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# CULTURES OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC

12 days | Sydney | Auckland | Rotorua | Rarotonga

Far away on the other side of the globe, Australia and New Zealand boast incredible wildlife, beautiful natural wonders, and some of the world's most fascinating Indigenous cultures. Spend time exploring customs and traditions of Australia's Aborigines, New Zealand's Māori, and the Cook Island's own Māori Kūki 'Āirani. Then discover how these cultures continue to thrive and change in a modern world.

## EVERYTHING YOU GET:

-  **Full-time Tour Director**
-  **Sightseeing:** 1 sightseeing tour led by a licensed local guide; 3 sightseeing tours led by your Tour Director
-  **Entrances:** Sydney Tower; Hyde Park Barracks Museum; Royal Botanical Gardens; "Introduction to Opal in Australia" experience; Rotorua duck tour; Agrodome; "Introduction to Jade in New Zealand" experience; Wai-O-Tapu Thermal Wonderland; Māori Village visit; Rarotonga snorkeling; Cook Islands community visit; Rarotonga school visit
-  **Personalized learning guide:** Our personalized learning experience engages students before, during, and after tour, with the option to create a final, reflective project for academic credit.
-   **All of the details are covered:** Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; internal flights; ferry; 9 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms; breakfast and dinner daily
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Aboriginal art in Australia



Māori Village

*Anyone can see the world.*

# YOU'RE GOING TO EXPERIENCE IT.

As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your Tour Director in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning experience, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. Expert local guides will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views on history, art, architecture, or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

*@EFtours I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school #traveltuesday*

– MELISSA, TRAVELER



Via Twitter



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## What you'll experience on your tour

### Days 1–2: Fly to Australia

- Cross the International Date Line.

### Day 3: Sydney

- Welcome to Sydney, a stunning, cosmopolitan city of 4.6 million people that boasts world-class beaches, iconic architecture, and breathtaking natural wonders.
- Enjoy a bird's-eye view of the city from the observation deck of Sydney Tower. At 1,063 feet, it's the second-tallest building south of the equator.

### Day 4: Sydney

- Take a walking tour of Sydney. You will see important landmarks like the Sydney Town Hall and Queen Victoria Building.
- Explore the Hyde Park Barracks Museum, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, on a unique tour that brings students face-to-face with Australia's convict heritage.
- Enjoy an "Introduction to Opal in Australia" experience.
- Explore the Sydney Royal Botanical Gardens with an expert local guide, then forage for your own snack, or "bush tucker," with an Aboriginal educator.

### Day 5: Sydney

- Full day to see more of Sydney or  
➦ visit Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park.

### Day 6: Sydney | Auckland | Rotorua

- Fly to Auckland.
- Travel to Rotorua, where geothermal activity and Māori culture have made the city a major travel destination.

### Day 7: Rotorua

- During your Rotorua duck tour, hop on board an amphibious duck boat and explore Rotorua's historic landmarks and natural wonders.
- Participate in an "Introduction to Jade in New Zealand" experience.
- Visit the Agrodome, a farm theme park, and enjoy a sheep-shearing demonstration and dog show.

### Day 8: Rotorua

- A local guide will lead you through your visit to Wai-O-Tapu Thermal Wonderland, where you will learn about geothermal activity, like geysers.
- Participate in an immersive experience in a Murupara Māori Village, where you will learn about legends and tribal customs.
- Enjoy Māori song and dance at a traditional hāngī dinner.

### Days 9–10: Rotorua | Auckland | Rarotonga

- Travel to Auckland.
- Take a tour of Auckland.
- Fly to Rarotonga, the largest of the South Pacific's remote Cook Islands, and re-cross the International Date Line. *(Remember that crossing the International Date Line will effectively bring you "back in time" to Day 9!)*
- Enjoy a lei greeting at the airport.
- Go snorkeling for an up-close look at colorful fish and coral.
- Enjoy a beach-side lunch followed by free time to relax on the beach.

### Day 11: Rarotonga | Depart for home

- Get to know the culture and traditions of Rarotonga's residents during a Cook Island community visit.
- Learn about the ecology of the island with an expert local guide. Then help prepare and enjoy lunch with local community members.
- Visit a school for an up-close look at daily life for young island locals.
- Board your overnight flight for home.

### Day 12: Arrive home



*My first stamp in my passport :) #eftours*

– ILIANA, TRAVELER



Via Instagram



*Sydney is beautiful #sydney #australia #eftours #operahouse #beautiful #love #harborbridge*

– AUDREY, TRAVELER



Via Instagram

## TOP THREE THINGS I WILL SEE, DO, TRY, OR EXPLORE

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

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—CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER

“ Tour review

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- **Your full-time Tour Director is with your group** every step of the way on tour, providing insight about your destinations as well as great local tips.



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