

TRAVEL NEWS

Newsletter of exciting travel offers from Macleay Valley Travel

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Around Bali — Wonderful Tour at a Great Price

Bali can be more than just sand and surf, and our Around Bali tour shows you this.

Instead of just lying on the beach at Kuta, the tour takes you out into the countryside to see much more of this beautiful island

PASSING OF AN ERA...

As from July 1 this year, Bryn Davies has taken over from his father, Alan, as owner/manager of Macleay Valley Travel.

Bryn was a senior constable in the NSW Police Force stationed at Port Macquarie until July 2010 when he joined Macleay Valley Travel full time as a junior partner in the company. For five years prior to this, Bryn worked part-time in the travel agency.

Alan is only semi-retired as he still works with Macleay Valley Travel three days per week, mainly concerned with tour planning and pricing.



with its fascinating culture, and this great 11-day tour comes at the amazing price of

just \$1,675, including airfares!

Below are further details of all the inclusions:

- ★ Return air fares from Sydney and Melbourne into Denpasar/Bali with Garuda Airlines.
- ★ All airport taxes and fuel levies.
- ★ Good accommodation, mainly three to three and a half-star.
- ★ Full breakfast every day.
- ★ All entrance fees.
- ★ All transport and transfers in an air-conditioned coach.
- ★ Services of a Balinese tour guide and, if there are 12 or more participants, an Australian tour leader.

With this tour, we will guarantee a twin share for anyone who wishes to travel this way. For a single room, there is an extra cost of \$320.

For passengers from Brisbane, there will be an extra charge of \$205 return, including taxes, for connecting Brisbane to Sydney flights.

Departs Sydney & Melbourne March 4,

STOP PRESS: We are in the process of completing arrangements for the following tours (full itineraries should be available in the next two weeks): East Turkey & Black Sea, March; China "Avatar" tour, April; Chiang Mai Floral Festival Jan.

NOTE: Our prices now include airport taxes and levies payable with the air tickets. MVT is now on Facebook!

It's Not Too Late!

There are still a limited number of seats available on the following tours:

China 'Avatar' Tour: 17-day tour departing Nov. 3 – \$3,975, only two seats left on this tour but good availability on tour departing April 12.

Israel: 17-day tour departing Nov. 17 – \$4,990 (3 seats only).

Vietnam Discovery: Three-week tour departs Nov. 24 – \$3,675.

Vietnam Overland: Three-week tours departing Nov. 9, Jan. 20, March 14 – \$3,815.

Thailand & Chiang Mai Floral Festival: The two-week tour departing Jan 27 has only two seats left – \$2,695.

Morocco & Tunisia: 22-day tour departing Feb. 9 – \$5,475.

Mexico with Tokyo & Los Angeles stopovers: 20-day tour departing Feb. 12

– \$6,575.

Owner's Indulgence Tour to Thailand & South Vietnam: 18-day luxury tour departing Feb. 24 – \$4,590.

Laos, Cambodia & Golden Triangle: 18-day tour departing March 15 – \$3,750.

European Waterways: 20-day luxury tour and river cruise departs March 24 – \$8,585 (4 seats only).

America's Golden West: 19-day tour departing March 26 – \$3,499 (5 seats only).

South America: 28-day tour departing April 1 – \$10,290.

Java & Bali: 16-day tour departing April 2 – \$2,745.

Across America: 28-day tour departing May 22 – \$5,995.

Vietnam Highlights: 11-day tour departs Jan 16 – \$2,785.

TWIN SHARING: All our tour prices are quoted per person twin share. If you don't have someone to twin share with, but wish to travel at twin share rates, we will do our best to match you up with someone else in the same situation, but this is not guaranteed.

