

From the Outback to the Glaciers

with 3-Night Fiji Post Tour Extension



Highlights...

Cairns • Great Barrier Reef • Melbourne • Alice Springs • Ayers Rock • Sydney • Sydney Opera House • Christchurch • Franz Josef Glacier Region • Queenstown • Milford Sound • Mt. Cook National Park • Dine with a New Zealand Family

25 Days • 33 Meals: 21 Breakfasts • 2 Lunches • 10 Dinners

COLLETTE EXPERIENCES

- ★ Meet the young Aboriginal group, Drum Atweme.
- ★ Take a guided tour of the Sydney Opera House – an architectural wonder.
- ★ Visit Hartley's Croc Farm for a chance to get up-close and personal with crocodiles.

Day 1: Sunday, January 21, 2018 Depart from Home Cross the International Dateline and begin the adventure of a lifetime by skipping a day ahead.

Day 3: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 Arrive Cairns Enjoy your day(s) at leisure.

Day 4: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 Cairns, Australia - Tour Begins Your tour opens today in Cairns, the tropical gateway to one of the world's most spectacular natural attractions and a World Heritage site – the Great Barrier Reef. Established as a marine park in 1975, the reef is a haven for thousands of species of sea life, as well as turtles and birds. (D)

Day 5: Thursday, January 25, 2018 Great Barrier Reef Today, board a catamaran and sail to the Low Isles to explore the fascinating underwater world of the Great Barrier Reef. Choose how you want to spend your day in paradise by making your time on the reef as educational or as laid back as you like. Perhaps you will relax and independently explore the pristine shores of this tiny sand island located on the outer reef. Or maybe you are a bit more adventurous and will go snorkeling, revealing a wealth of vibrant sea life. You also have the opportunity to meet with a marine biologist during an informative presentation. Or you may also opt to join an expert for a beach and heritage trail walk along the island. (B, L)

Day 6: Friday, January 26, 2018 Cairns The morning is yours to explore the town at your own pace or simply relax and soak up the tropical atmosphere. Perhaps you will join us for an optional tour on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway for an unforgettable experience that takes you above the rainforest canopy for a bird's-eye view of the unspoiled natural beauty that lies beneath. This afternoon, visit Hartley's Croc Farm for a chance to get up-close and personal with crocodiles in their natural habitat. Boardwalks take you on a path of adventure through rainforests and woodlands to see animals such as wild birds, reptiles and wallabies. While visiting you also have the chance to meet some of the local koalas and have a private talk with a wildlife naturalist to learn more about these cuddly creatures. (B)

Day 7: Saturday, January 27, 2018 Cairns - Melbourne Leave Cairns behind and fly to the beautiful Victorian city of Melbourne. Set around the shores of Port Phillip Bay and the Yarra River, the city exudes a lively and cosmopolitan atmosphere. (B, D)

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- ★ Explore the Great Barrier Reef.
- ★ Discover the origins of the Aboriginal people on a "Dreamtime Tour."
- ★ Explore Kata Tjuta and the base of Ayers Rock.

CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- ★ Witness Uluru (Ayers Rock) at sunset while you sip champagne.
- ★ Take in the sights during a delightful dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour.
- ★ A New Zealand family welcomes you in their home for dinner.

Day 8: Sunday, January 28, 2018 Melbourne Today's tour of Melbourne features Fitzroy Gardens, valued for their historic and horticultural significance, and the bustling Victoria Market. Next, learn how raw opals mined from the depths of the Earth are transformed into beautiful works of art at the National Opal Centre. Later, you may participate in an optional tour that travels to Phillip Island, a renowned nature reserve and home of the world's largest colony of Little Penguins. Protected and studied by rangers, hundreds of them waddle out of the sea and cross the beach to their burrows in the dunes. At the interpretation center, you have a chance to learn about the lives of the Little Penguins and their significance to the area. (B)

Day 9: Monday, January 29, 2018 Melbourne - Alice Springs Leave the bustling city of Melbourne behind for the vast landscapes and tranquility of the Outback. Your flight today takes you to Alice Springs, the hub of the region and the perfect place to begin exploring this unique land. Tonight, continue your cultural immersion with a memorable bush dinner set against the backdrop of this unique desert environment. (B, D)

