

7 Days: Tasmania's North & East Coast Highlights

Barnbougle – Launceston – Tamar Valley – Freycinet

Launceston is Tasmania's second major city and a vibrant hub for food and wine, culture, and nature. The whole region is packed with city and country charm, gorgeous old towns, excellent food and wine, and beautiful scenic highlights.

Beyond Launceston, discover the stunning seasides of Coles Bay and stay at Saffire Freycinet, overlooking the mesmerising vista of Great Oyster Bay and the pink granite of the Hazards Mountains. This is a great base to explore Freycinet National Park with its spectacular coastal scenery, including famous Wineglass Bay, rated as one of the ten best beaches in the world.

The Journey

Duration
7 days

Nearest major city
Launceston

Transport
On foot, Car, Segway, Boat

BARBBOUGLE LOST FARM, BRIDPORT

HOUSE OF ARRAS, LAUNCESTON

Day 1

Drive to **Barnbougle Lost Farm Lodge**. On arrival check in and hit the green for a round of golf.

Tee off at one of the two courses – either **Barnbougle Dunes Golf Links** - a traditional links course located on the pristine coastline of north-east Tasmania or **Barnbougle Lost Farm**, designed and constructed by world-renowned US golf course design company Coore & Crenshaw.

After your round, freshen up at the lodge and watch the last light fade over the dunes before heading to dinner. Settle in for Tasmanian seafood and coastal views at the Lost Farm Restaurant, then cap the night with a whisky by the fire or a quiet stroll on the sand.

Highlights

- Experience one of the world's top links golf courses located on 200 acres of spectacular undulating coastal dunes at Barnbougle Dunes or play Barnbougle Lost Farm - featuring a quirky 20 holes set against a dramatic backdrop of the Anderson Bay coastline.
- Enjoy Tasmanian seafood with ocean views, then finish with a relaxed lodge nightcap.

Day 2

Depart Barnbougle towards Launceston.

Visit **Bridestowe Lavender Estate**, where sweeping fields of purple are spectacular during December and January. Visit the farm shop and café, enjoy a picnic under century-old oaks or look at the estate's history and production process. Stop in at **Nadine's** at Pipers Brook Vineyard for a light lunch.

Next, visit the **House of Arras** for their **Sparkling Scholar** experience, tasting a selection of méthode traditionnelle wines while learning the story behind Australia's most awarded sparkling.

Continue driving to Launceston and check in to your accommodation at **Stillwater Seven**. Choose from many exciting dining options, such as **Stillwater Restaurant**, **Stelo at Pierres** or **Black Cow Bistro**.

Highlights

- Meander amongst sweeping fields of purple at Bridestowe Lavender Estate.
- Taste award-winning méthode traditionnelle wines in an exclusive masterclass at House of Arras.
- Enjoy the uniquely indulgent accommodation experience at Stillwater Seven.

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JOSEF CHROMY, TAMAR VALLEY

ASHGROVE CHEESE, ELEANOR TOWN

Day 3

Begin your day with a visit to the **Tasmanian Gourmet Sauce Company** where you can explore their range of artisanal sauces and condiments.

Visit **Josef Chromy** for the **Sights and Delights** experience, where you'll embark on a guided walk through the estate and learn about the history and wine-making process. Afterwards, enjoy a wine tasting at the Cellar Door, followed by a two-course lunch with paired wines at the hatted Josef Chromy Restaurant.

Work off lunch with a self-guided nature walk around the picturesque Cataract Gorge, where the South Esk River carves its way through solid rock and enters the Tamar River Valley. Then, jump on the **Basin Chairlift** for a birds-eye view.

Highlights

- Tantalise your taste buds at the Tasmanian Gourmet Sauce Company.
- Discover Josef Chromy's winemaking secrets before a two-course lunch.
- Enjoy a self-guided nature walk at Cataract Gorge, then ride the Basin Chairlift.

Day 4

Today, explore the beautiful Tamar Valley countryside, enjoying scenic farmgate stops and gourmet experiences. Begin with a visit to **Hillwood Berries**, where you can pick fresh berries or enjoy seasonal treats. Then, indulge in some of Australia's finest chocolates at **Anvers Chocolate Shop**, with tastings and a chance to watch chocolate-making in action.

Next, visit **Ashgrove Cheese** for a taste of traditional cheeses, followed by a stop at **Truffles of Tasmania**, where you'll learn from expert truffle hunters and their dogs.

Finish the day with a refreshing gin tasting at **Turner Stillhouse distillery**.

Highlights

- Enjoy freshly picked berries at Hillwood Berries Farm and award-winning cheeses at Ashgrove.
- Watch chocolatiers at Anvers and uncover the earthy flavours of Truffles of Tasmania with their truffle dogs.
- Savour hand-crafted gins at the boutique Turner Stillhouse, a boutique Tasmanian distillery.

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DEVIL'S CORNER, APISLAWN

OYSTER SHUCKING, FREYCINET

Day 5

Depart Launceston and head to Coles Bay with a stop at **Devil's Corner** for the **Moulting Lagoon Experience**. Enjoy an exclusive tour of the Hazards Vineyard, stunning lagoon views, an oyster shucking session with Freycinet oysters, premium wine pairings, and a gourmet lunch at Devil's Den.

End your day at the luxurious **Saffire Freycinet**, a globally acclaimed coastal sanctuary where you'll enjoy world-class service and breathtaking views of Great Oyster Bay and the Hazards Mountains. Prepare for an evening of pure relaxation in this remarkable **Luxury Lodge of Australia**.

Highlights

- Enjoy a private vineyard tour and oyster shucking at Devil's Corner.
- Unwind in luxury accommodation at Saffire Freycinet, overlooking Great Oyster Bay and the Hazards Mountains.

Day 6

Your day at Saffire Freycinet could include a range of unforgettable experiences.

Start with the **Beekeeping Experience**, learning about honey production and extracting fresh honeycomb.

After a leisurely lunch of Tasmania's finest produce, indulge in an optional treatment at the **Spa Saffire** to relax and unwind.

In the afternoon, join the **Freycinet Marine Farm Oyster Experience**, where you'll explore an oyster farm, taste fresh oysters, and sip on sparkling wine.

Then, enjoy a **Mixology Masterclass**, crafting cocktails with local spirits. End the day with a gourmet dinner at **Palate Restaurant**, paired with fine Tasmanian wines and stunning views.

Highlights

- Learn honey production with the Beekeeping Experience.
- Shuck fresh oysters at the Freycinet Marine Farm Oyster Experience.
- Craft cocktails at the Mixology Masterclass.

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Day 7

Before heading back to Launceston or onwards to Hobart, enjoy an unforgettable **Wildlife & Wilderness Cruise**.

This half-day adventure aboard Saffire Freycinet's private vessel takes you along the breathtaking Freycinet Peninsula, with exclusive access to remote locations that can only be reached by water. Glide past granite sea cliffs, secluded coves, and powdery white-sand beaches, while expert guides share the rich history and fascinating ecology of the area. You may spot playful dolphins, fur seals, majestic sea eagles, and even migrating humpback whales.

Highlights

-  Cruise past Freycinet's stunning, remote coastline.
-  Encounter wildlife, from dolphins to migrating whales.

Trip extension recommendation: Maria Island Walk

On the 4-Day Maria Island Walk, explore white-sand beaches, hike peaks like Bishop & Clerk, visit UNESCO-listed Darlington, see Painted and Fossil Cliffs, and encounter the island's diverse wildlife in a stunning car-free nature sanctuary.



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