# Moonlit Sanctuary and Puffing Billy with Penguin Parade Full Day Tour Depart from Melbourne

≥13 hours

#### **KEY FACTS**



- 1. Transport from/to selected hotels
- 2. Moonlit Sanctuary Entry Ticket
- 3. Standard viewing at Penguin Parade
- 4. Puffing Billy train journey from Belgrave to Menzies Creek
- 5. Tour commentary
- 6. Multi-language audio APP



- 1. Food & beverages not listed as Inclusions
- 2. Souvenirs
- 3. Travel Insurance

### **Depature point**

- Departs:
- Season 1 (01 May 30 October): Tuesdays, Thursdays
- Season 2\* (01 November 30 April): Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays
- \* Tour does not run on Christmas Day (25 December)
- Departure Point: Melbourne
- Departure Time^:
- Season 1 (01 April 30 October): 09:00 (approx.)
- Season 2 (01 November 31 March): 10:00 (approx.)
- ^ Complementary transfer from/to selected hotels included before departure time. Must be pre-booked.
- ^ Departure times are reference only and subject to availability.
- Return time varies seasonally between 21:00 to midnight

# How to get there

Complimentary transfer from/to selected hotels included. Please indicate the name of your hotel at the point of booking - the most convenient pick-up location and time will be advised in your booking confirmation.

# **Reconfirmation requirements**

Please be advised you are required to contact The Service Provider 24 hours prior to the travel date during business hours to reconfirm your booking, pick up location and time, and departure time with your confirmation number. Please adjust your travel plan according to the details given by The Service Provider at time of reconfirming.

# **Check-in requirements**

Please arrive 10 minutes prior to the pick-up time at your booked pick up location. There might be 5-10 minutes delay depends on the traffic on the day. If you think the pick is late or you are not being picked up, please call The Service Provider and quote your confirmation number to double check.

# What to bring/wear

- $\bullet$  Appropriate clothing for all weather conditions, eg. jacket for cooler months.
- Comfortable enclosed walking shoes
- Protective clothing, hat, sunscreen lotion, and sunglasses
- Water bottle and snacks
- Umbrella / raincoat if rains
- Insect repellent
- Camera
- Money / credit card for optional purchases
- Minimum numbers

The maximum is 24 person in each group with minimum of 4.

#### Other info

Tours may not proceed if minimum number is not met.

- Child Policy
- Child rates apply for ages 0 to 15 years of age inclusive. Due to the duration of the tour do not advise taking children under the age of 4. No refunds will be issued on day of travel for failure to declare infants. No prams or strollers permitted.
- The service provider is able to provide an infant seat (0-3 years) or a child booster seat (4-8 years) free of charge. Please note service provider have only a limited number available each day and they must be pre-booked. Please send a request to service provider and provide the age of the child along with the confirmation number and booking details.
- General
- The service provider retains the right to alter itineraries, fares and vehicles and may cancel tours in unforeseen circumstances.
- All travelling persons must book and have their own seat allocated for use.
- Any party arriving with undisclosed infants or children will be required to pay child's fare prior to board the touring vehicle. If there are no seats available for any undisclosed guests to occupy, the entire travelling party may be denied the opportunity to travel and will forfeit their fares.
- Luggage restrictions: Only small hand luggage carried on your
- Photography is not permitted at the penguin parade

#### **OVER VIEW**

# with Penguin Parade Full Day Tour **Depart from Melbourne**

Moonlit Sanctuary and Puffing Billy Moonlit Sanctuary is Melbourne's award-winning wildlife park. Come and visit and get an up-close look at Australia's amazing animals. Explore the bush-land while feeding kangaroos and wallabies, petting friendly koalas and enjoying encounters with colourful birds, reptiles, dingoes and many other animals including endangered species. More than 70 Australian species are waiting to meet you. Take a journey aboard Puffing Billy through the magnificent Dandenong Ranges. With lush fern gullies brushing past and Mountain Ash trees towering overhead, Puffing Billy makes for a wonderful opportunity to relax and breathe in the fresh air whilst the train makes its way through the temperate rainforest.

> See the world's smallest penguin in its natural habitat from viewing stands and boardwalks. Enjoy interactive and educational displays in the visitor centre and the spectacular coastal scenery from the Penguin Parade. This experience is sure to be the highlight of the day. As the sun fades in the sky, Little Penguins waddle up the beach to the safety of their homes in the sand dunes. Witness this magical procession - it is a treat never forgotten.

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#### **Moonlit Sanctuary Wildlife Conservation Park**

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Just 50 minutes from central Melbourne, Moonlit Sanctuary is the ideal place to learn more about the fascinating animals that call Australia home with their free keeper presentations and shows every 30 minutes.

#### **Puffing Billy Railway**

Step back in time at Australia's favourite steam train: Puffing Billy, located in the Dandenong Ranges. Puffing Billy is one of the finest preserved steam railways in the world.

Puffing Billy Railway is a major tourist attraction and incites visitors to come and experience a century-old tradition. Ride in the open sides carriages as the historic steam trains continue to run on their original 24km mountain track between Belgrave and Gembrook, in the natural surrounds of the magnificent Dandenong Ranges.

#### Start at Belgrave

Belgrave Station is the headquarters of the Railway and only a short walk from the Belgrave Township and Metro train station. After boarding, Puffing Billy chugs away and you and your family can take in the spectacular scenery of the beautiful Sherbrooke Forest, a superb temperate rainforest with native 'Mountain Ash' trees. Within minutes, you will cross Puffing Billy' s most famous landmark – the iconic Monbulk Creek trestle bridge.

#### **Penguin Parade**

Phillip Island Nature Parks is a premier destination for nature-based wildlife experiences.

The Summerland Peninsula in the south-west of Phillip Island is home to an estimated 32 000 little penguins - one of the largest colonies in Australia. The Penguin Parade represents approximately 10 per cent of the colony. Each night at sunset, little penguins (numbering in the hundreds or thousands depending on the season) make the march across the beach and return to their burrow homes in the sand dunes. Revenue raised through tourism activities is invested into conservation activities to protect the whole colony.

The main penguin viewing area at Summerland Beach has tiered seating and provides a 180 degree elevated viewing of the Little Penguins on parade. Watching them arrive and waddle across the beach to their sand dune burrows at sunset is a magical experience for all. Visitors can also enjoy Little Penguins around their burrows from elevated timber boardwalks.

\*Please note: Penguins have sensitive eyes and a bright, sudden flash or unusual light can frighten or disorientate a penguin. To ensure penguins keep coming back to this special area, please <u>do not</u> use cameras, camcorders or camera phones at the Penguin Parade.



## **Cancellation Policy**

• If you cancel at least 7 day(s) in advance of the scheduled departure, there is no cancellation fee. • If you cancel between 0 and 6 day(s) in advance of the scheduled departure, there is a 100 percent cancellation fee. • If no show, no refund.





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