



Tasman Peninsula & Port Arthur

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Why Go?

Just an hour from Hobart are the staggering coastal landscapes, sandy surf beaches and historic sites of the Tasman Peninsula. Bushwalking, surfing, sea-kayaking, scuba-diving and rock-climbing opportunities abound – all good reasons to extend your visit beyond a hurried day trip from Hobart.

Don't miss visiting the peninsula's legendary 300m-high sea cliffs, which will dose you up on natural awe. Most of the cliffs are protected by Tasman National Park, a coastal enclave embracing chunky offshore islands and underwater kelp forests. The cliffs are a safe haven for seabirds, while the fertile waters below throng with seals, dolphins and whales.

Waiting portentously at the end of Arthur Hwy is Port Arthur, the infamous and allegedly escape-proof penal colony in the mid-19th century. Today kids kick footballs and dads poke sausages on BBQs there, but it's impossible to forget this is a tragic place, both historically and more recently.

When to Go

The Tasman Peninsula's weather is at its best from November to March, but from December to February you'll need to be prepared for crowds at the Port Arthur Historic Site, especially on weekends. Lovers of fresh fruit should visit from December to January, when the Sorell Fruit Farm is awash with juicy varieties. Negotiating the Tasman Peninsula's many walking tracks is definitely a summer activity, best undertaken from December to April.

