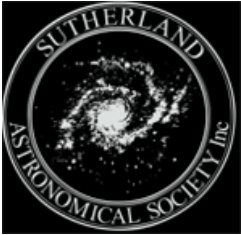


April 2024 USA

Total Solar Eclipse

Astronomical & Aerospace Exploration Tour



Dallas – Houston – Washington DC

6 – 15 April 2024

Organized by the Sutherland Astronomical Society, Inc., Sydney (SASI) & CBT Holidays



SASI USA 2024 Trip Summary

Date	Day	Trip Itinerary
Saturday, 6 April 2024	1	Fly from Australia to Dallas, same day arrival
Sunday, 7 April 2024	2	Dallas - Free Day
Monday, 8 April 2024	3	Dallas - Total Solar Eclipse Day
Tuesday, 9 April 2024	4	Dallas - coach - Houston
Wednesday, 10 April 2024	5	Houston - flight - Washington DC
Thursday, 11 April 2024	6	Washington DC
Friday, 12 April 2024	7	Washington DC
Saturday, 13 April 2024	8	Washington DC - flight - Australia
Sunday, 14 April 2024	9	Crossing dateline and lose one day
Monday, 15 April 2024	10	Arrive into Australia



Itinerary:

6 Apr 2024 **Day 01** **Australia – Dallas**

Fly from Australia to Dallas. Upon arrival on the same day, met & transferred to hotel.
You will stay 3 nights in Dallas.



7 Apr 2024 **Day 02** **Dallas** **Meal: B**

Today is at own leisure. You could explore Dallas at your own pace and cost.

Suggestions: all within Dallas Downtown 1km radius - Perot Museum of Nature & Science; JFK's assassination scene ; Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum

8 Apr 2024 **Day 03** **Dallas - Total Eclipse Day** **Meal: B**

Today is Total Eclipse Day.

A chartered coach standby to drive us 100KM away if weather not ideal, which will be decided a day before.

T.S.E Timing - TBA



9 Apr 2024

Day 04

Dallas - Houston

Meal: B

We will leave early at 7 am by coach and transfer to Houston.

We will visit NASA the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center from 1 – 5 PM.

For more than 50 years, NASA's Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center (JSC) in Houston has led our nation and the world on a continuing adventure of human exploration, discovery and achievement. The center has played a vital role in powering our country into the 21st century through technological innovations and scientific discoveries. As the center has evolved into one of NASA's largest research and development facilities, the greater Houston area has developed into an aerospace hub with an identity of amazing achievements, hard work, and innovation.

You will stay 1 night in Houston.



10 Apr 2024

Day 05

Houston – Washington DC

Meal: B

Today we will re-visit NASA the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center from 10 am – 2 pm. Then be transferred to the airport for your flight to Washington. Upon arrival, met and transferred to your hotel for 3 nights.



11 Apr 2024

Day 06

Washington DC

Meal: B

In the morning we visit Arlington Cemetery – JFK's Burial site and NASA astronauts Burial Sites etc.

In the afternoon visit Washington DC's famous sites and landmarks, including Ford's Theatre; Capitol Building and stop for a picture at the White House, FBI Building, Federal Triangle and Washington Monument; new World War II Memorial, a large monument which pays tribute to those who fell during the war. Visit the White House Visitor Center and learn all about the past and present US Presidents. View from your window the U.S. Capitol, the Library of Congress, the White House, Embassy Row.



12 Apr 2024

Day 07

Washington DC

Meal: B

Coach transfer to Smithsonian Air and Space Museum for a day at your own pace.

First of all, we will organize a group guided tour for you in this museum (subject to final confirmation from the museum). This docent-led tour highlights the Museum's collection and traces the history of air and space travel. Tours generally run for 90 minutes.

After this tour, you will easily continue your visit and explore more details at your own pace. You will have coach pick up in late afternoon.



We may visit National Art Gallery if time permits.



13 Apr 2024 **Day 08** **Washington – Australia** **Meal: B**

Today is at leisure.

Transfer to the airport for your evening flight bound for Australia.

14 Apr 2024 **Day 09** **Losing one day**

Cross dateline and lose one day.

15 April 2024 **Day 10** **Australia**

Arrive into Australia in the morning.



Group Arrival & Departure Transfers are included as per below (QF / AA flight):

06 April 24 Arrival transfers 1400 and 1600 from Dallas Airport to hotel

13 April 24 Departure transfer Hotel to Washington DCA airport for 1730 departure flight.

Group Quotation:

#	Group Size – Paying passengers	Quotation per person			Single supplement
		Twin share	Triple Share	# Children under 9	
1	45 – 49	\$3080	\$2750	\$2680	\$950
2	40 - 44	\$3130	\$2790	\$2730	
3	35 – 39	\$3230	\$2880	\$2850	
4	30 – 34	\$3350	\$2990	\$2890	

Remarks:

1. # Children under 9 price is for sharing 2 adults and use extra bed (rollaway bed)
2. Children under 9 will pay full price if share one room with one adult.
3. Triple share price is for the 3rd person sharing the room.

