



# STUART'S TRAVEL CLUB

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September - December 2019





## 2019

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2nd - 9th Sept	Lightning Ridge 8 day tour
12th Sept	Mystery Trip
18th - 24th Sept	Toowoomba Flower Festival 7 day tour
25th Sept	Chicago - Capital Theatre - <i>Waitlist</i>
26th Sept	Tulip Top Southern Highlands
30th Sept - 9th Oct	Goldfield and Grampians 10 day tour
2nd Oct	Floriade
5th Oct	Quiltopia
19th Oct	The Royal Edinburgh Tattoo - ANZ Stadium - <i>Waitlist</i>
23rd Oct	The Castle Robertson
30th Oct - 4th Nov	Jacaranda Festival, Grafton 6 day tour
6th Nov	Billy Elliot - Lyric Theatre
8th - 25th Nov	New Zealand 18 day fully escorted tour
14th Nov	Australian War Memorial Canberra
19th Nov	Fairground Follies
23rd Nov	School Spectacular - Qudos Bank Arena
27th Nov	School of Rock - Capital Theatre
30th Nov	Parklea Markets
3rd - 4th Dec	Hunter Valley Garden Christmas Lights 2 day tour
5th Dec	Peach Day
7th - 9th Dec	Young Cherry Festival 3 day tour
12th Dec	Christmas Lunch
31st Dec - 1st Jan	New Year's Eve Fireworks - <i>Waitlist</i>

## 2020

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22nd - 26th Jan	Tamworth Country Music Festival 5 day tour
26th Jan	Australia Day
15th Feb	Sydney Stitches & Craft ICC
21st - 27th Feb	Lord Howe Island 7 day tour
3rd - 4th Mar	The Riverboat Postman's Run Hawkesbury River 2 day tour
11th Mar	The War Horse - Lyric Theatre
16th - 26th Mar	The Great Ocean Road & Kangaroo Island 11 day tour
16th - 20th Apr	Albury & North East Victoria 5 day tour
30th Apr - 4th May	Tumut & Festival of Falling Leaf 5 day tour
20th - 30th May	Lake Eyre & Flinders Ranges 11 day tour
25th Jul - 4th Aug	Sunshine Coast & Gold Coast 11 day tour
14th - 18th Sep	Port Stephens & Nelson Bay 5 day tour
12th - 17th Oct	Griffith Gardens and the Riverina 6 day tour
9th - 13th Nov	Bathurst & Maitland 5 day tour

*For more information please ring our office !!!*

Dear Members,

I can't believe that I have worked here for almost a year. In this time we have visited so many lovely places, On our last tour to Ballina, a few of the ladies made slices, which were delicious. Shirley made peanut cookies, and as so many of you were asking for the recipe here it is:

#### **SHIRLEY'S PEANUT CRUNCHIEST**

• ¼ lb Margarine or 125g • 1 Beaten Egg • 1 ¼ Cups Sugar  
• 1½ Cups S.R. Flour • 187g or ½ Pkt Peanut (These must be Raw "Kookaburra" brand 375g Yellow pack) • Pinch Salt

#### **METHOD:**

*Melt the Marg, add all the dry ingredients and beaten egg. Roll into small balls, size of a walnut, Flatten a little slightly. Place on a greased tray, allowing for them to spread. Cook in a moderate oven 370°F or 190°C for 15-20 mins. Loosen, & cool on tray.*

Let me know if you make them and I will be more than happy to do any taste testing. We have many more amazing places to visit this year and next. Including our 18-day North and South Island New Zealand tour departing in November and our Lord Howe Island 7-day tour departing 21st Feb 2020. These are both fully escorted trips. I look forward to travelling with you, either on our

lovely day tours or our great extended holidays.

As our musical and show trips fill up fast, to avoid disappointment full payment of the ticket cost will be required upon booking. With our extended tours and day trips you will need to pay your deposit upon booking, to reserve your seat.

If you would like an itinerary for any of our upcoming tours please call the office or visit our website: [www.stuartscoaches.com.au](http://www.stuartscoaches.com.au)

Finally, Kevin, Leanne and all the Staff at Stuarts Coaches would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a healthy 2020. Our next booklet will be in your letterboxes in the New Year.

