

Perth and Fremantle

AIME 2012 Post Touring



Day 1 - Thursday 23 February 2012

Afternoon

Arrive into **Perth Domestic Airport**. Suggested flight Qantas QF475 departing Melbourne at 10.45am and arriving into Perth at 11.50am (duration 4h 5m). Upon arrival you will be met and welcomed by a Perth Convention Bureau representative.

It's then time to relax and take in the spectacular surroundings on your journey to **Fremantle**, a vibrant port city rich in history and character, where you will check into your hotel and freshen up.



Next it's onto **Royal Perth Yacht Club**, a prestigious yacht club and home to the America's Cup following the historic victory of Australia II. From here you will enjoy a truly exhilarating experience, spending the afternoon **sailing** on the Swan River. Feel the thrill of hauling on the sails and steering the boat, or just sit back and relax while you take in the spectacular city skyline and look out for dolphins, pelicans and black swans gliding by.

Evening

Watch the sun set at one of Perth's premier dining locations, **Mosmans Restaurant** while enjoying the fresh local delicacies. Uniquely situated right on the Swan River, with glass walls offering unobstructed views across the bay, the former Smith's Boatshed is now converted into a contemporary seafood dining experience taking advantage of the best quality produce available.

Day 2 - Friday 24 February 2012

Morning

After a sumptuous breakfast at the **Esplanade Hotel Fremantle** it's off to explore **Fremantle Prison**, from its convict origins in the 1850's



until its closure as a maximum-security gaol in 1991. Join experienced guides for a tour as they bring the rich folklore and stories of the Prison to life. These days the Fremantle Prison can also be transformed into a unique themed venue for functions, and host team-building activities.

Then visit the **Western Australian Maritime Museum**, an iconic building that tells the stories of Western Australia's early explorers, trade routes, naval defence, migration and the cultural richness that has resulted. The water-side function centre overlooking the Indian Ocean can provide a fantastic maritime-themed setting for functions.

Next, time to explore the **Fremantle Markets** - brimming with gourmet treats, unique arts and crafts, and homemade goodies. Immerse yourself in the atmosphere and take in a street performance or two.

Afternoon

Transfer to the Swan Valley, Western Australia's oldest wine region to enjoy lunch at the award winning **Sandalford Winery**. After lunch, time for some winemaker's insights followed by firsthand experience in blending your very own wine! Sandalford offers a unique location for offsite dinners among the wine barrels, in the underground wine cellar or functions overlooking the magnificent vineyards.

Then be greeted by a stretch Hummer limousine for a scenic tour through the valley with a difference! Visit **Mondo Nougat**, **Margaret River Chocolate Factory** and the **Feral Brewing Company** for tastings and shopping. Finish up at **Caversham Wildlife Park** to meet the kangaroos, koalas and other native Australian animals.



Evening

Arrive at a city hotel to freshen up before another wonderful dinner. Soak up the atmosphere of Perth's heritage and history in beautiful Lamont's **Bishop's House**. Built in the late 1800's, a private home for nearly 100 years, its conversion to a gracious multi level restaurant was completed in November 2010.

Day 3 - Saturday 25 February 2012

Morning

Breakfast will be at the **Greenhouse St Georges Terrace**, located in the heart of Perth's business precinct. After breakfast, join the enthusiastic local tour guides from **Two Feet** and **a Heartbeat** for a guided walking tour incorporating stories about the history, heritage, culture and architecture of this town.

It's then time to ring the bells at **The Bell Tower**. This towering glass spire is one of the largest musical instruments on earth, housing 12 of the bells gifted by the City of London from St Martin in the Fields Church. Hands-on bell ringing is encouraged.

Afternoon

Enjoy the contemporary atmosphere of **Fraser's State Reception Centre** in **Kings Park** and stunning views of the Swan River and Perth city, while indulging in a delicious lunch.

Following lunch be inspired and motivated by **Human Rhythms**. Since its formation in 2001, Human Rhythms have been using music and rhythm to inspire and motivate teams of people from a diverse range of cultures throughout the world.

The rest of the afternoon is free to explore and enjoy beautiful Perth. Perhaps take a walk among the treetops and through the State's largest botanical garden in **Kings Park**, visit **The Perth Mint** or go shopping.

Evening

Calling all carnivores...this is for you. Meet with chef and brewer at **The Old Brewery**, for a truly unique experience - the 'Beef & Beer' cooking class and sit down dinner. Enter the world of beef and beer, learning everything you need to know about this most blessed of partnerships. Combining history with relaxed and contemporary dining, **The Old Brewery** boasts sensational views of the Swan River and Perth city skyline.



Day 4 - Sunday 26 February 2012

Morning

Following a scrumptious breakfast, there is absolutely nothing wrong with a little chocolate. Learn the secrets of a master chocolatier as you take part in **The Cocoa Connection Chocolate Workshop**. A fun and very hands-on experience guided by expert staff, you will be able to create your very own chocolate truffles.

There's also time for an optional **bike ride** or last minute **shopping** before returning to the hotel to refresh and collect luggage. A light lunch will be provided before your transfer to Perth Domestic Airport for your return flight home. Suggested flight departure 2.35pm - Qantas QF768 arriving back in Melbourne by 9.10pm (duration 3h 35m).



For all enquiries and to register your interest in this program please contact:
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Your application (made by completing a post touring interest form) will be reviewed and qualified before participation is confirmed. Perth Convention Bureau will then contact you to discuss the details and determine your suitability for the famil program. Upon confirmation you will be required to pay the participation fee and sign a liability waiver. All applications must therefore be made no later than **Friday 16 December 2011**.

Please note that this itinerary is a guideline only and is subject to change. A final itinerary will be provided to participants closer to the date of travel.

Climate

February days in Perth are typically sunny and warm to hot, with balmy nights. Although the weather is still mostly fine, there may be an occasional shower. Average minimum 18°C and maximum 32°C.

Insurance

Perth Convention Bureau accepts no responsibility for personal loss, injury or damage to persons travelling on a familiarisation visit within the State of Western Australia. You are respectfully advised to take personal insurance cover and/or seek confirmation from your employer that suitable cover is available during your visit.



Attendance fee

A fee of A\$250 per participant is payable to help offset the cost of the program delivery. In many cases member support is provided and this will be acknowledged on your final itinerary. Delegates are however expected to provide their own return airfare between Melbourne and Perth.

Inclusions

Unless otherwise indicated, PCB will meet the costs of accommodation, on ground transportation, meals, activities and entry fees as outlined in this itinerary.

Exclusions

Airport transfers in Melbourne, return flights, excess luggage fees, travel insurance, hotel incidentals and items of a personal nature (souvenirs, mini bar, laundry service, phone calls, internet etc) will be the responsibility of the attendee. Please ensure any incidentals are paid for on your departure from each of the hotels.

Itinerary

Minimum participants required for famil to proceed: 4 delegates.
 Maximum participants required for famil to proceed: 8 delegates.
 PCB reserves the right to cancel this program should the minimum numbers not be reached.

Cancellation

All participant cancellations must be submitted in writing. Please refer to the policy below:

Cancellation prior to 20 December 2011	No charge
Cancellation between 20 December 2011 and 15 February 2012 (inclusive)	A\$100 payable
Cancellation after 15 February 2012	A\$250 payable