bring your PIN number (be aware that many ATM machines only accept 4-digit PINs). Both Cirrus and Plus system cards are the most widely accepted debit cards. Both Visa and Master Cards are the most widely accepted credit cards. While ATMs are commonly available, there are no guarantees that your credit or debit cards will actually work check with your bank before you travel. A visit to an ATM can be arranged on Day 1 and other days of the trip.

Do not rely on credit or debit cards as your only source of money. A combination of local currency (preferably smaller bills, 5's, 10's and 20's), traveller's cheques and credit cards is best. Currency exchange is best obtained prior to travel or at the airport, currency exchange is easy to find in Australia in the gateway cities and most banks do accommodate.

Always take more rather than less, as you don't want to spoil the trip by constantly feeling short of funds.

As currency exchange rates can fluctuate often we ask that you refer to the following website for daily exchange rates: www.xe.com

What emergency funds do I need access to on this trip?

Please also make sure you have access to at least an additional USD \$200 (or equivalent) as an 'emergency' fund, to be used when circumstances outside our control (ex. a natural disaster) require a change to our planned route. This is a rare occurrence!

What are the tipping guidelines for this trip?

It is not customary in Australia to tip service providers, but if you do experience outstanding service it is good to do so. Such service would only usually be in places like quality restaurants and it would be very rare that you would tip more than 10%. Unless specifically asked to do so at the time (by your CEO) - do not tip your local guides. Also at the end of each trip if you felt your G Adventures Chief Experience Officer did an outstanding job, you may consider a small tip - but it certainly isn't expected.

What activities are optional on this trip?

Sydney

- Sydney Harbour Bridge Climb
(385-415 per person)

What general safety tips and free-time guidelines should I follow?

Many national governments provide a regularly updated advice service on safety issues involved with international travel. We recommend that you check your government's advice for their latest travel information before departure. We strongly recommend the use of a neck wallet or money belt while travelling, for the safe keeping of your passport, air tickets, travellers' cheques, cash and other valuable items. Leave your valuable jewellery at home - you won't need it while travelling. Many of the hotels we use have safety deposit boxes, which is the most secure way of storing your valuables. A lock is recommended for securing your luggage. When travelling on a group trip, please note that your group leader has the authority to amend or cancel any part of the trip itinerary if it deemed necessary, due to safety concerns. Your Chief Experience Officer (CEO) will accompany you on all included activities. During your trip you will have some free time to pursue your own interests, relax and take it easy and explore at your leisure. While your CEO will assist you with options available in a given location, please note that any optional activities you undertake are not part of your itinerary, and we offer no representations about the safety of the activity or the standard of the operators running them. Please use your own good judgement when selecting an activity in your free time. Although the cities visited on tour are generally safe during the day, there can be risks to wandering throughout any major city at night. It is our recommendation to stay in small groups and to take taxis to and from restaurants, or during night time excursions.

Water based activities have an element of danger and excitement built into them. We recommend only participating in water based activities when accompanied by a guide(s). We make every reasonable effort to ensure the fun and adventurous element of any water based activities (in countries with varying degrees of operating standards), have a balanced approach to safety. It is our policy not to allow our CEOs to make arrangements on your behalf for water based activities that are not accompanied by guide(s).

Swimming, including snorkeling, is always at your own risk. [Read more about travel safety](#) for ways to further enhance your personal safety while traveling.

Are there any specific safety considerations for this itinerary?

Between November and March, there is extreme heat with temperatures averaging between 43-46°C in the middle of Australia, especially around Uluru and Kings Canyon. This can lead to heat exhaustion and potentially become very dangerous. Be sure to drink plenty of water and replenish electrolytes by drinking sports drinks, coconut water or water mixed with electrolyte powder packets. Our CEOs have been trained in first aid and are well-versed in the risks associated with this heat.

As a result of this heat some included walks may be closed in the interests of travellers health. Certain walks around central Australia including Uluru, Kata Tjuta and Kings Canyon are closed when weather is forecast to exceed 36°C. During these hot months, we will endeavour to offer all walks early in the day to avoid the heat. Our CEOs will monitor the weather conditions to gauge the safety of any included walks and may need to call off a given day's walk due to extreme heat.

What are the mandatory group rules regarding laws and behaviour?

Illegal drugs will not be tolerated on any trips. Possessing or using drugs not only contravenes the laws of the land but also puts the rest of the group at risk. Smoking marijuana and opium is a part of local culture in some parts of the world but is not acceptable for our travellers. Our philosophy of travel is one of respect towards everyone we encounter and in particular the local people who make the world the special place it is. The exploitation of people in the sex trade is completely contrary to this philosophy. Our CEOs have the right to expel any member of the group if drugs are found in their possession or if they utilize the services of paid sex workers, in any capacity.

What are the mandatory travel insurance requirements for this trip?

Travel insurance is compulsory in order to participate on any of our trips. When travelling on a group trip, you will not be permitted to join the group until evidence of travel insurance has been sighted by your leader, who will take note of your insurance details. When selecting a travel insurance policy we require that at a minimum you are covered for medical expenses including emergency evacuation and repatriation. A minimum coverage of USD200,000 is required. We strongly recommend that the policy also covers personal liability, cancellation, curtailment and loss of luggage and personal effects. Some tours include adventure activities that require extra coverage (e.g. crampon use); please review your itinerary and make sure that you are covered for all included activities. If you have credit card insurance we require proof of purchase of the trip (a receipt of credit card statement) with a credit card in your name. Contact your bank for details of their participating insurer, the level of coverage and emergency contact telephone number.

What is Planeterra?

Planeterra International Foundation is a non-profit organization committed to turning travel into impact by helping local communities earn an income from tourism. Planeterra connects underserved local communities to the benefits of tourism by developing and supporting small community-owned businesses. These businesses support Indigenous people, empower women, grant youth access to employment opportunities, and protect the environment. Planeterra also works to ensure these businesses have a thriving customer base by integrating their projects into G Adventures' itineraries globally.

G Adventures is Planeterra's largest corporate donor, covering all operating costs, so 100% of your donation will bring opportunity to people in need.

G Adventures Dollar-a-day Program - Make Every Day Count - Turn your travel into impact with [Planeterra Foundation](#).

Did you know? Most communities around the world do not benefit from tourism. Give back to the places you visit on your travels by creating opportunities for local people to earn an income, and protect the environment.

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What are the age restrictions for this trip?

Minimum age of 18 years for this trip.

Are international flights included in this trip?

No, international flights are generally not included in the price of your tour.

However, on some combo tours travelling between two different countries, international flights are included as part of the itinerary and price of the tour. Please speak to your GCO or booking agent for further details.

In addition, check-in times and baggage allowances/restrictions vary by airline and can change at any time. For the most up-to-date information for your flight, please contact your airline. We recommend checking in online in advance to avoid potential delays at the airport.

What should LGBTQ+ travellers know about safety and travel considerations on this trip?

The safety and well-being of all of our travelers is a priority at G Adventures and that includes our travelers who identify as part of the LGBTQ+ community. We recognize that there are specific concerns and questions you may have about your adventure in terms of safety and security. We encourage you to visit our [LGBTQ+ page](#) for useful resources to ensure you feel safe and comfortable throughout the duration of your trip. The Equaldex tool linked on this page can be of particular help when deciding where you may want to visit next.

Dossier Disclaimer

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