



***You are Cordially Invited
to Join
Rick Janser
Former Director, ABQ BioPark
and***



on a Unique

Australia - Melbourne & Tasmania "Devil Walkabout"

**March 7-19, 2018
13 days/10 nights**



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OUR DESTINATION

The island continent of Australia is home to some of the most unusual wildlife in the world, and this 13-day journey is definitely for nature lovers. We'll explore an amazing array of wildlife sites, starting in Melbourne, and then focusing on the natural wonders of Tasmania. Famous Tasmanian devil expert, Androo Kelly, will accompany us during a portion of the tour as a specialty guide.

Highlights of the tour include visits to the Healesville Sanctuary outside of Melbourne, as well as a cruise to see fur seal colonies

on Seal Rocks. On to the island of Tasmania, where we'll spend time visiting the beautiful Cradle Mountain National Park and its "Save the Tasmanian Devil" program. Androo Kelly will guide us around the Cradle Mountain area as well as his facility, the Trowunna Wildlife Park, where you'll get a hands-on experience with the Tasmanian devil. The tour concludes with a visit to Hobart, including a chance to visit the famous Salamanca Market and an excursion to historic Port Arthur.

OUR ESCORT - RICK JANSEN



Rick Jansen's passion for animal care began at an early age. His family had every pet imaginable, and as a Boy Scout, Rick raised rabbits and chickens and even designed and built an incubator for chicken eggs. Born and raised in Albuquerque, Rick received a bachelor's degree in biology from the University of New Mexico in 1985. Right after graduation, Rick began

volunteering at the Rio Grande Zoo to observe interactions between the multi-generational family of wolves. Within a few months, he was hired as a zookeeper. Over the course of 23

years, Rick worked his way up to Director of the ABQ BioPark and remained in that role for the next seven years.

Rick's passion for Australian wildlife began while he attended a Tasmanian Devil workshop in 2005. From that point on, he traveled regularly to Australia to attend conferences highlighting the care and conservation of native Australian animals. Rick became the program director and studbook keeper for Tasmanian devils in the US, the Species Survival Plan representative for koalas, and a member of the Monotreme and Marsupial steering committee for the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA).

Rick retired in 2016 from the ABQ BioPark, but he still travels around the country evaluating member zoos and aquariums as the AZA accreditation inspector committee chairman.

OUR ITINERARY

March 7 - Wednesday

Depart Albuquerque

We depart Albuquerque today and fly to Los Angeles, San Francisco or Dallas/Ft. Worth, where we connect with an overnight flight bound for Australia.

March 8 - Thursday - (In Flight)

Today is lost due to the crossing of the International Date Line.

March 9 - Friday

Arrive Melbourne

We arrive in Melbourne in this morning. After clearing Australian Immigration and Customs formalities, we are met by our



Parker Travel guide and then begin a panoramic city tour of Melbourne. Highlights include the Royal Botanic Gardens, St Paul's Cathedral, St Patrick's Cathedral, the Princess and Regent Theatres and the bustling Queen Victoria Market. If time permits, there is also an opportunity to see the trendy seaside suburbs of St Kilda, Port Phillip Bay and Port Melbourne. Afternoon at leisure. Welcome dinner tonight.

Batman's Hill Hotel (or similar). (B,D)

March 10 - Saturday

Melbourne (Phillip Island Excursion)

After breakfast, we head to the Melbourne Zoo. More than 300 species are on display every day of the year in a brilliant botanical setting. Wander through the tropical surrounds of the Asian and African Rainforests, and be amazed by the

