

Barossa Valley, Coorong and Ballarat Goldfields

This tour is fully packed with attractions that will keep you on your toes. Explore the Churches and Cathedrals of Adelaide with some shopping in the Rundle St mall before we venture out to the Barossa Valley and the National Wine Centre. We will sweeten the day with some chocolate tasting at Haigh's which will keep you going onto the Botanical gardens. We cruise on the picturesque Coorong, the mouth of the mighty Murray river to watch the abundance of birdlife. Travelling eastward and crossing into historical Victoria to Ballarat we can try our hand at fossicking for gold at Sovereign Hill and try not to go too mad as we visit the infamous J Ward mental asylum. In Melbourne we can visit the law maker at Parliament House before taking the time to do some shopping and café hopping in St Kilda.

Tour details:

- **\$4250**/person twin share
- **Wed 2nd October to Thurs 10th October 2019**
- 9 Days / 8 Nights
- Minimum 20 Passengers
- \$550.00 single supplement
- \$500 deposit required (non-refundable)

Tour Price Includes:

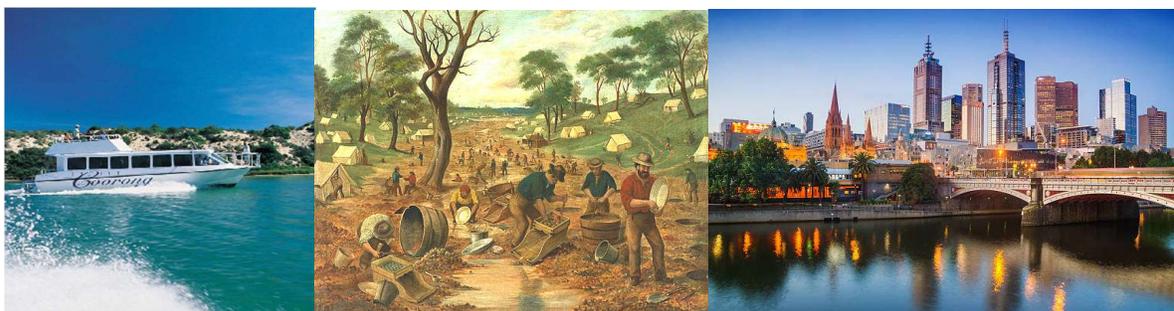
- One-way Spirit of Tasmania with cabin
- Economy Flight Launceston to Adelaide
- Luxury coach travel
- 7 nights 3-4-star accommodation
- Breakfast, lunch & dinner as per itinerary
- All entry fees & guides as per Itinerary

Tour highlights:

National Wine centre of Australia
St Peters Cathedral and St Francis Xavier
Ayers Historic Museum
Barossa wine and cheeses
Himeji Gardens
Maggie Beers
Haigh's chocolate factory tasting
The Cedars Tour
Murray Mouth Cruise
Seppelt Wine Tour & Lunch
J Ward old Gaol
Gum San Chinese Heritage Centre
Forest Glade Gardens
Punting in the Park with High Tea
Sovereign hill gold mining town
Melbourne Parliament house
Punting on the Lake and High Tea in the Gardens

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 – Wednesday 2nd October

Included Meals: Dinner

Home to Adelaide

This morning you will be collected from your Launceston Home, transferring to the airport for your flight to Adelaide. Arriving in Adelaide mid-morning we commence our sightseeing with an introduction to the City of Churches. A driving tour through Adelaide with visits to architecturally impressive St Peters Cathedral. Next stopping in at Ayers Historic Victorian House Museum - this spectacularly restored property is one of the last remaining grand nineteenth century residences that once lined the North Terrace cultural boulevard. We stop for lunch on Rundle Street before admiring the architect & stained windows of St Francis Xavier. We check into our Hotel, in the seaside town of Glenelg this afternoon with some free time to explore before freshening up and having dinner together on our first night as a group.

Overnight: Tower inn Glenelg

Day 2 – Thursday 3rd October

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Adelaide to Barossa

This morning after checking out we make our way to the Barossa Valley, stopping in at the National Wine Centre of Australia to meet with our dedicated wine host who will teach us about Wine varieties. On a guided tour, we view the open Cellar, function rooms, the Wine Discovery Journey and the Wined Bar - which offers the largest wine tasting experience in Australia. With our new-found expertise we will head to the Barossa to explore Barossa's famous wine and food, lunch will be included. Our tour across the Barossa will include admiring the sights, lookouts and buildings along the way. Afterwards we return to our hotel for another inclusive Dinner.

