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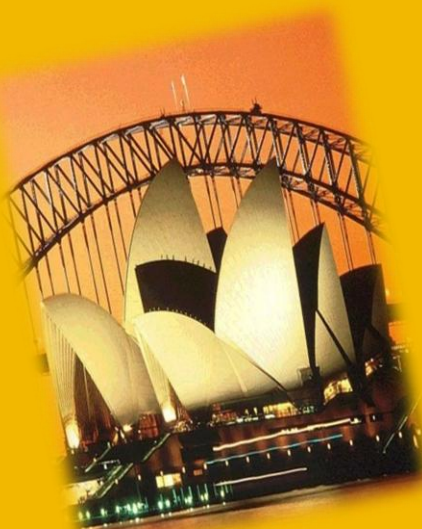
SPORTS TRAVEL

WALES

SUMMER TOUR

Australia

2012



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Wales' No 1 Rugby Tour Operator



Welcome to our Summer Tour Programme.

Robert Davies Sports Travel are Wales' largest rugby tour operator, and have been successfully operating rugby supporter tours for over 25 years. We have handled the travel arrangements for the Welsh Team and are the appointed tour operator for Cardiff Blues and the Scarlets.



After highly successful tours to South Africa, USA, Canada and New Zealand in recent years, we are pleased to present our tours for the 2012 Summer Tour 'down under' to Australia.

We have arranged a comprehensive itinerary which will visit some of the World's most spectacular scenery as well as experiencing Hong Kong en route for a 2 night stopover and taking in all 3 test matches against Australia.

All of our tours are organised with rugby supporters in mind and our packages are put together with all the care and attention that you would expect from a reputable company, having made rugby tours a success over many years and the majority of our clients returning to us year after year.

MATCH SCHEDULE

Saturday 9 th June	Australia v Wales	Suncorp Stadium	BRISBANE
Saturday 16 th June	Australia v Wales	Ethiad Stadium	MELBOURNE
Saturday 23 rd June	Australia v Wales	Football Stadium	SYDNEY

Accommodation

All accommodation is 4* and on bed and breakfast basis.

Flights

Airlines and exact departure times will be confirmed on booking confirmation

Baggage Allowance

One suitcase plus one piece of hand luggage per person. Actual airline weight allowance will be advised.

Airport Transfers

We will be offering return coach transfers to Heathrow from South Wales for £55pp (subject to min numbers)

Upgrade your flight for extra comfort

Although the comfort and service offered by the airlines we use is excellent you may wish to upgrade your flight to premium or business. Please call for cost.

Extend your stay

If you would like longer in Australia or stop overs on your return journey please call us and we can make arrangements for you.

Match Tickets

Match tickets are included in these packages and will be issued in Australia.

HOW TO BOOK

Booking with us is easy. All you need to do is complete a booking form and return to us with a non refundable deposit of £1000 per person (or full balance if within 12 weeks). Alternatively call us on 01656 773779 and make your booking over the phone with a credit or debit card. Please note visa/mastercard carry a 2.5% bank fee.

Information

Time Difference

(from UK time)

Hong Kong	+ 8 hrs
Brisbane	+10 hrs
Cairns	+10 hrs
Melbourne	+11 hrs
Sydney	+11 hrs

Climate

Although June is winter in Australia, there is a wide variety in climate between states. Daytime temperatures in June vary between 12C and 20C but evenings will be cooler.

Flying Times (approx)

London - Hong Kong	11 ½ Hrs
Hong Kong - Brisbane	9 Hrs
Brisbane - Cairns	2 ½ Hrs
Cairns - Melbourne	3 ½ Hrs
Melbourne - Sydney	1 ½ Hrs
Sydney - Canberra	40 Mins
Canberra - Melbourne	1 Hr

Money

Australian Dollar

Health

There are no mandatory vaccinations for travel to Australia.

Visas

For entry into Australia, everyone will require a tourist visa. Details on these will be given with booking confirmation. The cost is £20 approx.



Hong Kong

Hong Kong is a unique destination with multiple personalities through years of absorbing a wide variety of people and cultural influences from around the world. It's bustling cosmopolitan streets have given Hong Kong a reputation as a Harbour city of skyscrapers. However, it is far more versatile with its cloudy mountains and rocky islands, it is more rural landscape than city. Much of the countryside is classified as Country Park and, although 7 million people are never far away, it is possible to find pockets of wilderness. Hong Kong has a subtropical climate and boasting one of the world's best airports, it is the ideal stopover.