Vietnam, Cambodia Adventure

24-day Conducted Tour for \$3,995 per person twin share

This wonderful tour goes off the usual tourist track and is great value as it includes:

- ★ Air fares from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane into Hanoi and out of Siem Reap with Singapore Airlines and Silk Air, as well as a domestic flight within Asia.
- ★ An 18-day Vietnam tour by coach, air and train visiting the Sapa hill tribe area, the former demilitarised zone, the central tablelands and the Mekong Delta.
- ★ A four-day tour of Cambodia visiting Phnom Penh and the wonderful World Heritage Angkor Wat complex.
- ★ A choice of two days touring in either the Mai Chau or Halong Bay areas.
- ★ A one-day Singapore stopover.
- ★ Good three to four-star accommodation, or the best available in isolated areas.
- ★ All transport including the boat on the Mekong River between Chau Doc in Vietnam and Phnom Penh.
- ★ Entrance fees to many attractions.
- ★ Full breakfast daily plus most meals.
- ★ Vietnamese and Cambodian tour guides and, if there are 12 or more tour participants, there will be an Australian tour leader.

For a single room, there will be an extra charge of \$795.

This tour is designed mainly for clients who have already been to Vietnam and done the standard Saigon to Hanoi tour. Virtually everyone who has been to Vietnam loves this destination and would like to go back and see more of the country.

**Departs Australia on May 3 and returns
May 26, 2012**

China Wonder Tour

**15-Day Tour for only \$3,145
per person twin share**



Wonderful value tour, as all of the following are included:

- ★ Air fares from Sydney and Melbourne into Shanghai and out of Beijing plus three flights within China with China Eastern Airlines.
- ★ A 14-day tour of China, including touring in Beijing, Shanghai, Xian and the spectacularly beautiful Guilin.
- ★ Good accommodation, mainly four-star.
- ★ Nearly all meals.
- ★ All entrance fees.
- ★ All transfers and transport.
- ★ Service of Chinese tour guides and, if there are 14 or more participants, there will be an Australian tour leader.

If you require a single room, there will be an extra charge of \$680.

For passengers from Brisbane or the Gold Coast, there will be connecting flights to Sydney for \$205 return per person.

Tours depart Australia March 27 and May 14, 2012

Best of Italy



**17-day Conducted Luxury Tour for only \$5,385 per
person twin share**

Great value tour, as all the following are included in the price:

- ★ Return air fares from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane to Rome with Emirates.
- ★ A 13-day tour of Italy visiting such exciting places as Rome, Florence, the Italian Lakes, Venice, Sorrento and the Isle of Capri.
- ★ A two-night stopover in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.
- ★ Excellent accommodation, mainly four-star.
- ★ Many meals.
- ★ All transport and transfers.
- ★ Services of Italian and Arab tour guides, and if there are 14 or more tour participants, there will be an Australian tour leader.

For a single room, there would be an extra cost of \$790.

Departs Australia March 16, returns April 1, 2012

Malaysia & Borneo

**16-day Conducted Luxury Tour for only \$4,435
per person twin share**

Incredible value for such a high quality tour, as the price includes:

- ★ Air fares with Malaysian Airlines flying from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane into Kuala Lumpur, then Penang to Kota Kinabalu, before returning to Australia via Kuala Lumpur, plus a flight from Kota Kinabalu to Brunei with Royal Brunei.
- ★ A 10-day tour of peninsular Malaysia visiting Malacca, Kuala Lumpur, Cameron, Highlands and Penang, then three days in Borneo staying in the Shangri-La Resort and concluding with two days in Brunei, staying at the fabulous Empire Bay Resort, a former royal palace converted to one of the most opulent hotels in the world. This hotel has won an award as the best resort in the Asia-Pacific area.
- ★ First-class accommodation, mainly four to five-star.
- ★ A full tour program.
- ★ Entrance fees to many attractions.
- ★ Many meals.
- ★ All transport and transfers.
- ★ Services of local tour guides, and if there are 12 or more participants, there will be an Australian tour leader.



Because of the special nature of this tour, the number will be restricted to about 20 passengers. Often our luxury tours end up being smaller than this.

If you require a single room, there will be an additional charge of \$1,355.

