



# THE 2025 OZSKY "CLASSIC" STAR SAFARI

COONABARABRAN, NSW, AUSTRALIA

MARCH 23 – 30, 2025

[www.OzSky.org](http://www.OzSky.org)

## 6. TRAIN BOOKINGS FOR OZSKY

### MAKING YOUR TRAIN BOOKING

For those of you opting to fly (or drive all the way from Sydney to Coonabarabran), please feel free to disregard this section of the document.

For those of you intending to travel by train from Sydney to Dubbo, enroute to Coonabarabran for OzSky 2025, NSW TrainLink online bookings are now open.

Also, please remember you are more than welcome to head to Coonabarabran earlier than the scheduled start date of OzSky – This is becoming a more popular option in recent years as a way of familiarising one's self with the area before the rest of the group arrives.

The NSW TrainLink Express Passenger Train (XPT) departs from Sydney Central Station at 07:19am, arriving at Dubbo early afternoon where you can collect your rental car (which most of you will hopefully have already booked by now) and then continue the drive to Coonabarabran and The OzSky Star Safari.

We recommend securing your seats on the following services – however your travel circumstances may differ.

Date: Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2025  
Train Service: Western XPT Train 427  
Scheduled departure: 07:19 Sydney Central  
Scheduled arrival: 13:45 Dubbo

Date: Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2025  
Train Service: Western XPT Train 428  
Scheduled departure: 14:15 Dubbo  
Scheduled arrival: 20:45 Sydney Central

Book online: [NSW TrainLink – Book Online](#)  
Email: [travel.services@transport.nsw.gov.au](mailto:travel.services@transport.nsw.gov.au)  
Telephone: [+61 2 3814 0210](tel:+61238140210)

*Note: Cancellations of train bookings for overseas travellers sometimes may need to be done by telephone. Office hours are usually 7:00am-10:00pm daily (Australian Eastern Daylight Time: UTC+11).*

### CONSIDER SHARING A RENTAL CAR

Regardless of whether you're catching the train or flying to Dubbo or Tamworth and then driving the last two hours to OzSky – or driving all the way from Sydney to OzSky, you'll definitely need a car for the week, so you can get around easily while you're at OzSky.

If you haven't already done so, now would be a great time to contact other OzSky folks and consider trying to organise sharing of rental cars.

Not only will it result in a significantly lower rental cost, but it's also a great way to share the driving and to make new friends along the way.

**Important note: Many car rental agencies in Dubbo close early on some days, and some do not open at all on Sundays, so please consider this restriction when planning your itinerary and ensure your selected rental agency will be open when you arrive.**

Oh, and just remember... we drive on the LEFT side of the road here in Oz !

### OZSKY 2025 GROUP MAILING LIST

Feel free to use the OzSky 2025 Group Mailing List to contact the other OzSky folks heading to OzSky in 2025 – If you want to drive, but also want to share the costs of rental and fuel, there are likely several other people in the OzSky 2025 group who might prefer to be a passenger, or vice-versa.

The mailing list address is: [OzSky2025@OzSky.org](mailto:OzSky2025@OzSky.org).



Catching the train is just one of many ways to travel from Sydney to Dubbo enroute to the OzSky Star Safari



Consider sharing a Rental Car with another OzSky colleague  
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