

## SHORT BREAKS PROGRAMME



### MELBOURNE

#### International Flower & Garden Show

Largest flower show in the southern hemisphere in the historic Royal Exhibition Building & Carlton Gardens. Behind the scenes view of new release flowers, design & products with experts. Overnight Melbourne Marriott. 3 - 4 & 5 - 6 April, 2008 Tour cost \$395.00



### BRIGHT BY AIR

#### One Day Air Tour

Experience the blaze of colour in the High Country of Northeast Victoria. See autumn colours in avenues of elm, chestnut, poplar and scarlet oak creating a spectacular display. Visit historic Beechworth and Bright. 10 May, 2008 Tour cost \$495.00\*



### HUNTER VALLEY

#### Hunter Valley Gardens in Spring

Immerse yourself in the Festival of Flowers. Stunning displays of over 250,000 annuals and 30,000 bulbs planted throughout 60 acres of themed gardens. Relax & enjoy a fully escorted, all inclusive overnight package. 27 - 28 August, 2008 Tour cost \$350.00\*



### CANBERRA'S FLORIADE

#### Australia's Celebration of Flowers

Canberra's annual splash of spring colour. Experience the delight of 1.5 million bulbs & annuals in bloom. New plant varieties & a showcase of fabulous gardens. Relax & enjoy a fully escorted, all inclusive overnight package. September, 2008 Tour cost \$375.00\*



### JACARANDA CRUISES

#### Sydney Harbour with Graham Ross

3 hour Jacaranda Cruise on Sydney Harbour. See the most beautiful harbour in the world with breathtaking jacarandas in full flower. Commentary by Graham Ross. 29 October, 2, 5, 9 November 2008 Prices from \$45.00\*



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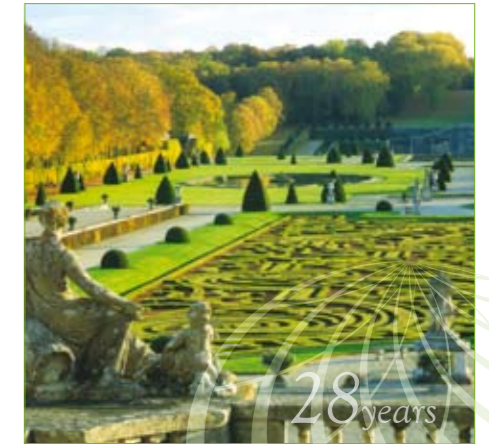
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# TOUR PROGRAMME 2008

## WORLD COLLECTION



### AROUND THE WORLD Great Gardens of the World

A unique tour of the world's best gardens. Visit Japan, France, Holland, England, Spain, USA and Canada. Gardens specially selected & hosted by gardening celebrity Sandra Ross.  
2 - 28 April Tour cost inc. air \$17,995

## EUROPEAN COLLECTION



### ENGLAND

**Gardens of England & Chelsea Flower Show**  
Best of British gardens incl Hidcote, Sissinghurst, Great Dixter, Stourhead, Lost Gardens of Heligan and Eden Project plus the Chelsea Flower Show.  
8 - 21 May Tour cost \$7,495



### FRANCE

**Paris, Loire Valley, Dordogne & the Lot**  
Exquisite gardens in Paris, Monet's Giverny, Bagatelle & Versailles. Chateau gardens in the Loire Valley. Medieval villages, beautiful gardens & fine cuisine of the SouthWest.  
23 May - 7 June Tour cost \$8,995\*



### SCANDINAVIA & RUSSIA

**Gardens of Scandinavia & St Petersburg**  
Discover historic, romantic & contemporary gardens of Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Finland. Explore the gardens of St Petersburg, incl the Hermitage & Peterhof.  
July Tour cost \$tba

## ASIAN COLLECTION



### VIETNAM

**Colours of Vietnam**  
Experience the colours of Vietnam. Saigon, the Mekong delta, Dalat, Hoi-an and Hanoi. Exotic plants in glorious flower.  
2 - 22 March Tour cost \$6,195



### CHINA

**Heritage, Gardens & Culture**  
The unforgettable experience of the Middle Kingdom; ancient gardens of Suzhou; Forbidden City, Great Wall, Summer Palace in Beijing; Terracotta Warriors in Xian; cruise the Yangtze River. With gardening celebrity Graham Ross.  
17 April - 4 May Tour cost \$6,795



### JAPAN

**Cherry Blossom Time**  
Visit contemplative, imperial, religious and 'strolling' gardens of Japan. Meet a Bonsai Master, walk through ancient landscapes. Experience traditional Ryokan accommodation and tea ceremony.  
3 - 17 April Tour cost \$7,795



### JAPAN

**Autumn Colour**  
Japan's gardens have a serene quality in autumn, with glorious coloured foliage. See exhibits of dahlias at their peak of perfection.  
9 - 22 November Tour cost \$tba



### SABAH

**Sensational Sabah**  
A tropical garden paradise. Exotic plants, orangutans and colourful birds in their native habitat. Travel in comfort with garden writer Libby Cameron.  
August Tour cost \$3,875\*

## AMERICAN COLLECTION



### CANADA & USA

**Chasing the Fall Colours**  
The finest of Canada's gardens from Butchart in the west to French Canadian Quebec in the east and then the Maritimes for sensational autumn colour.  
September Tour cost \$tba

## PACIFIC COLLECTION



### NORFOLK ISLAND

**Graham Ross' Norfolk Island**  
The stunning scenery is backdrop to lovely island gardens including that of Helen Reddy, convict settlements and Pitcairn hospitality. Gardens personally selected by Graham Ross.  
8 - 15 March Tour cost \$3,195



### NEW ZEALAND

**Gardens & the Ellerslie Flower Show**  
Gentle journey that begins at the Ellerslie Flower Show, Auckland. See Rotarua, Lake Taupo & Napier. Ferry to Wellington & the Marlborough region. Finish with lovely gardens near Christchurch.  
November Tour cost \$4,395\*

## AUSTRALIAN COLLECTION



### OUTBACK AUSTRALIA

**Wildflowers**  
Explore the real Outback in comfort. An unforgettable journey into Australia's heartland.  
August Tour cost \$4,695\*



### WESTERN AUSTRALIA

**Wildflowers**  
Broome to Perth. Boabs, wildflowers, the Kimberley, Pilbara, Mt Augustus. Cruise Shark Bay, Monkey Mia.  
August Tour cost \$6,995\*



### SOUTH AUSTRALIA

**Wine & Roses**  
See the best rose gardens the wine country has to offer in the Barossa and Clare Valleys.  
October Tour cost \$3,095\*



### TASMANIA

**Spring Gardens**  
Glorious cool climate gardens at their peak of spring flowering. Visit the National Rose Garden.  
November Tour cost \$3,495\*

Please tick to receive detailed tour itineraries

- Great Gardens of the World
- England
- France
- Scandinavia & Russia
- Vietnam
- China
- Japan in Spring
- Japan in Autumn
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