

## NORFOLK ISLAND BOUNTY WEEK Celebration Getaway

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8 Days • 7 - 14 June 2025

## JOIN IN THE CELEBRATIONS OF BOUNTY DAY AND THE 200th ANNIVERSARY OF THE SECOND CONVICT SETTLEMENT ON THE ISLAND.

Bounty Mutineer descendants will re-enact the landing of their forefathers in period costume. A spectacular combination of touring, activities, food and entertainment.









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# **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

Norfolk

Island

**ISLAND TOURS** 

Enjoy a half day orientation tour visitng key historic areas, amazing views and the renowned Melanesian Chapel. Get a real insight into the lifestyle of Norfolk on an 'Over the Cattlestops' tour.



## BOUNTY DAY CELEBRATIONS

Join in the festive activities which include a re-enactment, parade, wreath laying, singing of hymns at the port then enjoy a private farm picnic of local specialties.



Savour the local cuisine with several delicious culinary experiences including Barney Duffy BBQ dinner, Paddock to Plate experience lunch, progressive dinner to Island homes, and the famous Island Fish Fry dinner.



## FASCINATING CULTURE & HISTORY

Discover the history and culture of Norfolk during tours including: Women of Norfolk, an Island Culture Tour, and watch Norfolk's history come to life during a sound and light show.



### WONDERLAND BY NIGHT

Experience Norfolk by night during the Wonderland by Night tour, celebrating the stories of life gone by on Norfolk. 10 acres of magical Norfolk Pines are lit up like an enchanted forest. Meadner along the path as a Bounty Mutineer descendant recites poems and light up dioramas.



## CONVICT SETTLEMENT TOUR & DINNER

Learn about the fascinating convict history at the Heritage Listed settlement of Kingston and see the famous convict buildings. Then dress as a convict and enjoy an evening of feasting, singing and dancing!

#### Day 1: Saturday 7 June 2025

#### Brisbane to Norfolk Island (D)

Today we depart on our flight to Norfolk Island. On arrival, we transfer to our hotel. Tonight we enjoy a welcome dinner at the hotel.

7 Nights: Paradise Hotel and Resort

#### Day 2: Sunday 8 June

#### Norfolk Island (B/Morning Tea/D)

This morning we enjoy a half day tour of Norfolk Island. On this tour, we visit some of Norfolk's key historic areas, including Kingston, Cascade and Longridge. This is our chance to learn all about the fascinating history of Norfolk Island. See the famous convict buildings and enjoy the stories told in the full commentary as we visit each new place. We take in the amazing views from the lookouts, where we will get to enjoy the beautiful beaches in all their glory. Learn about Norfolk Island government, laws and of course their unique lifestyle. Some of the highlights include the renowned Melanesian Chapel and a visit to the grounds of an old island home where we will be served morning tea. The afternoon is at leisure. This evening we will enjoy dinner at one of the most popular restaurants on the island, Governors Lodge.

#### Day 3: Monday 9 June Norfolk Island (B/L)

Today we join in the festivities of Bounty Day which celebrates the anniversary of the arrival of the Pitcairn Islanders. 2025 is the 200th Anniversary of the second convict settlement on Norfolk Island. The Pitcairn Islanders were the descendants of the infamous English sailors of mutiny on the Bounty fame and the Tahitian women who, under their leader Fletcher Christian began a new life on isolated Pitcairn Island. After outgrowing tiny Pitcairn, Queen Victoria gave Norfolk Island to the 8 island families, 194 islanders arrived on the Morayshire in 1856. The celebrations are held in the World Heritage area of Kingston which includes an re-enactment, parade, wreath laying, and singing of hymns. After the celebrations, we enjoy a private farm picnic of local specialties. The rest of the day and evening are at leisure to explore the island.

#### Day 4: Tuesday 10 June Norfolk Island (B/D)

This morning we learn about the captivating stories of Norfolk Island's exceptional women who have played a pivotal role and helped shape its history. We trace the remarkable journeys of Olivia Gascoigne, who faced an imminent death sentence, Aunt Selina Buffet, a woman of enduring influence with an award bearing her name, Marie Bailey, a key figure in Norfolk Island's tourism industry, and Colleen McCullough, celebrated for her literary accomplishments and fervent advocacy for Norfolk Island. Walk in the footsteps of these extraordinary women who have triumphed over adversity and significantly shaped the beloved Norfolk community. This afternoon we delve into the rich culture and heritage of Norfolk's forebears on an Island Culture Tour where the arts of weaving, cooking, dancing and the Norfolk Language were inherited from their mutineer ancestors and their Tahitian wives. Join us for a cooking demonstration, indulge in a taste of some traditional dishes, master Tahitian Island dancing, try your hand at weaving and attempt some of the Norf'k Language. Tonight, we indulge in a hearty BBQ feast featuring steak, sausages, and a variety of sides and trimmings. Join us to listen to local guest speakers as they share memorabilia, stories, and fascinating insights into the Island's history and governance. After dinner, embark on the breathtaking Wonderland by Night tour. Wonderland by Night celebrates the stories of life gone by on Norfolk Island and how the past has shaped

