

Kangaroo Island with Barossa Valley and The Coorong

This outstanding region of South Australia is an absolute must to visit as it just keeps on giving, from wineries, to churches, cathedrals and old architecture of Adelaide city. Lets not forget the Coorong, the mouth of the mighty Murray river with its abundance of migratory birdlife and water flora. All this before we even make our way over to Kangaroo Island to visit one of the last stands of Ligurian honey bees and some of the best rock art formations on the south coast at Remarkable Rocks. Last but not least the Hanson's Bay wildlife sanctuary and Seal bay conservation park will leave you impressed. Phew, after this we make our way home, knowing that the region is worth another visit, one day!

Tour details:

- \$3950/person twin share
- **Thursday 9th May to Thurs 16 May 2019**
- 8 Days / 7 Nights
- Minimum 10 Passengers
- \$650.00 single supplement
- \$500 deposit required (non-refundable)

Tour Price Includes:

- Professional guide and driver
- Economy Flight Launceston to Adelaide and return
- Luxury coach travel
- 7 nights 3-4-star accommodation
- Breakfast, lunch & dinner as per itinerary
- All entry fees & guides as per Itinerary

Tour highlights:

Historic German Village of Hahndorf
Cedars, home of Hans Heysen
Mount Lofty Lookout
Menglers Hill Lookout
National Trust Collingrove Homestead
Barossa Chateau
Chapel Hill Winery Tasting Room and Gallery
Cockle Train and Coorong Discovery Cruise
Kangaroo Island
Clifford's Honey Farm
Emu Ridge Eucalyptus Oil Distillery
Kingscote Highlights Tour
Island Pure Sheep Dairy
Flinders Chase National Park
Cape Du Couedic Lighthouse
New Zealand Fur Seals
Admirals Arch
Remarkable Rocks
Hanson Bay Wildlife Sanctuary
Seal Bay Conservation Park

Exclusions

- Travel Insurance
- Alcoholic and aerated drinks



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Detailed Itinerary:

Please note that the itinerary is subject to change without notice

Day 1 Thurs 9 May

Included Meals: Dinner

Home – Launceston to Adelaide

This morning we pick you up from your home then transfer to the airport for our onward flight to Adelaide via Melbourne. Upon our arrival we meet our coach captain and board our luxury coach into the city. This afternoon we embark on an Adelaide sightseeing tour to take in the views and architecture of Adelaide's famous Churches, including a visit St Peters Cathedral. We will also stop in for a chocolate tasting & tour at Haigh's chocolate factory. Tonight, we will dine together at one of the many restaurants in Adelaide for a welcome dinner before we settle in for the evening at our accommodation

Overnight: The Playford, Adelaide

Day 2 Fri 10 May

Included Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Adelaide- Hahndorf -Barossa Valley

After breakfast this morning we make our way out to the Historic German Village of Hahndorf; Australia's oldest surviving German Village with many original buildings, housing, and interesting German and Australian history. We take time to stroll along the main street with its numerous craft, souvenir shops and cafés & restaurants featuring German Cuisine where we can purchase lunch. Our next stop is the Cedars, home of Hans Heysen where we enjoy a tour through the untouched family home and studio of one of Australia's most celebrated artists. The area of the Adelaide Hills and the rugged beauty of the Flinders Ranges were where he gained most of his inspiration. This afternoon we travel onto the Barossa Valley via the beautiful Mount Lofty Lookout which provides us with amazing panoramic views across the city of Adelaide and its seaside suburbs. In the late afternoon we check into our accommodation with time to freshen up before dinner.