**Tour departs Australia February 26 and
returns March 13, 2012**

Vietnam Explorer

**15-day Conducted Tour for only \$2,525
per person twin share**

This price is incredible value as it covers all of the following:

- ★ Return air fares from Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne into Saigon and out of Hanoi with Singapore Airlines plus two flights within Vietnam Airlines.
- ★ Four nights in bustling Saigon, four nights in historic Hoi An, four nights in beautiful Hanoi, the 'Paris of the East' and one night in Halong Bay.
- ★ Good three to four-star accommodation. The hotel rooms are all air conditioned and have their own bathroom and toilet.
- ★ Breakfast daily, plus three lunches and three dinners.
- ★ All transfers between the airports and hotels.
- ★ City tours in Saigon and Hanoi.
- ★ Service of a Vietnamese tour guide, and if there are 12 or more passengers, there will be an Australian tour leader.
- ★ A full day boat cruise on amazing Halong Bay, one of Vietnam's spectacular World Heritage sites.

There will be a full program of optional half and full-day tours. For a single room, there will be an additional cost of \$590.

NOTE: There is an optional three-day extension to Angkor Wat available for an additional \$835 per person twin share and \$930 single room.

Tours depart Australia February 29 and May 16, 2012



Russian Waterways with Helsinki Stopover

**21-day Conducted Tour for \$5,850
per person twin share**



Great value for a tour of this nature, because all the following are included:

- ★ Air fares with Finnair and Qantas from Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne into St Petersburg and out of Moscow.
- ★ An 11-day river cruise between St Petersburg and Moscow, including all port taxes.
- ★ A two-day stopover in Hong Kong on the way over.
- ★ A three-day stopover in Hong Kong on the way back.
- ★ A two-day stopover in Helsinki.
- ★ All accommodation, mainly three-star.
- ★ All transfers and transport.
- ★ Many meals.
- ★ All entrance fees.
- ★ Services of local tour guides, and if there are 12 or more participants, there will be an Australian tour leader.

For a single room, there will be an additional cost of \$1,030.

Departs Australia May 9 and returns May 29, 2012

India Tour

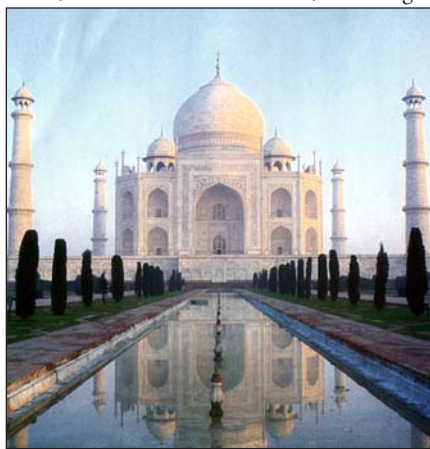
**19-Day Conducted Tour for only \$4,885
per person twin share**

This price is really great value, as it covers all of the following:

- ★ Return air fares from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane into Delhi and out of Bombay (Mumbai) with Singapore Airlines, plus three flights within India.
- ★ An extensive 16-day coach, air and boat tour of India, including a visit to the wonderful Taj Mahal.
- ★ A two-day stopover in Singapore.
- ★ Good accommodation, mainly four-star.
- ★ Many meals.
- ★ Entrance fees to many attractions.
- ★ All transport and transfers.
- ★ Services of Indian tour guides and there will be an Australian tour leader if there are 12 or more participants.

If you require a single room, there would be an extra cost of \$1,180. It is planned to restrict the number of participants to a maximum of 22 people.

**Tour departs Australia March 29 and returns
April 17, 2012**



Western Canada, The Rockies & Alaska

**25-Day Conducted Tour for only \$6,285
per person twin share.**

This is superb value for a tour of this magnitude as all of the following are included:

- ★ Return air fares from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane into Vancouver with Korean Air.
- ★ A wonderful eight-day Alaskan cruise of the Inside Passage in a great cruise ship, Holland America's MS Zuiderdam, in an inside cabin. An outside cabin would cost an additional \$367 per person twin share.
- ★ A 12-day tour of Western Canada and the Rockies.
- ★ There will be a two-night stopover in Seoul on the way over and a one-night stopover on the way back.
- ★ Good accommodation, mainly three to four-star.
- ★ All meals while on the cruise.
- ★ All transport and transfers.
- ★ Port charges and fees.
- ★ Services of Korean and Canadian tour guides, and if there are 12 or more participants, there will be an Australian tour leader.

For a single room, there is an additional cost of \$1,975 for an inside cabin or \$2,427 for an outside cabin.

