



SYDNEY TO MELBOURNE COAST & COUNTRY EXPLORER ROUTE – VIA ECHUCA

HIGHLIGHTS

- Join a local Aboriginal guide for an insightful look into the lives of the local Yuin people.
- See kangaroos playing in the waves at Peppy Beach.
- Explore incredible exhibits at MAMA – Murray Arts Museum Albury.
- Indulge the taste buds on a food fossicking tour in Bendigo.

DAY 1

Exchange urban views for the natural wonders of the coast as you begin the drive south to Melbourne via Echuca. The route takes you over the Sea Cliff Bridge which curves around the cliffs, floating 665 metres above the ocean waves. Arriving at Jervis Bay. Here, you'll find glorious white sandy beaches plus a mischievous pod of resident dolphins that play in the bay all year round.

DAY 2

Take your time as you head onwards today. Ulladulla is only a short drive from Jervis Bay but packed with art galleries and treasured curio shops. Seafood lovers should check out the Oyster Shed on Wray Street as you pass through Bateman's Bay. Meandering ever southwards Bermagui is a pretty, coastal village famed for the crystalline blue waters that surround it and the famous Blue Rock Pool. From this charming spot continue to Merimbula.

DAY 3

Today is a real road-trip. The route takes you deep into the legendary Snowy Mountains passing Lake Jindabyne and Mt Kosciuszko as you follow the Kosciuszko Alpine Way. Your destination is the twin cities of Albury Wodonga, straddling the Murray River.

DAY 4

Today you're heading for Echuca Moama. Named after the Aboriginal word for 'meeting of the waters,' Echuca was once one of the busiest ports on the Murray River. Now, the twin towns of Echuca Moama are steeped in history. As you stroll along Murray Esplanade, where heritage buildings now house vibrant shops and cafes, the atmosphere of a bygone age is almost tangible. Time to board your PS Emmylou overnight cruise before ending your tour in Melbourne via Bendigo.



ALBURY TO ECHUCA – MURRAY RIVER ROUTE

HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore Murray Arts Museum Albury.
- Visit Corowa's Federation Museum & Whisky Factory
- Relax on Lake Mulwala or discover riverside walking tracks
- Indulge in the many gourmet food produced at Rich Glen Olive Estate.

DAY 1

Head for Corowa following the Riverina Highway west through countryside patchworked with emerald farmland. Arrive in Corowa and discover a town that played a big role in federation, leading the charge to unite Australia's six colonies. The fascinating story is detailed at the Corowa Federation Museum, which also houses a collection of historic Aboriginal artefacts. Sample more of the region at Corowa Whisky and Chocolate, occupying 1920s flour mills now a on-site distillery producing a fiery single malt, plus port, sherry and bourbon, alongside handmade chocolate blocks and bars.

DAY 2

Head to Yarrawonga-Mulwala. These twin cities occupying each bank of the Murray wraps up by



skirting man-made Lake Mulwala. This redgum-ringed reservoir boasts enormous populations of cod and crayfish. Explore walking trails, rent a kayak and soak up the serenity while bird-watching.

DAY 3

The journey from Mulwala to Tocumwal hugs the river, passing the Big Reedy Lagoon Wildlife Reserve (a twitcher's paradise) along the way. Visit the historic Aerodrome Museum, which tells the story of Tocumwal's significance during WWII. The day's final 110km journey to Echuca is where you can board PS Emmylou for your overnight cruise departing from the Port of Echuca, once the third-largest port in Australia, behind only Sydney and Melbourne.