Overnight: Barossa Weintal Resort, Tanunda

Day 3 Sat 11 May

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Barossa Valley

This morning we wake to the crisp air of the Barossa Valley enjoying a delicious hot breakfast before beginning our day in the Valley. We start our day in Tanunda where we visit the Barossa Museum dedicated to the German and Barossa heritage. One of the highlights of the museum is the organ which was built in 1863 and which is a rare example of the Silbermann-style positive organs built in Australia by German expatriates. We stop at Menglers Hill Lookout before arriving at the beautiful National Trust Site, Collingrove Homestead - the original Homestead of the "Father of the Barossa". Constructed in 1856 Collingrove became famous for breeding Merino and Lincoln sheep, Durham Cattle and Clydesdale Horses imported from England for the rugged country. The Homestead still contains many of its original furnishings, antiques and memorabilia. We enjoy morning tea followed by a tour of the homestead and garden. Next, we stop in at the magnificent Barossa Chateau, which sits in one of Australia's most important rose gardens of International significance. Combined with Lyndoch Hill, the overall estate covers an impressive 25 acres, and boasts over 22 acres of dedicated rose garden with 5kms of pathway. The Art & Antiques Gallery housed in the Grand Ballroom/Art Gallery is without doubt the most impressive feature, and the most breathtaking space in the estate, with a mezzanine floor, tall ceilings featuring a stunning trio of chandeliers, and a vast floor area covered with glistening polished porcelain tiles. One of the largest collections of porcelain in Australia is found at Barossa Chateau. Hermann Thumm's extensive collection of porcelain is from the early 18th and 19th centuries and has been collected from all over the world. The collection was put together over a span of 35 years and includes pieces from the great porcelain houses of Meissen, Sevres, Worcester, Chelsea and Stinton. We then enjoy lunch in the Café and tastings at the Cellar Door. Our last stop for the day is at the historic Seppeltsfield Wines where we enjoy the "Heritage Tour" and tastings, including a behind the scenes look through



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the estate's treasure trove of historical buildings and spectacular surroundings. Learn of the Seppelt family history and their profound influence on the Australian wine industry. We explore the homestead veranda, elm walk, distillery and underground blending cellar. Later this afternoon we return to our accommodation before dinner.

Overnight: Barossa Weintal Resort, Tanunda

Day 4 Sun 12 May

Included Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Barossa Valley - Victor Harbor- Coorong discovery cruise

This morning begins with our drive down along the beautiful Fleurieu Peninsula to Victor Harbor. Where we board the famous Cockle Train which travels From Victor Harbor to Goolwa along the oldest steel railway in Australia dating back to 1887, when it was constructed to provide a link between the River Murray Port of Goolwa and the ocean wharfs at Port Elliot and later Victor Harbor. We arrive at the wharf and Port of Goolwa and board our Coorong Discovery Cruise which takes us on a delightful journey into the mighty Coorong National Park. Our cruise includes lunch and afternoon tea, short guided walk, spectacular scenery, bird watching and the Mouth of the famous Murray River. Returning to our accommodation before dinner.

Overnight: McCracken Country Club, Victor Harbor

Day 5 Mon 13 May

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Victor Harbor- McLaren Vale wine tasting

Today we travel to the delightful McLaren Vale Wine district. We stop for tastings at Chapel Hill Winery Tasting Room and Gallery, we sample a wonderful range of wines, and talk wine talk 'til our heart's content with the knowledgeable and helpful Cellar Door staff. Chapel Hill Winery is named after the iconic ironstone Chapel, built by Methodist settlers to the McLaren Vale area and officially opened on December 5, 1865. It served as a place of worship, school and social gathering spot for local farming families for a century. At Chapel Hill, all grapes benefit from gentle handling and patient wine making. With the white wines, only the free run juice and very gentle pressings are used, ensuring the fresh aromatics and fruit flavours are preserved. The best red fruit undergoes traditional small batch open fermentation, plunging, basket pressing and subtle oak maturation. These processes allow any additions to the wines to be minimised and clarification to occur naturally, without the use of fining agents or filtration. The result is outstanding wine with exceptional purity and balance. After returning to Victor Harbour there is some free time to shop and look around this lovely seaside village.

Overnight: McCracken Country Club, Victor Harbor.

