



## **Bespoke Darwin on Darwin - Fact Sheet**

To the west of Sydney, the World Heritage-listed Blue Mountains form a green fringe separating the city from the vast, fertile plains beyond. Explore this stunning region with us on a private tour that takes you away from the crowds to discover the bushland, views and wildlife of this area of great natural beauty and quaint mountain towns.

## Trip Summary

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### **Bespoke Darwin on Darwin**

- 8:00 AM Meet your Bespoke Guide - Sydney pick up  
Walking in the footsteps of Charles Darwin, at Wentworth Falls  
Lunch in the Mountains  
An afternoon of views and bushland
- 6:00 PM Bringing the day to a close - vehicle return option
- 6:00 PM Helicopter return option
- 6:30 PM Sydney harbour cruise add-on option

## Information & Documents



### Inclusions - vehicle return option

- Complimentary hotel pick-up and drop-off
- Services of an experienced, engaging and knowledgeable Sydney Bespoke Tours guide
- Interpretation of Charles Darwin's visit to the Blue Mountains by Chris Darwin
- Transport in a private vehicle
- Morning tea at a great local spot
- Two-course lunch at one of our favourite Blue Mountains restaurants
- Entry to National Parks
- Flexible touring options, tailored to suit to make the most out of your day



### Inclusions - helicopter return option

- Complimentary Sydney hotel pick-up
- Services of an experienced, engaging and knowledgeable Sydney Bespoke Tours guide
- Interpretation of Charles Darwin's visit to the Blue Mountains by Chris Darwin
- Transport in a private vehicle
- Morning tea at a great local spot
- Two-course lunch at one of our favourite Blue Mountains restaurants
- Entry to National Parks
- Return to Sydney by private, scenic helicopter flight
- Private vehicle transfer from helibase to your hotel
- Flexible touring options, tailored to suit to make the most out of your day



### Inclusions - Sydney harbour cruise option

- Complimentary hotel pick-up and Circular Quay or Darling Harbour drop-off
- Services of an experienced, engaging and knowledgeable Sydney Bespoke Tours guide
- Interpretation of Charles Darwin's visit to the Blue Mountains by Chris Darwin
- Transport in a private vehicle
- Morning tea at a great local spot
- Two-course lunch at one of our favourite Blue Mountains restaurants
- Entry to National Parks
- Private 75 minute Sydney harbour on a sports cruiser
- Flexible touring options, tailored to suit to make the most out of your day



### Reminders for travel

Unless otherwise arranged, your Guide will meet you in your hotel Lobby. Please ask your hotel Concierge for assistance if you are having trouble locating your Guide, or call us on +61 4 0077 5755.

Please dress for the day, in clothes that are comfortable for touring. Keep in mind that the sun in Australia can be very strong, so please bring along a hat and wear clothing that will protect you from the sun. Note that the temperatures and weather in the Blue Mountains can be different to those in Sydney. You'll normally find the mornings and late afternoon colder than you may be expecting, so bringing a warm layer is definitely advised, particularly in winter months. A waterproof or windproof jacket and sturdy footwear for walking will also be a great idea.

This day is all about *you!* Please feel free to share your interests, preferences and any special needs with your Guide, so we can tailor your day to create the perfect experience for you.



### Terms & Conditions

Please see our Terms & Conditions attached, or see our [website](#) for details.

## Bespoke Darwin on Darwin



8:00 AM -

Meet your Bespoke Guide - Sydney pick up

Meet your Sydney Bespoke Tours guide in your hotel lobby to begin your day of private, tailored touring. It's a 90 minute drive into the Mountains, so relax and let your guide explain some of the fascinating history of this area as you travel. Remember also, this day is all about *you*, so discuss your interests and preferences with your guide so the day can be customised to suit you.



### Walking in the footsteps of Charles Darwin, at Wentworth Falls

Your time in the Mountains today will be a great chance to get into nature to explore the Australian bush and wildlife. This will be a very personalised and unique day, as you follow in the footsteps of the world's most influential naturalist, Charles Darwin.

