

Tour Brochure

November 2024 edition

**Come and
have fun
with us!**



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Cover Picture: Penong Windmill Museum

Above Picture: Giant Cuttlefish near Whyalla

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Welcome

Another amazing year is coming to an end with Christmas fast approaching. We have been on some fantastic tours over the last six months and one of the best things was that the whales returned to Fowlers Bay. We also got to see them at a distance at Head of the Bight on our Seafood, Sealife and Street Art tour as well. Our Giant Cuttlefish tour was a sell out again and an ideal short 3 day holiday.

We had a lot of fun on our Pichi Richi, Marree and Flinders Ranges tour, so much so that we will go back again next September. Keep a look out on our website for dates or check with our office early next year, we are just waiting on the Pichi Richi Railway dates to be released. Our extremely popular New Year's Eve tour was fully booked by June this year so if you would like to join us in Mildura next year register your name early.

After a long wait we have secured rooms for our Kangaroo Island tour in February 2025. This is one of SA's premier destinations and there is so much to see and do on the island. We had a lot of fun on our first ever Barossa Valley food trail day tour, with an elegant Devonshire tea at Barossa Chateau, we checked out the new Melba's chocolate outlet at Angaston, purchased a few goodies at Gully Gardens and had time to wander through Wohlers at Tanunda. It was a perfect day.

We will soon celebrate twelve months in our new location at Innovation House in Mawson Lakes and it has proved to be an ideal place to leave from on our extended tours, with amenities and an atrium to wait in if the weather is inclement.

Pam has now returned to her well earned retirement (which I dragged her out of 2 1/2 years go) and we thank her for her wonderful contribution on the office, I'm sure a lot of you had interaction and a lovely chat with her over the time. Jovana has settled in to being a "hills dweller" at Lobethal. Ronda is continuing her love of travel with a couple of overseas trips planned in the next few months.

In June Rex and I travelled to central Queensland to check out accommodation, dining and attractions for our Longreach tour. This tour proved to be extremely popular and I apologise to all who missed out, as it sold out just by word of mouth and listing on our website. Register your interest and we will let you know as soon as we have our next tour date. Also it looks like I must have inspired a lot of you to come to Avalon Airshow with me as it too has sold out. It is a biennial event and we will do it again in 2 years time.

You, our regular passengers, thank you for your wonderful loyalty and friendship during the year and to all our new passengers it's been a pleasure meeting you and getting to know you.

Have a safe, happy and relaxing Christmas.....rest up ready for more travels and adventures in 2025

Regards,

Valerie, Rex, Ronda & Jovana



Valerie



Ronda



Jovana

Friday 14th February 2025 - Valentine's Day



Highlights of the tour:

Enjoy Valentine's Day with us or that special someone in your life, as you travel to the beautiful Virginia Nursery. Take a stroll amongst their many aisles of flowers, plants, trees, pots and statues. Why buy only a bouquet of flowers for yourself when you can buy the whole plant. We will sit down for a main course lunch at their Doncho's Café and then top this day off with afternoon tea at Café Nova at Gawler. We have done all the hard work and planning for you, all that is left is for you to book your seat and be taken out for the day.

Tour includes:

- ★ Visit to Virginia Nursery
- ★ Main course lunch at Doncho's Café
- ★ Afternoon tea at Café Nova
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host

Details:

- ★ Depart Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd Ingle Farm at 9:15 am
- ★ Depart Adelaide Convention Centre, North Tce. at 10:00 am
- ★ Arrive back at Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd at approx. 3:45 pm
- ★ Arrive back at Adelaide Convention Centre at approx. 4:30 pm

Cost: \$ 137 per person

Thursday 6th March - Carrick Hill



Highlights of the tour:

Previously the private home of Sir Edward and Ursula Haywood, Carrick Hill is set in a 100 acre estate in the Adelaide foothills. Carrick Hill's spectacular formal Edwardian style gardens are a must visit all year round. Enjoy free time to wander the gardens before our 1 hour guided tour of this beautiful mansion. We will then head over to the Watermark International Buffet for a delicious all you can eat lunch and dessert.

Tour includes:

- ★ Morning Tea at grounds of Carrick Hill
- ★ Entry & guided tour of Carrick Hill
- ★ Lunch at the Watermark International Buffet
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host

Details:

- ★ Depart Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd Ingle Farm at 8:15 am
- ★ Depart Adelaide Convention Centre, North Tce. at 9:00 am
- ★ Arrive back at Adelaide Convention Centre at approx. 3:00 pm
- ★ Arrive back at Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd at approx. 3:45 pm

Cost: \$ 140 per person

Friday 14th March - Elephants Rest & Serenity Garden Centre

Highlights of the tour:

Start today with morning tea on the grounds of Serenity Garden Centre. Spend time and wander through this garden centre which is known for their exquisite plants and one-of a kind garden adornments. You will then enjoy lunch at Murray Bridge before heading to Elephants rest. Enjoy an afternoon tea of home made samosas or scones at this little gem and a hidden oasis with African themed gardens. You have time to explore or simply relax in the wildlife gardens and feel like you really are amongst the African wilderness. An exciting day out.



