

ARMCHAIR ADVENTURES:

LET'S EXPLORE TASMANIA

It's hot in Brisbane; time to escape the heat and immerse yourself in all Tasmania has to offer! Whether you're a foodie or a nature lover there is something for everyone in our southernmost state.

Launceston

Fly into Launceston and get ready to begin your adventure! Tasmania's second largest city will charm you with its old-timey atmosphere, natural beauty and laid back feel. While you're here be sure to check out Cataract Gorge – nothing to do with eyes and all to do with breathtaking views! Hop on the Gorge Scenic Chairlift for uninterrupted views of the area. Sit back and relax as you dangle above the basin, and perhaps spot some wildlife. Head back into the city centre and sample some of the area's best local seafood for lunch. There are many places to choose from at

the Seaport Marina – the River views are a bonus too! If you've got extra time in Launceston a trip to Grindelwald Swiss Village makes for a unique experience. Yes, you read that correctly, there really is a Swiss village in Tasmania! The village was founded in the 1980's and each residence has been built in the traditional Swiss style. Buildings feature wide eaves, flowerboxes, window shutters and cute little balconies, it looks like a movie scene! While you're in the village play a game on mini golf or visit the chocolate café.

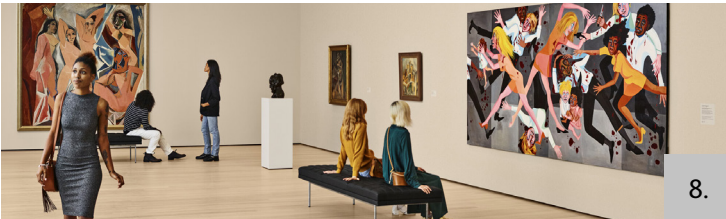
Bay of Fires

Stroll down Launceston's main street, pick up a hot coffee and hit the road towards the Bay of Fires. Make sure you stop along way, take the 10 minute walk to the Lilydale falls and sample some cheese at the Pyengana Dairy Company to break

up the drive. Arrive and take the Bay of Fires coastal walk that explore the striking shoreline. Renowned for its pristine white beaches, turquoise waters and tangerine granite boulders. The area was named after the Aboriginal fires spotted by Captain Tobias Furneaux when he sailed along Tasmania's east coast in 1773.

Freycinet National Park

Meander your way down the remarkable east coast of Tasmania, towards Freycinet National Park. The National Park is home to Wineglass Bay, Tasmania's most photographed view! While here, be sure to take the one hour return walk to Wineglass Bay Lookout. The views at the lookout will reward all physical efforts - take in the white sand, views over Oyster Bay and even pods of dolphins if you are lucky.



1. Grindelwald Swiss Village 2.Cradle Mountain Lake St Clair National Park 3. Bay of Fires 4. Port Arthur 5. Wombats on Maria Island 6. Wineglass Bay at Freycinet National Park 7. Salamanca Market 8. MOMA

TASMANIA'S TOP 3 WALKS

Maria Island

If you are an animal lover, Maria Island is not to be missed – wombats are so common here that they are almost a tripping hazard! If that's not enough to warrant a visit, you will also most likely spot kangaroos, wallabies, Cape Barren geese, Tasmanian devils and a range of birdlife.

Port Arthur

Time to visit Tasmania's top tourist attraction that welcomes over 250,000 visitors each year. Site entry tickets cost AUD \$40.00 and include a guided walking tour, access to over 30 historic buildings, and a harbor cruise on board the MV Marana. Have lunch at the Port Arthur's 1830 Restaurant and Bar and enjoy local Tasmanian wines paired with classic Australian fare.

Hobart

If you happen to be in Hobart on Saturday, don't miss the Salamanca Market, home to over 300 stalls selling a variety of goods from fresh produce to arts and crafts. Once you've finished at the markets head to the Museum of Old and New Art (MONA). Whether you're an art enthusiast or not, you simply can't leave Hobart without paying MONA a visit.

Cradle Mountain

When you think of Tasmania it is usually visions of Cradle Mountain that spring to mind. And for good reason, the world heritage listed site is one of Tasmania's most visited attractions. From the jagged peaks of Cradle Mountain to the mirrored waters of Crater Lake, this is a wilderness experience that will stay with you a lifetime. The park provides a rich habitat for spotting wildlife, including Tasmanian devils, quolls, platypus, echidna and several bird species.

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1

WINEGLASS BAY

2.6km | 1 hour

Walk to one of Tasmania's most celebrated views - the crystal clear waters and curvaceous white beach of Wineglass Bay. An occasional bonus for some is the sight of whales or dolphins in the bay.



2

DOVE LAKE

6km | 2.5 hours

This 6km track is surely one of the premier walks in Tasmania. Starting from Dove Lake, a glacially carved lake directly beneath Cradle Mountain, the walk offers both intimate and epic views of the famous mountain.



3

OVERLAND TRACK

65km | 6 Days

Most hailed is Tasmania's famous Overland Track. Beginning at the iconic Cradle Mountain and ending at Australia's deepest lake – Lake St Clair, this 65 kilometre, six-day trek takes you through the heart of the Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park, part of the magnificent Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area.

