

Australia the red continent





Do you ever wanted to visit the beautiful and sunny Australia?

In this brochure you will have all the Information you need for an unforgettable holiday in Australia.



You will learn something about the Aborigines and their history, some geographical general knowledge, the free time activities you can do there and the sights you should visit.



The native people of Australia

The native people of Australia were from Africa. They sailed along the coast of India and Asia and then they crossed the ocean to the continent.

This happened about 50 000 years ago.

The native people of Australia are called Aborigines

The Aborigines are one of the worlds oldest civilizations .

They lived from hunting and gathering and there were hundreds of different Aboriginal groups with their own language or dialect.

The Aboriginal culture was very different to those in Europe.

There was no monarchy. They lived in groups of 25 to 50 members.

They made no metal tools, owned no supplies or private property and had no agriculture.

The most important thing for them was their connection to the land.



The Aboriginal people had a deep spiritual relationship with the land.

And because of the fact that they had no written language they passed on their traditions in songs and legends.

But if you don't know the way on this big area it's very difficult to find the way without a map. So they created songlines they used as maps.

They knew where they had to look for waterholes and where to go to gather food, to hunt, or if they wanted to trade with their neighbours just with the rhythm of a song.

That's pretty awesome, right?

Here you can see one of these songlines and the English translation.

Gujingga songline

Gunudjarri mardbamardba

Gunudjarri yolbirriar

Dalaman dale laburanjane

Mayu barnay dingurru barnay

Gattagatta lerrbonbo

Rainbow is resting,
curled up sleeping

Rainbow now moves,
making the rivers

Dancing all lined up,
clapping with the boomerang

Kangaroo people dancing here,
making the springs.

We stop dancing now,
end of the Songline.

Geographic Facts



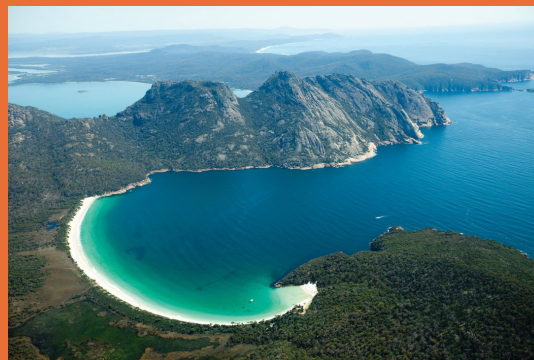
The Australian continent is 7'692'000 square kilometers large. The population is about 25 million.

The continent is surrounded by the Pacific and the Indian Ocean.



The country is divided into six federal states: Western Australia, South Australia, Northern Territory, Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria.

There are many different isles around the continent. The biggest one is called Tasmania.





The capital city is Canberra. Some other famous cities are Sydney, Melbourne, Perth, Adelaide and Brisbane.



Today Queen Elizabeth II. is the head of state and Scott Morrison the head of government.



Their National language is English and the currency is the Australian Dollar (AUD).



Australia's sights

There are so many sights in Australia that you can't visit them all in one holiday. So we compiled the must haves among the attractions of the

The Sydney Opera House: It's considered the landmark of the city and it is world famous. The opera House is located on the Sidney waterfront and a visit is free. A tour costs 38€ and is possible daily from 9 am to 5 pm.



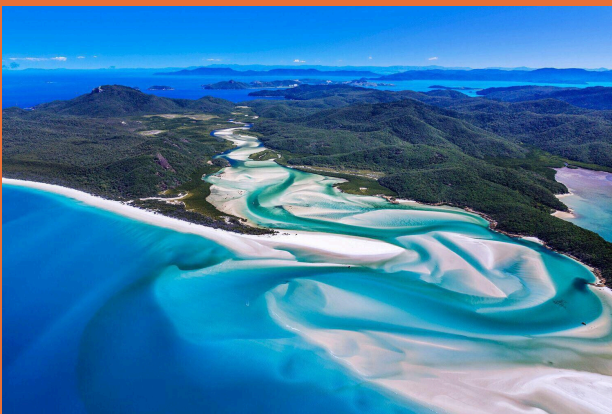
Ayers Rock or Uluru: The landmark of Australia is about 550 million years old and is located in the middle of the continent. For the Aborigines the rock is a sacred symbol. To visit the Uluru you can do road trip through the Outback.

Great Barrier Reef: Whether an exploration tour under water or a scenic flight over it. The largest reef in the world is stunning and a must-see on your Australian holiday. But be careful. The reserve is endangered and many corals have already died. Everyone should behave in such a way that it doesn't get destroyed any more.



