

New tours, new accommodation and experiences that are unique to the state continue to attract more visitors than ever to NSW.

## Multi-region

### Coast Warriors

This Sydney-based tour company, owned and operated by three young Australians, guides visitors to uncover some of Australia's hidden gems. Travelling in 'Trudy', a retro, 22-seater bus, Coast Warriors operates day tours to the Blue Mountains and Port Stephens on a weekly basis. They also offer road trips to Byron Bay and beyond for 18- to 35-year-old travellers.

Tel: +61 432 652 845

[www.coastwarriors.com.au](http://www.coastwarriors.com.au)

### Dave's Brewery Tours and Pub Walks

This Sydney-based operator has two new tours for lovers of beer. Although famed for its excellent wine, the Hunter Valley is one of the best places to explore craft beers. The Hunter Valley tour is an immersive experience that allows guests to touch, taste and smell as they learn all there is to know about brewing beer. Tours include beer and cider tastings, transport by air-conditioned bus, lunch, snacks and bottled water. They depart every Saturday and Sunday from Hunter Valley Gardens in Pokolbin.

Meanwhile, Dave's Pub Walks offers a personalised walking tour through Newcastle's small bars, pubs and breweries. Guests explore the history, character and atmosphere of the city through its rejuvenated food and drink scene stopping for beers and bites at four venues along the way. Three-hour tours are all inclusive and depart Friday, Saturday and Sunday from Queens Wharf.

Tel: +61 481 162 820

[www.davesbrewerytours.com.au](http://www.davesbrewerytours.com.au)

### Gang Gang Tours

Gang Gang Tours offers small-group, multi-day outdoor touring in the Snowy Mountains and along the NSW Sapphire Coast. Hike in spectacular national parks, sample local cuisine, see wildlife unique to the area, and explore the wilderness on foot, by bike or from the water. Optional activities include stand-up paddle-boarding, kayaking or mountain biking. In this family-owned business, the owners are the tour guides and with a maximum of 10 on each tour, they can offer personal service and attention to detail.

Tel: +61 412 173 430

[www.ganggangtours.com.au](http://www.ganggangtours.com.au)



Coast Warriors  
Image courtesy of Coast Warriors



Dave's Brewery Tours  
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Dave's Brewery Tours  
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Lake Albina, Kosciuszko National Park  
Image courtesy of Gang Gang Tours



## Luxico

Luxico is Australia's first 'home hotel', offering VIPs, families and affluent travellers the opportunity to stay in Australia's best homes with hotel-style, 24/7 concierge support and access to unique experiences. Luxico is the exclusive manager of private homes, penthouse apartments and country estates that are selected for their privacy and stylish presentation. Luxico ensures a consistent standard across all its homes by assisting owners to prepare their homes to LUXICO standards, meeting and greeting guests on site and providing internal housekeeping services. Luxico exclusively manages properties in Sydney and Byron Bay.

Tel: + 61 3 8547 4758

[www.luxico.com.au](http://www.luxico.com.au)

## Nurtured Tours

These unique tours focus on health, well-being and beauty in nature. The tours vary from visiting essential oil farms and private health retreats to Australian health and well-being manufacturers where guests can buy health and well-being products direct from the manufacturers. A range of options include Shopping Tours, Nature Tours, Food and Wine Tours, Spa and Wellness Retreats, plus technical visits to educational institutions, companies and local government areas. Tours can be conducted in English, Mandarin, Cantonese, Japanese, Korean and Arabic.

Tel: + 61 2 9552 9967

[www.nurturedtours.com.au](http://www.nurturedtours.com.au)

## Secure Tours and Travel

Secure Tours and Travel is based in Sydney with offices throughout Australia, delivering services to domestic and international travellers and event professionals. With an overarching focus on luxury, high-end experiences and professional safety and security, the company provides experienced personnel to mitigate risks. Services include close personal protection specialists, personal concierge and chaperones, logistics and air-side escorts. Services can be tailored to sporting groups and individual athletes, school groups, corporate delegates and their families.

