

# Queenscliff to Sorrento Ferry One Way Ticket for Foot Passenger, Car, Minibus and Motorbike

• 40 minutes (approx.) •

## • KEY FACTS •



1. Queenscliff to Sorrento one way ticket



1. Transport from/to hotels
2. Food & beverages not listed as Inclusions
3. Souvenirs
4. Travel Insurance

## Departure point

- Departs: daily, all year round
- Departure point: Queenscliff Terminal (Address: 1 Wharf Street East, Queenscliff VIC 3225)
- Departure time:
  - Monday to Friday: 06:00 (booking required), 08:00, 10:00, 12:00, 14:00, 16:00, 18:00
  - Saturday and Sunday: 08:00, 10:00, 12:00, 14:00, 16:00Departure times are reference only and subject to availability.

## How to get there

- By Car  
Located approximately 117km south of Melbourne Tullamarine Airport, takes about 1 hour 45 minutes; approximately 107km south of Melbourne Federation Square, takes about 1 hour 40 minutes; approximately 55km south east of Avalon Airport, takes about 55 minutes.

### Closest Parking:

- Parking at the Queenscliff terminal is free, however it is limited in busy periods. There is street parking outside the terminal.
- Please note the car parking at Queenscliff is not secure and the Ferry Company does not take responsibility for the cars of passengers left at or near the terminal.

- By Public Transport

The closest Train Station is Queenscliff Station  
The closest Bus Stop is Queenscliff Marina Station or Queenscliff Ferry Station  
Please check the Public Transport Victoria timetables (<https://www.ptv.vic.gov.au/>) for more details to plan your trip.

## Operating hours

Daily	
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## Check-in requirements

Please arrive at the ticket office 40 minutes prior to the departure time to exchange for ticket/boarding pass before proceeding to the boarding terminal. Regrettably, failure to arrive before this time will most likely be classified as no-show and result in forfeiting the booking and it cannot be refunded or transferred.

If you are not familiar with the area or travelling on a weekend or local public holidays / school holidays, please make sure you've checked your timetable or driving route beforehand, and allow extra travelling time for unexpected delays to ensure you do not miss your check in

## Other info

- Fares
  - Driver is included in the vehicle fares, should there be other passengers on board, please add extra passengers ONLY.

Fares for vehicles including driver/rider:

- Car: must be under 6m, charged per vehicle
- Mini bus: must be less than 10 pax, charged per vehicle
- Mortobike: charged per vehicle
- The Service Provider reserves the right to alter timetable and/or fares without prior notice.

● Goods

- The Passenger must:

- i. fully and accurately describe the Goods;
- ii. give prior written notice to the Carrier if any of the Goods are Dangerous Goods, high value Goods or require special handling;
- iii. comply with all applicable standards and Laws in relation to the Goods;
- iv. ensure that the Goods are properly and safely packed; and
- v. ensure that the Goods are able to be stowed in a timely manner so that the Carrier is not delayed in performing the Services.

- If, in the sole opinion of the Carrier, Goods subsequently become Dangerous Goods, then the Carrier may, at the cost of the Passenger, destroy, dispose of or render harmless the Goods without prejudice to any of the Carrier's rights under these Terms;

- The Carrier may at any time require the Passenger to remove the Goods at its own expense (whether in the case of non-shipment or otherwise) and if the Passenger fails to do so within 7 days of such notice, without limiting any other right of the Carrier, the Passenger shall be liable to pay the Carrier a fee for storage from the date of such notice until the date of removal;

- At all times the Goods are at the risk of the Passenger and not the Carrier and

- The Passenger must not make a Claim and must ensure that the Owner does not make a Claim against any person (other than the Carrier) by whom (whether as Subcontractor, employee, agent or otherwise) the Services or any part of the Services are provided, which imposes or seeks to impose upon such person any liability in connection with the Goods.

● Vehicles

The Passenger agrees that:

- i. the carrier charges a tariff for Vehicles on the basis of details supplied by the passenger;
- ii. any additional tariff that becomes payable by the Passenger with respect to a Vehicle must be paid before that Vehicle is loaded on to the Vessel;
- iii. the Vehicle length and weight for calculating the tariff is based on manufacturer's specifications, except in the case of modifications or attachments;
- iv. the Passenger will advise the Carrier of any modifications or attachments to any Vehicle;
- v. the overall height of any Vehicle, including any roof rack or other attachment, must not exceed 4.4 metres; and
- vi. all Vehicles will be subject to an inspection at the terminal.

