



The Southern Spirit

A journey of discovery through four states, exploring the Great Dividing Range and the Eastern Seaboard.



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The latest in Australia's Great Train Journeys.

A journey between Adelaide and Brisbane via Melbourne is the latest addition to our great Australian train journeys and your opportunity to explore new landscapes on our train. Called The Southern Spirit, it was named to encapsulate the spirit of adventure held in the hearts of those who first opened up the furthest reaches of this great continent.

Follow the path less travelled as The Southern Spirit crosses four states, through hills and mountain ranges, over lush green valleys, passing historical country towns, wide-open plains and fertile farmlands. The timetable makes the most of daylight hours to maximise your enjoyment of the inspiring views and rich natural countryside.

Join The Southern Spirit in Australia's wine capital, Adelaide, or the sophisticated southern city of Melbourne for a leisurely journey to your final destination in subtropical Brisbane. The voyage lasts up to 5 nights and 6 days in both Platinum and Gold Service comfort, with an equally impressive return route from Brisbane, stopping at either Melbourne or Adelaide.

The journey incorporates a series of wayside stops and opportunities for off-train excursions that are all included in the price. You'll have the opportunity to visit some of Australia's most sought out destinations, both on and off the beaten track. These exclusive tours enable you to pause and savour the essence of Australia as The Southern Spirit leads you through some of this country's most beautiful backdrops.

Each day begins with a fresh panorama to take in as you wind your way through the essence of Australia. When departing from Adelaide, the first stage offers you a wonderfully different outlook on South Australia that you simply shouldn't miss. Enjoy as the inspiring beauty of the Adelaide Hills and sweeping Murray Mallee Plains unfolds before your eyes, then your first Whistle Stop Tour of The Grampians.

Next, a short stop in Melbourne before rejoining your fellow travellers on this epic adventure, now heading north. The Southern Spirit crosses the Murray River once more before weaving its way through the Great Dividing Range. From here, you'll sample the sights of the pristine east coast before reaching your final destination in the Queensland capital of Brisbane.



Dining in The Queen Adelaide Restaurant

The Southern Spirit offers you a choice of Platinum and Gold Service both including private cabins. All on train meals are served in the Queen Adelaide Restaurant and included in the fare.



Platinum Service Double Cabin



Gold Service Twin Cabin

Platinum Service Features

- Welcome drink and appetiser on arrival in your cabin.
- Cabin Steward service to cater to your needs.
- Fine Australian wine or tasty delights (available for purchase) from the in-cabin menu.
- Lounge Car for relaxation and refreshments.
- Each morning enjoy tea/coffee delivered to your cabin.
- Complimentary morning or afternoon tea in your cabin.
- Complimentary nightcap and turndown service provided nightly.

Gold Service Features

- Compact sleeper accommodation.
- Welcome Reception – complimentary glass of bubbly, wine, beer or soft drink.
- Quality wines and beverages for purchase.
- Lounge Car for relaxation and refreshments.
- Complimentary tea and coffee available during your journey.
- In-cabin music and detailed journey commentary available from your cabin sound system.
- Complimentary toiletries kit and onboard 'Platform' magazine.

Brisbane to Melbourne / Adelaide

6 Days 5 Nights

Brisbane, Byron Bay, Hunter Valley, Dubbo, The Grampians and Adelaide **SSBA/BM**

Includes:

- Gold or Platinum Service.
- Exclusive Whistle Stop Tours at key locations and points of interest throughout the journey, including Byron Bay, Port Macquarie, Hunter Valley, Dubbo, Albury-Wodonga and The Grampians.
- All meals as specified in your itinerary: (B) breakfast, (L) lunch, (D) dinner.



Day 1: Saturday

Brisbane and Byron Bay: Board The Southern Spirit in Brisbane and begin your journey southward. Experience a Whistle Stop Tour to the small coastal village of Byron Bay, the most easterly point of the Australian mainland. See the laid back atmosphere, pristine beaches and take your time to enjoy the Main Street on your own. Rejoin The Southern Spirit in Casino. (LD)

Day 2: Sunday

Port Macquarie: Today, enjoy a Whistle Stop Tour in the historic town of Port Macquarie. Take the opportunity to explore this peaceful town surrounded by green fields and grazing cattle. Experience New South Wales' mid north coast on your way south while enjoying a delicious three course meal in the Queen Adelaide Restaurant with new found friends. (BLD)

