



Tasman Island Cruises

Port Arthur – Eaglehawk Neck



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New Tasmanian eco-cruise introduces unique sea suits

Winter is no longer a barrier for exploring Tasmania's sublime coastline with Tasman Island Cruises introducing Australia's first eco-tourism, all-weather adventure suits.

Owner, Robert Pennicott, and the manufacturers of Antarctic Survival Dry Suits, used for Australian Antarctic Division expeditions, have collaborated to deliver cool climate comfort for the journey from Port Arthur into nature's playground.

Tasman Island Cruises, the new eco-voyage by Tasmania's multi-award winning experience Bruny Island Charters, will provide passengers with the exclusive all-weather adventure suits on departures throughout the year.

Mr Pennicott, said the suits now made Tasmania's south-east coastline a destination for all seasons.

"Tasmania's coastline is a distinct ecological story that evolves all year," Mr Pennicott said.

"Few places on Earth have such a rich variety of marine wildlife and seabirds – a smorgasbord for all the creatures in the complex food chain of the sea."

Each journey with seafaring skippers and guides is unique. Designed daily by nature, voyages capture the tallest seacliffs in the southern hemisphere; an extravaganza of endangered, endemic and foreign wildlife; to mammoth caves carved by pounding waves over millions of years.

Aboard the 42-seater '4WDs of the sea', designed for neutral ecological impact, this 'life' experience is one of Australia's most innovative and intimate environmental adventures.

Throughout the year, venture respectfully into the heart of a haul-out of 1000 seals; feel the spray of dolphins surfing the bow wave; watch hundreds of albatross soaring close by; along with gannets, falcons and sea eagles.

During winter and spring, observe migrating humpback and southern right whales along the stretch where the Tasman and Southern Oceans meet.

Tasman Island Cruises operate full-day and three-hour tours all year with proceeds from ticket sales donated to the Tasmanian Coast Conservation Fund, established by the Pennicott family and WILDCARE Inc.

Full-day tours depart from the Tasmanian Travel Centre in Hobart and costs \$165 for adults and \$110 per child up to 17 years. The package includes transport, three-hour eco-cruise, morning tea, lunch and sightseeing.

Three-hour cruises leave from the Tasman Island Cruises booking office at Port Arthur and costs \$100 for adults, \$55 for children (3-16 years) and \$300 for families (2 adults and up to 3 children).

Bookings are essential.

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