Day 10: Tuesday, January 30, 2018 Alice Springs Access the history and culture of the Walpiri Aboriginal people during a "Dreamtime Tour" where your specialist guide shares stories of creation and everyday Aboriginal life. This afternoon, discover a more modern side to Outback life when you visit the Royal Flying Doctor Service, a lifeline to thousands across the vast terrain of Central Australia. Later, tour the Old Telegraph Station and Anzac Hill with its excellent views of Alice Springs and the surrounding area. (B)

Day 11: Wednesday, January 31, 2018 Alice Springs - Uluru This morning you will be traversing the "Red Centre" as you drive to Uluru (the Aboriginal name for Ayers Rock) in the heart of the Australian Outback. This huge monolith and the sandstone domes known as Kata Tjuta were created through the process of upheaval and erosion. Tour Kata Tjuta and the base of "the Rock," learning about their geology and significance to Aboriginal culture. Prepare for a truly majestic sunset as you witness the changing colors of Uluru accompanied by a champagne toast. (B)

Day 12: Thursday, February 1, 2018 Uluru - Sydney Say farewell to the quiet of the rugged Outback and fly to Sydney, an energetic metropolis. Upon arrival in Sydney, enjoy dinner in the bustling Darling Harbour restaurant area. (B, D)

Day 13: Friday, February 2, 2018 Sydney See where the original English colonists first settled in 1788 during a city tour of Sydney. Highlights of your tour include Kings Cross, the Harbour Bridge, Chinatown, the Rocks, Circular Quay, the Botanic Gardens and the fashionable suburb of Paddington. Discover one of the world's most fascinating architectural sights as you **take a guided tour of the Sydney Opera House**, poised majestically on Sydney Harbour. Then, discover the wonders of Sydney by using your free time to pursue your own interests: stroll through the city streets, visit the historic Rocks area or simply relax. Your Tour Manager will be on hand to offer suggestions. (B)

Day 14: Saturday, February 3, 2018 Sydney Your day is at leisure to deepen your exploration of Sydney's many wonders or catch up on your shopping. Tonight, experience the best of Sydney. As you say your farewell to Australia, chat with new friends and **take in the sights during a delightful dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour**. Marvel at the scenic vistas the harbour has to offer including Sydney's magnificent skyline and iconic attractions: the Sydney Opera House and the Harbour Bridge. (B, D)

Day 15: Sunday, February 4, 2018 Sydney - Christchurch, New Zealand Today you leave Australia behind and fly to the historic city of Christchurch. Devastated by an earthquake in early 2011, see firsthand how the "Garden City" is recreating itself during a sightseeing tour that highlights the city's magnificent gardens and elegant park district. (B)

Day 16: Monday, February 5, 2018 Christchurch - Franz Josef Glacier Take in the marvelous snowcapped peaks and beautiful river gorges during your travels across the Southern Alps, winding your way past waterfalls and rugged mountains. You may choose to take the TranzAlpine train (optional) for a truly inspiring train ride through this glorious scenery. You will end your day in the Franz Josef Glacier Region which offers travelers a rare opportunity to experience a living glacial landscape in a temperate environment. (B, D)

Day 17: Tuesday, February 6, 2018 Franz Josef - Queenstown Before departing Franz Josef, if the dynamic New Zealand weather cooperates, you may opt to see this beautiful glacier region from a bird's-eye-view during a flightseeing tour. En route to Queenstown, watch as the amazing landscape unfolds before your eyes as you pass through the rainforest, bordered by the Southern Alps and the twisting coastline. Cross jade green glacial rivers, view thundering waterfalls and enjoy dramatic changes in scenery. After crossing the Haast Pass, arrive in Queenstown, one of New Zealand's prettiest towns. (B, D)

Day 18: Wednesday, February 7, 2018 Queenstown - Milford Sound - Queenstown En route to Milford Sound, enjoy the rugged grandeur of the Hollyford Valley. You'll travel through ancient beech forest via the Homer Tunnel. During a cruise of the breathtakingly beautiful Milford Sound, you'll see why this fjord is one of the most visited sights on the South Island. With rock faces that rise nearly 4,000 feet on either side, the scenery will take your breath away. Following the cruise, you return to Queenstown. You may choose to

return via a short optional flight (weather permitting) for spectacular views of New Zealand's Southern Alps. (B, L)

