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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, Russell Dixon and Amanda Atlas.

**OUR ARTISTS FOR THIS TRIP:**  
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## TUESDAY 21 MAY 2024 (HIGH TEA, D)

### Highlights Include:

- Today we fly to Melbourne and experience 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**.

## WEDNESDAY 22 MAY 2024 (B, L)

### Highlights Include:

- 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.

## THURSDAY 23 MAY 2024 (B, TASTINGS, D)

### Highlights Include:

- Foodies walking tour which includes lots of chocolate down the historic lanes and quirky streets of central Melbourne. Includes dessert and coffee.
- Free afternoon to enjoy shopping in Melbourne.
- 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.



## FRIDAY 24 MAY 2024 (B, L)

### Highlights Include:

- Full day tour to the beautiful Dandenong Region including a ride on the historic Puffing Billy through the forest, lunch and time to shop in Olinda, which is full of craft shops.
- Free evening to meet friends or enjoy your own dining experiences.

## SATURDAY 25 MAY 2024 (B, MT, L)

### Highlights Include:

- 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.
- 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.
- Free evening to meet friends or enjoy your own gourmet experience in Melbourne.

## SUNDAY 26 MAY 2024 (B, D)

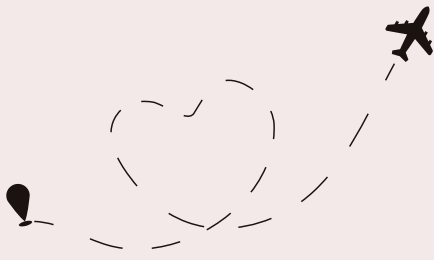
### Highlights Include:

- Morning off for last minute shopping or a rest before our afternoon 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.
- Final night gala dinner: **The Last Night of the Proms** featuring Gilbert and Sullivan, English songs and flag waving and special guests!

## MONDAY 27 MAY 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: 16th February 2024

### THIS TRIP INCLUDES:

- Return airmiles - Auckland to Melbourne on Air New Zealand (flights from Christchurch or Wellington 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 co-production 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 a 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 followed by 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, Russell Dixon and Amanda Atlas.

### 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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