

TASMANIA'S WILDLIFE



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WILDLIFE TOURISM AUSTRALIA OPERATORS – South region

1 SOMETHING WILD WILDLIFE SANCTUARY



Tasmania's premier wildlife experience. See wild platypus, devils, quolls, koalas, wombats and more. Observe orphan rehab baby animals. Guided ecotours.

2082 Gordon River Road,
National Park
p: +61 3 6288 1013
w: www.somethingwild.com.au

2 HUON BUSH RETREATS



Self-contained cabins, luxury tepees and campground, 50 minutes south from Hobart. No fences in this extensive private habitat reserve where native animals roam free.

300 Browns Road, Ranelagh
10 minutes from Huonville
p: +61 3 6264 2233
w: www.huonbushretreats.com

3 BRUNY ISLAND CHARTERS



An unforgettable 3 hour, 50km environmental travel adventure. See towering sea cliffs, spectacular caves, hundreds of seals and abundant wildlife.

907 Adventure Bay Road,
Adventure Bay
p: +61 3 6293 1465
w: www.brunycharters.com.au

4 INALA NATURE TOURS



Personalised wildlife packages to suit your interests, ranging from accommodation on our Land for Wildlife property to all-inclusive tours.

320 Cloudy Bay Road,
Bruny Island
p: +61 3 6293 1217
w: www.inalabruny.com.au

5 TASMANIAN DEVIL CONSERVATION PARK



Visit Tasmania's oldest wildlife centre and help save the Tasmanian devil. See how we are breeding cancer-free animals and creating a disease-free refuge for wild devils. Open daily.

5990 Port Arthur Highway, Taranna
p: +61 3 6250 3230
w: www.tasmaniandevilpark.com

6 SEALIFE EXPERIENCE TASMANIA



A 3 hour wildlife adventure to Tasman Island's wild and rugged coastline. Marine life, seals, dolphins, whales, fairy penguins, shearwaters and albatross abound in this ecosystem.

The Blowhole, Eaglehawk Neck
p: 0428 300 303
w: www.sealife.com.au

7 RICHMOND ZOO DOO WILDLIFE PARK



One of the zaniest, hands-on and unusual zoos. Ride the safari bus, feed exotic animals, indoor horse racing and animal nursery.

620 Middle Tea Tree Road,
Richmond
p: +61 3 6260 2444
w: www.zoodoo.com.au

8 'NIGHT STALK' ECOTOURS



The ultimate 'Behind the Scenes' wildlife experience, with orphaned animals, unique surveillance wildlife cameras and a night stalk amongst our amazing wild animals.

2082 Gordon River Road,
National Park
p: +61 3 6288 1013
w: www.somethingwild.com.au

WILDLIFE TOURISM AUSTRALIA OPERATORS – East/North East region

9 MARIA ISLAND



Maria Island National Park is Tasmania's modern day Noah's Ark with abundant wildlife, convict history and untouched beaches. Enjoy a guided day walk or camp overnight. Not to be missed!!

Daily ferry departs Triabunna 9.30am
p: 0428 666 650
w: www.mariaisland.com.au

10 FREYCINET SEA CRUISES



Cruise to Wineglass Bay or Schouten Island. Experience wildlife in their natural environment, ancient geological architecture and multicultural-flavoured history.

Jetty, Jetty Road
Coles Bay
p: +61 3 6257 0355
w: www.freycinetseacruises.com

11 EAST COAST NATUREWORLD

IN ALL THINGS OF NATURE



THERE IS SOMETHING OF
THE MARVELLOUS

ARISTOTLE

Snag wombat

Photo Melissa Prell

Touchy-feely Natureworld Ecopark 'Where the wilderness comes to you.' Devilworld, Nocturnalworld, Birdworld, playground, Flora walk, scenic lookout, restaurant.

Seven kilometres north of Bicheno, towards St Helens
p: +61 3 6375 1311
w: www.natureworld.com.au

12 LAUNCESTON LAKES WILDLIFE PARK



Tassie's newest wildlife park. Home to orphaned devils, native and exotic birds. Many species and native animals to view in natural bush surroundings.

