

# LODGING TASMANIA

AUSSIEFLYFISHER

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UNRIVALLED LODGING EXPERIENCE AT THE DOORSTEP OF  
TASMANIA'S FAMED CENTRAL PLATEAU WILDERNESS AREA







# “THE LAND OF A THOUSAND LAKES” CENTRAL PLATEAU, TASMANIA



## WHERE

Originally constructed as a training camp for Antarctic expeditioners, Thousand Lakes Lodge is situated at Lake Augusta and the doorstep to the Western Lakes wilderness area.

The lodge is the highest altitude accommodation in Tasmania, sitting approximately 1,154 metres above sea level and is the only lodge within the Central Plateau Conservation Area. Guests have access to fish the vast lake systems scattered throughout the Western Lakes wilderness area, with a variety of options including those easily accessible by 4WD, by e-bike or remote lakes accessible only by foot.

The Western Lakes is approximately 1 hour and 45 minutes from Launceston Airport, with regular domestic flights from all major cities within Australia.

## WHAT

We offer bespoke all inclusive hosted tours as 4 night / 3 day, 5 night / 4 day and 6 night / 5 day angling packages.

From Airport pick up to drop off - you will be guided on some of Tasmania’s finest trout waters. Our professional guides have decades of experience and you will retire each evening in the unique comforts of the lodge. Guests have the option of twin share or private rooms with ensuites.

Each day you will fish different lakes, with the option of river days if requested, all of which can be accessed by 4WD vehicle, e-bikes or on foot. Lunch is taken stream side and 2 or 3 course dinners are home cooked style and are enjoyed back at the lodge. The lodge is also licensed, with local beer and wine available for purchase.

Your hosted Aussie fly fisher package includes a 1 or 2 Angler : 1 Guide ratio and fishing being predominantly polaroiding - spot and stalk style – and is specifically hatch oriented, offering a rewarding opportunity to challenge your ability to spot, stalk, read feeding habits, cast and ultimately capture these trophy brown trout.





## GENERAL PROGRAM

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3, 4 or 5 full days guided fishing, with a maximum of two anglers to each guide.

4, 5 or 6 nights accommodation – option of twin share rooms or private rooms with Queen beds, with ensuites for comfort.

All meals are included, with complimentary tea and coffee available at the lodge and non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages available for an additional fee. Evenings are spent at the lodge with your guide and host talking trout, tying and tackle.

**Fly casting and fly-tying learning opportunities each evening**

**Fishing a variety of lakes, as well as local rivers depending on the preferred itinerary**

**Target species: Brown Trout**

Each day typically starts around 8 AM and anglers are transported to the water by 4WD or E-bike. Depending on the day - anglers can expect to return by 5.30 PM and dinner will follow by 6:30 PM.

Each day anglers will explore different waterways and experience the quintessential Tasmanian wilderness experience.







## LODGE FACILITIES

- Guests have the option of the “Explorer Rooms” featuring a King bed and ensuite or “Pioneer Rooms” which feature a Queen bed and their own private bathroom that is separately located. Rooms can be reconfigured at your request to accommodate twin-share arrangements with two King Single beds.
- Lodge common / social rooms including fly-tying station
- Wet area for drying gear and equipment
- Air conditioning in each room
- Experienced guides
- Tackle, waders and boots can be provided with advance notice







## MEALS AND BEVERAGES

Due to the remoteness of the area, meals are sourced prior to guests arriving, with menus offering a broad selection of meals for each day.

Breakfasts are simple, with yoghurts, seasonal fresh fruits and a variety of muesli options available. Hot options vary, but generally include waffles, breakfast beans with your choice of juices, tea or coffee.

Lunch is packed daily and each day anglers can fill their water bottles or pack additional beverages for the day. Picnic options including seasonal cheeses and cured meats is also available.

Non-alcoholic beverages and alcohol may be purchased directly from the lodge.

Dinner includes 2 or 3 course options with a variety of hearty meals that include lamb shanks, Thai chicken curries with apple crumble, a panna cotta or chocolate mousse as dessert. Finish the evening by the fireplace with a whiskey or wine.

Please let us know if you have any special dietary requests.







## SAMPLE ITINERARY

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### Day 0 - Arrival

Arrive into **Launceston Airport** and be greeted by your host to be transferred to the lodge. (Approximately a 1 hour and 45 minutes scenic drive). Enjoy dinner and prepare for the next days fishing.

