



# Highlights of Adelaide, Barossa, Mt Gambier & Kangaroo Island

9 Days

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If you have never been to South Australia before, and are looking to experience all of it's iconic destinations, this small group 9 day tour of the Highlights of Adelaide, Barossa, Mt Gambier and Kangaroo Island is for you. We have designed this package to put together the very best highlights this region has to offer, such as Barossa Valley, Adelaide Hills and Hahndorf, the Coorong, Blue Lake in Mt Gambier, Coonawarra, Narcoorte Caves, Kangaroo Island and much more.

This tour allows you to explore the cities of Adelaide, Robe, Victor Harbor and Kingscote at your own leisure, as well as enjoy the benefits of being on a guided tour with an experienced tour guide, for the rest of the package. Well chosen accommodation, some meals, and comfortable transport round out this well priced and fantastic tour of south-east South Australia.

## Details

Arrive:	Adelaide
Depart:	Adelaide
Duration:	9 Days
Group Size:	Maximum 12
Average Age:	50-75
Activity Level:	Easy

## Testimonials

UnrealRanger Stacey was an absolutely awesome tour guide and chauffeur on our 8 days taste of Tassie Trip from Waratah Tours. She made sure everyone was happy and included in tours. She made sure there was something for everyone and was very knowledgeable about all things Tassie. We had a group of 8 people and we all had a fantastic Time and will certainly be back to visit Tassie again. Can Highly recommend Waratah Tours for any Tassie Trip.

Chris

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# Highlights



Step back in time and immerse yourself in the rich history of the Barossa, Hahndorf, Robe and Victor Harbor.



Iconic Kangaroo Island.



Famous Barossa Valley and Coonawarra wine route

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## What to expect



Return to comfortable accommodation each night.



A well-maintained air-conditioned bus will chauffeur you around the region



From chilly and windy days in winter to very hot days in summer, expect a bit of everything.

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# Itinerary

The highlights of south-east South Australia in a 9 day/ 8 night tour. Experience Adelaide, Barossa Valley, Hahndorf, Robe, Mt Gambier, Coonawarra, Naracoorte Caves, Coorong NP, Victor Harbor and Kangaroo Island.

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## Day 1

### ARRIVAL DAY

On your arrival day we recommend to choose an early flight so that you can enjoy most of the day in South Australia's wonderful capital city. Check in is at 2pm but you can drop off your luggage any time at the hotel reception.

Adelaide is a beautiful city with quaint shops, homely cafe's and restaurants, and plenty of history to immerse yourself in.

**Activity:** Arrive and check in to hotel

**Accommodation:** Adina Apartment Hotel Adelaide Treasury, Adelaide

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## Day 2

### ADELAIDE AT YOUR OWN PACE

You'll have a full day to discover the beauty of Adelaide at your leisure. You can board a bus, join an organised city tour, go for a coffee at the Markets in the morning, visit the South Australia Museum (some of Australia's best exhibits), The National Wine Centre, Town Hall and its' Indigenous art display, Haigh's Chocolates, climb the roof of Adelaide Oval, take a stroll through Adelaide Botanic Gardens, catch a tram and visit the historic Glenelg Beach, board a cruise on River Torrens or explore the many historic churches spread throughout the city.

Some other popular day tours are the Dolphin swim cruise or kayak, and a day tour to Murray River with a lunch cruise included.

**Activity:** Explore the city at your leisure

**Meals:** B

**Accommodation:** Adina Apartment Hotel Adelaide Treasury, Adelaide

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## Day 3

### BAROSSA VALLEY DAY TOUR

After breakfast your guide will pick you up from the hotel and head north to visit the famed Barossa Valley to discover it's rich history and world famous wines.

First stop on our way to the Barossa is the fascinating Whispering Wall where you will have the opportunity to explore why the dam was such a revolutionary engineering feat for its day and what makes people want to visit these days.

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Then it's onwards to our first vineyard of the day; Chateau Yaldara. Here you may choose to do your first wine tasting or if you feel like you still need to wake up, you may want to pick up a coffee and have a look around the gorgeous grounds.

Later in the morning we will visit either Kies Family Wines or Pindarie for a wine tasting (included). After your first taste of the region you will head to Tanunda, where you can explore many quaint shops and pick up some lunch. After lunch you will visit the historic Langmeil vineyard and will have the opportunity to taste their beautiful wines (included). After your tasting you may choose to walk around their grounds exploring some of the old buildings which were part of one of the first European settlements in the valley.

The next vineyard will be just a hop up the road to explore a more modern taste of the Barossa from the very passionate wine maker David Franz (Lehmann).

Before doing some more wine tasting and/or exploring come culinary highlights of the region you will be able to see the expansive valley and vineyards from the top of Menglers Hill lookout.