Tel: +61 2 9525 0057

[www.securetours.com.au](http://www.securetours.com.au)

## Splendour Tailored Tours

Splendour Tailored Tours is a private touring company based in Sydney, offering high-end tailored tours, unique experiences and personalised itineraries for the discerning traveller. Choose from a range of set tours to the Hunter Valley, the Blue Mountains and the South Coast. Alternatively, guests can design a personalised tour of NSW.

Tel: +61 416 881 434

[www.splendourtailoredtours.com.au](http://www.splendourtailoredtours.com.au)



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Splendour Tailored Tours  
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## Via Travel

Via Travel specialise in small group tours, offering authentic, immersive experiences to international travellers visiting Australia's East Coast. Including must-sees like Sydney and Byron Bay, guests can enjoy family-run hospitality, locally-produced food and wine, and a variety of down-to-earth experiences. Via Travel uses a mix of four-star and boutique accommodation and taps into the major global tourism trends of authenticity and sustainability, emphasising the importance of utilising local community and businesses to create a memorable touring experience.

Tel: +61 477 538 741  
[www.viatravel.com.au](http://www.viatravel.com.au)

## Blue Mountains

### AEA Luxury Tours - Blue Mountains Deluxe Day Breakfast with Koalas

This deluxe day trip from Sydney to the Blue Mountains begins with breakfast at Featherdale Wildlife Park. Enjoy a delicious continental breakfast while meeting the resident koalas and other native animals. Next stop is the beautiful Blue Mountains region, famous for its dramatic escarpments, sandstone cliffs and unique rock formations such as the Three Sisters at Katoomba. The tour passes through picturesque villages, past spectacular views, waterfalls and lookouts. Lunch is at the Hydro Majestic Hotel and the afternoon is spent visiting scenic lookouts such as Govett's Leap and exploring the delightful Blue Mountains Botanic Garden before returning to the guest's hotel.

Tel: +61 2 9971 2402  
[www.aealuxury.com.au](http://www.aealuxury.com.au)

### Barefoot Downunder - Blue Mountains Adventure and Hike Tour

The Blue Mountains Adventure and Hike Tour offers great value for money while visiting the World Heritage listed Blue Mountains, only 90 minutes' drive from Sydney. The tour includes a full day of hiking, sightseeing, cultural activities and animal spotting. It is perfect for visitors wanting a fun and active trip to experience the natural beauty of the Blue Mountains. The tour concludes with a free drink at the Sydney Central YHA.

Tel: +61 2 9664 8868  
[www.barefootdownunder.com.au](http://www.barefootdownunder.com.au)

## Newcastle

### Macquarie Inn at Club Macquarie

Set on the northern tip of Lake Macquarie, Macquarie Inn at Club Macquarie offers four-star facilities, less than two hours' drive north of Sydney. A tranquil setting, 36 suites and plenty to do outdoors make this a great location for travellers looking for a city getaway or heading to Newcastle, Port Stephens or the Hunter Valley. Beaches, lakes, forests and abundant wildlife are close by as well as the acclaimed wine and cuisine of the Hunter Valley.

Tel: + 61 2 4911 9595  
[www.clubmacquarie.com.au/stay](http://www.clubmacquarie.com.au/stay)



Dorrigo National Park  
Image courtesy of Via Travel



Breakfast with Koalas  
Image courtesy of AEA Luxury Tours



Barefoot Downunder  
Image courtesy of Barefoot Downunder



Macquarie Inn  
Image courtesy of Club Macquarie



## Newcastle Beach Hotel

Located in the evolving, historic east end of Newcastle, Newcastle Beach Hotel is just minutes' walk away from stunning beaches, Newcastle Ocean Baths and the bustling harbour. The property has five styles of comfortable rooms, many with harbour, city or ocean views. It is an excellent base from which to explore Newcastle and its surrounds.

