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A suggested itinerary devoted to convincing you that 7 days in Tasmania isn't long enough. The charm of Tasmania lies in its history, its relaxed way of life and its charming out-of-the-way valleys and villages. Many visitors have to return, just so they can catch up on all the sights they missed out on last time!

Don't spoil your visit by allowing too few days to see all there is to see.

This itinerary starts in Launceston but it can easily be adjusted for holidays commencing in Hobart or Devonport.

Day 1: Arrive Launceston. Chance for some sightseeing. You'll love Cataract Gorge. Overnight Launceston.

Day 2: Travel the wine route through the Tamar Valley to Bridport, visiting Seahorse World and Low Head on the way. And nearby at Bridport, Barnbougle Dunes, one of the world's best links courses, is a must for all golfers. Overnight Launceston or Bridport.

Day 3: To St Helens via Scottsdale (visit the Forest EcoCentre), take a lunch break at the Weldborough Hotel and enjoy the unique Tasmanian MicroBru Experience, taste the cheese at Pyengana and delight in nearby St Columba Falls. Overnight St Helens.

Day 4: Continue down the coast; visit Coles Bay and take a short walk to Wineglass Bay. Overnight Bicheno.

Day 5: Enjoy a short visit to The Gulch, then it's off to the Tasman Peninsula via Swansea and Sorell. Overnight Port Arthur.

Day 6: Visit the Historic Site at Port Arthur, take the 3 hour Tasman Island Cruise, or visit the many fine attractions of the Peninsula. Then travel to Hobart via the colonial town of Richmond. Overnight Hobart (3 nights).

Day 7: Get to know this beautiful harbour city and visit the many attractions in and around Hobart. Mt Wellington is a highlight but there are also river cruises, chocolates at Cadbury, Battery Point, Moorilla Winery with its amazing MONA, the docks and Salamanca Market.

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Day 8: A day trip to the spectacular Huon Valley is a must. Ride the Huon River Jet Boat; delight in the spectacular Tahune Forest Air Walk.

Day 9: To the Derwent Valley. Visit Russell Falls and the Salmon Ponds, and take a Devil Jet boat ride. Overnight Derwent Valley

Day 10: To Strahan via Queenstown - make time for the chairlift. Overnight Strahan.

Day 11: Cruise the mighty Gordon River, ride the Wilderness Railway between Queenstown and Strahan or take a wilderness flight (float plane or helicopter). Overnight Strahan.

Day 12: To Stanley via Zeehan (visit mines museum), Hampshire and Burnie (visit Burnie Makers' Centre). Overnight Stanley.

Day 13: Some sightseeing - ride The Nut chairlift, eco-cruise the peaceful Arthur River or visit Dismal Swamp, then it's off to Devonport via Boat Harbour and Ulverstone. Overnight Devonport.

Day 14: Sightseeing in nearby Shearwater, Port Sorell and Latrobe (Anvers House of Chocolate – yummy). Then it's off to the Promised Land to visit Tasmazia, en route to Cradle Mountain and Dove Lake. Overnight Cradle Valley.

Day 15: To Launceston via Sheffield (you'll love the murals), Mole Creek (caves) and Deloraine. Overnight Launceston.

Day 16: Sightseeing in and around Launceston - Cruise the Tamar, visit Woolmers Estate at Longford or the delightful National Trust mansion, Clarendon, near Evandale. Depart for home.

(If time permits, there's an excellent 2-day trip on the Heritage Highway though the Midlands, with its rich military and pioneering past. Visit Campbell Town, Ross and Oatlands, returning via Bothwell, Poatina and Longford.