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# sydney to singapore

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## Cruise from Sydney

Everyone has a family history, whether they know or have even thought about it. Everyone has: 2 parents, 4 grandparents, 8 great grandparents and so on. Do you know all their names? When did your immigrant ancestors come to Australia? What countries did they come from? Why did they come? What ship did they come on? Where did they first settle? What did they do? Do you know about their war service (most of us have ancestors who served)? Do you have any famous ancestors or distant cousins? Or infamous ones? Do you have 'Australian royalty' (convict ancestors)? The chances are you have if your ancestors came here 150 years or more ago. If you are curious to know more, cruise with us from Sydney to Singapore and join 'Unlock the Past's' specialty Genealogy talks.

### Day 1: 29 March 2019 Depart Sydney

Embark aboard your floating hotel for what promises to be the most relaxing and at same time engaging fortnight, ever! Here's to personal and cultural discovery.

**Stay:** Royal Caribbean's Explorer of the Seas—15 nights (15B, 14L, 15D)

### Explorer of the Seas

There's never been a cruise ship like this. Aboard Royal Caribbean's 138,000 tonne, 3,114 guest Explorer of the Seas enjoy one-of-a-kind features aboard this stunning floating resort spread over 15 decks. Catch a wave on the FlowRider simulator, climb a rock wall overlooking the sea and wallow in one of the 10 pools and whirlpools. Find your adventure on the basketball court, ice skating rink or mini-golf course. Enjoy parades, dancing and duty-shopping on the Royal Parade. Enjoy one of the largest ever casino's at sea, theatre shows and 15 clubs, bars and lounges. Indulge in one of the 100 treatments available at the Vitality Spa. Entertainment on offer includes masterclasses, parades, theme nights, art auctions, dance classes, guest lectures, full production shows, pub performances and more. Enjoy a phenomenal choice of dining. Complimentary dining options include the Main Dining Room for multi-course dining, Windjammer

Café and Café Promenade. Giovanni's Table Italian trattoria, Izumi Japanese Cuisine, signature steakhouse - Chop's Grille, Johnny Rockets, Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream and 24-hour room service are available at an additional cost. And with several types of stateroom accommodation including interior, ocean view, balcony and suites with daily attendant and nightly turndown, you'll enjoy comfort after another relaxing day at sea or in port.

### Day 2: 30 March 2019 At Sea

Relax and enjoy holiday life aboard Explorer of the Seas. During 'At Sea' days, there will be opportunity to attend an Unlock the Past Genealogy specialty presentation.

### Day 3: 31 March 2019 Brisbane

Once considered the "country cousin" of Australia's cities, cosmopolitan Brisbane is today the nation's third largest metropolis, with plenty to see and do in and outside the city.

### Day 4: 1 April 2019 At Sea

Enjoy a day at sea.

### Day 5: 2 April 2019 Airlie Beach

Vibrant hub of the Whitsundays and the ideal mainland base for fun and adventure in the Whitsundays, Airlie Beach is the perfect launching pad

for activities on the water and in the lush, green rainforest of the Whitsunday Coast. Soaking up the laid-back, tropical atmosphere, stroll through the boutiques, cafés and shops of the main street; relax by the Airlie Beach lagoon or head offshore.

### Day 6: 3 April 2019 At Sea

Enjoy a day at sea.

### Day 7: 4 April 2019 Cairns (Yorkey's Knob)

The picturesque town of Yorkey's, dominated by its dramatic headland, is gateway to tropical Cairns. Cairns boasts three of Australia's great natural wonders: the Great Barrier Reef and 16 miles of superb beaches that stretch to the north of the city to the famed Marlin Coast. Inland lies the immense Daintree National Park. Discover the rainbow of sea life, marvel at the rain forest or relax in Cairns centre.