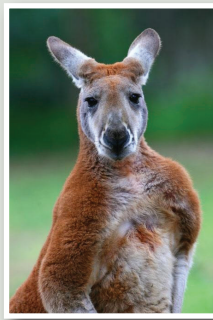


spectacular tree-top viewing at the new Orang-Utan Sanctuary. Also enjoy the Butterfly House, Baboon Lookout, Lion Gorge, Lemur Island, Wild Sea, the Australian Bush and much more. Grab a zoo lunch on your own before your mid-day departure. In the afternoon, we take a spectacular two-hour cruise to witness one of Australia's largest wild fur seal colonies at Seal Rocks, one mile off the rugged southwest coast of Phillip Island. The boat drifts within yards of thousands of seals, enabling you to experience their natural inquisitiveness first hand. It is impossible not to be captivated by these playful animals that regularly approach the boat for a closer look at you! Return to Melbourne for dinner and overnight. **Batman's Hill Hotel** (or similar). (B,D)

March 11 - Sunday

Melbourne (Yarra Valley & Healesville Excursion)

Marvel at the spectacular views and lush forest, and see the many native birds in the Dandenong Ranges as we travel to the picturesque wine country of the Yarra Valley. Our first stop is Fergusson Winery & Restaurant, located among rising hills at the northern end of the Yarra Valley. The estate has been in the same family for more than 30 years, and Peter and Louise Fergusson have kept to the tradition of wining and dining in their own welcoming style. The vineyard was planted in 1968 with classic French grape varieties, including Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Pinot Noir, Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon. In today's wine tasting you can experience the superb wines that are produced in this magnificent vineyard. We then proceed to Rochford Wines, where we enjoy a lunch of award-winning food and wines in the Rochford Restaurant. Overlooking the amphitheatre, lake and vineyard, the restaurant has floor to ceiling windows, timber floors, exposed beams and roaring fires in the cooler months.



The afternoon is spent visiting the Healesville Sanctuary, the original home of the ABQ BioPark's Tasmanian devils. We'll have a special visit at the sanctuary and learn about their wildlife conservation projects.

Their collection includes many

of Australia's unique birds and animals in their natural bushland setting. Also, get up close to koalas, kangaroos, wombats, emus, cockatoos, parrots and many more. We'll witness the "Eagles Fly" demonstration within the sanctuary; see a renowned nocturnal house with the shy platypus; and stroll through large aviaries and pond areas. After visiting the Sanctuary, we return to Melbourne for the night. **Batman's Hill Hotel** (or similar). (B,L)

March 12 - Monday

Melbourne to Devonport to Cradle Mountain

An early morning flight takes us to Devonport, where we are met by Androo Kelly. We have lunch and then proceed to Cradle Mountain. Cradle Mountain forms the northern end of the wild Cradle Mt - Lake St. Clair National Park, itself a part of the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area. The jagged contours of Cradle Mountain epitomize the feel of a wild landscape, while ancient rainforest and alpine heathlands, buttongrass and stands of colorful deciduous beech provide a variety of environments to explore. Icy streams cascading out of rugged mountains, stands of ancient pines mirrored in the still waters of glacial lakes, and a wealth of wildlife, ensure there is always something to captivate you. The area is one of the most popular natural areas in Tasmania, and our visit will reveal why. We'll proceed to the Devils@Cradle facility to tour the Devil/Quoll program, including the checking of remote cameras at Lake Lee. **Discovery Park Cradle Mountain** (or similar). (B,L,D)



March 13 - Tuesday

Cradle Mountain to Mole Creek

More activities today with the Devils@Cradle program. We'll also enjoy short walks into the Cradle Mountain National Park, including



the Dove Lake Circuit and the Waldheim Alpine Rainforest. In the late afternoon, we travel to Mole Creek. This evening, we'll enjoy dinner with Androo. **Mole Creek Cabins** (or similar). (B,D)



March 14 - Wednesday

Mole Creek Area (Trowunna Wildlife Park)



some species of Tasmanian birds; or platypus-viewing in the nearby Mersey River. **Mole Creek Cabins** (or similar). (B,D)

A full day's experience awaits us in the Mole Creek area. Possible activities to be included are: an Aboriginal welcome to the country; an extended visit to Trowunna Wildlife Park (including hands-on experiences caring for a range of marsupials, such as Tasmanian devils, wombats and quolls); watching