Brisbane

The capital of the state of Queensland, with a population of around 2 million, Brisbane is the third largest city in Australia. It's considered by many to be a new world city due to its rapid development and creative forward thinking. With what is arguably, the most laid-back, vibrant and friendliest atmosphere in Australia along with its year round warm climate and spectacular scenery, it is easy to see why it draws so many visitors every year.



Cairns

Cairns is a cosmopolitan city surrounded by rainforest and the magnificent Great Barrier Reef. The atmosphere is laid back and unpretentious. With a reputation as the 'adventure capital' and with an abundance of shops, bars and restaurants you are never short of things to do here.



Melbourne

Australia's second largest city and the capital of the state of Victoria, Melbourne is home to 4 million residents. Known as the cultural capital for its Victorian era architecture, museums, theatres, galleries, large parks, gardens and extensive shopping. Its residents are both multicultural and sports mad. Melbourne is also home to the filming set of soap opera 'Neighbours'. The city is an extraordinary mix of old and new, something not to be missed!



Sydney

This Harbour City is the largest, oldest and most cosmopolitan city in Australia with an enviable reputation as one of the world's most beautiful and vibrant cities. Brimming with history, nature, culture, art, fashion, cuisine, design, it is set next to miles of ocean coastline and sandy surf beaches. The city is also home to the Sydney Opera House and the Sydney Harbour Bridge, two of the most iconic Structures in the world. A trip to Australia would not be complete without a visit to this unique and wonderful city!



TOUR 1 – OUTBACK – 21 Nights

Monday 4th June

Depart London Heathrow for Hong Kong.

Tuesday 5th June

On arrival in **Hong Kong**, we will be met by our local agent and transferred to the hotel.

The remainder of the day will be at your own leisure to soak up the delights of this amazing city – one which truly comes alive at night.

Wednesday 6th June

After breakfast, we embark on a morning tour of Hong Kong Island with a tram ride to the Peak for a breathtaking view, followed by a leisurely sampan ride at Aberdeen Harbour and time to investigate the famous Stanley Market for its bargain shopping.

Optional night of horse racing at the Happy Valley Racecourse right in the heart of the city.

Thursday 7th June

Today is free for you to further explore the city.

There will be an optional tour to the old Portugese colony of Macau, famous for its beautiful, historic architecture and gambling. Chinese come here to wager their bets at one of the dozens of enormous, sparkling casinos.

This evening we will depart for our flight to Australia.

Friday 8th June

On arrival in **Brisbane** we will be transferred to Australia Zoo. Made famous by TV personality Steve Irwin, the zoo is located 60 minutes north of Brisbane. You will see a Koala show as well as crocodile feedings and can view all of the other animals at the conservation friendly zoo.

After a light BBQ lunch and a memorable day we will transfer to **4* Novotel Hotel** in Brisbane or similar at around 4.30pm.

Saturday 9th June

Morning free for sightseeing or shopping in Brisbane.

Later we will transfer for pre match drinks and refreshments at Queensland Rugby Union HQ on Rugby Quay, before transferring to Suncorp Stadium for the match.

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Sunday 10th June

After breakfast, we will transfer to Brisbane Airport for our flight north to **Cairns**. On arrival we will transfer to the **5* Shangri La Marina Hotel** or similar. The remainder of the afternoon is free for your leisure.

This evening we will attend a local restaurant for a Seafood Dinner.

Monday 11th June

Today you will enjoy some true Far North Queensland scenic delights. Firstly, we will take the 7.5km Skyrail Journey over the rainforest canopy to Kuranda, where on arrival you will have time to enjoy the local markets and the Australian Butterfly Sanctuary. Early afternoon we will transfer to the Rainforestation Nature Park for the Army Duck Rainforest Tour. We will travel deep into the rainforest both on land and water as your guide explains different species of Flora and Fauna, then explore the Tropical Fruit Orchard. We will then depart the Rainforestation Park to Kuranda Village for the scenic train back to Cairns before a short coach trip back to the hotel.

The evening will be at your own leisure.

Tuesday 12th June

Today we are off to the Great Barrier Reef and what an experience this will be! Our high speed catamaran leaves Cairns mid morning for a 2 hour cruise across the blue waters of the Pacific Ocean. Enroute you will be served refreshments before arriving at the huge floating pontoon right above the reef. We will have 3 hours here, with a Seafood Lunch, then allowing ample time to snorkel, take the semi-submersible cruise or visit the underwater observatory for coral and fish viewing. In the late afternoon we will head back to Cairns with refreshments arriving back around 5.30pm.