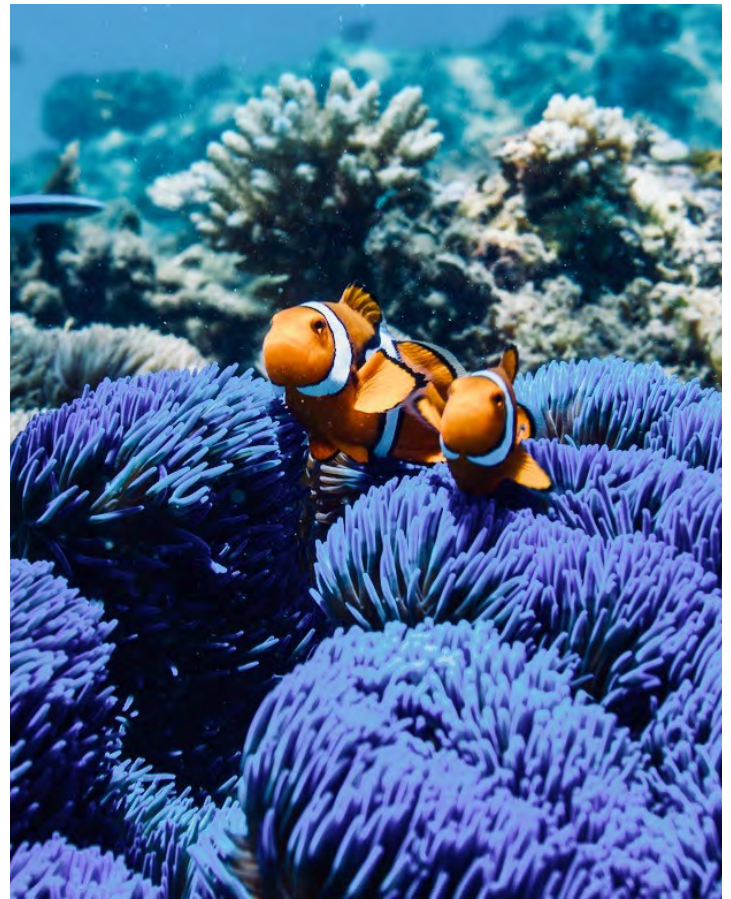
### Days 8—9 : 5-6 April 2019 At Sea

Enjoy 2 days at sea.

### Days 10—11 : 7-8 April 2019 Darwin

Gazing out confidently across the Timor Sea, tropical Darwin is closer to Bali than Bondi and a modern city (largely because its previous incarnation was blown down by a cyclone) with sparkling buildings and broad streets. Darwin has plenty to offer travellers including plenty of restaurants and bars, innovative museums celebrating the city's past,





galleries showcasing Indigenous art and famous Kakadu and Litchfield national parks.

#### Days 12—15 : 9-12 April 2019 At Sea

Enjoy 4 wonderful days at sea.

#### Day 16 : 13 April 2019 Singapore

Our arrival this morning into Singapore heralds the end of our cruise, with disembarkation after breakfast. The prosperous, ultra-modern city-state of Singapore is well-worth some exploration. Consider extending your holiday with a couple of nights in Singapore. Highlights include cultural enclaves such as Chinatown, Little India and Arab Street and attractions as diverse as Jurong Bird Park and Sentosa Island. World-class shopping awaits at Orchard and Scott's Road, and the Singapore Slings served at Raffles are cool respite in the Tropics!

#### Why Genealogy Cruises?

For one of the most care-free holidays you'll ever go on, make it a cruise. Add some Genealogy into the mix, and you'll return relaxed and with your interest piqued in all things genealogical!

#### Discover your Family History-program at sea—\$95 per adult

Operating genealogy-themed cruises since 2011, our partners—Unlock the Past Genealogy Cruises are offering a competitively priced course consisting of 5 specialty presentations especially designed

for the budding genealogist. This is for you if you have:

- Never researched your family history but would like to know how.
- Just started out, but would like to learn more.
- Seen and enjoyed the TV show *Who Do You Think You Are?* or other similar discovery programs. Why not find out 'who you are'. Caveat: Don't expect the head of a major record repository to deliver your family documents as seen on TV, though it does illustrate what can be done.
- Been to funerals and realised the generation above you is passing away and it is too late to ask them about family history.
- Realised that life is passing by for you and your children – and you don't know much about your family's story.

Cautionary advice: If you do this course you might get hooked!

**The course overview—5 x 45 min introductory talks conducted by esteemed speakers, who are specialists in the subject of genealogy:**

1. Beginning family history research.
2. Your family in Australia.
3. Where did your family come from?
4. What you can do online.
5. DNA: is it really useful?

#### For the Advanced Genealogist:

The major theme aboard this cruise

is Irish research, with secondary themes— War and DNA. The complete package offered as a Genealogy Conference on up to 9 'at sea' days comprises a very comprehensive range of highly specialised presentations (65+ topics in 1 main theatre) conducted by expert-in-their-field lecturers, historians and genealogists and aimed at participants who have a deeper understanding of genealogy and it's many facets.

- Irish research – extended 15 presentation program
- DNA – talks, workshops – 1-on-1 help PLUS Irish – war, immigration, British
- Research Help Zone sessions – 1-on-1 with experts

#### Lead Speakers:

David Rencher (USA) – Chief

Genealogical Officer for

FamilySearch

Dr Richard Reid (ACT) – Irish Military Historian

#### The Advanced Genealogist conference fee per cabin is:

- 2 genealogists \$990
- 1 genealogist & 1 attending non-genealogy partner \$695
- 1 genealogist & 1 non-attending partner \$595
- 1 genealogist (single occupancy cabin) \$495

#### Cruise inclusions

- 15 night cruise as detailed
- 44 meals
- Luggage portage to/from stateroom
- Hosted from Sydney\*\*
- Pre-departure 'Meet & Mingle' event in Adelaide prior to cruise\*\*

\*\*Subject to minimum numbers

\*\*\* Inside cabin is based on an Inside Virtual Balcony cabin

**Add to your cruise, your choice of the 'Discover your Family History - program at sea or 'The Advanced Genealogist conference. This is then payable at time of final payment of your cruise.**

#### Cruise costs from:

Inside stateroom ***	\$ 3,099
Oceanview stateroom	\$ 3,449
Balcony stateroom	\$ 3,999

Prices per person





**Refined itineraries  
tailored to offer a  
wealth of  
authentic experiences  
with a touch of luxury  
and added value.**



### Phil Hoffmann Travel 'Point of Difference'

A combination of expertise, intuition and passion for travel underpins every tour or cruise we design— an encapsulation of the best of every destination. Combined with authentic experiences—in this case— Unlock the Past Genealogy presentations at sea, there's no better time to make your next holiday an ocean cruise.

