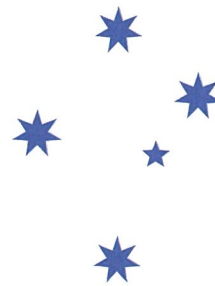


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BERRY CELTIC FESTIVAL

24TH - 26TH MAY 2019

This year is the 13th annual Celtic Festival and the delightful village of Berry is a perfect venue for this spectacular event. The village is nestled between rolling green hills, with the Cambewarra Range on one side and a stunning coastline on the other. With the bypass completed, Berry is a much more tranquil town. The festival commences with a Grand Street Parade as Pipe Bands with their distinctive kilts, together with representatives of all the clans, vintage cars, motor cycles, and Scottish Terrier dogs make their way to the showground which reverberates with the heavenly sound of the bag pipes. After the parade the day is full of entertainment with lots of musical items such as Celtic Fiddlers, Highland dancing and enchanting singing, along with the thrilling sight of the Medieval Knights in mock battle. There is also a vast array of stalls featuring Celtic merchandise as well as local produce and arts & crafts.



Our accommodation for this tour is at the Kiama Shores Motel (Ph: 4233 1100) and our journey down takes us over the Southern Highlands and through the Kangaroo valley. Our return sees us hugging the coastline back to Sydney.

Features include:

- Mittagong & Bowral
- Picnic lunch at Fitzroy Falls
- Kangaroo Valley
- Kiama, Gerringong & Gerroa
- Wollongong and the Illawarra Coast

Cost per person is \$645.00 includes all meals, deluxe accommodation, all admissions and luxury coach transport. Single Supplement is \$180.00

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DAY 1

This morning we break our journey South with morning tea at Lake Alexandra at Mittagong. We will then travel over picturesque Mt Gibraltar and into Bowral. Continuing South through the Southern Highlands we will travel past the Bong Bong Race Course and on to Fitzroy Falls at the edge of the Morton National Park. There will be time to walk to the falls viewing platform, which also provides a spectacular panorama of this vast wilderness and also visit the information centre while our picnic lunch is being prepared.

This afternoon we will drive down Barrengarry Mountain into Kangaroo valley, crossing the river on the historic Hampden bridge. We will have a short break in the township, which contains several impressive arts and crafts shops and galleries, before travelling over Cambewarra Mountain and into the Shoalhaven. We will have a brief tour of Nowra before travelling along the Northern Bank of the Shoalhaven to the Coolangatta Estate. Coolangatta was headquarters for Alexander Berry's enormous land grant and many of its buildings date back to the early days of this 1820s settlement. After tasting from their range of award winning wines and a stroll around the estate we will head to Kiama. Our home for the next 2 nights is Kiama Shores Motel (Ph: 02 5233 1100) and our dinner is at 7.00pm.

DAY 2

This morning we will head straight to Berry to be in position for the commencement of the festival which begins with a stirring parade of pipe bands. There is a full day of excitement in front of us with lots of festival highlights (programs will be available on the day) and we also spend some time in the centre of town which offers many unique and interesting shops and galleries.

We will return to Kiama with a little time to relax before our dinner at 7.00pm.

DAY 3

Today we will explore the beautiful coastline of the Shoalhaven and Illawarra regions, along with a little of the hinterland. We will head to Blow Hole Point to check for any action as well as taking in some of Kiama's lovely heritage buildings before travelling down to Gerringong and Gerroa. We will then head inland through the delightful village of Jamberoo to Minnamurra Rainforest Park. After morning tea we will have the opportunity to do the boardwalk through some of the remnant Illawarra Rainforest.

This afternoon, after our lunch at Kiama Golf Club, we travel through Shellharbour, past Lake Illawarra to Wollongong where we will have a brief tour of this rapidly growing city. We will then continue on the coast road through, Austinmer, Coledale and Scarborough and on to Stanwell Park. After a brief pause we will enter the southern section of the Royal National Park at Otford and enjoy the dramatic change in vegetation as we pass through the Northern section of the park and cross the Audley Weir. We will return to Sydney at approximately 5.30pm to commence our transfers home.

***** *Due to any unforeseen circumstances this itinerary may change* *****