Day 6 Tues 14 May

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Victor Harbor - Kangaroo Island

After an early breakfast we drive across to Cape Jervis and board the Kangaroo Island Sea Link Ferry for our crossing to Kangaroo Island. Disembarking at Penneshaw, we are met by our very own experienced Kangaroo Island guide and begin our adventure of the Island as we make our way past the American River Aquatic Reserve and arrive at Clifford's Honey Farm for a little taste of local produce. We hear about the placid Ligurian Bees, their breeding and the production of over 10,000 kilograms of pure honey annually. Kangaroo Island is thought to be the only place in the world where a pure strain of the Ligurian bees exists. We enjoy a taste of the different varieties as well as the chance to purchase some of Jenny's famous honey ice cream. We also stop at the Emu Ridge Eucalyptus Oil Distillery for tour and lunch. We will learn the distilling process, which operates the same way as it did in the 1890's. After lunch we make our way into historic Kingscote for a highlights tour before arriving at the Island Pure Sheep Dairy. We enjoy an audio visual before seeing the sheep being milked with up to 300 milked at any one time, some may be surprised to learn that there are more sheep milked worldwide than cows! We have the opportunity (if game) to taste their world class cheeses and yoghurt made at the dairy, which includes Spanish, Greek, Italian and Cypriot recipes. Later in the afternoon we arrive at our accommodation for check in and dinner.

Overnight: Seafront resort, Kangaroo island



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Day 7 Wed 15 May

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Kangaroo Island

This morning we travel to the magnificent Flinders Chase National Park enjoying breathtaking views of Yacca Flat on our way to the Cape du Couedic Lighthouse and keepers residences. Built in 1909, it is considered to be the Islands finest structure. With the automation of the lighthouse, the nearby keeper's residences are now available for accommodation. The area is home to a colony of New Zealand Fur Seals and the natural land bridge that is "Admirals Arch". After taking the boardwalk down to the arch we may witness the amazing sight of New Zealand Fur Seals frolicking in the water and on the rocks under the arch. Continuing, we will travel a short distance to Weirs Cove as our guide explains the history of the ruins of the storage huts and the steep jetty. We then view the spectacular Remarkable Rocks. We are able to take a walk around these unusual huge boulders, which have been carved, into many different weird and wonderful shapes by the wind and ocean spray over many centuries. After enjoying a lovely picnic lunch we make our way to the Hanson Bay Wildlife Sanctuary to wander at our own leisure, spotting the Koalas, Cape Barron Geese, Kangaroos, and Wallabies sharing the idyllic surrounds. Next, a visit to the famous Seal Bay Conservation Park - the only place in the world where we can stroll with our guide through a wild seal colony. Seal Bay is home to around 600 of the rare Australian Sea Lions. After a full day of sightseeing we return to our accommodation for a well-earned rest before dinner in the restaurant.

Overnight: Seafront resort, Kangaroo island

Day 8 Thurs 16 May

Included Meals: Breakfast

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After breakfast we travel back to Penneshaw before visiting the Gateway Information Centre, which is home to the original Frenchman's Rock, and an interpretive display of the Island and also a great place to purchase souvenirs and local produce. We board the Kangaroo Island Sea Link Ferry for our return journey to Cape Jervis before making our way to Glenelg. We enjoy some free time in Glenelg to purchase lunch then head to the Adelaide Airport for our flight back to Launceston. We arrive in Launceston late evening before transferring back to our Launceston home after a wonder tour with McDermotts Coaches.

Virgin Australia flights departs Adelaide 4.05pm arrives Launceston 8.15pm

Why travel with McDermotts Travel Club

McDermott's Travel Club offers a unique door to door, fully inclusive service. Our Travel Club has been operating successfully for 35 years. A local family business, we deliver our services in the best quality coaches with professional caring drivers and tour guides. Providing a personal touch, when you book with McDermott's, you travel with McDermott's. Our Drivers, Guides and staff ensure you have the very best experience – understanding your needs and wants for each tour allows us to make the necessary arrangements ahead of time, and then adjust as we go to ensure you have the most comfortable care free experience while we work hard to go above and beyond your expectations. We plan each tour with the consideration of our client's needs, we make the tour accessible, interesting and educational for our demographic. Based on duration of tour and capacity of coach we can restrict how many passengers we book on to a tour, so everyone is comfortable in the space provided and the Driver and Guide are not overwhelmed.

