



# Spring time with Wildlife Coast Cruises

## Spring time at Seal Rocks

From Sept- Oct the male (bull) seals start arriving at Seal Rocks, to begin claiming and defending breeding territory, causing sometimes violent fights between competing males. In November the season's new pups will be born, and breeding will commence. What a great way to enjoy your afternoon, with a two hour return cruise from Cowes Pier, taking in the west coast of Phillip Island, before viewing thousands of seals in their natural habitat. This is a fantastic cruise for all ages. Seal Watching Cruises are currently scheduled 2pm Daily, Book in advance, as cruises are weather & number dependant.



## Cape Woolamai Cruise

We will be cruising around spectacular Cape Woolamai on Wednesdays and Sundays on our 1 hour Cape Woolamai cruise departing from San Remo. Great value - only \$15 for children, \$25 for adult fares!



## Captain's Lunch Cruise

The popular Captain's Lunch Cruise is back! This amazing 3 hour tour cruises through Westernport Bay, under the historic Phillip Island bridge and around beautiful Cape Woolamai. This trip includes a stopover at San Remo to see the daily pelican feeding, before passengers return to the boat, to enjoy a fresh local fish and chip lunch on the return trip to Rhyll. We have discounts of up to 40% for groups this year! This cruise will be available every Wednesday and Sunday, bookings required.

## Twilight Cruises are back!

Twilight cruises begin again from 29th August and will be running on Thursday, Fridays & Saturdays. Passengers with birthdays will travel free during the month of September!

## Wilson's Promontory Cruises

We are now running a free shuttle bus service from Cowes, San Remo, Inverloch, Foster and Toora!

Special 2015 cruise dates released- October 17th / 18th / 19th

Join Wildlife Coast Cruises on this spectacular 9 hour cruise around the Wilson's Promontory National Park. We visit some amazing landmarks, including Skull Rock, Kanowna Island seal colony, the granite lighthouse and a stopover at beautiful Refuge Cove for lunch, where passengers can disembark for a swim and bush walk.

We will be running these cruises again in Feb, March and April 2016 Bookings are essential.

## Record Whale Season!

We had an incredible Whale season at Phillip Island this year, with 127 Whales recorded around the island, 64 of these sighted from our boat! The whales were mostly Humpbacks, with a few Orcas and one Southern Right Whale. This is the highest number of whales recorded at Philip Island. This is partly due to the increased population of whales since hunting was banned in the 1970s. This trend is expected to continue in the future, so we will look forward to many more whale encounters next season, beginning mid June 2016. Thanks to all who came aboard with us this year!



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## BassCoast business awards

Wildlife coast cruises are finalists in three categories of the 2015 BassCoast business awards!

- Good access is good business
- Business excellence
- Marketing and promotion

We will be attending the awards night on Friday 21st August, at the RAGV resort in Inverloch, where the winners will be announced!

## Shearwater's Return

In September the Short-Tailed Shearwaters, aka Mutton-birds, are expected to return from their Alaskan feeding grounds. Up to 500,000 Mutton-birds call Phillip Island & Westernport Bay home, with rookeries across the island, including Cape Woolamai, Summerlands and French Island. Join a Twilight Cruise and watch the daily evening home-coming of these fascinating birds as thousands fill the skies after sunset.



## Lunch & Cruise Deal

Buy lunch at the Westernport Hotel bistro, and receive a Cape Woolamai cruise for \$20! Enquire at The Westernport Hotel San Remo to book.

## Pino's Dinner Cruise

Join us on a dinner cruise around Westernport Bay, Friday 25th September! Catering by Pino's Trattoria of Cowes. Enjoy a buffet pizza & pasta selection, and complimentary beer or wine on arrival. Enquire to book.

## Kasey Lee Maintenance

The Kasey Lee Catmaran will be out of the water until 29th August, due to maintenance. When she returns she will be freshly painted and looking brand new! Our Ecoboat tours will still be running daily at 3pm to Seal Rocks, if you haven't experienced the new boat, come out soon!



## New Website

We have just launched our new and improved website, showcasing some beautiful new images of our local landscapes and wildlife. The site is easier to navigate, has language translation capabilities and features updates on upcoming cruises & weather conditions. The site also provides educational information on wildlife in our area and sustainability.

## Instagram Competition

We are running our Instagram Photo Competition until the end of the year. To enter, simply post a pic on Instagram of any of our cruises and tag #wildlifecoastcruises. Every week we will select our favourite four entries, they will be featured on our Facebook page, to be voted on by you the public! The weekly winner will go into the draw to win a helicopter flight around Phillip Island for three people!

## Social Media

We have had a lot of activity on our Facebook page recently with our cruises becoming very popular with locals and visitors alike. You can now find us on Twitter & Instagram @wildlifecoastcruises and watch video clips of our cruises on our Youtube account!



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