### Cruise booking conditions

**Amendments/changes:** A fee of \$100 per amendment will be charged for any reservation changes after your booking is confirmed, unless change increases the value of your booking. This fee is in addition to any charges from the cruise line.

**Booking Forms & Booking Conditions:** You are required to complete some forms when booking which provide essential information we require to process your booking. Your consultant will provide you with all relevant forms. Please ensure you read these booking conditions in conjunction with the Phil Hoffmann Travel 'Schedule of Professionalism' booking conditions.

**Cancellations:** Cancellations of firm bookings will be subject to loss of deposits paid for the cruise and Unlock the Past specialty series of talks or Advanced Genealogist conference (prior to full payment) and after full payment - the full cost of the cruise and Unlock the Past specialty series of talks or Advanced Genealogist conference imposed by principals involved in operating the cruise and at -sea events. Therefore, the cancellation fee may be up to the total cost for land. Cancelled bookings are non-transferable.

**Children:** Participants must be over the age of 15.

**Cruise Changes:** We endeavor to provide an accurate itinerary however, shipping companies and suppliers can sometimes change arrangements and our itinerary would then be adjusted to suit, however the same standard will always be used.

**Cruise Host\*\*:** Cruise host travels when minimum numbers (40 passengers) are met.

**Final payment date:** 15 December 2018.

**Insurance:** Insurance is compulsory for cover against loss of deposit and loss of airfares, personal accident, medical cover etc. If you have an ongoing medical condition you may be required to complete a pre-existing medical form. If you are over 70 years of age, you are required to complete a seniors medical form. Your consultant will provide all details.

**Medical Advice:** It is wise to seek medical advice before travelling. We recommend seeking advice from a travel specialist doctor, or from your own GP. Travellers must meet Phil Hoffmann Travel 'Statement of Fitness' standards to participate.

**Not Included on tour:** Travel insurance; tips and gratuities; items of a personal nature eg drinks, laundry, phone calls, meals other than those indicated, meals taken in any specialty restaurants aboard the ship—for which there is an additional cost, onshore sightseeing or optional tours; extensions/stopovers/amendments (if applicable); airport transfers.

**Passport & Visas:** A passport is required. Please ensure your passport has at least 6 months validity remaining. If travelling on an Australian passport, a visa is not necessary for entry into Singapore. Your Phil Hoffmann Travel Consultant will assist with further advice.

**Price Alterations:** Cruise prices specified are quoted as 'from' and are based on availability at the time of printing. Your cruise package pricing is subject to change at any time until full payment has been received.

**Reservations:** A proportional deposit (based on the value of your cruise) is required within 7 days of confirmation of your booking. The balance is due by 15 December 2018. If a booking is made after this date, the full cruise price is due at the time of confirmation.

**Refunds/Credits:** No refund is available in respect of any sightseeing tours, accommodation, meals or any other services including Unlock the Past specialty series of talks or Advanced Genealogist conference not utilised or required during this cruise. In respect to Unlock the Past specialty series of talks or Advanced Genealogist conference, no refund is available for cancellations after full payment is made or after the cruise has commenced. Credit offers cannot be refunded or taken as cash.

**Responsibility:** The cruise company reserves the right to alter or omit any part of the itinerary or change of reservation, features and/or means of conveyance without any notice and for any reason whatsoever. Phil Hoffmann Travel does not accept liability for failure on the part of transportation companies and other principals whose responsibility is confined to their own operations. The transportation companies or firms shall be exempt from all liabilities in respect of any detention, delay, loss, damage, sickness or injury and by whom so ever caused and whatever kind occurring of or to the

passenger at any time when the passenger is not on board a conveyance used or operated by the transportation companies or firms.

All ticket coupons and orders are furnished and issued subject in all respects to those terms and conditions under which the means of transportation or other services provided thereby are offered or supplied by the owners, operators, public carriers, management agents or agents.

These Terms and Conditions must be read in combination with the Terms and Conditions set out by Royal Caribbean Cruises.

**Unlock the Past Genealogy Cruises:** The at-sea event organizer—Unlock the Past Genealogy Cruises is responsible for all content, guest speakers and the overall operation of the specialty series of talks and the Advanced Genealogist conference aboard the cruise. As already detailed, in respect to Unlock the Past specialty series of talks or Advanced Genealogist conference, no refund is available for cancellations after full payment is made or after the cruise has commenced.

The Phil Hoffmann Schedule of Professionalism applies. E&OE.

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**For further information on talk and conference content plus guest speakers conducting the Genealogy Introduction talks x 5, and the Advanced Genealogist Conference, please head to -**

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