Tel: +61 2 4926 3888

[www.newcastlebeachhotel.com.au](http://www.newcastlebeachhotel.com.au)



Family room  
Image courtesy of Newcastle Beach Hotel

## New England

### Mercure Tamworth

This new hotel in the heart of Tamworth has 52 meticulously-designed rooms, a corporate meeting room, heated pool and gymnasium. Located next to West Tamworth Leagues Club, the Mercure is an ideal location for visitors to the region and fans of the Tamworth Country Music Festival in January.

Tel: +61 2 9280 9555 (Inbound Sales)

[www.accorhotels.com.au/hotel/mercure-tamworth](http://www.accorhotels.com.au/hotel/mercure-tamworth)



Mercure Tamworth  
Image courtesy of Mercure Tamworth

## North Coast

### Byron Holiday Park

This newly-refurbished, mid-range property is set on 11 hectares of coastal parkland, five minutes' drive from the centre of Byron Bay and with direct beach access. Byron Holiday Park has 72 modern villas, cabins, studios and cottages configured to accommodate families, couples, groups and independent travellers. Fully-equipped kitchens, laundries and verandas offer space, comfort and convenience. All rooms have air-conditioning, parking and complimentary Wi-Fi. Powered and unpowered sites are also available for campervans or motorhomes.

Tel: +61 2 6685 6751

[www.byronholidaypark.com.au](http://www.byronholidaypark.com.au)



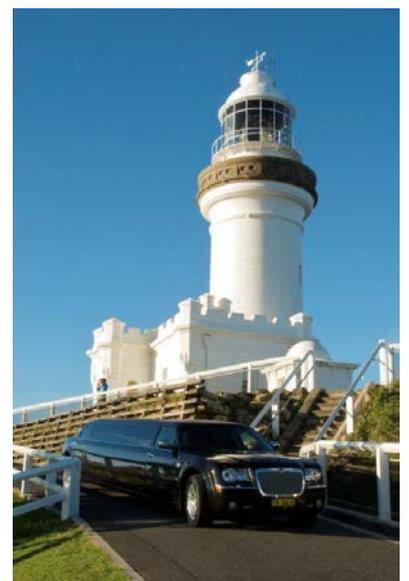
Figtree Master Bedroom  
Image courtesy of Byron Holiday Park

### GoByron

Based in the Byron area, GoByron provides a one-stop solution for private, charter and scheduled transport services, connecting international visitors with Byron Bay via Brisbane, the Gold Coast and Ballina-Byron airports. GoByron operates 14 scheduled daily shuttle services to the Gold Coast Airport and 10 daily scheduled services to Ballina-Byron Airport. The Go Plus+ premium fleet includes Caprices seating four passengers, Mercedes people movers seating eight and Chrysler Super-Stretched Limousines which can move up to 10 passengers in personalised style. A range of flexible and reliable transport services for any group size is available to and from the area's leading accommodation and attractions.

Tel: +61 2 6620 9200

[www.gobyron.com.au](http://www.gobyron.com.au)



GoByron  
Image courtesy of GoByron



## NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service - Cape Byron Lighthouse Experience

NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) provide Australia's largest range of nature-based experiences. With stunning World Heritage listed rainforests, sandy beaches and rugged outback expanses the NSW national parks offer boundless activities to explore. In Byron Bay, the Cape Byron Lighthouse Experience includes a three night stay at Cape Byron Lighthouse Keeper's Cottages and a guided, private tour of the lighthouse and Cape Byron headland. Each cottage features views of the dramatic Byron coastline and during whale migration season, the lighthouse is also one of the best places in NSW to spot whales, turtles and dolphins.

