

# MARIA ISLAND

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4hr coastal cruise • 2hrs on Maria • Guided walk • Gourmet lunch  
Visit Maria Island and see wombats, kangaroos and wallabies in the wild



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An aerial photograph of a beautiful coastline. A sandy beach curves along the shore, bordered by dense green forest. The water is a vibrant blue, with white foam from a boat's wake visible in the lower right. The sky is clear and blue.

# ONE DAY ON • Maria

Maria Island is a microcosm of Tasmania – distinctive wilderness, deep history and a Noah's Ark for wildlife

Set sail with us in a small, intimate group and explore the island with experienced locals. Our cruise boat SPIRIT OF MARIA is the only vessel operating cruises and tours to Maria Island and the Ile Des Phoques' giant sea caves, likened by many to the famed Isle of Capri.

Our two signature tours, **Ile Des Phoques** and **Maria Island Circumnavigation** depart from Triabunna marina and feature seven hours of adventure and discovery. We'll take you to seal haul-outs, the Painted Cliffs, Fossil Cliffs and secret locales, indulging you with Tasmanian fare and local sparkling. On foot, together we'll explore Darlington, Maria Island's World Heritage listed convict settlement.

We know Maria well – it's our backyard. Discover it with us.





explore

Tasmania's largest  
granite sea caves



Image credit: Darren Bluett





# TOUR 1: Ile Des Phoques



Ile Des Phoques – French for Island of Seals. We have been diving, swimming, cruising and exploring the isle more than a decade.

Those with a penchant for sea caves and Australian fur seals are drawn to Ile Des Phoques. The remote granite island is a haven for marine life. Enroute, we often encounter albatross, sea eagles, gannets, dolphins and whales during their migration up and down Australia's east coast. Come morning tea time, we settle in for an hour with our resident seals as company before returning to Maria Island.

From here, we explore the hidden corners of Ile Des Phoques, venturing deep into the largest granite sea caves in Tasmania. Dropping in on the Fossil Cliffs, we then lunch at Booming Bay. This is a generous affair featuring cold meats, crisp salad, soft cheeses, local ales and more. Lunch is served with white sandy beach views.

After lunch we check out the famed Painted Cliffs before returning to Darlington for a guided exploration of Maria Island on foot. During our two hours on the island, we absorb Maria's remarkable past, meet resident wombats and perhaps even a Tasmanian devil. We'll have you back on shore by 5:10 pm, for your onward Tasmanian journey.

## Your itinerary

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Depart Triabunna (9:00 am)

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Arrive Ile Des Phoques

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Morning tea with seals

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Explore sea caves

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Depart Ile Des Phoques

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Fossil Cliffs

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Lunch Booming Bay

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Painted Cliffs

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Cruise returns Darlington

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Guided walk of settlement

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Depart Darlington

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Arrive Triabunna (5:10 pm)

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*NOTE: Sequence of itinerary may vary due to weather. Both Tour 1 & Tour 2 follow the same One Day On Maria tour format to include a 4hr cruise, gourmet lunch and afternoon guided walk. Each tour will be operated on alternate dates. Please refer to our website for calendar dates.*

## You must do it!

I am a local resident and only went last year. Why did I wait? And loved it, from beginning to end.

Tina S



Image credit: Peter Bellingham





# Secret

locales accessible  
only by boat



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## TOUR 2: Circumnavigation



Our round-island tour takes you to a stretch of coastline that rivals world famous Wineglass Bay. Few know about what's hidden away on the eastern side of Maria's narrow sandy isthmus. Riedle Bay and Shoal Bay are both a hidden paradise of pure white sand meeting sapphire blue waters. Often, we have it all to ourselves.

We'll explore the much loved Painted Cliffs and Fossil Cliffs, a rare chance to get up close to ancient limestone sea caves. We'll then continue south to a coastline accessible only by boat, uncovering spring-fed waterfalls, blow holes, towering mountain ranges and rare geology that attract folk from distant lands. We'll drop anchor for a gourmet Tasmanian feast of local cold meats, cheeses, salads and Tassie sparkling with Shoal Bay as our backdrop.

The tour features two hours on Maria Island including a guided exploration of Darlington, the World Heritage listed convict settlement. This is your opportunity to meet resident wombats, Cape Barren geese and perhaps even a Tasmanian devil. Again, we'll have you back on shore by 5:10 pm.

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Arrive Darlington

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Morning tea

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Fossil Cliffs

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Riedle Bay

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Lunch Shoal Bay

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Painted Cliffs

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### A Wonderful Day Trip

I recently experienced Maria Island for the first time with East Coast Cruises. What a fabulous introduction to this wild island!