'Devils Heaven'
1166 Ecclestone Road, Riverside
p: +61 3 6396 6100

WILDLIFE TOURISM AUSTRALIA OPERATORS – North/North West region

13 THYLACINE EXPEDITIONS



Wildlife & Wilderness Experiences.
Cradle Mountain & The Tarkine.
Wild Devil Viewing.
Marsupial Madness.
Nocturnal Experience.
Penguin and Platypus Viewing.
Birdwatching.
p: +61 3 6436 2302 m: 0427 546 664
w: www.thylacineexpeditions.com.au

14 STANLEY SEAL CRUISES & DIVE CHARTERS



A spectacular 70min cruise viewing the wholly-protected Australian Fur Seals. Dive among the seals for an unforgettable experience. Bookings essential.
**Fisherman's Dock,
off Wharf Road, Stanley**
m: 0419 550 134
w: www.stanleysealcruises.com.au

15 GUNNS PLAINS CAVE



Enjoy spectacular shawls, stalactites, stalagmites, and the mysterious helictites. A magical subterranean world. View glow worms and maybe a fresh water lobster or a platypus.
Caves Rd, Gunns Plains
p: +61 3 6429 1388
f: +61 3 6429 1362

16 WING'S WILDLIFE PARK



Wildlife, birds of prey, fish to feed, reptiles, kangaroos, plus more in Tassie's largest wildlife/animal park. Accommodation, café and souvenirs.
137 Winduss Road, Gunns Plains
p: +61 3 6429 1151
w: www.wingsfarmpark.com.au

17 MOUNTAIN VALLEY WILDERNESS HOLIDAYS



Eco retreat in a 'Private Nature Reserve' – platypus, glow worm grotto and forest habitat tours. Night wildlife experiences of devils and quolls in the wild.
1519 Loongana Road Loongana
p: +61 3 6429 1394
w: www.mountainvalley.com.au

18 DEVILS @ CRADLE



A new and innovative – all weather – education and viewing centre. Open all day – AFTER DARK feeding tours every night.
**3950 Cradle Mountain Road
Cradle Mountain**
p: +61 3 6492 1491
w: www.devilsatcradle.com

19 LEMONTHYME LODGE



Daily wildlife tours through the temperate rainforest and around Lake Cethana. Night tours, accommodation and meals available. Timeless trails and lasting impressions.
**Dolcoath Road,
Off Cradle Mountain Rd, Moina**
p: +61 3 6492 1112
w: www.lemonthyme.com.au

20 TROWUNNA WILDLIFE PARK



Established in 1979 we offer a unique and unforgettable wildlife experience with educational guided tours daily at 11am, 1pm and 3pm.
1892 Mole Creek Road, Mole Creek
p: +61 3 6363 6162
w: www.trowunna.com.au

TASMANIA'S NATIONAL PARKS – South region

There are opportunities for possible viewing of the **highlighted wildlife** at these National Parks.

- 1** **Mt Field National Park** has stunning walks through ancient rainforests and tree ferns to spectacular waterfalls including Russell Falls. On the way, watch out for **platypus, pademelons, bandicoots, glow-worms** and other wildlife. Or travel up past the tall trees to the windswept alpine moorlands and enjoy the bird life, including pink robins, White's thrush and the yellow-tailed black cockatoo.



- 2** **Southwest National Park** is Tasmania's largest national park, comprising over 600,000 hectares of remote wilderness. Discover the diverse wildlife such as **spotted-tailed quolls** and wedge-tailed eagles amongst wild rivers and jagged mountain ranges, rolling buttongrass plains and silent green rainforest. Melaleuca is the breeding ground of the endangered **orange-bellied parrot** and Bathurst Channel is home to normally deep-living marine life.



- 3** **Hartz Mountains National Park** offers enjoyable short strolls through wet eucalypt forest and rainforest, to alpine heath on the exposed mountain tops and to mountain lakes surrounded by ancient King Billy pines. Waterfalls tumble off the dolerite range that runs through the centre of the park and small glacial lakes dot the plateau. Watch for flocks of yellow-tailed black cockatoos or the majestic wedge-tailed eagle soaring above the mountains.



- 4** **South Bruny National Park** provides key habitat for threatened species and has a rich birdlife, including hooded plovers and swift parrots. Partridge Island protects a large colony of the endangered forty-spotted pardalote. There are several **short-tailed shearwater** and **little penguin** rookeries. Whales and seals can sometimes be spotted. In the evening see brush-tailed possums and pademelons. Around Fluted Cape lives a population of **white Bennetts wallabies**.