### Days 1-5

After breakfast, meet your guides for a full days fly fishing for trout.

Each day will be tailored to suit the desires of the group, accounting for weather and fishing quality by our expert local guides, whilst providing an opportunity to experience the diversity of fishing available in Tasmania. The unique location of the lodge affords opportunities to experience the Western Lakes in comfort. Guests have the option to tailor or their trip to include explore the diversity of river and creek options within a few hours drive of the airport, staying at nearby Devonport or Deloraine townships.

Each evening, guests return to the lodge and after dinner - tie flies, improve your casting or just relax and enjoy the rural setting, watching the Tasmanian devils and Spotted Quolls that live near the lodge.

### Day 6 - Departure

Transfer to Launceston for return flights or continue with your Australian adventure.







## GEAR LIST

### *Fishing Gear / Terminal Tackle*

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- 5 and/or 6 weight rod – 9 ft recommended
- Floating lines of your favourite taper to match. Standard leader / Tippet lengths to suit most Stillwater scenarios is appropriate. Tasmania's spot and stalk angling typically favours true line weights with longer progressive bellies.
- Flies and other terminal gear will be provided by your guides, however feel free to bring your own favourite selection or contact us and we will point you in the right direction if you wish to tie your own in the lead up to the trip.
- Forceps / nippers
- Floatant
- Day pack or Bum bag (Waterproof is recommended)







## CLOTHING & OTHER ITEMS TO BRING

Tasmania is renowned for variable weather conditions with wide temperature ranges. It can jump from the mid 30's celsius and drop to single digits if a cold front comes through. Accordingly, pack for all conditions as evenings will be cool. Waders will be the typical system, however wet wading opportunities are available in the Summer months.

- Waterproof Shell Jacket – Gore-tex, Patagonia H2NO or similar
- 2 x “quick dry” long pants
- 3 x “quick dry” long sleeve collared /hooded shirt
- 2 x quick dry thermal layers – top and bottom
- 2 x shorts
- Fleece and/or down jacket
- Long ‘skins’ pants/tights for wet wading
- Thick & thin socks and Underwear
- T-shirts, casual clothing for lodge & travel
- Hats, polarised sunglasses x 2 and Neck buff
- Thick & thin socks and Underwear
- T-shirts, casual clothing for lodge & travel
- Wading boots with studs
- neoprene wading socks
- Fingerless fishing / sun gloves or possum gloves
- Chest length breathable waders
- Water bottle, toiletries & sunscreen /skin protection.
- Travel size bug repellent.
- Camera, head torch & spare batteries
- Passport if travelling from overseas
- For international guests, please ensure Tourist Visa requirements are completed well ahead of time.







## FLIGHTS AND TRAVEL

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Please do not hesitate to contact us for flight information or recommendations.

Australian anglers will find multiple direct flights from all major eastern seaboard airports to Launceston.

Please arrive **before 4pm on your trip arrival date** where possible as this will allow an easy commute to the lodge before dinner.

Most (non-Australian) travellers will enter Australia via Sydney or Melbourne and may require an electronic visa (eTA) - you will then catch a connecting flight to Launceston from the domestic terminals.

You will be met by your host or transfer upon arrival in Launceston and when the group is together transferred to the lodge.

The drive from the Airport to the Lodge is approximately 1 hour and 45 minutes.

On your final day - you will be returned to Launceston Airport (CHC) and we recommend **booking flights after 12 noon** - for a more leisurely transfer from the lodge.







## TRIP INCLUSIONS

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- Lodging accommodation – twin share or private rooms with ensuite
- Guided fly fishing
- Meals
- Airport transfers (LST to lodge) on first and last days of scheduled hosted trip or on request

## EXCLUSIONS

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- Tasmanian fishing license (<https://www.ifs.tas.gov.au/anglers/manage>)
- Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages whilst at the lodge
- Airfares to Launceston, Tasmania
- Insurance (highly recommended)
- Gratuities
- Additional activities taken at lodge - eg E-Bikes







## BOOKING CONDITIONS

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Deposit to confirm booking: 50% of Total Cost.

Final balance will be due approximately 60 days out from your trip date.

For all trips less than 90 days out, full payment is required to secure reservations.

Deposits are non-refundable unless a replacement can be found and typically recommend anglers and guests purchase travel insurance with cancellation cover.







## CONTACT US

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