

Your journey starts here

Great Ocean Road Walk— 27 to 29 April 2018



Guided Walk— 3 days, 2 nights

\$1095 per person twin share or \$1345 single share

PACKAGE INCLUDES

- Fully Guided
- All transport and guiding (pick up and drop off in central Melbourne)
- Two nights' accommodation at Bimbi Park Cottages
- Self-guided tour of historic Cape Otway Light station
- 3 lunches, 2 breakfasts and 2 two-course dinners + plenty of trail mix, fresh fruit, pre-dinner nibbles, tea/coffee

FEATURES

- Perfect for a long weekend or beginners multi-day hike
- Highlights of the Great Ocean Road and afternoon at the Twelve Apostles
- 26kms of walking, split over 3 days
- Hosted by Penny from TravelManagers

*Conditions apply. Minimum numbers are required for this trip to depart. Contact me for more information. Terms & conditions apply.



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Your itinerary

Day 1 – 27 April 2018:

8km – easy grade Parker River to Cape Otway Lightstation

Depart Melbourne 7.30am

We head off from Melbourne and down the iconic Great Ocean Road, stopping en-route at Anglesea for morning tea. We arrive in Apollo Bay around 11am and here we prepare for today's walk.

Today's walk is a delightful 8km walk of moderately undulating terrain exploring the coastline of the Cape Otway area, encompassing Parker River Inlet, Point Franklin and Crayfish Bay. Your Park Trek guide will lead off and along the way explain some of the local history.

This section of the walk follows a cliff line that, when the foliage clears, affords excellent views of the surging might of Bass Strait. You'll feel like you have the entire coastline to yourself as some of these beaches are rarely visited.

This is a delightful section, truly spectacular with the chance to see Koalas lazily grazing in the eucalypt forest. We finish today's walk at the iconic Cape Otway Lightstation, one of the region's most famous landmarks.

Here we will wander to the top of the lighthouse. From the top of this highpoint you can see over a vast area and enjoy the most spectacular scenery where

waves crash over reefs and where the notorious Bass Strait meets the great Southern Ocean.

Day 2 – 28 April 2018:

10km - moderate grade Milanesia Gate to Moonlight Head

After breakfast and lunch making we head off on the days' walk. From Milanesia Gate we descend to a beautiful and remote beach. Isolated, rugged and hidden, Milanesia Beach receives few visitors and is all the more special for it. Look for the "beachcomber's cottage" when you reach the beach.

From here the trail continues along the high sea cliffs to Ryan's Den with breathtaking views all the way back to Cape Otway, and west to Cape Volney.

This is our lunch spot and it is one of the most scenic locations along the walk. From Ryan's Den the track continues through coastal forests that lead over Cape Volney to Moonlight Head (named by Matthew Flinders during a break in showery weather at night in April 1802).

Day 3 – 29 April 2018

8km – easy to moderate grade Princeton to Gibson's Steps / Twelve Apostles

After breakfast and lunch making we head out for our last day of walking. There is a short drive to the hamlet of Princetown,

where the Gellibrand River meets the Southern Ocean. Our walk today starts above the wetlands around Princetown which support a wide variety of bird life. We'll walk down through the Gellibrand River Estuary and reconnect with the Great Ocean Walk.

Today's walk follows the cliff lines of the Great Ocean Walk. We are now on the home stretch into Port Campbell National Park and the world famous Twelve Apostles soon come into sight.

This section traverses the cliff tops that face out across the ocean and passes Gibsons Steps and finishes at the iconic Twelve Apostles. At Gibson's Beach Car Park, we recommend, tides allowing, you descend Gibson's Steps to view Gog and Magog (not strictly counted as two of The Twelve Apostles) up close from sea level.

The last kilometre of the Great Ocean Walk takes you through to the Twelve Apostles Visitor Centre where you can view The Apostles up close. We'll have our lunch here and then head back to Melbourne via Colac where we stop at a local café for a coffee/tea before arriving back in the city at the National Gallery of Victoria on St Kilda Road approx. 5 pm.



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