March 15 - Thursday

Mole Creek Area (Trowunna Wildlife Park) to Launceston

Another half-day of activities at Trowunna and possibly short walks into the nearby wilderness. Early this afternoon, we say goodbye to Androo and proceed to



Christmas Hills Berry Farm to enjoy an afternoon tea. Then we continue to Launceston and check in at our hotel. After an early dinner at the hotel, we travel to Low Head, noted for its penguin colony. We'll have a guided, descriptive tour as the penguins make their way to their burrows for the night. The tour lasts 60-90 minutes, after which, we'll return to Launceston for overnight. **Hotel Mercure Launceston** (or similar). (L,D)



March 16 - Friday

Launceston - Hobart

After breakfast, a panoramic tour of Launceston will show us a few of the city's highlights. Launceston and its river valley blend history, scenery, creativity, adventure, entertainment and the superb flavors of fine food and wine. Tasmania's second-largest city is situated at the confluence of the North and South Esk Rivers, where the Tamar River begins its journey to Bass



Strait. Often described at the State's northern capital, it's a city of graceful streets adorned by elegant Victorian and Edwardian facades and surrounded by beautiful countryside. After lunch, we drive south

to the Tasmanian capital of Hobart. **Travelodge Hotel Hobart** (or similar). (B,L)

March 17 - Saturday

Hobart

Morning free in Hobart. You'll want to walk to the Salamanca Market, a Saturday street fair filled with music, crafts and food from over 300 various vendors, where you are free to roam about as you desire. Salamanca is considered Australia's best outdoor market and a must-see when in Tasmania. This afternoon, we'll visit the world class MONA (Museum of Old and New Art) and then have dinner at a nearby restaurant. **Travelodge Hotel Hobart** (or similar). (L,D)



March 18 - Sunday

Hobart (Port Arthur Excursion)

A full tour is planned for today - our last day in Australia. We'll visit Port Arthur, which served as a penal colony from 1830 to 1877, and is one of Australia's most important heritage sites.



Our tour includes a Port Arthur walking tour, Harbor Cruise, admission to the Interpretive Center and Museum, and the "Isle of the Dead" Cemetery Tour. Return to the hotel around 5 p.m., with time to freshen up before our Farewell Dinner. **Travelodge Hotel Hobart** (or similar). (B,D)

March 19 - Monday

Hobart to Albuquerque

We transfer from our hotel to the Hobart airport early this morning. We fly back to Melbourne and board a connecting flight back to the U.S. After bidding farewell to the Land Down Under, our overnight flight takes us to Los Angeles or another U.S. gateway, where we connect with our flight back to Albuquerque. We arrive home in the evening, full of lifelong memories of the Tasmanian devil and the conservation projects that the New Mexico BioPark Society supports!

Included Meal Codes:

B - Breakfast

L - Lunch

D - Dinner



JOURNEY PRICE

(All Costs are Per Person)

Land Tour Cost - Double Occupancy \$ 3,888

Single Room Supplement \$1,026*

**(This Single Room Supplement applies for the first two singles. A higher supplement may apply for additional singles, if available)*

Estimated Airfare from Albuquerque (including all taxes & fees) \$ 2,000*

**(Based on current fares, but subject to change until ticketed)*

Land Tour Price Includes:

- Meeting by Parker Travel's Representatives at all airports
- Round trip private transfers between all airports and hotels
- 10 Nights accommodations at properties as indicated (or similar) with private facilities, on a double occupancy basis
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- Sightseeing and tours as indicated, including entrance fees (on a private basis, where appropriate)
- Services of Professional English-Speaking Guides as appropriate
- Services of Androo Kelly as a specialty guide during portions of the tour in Tasmania
- Applicable local and government taxes on accommodation and transportation

Tour Price Does Not Include:

- Airfare (quoted separately – or you can make your own arrangements)
- Tips to guides
- Excess baggage fees
- Beverages (with meals or otherwise)
- Porterage
- Items of a personal nature, such as telephone calls, internet access fees, laundry, etc.
- Travel Insurance



TOUR RESERVATION FORM



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Yes! We wish to participate in the ABQ BioPark “Devil Walkabout” – March 2018

Please confirm space for the following participants (full names exactly as they appear on passports):

1. Full Name (as on passport) _____ Date of Birth: _____ Gender: M F

2. Full Name (as on passport) _____ Date of Birth: _____ Gender: M F

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Home Phone: _____ Work: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Deposit: Enclosed is my/our deposit in the amount of \$ _____ (\$500 per person).