We, at McDermott's, pride ourselves in securing the best itinerary to provide the most appropriate meals, attractions and accommodation throughout and mindful that you are getting the best value for money.

Expectations on the tour

We establish an open channel of communication with you from the first stage of enquiry, so you come to know what to expect when you travel with us. We mail out a travel pack to you - or host an information session - in the lead up to departure so you can familiarize yourself with your upcoming tour and we can clarify any concerns prior to travel. Our



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tours are not just about visiting sights or driving you to and from attractions – we want you to remember the places we go for the unique things you learnt about them or experienced while you were there, the food you ate, the people you were with and the care and attention provided by our Driver and Guide with all aspects of your time away. While we plan the tours to run smoothly, on time and without hiccups – we cannot prepare for everything and in the event of a less than fulfilling experience, whether it be some attractions that don't run to schedule or just bad luck for the weather we will amend the itinerary to what we feel will provide you with a comparable experience.

Accommodation standard

We aim to secure 3 & 4-star accommodation or higher, in some instances the standards may be less, particularly when travelling through areas with limited options. We try to ensure that each room has an ensuite bathroom with a walk-in shower (occasionally showers are over a bath or spa on rare occasions) – or in some remote areas there may be the need to share. All accommodation rates are based on twin share with 2 beds in a room. Single supplements are normally allowed and will be described in the pricing detail subject to cost and availability. Doubles can be made up as required.

We select the accommodation with you in mind. Location is important to the activities or travel time on adjacent days, with a preference for onsite restaurant for meal purposes. We are mindful of accommodation that is accessible, for guests and coach parking when possible, with room availability and relevant configurations – so the whole group can stay in one location, in the same standard of room.

If you would prefer to travel twin share, but do not have someone to travel with we will endeavor to match you with a likeminded traveler and encourage you to meet up prior to departure to determine you are suitable roommates.

Meals

Breakfast is normally included with accommodation with buffet style and a variation of continental or cooked breakfast, from time to time there may be off the menu breakfasts.

Where lunch is included it will be as part of an attraction, across select cafes, convenient locations or a picnic style with fulfilling spreads. Often, lunch will be at your own expense, where the itinerary will allow enough time in a location with as much variety as possible or during a free period where you may opt for something dine in or take away.

Dinner will often provide you with 2 courses at restaurants selected for their service and menu. Dinner may not always be included, so that you can select a restaurant of your choice and explore some varied cuisine of the region you are visiting.

Morning or Afternoon Tea & bottles of water are generally provided on coach travel days for your comfort and convenience.

Health and Safety

Your health is of the utmost importance so please provide us with any details that you think we should need to know prior to joining the tour. We may ask for you to complete a Confidential Medical form and provide it to us in a sealed envelope, should you become unwell during travel with us we will access this document deemed appropriate and use it to ensure you receive the suitable treatment. If we do not require access to it during the tour, we will return your envelope to you at the end of the tour.

During a tour you should disclose any issues that you are concerned about or which may arise to the Driver or Guide. Therefore, we may assist you in seeking out a pharmacist or GP as is required and available in a discreet manner.

If you have any concerns about any aspects of the tour, coach or any sights we visit which you feel may present a hazard or risk to other travelers or staff please alert your Driver and Guide at your earliest convenience.



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Guide and driver

We want you to feel like you are getting the most out of your tour. We encourage you to communicate with your Driver and Guide throughout the tour – ask questions or raise concerns - so that they may troubleshoot, enhance or amend the itinerary or other arrangements.

Our staff are experts in their field and will do everything they can do ensure the tour operates smoothly and with as little impact to you. You should feel relaxed in knowing that our crew are well organized and ready to go for you each day. They will assist you with your luggage, organize and communicate about meal times, daily schedules and any relevant changes, all the while making the tour the best experience possible.

Bookings

1. Please read our terms and conditions
2. Complete a booking form and return to our sales office with the deposit required for the tour, we cannot accept your booking until a deposit has been paid
3. We will contact you to confirm booking and send through any further necessary documents and information required for the tour

You can book

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2. Email through a booking form and payment details to travelclub@mcdermotts.com.au
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