● Prohibited Items

- The Passenger must not carry, whether on their person or contained in any Goods or Vehicle, or otherwise try to bring on board the Vessel the following prohibited items:

- i. items which are prohibited by any applicable Australian law, regulation or order, whether from being carried on a sea vessel or otherwise;
- ii. firearms and weapons of any type, including but not limited to knives, blades, or sharp items of any kind;
- iii. items which are likely to endanger the Vessel, or persons or property aboard the Vessel, or items that may become or are Dangerous Goods; and
- iv. items the Master reasonable determines are unsuitable for carriage because they are dangerous, unsafe, or because of their weight, size, shape or character, or which are fragile or perishable.

- If the Carrier discovers that the Passenger is carrying a prohibited

item, the Carrier may do whatever it considers appropriate and reasonable in the circumstances, including disposing of the prohibited item without notifying you; and

- The Carrier will not be responsible for any loss or damage caused to any prohibited item if it is brought aboard the Vessel despite being a prohibited item.

- **Security/Search**

The Passenger agrees that:

- The Passenger, their Goods, luggage, effects and Vehicle are subject to search for, and seizure of, prohibited materials or substances; and

- The Passenger will not be permitted to travel if they refuse to be searched and/or refuse to allow their Goods to be searched.

## • OVERVIEW •

### **Queenscliff to Sorrento Ferry One Way Ticket for Foot Passenger, Car, Minibus and Motorbike**

MV Queenscliff sails between Queenscliff and Sorrento criss crossing the bay 24 times a day, 365 days a year. That's over 8,700 crossings per annum! The vessels is specially designed to operate in all weather conditions ensuring consistency of service for customers. Each vessel holds approximately 80 vehicles and 700 passengers.

The original, smaller ferry, MV Princess, operates during summer and peak days when required and also substitutes the larger ferries when at dry dock (annual maintenance).



## **Queenscliff to Sorrento Ferry One Way Ticket**

### **THE FERRY**

- **Lounge Area**  
Comfortable viewing lounges throughout the vessels providing great views and a relaxing journey.
- **Viewing Decks**  
Various external viewing decks with outdoor seating. Spot local landmarks and marine life including dolphins all year & whales in winter.
- **Full Length Windows**  
Full length windows allow for maximum viewing of the beautiful sights you will see on your crossing.
- **Cafe & Bar**  
The onboard Cafe is open every ferry sailing. Enjoy a great coffee made by our onboard barista or a yummy snack, as you sail the

bay. There is a great range of regional wine, cider or beer available from 12 noon daily.

- **Cafe Seating**  
There's plenty of comfortable café style/dining seating to enjoy your purchases from the onboard café or to take in the views.
- **Lonsdale Lounge**  
The stylish Lonsdale Lounge is located on the MV Queenscliff and is a light and airy space with plenty of seating. Open to the public most days the Lonsdale Lounge also hosts a range of onboard events including Brunches, High Teas, Captains Lunch and private functions.
- **Yardarm Bar**  
Check out the top deck bar, The Yardarm, serving St Andrews Beach Brewery craft beer, Scotchmans Hill wines & the odd cocktail or two! Have a brew with a view.  
Melbourne painter, illustrator, pianist and all round nice guy, Mike Makatron, created a backdrop for the bar that rivals the view. A colourful and whimsical take on the "Kraken" and underwater scene it makes for a good vibe, along with the bar, wine barrels and plenty of seating.  
Located on the top deck of the MV Queenscliff (departs Queenscliff odd hours, Sorrento even hours). Opening hours are subject to weather.
- **Portsea Lounge**  
The beautiful Portsea Lounge offers a special sailing experience with its cosy feel and great views from the front of the ship. Located on the MV Sorrento, it is open to the public most days. This lounge also hosts a range of onboard events including Brunches, High Teas, Captains Lunch and private functions.
- **Drive On Drive Off**  
All our Ferries are extremely easy to board, with Drive On/Drive Off capabilities, no turning required.
- **Charging Stations**  
Need Charge? We have FREE onboard charging bays to make sure your phones & devices are all charged up and ready to go!
- **Accessibility & Lift**  
Searoad Ferries offers excellent facilities and easy boarding for passengers with special needs. There is a lift from the car deck to the passenger lounge, access to outside decks & accessible toilets.
- **Children's Playground**  
Sit back and relax while the kids entertain themselves in the kids play area and colouring corner. Baby change facility available.
- **Pet Friendly**  
Furry friends are welcome onboard, however, they must be on a leash and are restricted to the external decks (not permitted in the passenger lounge).
- **Binoculars**  
There are many things to see on the crossing and the best way to see them is with our binoculars located on the viewing decks.

