



# TIP TOE THROUGH THE TULIPS WITH BILL PEACH JOURNEYS

Sojourns Floriade & Tulip Time

5 Days | 30 Sep – 4 Oct 2024 | AUD\$5,995pp twin share | Single Supplement FREE\*

## EXCLUSIVE HIGHLIGHTS

- ✦ Enjoy Tulip Time in Bowral's Corbett Gardens, one of Australia's oldest floral festivals, explore the divine Tulip Top Gardens in Sutton and discover the spectacular floral displays of Floriade during both day and night festivals
- ✦ Stay 2 nights at the elegant Peppers Manor House on its own private estate nestled in the beautiful Southern Highlands & 2 nights at the multi award-winning Hyatt Hotel Canberra - A Park Hyatt Hotel
- ✦ Tour the historic National Trust treasure, Retford Park
- ✦ Take a private tour of the major Gauguin exhibition at the National Gallery of Australia, which features some of his most recognised masterpieces
- ✦ Discover the culinary delights of the Southern Highlands including a private cheese workshop
- ✦ All meals - breakfast, lunch and dinner
- ✦ Uncover the beauty of Floriade and Tulip Time with new friends yet enjoy your own room with no single supplement charge
- ✦ Escorted throughout by a dedicated Journey Director

*"A truly magical experience. Bill Peach Journeys really know how to do luxury travel."*

A. Murray, Hervey Bay

Bill Peach Journeys invites you to join us on a garden lovers dream. Transfer to the picturesque Southern Highlands, a region known for its colourful gardens, diverse landscapes, fascinating history and heritage. Explore Tulip Time Bowral, one of Australia's oldest and most beautiful floral festivals with over 80,000 hand-planted tulips on spectacular display in Corbett Gardens. Enjoy a private tour of the National Trust treasure, Retford Park and wander its beautiful gardens. Savour the culinary delights of the region at acclaimed Bendooley Estate and take in a private cheese workshop with famed local cheesemonger. Take a private tour of the major Gauguin exhibition at the National Gallery featuring some of his most recognised masterpieces. The highlight for many no doubt will be Floriade and Nightfest, the biggest floral festival in Australia, a spectacular celebration of spring, set in Canberra's Commonwealth Park. The breathtaking garden beds, made up of more than a million blooms, create large-scale floral pictures to reflect the annually changing theme. Exceptional dining, fascinating touring and luxury accommodation at Peppers Manor House and the Hyatt Hotel Canberra will ensure that this Floriade journey will sell out in no time!

## FULLY INCLUSIVE

When you travel on a Sojourn with Bill Peach Journeys everything is included and arranged before you even leave home. That includes all sundries like tips, taxes and transfers. In fact you won't even need to carry your bags.

Enjoy the finest level of accommodation, dining and service all in the one fare. From the very moment your journey begins, your seamless travel

experience with Bill Peach Journeys begins.

## ABOUT SOJOURNS

Our Sojourn programmes are short break journeys put together in conjunction with themes, events or experiences.

These programmes range from cruising New Zealand's North Islands to world class events and unique experiences throughout Australia and New Zealand.





### DAY 1 | SYDNEY - BOWRAL

This morning you will meet at a designated departure point at Sydney Domestic Airport or the Stamford Plaza Sydney Airport. Upon meeting, the group will depart for the picturesque Southern Highlands. Arriving in beautiful Berrima, we enjoy a delightful Welcome Lunch at the acclaimed Bendooley Estate. Enjoy a delicious meal surrounded by the Estate's heavenly gardens and vineyard as you savour flavoursome cuisine inspired by the seasons of the Southern Highlands.

Following lunch, enjoy a visit to the magnificent Tulip Time display in Bowral, one of Australia's oldest and most beautiful floral festivals. Over 100,000 tulips and 25,000 annuals are planted each year to transform Bowral's Corbett Gardens and other parks across the shire into stunning arrangements of sweeping spring colour. Next, we check into our elegant accommodation for this evening, Peppers Manor House on its own private estate. Your welcome dinner will be hosted by your Journey Director tonight.

Overnight: Peppers Manor House

### DAY 2 | BOWRAL

After breakfast, take a private tour of National Trust treasure, Retford Park. Built in 1887 by the Hordern family and lavishly redesigned by James Fairfax in the 1960s, Retford Park is a place of great heritage significance located in the heart of Bowral. Following the tour of this

elegant Victorian Italianate homestead, there will be time to stroll among its charming gardens. After lunch, step back in time as you explore the fascinating Dirty Jane's Antique store and enjoy time to wander Bowral's delightful township. This afternoon take a private cheese workshop with expert local cheese-monger before dinner in town.

Overnight: Peppers Manor House

### DAY 3 | BOWRAL - CANBERRA

Leaving the Southern Highlands, we travel south and arrive at the breathtakingly beautiful Tulip Top Gardens, showcased on *Better Homes and Gardens*. Acres of stunning world class gardens framed by weeping willows, and 1000 blossoms, paints the scene for almost a million tulips, daffodils and other flowers creatively planted.

Continue on to Canberra where we visit the National Gallery of Australia for a private tour of *Gauguin's World: Tōna Ibo, Tōna Ao* - the major exhibition of French post-impressionist Paul Gauguin's work featuring many of his famed masterpieces. Check-in to our hotel following the exhibition where we enjoy dinner and the elegant comfort provided by our accommodation, the Hyatt Hotel.

Overnight: Hyatt Hotel Canberra

### DAY 4 | CANBERRA

Depart this morning for a private tour of Floriade. Over 1 million bulbs and annuals are used each year in varying

designs so that it is constantly changing as the different plants come into flower. Enjoy new types of blooms every year as Floriade showcases exciting new bulb varieties. Exotic sounding names such as Tulipa Black Diamond, Violetta Tiny Tots, Blueberry Banana and Tulipa Top Parrot bloom together to create sweeping designs of colour throughout the park. This afternoon, visit the Australian War Memorial before returning to the hotel. Our farewell dinner this evening is at the acclaimed Water's Edge Restaurant.

Transfer to the magnificent sight of Floriade Nightfest after dinner. Explore the whimsy and the beauty in outdoor lighting design and production, a parkland full of impressive lighting installations which will excite and delight as it compliments the stunning flowers.

Overnight: Hyatt Hotel Canberra

### DAY 5 | CANBERRA - HOME

Following a leisurely breakfast, transfer to Canberra Airport for your flight home. Saying a fond farewell to new friends, this simply delightful Sojourn concludes.



Please contact Bill Peach Journeys or your local travel agent for assistance with airfares.

\*Conditions Apply: Single Supplement Free offer cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer. \*\*Please note: While this journey is timed to coincide with spring blossom season, fully bloomed flowers cannot be guaranteed in each location.

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