

PRELIMINARY ITINERARY

CANBERRA MODERN: THE SPIRIT OF THE NATION'S CULTURAL AND DEMOCRATIC LANDSCAPE, CANBERRA, ACT



Shaped by topography and grounded in visionary town planning, Canberra, Australia's National Capital, is one of the world's great twentieth century planned city landscapes.

This tour, with experts and authorities, will explore Canberra's natural and historic setting, Indigenous heritage values, a selection of major public buildings and the outstanding city design that provides expression of Australia's shared democratic ambitions.

This 3 day/2 night tour will include a mix of talks from experts and the exploration of the spaces, places, and stories of Canberra's design and its environment along with opportunities to experience the world-class food, wine and top tourism destinations of the region.

Hosted by: Canberra Modern and Lake Burley Griffin Guardians, with generous support from National Capital Authority (NCA).

Day One – Sunday 10 September 2023 (L)

0650hrs Please be waiting at the northern end of the International Convention Centre Sydney, Iron Wharf Place for departure for your two-day tour



- 0700hrs Depart Sydney for coach journey to Canberra (approx.3 hours direct, or longer with stops). Some background will be presented on the coach journey with handouts provided. On arrival in Canberra the day will include:
- Mount Ainslie, Marion Mahony Griffin Lookout: A viewing point for an overview of the designed landscape and city layout, visited by coach. The 1912-1913 Walter Burley and Marion Mahony Griffin designed city, the landscape and its 'democracy' intentions and Welcome to Country by Ngunnawal elder
 - Picnic lunch at Mount Ainslie
 - Drive through Reid Garden City Heritage Precinct on way to hotel (noted below)
 - Check-in and refresh at the hotel before the afternoon and evening activities.
 - National Capital Exhibition that captures the design and development of Canberra over key development phases pre-WWI, post WWI and post WWII
 - Welcome reception hosted by National Capital Authority, GA2023 Corporate Patron
 - Dinner and remainder of the evening at leisure – nearby dining options would be recommended

Accommodation: Peppers Gallery Hotel x 2 nights
15 Edinburgh Avenue, Canberra
Phone: +61 (0)2 6175 2222

Day Two – Monday 11 September 2023 (B, L, D)

- 0630hrs Breakfast is included in your accommodation
Depart the hotel for a full day of touring (coach and walking).
- Museum of Australian Democracy at Old Parliament House (1927)—talk by museum staff and walking tour of the historic Parliamentary Zone; covering democratic heritage and original designers of the national capital from 1911-1927, such as John Smith Murdoch, Walter Burley Griffin and Marion Mahony Griffin, and Thomas Charles Weston
 - A special tailor-made design and architecture tour of the Australian Parliament House (1988) with curatorial staff
 - Lunch cruise on Lake Burley Griffin, and discussion on the lake system by the Lake Burley Griffin Guardians
 - Free time in afternoon to enjoy visiting Canberra's national cultural institutions in the Parliamentary Zone, such as National Gallery of Australia, National Portrait Gallery, National Library of Australia, or National Museum of Australia, Australian War Memorial, or further explore Canberra's landscape on a self-guided walk
 - Dinner with guest speaker

Day Three – Tuesday 12 September 2023 (B, L)

- 0630hrs Breakfast is included in your accommodation.
Please settle any incidentals on your room account and check out of your hotel.
Please be waiting in the hotel foyer.
Depart the hotel for a full day of touring (coach and walking).
- Australian Academy of Science, Shine Dome (1959) and walking tour of Australian National University (ANU), Acton campus (1949–current)



- Visits to significant Canberra properties – Calthorpe’s House (1927) and Manning Clark House (1952)
- Lunch at Australian Institute of Architects (AIA) Headquarters; designed by eminent Australian architects of the time, Ancher, Mortlock and Murray, in 1968

2000hrs Arrive Sydney and tour concludes
Sydney accommodation is not included in the tour. Please make your own arrangements for accommodation on this night.

End of arrangements

Tour Costs:

\$1,640.00 per person based on double occupancy

\$1,900.00 per person based on single occupancy

Tour inclusions:

- Accommodation as specified (where possible)
- Coach travel to and from Sydney to Canberra
- Sightseeing as per the itinerary
- English speaking commentary
- Breakfast daily and other meals as specified (Breakfast = B, Lunch = L, Dinner = D)

Not included:

- Airfares to/from destination
- Meals other than specified
- Personal expenses
- Beverages and/or anything not specifically mentioned

Restrictions/Accessibility:

Not suitable for wheelchairs or persons with limited mobility. The tour involves some walking.

Fitness level: Gentle

Minimum number of participants: 10

Maximum number of participants: 30

Is French speaking commentary available: No

Weather in September in Canberra: Spring, with an average temperature is 18 degrees Celsius.