Tour includes:

- ★ Morning tea at Serenity Garden Centre
- ★ Lunch at Murray Bridge
- ★ Afternoon tea & entry to Elephants Rest
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host

Details:

- ★ Depart Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd Ingle Farm at 8:15 am
- ★ Depart Adelaide Convention Centre, North Tce. at 9:00 am
- ★ Arrive back at Adelaide Convention Centre at approx. 4:00 pm
- ★ Arrive back at Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd at approx. 4:45 pm

Cost: \$ 132 per person

Monday 14th April - Adelaide Hills Autumn Leaves

Highlights of the tour:

The Hills are stunning at this time of year. Join us as we head to The Summit Café located on top of Adelaide's highest peak. Enjoy a Devonshire morning tea and have an opportunity to take a photo with Adelaide city as your backdrop. Continue to the picturesque Mt Lofty Botanic Gardens where the autumn colours will leave you mesmerised. Visit the town of Hahndorf and admire the streets lined with elm, oak and chestnut trees whose leaves are a fiery red and orange colour at this time of year. Have time to purchase your lunch and to visit the many little boutique stores in this town.



Tour includes:

- ★ **Please note—Lunch at own expense today**
- ★ Devonshire Morning Tea at The Summit Café
- ★ Visit to Mt Lofty Botanic Gardens
- ★ Visit Hahndorf to purchase your lunch and have free time to wander
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host

Details:

- ★ Depart Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd Ingle Farm at 8:15 am
- ★ Depart Adelaide Convention Centre, North Tce. at 9:00 am
- ★ Arrive back at Adelaide Convention Centre at approx. 3:00pm
- ★ Arrive back at Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd at approx. 3:45 pm

Cost: \$ 110 per person



Monday 28th April - Monarto Safari Park



Highlights of the tour:

Join us on our ever so popular Monarto Safari Park tour. Enjoy your day as we ride on the bus taking you through large open exhibits. View animals such as giraffes, white & black rhinos, cheetah and lions. You might even have the opportunity to see “Burma”, one of the five Asian elephants that will be calling Monarto Safari Park their home. Have a bit of time to look around their safari shop. Enjoy a two course lunch at the Mannum Club. Make sure to book your seat early to avoid disappointment.

Tour includes:

- ★ Morning Tea Monarto Safari Park carpark
- ★ Entry and bus tour in Monarto Safari Park
- ★ Lunch at the Mannum Club
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host

Details:

- ★ Depart Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd Ingle Farm at 8:15 am
- ★ Depart Adelaide Convention Centre, North Tce. at 9:00 am
- ★ Arrive back at Adelaide Convention Centre at approx. 4:15 pm
- ★ Arrive back at Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd at approx. 5:00 pm

Cost: \$ 157 per person

Friday 16th May – Kernewek Lowender, Moonta

Highlights of the tour:

The Kernewek Lowender festival is held biennially. It celebrates the traditions, culture and heritage of the Cornish ancestors. It also means “Cornish Happiness” which is what the Cornish migrants felt when they migrated to the towns of Moonta, Kadina and Wallaroo. You may see Maypole and Furry dancing, street parades, markets and exhibitions. See participants dressed up in traditional costumes such as Cornish Jacks and Cornish Jennies. Try a traditional Cornish pasty and/or a Swanky beer while there. Make sure to book your seat or you will have to wait two years for the next one.



Tour includes:

- ★ **Please note - Lunch at your own expense today**
- ★ Free time in Moonta to purchase lunch, look at stalls and events
- ★ Enjoy street parade
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host

Details:

- ★ Depart Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd Ingle Farm at 7:45 am
- ★ Depart Adelaide Convention Centre, North Tce. at 8:30 am
- ★ Arrive back at Adelaide Convention Centre at approx. 4:45 pm
- ★ Arrive back at Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd at approx. 5:30 pm

Cost: \$ 115 per person

Tuesday 24th June - Captain Proud Cruise



Highlights of the tour:

Experience and explore the vast natural beauty on offer at the Murray River, by joining us on a beautiful three hour cruise on the Captain Proud Paddle Boat. Built in 1977 and was one of the original showboats on the Port River. Enjoy a two course lunch as you cruise along with beautiful scenery all around. Following the cruise, stop at Mt Barker for an afternoon tea of coffee/tea and biscuits.

