

Currumbin Valley Bus & Coach 7 Day Tour | Stanthorpe

Monday 4 April –
Sunday 10 April 2022

GRANITE BELT GETAWAY

Discover the incredible regional flavours of Stanthorpe and surrounding regions - it's a food lovers paradise

Spend your days experiencing the perfect blend of breathtaking natural landscapes, fresh local produce and warm country hospitality. From premier wine and beer to gourmet produce, local farms and orchards just waiting to be explored.

Day 1: (LD) COOLANGATTA TO STANTHORPE

2022

Welcome to our tour to **Stanthorpe**. With our bags packed and fellow travellers onboard, we begin our adventure. Along the way we stop to enjoy morning tea from the coach before continuing to our first destination the **Glengallan Homestead and Heritage Centre**. Here, we are greeted by our guide who will lead us on an intriguing tour of the homestead. Uninhabited for more than half its lifetime, it remains frozen in time and is one of the few remaining examples of a 19th century house in Queensland. We then head to Stanthorpe, set in the middle of a mixed farming area where industries range from wineries and orchards to sheep and cattle grazing. Unpack and relax as this will be our home for the next six nights. Our delicious welcome dinner will be at **O'Mara's Hotel**.

The Vines Motel & Cottages | PH: 07 4681 3844 - subject to availability
Lunch at Glengallan Homestead | Dinner at O'Mara's Hotel

Day 2: (BLD) DISCOVERING STANTHORPE

2022

We explore the **Truffle Discovery Centre**, home to the rare and highly valuable Fresh Black Périgord Truffle. Unearth all that is truffle with a tour and gourmet food tastings. Next, we visit the **Stanthorpe Regional Art Gallery**, which houses a collection of almost 900 pieces representing the diversity of Australian art practice through a wide range of mediums. From painting, ceramics, works on paper and sculpture, the gallery displays quality exhibitions of both national and local importance. For lunch, we travel to **Granite Belt Brewery and Retreat**. Set on 30 acres of natural bushland, the country estate boasts a rustic atmosphere with delicious food and handcrafted beers. Dinner tonight will be at **Anna's Italian Restaurant**.

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Breakfast at hotel | Lunch at Granite Belt Brewery | Dinner at Anna's Italian Restaurant

Day 3: (BLD) WARWICK

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Today we travel to **Warwick**, a town known for its roses and rodeos. We are joined by a **local guide** on arrival who will introduce us to this charming town. A must-see attraction here is the **Abbey of the Roses**, formally Our Lady Assumption Convent, built for the Sisters of Mercy. We enjoy an educational tour telling us about the beautiful old building which is steeped in local history before a delightful lunch. Next, we visit the **Australian Rodeo Heritage Centre**, dedicated to the spirit of rodeo and the cowboy. It's a place to follow the history and relive the glory of the rodeo's greatest champions.

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Breakfast at hotel | Lunch at Abbey Boutique Hotel | Dinner at Stanthorpe RSL

Day 4: (BD) TENTERFIELD

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We are off to **Tenterfield**, located across in border in New South Wales. Meeting our guide, we are introduced to the natural beauty of Tenterfield's surrounding landscape and gain a greater insight into its distinctive historical features. We visit the **Tenterfield Saddler**, made famous in Peter Allen's song dedicated to his grandfather, George Woolnough. Built of quarried blue granite and featuring red cedar doors, the shop is still in its original condition. At the **Tenterfield Railway Station Museum** we are guided through the almost intact nineteenth century railway precinct. Tenterfield is often referred to the birthplace of the nation as it was here that **Sir Henry Parkes** made his famous speech, which set the federation of Australia in motion. We visit the **School of the Arts**, where the celebrated speech took place.

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Breakfast at hotel | Lunch at own expense | Dinner at Anna's Italian Restaurant

Day 5: (BDL) GRANITE BELT

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We begin the morning at **Alomba Lavender**, where we spend time wandering the gardens lined with tufts of lavender bushes while listening to our specialist guide as they unveil the production and uses of this versatile plant. We head out of town and arrive at Queensland's oldest family owned and operated winery, **Ballandean Estate**. The Puglisi family have made wine on this estate for over 80 years. sit back and relax as we enjoy a wine tasting and lunch amongst the rustic wine barrels with views over the rolling vineyards. Before leaving Ballandean, we uncover the natural and handmade products of the **Washpool Farm Soaperie**. Choose from sweet, playful, luxurious or downright practical – there is something in the range to suit all needs and desires. On our way back to Stanthorpe, we make a stop in Glen Aplin at **Jamworks**. Here we can try a wide range of jams and chutneys all made using only the freshest and best quality ingredients. Dinner tonight is at the award winning **Varias Restaurant**. Located at the Queensland College of Wine Tourism, the restaurant offers a world class dining experience with a focus on the best local produce, prepared and served by hospitality students.

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Breakfast at hotel | Lunch at Ballandean Estate | Dinner at Varias Restaurant (alternate drop only)

Day 6: (BLD) STANTHORPE TOURING

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We enjoy another day of local touring, beginning at the **Granite Belt Christmas Farm**. Renowned for bringing the 'Christmas Spirit' alive all year round, we are welcomed by our wonderful host and given a short talk explaining how the farm works and the uniqueness of this magical industry. Mrs Claus may even have some of her festive sweet treats on hand for us to sample. Next, we head to **Stanthorpe Cheese** where a selection of cheeses, at their peak of perfection, are awaiting us. We have a chance to visit a genuine working apple orchard, growing both dessert and cider apples. From small beginnings, **Sutton's Farm** has gradually evolved into the shop and café we see today. A delicious lunch, including fruit and herbs grown in the garden and orchard adds freshness to our experience.

