

4 Day
Tour

Spring in the Nations Capital

Depart: Tuesday 1st October 2024

Return: Friday 4th October 2024

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Day 1
Tuesday 1st October

NEWCASTLE to CANBERRA

MT - D

Accommodation

Grand Manor Motor Inn, Queanbeyan

7am Depart Kings Coach Depot. Pick up points are available at Charlestown, Belmont North, Belmont, Swansea, Doyalson and Ourimbah by arrangement at the time of your booking.

Morning tea and comfort stop will be at Castle Hill Park before making our way to Bowral to take some time at **Greenbrier Park** to view the spring bulbs in bloom.

A short comfort stop will be made at **Mittagong Tourist Centre** before we make our way to Mittagong RSL for lunch.

After lunch we travel to **Milton Park**, who's formal gardens, laid out by Mary Hordern are considered to be amongst Australia's finest.

After departing Milton Park, we will continue our final travels for the day into Canberra, our base for this 4-day tour.

6.30pm Dinner in the Motel dining room.



Day 2
Wednesday 2nd October

NEWCASTLE to CANBERRA

B - D

Accommodation

Grand Manor Motor Inn, Queanbeyan

Breakfast in the Motel dining room. Depart the Motel for a full day of sightseeing in our National Capital.

Throughout the morning you will visit various areas across Canberra to explore the **Floriade** festival. Each year just seems to get better with the festival now going strong for over 30 years. In 2020 and beyond Floriade has been reimagined with the annual spring celebration moving beyond its traditional home in Commonwealth Park to bloom across Canberra. Floriade not only marked flowers blooming to life after their winter hibernation, but also celebrated the community spirit and resilience that Canberrans displayed throughout the year. Floriade is a diverse, ever-expanding program of music, cultural celebrations, food and wine, horticultural workshops, artistic displays, entertainment, and activities.

Visit the **National Arboretum and National Bonsai Collection** which houses 44,000 rare and endangered trees from around the world. Come and experience one of the world's largest living collections of rare, endangered, and significant trees. Winner of the World Architecture Festival for landscape, the National Arboretum surrounds visitors with panoramic views, stunning architecture and the natural beauty of trees and gardens.

The afternoon can be spent at either **National Portrait Gallery, National Gallery of Australia, Old Parliament House**, or the **Australian War Memorial**. Dinner in the motel dining room. After dinner reboard the coach and enjoy a Canberra night lights tour.



Day 3
Thursday 3rd October

NEWCASTLE to CANBERRA

B - L - AT - D

Accommodation

Grand Manor Motor Inn, Queanbeyan

Breakfast this morning will be served in the Motel dining room.

This morning will be a visit to **Cockington Green**. The creative, very detailed miniature models of buildings from Britain and elsewhere in the world, set among winding garden pathways and sculptured shrubs - over 600 rare and unusual plants and magnificent manicured lawns.

From Nicholls we travel to the **Tulip Top Gardens** where ten beautiful acres hide on the outskirts of Canberra. Hundreds of blossom trees nestle between the flowers and provide a magic pathway to the cascading waterfall and watercourse with classical music wafting through the air in the hidden valley – this is a highlight of our tour. Whilst here we will enjoy lunch within these spectacular gardens.

After lunch we make our way to the Australian National Botanic Gardens for a visit and afternoon tea. **The Australian National Botanic Gardens**, on the lower slopes of Black Mountain in Canberra, has the world's most comprehensive display of living Australian native plants. The Centre for Australian National Biodiversity Research (CANBR) includes the Australian National Herbarium. These are jointly managed by CSIRO and the Director of National Parks with strong links to the Australian National Botanic Gardens. The Herbarium, with over 1.2 million specimens, is responsible for the scientific integrity of the Gardens' plant labelling and manages the national plant name lists for Australia's botanical community.

6.30pm Dinner in the Motel dining room.



Day 4
Friday 4th October

NEWCASTLE to CANBERRA

B - MT - L

Breakfast this morning will be served in the Motel dining room.

This morning we will say goodbye to the Nation's Capital and head to Goulburn for morning tea before making our way to **Mt Annan Botanic Gardens** for a guided tour. The Australian Botanic Garden Mount Annan showcases Australian flora amongst 416 hectares of rolling hills, lakes, lawns and gardens. The Australian Botanic Garden is home to vast landscapes, stunning horticultural displays and The Australian Plant Bank, the pinnacle of plant science research. The tour we will tour provided an insight into significant research and conservation taking place at the Australian Plant Bank research facility. We will also gain an introduction to the new National Herbarium of New South Wales and explore its significance in critical botanical research.

Lunch will be at Mt Annan before we begin our travel home.

Comfort stop will be en route.

5pm Approximate time of return to King's Depot.



COST: \$960.00 per person Twin/Double share accommodation
\$240.00 extra charge for single supplement

Non-Refundable Deposit: \$260.00 per person within 14 days of booking

FULL PAYMENT DUE: Monday 26th September 2024

Cost Includes:

- 5 star coach travel with experienced coach driver.
- All tour arrangements and confirmed bookings.
- Quality accommodation.
- Meals as listed:
B (3) Breakfast
MT (2) Morning Tea
L (2) Lunch
AT (1) Afternoon Tea
D (3) Dinner



Spring In The Nation's Capital is the perfect Spring time tour.

Featuring Tulip Time celebrations in the Southern Highlands of NSW, Floriade festival in Canberra and 2 of the most informative Botanic Gardens in Australia including visits to the National Biodiversity Research Centre and The Australian Plant Bank.

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