**Departs Australia May 12 and returns
June 5, 2012**



West Turkey with Singapore Stopover

19-Day Conducted Tour for only \$4,875 per person twin share

Excellent value as this great price tour includes all of the following:

- ★ Return air fares from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane to Istanbul with Singapore Airlines.
- ★ A 15-day tour of fascinating, historical Turkey, including a visit to Anzac Cove, Gallipoli and the amazing restoration of Ephesus.
- ★ A two-night stopover in Singapore.
- ★ Service of tour guides, and if there are 12 or more tour participants, there will also be an Australian tour leader.
- ★ Entrance fees to most attractions.
- ★ All transport and transfers.
- ★ Excellent accommodation, mainly four-star.
- ★ Many meals, as stated in the itinerary.

For a single room, there will be an extra cost of \$715.

For anyone with an interest in history, Turkey is a fascinating country. Just to see the excavation of Ephesus would by itself make the whole trip worthwhile.

NOTE: There is an optional 15-day post tour extension of fascinating East Turkey and the Black Sea for an additional price of \$2,965 per person twin share of \$3,662 single room.



Tour departs Australia March 7 and returns March 25, 2012

Spain, Portugal & Morocco

20-Day Conducted Tour for only \$4,640 per person twin share



Incredible value here, as the price covers all of the following:

- ★ Return air fares from Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne into Madrid Spain with Emirates.
- ★ Good accommodation, mainly three-star.
- ★ A 15-day tour of Spain, Portugal and Morocco.
- ★ A two-day stopover in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, staying at the Grand Central Hotel.
- ★ Breakfast daily, plus many meals as per the itinerary.
- ★ Services of local tour guides, and if there are 14 or more tour participants, there will be an Australian tour leader.
- ★ All transport and transfers.

For a single room, there is an extra charge of \$965.

Tour departs Australia March 17 and returns April 5, 2012

Japan & Taiwan Cherry Blossoms

15-day Conducted Tour for \$5,845 per person twin share

This is amazing value for a destination such as Japan, as the price covers all of the following:

- ★ Return air fares with China Airlines from Sydney into Hiroshima and out of Narita (Tokyo). Both flights go via Taipei.
- ★ Accommodation in three to four-star hotels with private facilities.
- ★ Many meals.
- ★ All transfers and transport.
- ★ A 10-day tour of Japan by coach and train.
- ★ A three-day tour of Taiwan.
- ★ Entrance fees to many attractions.
- ★ Services of Japanese and Taiwanese tour guides, and if there are 14 or more participants, an Australian tour leader.

The tour will visit Japan in Spring, when the cherry blossoms should be in full bloom. This is an opportunity to see this beautiful country when it is at its best.

The program in Taiwan has many interesting features and this is a great opportunity to visit this fascinating yet seldom-visited country.

For a single room, there is an extra cost of \$955.

Note: For Brisbane and Melbourne passengers, there will be connecting domestic flights to and from Sydney for \$205 per person return.

Tour departs Sydney March 21 and returns April 4, 2012

Best of China with Yangtze Cruise & Tibet

18-day Conducted Tour for only \$4,885 per person twin share

Here is a great value tour, with all of the following included

- ★ Air fares from Sydney & Melbourne into Shanghai and out of Beijing with China Eastern Airlines, plus four flights within China.
- ★ A four-day five-star cruise on the mighty Yangtze River on the Executive Deck.
- ★ Three days in Lhasa, Tibet's mysterious capital, plus a full day on the Lhasa Express train.
- ★ Two days in Xian with a visit to the famous Terra Cotta Warriors.
- ★ Three days in Beijing and two days in Shanghai.
- ★ Good accommodation, mainly four-star.
- ★ Nearly all meals.
- ★ All transfers and entrance fees.
- ★ Tips for guides and drivers (except for Yangtze cruise).
- ★ Chinese visa fee for Australian passport holders.
- ★ Chinese tour guides, and if there are 14 or more participants, there will be an Australian tour leader.



For a single room, there is an extra charge of \$890.

For Brisbane and Gold Coast passengers, there will be return flights to Sydney for \$205 per person, plus airport taxes.

Tour departs Australia May 30 and returns June 16, 2012

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