My Actual 'Down Under' Itinerary

(to be used as an example)

SYDNEY

(2 nights)

Nov 04 Sa: Uber'ed to Miami (MIA)

Departed MIA 5:35 pm (actual 6:15 pm)

Arrived Los Angeles (LAX) 8:03 pm

Departed LAX 11:29 pm

Nov 05 Su: In Flight

Nov 06 Mo: Arrived Sydney (SYD) 8 am (flight time: 14 hours)

Train'ed from SYD to "Central Station" (16 min)

Checked in:

Central Studio Hotel Sydney

803-811 George Street, Haymarket, NSW, 2000 Australia

Tel: +61 2 9212 2544

Decompressed, slept 15 hours from 2 pm until 5:30 am.

Nov 07 Tu: Explored city - took the 'Red Bus':

https://www.bigbustours.com/en/sydney/sydney-bus-tours

CAIRNS

(4 nights)

Nov 08 We: Uber'ed to SYD

Departed SYD 3:35 pm

Arrived in Cairns (CNS) 5:40 pm

Uber'ed to hotel

Checked in:

Oaks Cairns Hotel

59-63 Cairns Esplanade, Cairns, QLD, 4870 Australia

Tel: +61 7 3188 6052

Nov 09 Th: Great Barrier Reef Tour: Reef Magic Marine World

Added: Adult - Fly & Cruise (2), Guided Snorkel Tour (1), Helmet Diving (1)

Nov 10 Fr: Great Barrier Reef Tour: <u>Seastar - Michaelmas Cay & Hastings Reef Tour</u>

Nov 11 Sa: Explored Cairns, by foot

MELBOURNE

(6 nights)

Nov 12 Su: Departed Cairns (CNS) 12:45 pm

Arrived Melbourne (MEL) 5:10 pm

Picked up car rental at MEL 6:30 pm

Checked in:

The Victoria Hotel Melbourne

215 Little Collins Street, Melbourne, 3000, Australia

Nov 13 Mo: Melbourne Sightseeing via <u>City Circle Tram</u>

Big Hill (Castlemaine)

Checked in:

A-line Holiday Park

5615 Calder Highway, Big Hill, VIC, 3555

Tel.: +61 3 5447 0865

Nov 14 Tu: Rented gold fossicking equipment:

Coiltek (The Gold Center)

6 Drive In Ct

Maryborough, VIC 3465

+61 3 5460 4700

Nov 15 We: Fossicking: <u>Castlemaine Goldfields Track</u>

Nov 16 Th: Fossicking: <u>Castlemaine Diggings National Heritage Park</u>

Nov 17 Fr: Drove to Melbourne Avalon Airport (AVV)

Returned car at AVV

Uber'ed and checked in to:

Sphinx Hotel Motel

2 Thompson Rd, North Geelong VIC 3215, Australia

+61 3 5278 2911

TASMANIA

(5 nights)

Nov 18 Sa: 8:00 AM check-in <u>Spirit of Tasmania</u> ferry:

Departed: Spirit of Tasmania Quay, 136 Corio Quay Road, North Geelong, VIC

Arrived: Spirit of Tasmania Terminal Esplanade, Devonport East, TAS

Checked in: Abel Tasman Caravan Park

Abel Tasman Caravan Park

6 Wright Street, East Devonport, TAS, 7310 Australia

Nov 19 Su: Car rental pick-up at 9am

Checked in at 12 noon:

Beach Hotel

1 Wilson Street, Burnie, 7320, Australia

Edge of the World

Nov 20 Mo: <u>Wings Wildlife Park</u>: Tasmanian Devil Experience

Nov 21 Tu: <u>Little Penguins</u> Burnie boardwalk

Nov 22 We: Drove to Hobart (HBA) (4 hours)

Checked in:

Foreshore Hotel

464 South Arm Road, Lauderdale, 7021, Australia

NEW ZEALAND

(9 nights)

Nov 23 Th: Returned car at Hobart (HBA).

Departed HBA @12:20p

Arrived Auckland (AKL) 5:50 pm

Stay at airport hotel:

Best Western BK's Pioneer Motor Lodge

205 Kirkbride Road, Airport Oaks, Auckland, 2022, New Zealand

Nov 24 Fr: Picked up the Jucy camper @10am.

Jucy Camper Rental

9 Richard Pearse Drive, Auckland, NZ 2022

Nov 25 Sa: Determined camper life was not for us, so we returned the camper. They said

we'd get a full refund, but later found out that was, unfortunately, not true.

Visited Te Pa Tu Maori Village (dinner and a show)

Te Pa Tu

1220 Hinemaru St., Rotorua 3010

Checked into:

Hotel Ibis

Lake End, Rangiuru Street, Rotorua 3010, New Zealand

+64 7 346 3999

Nov 26 Su: <u>Hobbiton</u>: Bag End, Sam & Rosie's cottage, the Party Tree, The Green Dragon.

The Shire's Rest

501 Buckland Rd.

Hinuera, Matamata 3472

Nov 27 Mo: "The Secret Spot" - private hot tubs

Nov 28 Tu: <u>Kiwi Hatchery</u>

Checked in to:

Ramada Orewa

9 Tamariki Avenue, Orewa 0931, New Zealand

+64 9 427 0131

Nov 29 We: Down time.

Nov 30 Th: Down time.

Dec 01 Fr: Down time.

Dec 02 Sa: Departed Auckland (AKL) 1:20 pm

Arrived Miami (MIA) 2:00 pm