Day 19: Thursday, February 8, 2018 Queenstown Queenstown offers limitless diversions set amidst breathtaking Alpine scenery. Shop in the charming village center or enjoy an optional and exhilarating jet boat ride on the Shotover River. Perhaps you will join the optional "Journey through Middle Earth" tour which takes you through the majestic Remarkable Mountains and the breathtaking Queenstown countryside showcasing many of the spots where *The Lord of the Rings* movies were filmed. Or...just relax! (B)

Day 20: Friday, February 9, 2018 Queenstown - Mt. Cook Region Begin your day with a visit to the beautiful 19th-century gold rush settlement of Arrowtown, a boomtown during the 1860s gold fever. Next, enjoy a tasting and tour at one of New Zealand's famous wineries. Then, **sample the freshness of the Central Otago region with a stop at a local fruit stand**. Follow the Kawarau River and cross Lindis Pass before arriving in New Zealand's most famous national park, Mt. Cook. There will be time to enjoy the Alpine paradise of the Mt. Cook region. You may choose to take a nature walk, enjoy an optional glacier flightseeing tour (weather permitting) or simply meditate on the beauty of the Southern Alps. (B, D)

Day 21: Saturday, February 10, 2018 Mt. Cook - Christchurch As you return to Christchurch this morning, **pay a visit to a working farm**. Watch a skilled New Zealand "strong eye" sheep herding dog at work, followed by a sheep shearing demonstration. Get to know these New Zealand farmers over a home-cooked morning tea. A special treat is in store for you tonight as you **dine with a New Zealand family in their home**. Meet and talk firsthand with a friendly Kiwi family who is delighted to share their culture, traditions and home with you. (B, D)

Day 22: Sunday, February 11, 2018 Christchurch - Nadi, Fiji As your tour ends today, you continue on your personalized vacation. Today you will arrive in the beautiful tropical paradise of Fiji. Fijians are warm and friendly, with a welcoming, vibrant South Pacific culture. The expansive sandy beaches and clear ocean waters draw visitors from around the world. (B)

Day 23: Monday, February 12, 2018 Fiji Your day is free to explore everything that your resort has to offer. Relax by the beach and pool, or choose one of the many fun, adventurous activities available to you from the hotel activities desk. Tonight, enjoy a lovely dinner. (B, D)

Day 24: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 Fiji Enjoy another day of rest and relaxation. The friendly concierge and activities staff will help you get the most out of your time. (B)

Day 25: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 Fiji - Tour Ends Late checkout is included so that you can enjoy all the resort facilities until your departure. (B)

Experience It!

Great Barrier Reef

Experience one of the seven wonders of the natural world when you climb aboard a high speed catamaran and set off for the Great Barrier Reef. As the world's largest living organism, you'll find over 2,800 individual coral reef systems which are home to amazingly diverse marine life. Their bright colors look remarkable against the turquoise waters. Jump in the water to snorkel and really experience the Reef in an immersive way! Stroll along the walking trails with a reef expert, simply relax on the beach, or meet with a marine biologist during an informative presentation. It's a truly good day at the Reef, mate.

YOUR ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Days 1, 2	Overnight Flight
Days 3 – 6	Pullman International Cairns, Cairns
Days 7, 8	Rendezvous Grand Hotel Melbourne, Melbourne
Days 9, 10	Doubletree by Hilton Alice Springs, Alice Springs
Day 11	Desert Gardens, Ayers Rock
Days 12 – 14	The Tank Stream, Sydney
Day 15	Chateau on the Park, Christchurch
Day 16	Scenic Franz Josef Glacier Hotel, Franz Josef Glacier
Days 17 – 19	Novotel Queenstown Lakeside, Queenstown
Day 20	The Hermitage, Mount Cook Natl. Park
Day 21	Chateau on the Park, Christchurch
Days 22 – 24	Sofitel Fiji Resort Spa, Nadi

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



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Please Note:

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

*Please note that the Collette Foundation site may not be available for visits due to school holidays, weekends or programming challenges.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Due to changes in air schedules while on tour, the order of days in the itinerary may change.