Kindly make check or money order payable to “Parker Travel – Client Trust Account” and mail to:

Parker Travel , 1959 S. Power Rd., Suite 103-111, Mesa, AZ 85206.

(Note: Please Enclose a Copy of Each Participant's Passport Photo/Data Page!)

Air Transportation:

- I/We wish to travel with the group from: Albuquerque, or Other City _____ or
- I/We will make our own arrangements, and we will provide you with a copy of our air itinerary
- Contact me/us with a quote to upgrade to Business Class or First Class airfare.

Travel Insurance:

We strongly suggest that you obtain travel insurance protection for this journey. Upon registration for this journey, we will provide you with links to a few popular Trip Insurance companies for you to consider.

- I am sharing a room with _____ (submitting their own Registration Form).
- We prefer a room with: One Bed or Two Beds
- I am traveling alone, but would like a roommate. I understand that Parker Travel and the New Mexico BioPark Society will attempt to find a roommate; however, I will pay the additional Single Supplement of \$1,026 if no roommate is found. I prefer a: Non-Smoker Smoker
- I desire single accommodations throughout, and agree to pay the \$1,026 single supplement.

Special Requests/Comments (Smoking/Non-Smoking Rooms, Roommate Request, etc.):

I/We certify that I/we are in generally good physical condition, and free of any condition which would interfere with the operation, safety, or enjoyment of the group or its members.

I/We have read and understood the Terms & Conditions on the reverse, and agree to be bound by them. This includes, among other provisions, that the deposit is non-refundable; that the final payment is due by December 30, 2017; that the airfare is additional and will be determined at the time the group is formed (approximately three-to-four months prior to departure), and that the airfares indicated is an estimate and is subject to change until ticketed; that we strongly suggest that you obtain travel insurance protection for this journey; and that neither the ABQ BioPark, the New Mexico BioPark Society, nor any of their officers, directors, employees, representatives, agents or affiliates, are liable for any act, event, occurrence or omission with regard to this journey.

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

AUSTRALIA - MELBOURNE & TASMANIA - DEVIL WALKABOUT - MARCH 7 TO 19, 2018

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Come Along! To participate in this tour, complete the Tour Reservation Form and the Disclaimer, and send them, along with a check for the deposit, and a copy of your passport photo page(s) to: Parker Travel, 1959 S. Power Rd., Suite 103-111, Mesa, AZ 85206. Parker Travel will invoice you for the balance of the tour cost, which is due by December 30, 2017.

Tour Cost. The cost of the basic land tour package is \$3,888 per person, double occupancy.

Single Travelers & Single Supplement. There is a limit of two single rooms on this journey – first come, first served! There is an additional single supplement charge of \$1,026. If additional single rooms become available, the single supplement may be higher. Should a participant be traveling alone, and prefer to share a room with another participant, Parker Travel and the New Mexico BioPark Society will attempt to match you with a roommate.

Air Travel. Air transportation (based on Economy Class travel) is currently estimated at: \$2000 from Albuquerque. Comparable fares from other cities are available. Air travel arrangements will be made, and tickets issued, as soon as we are assured of a sufficient number of participants to operate the tour. Travel from the U.S. to Australia and return may be on any IATA carrier. When the air tickets are issued, they may be non-refundable and/or subject to change fees. Participants can contact Parker Travel for information on Business Class and/or First Class air travel. If participants desire to make their own international air travel arrangements in conjunction with this tour, they agree to provide Parker Travel with a copy of their air itinerary prior to departure.

