Cruise Details

Name:	Set Course For Kangaroos, Koalas And Kiwis
Reference:	HAPAGEUX2703
Operator:	Hapag-Lloyd Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	MS EUROPA 2
Regions:	Australia & New Zealand
Departs On:	10 Feb 27
Departs From:	Fremantle, Western Australia
Arrives On:	01 Mar 27
Arrives At:	Auckland
Cruise Nights:	19
Total Vacation Days:	20

Itinerary

Day 1: Fremantle, Western Australia (Australia)

The small port city of Fremantle on the west coast of Australia is an important trading centre and was a base for allied submarines during the Second World War. The interesting architectural heritage of the city is remarkable, with colonial buildings built with the help of convicts. Fremantle is an attractive place to visit today thanks to the laid-back lifestyle of its inhabitants and relaxed atmosphere. “Freo”, as it’s known by the locals, is a creative centre in Australia, with trendy markets like Fremantle Market, where you can find artworks by young talents as well as local products and specialities.

Arrives On: 10 Feb 27

Day 2: Fremantle, Western Australia (Australia)

Welcome to Fremantle! This charming port city near Perth is known for its historic architecture, lively markets and delicious food. Go on a guided tour through the historic Fremantle Prison or

enjoy a relaxing stroll along Cappuccino Strip. Discover the lively art and music scene, wander around the boutiques and try some fresh seafood in the restaurants at the port. A visit to Fremantle is an absolute must during your stay in Perth!

Arrives On: 11 Feb 27

Day 3: Busselton, Western Australia (Australia)

Busselton in Western Australia combines history, idyllic nature and sporting challenges – a place that has something for everyone. The small city was founded in 1832 by John Garrett Bussell and experienced an economic upturn when the first pier was built in 1865. Busselton Jetty, one of the longest board walks in the world, has been extended several times, reaching its current length of 1,841 m (2,013 yards) in 1960. At the end of the jetty, there is an underwater observatory providing insights into the colourful world of tropical fish. Once a year, all eyes of the sporting world are on Busselton: Ironman Western Australia attracts the best athletes to compete against each other along the beautiful coastline and famous Busselton Jetty.

Arrives On: 12 Feb 27

Day 5: Albany, Western Australia (Australia)

Albany, on the coast of Western Australia, greets its visitors with a long and eventful history. The natural harbour, one of the biggest and most beautiful in the region, was once the site of the first penal colony to be set up in Western Australia in 1826, known back then as Fredericks Town. Albany soon grew into an important trading town and later on became an important whaling centre. Today the city invites you to delve into its maritime past: the museum complex in the harbour has exciting stories to tell about the whaling industry, while excursion boats offer whale watching tours with the possibility of getting right up close to the giants of the seas.

Arrives On: 14 Feb 27

Day 8: Penneshaw (Australia)

With its picturesque setting and relaxed atmosphere, every visitor to Penneshaw on Kangaroo Island soon falls under its spell. Its origins as a European settlement give the town its historic charm – buildings like the old post office and cemetery have been well maintained. Penneshaw is particularly famous, however, for its rich native wildlife, such as the colony of penguins, which come back to land in the evenings after a day spent in the water and waddle back to their shelters. Nature and animal lovers will find this is the perfect place to take a walk and discover wild animals such as koalas, kangaroos, sea lions and seals.

Arrives On: 17 Feb 27

Day 9: Adelaide, South Australia (Australia)

Nestled between wine regions and natural beauties, Adelaide, the capital of South Australia, has a special charm of its own. Surrounded by the rolling hills of Barossa Valley, Clare Valley and McLaren Vale, well known for their robust vines and award-winning wines, attractive beaches like the Gulf Saint Vincent and Adelaide Hills are also impressive sights to behold. The relaxed attitude to life is reflected in expansive parks, appealing shopping streets and cosy street cafes. The lively pub, restaurant and art scene also offers a varied programme – an experience for all the senses.

Arrives On: 18 Feb 27

Day 11: Melbourne, Victoria (Australia)

Melbourne, one of the biggest cities in Australia, offers an impressively high quality of life – it regularly features amongst the top five best cities to live in the world. As the cultural capital of Australia, it hosts a colourful selection of events and festivals, including the famous Melbourne International Film Festival. Green retreats like the Royal Botanic Gardens, which opened in 1846, offer a moment of peace in the urban hustle and bustle. The lively food scene with countless restaurants and cafes makes Melbourne a culinary hotspot, while museums and galleries like the National Gallery of Victoria and the Australian Centre for Contemporary Art are inviting places to enjoy art and culture at the highest level.

Arrives On: 20 Feb 27

Day 12: Melbourne, Victoria (Australia)

Melbourne, a city with a fascinating past and a lively contemporary scene. A former 19th century gold rush town, Melbourne has grown into a flourishing metropolis. These days it is a cultural and culinary centre, known for its lively art and music scene, world class restaurants and coffee culture. With iconic architecture, beautiful parks and a cosmopolitan atmosphere, Melbourne offers a varied experience. The city is proud of its love of sport, with famous events held here including the Australian Open and the Grand Prix. Melbourne is popular with visitors thanks to its unique charm, diversity and innovative spirit.

Arrives On: 21 Feb 27

Day 14: Sydney, New South Wales (Australia)

The capital of the Australian state of New South Wales is home to around five million inhabitants. Founded in 1788 as the first British colony in Australia, Sydney has developed into a modern, vibrant metropolis. The iconic Opera House on the harbour is not only architecturally impressive, it is also a place where the focus is on culture and art. The Harbour Bridge offers a breathtaking view over the skyline, while Bondi Beach attracts surfers and those who want to soak up the sun. The district known as The Rocks provides insights into the colonial era, while Darling Harbour with its museums, restaurants and entertainment options shows off the modern side of Sydney.

Arrives On: 23 Feb 27

Day 15: Sydney, New South Wales (Australia)

The origins of Sydney go back to the year 1788, when the First Fleet under the leadership of Captain Arthur Phillip arrived in the Bay of Sydney and founded a penal colony there. Over time, Sydney has developed into a flourishing port city and an important centre of trade. Today, Sydney is not only Australia's largest city, it is also a major global financial and economic hub. It is a melting pot of cultures, in which people from all over the world come together to enjoy the vibrant urban lifestyle, multicultural cuisine and breathtaking natural scenery. Sydney Opera House and the Harbour Bridge have become iconic landmarks that shape the city's skyline. Sydney is a place that encourages creativity, innovation and diversity and draws visitors under its spell with its lively atmosphere and impressive mix of history and modernity.

Arrives On: 24 Feb 27

Day 19: Auckland (New Zealand)

Auckland, a city on the water. The approach on board your ship through the calm turquoise waters of the Hauraki Gulf and the outlying islands is a pleasure in itself. You will see why the metropolis is dubbed the "City of Sails" when you spot the high density of sailing boats and yachts: on windy days, countless sails can be seen on the bay. Enjoy the city's maritime charm on an independent visit. Time and again, you will discover stunning contrasts on your explorations, with encounters between modern skyscrapers and ancient Maori culture. Immerse yourself in lively city neighbourhoods or find peace and quiet in the calm bays and nature parks. Auckland is waiting to be explored!

Arrives On: 28 Feb 27

Day 20: Auckland (New Zealand)

Arrives On: 01 Mar 27

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