Tel: +61 2 9995 6518

[www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au](http://www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au)

## Outback

### Tri State Safaris - Out of the Ordinary Outback

The Out of the Ordinary Outback group is an integrated accommodation and tour provider based in Broken Hill in Outback NSW. With its award-winning tour company Tri State Safaris, Out of the Ordinary Outback provide boutique tours ranging from one to 15 days incorporating Silverton, Mutawintji National Park, Menindee Lakes, Kinchega National Park, White Cliffs, Corner Country and Mungo National Park. The group's accommodation properties include the iconic White Cliffs Underground Motel, Warrawong on the Darling, Copper City Motel, Ivanhoe Hotel, The Argent Motel and Mt Gipps Resort (opening 2017).

Tel: +61 8 8088 2389

[www.tristate.com.au](http://www.tristate.com.au)

[www.outoftheordinaryoutback.com.au](http://www.outoftheordinaryoutback.com.au)

## Port Stephens

### 4WD Tours R Us

Explore the largest sand dune system in Australia, Stockton Sand Dunes, with 4WD Tours R Us, operating from Anna Bay, in Port Stephens, 2.5-hours' drive north of Sydney. A family-owned and -operated company with passionate local guides, 4WD Tours R Us has a modern fleet of vehicles that can cater from one to 200 people with tours departing daily. Guests can experience the thrill of sandboarding down 50 metre high dunes on the one-hour Unlimited Sandboarding tour; discover amazing coastal scenery and learn about local history on a two-hour Tin City tour; or end their day in style, watching the sunset over the dunes with a gourmet picnic hamper. Combination tours with dolphin cruises, horse riding, quad biking, surfing and trekking are also available.

Tel: +61 2 4981 9352

[www.4wdtoursrus.com.au](http://www.4wdtoursrus.com.au)



Arakwal Dolphin Dreaming Program, NPWS  
Photographer: David Young - Office of Environment and Heritage



Warrawong on the Darling  
Image courtesy of Out of the Ordinary Outback



4WD Tours R Us  
Image Courtesy of 4WD Tours R Us



## Riverina

### Bundyi Cultural Tours

Conducted by Mark Saddler, proud Wiradjuri man, Bundyi Cultural Tours specialises in sharing Aboriginal culture from its base in the Riverina, near Wagga Wagga in south western NSW. Learn about the oldest living culture on the planet on a full-day tour aboard a 23-seater, air-conditioned bus. Visitors will have the chance to immerse themselves in the local Wiradjuri language, learn about bush tucker and the customs of the local Aboriginal people as well as see native animals in the wild.

Tel: +61 412 693 030

[www.bundyculture.com.au](http://www.bundyculture.com.au)



Bundyi Cultural Tours  
Image courtesy of Bundyi Cultural Tours

## South Coast

### Australian Surf Tours

For the past eight years, Australian Surf Tours (AST) has been specialising in learn-to-surf adventures that offer a unique Australian experience through close encounters with native wildlife, access to uncrowded beaches, amazing waves and personal attention. Based one-hour's drive south of Sydney on the NSW South Coast, AST offers a range of experiences to suit every level of surfer. These include all-inclusive one-day surf trips, camping adventures, surf camps as well as surf development courses at the AST Beach Motel.

Tel: +61 428 162 640

[www.australiansurftours.com.au](http://www.australiansurftours.com.au)



Australian Surf Tours  
Image courtesy of Australian Surf Tours

### Batemans Bay Manor Bed & Breakfast

This spacious homestead set on five hectares is just a five-minute drive from Batemans Bay on the NSW South Coast. Five comfortable guest rooms are well-appointed and suitable for couples or small groups. All bookings include a full breakfast. Facilities include a covered pool, spa, sauna and outdoor entertaining areas in a rural, resort-style setting.

Tel: +61 2 4472 7627

[www.batemansbaymanor.com.au](http://www.batemansbaymanor.com.au)



King Deluxe room  
Image courtesy of Batemans Bay Manor

### Bellbird Cottage B&B

This award-winning, boutique cottage is located in a secluded woodland setting, just 2.5km from Bermagui Harbour on the NSW South Coast. A separate entrance and garden allows for privacy and exclusive access for two guests only. It is a tranquil setting and Bellbird Cottage is air-conditioned with free Wi-Fi and a luxurious en suite including a couples shower and corner bath. In-room dining, massage and pampering packages are also available.

