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PARKES ELVIS FESTIVAL

**DEPART 04 JANUARY 2027
9 DAYS - 8 NIGHTS**

INCLUDES

- ✓ Small group touring - Maximum of 20 guests
- ✓ Private single rooms in Classic Plus[^] accommodation - no single supplement
- ✓ Most Meals
- ✓ Must see highlights & transfers* as per itinerary
- ✓ Solo Connections Tour Host
- ✓ Local Driver & Tour Manager
- ✓ Complimentary backpack, travel wallet, fully printed document and a memento Photo Book*

HIGHLIGHTS

- The Hunter Valley
- Petersons House Cellar Door
- Taronga Western Plains Zoo, Dubbo
- The Dish, Parkes
- Parkes Elvis Festival
- Bathurst, Mount Panorama
- Mayfield Gardens
- Parliament House, Canberra
- Australian War Memorial & so much more!

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**^Terms & Conditions Apply. Prices are correct as at 16 June 2026, in Australian dollars and are per person, based on single room sole use occupancy. Airfares not included. Tour requires minimum number of passengers to depart. Return airport transfers on the first and last day are scheduled at set times to align with the tour host's flights. Transfers outside these times can be arranged at an additional cost. A complimentary memento photo book will be provided to guests who consent to and participate in group photography during the tour. ^Classic plus accommodation is considered 3-4 star hotels. Further booking conditions apply, please check all prices, availability and other information with your travel agent at time of or before booking. Package cancellation fees apply. Denise Marie Falsay trading as Solo Connections. ATAS Accredited A11424. ABN 92 582 582 996



Solo Connections tours are fully hosted, unique small group tours designed specifically for solo travellers over 50... Together we travel!

Day 1, Arrive Sydney (L,D)

Today, we arrive in Sydney where we will meet our fellow travellers as we begin our exciting journey together. Our destination today is the beautiful Hunter Valley, the largest wine region in New South Wales with the first stop at renowned Peterson House, home to a stunning cellar door experience. Sample award-winning wines before sitting down to enjoy our Welcome Lunch. Afterwards, we continue on to our accommodation where we settle in and come together for dinner in the hotel. Accommodation: Voco Kirkton Park, Hunter Valley – 4 star or similar (2 Nights)

**Please do not book any flights prior to speaking with Solo Connections or your travel agent. There will only be one group arrival transfer provided, in conjunction with our Tour host flight times.*

Day 2, Hunter Valley (B,L,D)

After breakfast, a knowledgeable local guide will join us on the coach as we travel through the picturesque countryside to visit one of the region's acclaimed horse studs. Following our visit, we enjoy lunch nearby before indulging in a wine tasting featuring some of the Hunter Valley's local favourites. This afternoon, we return to our accommodation to relax before tonight's Dinner at the popular Harrigan's Hunter Valley.

Day 3, Dubbo (B,L)

This morning we travel to the charming town of Merriwa, where we have the opportunity to view the impressive Merriwa Art Silo. This striking mural features a flock of sheep, a tribute to the town's much-loved annual Festival of the Fleeces. From here, we continue our journey to Dunedoo to see another remarkable silo artwork, this one celebrating Australia's champion racehorse Winx and her famous jockey Hugh Bowman, who was born in the region. We stop for a lunch at the Hotel Dunedoo before continuing the scenic drive. Upon arrival, we check in and then have the evening at leisure, giving you the opportunity to explore local dining. Accommodation: Matilda Motor Inn, Dubbo – 3 star or similar (2 Nights)

Day 4, Dubbo (B,L,D)

Today we enjoy exploring Taronga Western Plains Zoo, home to more than 1,100 animals from across the globe. We begin with a guided drive through the zoo, where our guide will join us onboard to explain the open range design and provide fascinating insights into the animals, habitats, and behind-the-scenes operations. During the day, we stop to enjoy a light lunch before exploring the zoo at our own pace. This evening, we come together for dinner at the Dubbo RSL.

Day 5, Orange (B,D)

Today we travel to Parkes, home to one of Australia's most famous scientific landmarks, the CSIRO Radio Telescope, affectionately known as "The Dish." We then continue to the Henry Parkes Centre to visit the popular Kings Castle Elvis Exhibit. In the afternoon, we continue our journey through the beautiful Central West to Orange, where we check in to our accommodation and then enjoy dinner together. Accommodation: Mercure, Orange – 4 star or similar (2 Nights)

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Day 6, Parkes (B)

Excitement is in the air today as we immerse ourselves in the fun and energy of the famous Parkes Elvis Festival! Get ready to see plenty of Elvises throughout the day from talented tribute artists to enthusiastic fans dressed in sparkling jumpsuits and vintage fashion. Our first stop is the annual Street Parade, one of the highlights of the festival. Find your spot along Festival Boulevard and enjoy the colourful procession of Elvis themed floats, vintage and classic cars, marching bands, performers, and entertainers as they make their way through the streets of Parkes. The Cooke Park Main Stage comes alive with music, entertainment, and a range of fun competitions, including the ever-popular Miss Priscilla competition, Elvis Look-A-Like contests, and the Cars of the Era Show. Today you have free time to soak up the festival atmosphere, browse the market stalls, enjoy the entertainment, and experience the unique charm that makes this event so popular each year. Any optional events or activities attended on this day will be at your own expense.

Day 7, Canberra (B,L,D)

After breakfast we farewell Orange and begin our journey towards Bathurst, Australia's oldest inland colonial settlement. On arrival, we enjoy a drive around the famous Mount Panorama Circuit, home of Australia's most iconic motor race, the Bathurst 1000. Outside of racing season, this track becomes a public road, giving you the opportunity to experience the circuit for yourself. From Bathurst, we continue to nearby Oberon to visit the magnificent Mayfield Gardens, one of the largest privately owned cool-climate gardens in the world. We have time to wander through the spectacular gardens at our own pace before we come together to enjoy a delicious lunch. Later this afternoon, we continue our journey to Australia's national capital, Canberra. We check into the hotel and refresh before dinner. Accommodation: QT Canberra – 4 star or similar (2 Nights)

Day 8, Canberra (B,L,D)

We begin the day with a visit to Capital Hill, the focal point of Canberra and home to Australia's impressive Parliament House. Here, we are introduced to the meeting place of the nation as a knowledgeable guide leads us through this remarkable political landmark. Exploring the grand halls and chambers, we gain a fascinating insight into the daily workings of Australian democracy, the history of Parliament House, and the important role it plays in shaping the nation. We then enjoy lunch at the beautiful Queen's Terrace Café, located within Parliament House and offering lovely views across the capital. This afternoon, we continue to the Australian War Memorial, one of the nation's most significant and moving landmarks. Wandering through the impressive exhibitions and solemn ceremonial areas, experience the powerful stories and history that have shaped our nation. Highlights include the Hall of Memory, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Pool of Reflection, and the Roll of Honour. Tonight, we come together one final time to enjoy a special Farewell Dinner at the award-winning Waters Edge Canberra.

Day 9, Depart Canberra (B)

After breakfast at the hotel, our superb tour comes to an end as we make our way to Canberra airport.