it's identity. The setting is 10 acres of magical Norfolk Pines, which are lit up like an enchanted forest. Meander along (or ride in the 'moon buggy') through a gentle winding path with a descendant of the Bounty Mutineers, as they recite poems and light up the dioramas. while sharing entertaining stories. We then return to 'the shed' for a delicious dessert.

#### Day 5: Wednesday 11 June Norfolk Island (B/L/D)

This morning we enjoy a Paddock to Plate experience. We visit a market garden that supplies vegetables to the Island and learn about providing seasonal produce. We'll also tour a farm with beef cattle to understand the unique farming practices on Norfolk Island. Next, we'll visit a free-range chicken farm and learn how they supply the Island with farm fresh eggs. Our final stop will be at a local home for a delicious two-course lunch featuring local ingredients. The afternoon is at leisure before a fabulous progressive dinner! We will get to enjoy a 3 course meal (typical of Norfolk Island), progressing to different Norfolk Island family homes. Each home has been carefully selected - and each dinner host has a sensational story to tell. We'll hear all about their family's history and day to day life. It will be a highlight of our trip and a great way to meet the local people, gaining true insight on life on Norfolk Island and it's beautiful people.

#### Day 6: Thursday 12 June Norfolk Island (B/Morning Tea/D)

This morning we get a real insight into the lifestyle on Norfolk Island, meet the people and see their industries in action. Norfolk Island has a huge amount of small businesses making different local products that we are able to see and maybe have a taste of! We will also enjoy morning tea at a beautiful scenic location. Dinner tonight is the famous "Island Fish Fry". We will enjoy a feast of local dishes, salads and homemade coconut bread, alongside mouth-watering fried fish. Our feast overlooks breathtaking coastal scenery as the sun sets - with live music in the background. The dishes include 'Pilhi' (savoury banana Slice,) a special sweet potato mash with local herbs called 'Ana', coconut bread and delicious coconut pie and cream for dessert. Our evening is completed by local entertainment from the Baunti Byuutis dancing group, on the exclusive Western Side property 'Orn Dar Cliff'. This will be followed by an evening of Norfolk Is history as we watch the Sound and Light Show. The stillness and the stars are there just as they were, when the original settlers arrived in 1788. However, with the dramatic use of real-life sounds, theatrical lighting and costumed actors, the stillness is broken as we are taken through the horrifying decades of Norfolk Island's convict era.

#### Day 7: Friday 13 June Norfolk Island (B/D)

This morning, we take an in depth tour to learn about Norfolk Island's Convict History at the World Heritage Listed Georgian settlement of Kingston. This whole area is a living showcase of Polynesian, convict and Pitcairn Islander history. Visit the cemetery, as well as the old houses along Quality Row. Walk through the ruins of the New Gaol, see the Pier Store, Boat Shed and the Crank Mill. This evening we will enjoy dinner – "Night as a Convict". Dress as a convict and join in with the Commandant for an evening of gaiety, feasting, singing, and dancing. We supply the outfit - all you need to do is bring your sense of humour! And prepare yourself for a delicious meal with your new friends.

#### Day 8: Saturday 14 June

Norfolk Island to Brisbane (B)

Today we transfer to the airport for our flight back to Brisbane.



## **TOUR INCLUDES:**

- Return economy Qantas airfares from Brisbane
- Meet & greet on arrival at Norfolk Airport
- Return airport to hotel transfers on Norfolk Island
- 7 nights accommodation at the Paradise Hotel
- Half Day Orientation Tour
- Dinner at a local restaurant
- Bounty Day Celebrations & Picinic Lunch
- Morning Women of Norfolk session
- Afternoon Island Cultural Tour
- Barney Duffy BBQ Dinner
- Wonderland by Night
- Paddock to Plate Experience & 2 Course Lunch
- Progressive Dinner to Island Homes
- Over the Cattlestops Tour
- Island Fish Fry Dinner
- Evening Sound & Light Show
- Afternoon Convict Settlement Tour
- Night as a Convict Farewell Dinner
- 7 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 6 dinners



## 8 Days / 7 Nights

## Sat 7th - Sat 14th June 2025

COST: per person, twin share was **\$4,595pp**<sup>\*</sup>

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