Tour includes:

- ★ Afternoon Tea at Mt Barker
- ★ Three hour Captain Proud Cruise
- ★ Two course lunch onboard cruise
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host

Details:

- ★ Depart Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd Ingle Farm at 8:30 am
- ★ Depart Adelaide Convention Centre, North Tce. at 9:15 am
- ★ Arrive back at Adelaide Convention Centre at approx. 3:50 pm
- ★ Arrive back at Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd at approx. 4:30 pm

Cost: \$ 149 per person



Friday 17th July - Christmas in July - Clare Valley



Highlights of the tour:

Don't wait another six months, start celebrating now. This tradition was started in 1980 by some Irish tourists in the Blue Mountains who wanted to recreate their winter festivities. Let's continue that tradition and have lunch at Bently's in the beautiful Clare Valley. You can indulge in Roast Turkey and pudding if you wish, or perhaps something a little less traditional. A festive fun day out.



Tour includes:

- ★ Morning tea in Tarlee
- ★ Visit to St Aloysius Church in Sevenhills
- ★ Two course Christmas lunch at The Bentleys Hotel
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host

Details:

- ★ Depart Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd Ingle Farm. at 8:30 am
- ★ Depart Adelaide Convention Centre, North Tce. at 9:15 am
- ★ Arrive back at Adelaide Convention Centre at approx. 4:00 pm
- ★ Arrive back at Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd at approx. 4:45 pm

Cost: \$ 145 per person



Wednesday 13th August - Birdwood Motor Museum



Highlights of the tour:

Take a step back in time and visit the international centre for the collection, research, preservation, education and display of Australia road transport history. Opened in 1965 it is the destination for the iconic Bay to Birdwood, the largest continually staged vehicle run of its kind in the world. Take a good look around the museum and its many collections before heading to the Gum Hotel in Gumeracha for a two course lunch.

Tour includes:

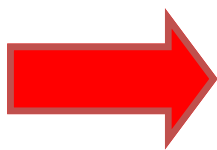
- ★ Morning tea at Birdwood Motor Museum Carpark
- ★ Entry to Birdwood Motor Museum
- ★ Two course lunch at the Gum Hotel in Gumeracha
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host

Details:

- ★ Depart Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd Ingle Farm at 8:45 am
- ★ Depart Adelaide Convention Centre, North Tce. at 9:30 am
- ★ Arrive back at Adelaide Convention Centre at approx. 3:30pm
- ★ Arrive back at Bus Stop 42 Beovich Rd at approx. 4:15 pm

Cost: \$ 147 per person

Day Tour Pickup and Return locations



Bus Stop 42

Beovich Rd Ingle Farm.

Outside the Recreation Centre

Ample car parking, sheltered seating, water fountain and shady trees to wait under.



In front of the escalators
at the

Adelaide Convention Centre
North Terrace, Adelaide



EXTENDED TOURS

New Year's Eve - Portland, Victoria

Monday 30th December 2024 to Thursday 2nd January 2025

Accommodation: Richmond Henty Hotel Complex, Portland

Highlights of the tour:

****WAITING LIST ONLY****

- ★ Enjoy morning tea in the park at Taillem Bend. After morning tea view the "Uneek Animals" in the cream shed near the park. They are a creation by the Taillem Bend Lions Club of more than forty tin animals.
- ★ Travel through the pretty Coonawarra area of the SE, noting the lush green grape vines, wineries and historic old buildings in Penola.
- ★ Marvel at the stunning colour of Mount Gambier's Blue Lake.
- ★ Visit the Portland Cable Trams Depot Museum where you can look at local artefacts, a model railway display and gift shop before boarding the wonderfully restored 1886 tram salon car. Visit the Maritime Discovery Centre where you can sit inside the ribcage of a giant sperm whale skeleton, come face to face with a replica Great White Shark, see Portland's historic lifeboat, one of the oldest of its type in the world, or look at the beautiful harbour views from the café.
- ★ Travel to the pretty fishing town of Port Fairy and stroll along the lovely wharf area admiring the boats.
- ★ Enjoy a two course dinner before watching the 10.00pm and 12.00am New Year's Eve fireworks at the Portland Foreshore on the street lawns, across the road from the hotel.
- ★ Explore west of Portland on the Cape Nelson scenic drive. At the end of the drive stands the spectacular Cape Nelson Lighthouse. Dating back to 1883 it stands 32 metres high. Hear the why, the how, and the technical advances of this still operating lighthouse, which looks out over the Southern Ocean.
- ★ Enjoy the serenity as you cruise on the Glenelg River through the Lower Glenelg National Park at Nelson.
- ★ Visit beautiful and secluded Cape Bridgewater on the way back to Portland. The windswept bay covers four kilometres of wide sandy beaches. Just a little further along the coast see the Petrified Forest and the Blowholes, a short 100 metre walk from the car park.
- ★ Visit Heywood, only a short drive from Portland and see the beautifully painted water tower which honours the local indigenous servicemen and women who were in Australia's armed forces.
- ★ Explore the Australian Kelpie Centre at Casterton, known as the birthplace of the Australian Kelpie and see how they helped the farmers.
- ★ Morning tea provided on Day 1
- ★ Fully cooked or continental breakfast on Days 2, 3 and 4
- ★ Lunch on Days 1 and 4
- ★ Two course dinner on Days 1, 2 and 3
- ★ Entrance to attractions and museums listed
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host