Baggage. Each airline involved in providing air transportation has its own policy as to baggage allowance. In general, many carriers to Australia allow each passenger to check a maximum of two bags, each weighing 50 lbs. or less. However, we recommend you pack as lightly as possible, and try to limit yourself to one bag. Most airlines limit carry-on bags to one item (which will fit into the overhead bins or under the seat in front of you) plus one "personal item," which may be a purse/briefcase/laptop, for example.

Tours, Transfers & Ground Transportation. On all tour services indicated, admission fees are included. Transfers between airports and hotel are included for those arriving and departing on the group flights. Participants making their own international air travel arrangements can make their own way to/from the hotels, or Parker Travel can provide special transfers for a fee. All ground transportation for transfers and touring are by private vehicles. The sequence of tour features may be modified. Special visits are subject to the availability of the hosts at the time of the tour. There is no guarantee that any particular animal species will be viewed in the course of the journey.

Accommodations. Accommodations throughout the tour are provided in quality, or best available, hotels and lodges. Hotels indicated are typical of those that may be used, but Parker Travel reserves the right to substitute properties of a similar category to those shown.

Meals & Beverages. Meals are included as indicated by B,L,D, for Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner, respectively. Beverages are not included (with meals or otherwise).

Taxes & Tips. Taxes and service fees are included on all services provided as part of the tour program. Tips for meals provided in the program are included in the tour price. Tips for portage, driver/guides, and hotel staff are left to the discretion of the participants. Guidelines as to suggested tips will be included with the final documents.

Tour Escort. Rick Janser, Former Director of the ABQ BioPark, will accompany the group with a minimum of ten other confirmed passengers.

Travel Documents. A current passport, valid for at least six months after the planned date of return to the U.S., is required. Currently, Australia requires U.S. citizens to obtain an "ETA" – an Electronic Travel Authority. The ETA can quickly and simply be obtained online. The cost is less than \$20, and allows you multiple entries to Australia over the next year. Parker will provide you with information about obtaining the ETA about six weeks prior to departure.

Health & Immunizations. Participants should be in generally good physical condition. Australia does not require any immunizations for visitors, nor are any recommended. However, you should check the website of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) at: www.cdc.gov/travel.

Travel Insurance. We strongly recommend that you purchase a travel insurance program which covers baggage, medical costs, trip interruption and cancellation. Parker Travel is not liable for any accident, injury, or illness, and is not liable for theft, damage, or loss of personal effects or baggage. Upon registration for this tour, Parker Travel will provide you with links to a few popular trip insurance companies for you to consider.

Payments & Documents. A non-refundable deposit (in the amount of \$500 per person) is due at the time of booking. The balance of the land cost is due December 30, 2017. Airline tickets will be issued once there are sufficient participants to ensure operation of the journey. The final itinerary and documents will be sent to you approximately two weeks prior to departure.

Changes. After issuance of airline tickets and confirmation of land services, any changes you request may result in additional fees or costs.

Cancellation Fees. If you find it necessary to cancel, the following cancellation fees will apply:

- Up to 65 days prior to departure:
 - The deposit amount is forfeited
- 64 to 45 days prior to departure:
 - 50% of the land tour price
- 44 days or less prior to departure:
 - 100% of the land tour price (no refund).

Additionally, once the air tickets have been issued, they may be non-refundable (or subject to a hefty cancellation fee). We strongly recommend that you obtain travel insurance protection!

Unused Services. After commencement of your journey, no refund shall be provided for unused or missed services.

Tour Price DOES NOT Include: International Airfares, passport and ETA fees, items of a personal nature, such as laundry, souvenirs, communications, etc., excess baggage charges, trip insurance, and gratuities to the drivers, guides, hotel staff, etc.

Photography. Participant agrees that Parker Travel may make use of any photo, video, or other image taken during the journey by our photographers, guides, escorts, or other tour participants, without payment or explicit permission.