You will arrive back in Adelaide around 5pm. Your guide will do an extensive briefing of what to expect for the next part of the tour before you are free to head out for dinner in Adelaide.

**Activity:** Guided tour of the Barossa Valley and Wine tasting

**Meals:** B

**Accommodation:** Adina Apartment Hotel Adelaide Treasury, Adelaide

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## Day 4

### ADELAIDE - ADELAIDE HILLS - HAHNDORF - ROBE

Today it is time to leave Adelaide behind to explore more of what South Australia has to offer.

First stop of the day is Mt Lofty lookout, where you get superb views of Adelaide and it's surroundings down below.

From Mt Lofty it's a short drive to The Cedars, the gallery and studio of one of Australia's most famous artists Hans Heyesen and his daughter Nora Heyesen, which is nestled deep in the Adelaide Hills. A self-guided tour of the Studio, Coach House and Gardens is included.

From The Cedars it's a quick hop to Hahndorf, a very popular and quaint old German settlement. Explore the many shops, try some local produce and enjoy a typical German lunch and/or beverage.

After your free time in Hahndorf it's time to head south, it's a 3.5 hour drive to Robe, which will take you through the stunning Coorong NP. The drive will be broken up with a stop at Parnka Point, the narrowest point between the northern and southern Coorong lagoon, where you often can see wading birds and Pelicans in the shallow and sheltered bays nearby.

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Once in Robe, check-in at our centrally located hotel in one of South Australia's most beautiful towns. Enjoy a group dinner in town (included) that evening.

**Activity:** Lookout from Mt Lofty, explore The Cedars and Hahndorf, look for Pelicans in the Coorong

**Meals:** B, D

**Accommodation:** Robe Central, Robe

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## Day 5

### MT GAMBIER - BLUE LAKE - COONAWARRA - NARACOORTE CAVES

Today we explore all the highlights the southern part of South Australia has to offer. Mt Gambier has a rich volcanic history, so it's no surprise we will be exploring old volcanic craters, the Blue Lake and a sink hole, Umpherston Sinkhole (Sunken Garden).

From Mt Gambier you will head straight through the famous Coonawarra wine region on your way to the Naracoorte Caves. Enjoy an included wine tasting and lunch at Wynns Cellar Door.

After lunch we head to the World Heritage listed Naracoorte Caves, well known for their extensive amounts of Mega Fauna fossils, which helped paint the picture of what life would have been like during the times these magnificent creatures were alive.

A guided tour of the Victoria Fossil Cave (1hr) is included and will explain why Naracoorte Caves are so important. About 400m of this cave has a developed pathway and constructed stairs. There are about 50 steps into the cave and a steep sloping path out of it, but the walk is relatively easy.

From Naracoorte Caves it's a 1.5hr drive back to Robe. Enjoy a dinner at your own leisure in Robe, while you explore more of this quaint fishing town.

**Activity:** Explore Blue Lake and Sinkhole, wine tasting in Coonawarra, guided tour in Naracoorte Caves

**Meals:** B

**Accommodation:** Robe Central, Robe

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## Day 6

### ROBE - COORONG CRUISE - VICTOR HARBOR

Today it's time to head north along the stunning Coorong NP coastline. A long drive in the morning is rewarded with a cruise (3.5hrs) taking you deep into the Coorong, to the mouth of the Murray River and into 'Storm Boy' country.

From Goolwa the cruise heads downstream, where you'll enjoy a delicious lunch onboard. Lookout out for a few lazy fur-seals as you travel through the lock chamber. Then meander along the waterways of the Coorong, following the last kilometres of the mighty Murray River to the Murray Mouth and its opening to the Southern Ocean. Pass the quaint fishing

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village of the Coorong Shacks before pulling up onto the beach for an optional guided walk through the dunes, Indigenous Midden site, rich cultural interpretation and bush-tucker trail to the infamous 90-Mile Beach and the roaring Southern Ocean.

Learn the 'Coorong Shuffle' and dig for Pipi's on the beach before returning back to the vessel and continuing the cruise past Storm Boy filming sites and towering dunes. Afternoon Tea is served on the meandering return journey to Goolwa.

After such a special day exploring the Coorong it's a short drive to Victor Harbor, another quaint and historic South Australian town.

**Activity:** Coorong Highlights Cruise, long drive

**Meals:** B, L, D

**Accommodation:** Victor Harbor City Inn, Victor Harbor

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## Day 7 VICTOR HARBOR - KANGAROO ISLAND

Today it's time to make your way to another highlight of South Australia, Kangaroo Island, undeniably one of its' most popular attractions. From Victor Harbor it's a short drive to Cape Jervis, where we will board a ferry for the 45min boat ride across to Kangaroo Island.