COMPLIMENTARY HOME PICK UP AND RETURN TO SELECTED SUBURBS

Twin/Double Share: \$ 1,595 per person

Single Supplement: \$ 265 for 3 nights



EXTENDED TOURS

Kangaroo Island

Thursday 6th to Monday 10th February 2025 - 5 Days

Accommodation: Aurora Ozone Hotel, Kingscote

Highlights of the tour:

- ★ KI is the third largest island off the coast of Australia. Discover wildlife, gastronomic delights and unique island products.
- ★ Travel on the Sealink Ferry from Cape Jervis to Penneshaw.
- ★ Stay at Kingscote, the largest and most central town on the island.
- ★ Visit iconic Seal Bay Conservation Park where a local guide will give an informative talk on sea lions.
- ★ Travel to Vivonne Bay, once voted the best beach in Australia.
- ★ Be amazed by the native bird life when you see the In-Flight Birds of Prey show at Raptor Domain. Hold an owl, a kestrel or a large eagle.
- ★ Go inland to Parndana, originally settled by returning soldiers and see the wonderful museum which depicts the development of the town.
- ★ Explore Remarkable Rocks, a unique group of granite rocks carved by wind and rain over 500 million years ago.
- ★ Visit Admirals Arch and see the colony of New Zealand fur seals that inhabit the area. See Cape du Couedic Lighthouse and beautiful Weirs Cove
- ★ Learn all about the Ligurian bees, unique to Kangaroo Island at Cliffords Honey Farm. Their honey ice cream is delicious.
- ★ Stop at Emu Ridge Eucalyptus Oil Distillery for a tour, talk and BBQ lunch. People swear by the therapeutic value of their eucalyptus oil.
- ★ Creep through the rocks and secret path to discover Stokes Bay.
- ★ Travel to American River, the heart of the Island's oyster industry and enjoy a tour explaining how oysters are farmed, shucking demonstration and oyster tasting at the Oyster Farm.
- ★ Light lunch provided on Day 1
- ★ Fully cooked or continental breakfast on Days 2, 3, 4 and 5
- ★ Lunch provided on Days 2, 3 and 4
- ★ Enjoy a two course dinner on Days 1, 2, 3 and 4
- ★ Entrance to attractions and museums listed
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host

COMPLIMENTARY HOME PICK UP AND RETURN TO SELECTED SUBURBS

Twin/Double Share: \$ 2,295 per person

Single Supplement: \$ 432 for 4 nights



EXTENDED TOURS

Avalon Air Show, Dandenongs & Phillip Island

Tuesday 25th to Saturday 29th March 2025 - 5 Days

Accommodation: Bendigo, Dingley Village, Ballarat

Highlights of the tour:

****WAITING LIST ONLY****

- ★ Begin our journey with our first stop being Tailem Bend, where we will have a quick cuppa and biscuit. Arrive at Keith for a light lunch and then continue on, crossing into Victoria.
 - ★ Visit Phillip Island where you will stop at the Racetrack, see it's museum and you can have your photo taken on the podium.
 - ★ After enjoying a Chinese banquet for dinner, we will head to see the Fairy Penguin Parade. You can experience watching these amazing seabirds from the viewing platforms and boardwalks as they waddle home from the ocean to their burrows.
 - ★ Head to the Dandenong for a ride on the iconic Puffing Billy Train from Belgrave to Lakeside. Hop onboard the historic steam train The Puffing Billy, take a seat in an open-sided carriage and enjoy your journey. You will have time to purchase lunch at the Lakeside Railway Café.
 - ★ Visit the KaBloom Festival and see the fields filled with millions of colourful blooms. Enjoy sensational scenery, entertainment, delicious food and more, in the glorious autumn weather.
 - ★ Day 4 will see us heading to the Avalon Airshow at Lara, home of the Avalon airport. This must be on your "Bucket list". The Airshow is Australia's biennial international aviation and aerospace expo which started way back in 1992. See Helicopters, Warbirds, Raptor Jets, Parachuting, Wing Walking, Aerial Aerobatics, Gliders, Drones and many static displays. There are many food vans and dining options to make this an unforgettable day and night. Bring your folding chair and hat. Sit down and look skyward for the action.
 - ★ Head to Murtoa where we will visit the National Heritage Listed Stick shed (previously known as Murtoa 1 Grain Store) and is the only remaining emergency grain store left that was built during World War II.
 - ★ Enjoy a delicious two course farewell lunch in Bordertown.
 - ★ We will make our way back to Adelaide stopping at Coonalpyn and Tailem Bend and finally arriving back to Mawson Lakes where you will be then returned to your home at the end of an extraordinary tour.
- ★ Morning tea provided on Day 1
 - ★ Cooked or continental breakfast on Days 2 , 3 and 4
 - ★ Lunch on Days 1 and 4
 - ★ Two course dinner on Days 1, 2 and 3
 - ★ Entrance to attractions and museums listed
 - ★ Fully escorted with a tour host