Airline Responsibility Clause. The airlines involved are not to be held responsible for any act or occurrence which might occur during which time the Participant is not on board their aircraft. The passenger tickets, when issued, whether electronic tickets or paper tickets, shall constitute acceptance by the Participant of the Contract of Carriage as the sole contract between the airline involved and the Participant.

Indemnification. Neither the ABQ BioPark nor the New Mexico BioPark Society (collectively "ABQ BioPark"), nor any of ABQ BioPark's officers, directors, employees, agents and/or affiliates (collectively "ABQ BioPark employees") are engaged in the sale or operation of this tour. Neither the ABQ BioPark, nor any ABQ BioPark employees, may be held liable for any act, event, injury, occurrence, or omission. Participant agrees to indemnify the ABQ BioPark and any ABQ BioPark employee, and hold them harmless, for any act, event, injury, occurrence or omission related to the sale and/or operation of the tour.

Limits on Parker Travel's Responsibility. Parker Travel Associates, Inc., its officers, directors, employees, successors, assigns, agents and/or affiliates (collectively, "Parker") does not own or operate any entity which is to or does provide services to tour participants. All such services, including hotels and other lodging, restaurants, transportation (whether by air, land, sea, or combination), sightseeing, ground handling and other services, are provided by independent contractors ("suppliers") that are not subject to the control of Parker. Parker cannot be held liable for any personal injury, property damage, or any other consequential loss or damage, which occurs as a result of actions by its suppliers or by any third party. Additionally, and without limitation, Parker cannot be held liable for any injury, death, illness, inconvenience, or delay or damage to any personal property which may result from acts of God, force majeure, war, civil unrest, criminal or terrorist activity, disease, animals, strikes or other labor activities, or food poisoning. Furthermore, Parker is not responsible for any delay or interruption of services as a result of any weather conditions, mechanical or other technical problems with aircraft, passenger vehicles, vessels, or other conveyance. In no event will Parker be liable for any consequential, incidental or special damages for loss suffered by any person. Parker retains the right to cancel this trip at any time, in which case a full refund of all monies paid shall constitute a full settlement. Parker's maximum liability, for whatever cause, shall be limited to the amount paid to Parker for its services. As certain activities involved in tour features may be inherently dangerous, including, but not limited to, rafting, hiking, horseback riding, scuba diving, skiing, or safaris, by participating in any such dangerous activity, the Participant assumes all such risks with regard to these activities. It is the responsibility of the Participant to determine whether travel to any included destination is appropriate. The Participant agrees to become informed as to the latest U.S. State Department Travel Advisories and Warnings by going to <http://travel.state.gov>. Should the Participant decide to travel, notwithstanding a State Department Warning or Advisory, the Participant assumes all risk of death, personal injury, or property damage as a result of those risks advised or warned against.

Dispute Resolution Agreement. Any controversy or claim arising out of or related to these Terms & Conditions, the Limits on Parker Travel's Responsibility clause, any other information relating to the tour program in any way, to the trip itself, or to any services related to the trip, shall be settled solely and exclusively by binding arbitration to be held in Mesa, Arizona, in accordance with the Expedited Procedures provisions of the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association ("AAA"), except that: (a) there shall be a single arbitrator, appointed by AAA; (b) the use of discovery shall not be permitted; (c) the arbitrator shall solely determine questions of law and admissibility of evidence; and (d) each party shall bear its own costs and expenses, including travel, counsel, and witnesses, and an equal share of the administrative, arbitrator and venue-rental fees.

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BioPark shall not be responsible for alteration of the itinerary as deemed necessary for carrying out the tour, and the right is reserved to substitute hotels of similar quality. The right is further reserved to cancel any tour prior to departure, in which case the entire payment will be refunded by Parker Travel without further obligation on BioPark’s part.

The right is also reserved to decline to accept or to retain any person as a member of the tour should such person’s health, actions or general deportment, in the opinion of BioPark, impede the operation of the tour or the rights or welfare of the other participants. No refund will be made for the unused portion of any tour.

Applicants for participation in this tour accept in full all the conditions set forth above.

Signature of Participant

Date

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