

Our accommodation for the tour will be:

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| • Albury, Quality on Olive | 4 Star | 2 Nights | Ph: 02 6021 6100 |
| • Nagambie Lakes Waterfront Motel | 4 Star | 3 Nights | Ph: 03 5794 1410 |
| • Bairnsdale International | 4.5 Star | 2 Nights | Ph: 03 5152 8300 |
| • South Seas Motel, Merimbula | 4 Star | 3 Nights | Ph: 02 6495 1911 |

Highlights include:

- Hamilton Hume's Cooma Cottage at Yass
- Guided Tour of Albury
- Bright and the Ovens Valley
- Guided tour of historic Beechworth
- Tahbilk Winery with lunch
- Noorilim Estate Mansion
- Goulburn river cruise
- Shepparton picnic lunch
- Benalla Botanic Gardens & Regional Gallery
- Marysville and the Yarra Ranges National Park
- Yarra Valley wine tasting
- Lakes Entrance, Paynesville and Metung
- Eden and Two Fold Bay cruise
- Wheelers Oyster Farm at Merimbula
- Batemans Bay, Nowra, Berry and Kiama



Cost per person is \$2,597.00 twin share and includes deluxe accommodation, 10 dinners, 10 full cooked breakfasts, 8 lunches, all admissions and bridge costs. All bridge fees including all duplicates, lessons, workshops and congress entry fees. Single Supplement is \$625.00.

Please contact Debbie at On Course Tours on 02 9986 2400 for a booking form, day by day and terms and conditions. Alternatively, contact John McIlrath on 0437 274 343 or David Beauchamp on 0415 115 773.



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TOURS AND TRAVEL

IN THE NAME OF BRIDGE SOUTHERN EXPLORER

11 DAY TOUR
6TH - 16TH APRIL 2018

This tour combines several spectacular and diverse regions with the opportunity of some fantastic bridge. Our hosts for the event are John McIlrath and David Beauchamp, two men that are as charming as they are knowledgeable! The tour has been designed by On Course Tours and will be conducted in a luxury coach with an experienced and enthusiastic coach captain. Multi night stays in our four venues will allow a relaxed pace for a perfect combination of bridge and touring.



John McIlrath

John is one of Australia's leading directors and Bridge entrepreneurs. He is the former manager of Australia's largest Bridge Club, North Shore Bridge Club. He currently has two clubs under his control, assists many clubs with his expertise on Compscore2 scoring programme and Bridgemate tabletop units. Currently he is ABF's National Director Development Officer, and is running many workshops on the New 2017 Laws of Duplicate Bridge. He is also on the Council of the NSWBA.



David Beauchamp

David is one of Australia's leading teachers. He has run workshops throughout Australia and has been a celebrity speaker at the Gold Coast congress and Canberra National Open Teams on numerous occasions.

2017 Bridge Playing Achievements

- * Member of Australian Open Team for World Championships in Lyon and Asian Pacific Bridge Championships in Seoul
- * Semi-Finalist Canberra Open Team and the Seniors' Teams
- * Semi-Finalist Gold Coast Teams

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Our first destination is Albury, a thriving city and the perfect base to explore the surrounding towns and villages such as Bright, Beechworth and Rutherglen. We will then head to Nagambie for a 3 night stay with some great touring around the Goulburn Valley. The district includes orchards, vineyards and thoroughbred studs along with some very hospitable bridge players!



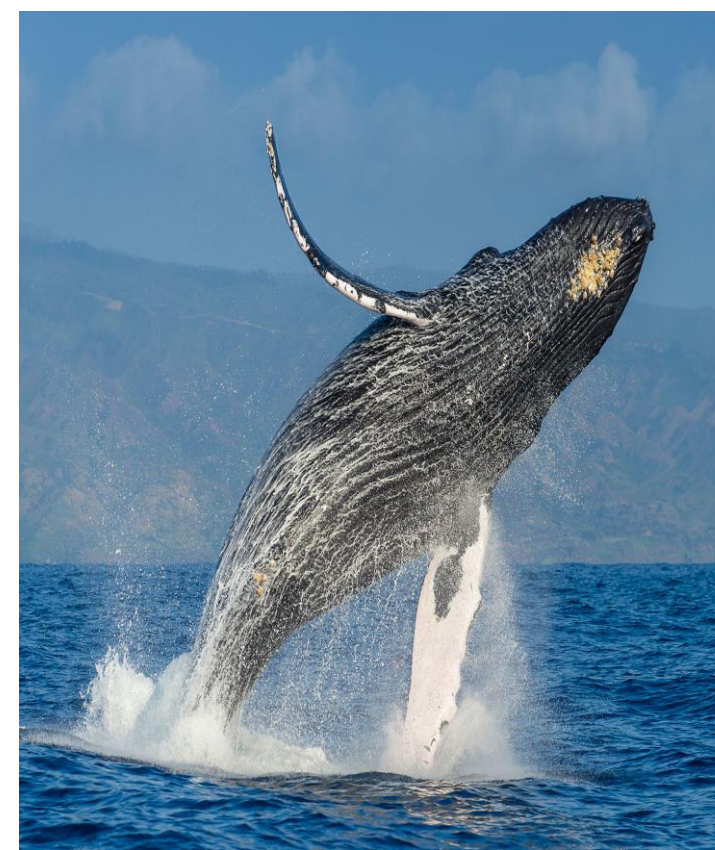
Our journey to Bairnsdale will take us on roads less travelled as we drive through the amazing forests of the Yarra Ranges to Marysville (a town that has risen from the ashes of the 2009 *Black Saturday* bushfires) and on the Healesville. We will also traverse the Dandenongs (The Eastern side) on our way to Gippsland. We will take in the beauty of Lakes Entrance, Paynesville and Metung along with other scenic highlights during our stay as well as meet and play against bridge players from the Eastern Region Bridge Association, covering 7 clubs – Lakes Entrance, Paynesville, Bairnsdale, Sale, Traralgon, South Gippsland and Phillip Island.



Another of the features of the tour will be at Merimbula where we will join the Sapphire Coast Bridge Club at their Annual weekend Congress. The Sapphire Coast is an area of unspoilt natural beauty – from the sparkling clear waters of pristine beaches and the rolling green hills of lush grazing land to the rugged mountain ranges, the scenery is rarely less than breathtaking. We will enjoy a cruise on Two Fold Bay on the Cat Balou and perhaps see some early migration of Humpback Whales that are commonly sighted along the coast.



Our return to Sydney sees us travelling up the coast through Batemans Bay, the Shoalhaven, Nowra and Berry before continuing through Kiama and the Illawarra Coast.



BRIDGE HIGHLIGHTS

- * Duplicate with Commercial Bridge Club (Albury)
- * Duplicate with Nagambie Bridge Group
- * Meet with members of Eastern Region Bridge Association at Bairnsdale
- * Participate in the Annual Congress of Sapphire Coast Bridge Club in Merimbula
- * Casual lessons / workshops will be Organised with David