- 5** **Tasman National Park** is a place of fantastic landforms and home to a wide range of land and marine animals. Watch for majestic sea eagles, seals and dolphins among some of the most stunning coastal scenery in Australia. Fossick in the tide pools that teem with marine life at the Tessellated Pavement, or chance upon an echidna out for a stroll in the bush.



TASMANIA'S NATIONAL PARKS – East/North East region

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- 6** **Maria Island National Park** is an island of intriguing historic ruins, spectacular beaches and abundant wildlife. Explore the amazing marine life within the marine reserve or stroll among almost tame groups of Eastern Grey (Forester) kangaroos, common wombats, native hens, **Cape Barren geese** and **Bennetts wallabies** as you explore this island jewel. Look out for the **11 species of endemic birds**.



- 7** **Freycinet National Park** is a spectacular place of lichen-speckled, granite mountains surrounded by azure bays and white sandy beaches. Look for whales or sea eagles at Cape Tourville lighthouse or surprise a wallaby or echidna as you wander up to the lookout. Moulting Lagoon is a wetland of international significance owing to its diversity of water birds, including black swans.



- 8** **Douglas Apsley National Park** has one of the largest uncleared dry eucalypt forests in Tasmania and is home to more than 65 bird species as well as reptiles and mammals. Relax by a tranquil pool or take a walk past gorges and waterfalls and watch for some of the more rare species, including the endangered swift parrot.



- 9** **Ben Lomond National Park**, with its precipitous bluffs and dramatic dolerite columns, is home to a range of special alpine animals and plants. In summer this imposing landscape abounds in alpine wildflowers and is a great place for a chance encounter with some of the shy marsupials such as the Tasmanian pademelon or eastern quoll.



- 10** **Mt William National Park's** dazzling white beaches, turquoise waters and coastal heathland abound with wildlife. At dusk, see browsing **common wombats**, wallabies and **Eastern Grey (Forester) kangaroos**. During the day watch for tiny blue wrens or a surprise visit from an echidna. Listen out for the call of the Tasmanian devil late at night.



- 11** **Strzelecki National Park** on Flinders Island is a bird watcher's paradise with 114 recorded species of birds. Many experiences await the traveller. There are lofty granite mountain peaks, sandy white beaches and Logan Lagoon, an international wetlands site and home to important and rare migratory species.



TASMANIA'S NATIONAL PARKS – North/North West region

There are opportunities for possible viewing of the **highlighted wildlife** at these National Parks.

- 12 Narawntapu National Park** is rich in both Aboriginal and European heritage and has an abundance of bird and mammal life. In the evening it is one of the best places to catch a glimpse of some of Tasmania's marsupials, especially **common wombats**, **wallabies** and Eastern Grey (Forester) kangaroos. You might see or hear a wild Tasmanian devil.



- 13 Rocky Cape National Park** offers a variety of walks, ranging from less than 20 minutes to a full day. These take in Aboriginal rock shelters and caves, scenic hills full of wildflowers and birds, and tranquil beaches, bays and rocky headlands. Rocky Cape is an ideal place for rock pool rambling. The rocky coastline features wonderful pools brimming with multi-coloured seaweeds and delicately patterned starfish.



- 14 Franklin-Gordon Wild Rivers National Park**, set in Tasmania's Wilderness World Heritage Area, is a pristine region of dramatic mountain peaks, temperate rainforest, and spectacular gorges. It protects some of Tasmania's wildest and most unpredictable rivers, including the Franklin. You may see robins, cockatoos, platypus and pademelons as you stroll among the forests.



- 15 Walls of Jerusalem National Park** is an alpine wilderness exposed to the extremes of Tasmania's weather. Stands of pure pencil pine forest and alpine plants and animals are found on this high plateau of dolerite peaks and glacial moraines, tarns and lakes. The park is inaccessible by road, and there are no facilities for short stop visitors. For experienced bushwalkers this is a chance to see wildlife such as common wombats and quolls in the wilderness.



- 16 Cradle Mountain-Lake St Clair National Park**, from its iconic peaks of Cradle Mountain to the glacier-carved Lake St Clair, is a World Heritage Area place of ancient forests, buttongrass moorlands and amazing wildlife. Catch a glimpse of a platypus at Lake St Clair or **common wombats** and **pademelons** browsing at Cradle Mountain. If you are camping, watch out for the cheeky possums and currawongs.



