

THE CELEBRITY OF AUSTRALIA'S INTRIGUING CAPITAL CITY IS ON THE RISE THANKS TO ITS TRENDY NEW NEIGHBORHOODS, CULTURAL HIGHLIGHTS AND GASTRONOMIC EXPERIENCES.



THREE STAYS

Hotel Realm

This five-star hotel is like its own mini lifestyle hub, encompassing several swanky restaurants, a heated lap pool and sauna. hotelrealm.com.au

Ovolo Nishi

This boutique NewActon hotel is brimming with

hotel is brimming with new-school charisma and designer quirks. ovolohotels. com/ovolo/nishi Jamala Wildlife Lodge

Wake to the roar of lions or hand-feed a giraffe at this 18-room Africa-style luxury lodge inside Canberra's National Zoo & Aquarium. jamalawildlifelodge.com.au

WALK THE CITY

Do as the locals do and follow the three-mile loop track circling LAKE BURLEY GRIFFIN, crossing Commonwealth Bridge and Kings Avenue Bridge, and taking in Canberra's most important landmarks and memorials. visitcanberra.com.au/getting-around/walking

GETTING AROUND

Ride the free Culture Loop bus to 10 of Canberra's best attractions including Parliament House, the NATIONAL GALLERY OF AUSTRALIA [pictured above, left] and the Canberra Centre, or hire a bike and use the extensive network of cycle paths to navigate your way around the the city.

ULTIMATE EXPERIENCE

SEE LAKE BURLEY GRIFFIN ON A HOT AIR BALLOON RIDE WITH BALLOON ALOFT, OR VISIT DURING THE CANBERRA BALLOON SPECTACULAR, WHEN MORE THAN THIRTY HOT AIR BALLOONS TAKE TO THE SKY.

BALLOONALOFTCANBERRA.COM.AU

WHERE TO EAT



AUBERGINE: The set five-course menu here is updated daily to make the most of local produce that is in-season and at its best on the day. aubergine.com.au

PILOT: Located in the suburb of Ainslie, the refined seven-course degustation menu at Pilot. seeks to redefine fundamentals. pilotrestaurant.com

BAR ROCHFORD: This bar's popularity with locals is owed to an exciting wine list with restaurant-quality food and great beats to boot. barrochford.com

