

## Ports & Excursions



### Albany, Australia

On December 26, 1826 - Boxing Day - Major Edmund Lockyer and his party of convicts and soldiers landed at Princess Royal Harbor to establish a penal colony. Originally named Frederickstown in honor of the Duke of York and Albany, the first European settlement in Western Australia was renamed Albany in 1832. Thanks to its superb harbor, the town quickly became a busy port. Albany served as a coaling station for steam ships, as a commercial outlet for the rich farms of the interior, and as a base for the highly profitable whaling industry. The whaling station at Frenchman Bay was the last whaling station in all Australia, closing in 1978. Today it is home to Whale World, one of the world's largest whaling museums.

This small city of some 25,000 souls is off the beaten track. Which makes exploring all the more fun, whether visiting Whale World Museum or touring one of the area's excellent wineries.

### Points of Interest

#### 1 Torndirrup National Park

This rugged coastal landscape covers nearly 10,000 acres and is home to dramatic granite formations.

#### 2 Tree Top Walk

In Australia's Valley of the Giants national park, stroll a walkway that rises up nearly 125 feet above the forest canopy. View the grove of old growth tingle trees known as the Ancient Empire.

#### 3 Discovery Bay (formerly Whale World)

Step back in time to Albany's historic whaling station, with interactive exhibits and three theaters, featuring a giant whale skeleton, a 3D whale movie and an audio re-enactment of a whale chase.

#### 4 King George Sound Cruise & Kalgan River Cruise

Embark on a Harbour Cruise in the cliff-lined scenic bay of King George Sound, or look underwater from your glass-bottom riverboat as your guide regales the history of the Kalgan River.

#### 5 Princess Royal Fortress & National ANZAC Centre

As a strategic port, fortifications were built on Mt. Adelaide in 1893. Take in panoramic views of the harbor, tour the restored structure and view historic photos of troops on their way to Gallipoli.

#### 6 Albany Wind Farm

Situated along the Torndirrup peninsula, this wind farm of 12 gigantic turbines features a pathway that boasts spectacular views of the rugged, windswept coast and a lookout for whale watching. (Seasonal)

#### 7 Mt. Romance - The Sandalwood Factory

On Mt. Romance, discover the process of making sandalwood oil. Valued for centuries, its use ranges from perfume to medicinal purposes. Take a tour and then visit the cafe, spa and gift shop.

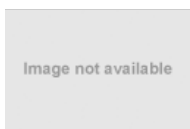
#### 8 Australian Wineries

Before a plague wiped out many ancient plantings in Europe, several hundred vine cuttings were brought here. So today, Australia boasts some of the oldest vines, and award-winning wines, in the world.

### Special Child Pricing Available!

Children age 12 and younger, savings up to 50%. For actual pricing information, click on tour title or Reserve button.

### Sightseeing & City Tours



Most Popular

#### Princess Royal Fortress & Torndirrup National Park ALH-200 | Albany, Australia | Group Size: 46

You will visit:

1



4 hours

from \$129.95 (AUD)

Take a narrated drive that visits Albany's most scenic and significant highlights, including Torndirrup National Park, historic Princess Royal Fortress and newly constructed National ANZAC Centre, as well as sweeping views from atop Mt. Clarence.



#### Torndirrup National Park & Whale History ALH-205 | Albany, Australia | Group Size: 46

You will visit:

1



4 hours

from \$154.95 (AUD)

Discover Albany's natural wonders on this half-day excursion. Visit Torndirrup National Park before heading to a museum dedicated to whales where you can explore the world's largest collection of whale art, housed at a former whaling station.



#### Torndirrup National Park & Albany Wind Farm ALH-215 | Albany, Australia | Group Size: 25

You will visit:

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6



3.5 hours

from \$129.95 (AUD)

Explore the natural resources of the coastline on this small group tour. Visit Torndirrup National Park before making your way to a wind farm with a stunning vantage point on the coastline with some of the world's biggest turbines.

### Special Interests



#### Mount Romance, Wineries & Tasting ALH-315 | Albany, Australia | Group Size: 46

You will visit:

7

8



6.5 hours

from \$254.95 (AUD)

Enjoy a taste of Albany on a full-day tour of its artisanal side with visits to a brewery and two award-winning wineries, as well as a tour of a sandalwood perfume factory.

### Nature & Wildlife



Off the Beaten Path

**Oyster Harbour & Kalgan River Cruise**  
ALH-240 | Albany, Australia | Group Size: 32

You will visit:



4.5  
hours

from \$219.95 (AUD)

On this half-day excursion, board the Kalgan Queen for a leisurely cruise on the Kalgan River aboard a glass-bottom vessel that offers a glimpse into the underwater world in Oyster Harbour, home to the giant spotted eagle ray, a dramatic-looking relative of the manta ray.



**Princess Royal Harbour & King George Sound Cruise**  
ALH-245 | Albany, Australia | Group Size: 35

You will visit:



3.5  
hours

from \$204.95 (AUD)

Sail along scenic Princess Royal Harbour and King George Sound on this half-day excursion. Enjoy nature at its best in a location know for excellent marine life viewing, including sightings of bottlenose dolphins and humpback whales (during whale migration period - June to October). Refreshments are included on this tour. After your sailing adventure, enjoy a short city sights to see some of landmarks of Albany before your return back to pier.



**Valley of the Giants Treetop Walk**  
ALH-470 | Albany, Australia | Group Size: 46

You will visit:



8  
hours

from \$254.95 (AUD)

Travel the South Coast Highway to the Walpole-Nornalup National Park where you'll visit the Valley of the Giants and walk up in the forest canopy and then enjoy a wine-tasting at Howard Park Winery. A lunch buffet is included on this full-day tour.