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6 nights in Melbourne with 5 shows including the epic arena production of *Tosca*, Sarah Brightman in *Sunset Boulevard* and Anthony Warlow in *Chicago*!

Experience the Exceptional...

- 6 nights at the 5-star Langham Hotel, Melbourne with 5 music events including *Tosca*, *Sunset Boulevard* and *Chicago*! Plus our own concerts: *Luck of the Irish* at an Irish pub and *The Last Night of the Proms* with special guests at the Langham Hotel Alto Room with views over the city.
- Opera Australia presents a very special opera event, *Tosca* at the Margaret Court Arena in a co-production with Opera North Scotland on its first staging outside the UK. This spectacular stadium production brings to life, one of opera's most thrilling scores, with raise-the-roof chorus scenes, haunting arias and an action-packed plot, all of which will feel at once both epic and intimate.
- Murder. Greed. Corruption. Treachery ...and all that Jazz.. so begins the multi award winning musical *Chicago*, with the legendary superstar of music theatre Anthony Warlow in the leading role. Songs include such greats as "And All that Jazz" and "Razzle Dazzle". Winner of 6 Tony awards and a Grammy, it's no surprise *Chicago* is Broadway's longest running show.
- International iconic superstar Sarah Brightman stars in this new production of Andrew Lloyd Webber's musical *Sunset Boulevard*, weaving a magnificent tale of faded glory and unfulfilled ambition. The brand new production features stunning sets and costumes, evoking the glamorous Golden Age of Hollywood and is said to be the musical event of the year.
- Other great activities include a day trip to Ballarat: Sovereign Hill Gold Mining experience, Tram Museum and tram ride through Ballarat Botanical Gardens, Puffing Billy Historic Train Ride, Chocolate Tour, cruise on Yarra River with sights of Melbourne tour, and free time to shop and enjoy this lovely city!
- Escorted by Operatunity favourites: Susan Boland, John Cameron, Alex Milligan and Paul Carnegie-Jones.

OUR ARTISTS FOR THIS TRIP:
Escorted by Susan Boland, John Cameron,
Alex Milligan and Paul Carnegie-Jones



SUNDAY 26 MAY 2024 (HIGH TEA, D)

Highlights Include:

- Today we fly to Melbourne and enjoy a short driving tour of Melbourne on arrival.
- High tea at the historic Windsor Hotel, one of the most famous in Melbourne.
- Welcome Dinner at an Irish pub with famous Irish songs and singalongs plus Irish jokes: **Luck of the Irish**.

MONDAY 27 MAY 2024 (B, L)

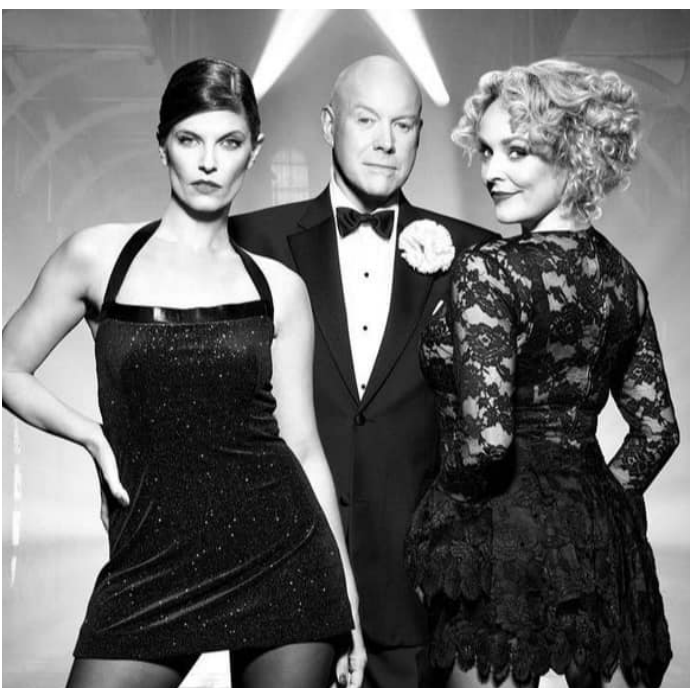
Highlights Include:

- Full day tour to the beautiful Dandenong Region including ride on the historic Puffing Billy through the forest, lunch and time to shop in Olinda, which is full of craft shops.

TUESDAY 28 MAY 2024 (B, TASTINGS)

Highlights Include:

- Foodies walking tour which includes lots of chocolate down the historic lanes and quirky streets of central Melbourne. Includes dessert and coffee.
- Time off for rest before our premium event, **Tosca**, an epic, fully staged production at Melbourne's Margaret Court Arena. Marking the centenary of the great Italian composer Puccini's death, this extravaganza arena opera production is co-shared with Opera North in the UK, presented in 2023 to rave reviews.



