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Midlands

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Ross

Campbell Town

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Bothwell

Lake Country

Derwent Valley

Hamilton

THE EAST COAST

Orford

Triabunna

Maria Island National Park

Swansea

Coles Bay & Freycinet National Park
Hobart, Port Arthur, Freycinet and the gorgeous Bay of Fires: check out four of Tasmania’s greatest hits on this sunny east-coast cruise.

Hear the heartbeat of Hobart: great pubs and cafes, brilliant restaurants and heritage vibes. Don’t miss Salamanca Place (and Salamanca Market if it’s Saturday morning), an afternoon at the amazing MONA and the view from atop Mt Wellington.

From Hobart, head southeast to the dramatic coastal crags of the Tasman Peninsula and the grim convict stories of Port Arthur Historic Site. Near Copping, shortcut to the east coast via the Wielangta Forest Drive. Hop on a ferry out to Maria Island National Park for mountain biking, camping, bushwalking, wildlife spotting and west-facing beaches (rare for the east coast).

Get your camera primed for a trip to Freycinet National Park and Wineglass Bay, and follow with sea kayaking and oyster appreciation at Coles Bay. Continue north to the chilled-out fishing town of Bicheno for some penguin spotting then unwind with some serious downtime among the rocky lagoons and headlands of the Bay of Fires.
Fancy a long weekend in Hobart? Take advantage of Tasmania’s short driving distances, by day-tripping around the hip southern capital.

Spend a day mooching around the Hobart waterfront and Battery Point, taking a boat trip up the Derwent River to the dazzling MONA, and ending with dinner at Garagistes and drinks at Knoopwood’s Retreat. Next day, drive out to history-rich Richmond. Don’t miss the stoic Richmond Bridge, Bonorong Wildlife Centre and a lazy picnic lunch at Puddleduck Vineyard.

On day three, continue the foodie theme with a cooking class at the Agrarian Kitchen near New Norfolk. The day-long ‘Agrarian Experience’ is a paddock-to-plate celebration of the seasons, with fresh fruit and veggies from the kitchen garden.

If you have another day up your sleeve, truck out to Mt Field National Park for an accessible alpine bushwalk, or book a place on the Mt Wellington Descent – a 22km downhill mountain-bike run from the summit of Mt Wellington behind Hobart to the waterfront.

Launceston, the west coast, Cradle Mountain and the northwest: this is certainly the least-visited corner of Tasmania.

Kick off with a couple of days in much-improved Launceston: check out Cataract Gorge and the excellent Queen Victoria Museum & Art Gallery (QVMAG), and have dinner at Stillwater and drinks at Saint John.

From Launceston, explore the eclectic enticements of the Tamar Valley: seahorses, gold mines, lighthouses and wineries. Loop south through historic Evandale before drifting west to Deloraine and the Mole Creek caves. Don’t miss a few days walking in impressive Cradle Mountain–Lake St Clair National Park.

From Cradle Mountain, skate south-west to the lunar landscapes of Queenstown and ride the West Coast Wilderness Railway to Strahan. From Strahan, head north through the vast Arthur Pieman Conservation Area; check out the surf at Marrawah; and clamber up the Nut in Stanley. An ocean dip at photogenic Boat Harbour Beach is the perfect journey’s end.
Tasmania’s southeast is an agricultural and scenic smorgasbord, with an actual smorgasbord of local produce on offer. From Hobart, trundle south to Kettering to catch the car ferry across to easy-going Bruny Island. Give yourself at least two nights to appreciate Bruny’s charms, including artisan cheeses, Australia’s southernmost vineyard and a boat cruise past seal colonies and cliffs. Don’t miss the little penguins at Bruny Island Neck.

Back on the Tasmanian ‘mainland’, swing west to funky Cygnet for lunch at Lotus Eaters Cafe. Continue north along the scenic Huon River to Huonville. Roadside summer fruit stalls – apples, cherries and more – plus lunch at Summer Kitchen Bakery and cider at the Apple Shed are tasty distractions.

Travel south to Geeveston. Take to the treetops at Tahune Forest AirWalk or go bushwalking in Hartz Mountains National Park. Continue south through chilled-out Dover to Hastings Caves and Thermal Springs, then negotiate the winding, unsealed road to end-of-the-road Recherche Bay and Cockle Creek.

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**Highlands & Midlands**

The historic Midlands is Tasmania’s agricultural heartland; the Central Highlands are the state’s alpine core.

Get started in Hobart with coffee at Jackman & McRoss and a waterfront walk. Check out Saturday’s sensational Salamanca Market and the engaging new Mawson’s Huts Replica Museum.

From Hobart head northwest to Mt Field National Park for waterfalls and bushwalking – just a hint of the vast southwest wilderness beyond.

Track along the Derwent Valley through pretty Westerway, Ellendale and Hamilton, continuing to soporific Bothwell. Tee off at Ratho, Australia’s oldest golf course, then hit Nant Distillery for some peppy Tasmanian whisky.

Back east in the Midlands, Oatlands offers the restored Callington Mill and more Georgian sandstone buildings than any other Australian town. Ross is a gorgeous colonial village with a great bakery and an historic bridge. Campbell Town makes a handy stop en route to laid-back Launceston: reward yourself with a tour of the hallowed Boag’s Brewery.

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**Southern Rambler**

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