

# DOWN UNDER ANSWERS Travel Scoop

HOT DEALS, BEST VALUE & WHAT'S HOT IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC

**Travel with the experts to Australia, New Zealand or the Pacific Islands in 2012! Let us make your vacation planning as seamless as possible and tailor a vacation that suits your style, taste and budget. Ready to travel? Read on...**

## CURRENT SPECIALS

*Interested in experiencing Australia, New Zealand or a South Pacific Island? Check out our latest specials!*

### **Sydney & The Great Barrier Reef:**

8 night air and land inclusive vacation with Virgin Australia from \$2399/person twin share. A visit to Australia would not be complete without discovering the icons – Sydney & Cairns!

### **Cook Islands, Sydney and Auckland:**

12 night air and land inclusive vacation from \$3499/person twin share. Board your Air New Zealand flight and discover three varying South Pacific locations!

### **Fiji on Sale:**

7 night air and land inclusive vacation on Air Pacific from \$1699/person twin share. Discover Fijian hospitality and relax!

### **Sydney, Rock & Reef:**

10 night air and land inclusive with Qantas Airways from \$2479/person twin share. Immerse yourself in three of Australia's most iconic destinations!

## Airfare Deals

- Los Angeles to Rarotonga from \$856. Valid for departures Sep 2, 12 – Oct 14, 12 and Mar 31, 13 – May 26, 13. Book by Sep 30, 12.
- Los Angeles to Auckland from \$1472. Valid for departures Sep 24, 12 – Dec 8, 12. Book by Sep 13, 12.
- New York to Sydney from \$1642. Valid for departures until Sep 21, 12. Book by Sep 12, 12.
- Los Angeles to Nadi from \$1369. Valid for departures year round. Book by Sep 30, 12.
- Holiday Offer! Los Angeles to Sydney Business Class from \$5250. Valid for departure Dec 23, 12 – Jan 1, 13. Book by Sep 26, 12.

## GREAT BARRIER REEF – ANIMAL PLANET

The Earth's largest living structure, the Great Barrier Reef, is also home to a magical marine environment.

Tune in to Animal Planet on Sunday September 9 at 9pm (ET/PT) and watch a two-hour special on the Great Barrier Reef – from above and below the surface.



TERMS AND CONDITIONS: Prices are quoted in USD and are 'from', per person, based on twin share. Single supplements apply. Advertised price reflects low season travel. For more specific information, visit [duatravel.com](http://duatravel.com). Airlines frequently change their prices as a result of fare increases and/or fuel surcharges. Prices are current at time of posting (9/4/12) and may differ when you book your travel and are not guaranteed until full payment is received and processed. All pricing is strictly subject to availability. All prices, itineraries and routings are subject to change without notice. Please call for current pricing.



## AUSTRALIAN LUXURY EXPERIENCES

We know luxury isn't just a hotel room with fine furnishings and a chandelier; it's the unparalleled service of the staff, the attentive yet unobtrusive way your every need is catered for and the experiences you have throughout your stay! We have selected some of Australia's most discerning accommodations and packaged them for an unforgettable vacation!

**Southern Ocean Lodge:** Kangaroo Island's first true luxury lodge offers unique and exclusive travel experiences. Floating atop a secluded cliff on a rugged stretch of coast, the lodge commands peerless views of the wild Southern Ocean and pristine Kangaroo Island wilderness. From \$1635/night.

**Saffire Freycinet:** Saffire Freycinet rises from its surroundings as a premium luxury lodge that is truly in touch with the beauty and depth of nature. Saffire overlooks the wide expanse of Great Oyster Bay, in the center of Tasmania's east coast. From \$2114/night.



**Wolgan Valley Resort & Spa:** Australia's most environmentally responsible luxury property, Wolgan Valley, is set amidst the stunning scenery of the rugged Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area. This unique spa resort is built within its own private conservation and nature reserve. From \$1624/night.

**Capella Lodge:** Lord Howe Island's premium boutique accommodation commands stunning ocean and mountains views, affording a civilized, stylish and sophisticated escape. Capella's contemporary cuisine, first name service, relaxed sophistication and intimate surrounds combine to deliver a unique and exclusive Lord Howe experience. From \$1619/night.

## NEW ZEALAND

New Zealand is invigorating, exciting and delightfully refreshing! With awe-inspiring scenery, revel in the culture of this diverse landscape. As the excitement begins for the upcoming release of



Peter Jackson's "The Hobbit", what better way to experience the film than visit the country where the movie was filmed! 8 night vacations available from \$1999!

Check out Tourism New Zealand's new video "100% Middle-earth, 100% New Zealand" on the left.

## THERE'S NOTHING LIKE AUSTRALIA

There's nothing like Australia's locals, landscapes and loveable wildlife. To enjoy more of Australia, explore these packages that include return economy airfares with Virgin Australia from Los Angeles, all domestic flights, hotels of your choice, and access to some of Australia's best experiences.

Australia's Icons: Sydney & Cairns, 8 nights from \$2399  
Great Cities, Reef & Roos: Sydney, Cairns & Adelaide from \$3159  
Insiders Only City & Wildlife: Luxury experiences from \$7699

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THERE'S NOTHING  
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## HOW MUCH CAN A KOALA BEAR?

If you have had a chance to watch the news lately, you will have seen that our native Koala has been featured in several stories. Video of a young Koala swimming up to a canoe on the Gold Coast in Queensland, had many people surprised that they could swim at all! On further investigation, it appears that Koalas have been swimming across



rivers for some time! Take a look at this guy swimming the Kenneth River in Victoria.

If you are planning on traveling to Melbourne, make sure you leave a day to do the 'Koalas & Kangaroos IN THE WILD' tour. The tour will give you the opportunity to interact with wild animals in their natural habitats on a small group eco-tour.



September is "Save the Koala Month" and we would like to our bit to but help those who do tremendous work in rescuing and rehabilitating Koalas. If you would like to contribute to Australia Zoo's Conservation Project you can [donate here](#) to help the rehabilitation of Koalas at their onsite Wildlife Hospital.

Last year 833 Koalas were admitted to Australia Zoo's Wildlife Hospital, mostly from disease, dog attacks or being hit by a car. Mammal breeding season is here now, which means more Koalas are down on the ground and often have babies in their pouch! More than ever we are needing to save this national icon from extinction.



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