COMPLIMENTARY HOME PICK UP AND RETURN TO SELECTED SUBURBS

Twin/Double Share: \$ 1,955 per person

Single Supplement: \$ 290 for 4 nights

EXTENDED TOURS

Coober Pedy, Roxby Downs & Andamooka

Friday 4th to Wednesday 9th April 2025 - 6 Days

Accommodation: Port Augusta, Coober Pedy and Roxby Downs

Highlights of the tour:

- ★ Join us for an outback adventure driving through the mid north and then on to more remote parts of South Australia.
- ★ Stay in Coober Pedy, the opal capital of the world, where it can be so hot that many buildings are underground to avoid the heat. You may choose to stay in an underground or aboveground room.
- ★ Tour Coober Pedy with a local and see the Serbian underground church, unique golf course and more.
- ★ Visit Umoona Opal Mine and Museum and hear how opal is mined. See how opal is polished before venturing down an old opal mine to experience mining in the past. Walk through an underground house.
- ★ Enjoy champagne and orange juice at sunset at Kanku-Breakaways. The colours are amazing.
- ★ Visit iconic Andamooka and see the unusual landscape dotted with “diggings” and the heritage listed opal miners huts.
- ★ Tour Roxby Downs including a video on the “Olympic Dam Story Presentation” and a “virtual” underground mine tour at the Visitors Centre.
- ★ Visit the Arid Recovery Reserve where you will learn about their conservation programme and watch the sun set while enjoying some light refreshments, followed by a two course dinner under the stars.
- ★ Drive to Woomera, an artificial town specifically designed by the Long Range Weapons Board of Administration to provide facilities and accommodation for scientists, technicians and ancillary staff who came to work at the isolated experimental station which was used to test rockets, weapons and missiles. During the 1960's it was home to around 5000 but today has a population of around 120.
- ★ Visit the Aircraft and Missile Park and the Woomera Heritage Centre, and wander through the two newly opened museums.
- ★ Learn about the amazing Len Beadell, a surveyor who with a small team built 6,500 kms of roads opening up Central Australia, including the famous Gunbarrel Highway. See his final resting place and monument at the Woomera cemetery.
- ★ Morning tea provided on Day 1.
- ★ Cooked breakfast on Days 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6
- ★ Lunch on Day 1, 5 and 6
- ★ Two course dinner on Days 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
- ★ Entrance to attractions and museums listed
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host

COMPLIMENTARY HOME PICK UP AND RETURN TO SELECTED SUBURBS

Twin/Double Share: \$ 2,395 per person

Single Supplement: \$ 440 for 5 nights



EXTENDED TOURS

Bright Autumn Festival

Thursday 1st to Tuesday 6th May 2025 - 6 Days

Accommodation: Bendigo, Myrtleford, Swan Hill

Highlights of the tour:

