

# High Country Discoverer

10 Days

A tale of two cities, this remarkable ride takes us from Melbourne to Sydney via the legendary “high Country” through to the world heritage listed Blue Mountains with its dramatic cliffs, valleys and Eucalypt forests. The ride takes in the home of motorcycle racing in Australia, Phillip Island, before continuing on to Gippsland, home to Australia’s largest system of inland waterways and the remote splendor of Ninety Mile beach. Turning inland we ride the seldom used, Barry Way, and into the magnificent Alpine National Park before crossing into NSW and onto Jindabyne. We descend from the highlands and ride onto Bateman's Bay, a wonderful beachside village with a rolling surf, quiet coves and rock pools. Inland again this ride will take us on to the magnificent Blue Mountains National Park, that has been continually inhabited by Aborigines for 22,000 years. We finish in the breathtaking Sydney with ones of the worlds greatest harbour side settings.

## Days One to five

The ride begins in Melbourne, Australia's most cosmopolitan city, before heading east for a night at the home of the Super bikes and Grandprix, Phillip Island. We ride east into Gippsland and onto Lakes Entrance at the head of Australia’s largest inland water system and the confluence of five rivers and the eastern end of the incredible ninety mile beach. From here we ride north and into the “high Country”, a landscape of Glacial lakes, mighty rivers and rugged peaks before arriving at the scenic Jindabyne. Two nights will be spent here allowing a full day exploring the stunning “high Country” all around. Night five will see us beach side on the South Pacific at the wonderful village of Bateman's Bay, with its quiet coves, surf beaches and nearby Murrumbidgee National Park teeming with Kangaroos, our time is well spent.

## Days six to ten

From the coastline we ride inland again along the scenic Kings highway to Braidwood then taking a series of gravel back roads and paved main roads we arrive in the picturesque farming town of Oberon, 1113mts/3650ft above sea level. We will visit the stunning Kanagra-Boyd National Park as well as the amazing Jenoylan Caves, the world’s most extensive limestone cave system. The ride continues on through the staggeringly beautiful Wollemai National Park with its canyons, cliffs and ancient forests. Further toward Sydney we enter the world renown Blue Mountains National Park, a world of stunning rock formations, gorges and gum trees and swirling mists of Eucalypt oil (given off from the forests), that give the mountains their “blue hue”. The ride down into Sydney is a rollercoaster scenic wonder that ends at one of the world’s most scenic harbour at Circular Quay with sweeping views of the Sydney Harbour Bridge and the Opera House.



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## Tour Highlights

- Riding the Barry's Way
- Phillip Island Penguin parade
- Ninety Mile Beach
- Riding Victoria's high country
- Blue mountains National Park
- Mt Kosciuszko National Park
- Cruising Sydney Harbour
- Jenolan caves

## The Route



## What's Included

- Airport transfers
- Motorcycle rental **BMW G 650 GS**
- GPS with waypoints pre programmed in, for entire expedition
- Fuel
- Support vehicle with passenger carrying ability
- Non alcoholic drinks on support vehicle
- Breakfasts everyday, lunches and dinners on all riding days
- Accommodation in excellent small hotels
- **Bonus nights** accommodation
- Services of ride leader and support vehicle driver
- Pre departure material and route maps
- Access to satellite phones, pay per minute
- Compass Expeditions dress shirt and baseball cap
- Entrances to all National Parks
- Jenolan Caves
- Phillip Island Penguin parade
- Sydney harbour cruise
- Cable car over the Blue Mountains

## What's not included

- International Flights
- Visas (if required)
- Personal spending money
- Lunches and dinners on non riding days
- Personal health insurance



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# General Tour information

The following information is relevant to this tour, please read carefully and if you have more questions please email us on [info@compassexpeditions.com](mailto:info@compassexpeditions.com)

## Ride profile

### Grade two



Please refer to FAQ page on our website for full details on our grading system

90% of this ride is on pavement however some sections of pavement can be narrow and potholed.

10% of this ride is on gravel roads that are generally very good condition, although some sections can be rough.

Suitable for two- up riding and for the off-road novice

**Total distance:** 1700ks/1100Miles  
**Days on bike:** 8

## Accommodation

- 10 nights hotels & 1 bonus night.
- Accommodation 3- 4 star hotels, for a list of our accommodation styles please refer to our FAQ page on our website.

**Single supplement :** AU\$ 990

## Included meals

**Breakfasts:** 10  
**Lunches:** 8  
**Dinners:** 8

On everyday of the tour we provide breakfast, on all ride days we provide a picnic lunch that we prepare ourselves from our mobile kitchen, on all ride days we provide dinner in a reliable restaurant that we have used many times before.

## General info

- Please note that you will need to be in **Melbourne** one day prior to start of expedition
- All prices are based on rental of **BMW G 650 GS** for the **BMW R 1200 GS** add **AU\$ 700**
- For bookings of 60 days or less that have an **"included flight"** a surcharge of **AU\$ 250** is added
- It is a requirement that all clients have appropriate insurance for this type of expedition.



### Great picnic lunches

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