Wednesday 13th June

Today is free for your to explore and enjoy Cairns. You may choose to relax by the pool in the tropical sunshine or roam the streets of Cairns enjoying its many shops and restaurants.

There will be optional tours to Port Douglas or if youre adventure minded, why not experience an afternoon of white water rafting through the Barron River or an early morning hot air balloon ride....Lots to do!

TOUR 1 – OUTBACK – 21 Nights

Thursday 14th June

After breakfast we will transfer to Cairns Airport for our flight to **Melbourne**. On arrival we will take a City Tour including viewing Captain Cooks Historic Cottage and a tour of the famous Melbourne Cricket Ground.

Later we will check in to the **4* Rydges Hotel** in Melbourne or similar. The remainder of the day will be free.

Friday 15th June

Depart mid-morning for a tour of the famous wine growing area of the Yarra Valley with a private wine tasting at the Chandon Winery (Owned by Moet & Chandon) and a 2 course lunch.

We will return to the hotel late afternoon and the evening will be free at your leisure.

Saturday 16th June

Transfer for pre match drinks and refreshments before transferring to the Ethiad Stadium for the match.

WALES v AUSTRALIA

Sunday 17th June

This afternoon we will attend the famous MCG for Hawthorn v Brisbane Lions (and AFL game)

This 100,000 seat venue is a legend and offers spectators a truly memorable experience.

This evening will be free for you to enjoy Melbourne's bars and restaurants.

Monday 18th June

Today is free for you to explore Melbourne.

Optional excursion today to Philip Island and Penguin Parade including a drive along the famous Great Ocean Road.

Tuesday 19th June

Check out of hotel and transfer for our flight to **Sydney**.

On arrival in Sydney we will have a sightseeing tour including panoramic views of Sydney Harbour Bridge, Opera House, Bondi and much more.

We will then check in at the **5* Sofitel Wentworth Hotel** or similar.

This evening we will be treated to a BBQ Dinner at Phillips Foote in the historic Rocks district of Sydney. *(Drinks not included)*

Wednesday 20th June

Today you will have a full day at leisure to enjoy the delights of this cosmopolitan city.

Optional tour to Hunter Valley, visiting the Lindermans Winery, including 3 Wine tastings, tour and lunch.

****For those wishing to visit Ayers Rock, we have arranged an optional 2 Night / 3 day tour at this point. Includes : return economy flights, transfers to hotel, 2 nights at the Desert Gardens Hotel, Sunrise tour and cultural walk at Ayers Rock. Rejoin tour Friday morning. For more details please call****

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Today is free for you to explore Sydney.

Optional tour to the spectacular Blue Mountains just west of Sydney. There will be a visit enroute to the Featherdale Wildlife Park to see Koalas, emus and crocodiles, followed by time at Katoomba enjoying the views across the Mesalong and Jamison Valleys.

Friday 22nd June

Today we will take a Sydney Harbour Cruise to take in the magnificent sights of the Opera House and the Harbour Bridge from the ocean. *(Date of this excursion may change with optional tours changing accordingly)*

Saturday 23rd June

Today we will transfer for pre match drinks and refreshments at Randwick Rugby Club before transferring to Sydney Football Stadium for the match.

WALES v AUSTRALIA

Sunday 24th June

Check out of the hotel.

Transfer to Sydney International Airport for the return flight to London.

Monday 25th June

Early morning arrival in London Heathrow.

~ End of Tour ~

TOUR 1 – **OUTBACK** – 21 Nights

Tour Cost

£4695 per person
(based on twin/double share)

£6150 per person
(based on single occupancy)

Please Note

Tour Price is based on minimum numbers travelling.

Costs are based on an exchange rate of £1= AUD 1.49

We reserve the right to change prices if there is a variation

In exchange rate or an increase in airline tariffs.

On receipt of your final invoice which will be sent 8 weeks

Prior to departure, your price is guaranteed.

What's Included.....

