

New South Wales Mini Break



Suggested itinerary duration:

6 nights, plus a night or two at your arrival or departure destination as desired.

This itinerary speaks for those seeking unique New South Wales settings that seamlessly blend sophisticated design with pristine natural environments, outstanding food and wine, and bespoke experiences.

From Sydney Airport, 1.5hr drive to Pretty Beach House or arrange to arrive via scenic flight.

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Pretty Beach House

Sydney Surrounds, New South Wales

3 nights

Pretty Beach House is the epitome of relaxed Australian luxury and elegance for those looking for an exclusive getaway in the **Sydney Surrounds**. A serene escape nestled within the heart of the New South Wales Bouddi National Park high above Pretty Beach, this stunning world class hotel is an easy 90min drive or exhilarating 20min seaplane or helicopter flight from Sydney.

Perched high on the escarpment, Pretty Beach House offers the opportunity to completely restore or explore - a private haven and base for adventure, romance, rejuvenation or exploration. Golden beaches are easily accessible via hiking trails along coastal sandstone cliff. Dining is a highlight with seasonal menus prepared by highly talented chefs incorporating bush and native foods.

What will I do there?

- Welcome Ceremony - request a captivating Welcome Ceremony performed by Aboriginal Elders. Listen and learn authentic Dreamtime stories from the local Darkinjung people around the fire and absorb the moving sound of the didgeridoo.
- Chefs Table Dining Experience - an intimate and informative dining experience with your very own chef. A highlight culinary experience not to be missed.
- A leisurely 20 minute stroll through untouched native flora to the tip of the Aboriginal Dreaming sacred site of Box Head is breathtaking, with stunning 180 degree views of the five surrounding waterways including Broken Bay to Palm Beach and the Barrenjoey light house.
- VIP Private Pearl Farm Tour - embark on a journey of discovery about the rare, locally grown Australian Akoya Pearl.
- De-stress in the Bouddi Day Spa with treatments inspired by traditional Aboriginal healing techniques.
- Private Surfing Lesson - from beginners to advanced, the central coast is the ideal place to catch some waves and elite surfing tuition.
- Mountain Biking - take a guided tour on premium mountain bikes through the Bouddi National Park.



1.5hr drive to Sydney Airport, 2hr flight to Lord Howe Island Airport, 5min hosted drive to Capella Lodge.

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Capella Lodge

Lord Howe Island, New South Wales

3 nights

Inspired by the Australian beach-house, **Capella Lodge**, is celebrated as a haven of understated luxury and **Lord Howe Island's** premium retreat. Often referred to as the 'Last Paradise', the tiny island is World Heritage listed and an intoxicating blend of pristine beaches, lush rainforests and sheer volcanic peaks, including Mount Gower rated as one of Australia's best day walks. Below the surface, the world's southern-most coral reef is home to an abundance of marine life.

Relaxed and refined is a drawcard and the innovative menu showcases a bounty of local seafood and fresh regional produce. A feeling of relaxed sophistication flows throughout the beach-chic furnishings, island-themed artworks and kentia palms fringed decks creating an easy ambience for barefoot luxury.

What will I do there?

- World class diving with species endemic to the region. Expect to see schools of violet sweep, amberjack, kingfish, silver drummer, ballina angelfish, rainbow runners and occasionally marlin, dolphins and wahoo.
- Capella Spa - rejuvenating treatments inspired by the island's endemic kentia palms, volcanic basalt rocks and pristine marine environment.
- Be part of a tradition that has enchanted visitors for generations - make your way to Ned's Beach to hand-feed the 'locals' including the royalty of Lord Howe fish, metre-long kingfish.
- Go foraging on Lord Howe Island with the resident Chef for pea flowers and sea spinach at Blinky's Beach followed by a visit to local Nobbs' garden, who supplies the lodge with a bounty of eggs, vegetables and edible flowers.
- The Lagoon - kayak or stand up paddle board over the calm lagoon before stepping off onto the secluded and palm-laden beaches of North Bay to enjoy a quiet moment in the remote location.
- Lord Howe Island's 10-kilometre-long lagoon is great for beginners and flat-water enthusiasts, with crystal clear water and coral reefs to paddle over.
- Local Connections - world renowned naturalist Ian Hutton has been exploring Lord Howe Island, researching and recording its flora and fauna for over 30 years. Meet Ian and learn from his extraordinary knowledge when he joins guests for sunset drinks each Saturday.



Did you know? Lord Howe Island has around 350 permanent residents with visitors limited to 400 at any one time. Lord Howe is a pristine natural environment with around three-quarters of the island preserved as permanent national and marine park.

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