Tel: +61 2 6493 5274

[www.bellbirdcottage-bnb.com](http://www.bellbirdcottage-bnb.com)



King Size suite  
Image courtesy of Bellbird Cottage B&B

### Edgewater Gardens

Edgewater Gardens in Batemans Bay on the NSW South Coast has quality one- and two-bedroom beachfront or poolside apartments. The apartments are fully self-contained and air-conditioned, with private balconies. A solar-heated pool and barbecue are available for guests.

Tel: +61 2 4472 4381

[www.edgewatergardens.com.au](http://www.edgewatergardens.com.au)



Edgewater Gardens  
Image courtesy of Edgewater Gardens



### Island Charters Narooma

Island Charters Narooma has been operating cruises for 25 years in the beautiful Batemans Marine Park on the NSW South Coast. They cater for fishing, guided PADI scuba-diving, guided snorkelling, whale watching, guided lighthouse tours of Montague Island and their Meal with a Seal cruise. 'Dallas' is a stable 10.2m vessel, featuring a spacious cabin, toilet, room to move and refreshments. Other services include bus tours from Narooma, a Canberra-to-Coast day tour and overnight packages.

Tel: +61 408 428 857

[www.islandchartersnarooma.com.au](http://www.islandchartersnarooma.com.au)

### Kiah Wilderness Tours

Kiah Wilderness Tours specialises in guided, small-group kayak tours on a pristine river near Eden on the NSW South Coast, three-hours' drive from Canberra. Guests paddle past magnificent forests, explore the wilderness at their own pace, listen to the birdsong and watch fish dart beneath their kayak. Tours are available for two-hours, half- or full- days. All tours include qualified local guides, safety equipment and instruction for beginners, plus delicious snacks with plunger coffee, herbal teas and juices.

Tel: +61 429 961 047

[www.kiahwildernesstours.com.au](http://www.kiahwildernesstours.com.au)

### Merimbula Marina Ocean Adventure Tours

The new two-hour Sensational Ocean Adventure Tour departing from Merimbula is an exhilarating way to experience the spectacular coastline and waterways of the NSW South Coast. As guests head north towards Tathra, in a comfortable, high-speed vessel they see long sweeps of golden sand, magnificent headlands and wildlife on land and in the sea. Whales are sighted September to November with dolphins, seals and seabirds seen regularly. A maximum of 20 passengers guarantees personalised service that includes commentary provided by the fully-qualified crew.

Tel: +61 2 6495 1686

[www.merimbulamarina.com](http://www.merimbulamarina.com)

### Ngaran Ngaran Culture Awareness (NNCA)

Established in 2011, NNCA is an Aboriginal-owned and -operated tour operator based in Narooma on the NSW South Coast on Yuin country. The Gulaga Creation Tour is a 40-hour experience, led by head guide Dwayne 'Naja' Bannon-Harrison and his family who welcome guests to Yuin country to immerse themselves in the world's oldest living culture. The tour includes a sacred journey on Gulaga Mountain, participation in traditional ceremonies and teachings of the local dreaming stories.

Tel: +61 408 272 121

[www.ngaranaboriginalculture.com](http://www.ngaranaboriginalculture.com)



Australian fur seal, Island Charters Narooma  
Image courtesy of Island Charters Narooma



Kiah Wilderness Tours  
Image courtesy of Kiah Wilderness Tours



Sensational Ocean Adventure Tour  
Image courtesy of Merimbula Marina



Ngaran Ngaran  
Image courtesy of Ngaran Ngaran Culture Awareness (NNCA)



### **Potoroo Palace Native Animal Sanctuary**

Potoroo Palace is a friendly wildlife sanctuary just 10-minutes' drive from Merimbula on the NSW South Coast. It showcases many of Australia's most iconic and threatened wildlife species amidst a peaceful and natural bushland setting. Emphasis is on conservation and education, as well as community, and the sanctuary is run as a not-for-profit enterprise. Visitors can learn about many of Australia's most iconic native animals during twice daily keeper educational talks or up close Animal Encounter experiences. The Potoroo train travels around the park which also has a cafe, barbecues and picnic areas.