Thank you again to all our Hoppers for your continued support of our "Travel Club". If you have any suggestions, comments or feedback on our services please call us on 4421 0332, email us on [enquiry@stuartscoaches.com.au](mailto:enquiry@stuartscoaches.com.au) or drop by the office. Can you please let us know if you do not want any photos taken of you while traveling with us uploaded onto our social media face book page.

Our Office will be closed from 19th December 2019 to 6th January 2020. Thank you & happy reading.

Regards Trisha.

## DAY TOURS 2019

### **MYSTERY DAY. Thursday 12th September**

*Always an interesting day and this mystery tour is no exception, we all love a bit of mystery in our lives so going on this day trip not knowing where you will end up is always a lot of fun. Seats are limited.*

Cost : \$95pp.

Includes : Coach, morning tea, entry, lunch

Departs : Depot 7.15am, SoA 7.20am, BMI 7.25am

Berry 7.35am, Albion Park 8.05am, and Figtree 8.20am



### **TULIP TIME & RED COW FARM, SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS. Thursday 26th September**

*The Southern Highlands is beautiful at this time of the year with Corbett Gardens in full bloom. We start our day at the Red Cow Farm which is a 2.5 hectare cool climate garden which surrounds an 1820's historic cottage.*

*With a small nursery and gift shop also attached, the garden at this time of the year has been described as one of the best in the country. We are then off to Bowral to "Tiptoe through the Tulips" at Corbett Gardens, Lunch will be at your own expense. This afternoon sees us visit a gardener's paradise in Milton Park, before returning home.*

Cost : \$75pp

Includes : Coach, morning tea, entry to attractions

Departs : Depot 7.30am, SoA 7.35am, BMI 7.40am.

### **FLORIADE. Wednesday 2nd October**

*Celebrate as spring time arrives, and we are blessed with the beautiful blooms of tulips. It started as a one off festival to celebrate the Bicentennial of Australia, but it was so well received that it was decided to keep this festival going on an annual basis. With over 1 million bulbs planted, it is truly stunning to wander around Commonwealth Park on the foreshore of Lake Burley Griffin. This is Canberra's most loved festival and everybody is invited.*

Cost : \$55 pp

Includes : Coach, morning tea

Departs : Depot 7:00am, SoA 7:05am, BMI 7:10am





### **QUILTOPIA. Saturday 5th October**

*Quiltopia is an annual celebration of everything quilting, needlework and a little bit more!*

*You'll find all your dreams come true in the Quilters Block where you can talk to specialists and get hands on with the latest long arm machines, sewing machines, embroidery machines and furniture from national and international brands, held at Rosehill Racecourse Events Centre Sydney.*

Cost : \$70pp

Includes : Coach, morning tea, ticket into show

Departs : Depot 7.00am, SoA 7.05am, BMI 7.10am, Berry 7.20am, Albion Park 7.50am, and Figtree 8.05 am



### **THE CASTLE ROBERTSON. Wednesday 23rd October**

*Don't forget to bring your cameras with you today! This is a magnificent Irish style castle set in two acres of lush gardens. We will have a tour of the grounds and a guide to tell us some information about the history of the Castle, followed by a light lunch then scones jam & cream.*

Cost : \$70pp

Includes : Coach, morning tea, tour and lunch

Departs : Depot 8:30am, SoA 8:35am, BMI 8:40am

### **AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL. Thursday 14th November.**

*Spend the day wander Canberra War Memorial remembering what our Defence Personnel and volunteers sacrificed for our country. The Memorial's exhibitions include permeant gallery spaces covering Australia's involvement in each major conflict.*

Cost : \$55 pp

Includes : Coach, morning tea

Departs : Depot 7.00am, SoA 7.05, BMI 7.10am, Kangaroo Valley 7.30am



### **FAIRGROUND FOLLIES. Tuesday 19th November**

*Fairground Follies is an Antique Mechanical Music Museum, a truly unique place which offers all the fun of the fair.*

*This is an historic Fairground theme, complete with mechanical music. There are over 10 Organs on display including Mortier Taj Mahal 101 key Organ, and lots more to see and listen to, it will make you feel like a child again.*

