

HIGH TEA AT THE VISITING MAGISTRATES HOUSE

30 Dec–31 Jan, daily from 2.30–4pm
Experience a taste of the finer things in life, in the elegant surroundings of the beautifully restored Visiting Magistrates residence at Port Arthur. Enjoy afternoon tea with fresh baked scones, jam and cream, handmade petite fours and gourmet sandwiches. **\$29 per person**. Bookings recommended – see our staff at the ticketing counter, or phone 1800 659 101.



OPENING TIMES

COMMANDANT'S HOUSE: 10am – 5.30pm
JUNIOR MEDICAL OFFICER'S HOUSE: 10am – 5.30pm
ASYLUM—MUSEUM: 9.30am – –pm
TRENTHAM COTTAGE: 9.30am – 6.30pm
PARSONAGE: 9.30am – 6.30pm
SEPARATE PRISON: 9.30am – Dusk
(The Separate Prison will be closed briefly each day for the duration of *The Man Who Threw a Stone*)
SMITH O'BRIEN'S COTTAGE: 9.30am – 6.30pm
WATCHMAN'S QUARTERS: 9.30am – 6.30pm
TOWER COTTAGE: 9.30am – 6.30pm
Grounds and ruins remain open until dusk.

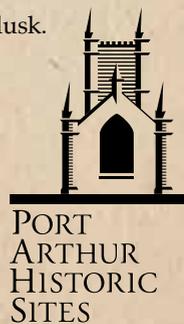
REFRESHMENTS & SOUVENIRS

PORT CAFÉ
Located in the Visitor Centre, fully licensed and open 9am – 8.30pm.

MUSEUM COFFEE SHOP
Located in the Asylum, fully licensed. Open 10am – 4pm.

FELONS BISTRO
For a quick, tasty family dinner before your Ghost Tour or a relaxed bistro-style meal featuring fresh local produce beautifully cooked and presented, Felons offers great value. Located in the Visitor Centre and open from 5:30pm until late. Bookings recommended – see our staff at the ticketing counter, or phone 1800 659 101.

PORT ARTHUR GIFT SHOP
Take home something special from Tasmania's premier tourist destination. Our gift shop is located in the Visitor Centre and open from 9:00am until 6.30pm.



WHILE YOU'RE HERE...

EXPLORE THE COAL MINES HISTORIC SITE
Tasmania's first operational coal mine. Approx 30 minutes drive from Port Arthur near Saltwater River – ask for a fact sheet and map at our Visitor Information desk.

GHOST TOURS – PLENTY OF CHILLS AND THRILLS!
Take a lamplight tour across the Historic Site by night and hear some of the stranger tales of past inhabitants and odd experiences that have been reported. Tours run nightly. Bookings essential – see our friendly staff at the ticketing counter, or phone 1800 659 101. (Please note: Family Tours operate every night at 7:30pm and are daylight tours recommended for all groups with young children.) Staying overnight in the area is recommended – why not enjoy our After Dark offer, which combines a Ghost Tour with a delicious meal at Felons Bistro.

SEPARATE PRISON
Experience what it was like to be locked in a cell 23 hours every day, without any human contact.



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SUMMER ACTIVITIES 2013



There is a lot to see and do at the Port Arthur Historic Site and it is big—more than 40 hectares with over 30 historic buildings and ruins plus gardens and grounds to explore. At least a day is recommended, and all Experience Passes are valid for 2 consecutive days. This brochure is designed to assist you in planning your visit. Our friendly staff can also assist you with your enquiries.

ALL EXPERIENCE PASSES INCLUDE:

LOTTERY OF LIFE

Play the *Lottery of Life* in the Visitor Centre using the playing card you are issued at the ticketing counter. Discover which convict your card represents and a little about his time at Port Arthur.

INTRODUCTION TO PORT ARTHUR TOUR

Join an expert guide for an overview of the story of Port Arthur. Duration 40 minutes approx. Departs from just outside the Visitor Centre on the lower level.



FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Spend some time at our Education Centre (the Accountants House) and try your hand at traditional crafts, design work and trades. Make your own peg doll or replica ¼ size convict brick. Learn about early animation by assembling a Phantoscope, or about early wallpaper design by creating your own wallpaper. Activities are offered in two sessions each day, 12–1.30pm and 2–3pm. Check the information board downstairs in the Visitor Centre for today's activities. Dec 26–Jan 27.

FURRY AND FEATHERED FIENDS

Collect a 'Furry and Feathered Fiends' activity sheet from the Visitor Centre and seek out some interesting characters hidden around Port Arthur. Dec 26–Jan 27.

TRADITIONAL TRADES

Many convicts played a part in building Port Arthur, some as skilled tradesmen and others as apprentices. Find out about these trades and what it means for our site conservation activities today. Kids large and small can try their hands at the traditional Port Arthur trades of stone masonry and brick laying: Jan 6–20. Work with our experienced conservation staff and learn how convicts carved stone and laid bricks. Sessions available daily excluding Saturdays.

Carved in stone – Stone Masonry @ Port Arthur
January 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 & 13 Between 1.30–3pm
Near the Convict Church.

Bricks & Mortar – Conserving the Rose Cottage Ruin
January 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 & 20 Between 1.30–3pm
Rose Cottage Ruin – Senior Military Officer's Quarters, 6 on your map.

COMPLIMENTARY SHUTTLE SERVICE

For visitors with restricted mobility, operates 10am–4pm.

DOCKYARD

A short walk from the jetty, this innovative precinct brings the hustle and bustle of the dockyard to life.

PORT ARTHUR HISTORY PLAYS

Our series of short plays bring Port Arthur's history to life! 27 Dec 2012 until 25 Jan 2013 except for Saturdays. The plays are directed by Chris Hamley and performed by Chris with Nicole Farrow, Nelson Ohl and Michael Edgar. Each play runs approx 20 minutes and admission is included with all Experience Passes.

The Man Who Threw a Stone by Richard Davey
As an old man, convict Dennis Collins found that a hunger strike was the only protest available to him. Performed in the Separate Prison 11.45am & 2.45pm. Please be seated early as the Prison will close 2 minutes prior to performance to enable a prompt start.

The Shingle Strike by David Young
The story of Irish poet Francis Macnamara's endeavour to overcome the bullying tactics of an unscrupulous overseer. Performed behind the Penitentiary. 12.30pm and 4.15pm (weather permitting).

A Boy's Life by Les Winspear
A London street kid is sent across the world to Point Puer. Will he escape his life of crime? Performed behind the Penitentiary. 1.15pm and 3.30pm (weather permitting).

HARBOUR CRUISE

Board the MV Marana for a cruise and commentary on Port Arthur's harbour. Duration 20 minutes approx.

MUSEUM & CONVICT STUDY CENTRE

Located in the former Asylum, a fascinating display of objects made and used at Port Arthur. You can also search our computerised convict database.

CONVICT WATER SUPPLY TRAIL

Start adjacent to the dam behind the Hospital and discover an engineering wonder; finish at the Commandant's House.

Please note activities and times may change without notice.



PARANORMAL INVESTIGATION EXPERIENCE

Become a ghost hunter with guidance from our expert guides and state of the art equipment. Available every Saturday night 10pm–2am in January. \$125 per person. Adults only, bookings essential.