Tel: +61 2 6494 9053

[www.potoroopalace.com](http://www.potoroopalace.com)



Potoroo Palace  
Image courtesy of Potoroo Palace

### **Region X**

Region X explores the beautiful waterways of the NSW South Coast near Batemans Bay in glass-bottom kayaks. The guided tours are suitable for families and first time kayakers with fish and other marine creatures visible through the see-through floor of each kayak. The guides will explain local history, spot wildlife and stop at remote beaches. Options range from daily two-hour to half-day tours with sea kayak tours also available. On the two-hour Oyster Tour visitors can learn about oysters by paddling through oyster farms and tasting the exquisite local varieties. All kayaking equipment and safety instruction is included.

Tel: +61 400 184 034

[www.regionx.com.au](http://www.regionx.com.au)



Kayaking, Region X  
Image courtesy of Region X

### **Tathra Beach House Apartments**

Tathra Beach House Apartments is a four-star property located in Tathra, on the Sapphire Coast of NSW, half way between Sydney and Melbourne. This multi-award winning property set in beautifully landscaped grounds is 25 minutes' drive from Merimbula and directly opposite Tathra's superb surfing beach. Accommodation includes self-contained apartments with beach or garden views, serviced motel units and easy access rooms to suit guests with disabilities. The property has two swimming pools, hot spa pools, free Wi-Fi, lock-up garages and air-conditioning.

Tel: +61 2 6499 9900

[www.tathrabeachhouse.com.au](http://www.tathrabeachhouse.com.au)



Tathra Beach House Apartments  
Image courtesy of Tathra Beach House Apartments



## The Bower at Broulee

The Bower at Broulee is located in a natural eucalypt forest, 15 minutes' drive from Moruya. The luxury accommodation is perfect for two or four adults with a deep, double spa bath, log fire and reverse cycle air-conditioning, king bed and a fully equipped kitchen. The Bower also offers a 'Bambino' American Airstream Travel Trailer; luxury glamping for two adults with an indoor shower, toilet and kitchen. Walking trails, mountain bike paths and surfing beaches are all just minutes away.

Tel: +61 2 4471 8666

[www.thebower.com.au](http://www.thebower.com.au)

## VIP Private Tours

VIP Private Tours offer visitors the opportunity to explore the unspoilt beauty of the Eurobodalla region on the NSW South Coast, two-hours' drive from Canberra. The private guided tours are conducted in a luxury minivan for one to six people for either a half- or full-day. Guests can sample produce on a local farm, savour fresh oysters, shop for local arts and crafts, see native wildlife or soak up the relaxed lifestyle at the beach. Tours can depart from Sydney, Canberra, Moruya, Merimbula or the Port of Eden with airport and port transfers also available for up to six people and their luggage. An optional local produce restaurant lunch or picnic can be added to any full-day tour.

Tel: +61 437 143 477

[www.viptours.net.au](http://www.viptours.net.au)

## Southern Highlands

### Farm Club Australia

Located near Moss Vale in the Southern Highlands, Farm Club is a family-owned agritourism business, featuring farmstay experiences, a cafe and a farm shop. Farm Club produces grass-fed Angus beef, lamb, free-range pork and eggs. Horses and working dogs as well as native wildlife are all part of the Farm Club experience. Accommodation ranges from country homestead and cottages to a bunk house. Outdoor adventures include canoeing, flyfishing, 4WD tours, walks and bird-watching.

Tel: +61 2 4883 4664

[www.farmclubaustralia.com.au](http://www.farmclubaustralia.com.au)

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