Previous clients have indicated that a small gift from your area is appropriate and appreciated the night of your home-hosted dinner in New Zealand.

Due to early arrival times in some cities, rooms may not always be ready for immediate check-in.

Wildlife sightings cannot be guaranteed with the exception of visits to wildlife parks.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price of your tour. These flights need to be arranged and purchased separately if you arrange your own air. Internal flights are included with the air portion of your tour if you purchase air through us.

Visa Requirements:

US and Canadian citizens: An ETA (Electronic Travel Authority) is required for your travel to Australia. Travel Agents that have access to a CRS system can process your ETA at no charge or they may call the guest's airline no earlier than 30 days prior to departure (credit card is required). If you do not have access to a CRS system, you will be supplied with an ETA form and asked to fax this information back to us 45 days prior to departure. Please send the fax in care of the Australian ETA Coordinator at fax 401-727-2933 for US guests or 888-882-5820 for Canadian guests. Please include the (required) Reservation Number, Passport Number, Expiration Date, Nationality, Country of Birth, Gender, Family Name Given, First Name Given, Middle Name Given, and Arrival Date.

This tour includes moderate physical activity. The itinerary blends some longer days with shorter days and more leisure time. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, up stairs or on uneven walking surfaces should be expected.

Due to flight schedules, on some departures the optional Fiji extension is 2 nights and is slightly lower priced.

Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate.

During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times.

Air inclusive rate is valid for guests who have purchased our air package for the full tour. Rate will vary for those who have purchased their own air.

A very leisurely pace, this extension involves minimal physical activity, such as climbing some stairs, boarding a motor coach, and walking from the hotel reception area to hotel rooms and dining areas.

IMPORTANT RESERVATION INFORMATION

Cancellation Charges for this tour: After your seat reduction date has passed, a non-refundable deposit will be retained. For Cancellation between 60-16 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 30% of total price. For cancellation between 15-1 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 50% of total price. For cancellation on the day of departure and after: 100% of total price. For Ocean Cruises: For cancellation between 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 35% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: 60% of total price. 30 or fewer days prior to departure: 100% of total price. For River Cruises: including Europe, Russia, Egypt and China, 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 50% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 85% of total price. For cancellation 30 or fewer days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 100% of total price. For Galapagos and Antarctica: A cancellation fee of 60% will apply for cancellation between 120-90 days prior to departure; A cancellation charge of 100% will apply for cancellation less than 90 days prior to departure. For Oberammergau (2020): For cancellations between 120-90 days prior to departure: 75% of land price. 89-0 days prior to departure: 100% of land price. Cancellation protection is highly recommended and must be purchased at time of deposit. Air rates are subject to change until tour is paid in full. If Travel Protection Plan has not been purchased and a reservation is cancelled for any reason prior to departure - Air is 100% non-refundable once paid in full. Cancellation charges also apply to reservations made for "pre" and "post" night accommodations. Payment of a Per Person Travel Protection Plan Fee guarantees a full refund of all payments (including deposit), except the Travel Protection Plan Fee itself, made to Collette for travel arrangements in case of cancellation of your travel plans for any reason prior to the day of departure. The Travel Protection Plan Fee with Air only covers airline tickets you have purchased from Collette. Exception: If you originally purchased nonrefundable airline tickets, Part B of the Travel Protection Plan may provide a refund for the airline tickets, taxes, or fees in the event of a cancellation for a covered reason (see Part B for more details). The Travel Protection Plan Fee does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. However, the Part B travel insurance includes a single supplement benefit of \$1,000 for certain covered reasons as detailed in Part B. In this case, the single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. Division of this charge between the two passengers involved is solely their responsibility. If insufficient funds are deducted from the canceling client, the traveling client will be charged the remaining portion of the single supplement. Cancellation waiver protects you from penalties in the event you have a need to cancel your entire inclusive tour package up to the day prior to departure. Cancellation waiver does not indemnify you from penalties if you chose to cancel partial tour components or air. If you chose to partially cancel your vacation, you will be responsible for a revision fee as well as any penalties that are incurred at the time of the cancellation. Upon cancellation of transportation or travel services where you, the customer, are not at fault and have not

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IDENTIFICATION

Passports and visas are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

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