- * Return international economy flights
- * All domestic flights in Australia
- * 4/5* Accommodation in Australia
- * Private coach transfers throughout
- * 2 Night stopover in Hong Kong
- * Match Tickets for 3 Tests
- * Pre-match Hospitality for 3 Tests
- * Guided Sightseeing tour in Hong Kong with
Peak Tram and Sampan Ride
- * Sightseeing Tours in Melbourne & Sydney
- * Australia Zoo - Entry and BBQ Lunch
- * Full day tour to the Great Barrier Reef with
Seafood Lunch
- * Seafood Dinner at a local restaurant
- * Skyrail from Cairns to Atherton, scenic
Train from the Tablelands to Springwood
- * Tour of the Melbourne Cricket Ground
- * Visit to the Yarra Valley Winery with 2
course lunch
- * Sydney Harbour Cruise
- * Dinner at Philips Foote
- * Entry to Aussie Football Game
- * Tour Merchandise
- * Services of RDST representatives throughout



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TOUR 2 – KANGAROO HOP – 14 Nights

Saturday 9th June

Depart London Heathrow for Australia

Sunday 10th June

In Flight

Monday 11th June

Arrive in Sydney early morning and immediately transfer to our onward flight to **Canberra**.

On arrival you will check in to the **4* Rydges Canberra Hotel** or similar with the remainder of the day free to relax after the flight.

Tuesday 12th June

This morning you will take a tour of this purpose built city created to be the site of the Federal parliament as an alternate to Sydney or Melbourne.

This evening you will transfer to Canberra Stadium for

WALES v BRUMBIES

Wednesday 13th June

Lunchtime flight to **Melbourne**.

On arrival you will take a tour of the city including viewing Captain Cooks historic cottage and a tour of the World famous Melbourne Cricket Ground. After the tour you will transfer to the **4*Rydges Melbourne Hotel** or similar.

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Today is free for your own leisure. We will meet up with Tour 1 today and follow the same itinerary.

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Tour Cost

£3740 per person
(based on twin/double share)
£4750 per person
(based on single occupancy)

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- * Private coach transfers throughout
- * Match Tickets for last 2 Tests
- * Tickets to Wales v Brumbies Match in Canberra
- * Pre-match Hospitality for 2 Tests
- * Sightseeing Tours in Melbourne & Sydney
- * Sightseeing Tour of Canberra
- * Tour of the Melbourne Cricket Ground
- * Visit to the Yarra valley Winery with 2 course lunch
- * Sydney Harbour Cruise
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OPTIONAL EXTRAS

HONG KONG

- **Horse Racing at Happy Valley Racecourse (£ TBA)**
- **Macau (£ TBA)**

An old Portuguese colony, now famous for its beautiful historic architecture and gambling. Casinos are not allowed in Hong Kong or mainland China, so all the Chinese come here to wager their bets at one of the dozens of enormous, sparkling casinos.



CAIRNS

- **Barron River (£92pp)**
- **Hot Air Balloon Ride (£155pp)**
- **Port Douglas (£ TBA)**



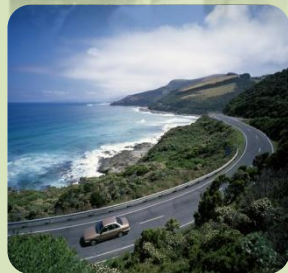
Melbourne

- **Great Ocean Road (£135pp)**

Full day drive along this famous ocean road to view the coastal geological format known as the Twelve Apostles. Including Lunch.

- **Western Port, Philip Island & Penguin Parade (£104pp)**

At Western Port experience water birds and mangroves with Panoramic views of French Island and a visit to San Remo which is a maritime fishing village. Then on to Philip Island, home of one of the largest colonies of little penguins, witness the natural phenomenon of the Penguin Parade on floodlit Summerland Beach. You will see Penguin rookeries as you walk on an elevated boardwalk and then onto the Penguin Experience.



Sydney

- **Hunter Valley and Lindermans Winery including Lunch (£125pp)**

Includes 3 Winery Tastings, tours and lunch

- **Blue Mountains (£95pp)**

Tour to the spectacular Blue Mountains just west of Sydney. En route visit the Featherdale Wildlife Park to see Koalas, emus and crocodiles, followed by time at Katoomba enjoying the views across the Megalong and Jamison Valleys. Including Lunch.

- **Ayers Rock (£ Please call)**

2 Nights / 3 Days. Including Return economy flights, transfers to hotel, 4* Hotel, Morning sunrise tour and cultural walk at Ayers Rock.



- Premium Economy Upgrade
- Business Class Upgrade
- Stopovers on return journey
- Return Coach transfers between South Wales and Heathrow

NB : Costs are approximate

YOUR HOLIDAY CONTRACT : When you make a booking, you guarantee that you have the authority to accept and do accept on behalf of your party the terms of these booking conditions.