Cost : \$99pp

Includes : Coach, morning tea, tour and lunch

Departs : Depot 8.30am, SoA 8.35am, BMI 8.40am

### **SCHOOL SPECTACULAR. Saturday 23rd November**

*School Spectacular is unlike anything you have seen before. With a 2,700 strong choir, 2,300 diverse dancers, 80 piece Symphony Orchestra, world class stage band and amazing solo performers from across the Metropolitan, rural and remote regions of the NSW Public School system. Everyone wants to be part of something bigger than themselves and*

*School Spectacular allows the students to be part of the biggest performance of their lives. Whether you have seen School Spectacular before or this is your first time – you will be amazed at the talent on show here.*

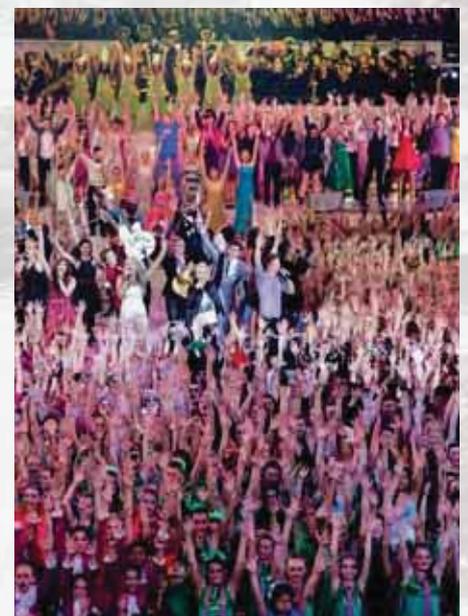
*Being held again at Qudos Arena at Homebush this is sure to provide an entertaining day.*

Cost : \$95pp

Includes : Coach, morning tea, ticket into show

(food stores are open under the arena, or own lunch can be taken and consumed prior to entry into the arena)

Departs : Depot 8.00am, SoA 8.05am, BMI 8.10am, Berry 8.20am, Albion Park 8.50am, and Figtree 9.05 am



## **PARKLEA MARKETS. Saturday 30th November**

*Parklea Markets boast the biggest, most vibrant and colourful market place in the Southern Hemisphere. Parklea Markets is a treasure trove of international food, fashion and flair displaying all the best Australia has to offer, all under one roof with thousands of bargains. Wear comfortable walking shoes to make your day more enjoyable.*

Cost : \$55pp

Includes : Coach, morning tea

Departs : Depot 7.00am, SoA 7.05am, BMI 7.10am Berry 7.20am, Albion Park 7.50am



## **PEACH DAY, ARALUEN. Thursday 5th December**

*Always a fun and interesting day with a scenic drive down to Batemans Bay and across to Araluen to Ken Harrison's and Sons Peach Orchard. Morning tea en route, before we purchase fresh peaches, and some other home grown fruit and vegies from this family run business. Once the coach is loaded we head back to Braidwood for lunch in this quaint little village before home via the Nerriga Pub for an ice cream!*

Cost : \$50pp

Includes : Coach, morning tea (lunch at own expense)

Departs : Depot 7.30am, SoA 7.35am

## **CHRISTMAS LUNCH. Thursday 12th December**

*It's that time of the year again when we catch up with new friends made throughout the year on tours or some old friends what we haven't seen for a while. Our Christmas lunch this year will be held at Robertson Pub, with entertainment included this is sure to be a great way to finish 2019.*

Cost : \$60pp

Includes : Coach, Christmas lunch and entertainment

Departs : Depot 10.30am, SoA 10.35am, BMI 10.40am, Berry 10.50am, Albion Park 11.20am



## **AUSTRALIA DAY CRUISE, SYDNEY HARBOUR. Sunday 26th January 2020**

*This still rates as one of our most popular tours every year! With great weather, own private cruise boat in the midst of the activities on the Harbour it's hard not to get caught up in the fun of the day. With an Australian morning tea along the way before we board Matilda 3 for a 4 hour Seafood buffet lunch cruise (includes meats and salads). Our captain has us in the middle of the Ferry Race, front row for the Naval Display and 21 Cannon Salute and we are blown away with the Fighter Jet fly over as we cruise around Sydney Harbour celebrating our National Day. A great day out!*

Cost : \$200pp

Includes : Coach, morning tea, 4 Hour cruise, Sea food buffet lunch.

