

HIGH COUNTRY AUSTRALIANA EXPERIENCE

A 5-Day Photography Tour in the Snowy Mountains

13th - 17th May 2027

Immerse yourself in the beauty, spirit and stories of the Snowy Mountains High Country on this unique five-day all-inclusive photography experience.



Brumbies in the rain at Hilltop Eco

Join guest photographic mentors, Tim and Robin Moon of Wanderlust Imagery, sharing their knowledge, inspiration and guidance throughout the tour. Tour starts in Jindabyne, NSW. Staying at Mowamba River Lodge.

Your participation will help towards protecting wild brumbies.
All proceeds go to the **Snowy Brumby Horsemanship Charity**.
Maximum Group Size: 12.

Tour Highlights:

- Spend time with the iconic Snowy Mountains brumbies while learning about their history, training and significance to the High Country
- Photograph working horses in a rustic round yard and witness traditional ropework demonstrations
- Capture two unforgettable brumby river crossings. Witness the quiet beauty of the mob crossing naturally at its own pace, then experience the thrill of a second crossing as the brumbies are driven through the river
- Enjoy photographic opportunities featuring local wildlife and farm animals
- Depending on the weather and seasonal conditions, photograph star-filled night skies, mist-covered plains, vibrant autumn colours or even an early snowfall
- Savour delicious local produce, regional wines and authentic High Country hospitality
- Experience traditional campfire cook-ups
- Meet local bushmen and skilled craftspeople as they share their stories, knowledge and connection to the region
- Receive guidance and photographic tuition from experienced photography mentors to help you create your best images
- A carefully planned itinerary designed to showcase the very best of the Snowy Mountains High Country, ensuring you're in the right place at the right time for exceptional photographic opportunities.



Sidonie riding
Ally at Top of
the Range



Ian at Bushies Roundyards



Charlie riding Sandy drives the mob through the Snowy River at Snowy Brumby Horsemanship

Itinerary

Subject to change. Depending on weather.

Thursday 13 May

Guests arrive at Mowamba River Lodge by 3.00 pm and settle into their accommodation. Begin your High Country adventure with a relaxed welcome of local wine and a gourmet cheese board before enjoying an early dinner at the lodge. As darkness falls, head out for an astro photography session at Rangeview (weather permitting).

Friday 14 May

An early start takes us to Snowy Brumby Horsemanship for an unforgettable sunrise experience. Photograph the brumbies as they make their way across the river at their own natural pace, creating magical photographic opportunities. Enjoy a hearty campfire breakfast before returning to the lodge for downtime and lunch. In the afternoon, visit Bushie's Stone Cottage, where you'll capture intimate images of working brumbies in a rustic round yard while learning about traditional ropework and horsemanship. In the evening, gather around the fire pit for our memorable Top of the Range dinner under the stars.

Saturday 15 May

Photograph the first light of day at picturesque Hilltop Farm before enjoying breakfast at Birchwood Cafe. After lunch, return to Snowy Brumby Horsemanship to meet their beautifully trained Brumbies, experience a unique horsemanship demonstration inspired by Australia's High Country and enjoy a traditional camp oven dinner by the campfire. This is more than a dinner - it's an authentic Australian experience where the legend of the High Country lives on.

Sunday 16 May

Depart early for Berridale, with opportunities to photograph emus and other native wildlife along the way. Spend the day exploring the spectacular Kosciuszko National Park before enjoying dinner together at a popular Thai restaurant in Cooma.

Monday 17 May

After breakfast at the lodge, pack up and farewell the High Country. Depending on conditions, enjoy an optional photographic stop at either the Thredbo River or Lake Jindabyne. For guests travelling via Canberra, an optional visit to the renowned John Shortt Saddlery is available before continuing your journey home.



Charlie and Sandy at Snowy Brumby Horsemanship



Ian with his dog Jet at Bushies Farm



Wild brumby at Kiandra.
Kosciuszko National Park

Cost*

\$4200 p/person twin share.

Solo travellers have the option of sharing twin accommodation with a participant of the same gender.

Single Supplement: additional \$1000.

Limited spots available.

Deposit of \$1500 needed to secure place.

Final payment due: 1st April 2027

10% discount for bookings and full payment before 1st January 2027.

**A minimum of 6 participants is required for tour to operate.*

What's Included

- All breakfast; lunch and dinners
- 4 nights accommodation at Mowamba River Lodge. Dual occupancy
- Transportation to all venues. Option to continue in your own transport to venues after leaving lodge on day 5.

What's Not Included

- Transport to Jindabyne
- Alcoholic beverages at cafes or restaurants
- Travel and Medical Insurance. (Including camera equipment and luggage).

What to Expect

Throughout the experience, acclaimed photographers Tim and Robin Moon of Wanderlust Imagery will be on hand to share their knowledge, offer practical guidance and help you capture your best images. Time has also been built into the itinerary for downloading, reviewing and editing your photographs, ensuring you can make the most of every photographic opportunity.

Photographers of all experience levels are welcome—from complete beginners using an iPhone to experienced enthusiasts with professional camera equipment.

This is your opportunity to immerse yourself in the authentic Australian High Country, photographing spectacular landscapes, iconic brumbies, native wildlife, farm animals and the colourful local characters who call this remarkable region home.

Comfortable transport is provided to all photographic locations. Walking within the National Park is available for those who wish to explore further, while the overall itinerary is designed to accommodate all fitness levels.

Mowamba River Lodge is situated on a well-maintained unsealed road and is accessible by two-wheel-drive vehicles.



John Shortt at John Shortt Saddlery



Charlie and Sandy in the round yard at Snowy Brumby Horsemanship



A couple of the brumby mob cross the Snowy River at Snowy Brumby Horsemanship

Wild brumby mare and foal at Kiandra,
Kosciuszko National Park



What to Bring

- Camera and tripod
- Filters
- Lenses: wide angle for landscapes and astro photography. Other landscape lenses (24-70mm); (70-200mm). Telephoto for wildlife
- Headtorch
- Microfibre cloth
- Laptop with Photoshop and/or Lightroom. Mobile Lightroom on phone for iphone users.

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A foggy morning at Rangeview