YOUR SECURITY : Robert Davies Sports Travel are fully bonded members of the Civil Aviation Authority ATOL (4225). Your money is secure.

NAMES : Names must be supplied at the time of booking, any changes will be subject to amendment fees as laid down by the individual airlines.

PAYMENT DETAILS : Final balances will be due no later than 12 weeks prior to departure.

PAYMENTS : We accept payment by cash, cheque, credit or debit card. We do not accept AMEX. Please note that payment by visa or mastercard carry a 2.5% bank charge.

HOTELS : Prices are based on twin/double rooms and two people sharing. Some hotels have a limited number of double bedded rooms and therefore we guarantee these. Twin bedded rooms have two beds. We will always endeavour to obtain the room requested but this cannot be guaranteed. Should we through circumstances beyond our control be forced to change your accommodation, we will advise you at the earliest opportunity. In these rare cases we will offer a hotel of the same standard or higher and any extra cost will be absorbed.

CHANGES TO YOUR HOLIDAY : It is unlikely that we will have to make changes to your travel arrangements but we do plan the arrangements many months in advance and therefore occasionally we may have to make changes and we reserve the right to do so at any time.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS : Travel documents will be issued approximately 14 days prior to departure.

ID : All passengers travelling will require a full passport. You will need 6 months unexpired on your passport at your return. Visas will be required for travel and details of such will be provided by us.

CANCELLATION CHARGES : Should you wish to cancel your booking, we will require notification in writing. Cancellation charges will be levied in accordance with the scale set out in terms and conditions.

MATCH CANCELLATION : Robert Davies Sports Travel cannot be responsible for refunds of money due to cancellation of matches as a result of inclement weather, foot and mouth, outbreak of disease, terrorism or events beyond our control.

ATOL : The air tours in this brochure are ATOL protected by the Civil Aviation Authority. Our ATOL number is 4225.

MATCH TICKETS : Test Match Tickets will be included with these package as outlined in your itinerary. They are supplied by Australian Agent and will be distributed in Australia.

INSURANCE : It is your responsibility to ensure you have adequate travel insurance, and we will require details of the company and policy number prior to travel. Unfortunately we do not offer travel insurance from this office but recommend you contact your insurance broker, bank or post office who will be able to provide suitable cover.

Tour managers and local representatives are instructed not to act as agents in booking any alternative activities other than those approved by us. Any assistance they may offer at your request does not imply they have acted as an agent or that these activities have been approved and are offered for sale by the company.

Full copies of our terms and conditions are available on request.

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HOW TO BOOK

Complete this booking form and return to us with a deposit of £1000pp (or full balance if within 12 weeks).

We accept payment by Cash/Cheque/Credit & Debit cards.

Please note payments by visa/mastercard carry a **2.5% bank fee**.

On receipt of your booking form, confirmation will be sent to the lead passenger.

Final balances will be due approx 12 weeks prior to departure.

LEAD PASSENGER DETAILS

Name

Full Address

.....Post Code

Telephone

E-Mail

PASSENGER DETAILS

Title Full Name

Passport No.....

Passport Exp/..... Passport Start/..... D.O.B/...../.....

Title Full Name

Passport No.....

Passport Exp/..... Passport Start/..... D.O.B/...../.....

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DECLARATION

I have read and understood the booking conditions as detailed on the relevant pages of this brochure. I accept that all persons listed are responsible for fulfilling all immigration requirements where applicable. I declare that neither I nor any of my party are travelling against medical advice and I accept that Robert Davies Sports Travel is not able to provide special assistance for clients travelling with certain disabilities. I am over 18 years of age.

SALES & RESERVATIONS HOTLINE

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TOUR OPTION

Tour 1 – Outback Tour 2 – Kangaroo Hop

No in Party

Twins Doubles Singles

COACH TRANSFER

Coach to/from Heathrow Airport

From Carmarthen, Llanelli, Swansea, Neath, Port Talbot, Sarn, Cardiff, Newport

Number required @ £55pp _____

Pick up Point _____

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Horse Racing Macau

Hot Air Balloon Barron River

Port Douglas Great Ocean Rd

Philip Island Hunter Valley

Blue Mnts Ayers Rock

TOUR MERCHANDISE

Male Chest Size (eg 36, 42)

Female Clothing Size (eg 8,12,16)

CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS

Card Type

Card No

Exp Date/..... Sec No

Valid From/..... Issue No

Name on Card

Amount to be debited £

Print Name

Date

Signature