- 17 Mole Creek Karst National Park** protects some of the finest and most visited caves in Tasmania. These limestone caves are home to some intriguing species and include the spectacular glow-worms. You may spot a giant freshwater crayfish or an ancient anaspides shrimp. The surrounding forests are home to spotted-tailed quolls and other marsupials.



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When sea levels rose at the end of the last Ice Age, Tasmania was separated from mainland Australia. For the last 10,000 years, Tasmania has been a living museum, its ancient marsupials surviving in splendid isolation.

The island supports a variety and abundance of wildlife, although many animals are nocturnal and elusive. A quiet walk at dawn or dusk will reward a patient observer. Encountering a platypus, echidna, quoll, wallaby or Tasmanian devil in the wild is an exciting experience. Other memorable sights include watching wedge-tailed eagles soar on the wind or seeing the amazing spectacle of thousands of short-tailed shearwaters (muttonbirds) returning to their nesting burrows as the sun sets.

All these experiences can be enjoyed as you journey around Tasmania with many opportunities to get up-close and personal with Tasmania's unique wildlife.

KEEP OUR WILDLIFE SAFE

- **Devil Facial Tumour Disease** is threatening our devils. Report any diseased devils to Wildlife Management on **6233 6556**.
- **Watch for foxes** and report immediately to our 24-hour hotline if you spot one: **1300 FOXOUT** (1300 369 688). Until recently Tasmania was fox free.
- **Keep wildlife wild and healthy** by not feeding them.
- **Drive slowly at night** or plan your trip for daylight hours. Most of our wildlife is nocturnal.
- **Report any whale sightings/stranding** to the Department of Primary Industries and Water (DPIW) marine hotline: **0427 WHALES** (0427 942 537).

For further detailed information on Tasmania's wildlife, visit www.discovertasmania.com



Australian fur seals



Bennetts wallaby



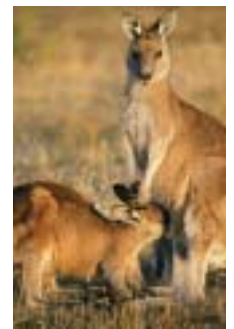
Wedge-tailed eagle



Tamar Island Wetlands



Common wombat



Eastern Grey (Forester) kangaroo



Tasmanian devil



Orange-bellied parrot



Little penguin



Cape Barren goose



Short-tailed shearwater (September – April)



At Mt William National Park



Pademelon



Dolphins



Forty-spotted pardalote



Echidna



Eastern quoll



National Parks

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| 2 Southwest National Park | 8 Douglas-Apsley National Park | 13 Rocky Cape National Park |
| 3 Hartz Mountains National Park | 9 Ben Lomond National Park | 14 Franklin-Gordon Wild Rivers NP |
| 4 South Bruny National Park | 10 Mt William National Park | 15 Walls of Jerusalem National Park |
| 5 Tasman National Park | 11 Strzelecki National Park | 16 Cradle Mt-Lake St Clair NP |
| 6 Maria Island National Park | | 17 Mole Creek Karst National Park |



WTA Operators

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| 1 | Something Wild Wildlife Sanctuary |
| 2 | Huon Bush Retreats |
| 3 | Bruny Island Charters |
| 4 | Inala Nature Tours |
| 5 | Tasmanian Devil Conservation Park |
| 6 | Sealife Experience Tasmania |
| 7 | Richmond Zoo Doo Wildlife Park |
| 8 | 'Night Stalk' Ecotours |
| 9 | Maria Island |
| 10 | Freycinet Sea Cruises |
| 11 | East Coast Natureworld |
| 12 | Launceston Lakes Wildlife Park |
| 13 | Thylacine Expeditions |
| 14 | Stanley Seal Cruises & Dive Charters |
| 15 | Gunns Plains Cave |
| 16 | Wing's Wildlife Park |
| 17 | Mountain Valley Wilderness Holidays |
| 18 | Devils @ Cradle |
| 19 | Lemonthyme Lodge |
| 20 | Trowunna Wildlife Park |

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Disclaimer: This map is stylised and must be used in conjunction with a road map of Tasmania