



## **NSW NTH WEST SILO ART TOUR**

6 Days / 5 Nights

\$1,845.00 ppts.

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

Leaving and returning from a Central pickup in Sydney.

This tour will take in Silo Art, Water Tower Art & some Street Art. We will travel through some towns you have probably never heard of before and probably would never have visited if it was not for the Australian Silo Art Trail.

### **Holiday includes:**

Luxury Coach Travel, twin share accommodation, 3 meals a day including dinners in the Motel restaurant. All excursions & entrance fees included.

### **Towns visited include:**

\*Gunnedah \* Baradine \* Coonamble \*Gulargambone \*Coonabarabran  
\*Mendooran \*Dunedoo\*Gulgong\* Mudgee\* Portland.

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# ITINERARY FOR 6 DAY NORTH WEST NSW SILO ART TOUR

## DAY 1

## GUNNEDAH

Leave from Sydney bright & early (7.00 am) with pick-ups along the way. Our first stop is morning tea around 10.00am to stretch our legs.

A picnic lunch will be provided at Aberdeen with refreshments. On to Gunnedah via Quirindi for the Water Tower Murals painted by Jenny McCracken in 2019. The Gunnedah Historical Society chose two iconic images from the Vietnam War for Jenny to use as her inspiration. The mural facing west features a group of soldiers from 7RAR waiting to be picked up by the iconic Huey helicopters, while the mural facing north includes soldiers paying their respects beside the Long Tan Cross.

We leave here for a town tour before arriving at our overnight accommodation at the Harvest Lodge Motel. Dinner will be in the Motel restaurant.



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## DAY 2

## BOGGABRI / NARRABRI / COONABARABRAN

Breakfast is in the motel restaurant. We depart around 8.45am for our first Silo Art viewing. Dorothea Mackellar and an extract of the second verse from her famous poem "My Country" are immortalized on this 29 metre high, privately owned maize mill. Established silo artist Heesco completed the artwork via a cherry picker.

We leave Gunnedah for Narrabri with a stop at Boggabri for morning tea. We will arrive at the visitor's centre formerly The Australian Cotton Centre in Narrabri to learn about cotton picking with demonstrations on a Cotton Harvester. We will have a picnic lunch here before leaving for Coonabarabran.

We will stop in at the Pilliga Pottery Centre for a demonstration on pottery making followed by Devonshire tea in the Blue Wren Cafe. We continue to our accommodation for the next 2 nights at the Country Gardens Motel in Coonabarabran (gateway to the Warrumbungles National Park).

Our meals will be in the Motel restaurant.





### DAY 3

### BARADINE / COONAMBLE / GULARGAMBONE

Breakfast at leisure. We will leave Coonabarabran at 8.45am & head north to Baradine following the eastern side of the Warrumbungles with our first stop at the Pilliga Forest Discovery Centre to learn about the forests with Interactive displays that will give you your first taste of this dramatic landscape.

Leaving here as we head west to Coonamble for morning tea next to the Interpretive Centre. After morning tea you will view the 25 metre high Coonamble Water Tower painted by John Murray and Sooty Welsh which features Australia Pink and Grey Galahs, fence posts to signify the rural aspect of Coonamble, plus the sun, moon and the southern cross. It was completed in June 2017 and took 11 days to complete. Background spaying was by Bob Barrett. Aboriginal Dreamtime artwork is also a feature on the water tank, this part was completed by local artist Sooty Walsh.

We leave here for Gulargambone or Gular (as the locals call it), which lies on the Castlereagh River. In April 2018, ten renowned artists from around Australia visited Gulargambone to create the wildest of make overs to a town. Twelve buildings, one water tower and two footpaths were chosen for the wonderful murals including 3D interactive artworks. The visiting artists were Peter & Lisa Browne, John Murray, James Giddy, Claire Foxton, Rudy Kisler, Goddie, D’Nart, Kaff-eine, Jenny McCracken and Sam Brooks. The Gulargambone water tower was transformed into a work of art by artist Jenny McCracken. The artwork is painted on just one side and Jenny titled her artwork ‘Lucky Dip’. It depicts a Kingfisher bird diving through the surface towards the bottom of a pond, where below lies a tasty treat of assorted fish.

We will have a BBQ Sausage Sizzle next to the river before leaving here following the John Renshaw Parkway through the Warrumbungles for the Visitors Interpretive Centre before arriving back in Coonabarabran. Dinner tonight will be in the Motel restaurant.



#### **DAY 4**

#### **COONABARABRAN / DUNEDOO / GULGONG / MUDGEE**

After breakfast we leave Coonabarabran at 8.30am for Mudjee via Mendooran to Dunedoo for our morning tea stop at the Park next to the Silo. The Dunedoo Silo side one and two have been painted by Peter Mortimore over three months during July, August and September of 2020. Depicted on one side of the silo is Winx, a retired champion Australian thoroughbred racehorse and her famous rider Hugh Bowman, who was born in Dunedoo. Also featured is Chris Waller, Winx's trainer, who without this very famous horse may not have been the true champion that he is. The second side of the silo displays the local fauna and flora. We will have morning tea here before leaving for Gulgong.

We will visit the historical Gulgong Pioneers Museum Followed by a picnic lunch. Some free time to wander around this quaint town of Gulgong. We leave here for Mudjee to check in for our accommodation for the next 2 nights. Dinner tonight will be in the Motel restaurant.





## **DAY 5**

## **MUDGEES / GOOREE PARK HORSE STUD**

After breakfast a town tour before we visit Mudgee Honey Haven.

We then travel across country to Gooree Park Wine & Thoroughbred Stud Farm for a guided tour by the Stud's Veterinary Doctor of this beautiful 550 hectares property followed by wine tasting & a BBQ lunch.

After lunch we head back to Mudgee with some time in town. Back to our motel for a rest before dinner in the Motel restaurant.



## **DAY 6**

## **PORTLAND / SYDNEY**

After breakfast we say farewell (8.30am) to our hosts & head home with a stop at Portland for morning tea & view The Portland Silos, now known as “The Foundations” which were the 20th Silos to be included in the Australian Silo Art Trail and were completed in May 2018.

The old Portland Cement Works were painted by Guido van Helten and depict five male and one female past Portland Cement workers.

Leaving here for lunch in Penrith. Back on the coach to come straight through to Sydney arriving around 3.30 pm.



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**FULLY ESCORTED**



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