Richmond barracks



Image credit: Kimberly Anderson

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### TOUR PRICES (OCT - MAY)

Departs Triabunna Marina at 9:00 am.

Departs Maria Island at 4:40 pm.

Adults	\$235
Concession (all)	\$225
Children (3-15)	\$90
Family (2A + 2C)	\$560
Infant (0-2)	\$0

### EATS

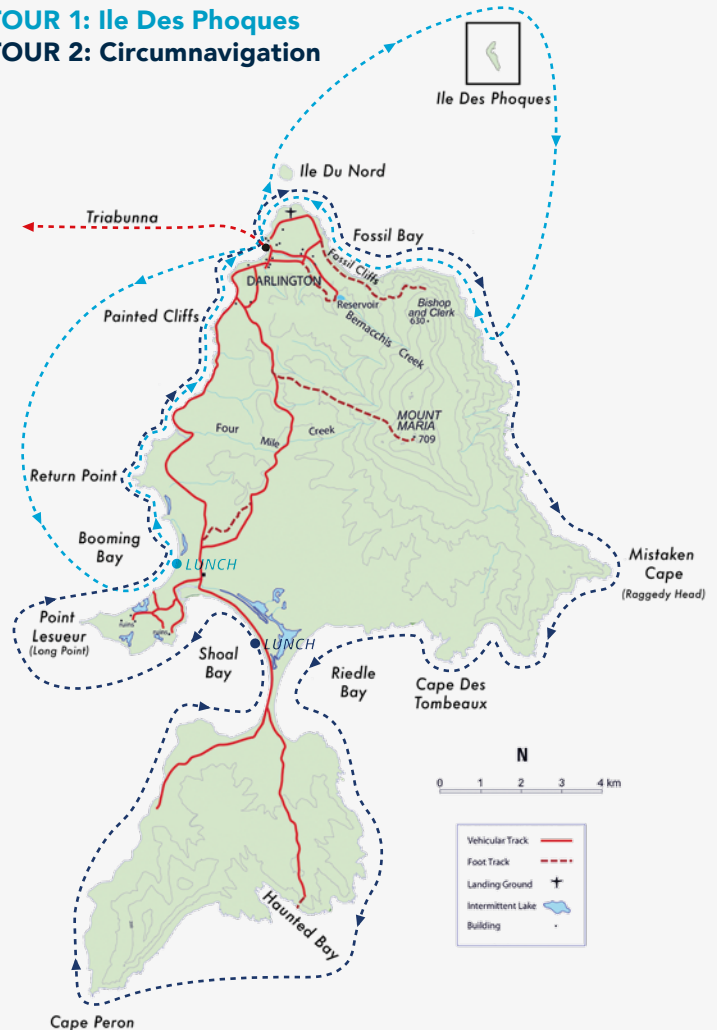
- Tasmanian cheeses
- Free range chicken
- Local leg ham
- Roast meats
- Fresh salad
- Fruits
- Cakes + sweets

### DRINKS

- Darlington Vineyard varieties\*
- Local chardonnay pinot noir\*
- Premium Tassie beers\*
- Renowned organic ciders\*
- Soft drinks
- Fresh juice
- Tea, coffee + spring water

\* Separate purchase required. All other items are included in tour cost.  
We cater for all dietary requirements. Items are subject to availability.

### TOUR 1: Ile Des Phoques TOUR 2: Circumnavigation



### SHUTTLE BUS – HOBART TO TRIABUNNA (RETURN)

Tour guests:		Bus only:	
Adults	\$30	Adults	\$40
Children (3-15)	\$15	Children (3-15)	\$25
Infants (0-2)	\$0	Infants (0-2)	\$0

Hotel pick up in Hobart CBD or at Tasmanian Travel & Information Centre.  
Departs Hobart CBD at 7:20 am. Departs Triabunna Marina at 5:15 pm.

### TRAVEL TO TRIABUNNA

Hobart	1 hr 15 mins
Orford	15 mins
Swansea	40 mins
Bicheno	1 hr 20 mins
Coles Bay	1 hr 30 mins
Launceston	2 hrs 30 mins

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

East Coast Cruises reserves the right to cancel or modify tours at anytime and will refund the full amount of any money paid by the customer. Bookings must be confirmed by the customer with full payment before the commencement of the tour. Cancellations by the customer must be made 24 hours prior to the tour departure to avoid cancellation fees. Cancellations by the customer within 24 hours of the tour departure will attract a cancellation fee of fifty percent. Customers that cancel on the day of the tour or who fail to attend will be charged the full amount and will not be entitled to a refund. Tour prices may be subject to change at any time.