Overnight: Tower Inn Glenelg

Day 3 – Friday 4th October

Included Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Adelaide to Goolwa

We check out of the hotel and head for the Hills, but first we will visit the Himeji Gardens in the Adelaide Parklands and join a guided tour of Haigh's Chocolate factory. After some morning tea from the coach, weather permitting, we will head up to Mount Lofty Summit, which provides spectacular panoramic views across Adelaide's city skyline to the coast. Descending from the summit we visit the Mount Lofty Botanic Gardens, which boasts a variety of cooler climate plants, which otherwise have difficulty growing in South Australia. We then stop in at the German town of Hahndorf, where we can roam at our leisure and enjoy lunch at own expense, spoilt for choice with a variety of café's, restaurants and German cuisine. After lunch we tour The Cedar's - the historic home of one of Australia's most noted landscape artists, Sir Hans Heysen, inspired by his surroundings in the Adelaide Hills. We complete our day, transferring to Goolwa for a 2-night stay. Dinner on site at the Motel.

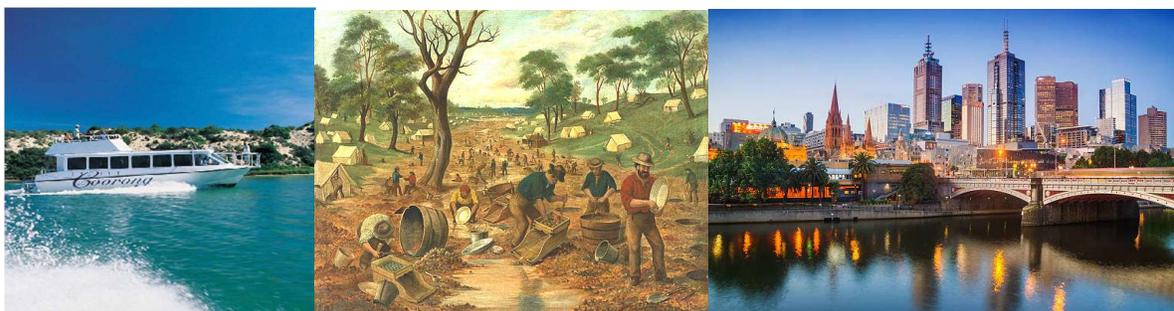
Overnight: Goolwa

Day 4 – Saturday 5th October

Included Meals: Breakfast

Goolwa cruise- Coorong

Discovering the Fleurieu Peninsula, this morning we venture into Goolwa, for a brief look around before we board the Spirit of Coorong and take a boat tour along to the Mouth of the Murray. After the cruise we travel down to Victor Harbour where you can enjoy some lunch while exploring the area with a visit to Granite Island, via a Horse Drawn Tram. On Granite Island you may choose to take a short walk to admire the sculptures, returning once again via the



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Tram for a visit to the South Australian Whale Centre, which details the history and significance of Victor Harbour and whaling. We return to Goolwa, travelling via Port Elliot, another small seaside town on the Fleurieu Peninsula. Dinner is at your own arrangement tonight.

Overnight: Goolwa

Day 5 – Sunday 6th October

Included Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Goolwa to Horsham

Checking out of Goolwa this morning, we head to Horsham. Morning Tea stop at Murray Bridge, the drive continues until Bordertown where we can stretch our legs, purchase some lunch then finish the day in Horsham. Checking into our accommodation with dinner in the hotel.

Overnight: Horsham

Day 6 – Monday 7th October

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Horsham to Ballarat

Travelling towards Ballarat today, we will stop and see the sights of Ararat – A morning visit to the J Ward: Ararat's Old Gaol and Lunatic Asylum before enjoying an underground tour in the Seppelt cellar and a 2-course lunch followed by a visit to the Gum San Chinese Heritage Centre details the establishment of Ararat in the 19th century. We end the afternoon in a Ballarat Hotel with dinner at the hotel.

Overnight: Ballarat

Day 7 – Tuesday 8th October

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Ballarat goldfields and Melbourne

This morning we venture back in time through Sovereign Hill, the historic Gold mine town where we can pan for gold, browse the old shops and visit the Gold Museum , this afternoon we take the scenic route to our Hotel in Melbourne, transferring to Daylesford for lunch and then visit the Forest Glade Gardens of the Mount Macedon region, arriving late afternoon for a night in Melbourne. Dinner will be in the Hotel.

Overnight: Melbourne

Day 8 – Wednesday 9th October

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Melbourne to Tasmania

Our last day is spent in Melbourne before sailing home. We will venture to the Botanic Gardens, complete a tour of Parliament House, subject to availability, enjoy High Tea in the Gardens and some punting on the lake. We spend the afternoon stretching our legs along St Kilda shopping strip before boarding the coach once more for an overnight sailing on the Spirit of Tasmania.

Overnight: Spirit of Tasmania

Day 9 – Thursday 10th October

Included Meals: Breakfast

Home

We leave the spirit and drop you off to your home for a well-earned rest



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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 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



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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.

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

1. Online at www.mcdermotts.com.au
2. Email through a booking form and payment details to travelclub@mcdermotts.com.au
3. In person at 35 Legana Park Drive, Legana- please call in advance to ensure we are available
4. Call on 03 6330 3717 with details and credit card