Inclusions:

1. 3 star hotels total 7 nights stay at below hotel or similar.
3* Dallas La Quinta Inn by Wyndham Dallas Uptown 3 nights
3* Houston Hampton Inn & Suites 1 night
3* Washington DC Holiday Inn Greenbelt 3 nights
2. Fully inclusive tour with English speaking local guide, entrance fees, meals, group transfers as per itinerary
3. Tipping for driver, tour guides and restaurant services
4. US domestic air ticket Houston – Washington DC with 1 piece of luggage
5. Comfortable air-condition modern coach
6. CBT Travel bag or luggage organizer and ticket wallet, luggage tag etc

Exclusions:

Any air tickets (except for the 1 internal flight from Houston, Texas to Washington DC, organised by CBT Holidays); Personal expenses; Visa application, Solar Eclipse Glasses (these can be purchased easily on line. They are inexpensive.) etc.

For Visa to USA: You'll need to apply **ESTA** online <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta/>

REMINDER: Apply for ESTA no later than 72 hours before departing for the United States. Real-time approvals will no longer be available and arriving at the airport without a previously approved ESTA will likely result in being denied boarding.



Dallas La Quinta Inn by Wyndham
Dallas Uptown



Houston Hampton Inn & Suites



Washington DC Holiday Inn
Greenbelt

TERMS & CONDITIONS

(Charter Group – SASI USA 2024)

1. Booking / Acceptance

Please read these Terms & Conditions carefully. By making a reservation with us, you have agreed to accept the Terms & Conditions herein. CBT Holidays accepts a booking with the understanding that full payment has been collected and held by CBT Holidays. This group tour requires a minimum number for guaranteed departure. CBT Holidays reserve the right to cancel the tour due to insufficient number at least 120 days before its departure date. On confirmation of your booking, CBT Holidays will reserve your place on your selected tours. It is your responsibility as the customer to check the accuracy of your booking and travel dates on receipt of your travel documents. The numbers of day duration in the itineraries include the day of departure and the day of return to Australia.

2. Deposit and final payment

All clients are required to complete the booking form and have them sent to CBT Holidays to start the reservation. To confirm the reservation, you will be asked to send us a non-refundable deposit for each tour of \$800 per person within 15 days from the date of the confirmation of your booking to secure the reservation. The full amount of deposit will be refunded if we cancel the tour due to insufficient numbers. We must receive the balance of the tour payment by **15 Jan 2024**. If we do not receive the tour deposit or final payment by the due dates, we reserve the right to cancel the reservation. In the case of billing errors, we reserve the right to re-invoice with correct pricing. A late booking (within 60 days prior to departure) fee of \$120 may apply. All group air tickets are with strict conditions of non-refundable, non-transferable and non-changeable.

A second deposit for air ticket will be required once we book and need to issue the tickets.

Flights may be ticketed once payment is on file to avoid airfare surcharges or additional tax increases levied by the airlines. Any change of the air tickets may incur a fee as per airlines penalty.

Many airlines has strict upgrade policy; not all booking classes are upgradable to premium economy or business class. Please check with us when making reservation. You may need to pay extra for certain upgradable booking class.

3. Cancellations and cancellation fees

This is a special charter group. Cancellations are very costly and usually do not occur in time for resale of the cancelled tour. All cancellation must be sent to CBT Holidays in writing.

The following land tour per person cancellation fees apply.

Initial Deposit is non-refundable.

More than 180 days prior to departure: deposit plus air tickets cancellation fees.

180-150 days prior to departure: 30% of total price

149-100 days prior to departure: 50% of total price

99-100 days prior to departure: 70% of total price

99-61 days prior to departure: 85% of total price

within 60 days prior to departure: 100% of total price.

CBT Holidays reserves the right to cancel or reschedule the tour; the only responsibility of CBT Holidays will be to refund to the passenger the amount we have received for the tour reservation if the tour been cancelled by CBT. All tour itineraries are subject to minor change upon local arrangement.

4. Insurance

There is no insurance coverage in our tour price; and no responsibility is accepted by CBT Holidays for any loss of or damage to baggage or any of the tour participant's belongings. We strongly recommend that you take out comprehensive insurance cover against any cancellation, medical expenses, personal accident, lose or damage of personal baggage / belongings, money and public liability when you pay the deposit.

5. Amendment fees

A fee of \$50 per transaction may apply for any alteration or amendment made to a confirmed reservation. Airline penalties may also apply. A change to traveller name after air tickets have been issued will be treated as a cancellation and cancellation fees apply.

6. Travellers who need special assistance

You must report any disability on the booking form at the time of reservation. CBT Holidays will assist the special needs of the less mobile travellers, but is not responsible in the event it is unable to do so. We regret that we cannot provide any individual assistance to a tour participant during the tour, so a qualified companion must accompany travelers who need such assistance, who must take total responsibility for the handicapped participant on the whole tour.

7. Single Traveller

CBT Holidays will try to match up singles of the same gender in twin-bedded rooms. But when finalizing the tour, if we fail to match you, a forced single supplement, which is 90% of the normal single supplement, will apply. Please note this policy cannot be offered for pre and post tour accommodation.

