

St Patrick's Day 2017 visit of Minister of State Patrick O'Donovan to Australia

Programme (as of 10 March 2017)

All times and dates confirmed unless otherwise stated

Monday 13 March 2017 Wellington - Melbourne

Flight:

17:00 – 19:00 **Wellington – Melbourne QF172 (4h) 2 hour time difference**
Met off plane by Sarah Mangan, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Ireland, and transfer to The Windsor Hotel

Overnight The Hotel Windsor, 111 Spring Street, Melbourne

Tuesday 14 March 2017 Melbourne - Canberra

08:30 Briefing on Australian programme
with Ambassador Breandán Ó Caollaí; Sarah Mangan, Embassy of Ireland; Sofia Hansson, Tourism Ireland; Mary Kinnane, Enterprise Ireland.
The Hotel Windsor

09:30 – 10:30 **Roundtable meeting with Tempo Travel Service** (part of the Cox & Kings Group Australia) hosted by Tourism Ireland
Cox & Kings Group / Tempo Holidays, 72 Market Street, South Melbourne

11:00 – 11:35 Visit Irish Australian Support and Resource Bureau
440A High Street, Northcote

12:00 – 12:30 Enterprise Ireland client signing – Claim Vantage
Eureka 89, Eureka Tower, 7 Riverside Quay, Southbank

12:30 – 14:30 **Enterprise Ireland lunch** at Eureka 89

14:30 *Transfer directly to Domestic Airport*

Flight:

16:20 – 17:25 **Melbourne – Canberra QF826 (1h 05)**

17:25 *Met at luggage collection by Embassy driver and transfer to Ambassador's Residence, 20 Arkana Street, Yarralumla*

19:00 – 21:00 **Ambassador's St Patrick's Day reception**
Ambassador's Residence, 20 Arkana Street, Yarralumla

21:00 **Global Greening: National Carillon** – *photo opportunity*

Overnight Ambassador's Residence, Canberra

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Wednesday 15 March 2017
Canberra - Sydney

08:00 – 08:30 **Launch of photographic exhibition** commemorating 70 years of Ireland – Australia diplomatic relations
With Frances Adamson, Secretary General of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, John McEwen Crescent, Barton

Return to Ambassador's Residence to collect luggage

09:10 *Depart for Domestic Airport*

Flight:

10:10 – 11:05 **Canberra – Sydney VA641**
Met at luggage carousel by Rory Conaty, Vice Consul, Consulate General Sydney
Transfer directly to Tourism Ireland lunch

12:30 – 15:00 **Tourism Ireland Trade and Media Lunch**
34Bia, Redfern (attendance by representatives from the Australian Women's Rugby World Cup and Oceania Rugby)

15:30 – 16:30 **Meeting with Australia Rugby Union CEO Bill Pulver**
Ground Floor, 29-57 Christie Street, St Leonards, NSW, 2065

17:30 – 19:30 **Irish community reception at Consulate General**
Consulate General of Ireland, Ireland House, Level 26, 1 Market Street

19:30 **Global Greening: Sydney Town Hall** – photo opportunity

Overnight Shangri La Hotel, 176 Cumberland St, Sydney

Thursday 16 March 2017
Sydney - Brisbane

08:00 – 09:00 **Enterprise Ireland client breakfast meeting**
Consulate General of Ireland, Ireland House, Level 26, 1 Market Street
EI client breakfast with Contego Sports to profile the launch of N-PRO product.

10:00 – 10:30 **Visit to the Famine Memorial**
Hyde Park Barracks – meet with Chairperson and Famine Commemoration Committee members

11:00 – 12:00 **Visit to Irish Support Agency, Sydney**
2 Wellington Street, Bondi

12:30 – 14:30 **Enterprise Ireland working lunch**
Museum of Contemporary Art, 140 George Street, The Rocks, Sydney

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14:30 *Transfer to Domestic Airport*

Flight:

16:00 – 16:30 **Sydney – Brisbane QF536 (1h 30)** *one hour time difference*

16:30 *Met at luggage carousel plane by Sarah Mangan and transfer to The Pullman Hotel*

17:30 – 18:00 **Meeting with the Irish Australian Support Association Queensland**
Meeting will be held at the Pullman Hotel

19:00 **St Patrick's Eve Dinner**
Pullman Hotel, Brisbane
Black tie event.

22:00 **Global Greening: QPAC (Queensland Performing Arts Centre)** – photo opportunity

Overnight The Pullman Hotel, Brisbane

Friday 17 March 2017 Sydney

06:00 *Check out and transfer to domestic airport, accompanied by Sarah Mangan*

Flight:

07:05 – 09:40 **Brisbane – Sydney QF509 (1h 35)** *one hour time difference*
Met at luggage carousel by Rory Conaty, Vice Consul
Transfer directly to TI roundtable meeting

10:30 – 11:30 **Roundtable meeting with the Travel Corporation hosted by Tourism Ireland, Bondi Junction**

12:00 – 15.00 **Lansdowne Club 30th anniversary St Patrick's Day lunch**
Convention Centre, Sydney
The Lansdowne Club is Sydney's premier Irish Business Network, and its

Mass at St Mary's Cathedral, Hyde Park at 17:30

Depart Sydney for Ireland

21:45 – 05:15 (+1) *Sydney – Dubai EK413 (14h 30)*

Saturday 18 March 2017 Dublin

07:00 – 11:20 *Dubai – Dublin EK161 (8h 20)*

11:20 Arrive Dublin