Departs : Depot 6.30am, SoA 6.35am, BMI 6.40am, Berry 6.50am, Albion Park 7.20am, Fairy Meadow 7.40am



## **EXTENDED TOURS IN AUSTRALIA**



### **JACARANDA FESTIVAL, GRAFTON. 30th October – 4th November. 6 DAY TOUR**

*Admire the brilliant canopy of mauve, and discover the glorious colours of the open gardens throughout the festival. A Local guide joins us for a Town Tour then out to Lanbruk's Gonyah Olive Farm for lunch, finishing off with a visit to Schaeffer House. We visit the Glen Ian Ostrich & Emu Farm, where we get an insight into these giant birds. In Town there will be markets selling local wares, and locally sourced produce. Grafton CBD comes awash with a riot of colour & sound for the annual Float Procession, down the main Street. We have included a morning tea cruise in the lower Hunter River, to take in the sights of Newcastle's working harbour.*

Cost : \$2050 pp Twin Share, \$2490 S/S

Includes : Coach Transfer, 5 nights acc, 5 B/fast, 5 Dinner's, 5 lunches.

Departs : Depot 6.00am, SoA 6.05am, BMI 6.10am, Berry 6.20am, Albion Park, 6.50am, Figtree 7.10am

Not Included : Any items of a personal nature. Insurance is advised

## HUNTER VALLEY CHRISTMAS LIGHTS. 3rd – 4th December

*This overnight at the Hunter Valley Gardens will surely get you into the spirit of Christmas. There are themed gardens throughout the display. It will be difficult to pick your favourite section – the Australian Natives, The Twelve Days of Christmas, Candyland, Around the World or the Traditional Christmas Story. With over 3 million lights you will be in ore of this amazing garden. To add to our time away we visit the Hunter Valley Cheese shop, and Hunter Valley Chocolate shop. You will then get some time back at the Gardens the following day, to look around the other gardens that were not on display during the night activities. A must see for all ages. . . .you won't be disappointed!*



Cost : \$405 twin share, \$480 S/S

Depart : 8.00am depot, 8.10am BMI, 8.20am Berry, 8.50am Albion Park, 9.05am Figtree

Included : Coach Transfer, 1 night acc, 1 B/fast, 1 Dinner, 2 lunches, attractions as per itinerary

Not Included : Any items of a personal nature. Insurance is advised



## CHERRY FESTIVAL, YOUNG. 7th – 9th December

*Young comes to life over this weekend with the annual Cherry Festival lighting up the streets. It's a great country festival with an afternoon Street Parade, market stalls, cherry pie eating competition, cherry pie auction. . . . plus much more. We have time to explore around the area with a visit to the Rustic Maze, Illandra Castle, tastings at Bluestill Distillery and some retail therapy at Poppa's Fudge Factory. This is a fun weekend ending with us purchasing our own cherries and cherry pies.*

Cost : \$695 pp twin share, \$850 S/S

Depart : 6.30am depot, 6.40am BMI, Moss Vale 7.30am

Included : Coach Transfer, 2 night acc, 2 B/fast, 2 Dinners, 2 lunches, attractions as per itinerary

Not Included : Any items of a personal nature. Insurance is advised

## EXTENDED TOURS IN AUSTRALIA 2020



## TAMWORTH COUNTRY MUSIC. 22nd – 26th January 2020

*If you're into Boot Scootin', Country Music and a fun time, then this week is for you. Tamworth is the largest Country Music Festival in Australia with over 120 venues and 2,500 acts performing over the two week period that the festival runs for. We are visiting the festival for the main week, and your biggest problem for the week will be fitting in all the shows you want to see. Whether it's the top name artists or the buskers in Peel Street, the level of talent will amaze you. Bookings are already being taken for this festival and rooms are limited. If you're not a Country Music Fan don't panic. . . .you can't help but have a great time in Tamworth.*

Cost : \$1160 twin share, \$1960 S/S

Depart : 6.30am depot, 6.40am BMI, 6.50am Berry, and 7.20am Albion Park

Included : Coach Transfer, 4 night acc, 4 B/fast, 1 Dinner.

Not Included : Any items of a personal nature. Insurance is advised.