WEDNESDAY 29 MAY 2024 (B, D)

Highlights Include:

- Full day off to enjoy Melbourne, take your own tour, enjoy the free trams or go shopping!
- An early evening pre-theatre dinner.
- Tonight our treat is the award winning production of **Chicago**, at Her Majesty's Theatre, starring Anthony Warlow as the lead. Hit after hit features in this show including *And All that Jazz*, *Roxie*, *Razzle Dazzle* and *Mr Cellophane* to name a few.

THURSDAY 30 MAY 2024 (B, L)

Highlights Include:

- A sleep in this morning after our late night before we enjoy a cruise on the famous Yarra River taking in the iconic sights of Melbourne along the way, followed by lunch.
- Tonight we are blown away by the extravagant production of **Sunset Boulevard**, at Princess Theatre, starring Sarah Brightman, the original Christine from *The Phantom of the Opera*. The brand new production features stunning sets and costumes, evoking the glamorous Golden Age of Hollywood and is said to be the musical event of the year.

FRIDAY 31 MAY 2024 (B, MT, L, D)

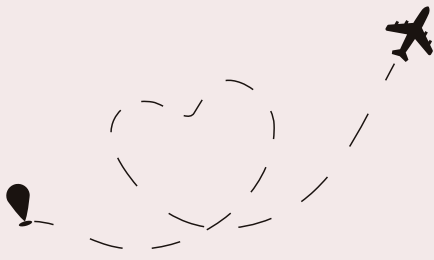
Highlights Include:

- Full day tour to Ballarat, historic city famous for its goldmining history.
- We learn about the region's gold mining history, a driving tour featuring the beautiful Victorian architecture and historic sites around Ballarat.
- Visit to Sovereign Hill to explore the shops and wander the main street and even pan for gold.
- Lunch at Craig's Royal Hotel which is one of the first Grand Hotels of the district established in 1853.
- Visit to the Tram Museum which includes a tram ride around the Ballarat Botanical Gardens.
- Final night dinner tonight **The Last Night of the Proms** featuring Gilbert and Sullivan, English songs and flag waving and special guests!

SATURDAY 1 JUNE 2024 (B)

Highlights Include:

- Home today filled with 5 incredible music events, food and fun after visiting this great city!



\$6475 per person twin share

Single Room Supplement Add \$1585

Initial Deposit on booking: \$2000
Final Balance due: 6th February 2024

THIS TRIP INCLUDES:

- Return airfares - Auckland to Melbourne on Air New Zealand (departure Chch on request).
- 6 nights at the 5-star Langham Hotel, Melbourne situated on the banks of the Yarra River on Southbank surrounded by great restaurants and within walking distance of the city.
- Opera Australia presents a very special opera event, *Tosca* at the Margaret Court Arena in a coproduction with Opera North Scotland on its first staging outside the UK, multi award winning musical *Chicago*, with the legendary superstar of music theatre Anthony Warlow in the leading role, iconic superstar Sarah Brightman stars in this new production of Andrew Lloyd Webber's musical *Sunset Boulevard*.
- Our own 2 music events - Welcome Dinner at an Irish pub with famous Irish songs and singalongs plus Irish jokes: *Luck of the Irish*, and final night dinner *The Last Night of the Proms* featuring Gilbert and Sullivan, English songs and flag waving and special guests!
- Foodie experiences include high tea at the Windsor, Chocolate tasting tour with dessert and coffee, lunch at Old Craig's Hotel Ballarat.
- Full day tour to the beautiful Dandenong Region including ride on the historic Puffing Billy through the forest, lunch and time to shop in Olinda, which is full of craft shops.
- A cruise on the famous Yarra River taking in the iconic sights of Melbourne along the way and lunch.
- Full day tour to Ballarat, historic city famous for its gold mining history. We learn about the region's gold mining history, a driving tour featuring the beautiful Victorian architecture and historic sites around Ballarat.
- Visit to Sovereign Hill to explore the shops and wander the main street and even pan for gold plus the Tram Museum which includes a tram ride around the Ballarat Botanical Gardens.
- Meals include all breakfasts, 1 high tea, 3 lunches, 3 dinners, and 1 morning tea.
- Escorted by Operatunity favourites: Susan Boland, John Cameron, Alex Milligan and Paul Carnegie-Jones.

GENTLE TOUR

This tour will suit most people, even with a stick or a walker, but sorry not someone in a wheelchair. The activity level is gently paced, but you still need to be able to get on and off buses easily. There will be walking, but not a lot.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- All itinerary details are subject to change, but changes will be replaced with a comparable or better option.
- Initial & Second deposits are fully refundable up until final balance due date, minus an administration fee of up to \$500 plus any non-recoverable costs.
- All monies are non-refundable at final balance due date. This becomes an insurance claim.
- Payment by direct credit incurs no surcharge. Credit card payments will incur a surcharge of 1.5%.
- Travellers need to be independently mobile and fit to travel.
- Bookings will only be accepted with initial deposit.
- All travellers must obtain comprehensive travel insurance for international travel and insurance for domestic travel is recommended.
- Please refer to our terms and conditions on booking form.



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