## THE SIGHTS

- **Sailing Beautiful Port Phillip Bay**  
Melbourne's large and sheltered bay covers some 1,930 square kilometres, that's 35 times larger than Sydney Harbour! The shoreline stretches roughly 264 km and is dotted with seaside villages, pristine beaches and seaside suburbs. Shaped like a horseshoe, the ferry crosses the southern tip of the bay, sailing between Sorrento and Queenscliff.
- **Bay Wildlife**  
The bay is home to various wildlife including seals, gannets, dolphins and migratory whales. Victoria's unique bottlenose dolphins are permanent residents of Port Phillip Bay and can be spotted from the vessel often putting on a show! During winter Humpback and Southern Right whales visit the Bay as they migrate down the coast.
- **Queenscliff Harbour**  
Queenscliff Harbour is a modern marina precinct lined with retail and dining experiences. Whether you're watching the orange Pilot boats coming and going or checking out the luxury yachts berthed, it's a pretty spot to perch. Take in the spectacular scenery from the observation tower with 360 degree views, easily accessed by a lift or stairs.
- **Queenscliff Lighthouses**  
The unique black lighthouse, one of only three in the world, stands guard on the approach into Queenscliff. Situated in the grounds of the historic Fort Queenscliff it is known as the High Light, whilst a second 'white' lighthouse is called the Low Light. Together they guide ships through the notoriously dangerous entrance to Port Phillip.
- **The Heads**  
As you look out to sea, you can view the only entrance point into Port Phillip Bay. The entrance, known as the "Heads" is 3.05 km apart, however, the reefs on either side restrict the navigable channel to about 300 metres. In the early 19th century many groundings and wrecks occurred as mariners attempted the passage through the "Heads". Today, the Sea Pilots help guide ships through this dangerous entrance to the bay.
- **Point Nepean**  
The Point Nepean National Park is a mix of beautiful landscape and rich history situated at the southern tip of the Mornington Peninsula. There is a range of scenic walks and bike paths visitors can explore, and an array of historic buildings that served various purposes during the early history of Victoria. Point Nepean also offers some of the best views across to Queenscliff and out the Heads.
- **Queenscliff**  
Queenscliff's charm is in the setting - surrounded by water and connected by a land bridge, it offers unmatched views across the bay. This seaside village is both eclectic and charming. Art galleries, cafes & shops have bought the historic buildings to life offering a touch of yesteryear with a modern feel. Wide streets, water glimpses at every turn, a cliff top park and modern harbour precinct makes this town a 'must see' when visiting the Bellarine Peninsula.
- **Pope's Eye**  
Pope's Eye, looks like an atoll but is actually the uncompleted foundation for an island fort intended to defend the entrance to Port Phillip. It is now a nesting ground to Australasian Gannets and is the bay's number one snorkelling and diving spot. Looking like it belongs in a tropical reef, the inside of the 'eye' is only about 2 m deep, a beautiful azure blue with a soft, sandy bottom.
- **South Channel Fort**  
Visible near Sorrento, South Channel Fort is an artificial island built in the 1880's as part of a network of fortifications protecting the narrow entrance to Port Phillip Bay. It is now a popular diving site and breeding ground to the White-faced Storm-petrel and home to other species visiting the island including Little Penguins, Black-faced Cormorants and Australian Fur Seals.
- **Millionaire's Row**  
The cliff top mansions of Portsea are clearly visible as the ferry hugs the coastline of the Mornington Peninsula. Known as Melbourne's 'playground' and a preferred holiday destination for the rich and famous, Portsea sits between Pt Nepean and Sorrento. Glide by the private jetties, beach boxes and sandy beaches that dot the edge of the water.

- **Sorrento**

Sorrento is a beautiful village that sits above the crescent-shaped white, sandy beach and historic pier. The shallow waters are perfect for swimming and there is fishing from the pier. The town has retained much of its heritage in the form of the historic limestone buildings that line the main street and can be seen from the edge of the water. The main street is lined with stylish boutiques, cafes, galleries and shops and just a short walk from the ferry.

• **POLICY** •

## Cancellation Policy

- If you cancel at least 14 day(s) in advance of the scheduled departure, there is no cancellation fee.
- If you cancel between 0 and 13 day(s) in advance of the scheduled departure, there is a 100 percent cancellation fee.
- If no show, no refund.



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