## LORD HOWE ISLAND. 21st – 27th February 2020 Fully Escorted 7 DAY TOUR

*Experience the breathtaking wonder of Lord Howe Island on this fully escorted 7 day tour. You will be amazed as there are so many ways to enjoy this World Heritage listed paradise. We will enjoy the magnificent coral reef and hand-feed fish on Ned's Beach. The marine park is teeming with sea life, which we will see when we take a tour on a glass-bottomed boat. Lord Howe is a small part of paradise situated in the Pacific Ocean 600kms east of Port Macquarie. With visitor numbers limited to 400 on the island at any one time, crowds will not be an issue while your there. It is part of Australia, therefore we do not require a passport to visit. We will be staying at Blue Lagoon Lodge for the 6 nights.*



Cost : \$4195 pp twin share, \$4995 S/S.

Included : Coach Transfer, flights, 6 night acc, 6 B/fast, 6 Dinners, and attractions as per itinerary

Not Included : Any items of a personal nature. Insurance is advised.



### THE RIVERBOAT POSTMAN'S RUN. 3rd – 4th March 2020 2 DAY TOUR

Join us for our 2 day tour, On the first morning we will visit Mount Penang Gardens, then lunch at Waterfall café. We arrive at our accommodation early afternoon to freshen up for your evening at leisure. Next morning we head to Brooklyn to board the Riverboat Postman's run cruise lunch on board, arriving home late afternoon.

Cost : \$325 pp twin share, \$395 S/S.

Depart : 7.30am depot, 7.40am BMI, 7.50am Berry, and 8.20am Albion Park

Included : Coach Transfer, 1 night acc, 1 B/fast, 2 lunches.

Not Included: Any items of a personal nature. Insurance is advised

### THE GREAT OCEAN ROAD & KANGAROO ISLAND. 16th – 26th March 2020 11 DAY TOUR

Join us on this breathtaking drive along one of Australia's most spectacular coastlines. We visit Otway Fly – a tree top walk, the longest and highest canopy walk, Loch Ard Gorge, 12 Apostles. A guided tour of Warrnambool which has a rich maritime history, Flagstaff Hill. We will stay at Warrnambool/ Mt Gambier/ Victor Harbour and Kangaroo Island. Whilst on Kangaroo Island, A local guide will join us for the 2 days & includes a visit to Seal Bay, and the Flinders Chase National Park.



Cost : \$3375 pp Twin Share, \$4295 S/S

Includes : Coach Transfer, 10 nights acc, 10 B/fast, 10 Dinner's, 9 lunches.

Departs : Depot 7.00am, SoA 7.05am, BMI 7.10am

Not Included : Any items of a personal nature. Insurance is advised



### ALBURY & NORTH EAST VICTORIA 16th – 20th April 2020 5 DAY TOUR

On this tour our accommodation will be at the Quality Resort Siesta Albury for the 4 nights. On the way down we call into The National Museum of Australian Pottery in Holbrook. For some that have stayed here before, we have a completely new itinerary including Mitta Valley, Dartmouth Dam, The Art Silo Trail and a guided tour of Benalla and its Murals.

Cost : \$1345 pp twin share, \$1675 S/S

Depart : 7.30am depot, 7.40am BMI

Included : Coach Transfer, 4 night acc, 4 B/fast, 4 Dinners, 5 lunches, attractions as per itinerary

Not Included : Any items of a personal nature. Insurance is advised



### TUMUT & FESTIVAL OF FALLING LEAF 30th April – 4th May 5 DAY TOUR

This is the best time of year to visit Tumut, we will have a local guide take us on a tour of the town and surrounds. We will visit the broom factory, the Valley Violets with over 950 named varieties, this is the largest African violet farm in Australia. The highlight of this trip will be the Festival of the falling leaf, this is a street parade and who doesn't love a great street parade? The next day we will get to see the Bogy Creek Show which combines all the skill of horsemanship, mustering, whip cracking, working dogs and sheep tricks with humour, this is a 2 hour live show that utilises farming techniques and knowledge learnt over three generations.

