

wheatlands christmas Rail Tour

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All aboard the

MerredinLink and

Prospector trains

4 DAYS / 3 NIGHTS

SPECIAL FARES: Senior Smartrider \$1858 Adult full fare \$1898 Single room supplement \$398

INCLUDES:

- Travel to Cunderdin and Northam on the MerredinLink train, and return Northam to Perth on the Prospector train
- Three nights accommodation at the historic Northam Rec Hotel with ensuite facilities
- ALL meals are included

 two with drinks
- Special Christmas Eve buffet with entertainer Jay Weston in the hotel garden

- Traditional Christmas Day buffet with all the trimmings.
- Lunch in the famous cartoonistinspired Ettamogah pub in Cunderdin
- A visit to the York Motor Museum
- Beverley town sights plus CWA luncheon at the Station Arts Centre
- Porterage of your suitcase
- Services of your tour managers Kevin Pearce & Rory Oktaviono

All Aboard this little-known train from East Perth to our rural heartland. The MerredinLink train is ready to take you on a 4-day journey of history and discovery.

Experience Christmas like never before! We've included everything vou would expect! ... plus there's nothing more Aussie than a characterfilled pub, ... 'a cold one' and a bit of banter with locals. Aussies have been doing just that for centuries ... The Rec Hotel began as McCarthy's Hotel and was the eighth and last hotel opened in Northam in the 1900's. Known as the railway workers' hotel, it had its own horse cab which would meet the passenger trains that utilised the *original eastern railway line* at the old Northam station in the 1920's. The hotel and the stables have been transformed into modern, ground floor accommodation. We believe it's the perfect venue for our traditional Christmas festivities. You will too!

Coach tours to

YORK AND BEVERLEY



ALL MEALS ... ALL ACCOMMODATION ... ALL TRAIN AND COACH TRAVEL ... ALL SIGHTSEEING - Great Value!

Day 1 WEDNESDAY 24 December PERTH - CUNDERDIN - NORTHAM

All aboard the MerredinLink train at the East Perth rail terminal in readiness for departure at 08.45am. Enjoy the views as the train winds its way through the picturesque Avon Valley. On passing Northam we leave the valley and continue through the wheatlands before reaching Cunderdin. Our waiting coach will transfer us to the Cunderdin Museum which houses memorabilia of rural life ... in particular, a large collection of farm machinery. We later transfer to the famous Cunderdin Pub designed on the 'Ettamogah' cartoons by the infamous cartoonist Ken Maynard. After time to take photos, we enjoy lunch in the hotel, and then head back to the station to reboard the Perth bound MerredinLink to continue our journey to Northam. We transfer to our accommodation at the delightful country style Rec Hotel for the next three nights. This evening, Christmas festivities will commence with a Christmas buffet dinner including drinks in our hotel's summer garden with popular entertainer Jay Weston performing songs and carols we all know. THE REC HOTEL (LD)

Day 2 THURSDAY 25 December MERRY CHRISTMAS!

After breakfast there is free time to relax before our grand Christmas Day buffet lunch in the hotel restaurant. The buffet will include all of the traditional Christmas fare including an abundance of seafood with drinks included. A light buffet dinner is provided tonight.

THE REC HOTEL (BLD)

Day 3 FRIDAY 26 December YORK - BEVERLEY SIGHTSEEING

After a leisurely, country-style heartly breakfast, we board our coach and head to York to visit the popular York

Motor Museum.

The museum show

Jay Weston

The museum show cases a fascinating collection of cars and bikes from over 100 years of motoring history. York is the oldest inland European settlement in WA and was established

to grow cereal crops to feed the Swan River Settlement in 1829.

We continue our tour to Beverley, another vibrant country town located near the Avon River. The passenger trains stopped running through Beverley in 1978 but the beautiful station has been preserved and today functions as an arts center. The local CWA ladies will provide lunch for us in their club rooms.

Dinner tonight is in the hotel garden.

THE REC HOTEL (BLD)

Day 4 SATURDAY 27 December NORTHAM - PERTH

After a leisurely breakfast we check out from the hotel and transfer to one of Northam's parks situated on the banks of the Avon River where you will have a morning tea or coffee at the new Italian cafe *Terra Mare*.

We then transfer to the Northam Station to board the Prospector train. A light lunch is served on board at your seat before our arrival into East Perth and the end of your Christmas holiday.

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BOOKING CONFIRMATION & CONDITIONS

PAYMENTS

Full payment is required together with a completed booking form within seven days of making a reservation, to secure your booking. Failure to do this may result in the cancellation of your reservation.

CONCESSIONS

Senior travellers must quote a valid nine-digit Smartrider number to travel at the Senior Concession rate.



TRAIN TRAVEL

The MerredinLink train departs from the East Perth Terminal at 08.45 am on Monday 23 December, arrival back on the Prospector is at 01.45 pm Thursday 26 December.

CANCELLATION CHARGES 30 Days or more before departure, 35% less of tour cost. Less than 30 days before departure, 100% of tour cost.

Travel insurance is available.

REFUNDS

No refunds can be given to any passenger who joins the tour after its commencement, or for early departure from the tour. Additionally, no refunds can be given for any accommodation, meals or excursions not partaken during the tour.

YOUR TOUR MANAGERS

Experienced train buff Kevin Pearce and photographer Rory Oktaviono will assist you throughout this special rail tour.

ITINERARY CHANGES

Tour de Force Travel reserves the right to change the itinerary or mode of transport due to any operational reasons beyond its control.



BE QUICK! - BOOK HERE!

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