

AOT Product News

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PRODUCT NEWS – AUSTRALIA

BridgeClimb Sydney – Update

From BridgeClimb Press Release:

Today, NSW's Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) announced that BridgeClimb Sydney had been unsuccessful in its bid to win a new 20 year contract to operate on the Sydney Harbour Bridge.

BridgeClimb has summited 4 million Climbers from over 140 countries since opening on 1 October 1998. BridgeClimb turned the Sydney Harbour Bridge from a postcard to a global bucket list experience. The Climb is renowned as a world class experience and operation, and has an unblemished safety record, without one serious injury in 20 years.

Paul Cave, Chairman and Founder, thanked all Climbers and customers, and praised the team for their individual achievement in creating a globally renowned tourism experience. He thanked all of BridgeClimb's business and tourism agency partners for their support.

Bookings up until 30 September will continue to be operated by BridgeClimb Sydney. A report has been run and all bookings from 01 October will be contacted shortly when further information comes to hand.



Daydream Island Resort & Spa, QLD – Update

From Richard McKisack, Business Development Manager:

Further to our Product Newsletter on the 20 April 2018;

Daydream Island Resort and Spa reopening has been delayed and is now expected to re-open mid December 2018.



Aussie Wanderer, WA – Update

From Stephanie Elder, Manager:

Effective immediately, Aussie Wanderer has ceased operation.



Avis Australia – Drivers Licence Reminder

From Inbound Product Team:

Avis Australia will only rent to drivers that present a current drivers licence and have held that licence for 12 months. All foreign licenses must be in English. If the Foreign license is in a language other than English, it must be accompanied by an International Drivers Permit (containing an English translation).

Avis Australia will not rent to any person on a Provisional or Probationary drivers licence.

Mantra Coolangatta, QLD – Pool Refurbishment

From Tina Strazdins, Sales Mantra Group:

Effective 23 July 2018, Mantra Coolangatta will commence the refurbishment of their pool which is expected to be completed on the 17 August 2018. These works will require the pool area to be closed.

Works will be carried out Monday to Friday from 8:30am until 4:30pm and during this time there will be some noise.

Shangri-La Hotel The Marina Cairns, QLD - Restaurant Refurbishment

From Nic O'Donnell, General Manager:

Effective 20 August 2018, the restaurant will undergo a refurbishment of the North Bar & Kitchen's current position as the preferred waterfront marina location. Works are expected to be completed by 30 of November 2018.



Hamilton Island Resort, QLD – Golf Refurbishment

From Michelle Burns, International Account Manager:

Further to our Product Newsletter on the 08 June 2018;

Hamilton Island Golf Club will also complete green renovations from 04 September to 06 September 2018 during which time the course will be closed for play.

From 07 September to 14 September 2018 guests will receive a discount on green fees as the putting surfaces will not be in their normal optimal condition.



Melbourne Cup Carnival, Victorian Racing Club, VIC - 03 to 11 November 2018

The Melbourne Cup Carnival is the most prestigious horse race in Australia – a four day celebration of racing, style, fashion and fun, and one of Victoria's largest tourism events. For one week in spring, Melbourne's Flemington Racecourse becomes the focus of the nation with the highlight being the Melbourne Cup race itself held on the first Tuesday in November.

Experience the Melbourne Cup Carnival 2018 with package options including 2 night's premium accommodation and a 1 day ticket to Lexus Melbourne Cup Day on 06 November 2018 at Flemington Racecourse.



For further information, please click on the below link which can also be found on the online tariff under 'Special Interest Packages' on the Packages tab:

Melbourne Cup Carnival 2018

For all booking requests or queries, please contact the AOT Inbound team reservations.

Emirates Australian Open Golf, Sydney NSW - 15 to 18 November 2018

The Emirates Australian Open Golf is one of Australasia's premier professional golf tournaments. The event was first staged in 1904 and has subsequently seen a whole range of famous faces compete for the Stonehaven Cup.

This annual tournament boasts a rich history and this year the event will take place at The Lakes Golf Club, established in 1928, one of Australia's most prestigious private golf clubs and leading major tournament venue.



Ticket options available to book are the 1 Day General Admission, 2 Day Weekend General Admission and 4 Day Season Pass. Book tickets for 2 adults and the 2nd person receives 50% off their ticket price.

Please note that tickets must be booked in conjunction with a minimum of 1 nights' accommodation and strict terms and conditions apply.

For all booking requests or queries, please contact the AOT Inbound team reservations.