Arriving in the Mountains you'll meet Chris Darwin, great-great-grandson of the famous evolutionist. A fascinating character in his own right, Chris is a local to the Mountains and has an intimate knowledge of his famous forebear's theories, history and exploits. Today you'll walk in Charles Darwin's footsteps, following the path that he took when he visited Wentworth Falls in 1836, while he was staying in Sydney during the *Beagle* expedition. It's not hard to imagine the effect that Australia's unique flora and fauna had on Darwin's thoughts. Today, there's still plenty of wildlife to see and hear in the surrounding bush, from lizards to an array of melodious, colourful and unique birds. We *won't* be shooting a platypus today however, as Charles Darwin did in 1836!



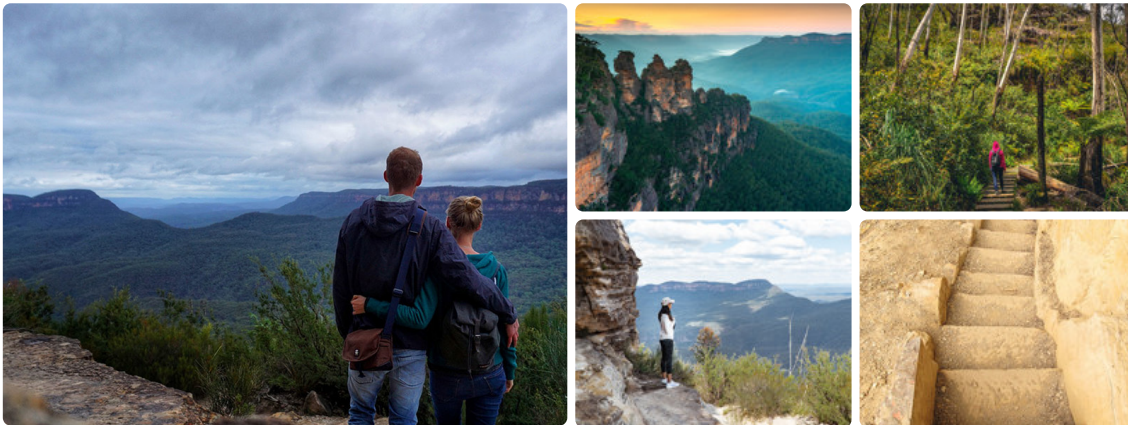
### Lunch in the Mountains

At lunchtime we'll head to one of our favourite Mountain's restaurants where you will be looked after with a fabulous two-course lunch of great seasonal, local produce.



### An afternoon of views and bushland

After lunch, the focus will be on getting away from the crowds to enjoy the wilderness, wildlife and views in the way that best suits you. See the blue haze that gives the Mountains their name, view the quiet countryside of the Megalong Valley from Hargraves Lookout, or take a walk on one of the beautiful bush tracks around Pulpit Rock or Govetts Leap in the Grose Valley. With a flexible schedule, our time is easily personalised to bring out the best for you, and accommodate your own interests in hiking, wildlife, history, ecology or whatever takes your fancy, co-ordinated by Chris Darwin and your Bespoke guide.



6:00 PM -

### Bringing the day to a close - vehicle return option

At day's end, your guide will return you to your hotel. We hope you've enjoyed a fabulous day exploring the stunning Blue Mountains area, and learning more about Australia's unique ecology. Don't forget to ask your guide for any suggestions for your future travels, meals and experiences - we're happy to help, to make your time in Sydney the best it can be!



6:00 PM -

### Helicopter return option

In the late afternoon you'll meet your helicopter pilot for your scenic return to Sydney. This is a fabulous opportunity to get a true idea of the vastness of this World Heritage area, as you fly over the bushland, cliffs and gorges. Arriving into Sydney as the sun begins to descend you'll have spectacular views of Sydney Harbour and the city.

At the helibase you'll be met by a driver for a transfer by private vehicle to return you to your hotel. We hope you've enjoyed a fabulous day exploring the stunning Blue Mountains area, and thanks for letting us show you this special part of the world!



**6:30 PM -**

### **Sydney harbour cruise add-on option**

In the late afternoon we will return towards Sydney by vehicle, where at the western arm of the harbour, our guide will hand you over to the skipper of an impressive Axopar sports cruiser.

This private 75 minute cruise will take you on a leisurely journey, showcasing many beautiful locations, with storytelling & interesting facts learned en route. At the conclusion of the cruise you will disembark at Circular Quay or Darling Harbour, where you can stroll back to your hotel.

