



Melbourne Cup Carnival GARDEN TOUR

7 Days | Departs 3 November 2023



Combining the stunning gardens of Melbourne with the excitement of Australia's greatest race!

Join Zeppelin Travel for a week long holiday when the spectacular garden displays are at their peak... from the Royal Botanic Gardens, historic Rippon Lea estate, to the Dandenong Ranges with breathtaking views over the Yarra Valley. Our week ends with a superb extravaganza of fashion, food, flair and entertainment at Flemington for the Lexus Melbourne Cup.



- Tour the gardens of the historic Rippon Lea Estate
- Open-air bus tour of Melbourne Botanical Gardens including lunch
- Guided Tour of the spectacular Cloudehill Gardens including lunch
- Visit the Dandenong Ranges Botanic Garden
- Guided Tour of the magnificent Alister Clark Memorial Rose Garden
- Melbourne Cup Gala Eve Dinner at Crown Casino including entertainment and racing Celebrities
- Entry to Flemington Racecourse for the Lexus Melbourne Cup including reserved seating in undercover Hill Stand with excellent views of Winning post

OPTIONAL: DARBY RACE DAY

Should you wish to attend the Races on Darby Day (Saturday) we can organise transfers and entry with Reserve Seating. *This will be at an extra cost and subject to availability.*





Day 1, Friday 3 November
GOLD COAST- MELBOURNE

Make your way to the domestic airport for your flight to Melbourne. Upon arrival you will be transferred to your centrally located hotel. This evening, you are invited to join your fellow travellers at the Marriott Hotel for Melbourne Cup Carnival Welcome Drinks.

6 Nights: Marriot Hotel Melbourne

Day 2, Saturday 4 November
MELBOURNE B/L

**Optional Darby Day Races.* Today you visit the historic Rippon Lea, a beautiful Victorian mansion set in 14 acres of gardens in inner city Melbourne. Starting with a garden tour followed by free time to enjoy a mansion tour if you wish. Heading back into the centre of Melbourne, enjoy a leisurely lunch at the Melbourne Botanical Gardens, then tour the gardens in an open-air bus. Arriving back at our hotel around 4pm, the evening is at your leisure.

Day 3, Sunday 5 November
MELBOURNE B/L

Today you travel to the beautiful Dandenong Ranges to visit the spectacular Cloudehill Gardens with a guided tour of the gardens before enjoying a wonderful lunch in their Seasons Restaurant. After lunch tour the Dandenong Ranges Botanic Garden with extra time to take a self-guided tour with map or simply sit and soak up the stunning gardens. Returning to your hotel around 5pm, tonight is at your leisure.

Day 4, Monday 6 November
MELBOURNE B/D

This morning you will tour the magnificent Alister Clark Memorial Rose Garden, our visit includes a guided tour. This afternoon is free to soak up the Spring Carnival atmosphere of Melbourne, shop or perhaps prepare for tonight's exclusive Melbourne Cup Eve dinner held at Crown Casino. The evening includes live entertainment, a wonderful meal, and interviews with racing personalities. Tonight, will be an evening to remember in preparation for Australia's greatest race meeting.

Day 5, Tuesday 7 November
MELBOURNE B

Transfer to Flemington Racecourse to bask in the excitement and atmosphere of Australia's richest and most famous race day of the year from your Reserved Hillstand seat. The Lexus Melbourne Cup is a truly spectacular event to witness in person, each year creating a new legend and bringing the entire country to a standstill.

Day 6, Wednesday 8 November
MELBOURNE B

Today is at your leisure, to take it easy after a busy week or alternatively take one of our many tours on offer, enjoy lunch at one of the many restaurants, the choice is yours.

Day 7, Thursday 9 November
MELBOURNE - GOLD COAST B

Today you will be transferred to Tullamarine Airport for your return flight home.



Tour Dates and Costs:

7 Days/6 Nights

3 - 9 November 2023

COST: \$4,995 per person, twin share
Single supplement: \$1,295pp

Tour Includes

- Economy class airfares
- Return hotel / casino transfers for Melbourne Cup Eve Dinner
- Return hotel / racecourse transfers on Lexus Melbourne Cup Day
- Accommodation on twin share basis at Melbourne Marriott Hotel
- Admission, race book & Undercover reserved Hill Stand seating
- Welcome Drinks
- Melbourne Cup Eve Dinner at Crown Casino
- Breakfast Daily
- Lunch on day two at the Botanic Gardens
- Lunch on day three at the Cloudehill Gardens
- Devonshire tea at Woodlands Estate on day four
- Sightseeing and garden visits as listed
- Assistance throughout

Not Included

- Meals other than listed
- Travel Insurance
- Optional tours



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