



FLIGHTS AND FLOWERS

Friday 20 September to Monday 23 September 2013

\$1,495 per person twin-share or single

Escape by rail aboard the stylish Southern Aurora® on a unique journey to some of regional NSW's most coveted events in a single weekend.

See magnificent men in their flying machines at Temora — sample local wine in Griffith — enjoy Floriade and the National Gallery at Canberra. Unpack once and relax!

Great scenery and escorted sightseeing by day, overnight aboard a glamorous night express. Enjoy fine dining in the elegant Restaurant Cars, relax with a drink in the comfortable Lounge-&-Bar Cars, travel overnight in cosy sleeping cabins.

Journey Highlights

- WWII Pacific Theatre flying demonstrations featuring Hudson, Wirraway & Spitfire planes at the Temora Aviation Museum.
- Afternoon journey along the scenic railway line to Griffith for sampling of the finest local produce.
- Floriade at Canberra — a picturesque carnival of flowers on the banks of Lake Burley-Griffin featuring entertainment, horticulture talks and a Ferris Wheel for great views from above.



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- Fine art at Canberra's National Gallery.
- Scenic breakfast journey down the rainforested Illawarra Escarpment and along the South Coast beaches.

Southern Aurora® - a 1960s icon of the nation

The gleaming, stainless steel Southern Aurora pioneered luxury overnight rail travel on the Sydney–Melbourne standard-gauge railway line in the 1960s.

Now, fifty years since it began, the Southern Aurora's elegant and comfortable Lounge-&-Bar, Restaurant Cars and Sleeping Cars are reawakening the romance of rail.

Dinner-in-the-Diner

Aboard the Southern Aurora fine food will be served. Meals in the two stylish air-conditioned Restaurant Cars are a journey highlight, providing a unique and civilised culinary experience, accompanied by panoramic views.

Quality table d'hôte modern Australian meals are prepared by experienced chefs and served by friendly, efficient waiters. Breakfasts feature fresh fruits, Bircher muesli, cereals, juices, a hot savoury course, toast and preserves. Luncheon and dinner are fine two-course meals, freshly cooked on board – superb main courses, with tempting desserts, tea/coffee and chocolates.



Enjoy a range of premium Australian wines with your meal. Relax in the Lounge-&-Bar Cars: the two licensed Southern Aurora Lounge-&-Bar Cars provide a pleasant, spacious and social environment to relax in comfort and enjoy the views with a wide range of alcoholic and soft drinks. Enjoy your favourite drink with friends as the afternoon light illuminates colours and silhouettes of the passing Australian landscape.

A Night Out Aboard

Overnight aboard the Southern Aurora features restful travel in cosy Sleeping Cabins. The well appointed Sleeping Cabins provide a private and comfortable wide-vision sitting room by day and are easily converted to a cosy bedroom at night.

The air-conditioned Southern Aurora offers single ('Roomette') and twin ('Twinette') cabins – twin cabins have en-suite toilets, washbasins and hot showers, whilst single cabins have their own washbasin and toilet, with shower at the end of the car.

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Sleeping berths are prepared with freshly laundered bed linen and blankets, all cabins have towels, luggage storage, power points, main-, reading- and night-lights, cupboard and mirror. Complimentary toiletry packs with quality soap, shampoo, conditioner and body lotion are provided for each guest. Complimentary tea, coffee and biscuits are also available on-board throughout the rail journey.

Itinerary

Day 1 Friday September 20 (S) Evening departure from Central Station

- Overnight into the South West Slopes.
- Meet under the clocktower — board Southern Aurora at Sydney's Central Station.
- Relax and unwind in the Lounge-&-Bar Cars, meet your fellow travellers over supper before retiring to your cosy sleeping compartment.
- Overnight journey into the NSW South West Slopes aboard Southern Aurora.



Day 2 Saturday September 21 (B/L/D) Temora Aviation Museum Flying Demonstrations

- Afternoon journey to Griffith for local produce sampling.
- Enjoy a cooked breakfast on board, freshly prepared by the travelling chef.
- See the spectacle of the Spitfire planes at the Temora Aviation Museum's Fly-In event.
- Relax on a leisurely afternoon journey through farming and wine-growing districts to Griffith.
- Sample regional produce at Griffith before a sunset 'Dinner-in-the-Diner'.
- Overnight journey towards Goulburn aboard Southern Aurora.

Day 3 Sunday September 22 (B/L/D) Canberra's Floriade

- National Gallery of Australia.
- Scenic breakfast journey through the Molonglo Gorge.
- Morning visit to Floriade and lunch on the banks of Lake Burley-Griffin.
- Afternoon inspection of Canberra's National Gallery of Australia.
- 'Dinner-in-the-Diner' along the scenic Canberra branchline.
- Overnight journey aboard Southern Aurora.



Day 4 Monday September 23 (B) Scenic breakfast journey down the Illawarra Escarpment

- Mid-morning arrival at Sydney's Central Station.

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