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Day 7: (B) STANTHORPE TO COOLANGATTA

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We begin our journey home, stopping in the area known as the **Scenic Rim**. We call into **Summer Land Camel Farm** to learn about the history of camels in Australia and the powerful immune proteins that are contained in camel milk. Our tour takes in the interesting farm operations and we get to meet the camels. After lunch (own expense) we enjoy a true farming experience at **Towri Sheep Cheese**. Our afternoon will consist of a milking demonstration, cheese tastings and we will have access to the cheese room to learn about the basics of cheese making. By the time we have finished we will know the differences between sheep, cow and goat cheese! We then make our way home from an incredible week away in Stanthorpe.

Breakfast at hotel | Lunch at own expense

Your Tour Highlights

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| <i>Glengallan Homstead and Heritage Centre</i> | <i>Truffle Discovery Centre</i> |
| <i>Stanthorpe Regional Art Gallery</i> | <i>Granite Belt Brewery</i> |
| <i>Tour of Warwick</i> | <i>Guided tour of Tenterfield</i> |
| <i>Australian Rodeo Heritage Centre</i> | <i>Tenterfield Saddler and Railway Museum</i> |
| <i>Granite Belt Christmas Farm</i> | <i>Stanthorpe Cheese Tasting</i> |
| <i>Summerland Camel Farm</i> | <i>Suttons Farm</i> |
| <i>Tasting at the JamWorks</i> | <i>Towri Sheep Cheese</i> |
| <i>All itineraries are subject to change due to occasional restrictions in opening times/days of some attractions, e.g. churches, wineries etc. We cannot be held responsible for any changes due to closures, inclement weather etc.</i> | |

Tour Costs (inclusive of GST)

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| <i>Based on a minimum of 20 paying passengers</i> | <i>\$1,580.00 per person</i> |
| <i>Single Supplement</i> | <i>\$410 per person</i> |

Payments can be made :

- Cheque made payable to Brizac Pty Ltd T/A Currumbin Valley Coaches
- Electronic Transfer - Bank – NAB BSB – 084-402 Account – 863 151 293

Payment Schedule :

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| Non-refundable booking Deposit | \$250 | Due 4 February 2022 |
| Final Payment for Twin Share Passengers | \$1330 | Due 4 March 2022 |
| Final payment for Single Supplement Passengers | \$1740 | Due 4 March 2022 |

Tour Inclusions

- 6 night's motel accommodation
- 6 cooked motel breakfasts
- 6 included two course or buffet dinners – see below
- 5 included lunches – see below
- Morning tea from the Coach on first day of Tour.
- Guided tour and lunch at Glengallan Homestead and Heritage Centre
- Dinner at O'Mara's Hotel
- Guided tour and tastings at Truffle Discovery Centre
- Entry to Stanthorpe Regional Art Gallery
- Guided tour, tastings and lunch at Granite Belt Brewery
- Dinner at Anna's Italian Restaurant
- Guided tour of Warwick
- Guided tour and lunch at Abbey Boutique Hotel
- Guided tour at Australian Rodeo Heritage Centre
- Dinner at Stanthorpe RSL Club
- Guided tour of Tenterfield
- Entry to Tenterfield Saddler
- Guided tour at Tenterfield Railway Station Museum
- Entry to Sir Henry Parkes School of Arts
- Dinner at Anna's Italian Restaurant
- Entry to Aloomba Lavender
- Tasting and lunch at Ballandean Estate Wines
- Entry to Washpool Farm Soaperie
- Tastings at Jamworks
- Dinner at Anna's Italian Restaurant
- Guided tour and morning tea at Granite Belt Christmas Farm
- Tastings at Stanthorpe Cheese
- Entry and lunch at Sutton's Farm
- Dinner at Varias Restaurant
- Guided tour at Summer Land Camel Farm
- Guided tour and afternoon tea at Towri Sheep Cheese

Suggested Accommodation (subject to availability)

- The Vines Motel & Cottages, Stanthorpe (6 nights)

Please Note

- Price is based on a minimum of 20 paying passengers. **If numbers fall below 20 paying passengers, this quotation will need to be re-costed.**
- Price is valid for above tour dates only and includes GST.
- Coach Captain's accommodation and meals are FOC.
- Please note that insurance is not included in this costing, however **travel insurance** is highly recommended.
- Accommodation is subject to availability. If alternative accommodation needs to be sourced, the price could change.
- Surcharges may apply if accommodation dates fall on public holidays or special events.
- Morning teas or afternoon teas are not included unless specified.

Cancellation Policy and Fees

| EVENT | CANCELLATION FEE |
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| A Covid-19 Government announcement and/or an outbreak that impacts the tour , Currumbin Valley Coaches reserve the right to cancel the tour. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Booking deposit OR• You can choose to credit your deposit to another Tour operated by Currumbin Valley Coaches within the next three (3) years. |
| 60 days from departure date tour does not reach minimum numbers (ie.20 passengers) tour will be re-costed and / or cancelled | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Booking deposit refunded |
| Passenger cancels 45+ days prior to Departure date | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Booking deposit |
| Passenger cancels 15 - 45 days prior to departure date | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Booking deposit AND• 10% of total package price |
| Passenger cancels 7-15 days prior to departure date | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Booking deposit. AND• 20% of total package price |
| Passenger cancels within 7 days prior to departure date | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 100% of total package price |

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The itinerary may be subject to change without notice. Whilst every effort is made to adhere to the itinerary as provided, Currumbin Valley Coaches reserves the right to alter the touring and attractions as dictated by circumstances and conditions outside the company's control. Alterations may be made to ensure the smooth running of the tour. Every attempt will be made to ensure alterations do not adversely affect the operation of the tour. Currumbin Valley Coaches will not be held responsible for weather-based cancellations or those closures made at the venue's or discretion.

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