Day 3: Monday

Hunter Valley: Start the day with breakfast onboard as you travel to the scenic Hunter Valley, one of Australia's premier wine areas. Join a Whistle Stop Tour and experience the tastes of the region as you explore the many highlights. After the delights of the Hunter Valley, rejoin The Southern Spirit and have the chance to chat and share your stories with your fellow travellers. (BLD)

Day 4: Tuesday

Dubbo: Contemplate the changing landscapes passing by on the path less travelled as you continue towards Dubbo, nestled in the heart of New South Wales. Here, enjoy the chance to experience a Whistle Stop Tour to Taronga Western Plains Zoo, one of the world's finest open range sanctuaries and a vital link in national and international programs for rare and endangered species. (BLD)

Day 5: Wednesday

Albury-Wodonga and Melbourne: Continuing southward along The Great Dividing Range, the day's first stop is the twin cities of Albury-Wodonga on the Murray River. Enjoy a Whistle Stop Tour before rejoining The Southern Spirit and proceeding on to Melbourne. Reboard The Southern Spirit and head west towards Stawell. (BLD)

Day 6: Thursday

The Grampians and Adelaide: Your final day onboard The Southern Spirit begins with a Whistle Stop Tour in the picturesque Grampians. Reboard the train as it winds across the plain, bidding farewell to your fellow travelling companions over lunch as The Southern Spirit reaches its final destination, Australia's wine capital Adelaide. (BL)

The Southern Spirit reverse journey from Adelaide/Melbourne to Brisbane is also available. Booking codes are SSBA and SSBM.



Fares – total package per person twin share from (A\$)

Brisbane to Adelaide

Gold Service	
Days	6
Adult pp	A\$4400
Child	A\$3800
Single Supp	A\$2992

Brisbane to Melbourne

Gold Service	
Days	5
Adult pp	A\$4100
Child	A\$3500
Single Supp	A\$2788

Brisbane to Adelaide

Platinum Service	
Days	6
Adult pp	A\$6800
Child	A\$6800
Single Supp	A\$4624

Brisbane to Melbourne

Platinum Service	
Days	5
Adult pp	A\$6500
Child	A\$6500
Single Supp	A\$4420

*Conditions: Single Room supplement obligatory if travelling alone. All prices are subject to change without notice.



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THE SOUTHERN SPIRIT TIMETABLE

ADELAIDE/MELBOURNE - BRISBANE			BRISBANE - MELBOURNE/ ADELAIDE		
DEPARTS ADELAIDE	MELBOURNE	ARRIVES BRISBANE	DEPARTS BRISBANE	MELBOURNE	ARRIVES ADELAIDE
Sat 5 Nov 2011	Sun 6 Nov 2011	Thu 10 Nov 2011	Sat 12 Nov 2011	Wed 16 Nov 2011	Thu 17 Nov 2011
Sat 19 Nov 2011	Sun 20 Nov 2011	Thu 24 Nov 2011	Sat 26 Nov 2011	Wed 30 Nov 2011	Thu 1 Dec 2011
Sat 3 Dec 2011	Sun 4 Dec 2011	Thu 8 Dec 2011	Sat 10 Dec 2011	Wed 14 Dec 2011	Thu 15 Dec 2011
Sat 14 Jan 2012	Sun 15 Jan 2012	Thu 19 Jan 2012	Sat 21 Jan 2012	Wed 25 Jan 2012	Thu 26 Jan 2012
Sat 28 Jan 2012	Sun 29 Jan 2012	Thu 2 Feb 2012	Sat 4 Feb 2012	Wed 8 Feb 2012	Thu 9 Feb 2012
Sat 11 Feb 2012	Sun 12 Feb 2012	Thu 16 Feb 2012	Sat 18 Feb 2012	Wed 22 Feb 2012	Thu 23 Feb 2012

To book The Southern Spirit visit: www.greatsouthernrail.com.au or see your local travel agent.

Fares based on twin share per person with single supplements applicable. Offer subject to availability at time of booking. For travel from 5 November 2011 to 23 February 2012. Hotel surcharges may apply to event period dates. All fares include fuel price surcharge, and will be subject to availability at the time of booking. Through or stopover fares not applicable with any holiday package unless otherwise specified. Offer not available in conjunction with the Great Southern Rail Australian Seniors Concession Travel Card or any other offer. All fares and timetables are subject to change without notice. All fares quoted in Australian Dollars. Conditions apply. For general terms and conditions of carriage please visit greatsouthernrail.com.au. Travel Agent License No.TTA164190. Image credits: Hand feeding the Giraffes at the Western Plains Zoo in Dubbo, courtesy of Tourism NSW. Long views of Rocky Beach, Port Macquarie, courtesy of TourismNSW. 01671CDIS

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