Australian Open – Tennis Australia, Melbourne VIC - 14 to 27 January 2019

Get ready for non-stop tennis action and entertainment this summer when Melbourne hosts the highly anticipated Australian Open 2019 Grand Slam Tennis tournament. Over two adrenaline charged weeks, see the world's best tennis players hit the global stage at Melbourne Park to battle it out for the ultimate glory. Gain access to the best seats in the house through a vast array of incredible packages, combining world-class dining and on-court action, not seen before at any other Grand Slam tournament in the world.



Please note that tickets must be booked in conjunction with a minimum of 1 nights' accommodation and strict terms and conditions apply.

For further information, please find it on the online tariff under 'Special Interest Packages' on the Packages tab:

Australian Open 2019

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Hopman Cup– Perth, WA – 29 December 2018 to 05 January 2019

Looking for the ultimate tennis experience? Be there to witness one of Perth's greatest sporting events!

The Hopman Cup is an annual international eight-team indoor hardcourt tennis tournament held in Perth, Western Australia in early January each year, which plays mixed-gender teams on a country-by-country basis.

Many of the Australia Open tennis players play in this tournament prior to the Australian Open.



Please note that tickets must be booked in conjunction with a minimum of 1 nights' accommodation and strict terms and conditions apply.



Oaks on William, Melbourne VIC – Special

Oaks on William have released the following Australian Open 'Reduced Rate' special:

Book 3 nights in a Studio or Studio Park Room and receive a reduced rate

Conditions:

- Valid New bookings only
- Valid for sale effective immediately to 26 October 2018
- Valid for travel from 14 January 2019 until 27 January 2019
- Not combinable with any other offer or value add

Rates available on the online tariff.



Destination Feature - Australia

Anglesea, Great Ocean Road Victoria



Anglesea is located on the Great Ocean Road in the Surf Coast Shire. From towering cliffs and sprawling white beaches to abundant flora, native wildlife and coastal walking trails.

Located just ten minutes west of Torquay on the Great Ocean Road, this quaint surf town is the perfect spot for all your natural adventures.



Great Ocean Road Resort, Anglesea VIC

Great Ocean Road Resort is a 4 star boutique resort located at the beginning of the Great Ocean Road in the beautiful seaside town of Anglesea.

Pristine beaches, rugged sandstone cliffs and scenic natural forests make Anglesea one of Victoria's most popular getaway and holiday destinations and the perfect destination to base yourself and explore the Great Ocean Road, Otways National Park and Bellarine Peninsula and located only 1.5 hours from Melbourne and Tullamarine Airport.

Choose from studios, twin share, spa suites, one, two-bedroom apartments with full kitchens, private outdoor areas and garden or river views. All guest rooms come with Free Wi-Fi, Cable Television (Foxtel) and Tea and Coffee facilities. On-site amenities include a restaurant, day spa, indoor heated pool, spa, gym, and trampoline park and barbeque area.

Great Ocean Road Resort is perfect for one or multiple night stopovers for FIT self-drive travellers (couples or families), escorted groups or travellers experiencing a private luxury tour.

Rates can be found on the online tariff.



PRODUCT NEWS – NEW ZEALAND

City Lights Boutique Lodge, Rotorua – Mountain Bike Facilities

From City Lights Boutique Lodge:

City Lights Boutique Lodge advised that they are no longer offering free mountain bike hire to their guests as the bikes were rarely used.

Kapiti Island Nature Tours – Kapiti Island Overnight Kiwi Spotting Tour with Ensuite

From Kapiti Island Nature Tours:

The Kapiti Island Overnight Kiwi Spotting Tour with Ensuite is not available from 01 July 2018 to 31 August 2018 and 19 December 2018 to 28 February 2019.

No bookings have been affected with this change.

Polynesian Spa, Rotorua – Update

From Polynesian Spa Trade Team:

The decking around the entire Family Spa has now been completed, along with the rebuilding of the two mineral pools. In conjunction with new changing rooms completed in recent years. The decking product we have used has no fastenings (no screws or nails) predominantly, meaning the area is much safer and cleaner.

Decking replacement has started in the Adult Pools and Priest Spa. The same product used in the Family Spa is being implemented throughout the Adult Pools, meaning a safer and better looking decking area will result.

Work will be undertaken during business days and stop at 3:30pm each working day and weekends. This will occur in sections, and opening hours and pools availability will not be affected.



Age limits in the Adult Pools and Priest Spa has changed from 15 to 12. This will allow young adults and families with young adults to enjoy a lakeside experience with both world famous mineral waters.