Great Ocean Road: The road is 243 kilometers long and the worlds largest war memorial. It was built by soldiers and today it is a famous destination for tourists. The road is at the south coast of Australia near the Otway national park. There you can also see the twelve apostles, another sight of Australia. You'll have a stunning view over the Indian Ocean.

Bondi Beach: The beach in Sydney is very popular not only for tourists. Also the locals love to relax or to do sport there after their hard day at work. Many surfers from all over the world go there because of the perfect conditions. You can go swimming, take a sun bath or go jogging at the “Coastal Walk Bondi”. It’s a place where time stands still.



White Heaven Beach: Beautiful white beaches meet the stunning turquoise water. The pictures of this place almost look fake but they are not. The white heaven beach is a part of the area called “Whitsunday Isles”. It’s located in Queensland at the east coast of Australia. It’s perfect for everyone who wants to relax and to enjoy a view that is celestial.

There are many more sights of Australia you should have seen. So here we have a few insider tips and a special idea you probably didn’t know.

The “Puffing Billy Railway” in Victoria near Melbourne is a railway through the rainforest. The “Jenolan caves” in New South Wales are a part of the “Blue Mountains” with subterranean rivers.

Did you know that you can also go skiing in Australia? So if you want to visit Australia and would love to have a nice day in a ski resort too there’s no problem. One of the most famous skiing resorts in Australia is “Perisher” which is a part of the Snowy Mountains in New South Wales.



If you want to go shopping or you’re more interested in the historical part of Australia you should visit the world famous cities of Australia. For example Sydney, Canberra, Melbourne or Perth.

The Europeans settle Australia

1788:

The British colonists settled Australia. The Aboriginal people were living peacefully their easy going lifestyle.

1790:

But between 1790 and 1900 the British colonists took possession of their land and built towns, roads and railways.

The colonists killed thousands of them to gain power or they died from diseases Europeans brought there.

They were forced to become farm workers or lived in poverty in the cities. Since then their

1900:

Australia becomes a single country.

The parliament allowed immigration from Europe only.

1901:

The "White Australia Policy" began and the Aboriginal people were not recognized as citizens.



1910:

The state continues to discriminate the native people and until 1962 they could not vote in federal elections.

Between 1910 and 1970 the government took the aboriginal and mixed-race children of their families.

1970:

Today they are called "Stolen Generation".

1976:

The aboriginal people were given the right to reclaim land that once was theirs.

1998:

Citizens started a National Sorry Day to remember the suffering of the Stolen Generation.

2008:

The Australian parliament also apologized to the Stolen Generation.

From now on Aboriginal culture was well established.

2016:

Today the population is 25 million and about 700'000 of them identify themselves as Aborigines.



Free time activities

You love to have one adventure after another and need action every day?
Or do you wanna relax the whole day and have a beautiful view over sea?
Maybe you want to see the animals you won't find somewhere else on earth?

You can do all this and much more in Australia. We listed the 6 most popular activities you can do there.

Sailing - Feel the fresh sea air blowing in your hair, enjoy a wonderful view over the sea and just let your self drift. Whether just for a few hours or a three day trip across the ocean, you'll get rid of all the worries. Sailing like the pirates in former times is an unforgettable experience. For 90 minutes it costs 40€ and for two to four days you'll pay 300€ to 600€.



Surfing - It's one of the most popular sports in Australia for both locals and holiday makers. The conditions are perfect for beginners, advanced and also for professionals. You can take surfing lessons if you want to learn it very quickly. A two hour beginners course costs 20€ to 40€ euros.

Diving and snorkeling - The largest and most diverse coral reef on earth is the Great Barrier Reef and guess where you'll find it. Right, in Australia. You really have to see it once in your life. But it's not the only place to explore the deep sea. The Ningaloo Reef at the west coast is also a great possibility to dive and see the colorful underwater life. The price for a three hour diving course starts at 30€.





Safari tours - Whether in the outback or in the rainforest of northern Australia, it will be a spectacular adventure. It's perfect for those who think the zoo is too boring for them. You'll see the unique animals of Australia in action right in front of you. Its an

experience you'll never forget. A one day trip costs 65€ to 90€.

Camping - It's perfect to feel free and connected to nature. You live on your own without the stress in the cities. You can spend a nice evening by the campfire or grill like the locals and enjoy your barbecue while watching the beautiful sunset. For example a three day trip costs about 500€.



Whale Watching - Between May and November there are many whales near the west, south and east coast of Australia. It's a magical experience to see those majestic animals in real life. You can choose between different tours at different places in Australia to watch the animals. You'll have to pay about 50€ to 70€ for 2-3 hours.

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Have a look at that!

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