- ★ Relax and enjoy the beautiful autumn leaves as you make your way through the pretty Adelaide Hills and then through to country Victoria.
 - ★ Visit the Talking Trams station in Bendigo. Alight the tram and take an interesting and “rattly” tour past Bendigo’s impressive city buildings, landmarks and monuments. Learn about the early gold mining era in Bendigo and how it shaped the rich heritage of the town.
 - ★ Travel through country Victoria to Glenrowan. This is in the heart of Ned Kelly country home of Australia’s notorious bushranger.
 - ★ Visit the Ned Kelly Museum and see one of Ned Kelly’s suits of armour. Step back in time as you enter Kate’s Cottage and see a replica of the Kelly Homestead and old Blacksmith Shed.
 - ★ Enjoy a scenic drive around Bright and along the banks of the Ovens River to see the beautiful Autumn leaves before you stop to enjoy the Bright Autumn Festival Gala Day. The main street area in Bright is closed to traffic today so the rest of the day is yours to explore the streets, the many market stalls and purchase your own morning tea and lunch.
 - ★ Travel to the historic town of Beechworth which is one of Victoria’s best preserved former gold mining towns and explore the Beechworth Historic Precinct, including the old courthouse, old gaol and the Burke Museum, which was named after Robert O’Hara Burke, the Beechworth Police Superintendent. Walk the 19th century streetscape recreation - “Street of Shops”.
 - ★ Visit historic Bonegilla, one of Australia’s first & largest migrant camps.
 - ★ See the impressive Hume Dam (formerly the Hume Weir), one of the major dams across the Murray River in the NSW Riverina region. Walk across the dam wall for spectacular views east to Lake Hume and west to the Murray River. Lake Hume holds six times more water than Sydney Harbour.
 - ★ Visit the town of Benalla with elegant Victorian-era buildings, museums and gardens. It is close to the infamous Ned Kelly gang shootout at Stringybark Creek.
 - ★ Enjoy free time in Echuca on the River Murray on the return journey.
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- ★ Morning tea on Day 1
 - ★ Cooked or continental breakfast on Days 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6
 - ★ Lunch provided on Days 1 and 6
 - ★ Two course dinner on Days 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
 - ★ Entrance to attractions and museums listed
 - ★ Fully escorted with a tour host



COMPLIMENTARY HOME PICK UP AND RETURN TO SELECTED SUBURBS

Twin/Double Share: \$ 2,387 per person

Single Supplement: \$ 390 for 5 nights

EXTENDED TOURS

Longreach, Outback QLD, NSW & Goondiwindi

Thursday 5th to Friday 20th June 2024 - 16 Days

Highlights of the tour:

****WAITING LIST ONLY****

There's no place like Outback Queensland. This land of contrasts offers a travel adventure like no other. It is amazing how each town situated throughout this vast expanse of land has taken up the challenge and developed their own unique ways to capture the many travelers' adventuring and exploring the Outback. During our 16 days together you will take home a lifetime of memories and get to see just how big and beautiful Australia really is.

Below are some highlights of the tour:

- ★ Visit Amigo's Castle, single-handedly built of ironstone by an opal miner named Amigo.
- ★ Guided tour of Roma Saleyards and hear how the largest cattle market in Australia operates.
- ★ Guided tour of a working cotton farm at Goondiwindi
- ★ Visit Tambo, the home of Tambo teddies and find out how and why they became so well known.
- ★ Whilst in Barcaldine visit the Australian Workers Heritage Centre, with it's 14 buildings housing 22 displays and exhibits celebrating our working history.
- ★ Visit the Qantas Founders Museum during the day and immerse yourself in the rich history of aviation. We will also be viewing the night time show called Luminescent Longreach.
- ★ Enjoy some light hearted entertainment at the Harry Redford Old Time Tent Show. Laugh at the corny jokes and step back into a time when life was simple .
- ★ Enjoy a Thomson River Starlight dinner cruise and sound & light show.
- ★ Visit the Stockman's Hall of Fame. Take in the cinematic experience, Museum and Galleries, Live Stockman's show, Billabong Gardens and Unsung Heroes.
- ★ Drive to the Age of Dinosaurs Museum of Natural History which is world-class organisation and home to the world's largest collection of Australia's dinosaur fossils.
- ★ Visit the Waltzing Matilda Museum. It tells the story of Waltzing Matilda, a song that is our unofficial anthem.
- ★ Embark on our Outback Date Farm tour. Enjoy a delicious date loaf morning tea while admiring rows of magnificent palm trees.
- ★ Tour the town of Cobar "The Copper City" with a local guide onboard.
- ★ 15 nights motel accommodation
- ★ Tea, coffee and cake day 1
- ★ Cooked or continental breakfast every day except day 1
- ★ Lunch provided on Day 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 15 & 16
- ★ Two course dinner on Day 1 to 15
- ★ Entrance to attractions and museums listed
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host

(Note this tour was fully booked at the time of printing. If you would like to register your interest in this tour, we will notify you when the next future date has been planned.)