Great Sights, Auckland – Waitomo Caves & Hobbiton Itinerary Update

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From AOT NZ, Product Team:

Please note that the itinerary for the Waitomo Caves & Hobbiton (AKL-AKL) have been updated to the below:

A Great Sights vehicle will pick you up from your central city accommodation for your transfer to the Sky City Coach Terminal, 102 Hobson Street, Auckland, and the departure point of your tour. At 7.30am join your coach to commence guided tours of the Hobbiton Movie Set and the Waitomo Glowworm Caves on a full-day sightseeing tour from Auckland.

Journey south through lush rural farmland to the Hobbiton Movie Set, hidden on private farmland near the town of Matamata. Here, the village of Hobbiton was carefully created in amazing detail as a film location for the Lord of the Rings and Hobbit movie trilogies.

During your guided tour of this amazing location you'll see sights like Hobbit holes, the Mill and the Green Dragon Inn, and learn how farmland was transformed into a living, breathing piece of Middle-earth. After exploring Hobbiton, tuck into a delicious lunch at the Green Dragon Inn.

At the world famous Waitomo Glowworm Caves, take a 45-minute guided tour through impressive underground caverns and learn how stalactites, stalagmites and other limestone structures were formed over millions of years. Your tour includes a boat ride through the Glowworm Grotto - glide silently along an underground river as you gaze at the twinkling glowworms overhead. After visiting Waitomo and Hobbiton, return to Auckland.



Destination Feature – New Zealand

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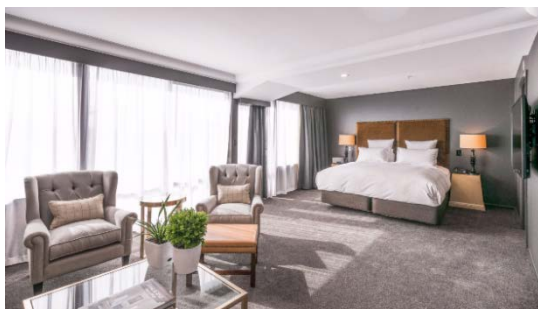
Set against a majestic Alps to ocean backdrop, Christchurch offers visitors one of the world's most unique destinations. Urban regeneration, creativity and innovation flow through the city with new restaurants & bars, street art and vibrant new retail areas. At the same time the city stays true to its heritage, offering a traditional English feel. Stunning gardens and parks, the serene Avon River, beautiful beaches and the Port Hills all embrace the city. Within a short drive you can ski at a world-class alpine resort, play golf, bungee jump, raft, mountain bike, hot-air balloon, windsurf, whale watch and visit internationally-acclaimed wineries.



Hotel Montreal

Overlooking Cranmer Square and situated on the edge of the tranquil Hagley Park, Hotel Montreal is Christchurch's newest luxury boutique hotel. Unique in design and beautifully finished, Hotel Montreal offers accommodation that is the perfect mix of refined elegance and modern sophistication.

Contemporary art, delicious food and wine, all carefully orchestrated to provide a remarkable setting for a guests stay in Christchurch. Situated in amongst the vibrancy of the city, Hotel Montreal provides an oasis for a calm, relaxed environment with outside areas to sit in the garden, or enjoy a game of croquet.



Hotel Montreal is unique in design and beautifully finished with decadent furnishings and the latest in-room technology. The property provides 26 spacious hotel rooms divided between Superior Suites, Junior Suites & Family Suites each with its own private balcony. There is also the Penthouse option available.

The **standard one bedroom Junior Suite** comprised of a spacious bedroom, living area, generous wardrobe and en-suite bathroom. Panoramic windows and furnished balcony make this suite inviting and relaxing, with bedding configuration of either 1 king or 2 king

singles.

The **Family Suite** is perfect for its namesake. It contains one king bed in a closed off bedroom, two single beds in the open space lounge, large kitchen, generously sized bathroom, a private balcony, two large wardrobes and spacious living area. Fine furniture, contemporary art and exquisite details, ensures guests are able to relax comfortably and enjoy their time together in Christchurch.





The exquisite **three-bedroom Penthouse** is a vast 182m2. It consists of a large balcony facing Hagley Park, fully equipped kitchen, three bedrooms, elegant furnishings, 50" televisions, the latest in-room technology and a large dining area for entertaining. The Penthouse is perfectly positioned receiving all day sun and beautiful views of the sunset in the west over Hagley Park

If you have any queries on the features above, please contact AOT's Product Departments.

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