

THE PILLINGER EXPLORER

EXPLORE THE FASCINATING HISTORY OF THE WEST COAST

KEY DETAILS

Duration: 5 hours

Vessel: *MV Sophia*

Check-in: 09:00 for 09:30 departure

Departure point: Gordon River Cruises Terminal, Strahan Esplanade

Operates: Daily (mid-October to end April)



HIGHLIGHTS

- Small group tour with a maximum of 10 guests (min. 2 guests to depart)
- Walking around the remnants of the township of Pillinger
- Fully guided experience
- Chef-prepared gourmet lunch
- Interpretation from your guide, covering fascinating natural and human history and local environment

INCLUSIONS & NOTES	PRICE
<p>Gourmet Chef-prepared lunch including the best of Tasmanian produce. Drinks package including complimentary Tasmanian beers, wine and soft drink.</p> <p>Warm clothing and sturdy shoes required.</p> <p>Boarding and disembarking MV Sophia requires a level of physical ability. Unfortunately this experience is not wheelchair-accessible.</p> <p>This experience is dependent upon suitable weather.</p>	<p>Adult \$250</p> <p>Child \$125</p> <p>Family \$625 (2A + 2C)</p>

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1. 0930 Depart Strahan and travel across Macquarie Harbour
2. 1030 Arrive Pillinger. Morning tea before guided walk of the Pillinger Ruins
3. 1130 Depart Pillinger to see Reindeer Lodge from the water
4. 1200 Depart Reindeer Lodge for Hells Gates via the fish farms
5. 1245 Arrive Hells Gates and learn about the Training Wall, Kawatiri Shoals and weather permitting, Cape Sorell Lighthouse
6. 1315 Berth at Bonnet Island. Photo opportunities from the viewing platform: Ocean Beach, Hells Gates and Entrance Island
7. 1330 Return to your vessel. Lunch on board while berthed
8. 1400 Depart Bonnet Island
9. 1430 Arrive Strahan



Key

Cruise path



Land-based activities



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Do I have to walk far?

A: No. The walking components of the tour are limited in terms of distance but do take almost an hour, due to the points of interest along the way

Q: What is the trail like?

A: The ground is uneven under foot but the area is generally flat.

Q: Do I need a Tasmanian National Parks pass?

A: No, that's not a requirement for this tour

Q: Is the tour wheelchair-accessible?

A: Unfortunately our smaller vessel is not wheelchair-accessible. We urge guests with mobility challenges to assess whether they believe they will be able to board and disembark

Q: Is the tour guaranteed to depart?

A: The Pillinger Explorer requires two guests to depart

Q: Will bad weather mean the tour is cancelled?

A: We assess the weather 24 hours prior and make an operational decision accordingly. All cancellations are advised by 3PM the day prior. Naturally, safety and guest comfort are our priorities. If we cancel, we typically aim to advise our guests the night before the tour, meaning the opportunity to join a Gordon River Cruise still exists