Kangaroo Island is well known for all its local produce as well as its stunning natural wonders. First stop on Kangaroo Island is Kangaroo Island Spirits, where you may choose to do a Gin tasting and pick up some lunch. From KI Spirits you will head across to the other side of the island and deep into Flinders Chase NP. Explore the natural wonders of Admirals Arch and Remarkable Rocks, as well as have a look around Cape Du Couedic Lighthouse.

From Flinders Chase NP head back to Kingscote the for night.

**Activity:** Ferry ride from Cape Jervis to Penneshaw, discover Admirals Arch and Remarkable Rocks

**Meals:** D

**Accommodation:** Aurora Ozone Hotel or Kangaroo Island Seaview Motel

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## Day 8 KINGSCOTE - SEAL BAY - ADELAIDE

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast in Kingscote before heading out to Seal Bay, one of South Australia's top ten attractions. Seal Bay has been home to an Australian sea lion population for thousands of years, and offers one of the most exceptional nature-based experiences in the world. There are no enclosures or cages. Instead, you will be taken into the heart of the colony where your experienced guides will teach you about these endangered animals (45min tour).

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From Seal Bay you will head to Clifford's Honey Farm, to discover one of the local produces KI is well known for. You will have some time in Penneshaw to explore the Sculpture trail and pick up some lunch before boarding the ferry back to the mainland early afternoon.

Expect to arrive back in Adelaide just after 5pm. Your guide will drop you off at the hotel. Settle in for your last night in Adelaide before heading out for a group goodbye dinner.

**Activity:** Guided tour at Seal Bay, explore Clifford's Honey Farm, ferry back to Cape Jervis

**Meals:** B, D

**Accommodation:** Adina Apartment Hotel Adelaide Treasury, Adelaide

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## Day 9

### DEPARTURE DAY

The tour finishes after breakfast with a 10am check out. If you are flying out that afternoon /evening, feel free to leave your bags at reception.

**Meals:** B

**Accommodation:** n/a

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# Departure Dates

25 Jun 2022	-	03 Jul 2022
09 Jul 2022	-	17 Jul 2022
03 Sep 2022	-	11 Sep 2022
24 Sep 2022	-	02 Oct 2022
08 Oct 2022	-	16 Oct 2022
22 Oct 2022	-	30 Oct 2022
05 Nov 2022	-	13 Nov 2022
19 Nov 2022	-	27 Nov 2022
03 Dec 2022	-	11 Dec 2022

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# Pricing

2022

\$3,860 Per Person

\$350 Deposit

## Optional Extras

\$640 Secure your own room

## Inclusions

- Hotel pickup and dropoff
- Comfortable touring bus
- Friendly Guide
- Small Group with a maximum of 12 guests
- National Park Admissions
- Ferry to and from Kangaroo Island
- 8 Nights Accommodation
- 7 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches and 4 Dinners
- 2x Wine tastings in the Barossa and 1x Wine tasting in the Coonawarra
- The Cedars - Hans Heysen museum entry ticket
- Naracoorte Caves tour (1hr)
- Coorong Discovery Cruise (3.5hrs)
- Seal Bay (Kangaroo Island) guided tour

## Exclusions

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Pay a \$350pp deposit to secure your booking (full payment is required six weeks prior to departure or at time of booking if booking within six weeks).

## Cancellation Policy

All our tours require a minimum of 2 people and have a maximum of 12 people. We hope that you do not need to cancel your booking. However, if you do, our cancellation fee, based on the notice given prior to the departure date, is:

- 85 days or more, you will be refunded all monies paid, less a \$50 administration fee.
- 42 to 84 days prior to departure, you will lose your deposit
- 28 to 41 days: 25% of full tour cost
- 14 to 27 days: 50% of full tour cost
- less than 14 days: 100% of full tour cost, no refund

We understand times are still uncertain as we ride the rollercoaster of state outbreaks. That's why we've introduced flexible cancellation terms so that if you're in a pickle, your adventure isn't. Please see our stress free booking terms on the following link <https://www.waratahadventures.com.au/covid-19/>

If you have any concerns about cancelling, please take out travel insurance covering this contingency. This policy will be adhered to despite the most compelling and compassionate circumstances.

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## About our tours

Waratah Adventures have been leading small group tours of Australia's most iconic locations since 1986.

Our mission is to make adventure comfortable. We know every corner of Australia, and we go to great lengths to design our itineraries to give you the very best experience.

We are not afraid to get off the beaten track and get dirty, but that doesn't mean you have to. Our tour guides are trained in remote area management and are professionals within the industry... they also know how to have fun!

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