8. Price Guarantee

All prices are in Australian dollars based on twin share and subject to change without notice due to increases of airfares, hotel accommodation charges or currency exchange rate fluctuations. However, the tour prices are guaranteed for those who have paid their deposit or full payment, but except any Government / airport taxes and charges, airlines fuel surcharges increase.

9. Visas & Passports

A valid national passport is needed for all tours. Please make sure that your passport is valid for at least 6 months from date of travel, and at least there is two blank pages left in the passport for the visa label. All passengers must obtain visas to visit USA, you need to apply online <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta/>

it is your responsibility to make sure that you have obtained the relevant visa before leaving Australia.

10. Items not included in the tour price

Passports; visas and vaccinations; unscheduled meals and interstate travel from any place to departure city, laundry, beverages; travel insurance; excess baggage fees; and all other items of a personal nature.

11. Service inquiries after the tour

If after returning from the tour, you wish to inquire about any tour services provided, please ensure that all correspondence relating to those services is received to CBT Holidays (address below), within 30 days of the tour completion date. This will enable CBT Holidays to make a timely investigation. CBT Holidays will not be liable for any claims made 30 days after the tour / service completion.

12. Safety

Please be aware that during your participation in tours operated by CBT Holidays, certain risks and dangers may arise beyond our control including, but not limited to, the hazards of travelling in

undeveloped areas; travel by boat, train, automobile, aircraft or other means of transportation; the forces of nature, political unrest and accident or illness in remote regions without means of rapid evacuation or medical facilities. CBT Holidays will not have liability regarding provision of medical care or the adequacy of any care that may be rendered. It is understood that CBT Holidays will use its best efforts to ensure that adequate measures are taken.

13. Limitations of Responsibility

CBT Holidays is a tour division of China Bestours (Aust) Pty Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as the Company) is responsible to you in making arrangements for the tour services offered in this brochure, including transportation, sightseeing, and accommodation.

The carriers, accommodation providers, and other suppliers providing tour services are independent contractors and are not agents, employees, or servants of, or joint ventures with, the Company or its affiliates. All certificates and other travel documents for tour services issued by the Company are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the suppliers, and to the laws of the countries in which the services are supplied.

If, after tour departure, the services included in the tour cannot be supplied, or there are changes in an itinerary for reasons beyond the control of the Company, the Company will arrange for the provision of comparable services. Any resulting additional expense will be payable by travellers and any resulting saving will be refunded by the Company to tour participants.

The tour participant agrees that the Company shall not be liable for any damage, loss (including personal injury, death, and property loss) or expenses occasioned by any act or omission of any supplier providing tour services, or any insurer or insurance administrator or of any other person.

Legal proceedings against the Company may be instituted only in a state or federal court with the State of New South Wales, and any claim involved in such proceedings shall be decided in accordance with the laws of the State of New South Wales. Any legal proceedings against the Company must be commenced within one year following the date of tour completion. The Company shall not in any case be liable for other than compensatory damages, and you hereby waive any right to punitive damages.

14. General

Please note that no airlines or carrier depicted or recommended in this brochure by virtue of their endorsement of the brochure represents themselves either as contracting with or any other legal relationship with any such purchaser.

Every effort is made to ensure the brochure accuracy at the time of going to print, however CBT Holidays cannot be held responsible for printing and typographical errors, or errors arising from unforeseen circumstances.

15. Trade name

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Booking Form



Tour Name: **2024 SASI USA Total Solar Eclipse Tour**

Departure Date: **6-Apr-24** Departure City: **Sydney**

Room Type: Single / Twin / Double / Triple _____ Airlines: **Qantas / AA**

Land Price: From Twin \$3080 - will adjust the price when finalising the group.

International Air tickets: Please send me a quote _____ I will arrange myself _____

Clients Details:

	Title	Surname	Other Names	QF Flyer#
1	_____	_____	_____	_____
2	_____	_____	_____	_____

Please attach your passport(s) copy (main page only) for reservation

Email Address: _____

Contact Tel: **Home:** _____ **Mobile:** _____

Home Address: _____

Next of Kin: **Name:** _____ **Tel:** _____

Any physical, medical or dietary problem? _____

Non-Refundable Deposit Details (A\$800/per person) by 1 Oct 2023:

Balance due on 15 Jan 2024

Enclosed cheque total A\$_____ for _____ persons.

Direct Deposit: CBT Holidays Westpac BSB 032 044 AC # 520303

Credit card details: Master Card__ Visa Card__ (1.5% surcharge for Master or Visa but waived for deposit)

Card Holder _____ Total: A\$ _____

Card No. _____ Expiry: _____ / _____

CCV #: _____ (The last 3 digits on the other side of the card)

Signature: _____

On behalf of all the persons named above, I have read, understood and accepted the Terms & Conditions in this brochure.

Signature: _____ Name: (please print) _____

Date: _____

Remarks (Special travel arrangement / special diet request):