Cost : \$1370 pp twin share, \$1825 S/S

Depart : 8.00am depot, 8.10am BMI

Included : Coach Transfer, 4 night acc, 4 B/fast, 4 Dinners, 4 lunches, attractions as per itinerary

Not Included : Any items of a personal nature. Insurance is advised

### LAKE EYRE & FLINDERS RANGES 20th – 30th May 11 DAY TOUR

One tour not to be missed, our first places we visit will be the Wilkadene Woolshed Brewery located on the banks of Murray River, then onto Barmera. We then set off to Burra's "Monster Mine" Then a ride on the historical Pichi Richi Railway. A local guide will join our coach for our tour around the stunning Flinders Ranges National Park, where we will drive through Brachina and Bunyerroo Gorge. The highlight of this trip will be an incredible scenic flight over Lake Eyre, Plus staying at the outback town of Maree. We will find out about the history of Peterborough at the Steamtown Museum, and also experience the unique sound and light show. Visit underground homes, local galleries, shops and fossick for opals with our local guide at White Cliffs. Our final night is at Quality Inn Dubbo, before heading home after an unforgettable holiday.

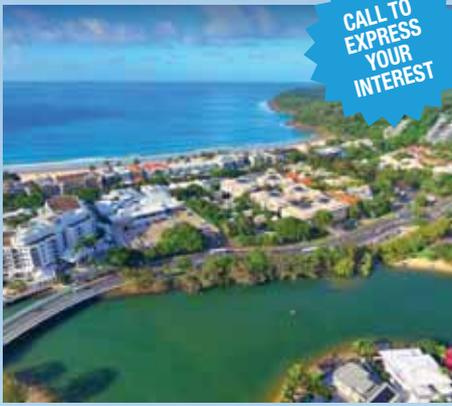


Cost : \$4310 pp twin share, \$5175 S/S

Depart : 6.30am depot, 6.40am BMI

Included : Coach Transfer, 10 night acc, 10 B/fast, 10 Dinners, 11 lunches, attractions as per itinerary

Not Included : Any items of a personal nature. Insurance is advised



CALL TO EXPRESS YOUR INTEREST

## SUNSHINE COAST & GOLD COAST 25th July – 4th August 2020 11 DAY TOUR

What a better place to visit at this time of year heading north is always the way to go in the winter months. Our first and last night stop will be at the lovely Waters Edge Port Macquarie, we will also be staying at the Mantra at Sharks Gold Coast, then onto Oaks Oasis Resort Caloundra Sunshine Coast. On our travels we will visit the Slim Dusty Centre, the Coffs Harbour Butterfly House, breakfast with the birds at Currumbin, and an evening at the new Australian Outback Spectacular show called Heartland. There will be lots more to see and do on this tour, for more information call for a detailed brochure.

Cost: TBA

## OVERSEAS TOURS



### 18 DAY DISCOVERY TOUR – NEW ZEALAND 8th – 25th November 2019

This magical tour taking in both North and South Islands of New Zealand is going to blow you away. For 18 days this fully escorted tour around New Zealand you will learn about Maori culture, New Zealand Heritage and everything in between. We arrive on the North Island and spend a couple of days relaxing at the beautiful Bay of Islands before heading down to Rotorua for a swim in the hot pools and some Maori culture. Then off to Napier before heading into Wellington. A short ferry ride over to the South Island. Then we head down the west coast from Christchurch to Glacier country to Queenstown and Milford Sound, which is dominated by the grandeur of Mitre Peak and Bowen Falls. Dunedin, Omarama and Christchurch finishing off this exciting 18 days. You have the option for a Chopper Flight onto Fox or Franz Joseph Glacier or Mount Hutt – all three are magnificent. You will be amazed what this country has to offer and its scenery. No one is ever disappointed with this holiday.

Costs : \$7,150 pp. Twin Share, \$9,100 Single Supp

Included : Accommodation 17 nights, 17 breakfasts, 14 dinners, admission costs as per Itinerary, transfers to /from Sydney Airport from Nowra, taxes. Passport is required for New Zealand. Insurance is recommended.

Not Included : Any items of a personal nature. Insurance is advised.

## THEATRE SHOWS 2019

**Chicago - Wednesday 25th September,**  
Capital Theatre - \$125 pp (*Waitlist*)

**Billy Elliott - Wednesday 6th November,**  
Lyric Theatre - \$135 pp

**School Spectacular - 23rd November,**  
Qudos Bank Arena - \$95 pp

**School of Rock - 27th November,**  
Capital Theatre - \$120 pp

**The War Horse - 11th March 2020,**  
Lyric Theatre - \$135 pp

### BOOKING REQUIREMENTS

- Extended tours day trips and musicals you will need to pay your deposit upon booking, to reserve your seat.
- Full payments for Day Trips to be in full 14 days prior to departure.

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