Twin/Double Share: \$ 6,960 per person

Single Supplement: \$ 1,175 for 15 nights



EXTENDED TOURS

Sail and See the Giant Cuttlefish

Tuesday 1st to Thursday 3rd July 2025 - 3 Days

Accommodation: Whyalla

Highlights of the tour:

- ★ Every year between May and August, Giant Australian Cuttlefish migrate to shallow waters near Whyalla to breed. This is a unique spectacle and not replicated anywhere else. Thousands of cuttlefish make this journey. They grow up to 60 centimetres long and can weigh up to 5 kilograms. They have the unusual ability to change shape and colour to match their surroundings. The males even turn a fluorescent blue to attract a female mate. They are gentle creatures and don't mind sharing the ocean with others, including us.
- ★ See these amazing sea creatures from the comfort of a glass bottom boat. Watch them swim, change colour and mate (if you're lucky).
- ★ **CAUTION;** *You are required to walk over large flat rocks to get from the shore to the boat so you must have reasonable balance. It is approximately 30 metres and not in the water. There is a hand chain for support but you must be able to manage this almost by yourself. There will be people there to support you if required. It is not suitable for people with walkers or walking aids.*
- ★ Other highlights include: See the Pt Germein jetty, once the longest jetty in South Australia, and still 1500 metres long.
- ★ Visit the Whyalla Maritime Museum and learn about the Whyalla Steel Works and ship yards and ship building during World War Two.
- ★ Tour of HMAS Whyalla, the first ship built at Whyalla during WW2.
- ★ Enjoy a walk on Whyalla's unique circular jetty which was opened in 2020 and is the only circular jetty in the Southern Hemisphere.
- ★ Visit Mount Laura Homestead Museum at Whyalla.
- ★ Stop at Wirrabara and see the beautifully painted silo.
- ★ Morning tea provided on Day 1
- ★ Cooked and continental breakfast on Days 2 and 3
- ★ Lunch on Days 1 and 3
- ★ Two course dinner on Days 1 and 2
- ★ Entrance to attractions and museums listed
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host

COMPLIMENTARY HOME PICK UP AND RETURN TO SELECTED SUBURBS

Twin/Double Share: \$ 1,187 per person

Single Supplement: \$ 195 for 2 nights



EXTENDED TOURS

Whales, Sealife and Seafood of Eyre Peninsula

Monday 4th to Sunday 10 August 2025 - 7 Days

Highlights of the tour:

- ★ Travel north stopping at Port Wakefield for morning tea near the first of our murals depicting the local industries and events .
- ★ Continue on to see more murals at Snowtown, including the water tower celebrating John Hansen, a CFS volunteer for 25 years. We stop for a delicious two course lunch at Pt Pirie.
- ★ Once we reach Pt Augusta you are now officially at the top end of Eyre Peninsula. The last leg of the journey today finishes at Whyalla where we will see plenty of street art.
- ★ Head inland, stopping at Kimba, home of the Big Galah. You are now at the half way mark across Australia.
- ★ On to Wudinna before a stop at Pildappa Rock, part of the Gawler Ranges and a rock with the highest and longest wave formation on the Eyre Peninsula.
- ★ Minnipa has an unusual circular toilet block called the “Concrete Crappa”.
- ★ We finally arrive at Ceduna, on the shores of Murat Bay with the port of Thevenard 3 kms to the west.
- ★ We will do a tour of the town before settling in to the Ceduna Foreshore Motel, our home for the next two nights.
- ★ Will the whales turn up this year? Let’s find out. We will travel to Fowlers Bay for a unique whale watching cruise and maybe see the beautiful creatures up close. *If the whales do not migrate into Fowlers Bay then we will travel to Head of the Bight instead, and see them from the viewing platform.*
- ★ Enjoy a picnic lunch along the way.
- ★ Stop at Penong to look at the outdoor Windmill Museum showcasing old, new, big and small windmills including “Bruce” the biggest windmill in Australia. It’s a tribute to the farmers “whirling workhorses” that have nowadays mostly been replaced by solar panels.
- ★ Say goodbye to Ceduna and follow the coastline stopping at our first seaside town of Streaky Bay.
- ★ See the bronze statue (unveiled in 2022) of local boy Kieren McEvoy, winner of three Melbourne Cups.
- ★ Continue on to Murphy’s Haystacks, Inselberg formations made of pink, massive rock consisting mostly of quartz and orthoclase. They are so named because a traveller in a coach saw the formation in the distance and asked how a farmer could produce so much hay. The farm was owned by a man called Murphy.
- ★ More sea life to view at Pt Labatt, the only permanent sea lion breeding colony on mainland Australia. Sea lions are one of the world’s rarest seals and less than 12,000 survive in the wild today.
- ★ Travel on through Pt Kenny, Elliston (with it’s huge wall of street art), Coffin Bay and finally arrive at Pt Lincoln for the next two nights.
- ★ Take a harbour cruise leaving from Lincoln Cove Marina. Hear about life of a fisherman with firsthand knowledge of fishing, aquaculture and the colourful local history of bringing seafood to your plate.



