



HOBART &
THE FAR SOUTH
TASMANIA



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From wildlife to city life, a tour of Tasmania's south spans the compact capital of Hobart, some of the nation's most evocative convict sites, charming country towns, Bruny Island, the orchards and farm gates of the Huon Valley, and World Heritage wilderness, before finishing at Cockle Creek, the southernmost point you can drive in Australia.

How to get there

BY AIR

Fly to Hobart.

BY CAR

Travel south from Hobart for the day, or longer. Take the coastal road south to Kettering (30 minutes) and catch the Bruny Island Ferry, or travel inland to Huonville and on to Geeveston (one hour) or Southport (one-and-a-half hours). Stay in Hobart or spend a night or two in the far south to really explore the region.





Top things to do

SEA-BASED ACTIVITIES

- Discover some of Tasmania's most stunning coastline with [Roaring 40's Kayaking](#), on either a short city paddle or a multi-day expedition.

LAND-BASED ACTIVITIES

- Drive, [cycle](#), walk and enjoy sweeping views across the island's south on [kunanyi/Mt Wellington](#), which towers over Hobart.
- Relax and let someone else do the driving on a Bruny Island day tour with [Bruny Island Safaris](#), departing Hobart.
- Discover the dolomite caves and mineral-rich thermal springs hidden among ferny glades at [Hastings Caves and Thermal Springs](#).
- Drop into the cosy [Red Velvet Lounge](#) for light refreshments after wandering Cygnet's main street.
- Visit boutique [southern wineries](#) to taste the region's cool-climate wines.

- In Franklin, join a tour of the [Wooden Boat Centre](#), try sparkling local cider at [Frank's Cider](#) and enjoy lunch or dinner at [Osteria](#) at Petty Sessions.
- Stop at Woodbridge for hand-smoked produce at [Woodbridge Smokehouse](#), taste sheep cheese at [Grandvewe](#) and stroll the [Sculpture Trail](#) at Birches Bay.

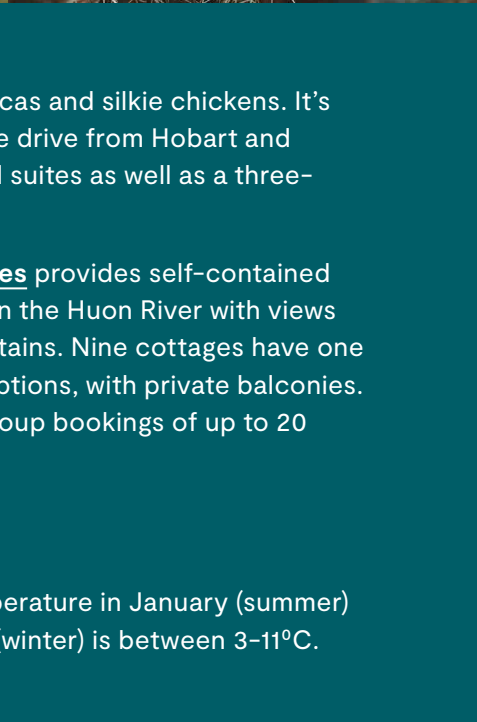
AIR-BASED ACTIVITIES

- See the south west from the sky on a [Par Avion](#) wilderness flight. Visit for the day or stay a few nights.

Top attractions

- Enjoy spectacular views from 50 metres above the riverbank at [Tahune Airwalk](#).
- Explore Bruny Island's coastline from the water with [Bruny Island Cruises](#), keeping eyes peeled for dolphins, whales, seals and sea birds.
- Take in expansive views from the walking tracks of [Hartz Mountains National Park](#), part of the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area.
- Visit [Willie Smith's](#) for a real 'Apple-Isle' treat. Taste apple cider and indulge in the signature apple pie, from the heart of the Huon Valley.

01 - Par Avion Wilderness Tours - Bathurst Harbour
© Jason Charles Hill
02 - Secret Falls Wellington Park © Pierre Destribats
03 - Roaring 40's Kayaking © Sean Scott
04 - Swinging Bridges Walk - Tahune Adventures
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Where to stay

If short on time, Hobart makes an ideal base for a day trip in Tasmania's south, but linger if you can with a night or two in the Huon Valley.

- **The Old Woolstore** located in Hobart offers modern, self-contained accommodation on the waterfront in Hobart. It has an on-site bike wash station and secure bike lockup, perfect for mountain bikers.
- **Maylands Lodge** offers boutique accommodation on Hobart's city fringe, combining modern styling with heritage features. The lodge's small restaurant offers a sustainable, seasonal menu that supports local growers and producers.
- **Essentially Tas** has a range of options in the Huon Valley and south, from cosy waterfront studios to fully-refurbished farmhouses. Choose from absolute waterfront, forested surrounds, wood fires or a spa under the stars.
- Located in a peaceful country setting in the Huon Valley, **Highland Getaway Farm Stay** is a working farm breeding Highland Cattle, with

some friendly alpacas and silkie chickens. It's a scenic 35-minute drive from Hobart and has self-contained suites as well as a three-bedroom house.

- **Port Huon Cottages** provides self-contained accommodation on the Huon River with views of the Hartz Mountains. Nine cottages have one or two bedroom options, with private balconies. Accommodates group bookings of up to 20 people.

Weather

The average high temperature in January (summer) is 17-23°C and in July (winter) is between 3-11°C.

Useful links

www.discovertasmania.com.au

<https://southerntasmania.com.au>

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02 - Frank's Cider © Chris Phelps

03 - Highland Cattle © Lusy Productions

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