

# Port Stephens Dolphin Discovery Cruise

• 1.5 hours (approx.) •

## • KEY FACTS •



1. Dolphin discovery cruise (approx. 1.5 hours)
2. Boom-net rides
3. Informative commentary

• Guests must be fully vaccinated against Covid-19 until further notice. Upon boarding all guests must provide proof of Covid-19 vaccination certification. Guests unable to provide the vaccination documentation will be refused boarding and no refund will be offered as the consequence.



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

## Departure point

- Departs: daily, all year round  
Tour does not run on Christmas Day (25 December)
- Departure Point: d'Albora Marina, Dock C (Address: 6 Teramby Road, Nelson Bay, NSW 2315)
- Departure Time: 10:30, 13:30, 15:30 (Summer months from December to April Only)  
Departure times are reference only and subject to availability.
- Arrival Time: 12:00, 15:00, 17:00 (Summer months from December to April Only)

## How to get there

- By Car  
d'Albora Marina is located approximately 222km north of Sydney Airport, takes about 3 hours; approximately 35km north of Newcastle Airport, takes about 40 minutes.  
- There is a large paid ticket parking area at the rear of the marina.
- By Public Transport  
- By Train from Sydney  
Get off at Hamilton Station stop then walk to the bus station on Maitland Road, and then catch the bus to Nelson Bay Donald St before Stockton St Bus Stop, walk down Stockton Street to d'Albora Marina.

Please check the Transport NSW timetables (<https://transportnsw.info/>) for more details to plan your trip.

## Operating hours

Daily (morning cruise)	10:30 - 12:00	Boarding Time 10:00
Daily (afternoon cruise)	13:30 - 15:00	Boarding Time 13:00
During Summer Months (December - Mid April)	15:30 - 17:00	Boarding Time 15:00
Christmas Day (25 December)	Closed	

## Check-in requirements

Please arrive at the boarding terminal 30 minutes prior to the departure time to exchange for ticket/boarding pass. 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

## What to bring/wear

- Motion-sickness medicine (if required)
- Swimwear, towel
- Protective clothing, hat, sunscreen lotion, and sunglasses
- Comfortable shoes
- Light jacket / sweater for windy or cool days
- Camera (waterproof)
- Money / credit card for optional purchases

## Other info

[Important Post-Covid Service Information]

- All passengers are required to sign a register upon boarding providing full name and contact phone number.

• Senior/Student fares apply to holders of Australian Seniors Cards and full time students (15-25 years) with relevant Australian ID. This does not include overseas seniors and students. Relevant ID must be provided at time of request.

• Please note dolphins are wild animals and the Service Provider can not guarantee sightings; if this is the case on the day you travel valid tickets on a cruise that do not sight dolphins will be issued free of charge return voucher. This voucher is issued on a stand by basis. The return voucher is only valid for the person named on the voucher and are non-transferable. Identification can be requested when returning with your voucher. Sometimes passengers can't take up the free return voucher for whatever reason, but the Cruise team does everything they can to locate dolphins. The Service Provider does not provide refunds.

• Smoking is not permitted

As per the NSW Smoke Free Environment Act 2000 and the Smoke Free Environment Regulation 2016, smoking is not permitted on any of the vessels at any time. From 1 July 2018, under the Smoke-free Environment Act 2000 and the Passenger Transport(General) Regulation 2017, people cannot use e-cigarettes in smoke-free areas.

• **OVERVIEW** •

**Port Stephens Dolphin Discovery Cruise**

Take in the sights of Tomaree and Yacaaba Headlands, Shoal Bay, Nelson Bay and the Northern Harbour. Cruise the magnificent Port Stephens Harbour on the biggest boat in the Bay to see the resident Bottlenose Dolphins.



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**Port Stephens' Dolphins**

Port Stephens' dolphins are not fed or induced in any way to come to the boats. They do it out of curiosity. If they are not in the mood, they just swim away. When contact is made with the dolphins, there is always excitement. People rush to the sides and bow of the boat. Dolphins love to ride a boat's bow-wave as the pressure wave at the front of a boat gives them a boost. They dive, weave, kick and splash giving everyone a good chance to look at them. Dolphins love to ride a boat's bow-wave. The pressure wave at the front of a boat gives them a boost. They dive, weave, kick and splash. This gives people a good chance to look at them.

**Highlights**

*Subject to change without notice*

- See the world famous resident wild Bottlenose dolphins
- Exciting boom-net rides
- Expansive open decks or covered all weather indoor viewing
- Live, informative, fun Captain's Commentary

## Cancellation Policy

- If you cancel at least 7 day(s) in advance of the scheduled departure, there is no cancellation fee.
- If you cancel between 0 and 6 day(s) in advance of the scheduled departure, there is a 100 percent cancellation fee.
- If no show, no refund.



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