EXTENDED TOURS

Whales, Sealife and Seafood of Eyre Peninsula – Continued

Monday 4th to Sunday 10th August 2025 - 7 Days

Accommodation: Whyalla, Ceduna, Pt Lincoln

Highlights of the tour:

- ★ Visit the Axel Stenross Museum. See the video about the Finnish carpenter who sailed the mighty oceans on his windjammer SV Olivebank, reaching Pt Lincoln in 1927 and decided to make this place home. Learn about the lost craft of wooden boat building.
- ★ Lastly we will see the street art and sights of Pt Lincoln on beautiful Boston Bay. See the statue of Makybe Diva, the first horse to win 3 consecutive Melbourne Cups in 2003, 2004 & 2005. View the statue of Matthew Flinders and his cat Trim.
- ★ Time to leave Pt Lincoln in the rear vision mirror and make our way up the coast with our first stop being Tumby Bay. Each year they have "The Colour Tumby Festival" which includes live painting, with well known artists coming to Tumby Bay to add to the colour of the town. Of course they have a beautiful painted silo as well showing two boys jumping off the Tumby Bay Jetty.
- ★ Make a quick visit to Arno Bay and then on to Cowell with it's painted silo of local identity Lionel Deer and his camel Diamantina. Lionel bought camels to the local Christmas Pageant for over 30 years.
- ★ Whilst here we add to our seafood part of the tour with a visit to Turners Oyster including a talk and tour about how the oyster industry operates. Turners Oysters is one of the original family operated farms and supplies fresh oysters, whole or opened, smoked or pickled, oyster kebabs, oyster pies and Kilpatrick or mornay oysters for sale.
- ★ We arrive at Whyalla where we will take you to Hummock Hill for a panoramic view of the city and the circular jetty.
- ★ On our way back home our first stop is Pt Augusta at the top of the Spencer Gulf, before travelling on to Pt Pirie to visit one of the best museums in South Australia "Stories of the Road Museum".
- ★ Morning tea provided on Day 1
- ★ Cooked or continental breakfast on Days 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7
- ★ Lunch on Days 1, 2, 3 and 7
- ★ Two course dinner on Days 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6
- ★ Entrance to attractions and museums listed
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host

COMPLIMENTARY HOME PICK UP AND RETURN TO SELECTED SUBURBS

Twin/Double Share: \$ 2,795 per person

Single Supplement: \$ 550 for 6 nights



EXTENDED TOURS

Broken Hill, Silverton & Menindee Lakes

Monday 18th to Friday 22nd August 2025 - 5 Days

Accommodation: Broken Hill, Peterborough

Highlights of the tour:

- ★ Come exploring South Australia's outback and visit Broken Hill, Australia's first "Heritage Listed City". It's isolation in a compellingly beautiful, rugged harsh terrain means locals have been resilient and just made things happen.
- ★ On the way we will make a brief stop at historic Terowie, once SA's busiest railway town.
- ★ Arrive at Broken Hill and start to see just how much it has to offer tourists, with a local guide to show us around.
- ★ We will take in sunset at the Living Desert Sculptures, Line of Lode Miners Memorial and the Palace Hotel, made famous in Pricilla Queen of the Desert.
- ★ Spend time exploring Silverton, a town born out of the discovery of silver and lead deposits. Here you will find home of the Mad Max Museum and iconic Silverton Hotel. While there, we will check out the Mundi Mundi Plains, seen in so many Australian made movies.
- ★ Two other must see things are the Sulphide Street Railway and Historical Museum and the Silver City Mint & Art Centre, Home of the "Big Picture" the Worlds Largest Acrylic Painting on Canvas.
- ★ No visit would be complete without time spent at the wonderful life saving "Royal Flying Doctor Service".
- ★ We will make a half day journey to Lake Menindee, crossing the Darling River to get there. A photographer's paradise.
- ★ On our last night out be treated to the amazing Sound & Light show at Peterborough, which explains the towns important railway heritage.
- ★ Morning tea provided on Day 1
- ★ Fully cooked breakfast on Day 2, 3, 4 and 5
- ★ Lunch provided on Day 1, 2, and 5
- ★ Enjoy a two course dinner on Day. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- ★ Entrance to attractions and museums listed
- ★ Fully escorted with a tour host



COMPLIMENTARY HOME PICK UP AND RETURN TO SELECTED SUBURBS

Twin/Double Share: \$ 1,997 per person

Single Supplement: \$ 345 for 4 nights

Extended Tour reminders

We would you like to kindly remind our passengers booked on extended tours to please remember the following things:

- Save our contact number on your phone for when we call you for your pick up time. We will not leave pick up time as a message.
- Label all personal luggage with full name of person travelling.
- Water bottle which we can refill from our esky.
- Motion sickness medication (if needed)



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