



AUGUST 2010



NEWSLETTER

SARAH BIRD COOKS UP A FEED IN THAILAND

Early last week I had the opportunity to spend 4 Nights in Bangkok, Thailand on an educational excursion.

I was blown away from the very start of my arrival into the amazing airport.

I flew with Thai Airways which was a comfortable experience and we stayed at the Royal Orchid Sheraton and had a wonderful stay with even the choice of my own pillow.

Within my short stay I was able to see 6 temples out of the thousands there are to see which included the Golden Buddha and the Emerald Buddha.

The experience also included a 17 Km mountain bike ride weaving in and out of Traffic just like a local and attendance at a Baipai Cooking School.

The highlight of my trip was learning to cook four Thai recipes and I was so impressed that I managed to bring four of the wonderful recipes home.

As part of the cooking class I learnt how to create Coconut Milk from a real Coconut, also how to cook Pad Thai using a Wok, I fried an egg whilst holding my other ingredients on the side and the end result tasted amazing of course.

As you could imagine all this crammed into four days of education was a little tiring so I had to have a Thai Massage this was to be one of the most interesting massages I have ever had being totally relaxed from Head to Toe.

The final phase of the programme allowed us to participate in a little bit of retail therapy, Shopping at the MBK Centre, the Weekend Markets and Gems International Jewelry World where I could watch the workers make the different products and amazing designs.

One of the exciting things about being a Travel Consultant is the fact that we are often invited to participate in Educational Excursions to some amazing destinations across Australia and around the World so that we may provide to you a greater insight into destinations that you as our customer may choose to visit. Following this adventure I would highly recommend anyone to travel to Bangkok it has so much to do, see and eat.

I can't wait to go back.

Sarah Bird



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Maybe your dream is to take a journey to the Top End of Australia, Darwin then travel by luxury coach on a fully accommodated tour through Kakadu National park, cruise Katherine Gorge, explore the wonders of the Kimberly on the way to the sunset at Cable Beach in Broome.

These three magical products will be part of the interesting and exciting presentation given by Karen at the Casino RSM Club this Tuesday 17th August commencing at 6.30pm. Take the time away from the TV and see what your dream may be in 2011. Call today 66626255 to reserve your space.

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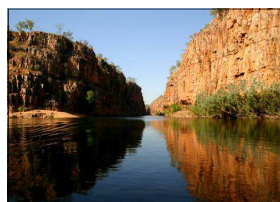


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TAKE THE TRAIN TO THE WILDFLOWERS OF WA

With the introduction of cheap airfares, one of Australia's greatest attractions seems to have been lost. The ability to see our magnificent country from East to West or West to East by train at ground level. In our July issue I provided a short insight into one of the World's Great Rail Journeys on the Trans Mongolian/Trans Siberian rail journey.

This month I have been reading up on another Great Rail Journey with more luxury and comfort than the Trans Siberian Rail, The World Famous Indian Pacific from Sydney to Perth. Why not take another look at the famous Gold Service which includes your comfortable two berth sleeping cabin with all the facilities as well as all your meals freshly prepared in the spectacular restaurant and meet new friends in the lounge car and much more. See Australia at ground level on your way to wonderful Western Australia.

On arrival you spend 2 nights at the Crown Plaza Perth hotel including breakfast before taking part in a 4 day Northern Wildflower Tour featuring New Norcia, Dongara, Geraldton, Pinnacles and Kings Park including quality accommodation and most meals.

Or

Two nights at the Crown Plaza with Breakfast before a 3 day Southern Wildflower Tour featuring highlights of Dwellingup, Busselton, Augusta, Margaret River, Mandurah and Fremantle including accommodation and most meals.

The Northern Tour cost ex Sydney. (8 Days—7 Nights)

Adult \$3666 per person twin share

Pension Concession \$3057 per person twin share.

The Southern Tour cost ex Sydney. (7 Days—6 Nights)

Adult \$2727 per person twin share

Pension Concession \$2235 per person twin share

These prices are offered as a special spring booking offer and are valid for bookings made up until 31 August and for travel from 1 September to 31 December 2010 or until sold out. You can then add an airfare home or stay a few more days before returning from your ground level adventure by way of the air route with Qantas or Virgin Blue.



LOCAL REGION DEPARTURES ON GRAND PACIFIC NZ HOLIDAYS

Grand Pacific Tours are offering a fantastic regional departure service in 2011 for three of their 'Luxury Coach Holiday' tours to New Zealand.

Departures will be from Woodburn, Coraki, Lismore, Alstonville and Ballina and include the free return transfers and an extra nights accommodation provided in New Zealand.

Choose from:

20 Day Rail/Coach departing 06 April 2011

20 Day Grand New Zealand departing 15 April 2011

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BACK PAGE LIMITED DURATION SPECIALS

3 Nights in a Superior Bayview Room at the Shangri-La Hotel the Marina Cairns for travel now to 27 December inclusive. Just \$280 per person twin share. Escape the winter. Just add the best airfare to Cairns. (SLV)

7 Nights Anantara Resort (5 star) Seminyak Bali—Includes return Flights with Pacific Blue, Breakfast Daily, All pre-payable taxes. Travel 16 September to 18 December Ex Brisbane \$2219 per person twin share. (TRAV2)

4 Nights Outrigger Reef on the Beach, Hawaii. Flights Brisbane Sydney with Virgin and Hawaiian Airlines, Transfers Sydney and Honolulu, pre-payable taxes. Travel Now to 31 October \$1872 per person twin share. (TRAV2)

6 Nights Edgewater Resort & Spa, Cook Islands. Direct flight ex Sydney. Tropical breakfast daily, Travel Now to 19 September. Ex Sydney \$1089 per person twin share. (Talpac)

8 Nights Phuket 'Mercure Patong Phuket' Return Airfares ex Brisbane flying Thai, Transfers, Breakfast Daily, Offer ends 31 August, Travel now to 16 September. \$1289 per person twin share. (Viva)

2 Nights Lost Camel at Voyages Ayers Rock Resort, Return airfares with Virgin Blue ex Brisbane via Sydney. Return airport transfers. Travel now to 31 October. \$757 per person twin share. (Viva)

7 Nights Warwick Le Lagon Resort & Spa, Vanuatu. Return airfares with Qantas, Buffet Breakfast Daily, Free green fees on resort golf course. Depart 12 October to 24 December. \$1302 per person twin share. (Talpac)

7 Nights Mercure Resort/Ski Queenstown NZ, Fly direct Queenstown, return transfers, 8 day resort ski pass, 8 days mountain transfers, all applicable pre paid taxes. \$1322 per person twin share. (SkiExpress)

12 Night South Pacific Cruise on 'Radiance of the Seas' all meals and entertainment, port charges and gratuities. Visit Noumea, Vila, Champagne Bay and more. Depart 24 March 11 from \$2136 per person twin inside. (CREAC)

18 Night Caribbean Fly Cruise from Sydney, departs 05 November flying Delta from Sydney to Miami. 2 nights Miami, transfers, 14 nights on brand new Norwegian Epic cruising East and West Caribbean, all meals and entertainment, gratuities, port, taxes and fees. Priced from \$3595 per person twin share ex Sydney. Category KK, Category BG Balcony from \$4295 per person twin share. (Cruise Abroad)

The above products in most instances have a limited sale availability date and therefore we advise that should you require any of these great holidays you should contact us immediately to obtain the booking conditions, no guarantee can be given regarding availability of the product until a booking is made. All items can be withdrawn from sale without notice and all have an expiry and restricted travel dates. Prices with included taxes may change at any time, final price will be advised at time of booking.



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