

Flinders Ranges Guided Walking Tour

7 Days



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On this 7-day Flinders Ranges walking tour you'll enjoy a fantastic selection of walks in South Australia's longest, oldest and most fascinating mountain range. In a series of day walks, carrying only a day-pack, you'll discover a variety of areas within the Flinders Ranges, like Mt. Remarkable National Park, Dutchman's Stern, Wilpena Pound and the northern sections of the Flinders Ranges National Park. Walk through stands of northern cypresspine, open woodlands, hilltop heath and amazing gorges, all the while enjoying vistas of sweeping plains and endless mountain ranges. Nature is truly at its best in the Flinders Ranges. There are some medium-hard sections on rocky terrain, but people with a moderate level of fitness can complete the walks. Preparation will make the experience all the more enjoyable. A mix of excellent home-made food, six restaurant meals, comfortable motel style accommodation and knowledgeable guides will complement your trip. Join us on our Flinders Ranges highlights tour and tick this amazing and diverse region off your bucket list.

Details

Adelaide Arrive:

Adelaide Depart:

Duration: 7 Days

Group Size: 12 guests maximum

Average Age: 55-75

Activity Level: Moderate

Testimonials

Thank you for a wonderful week walking in the Flinders Ranges. This was my third Inspiration Outdoors tour and I wasn't disappointed. Great guides, very knowledgeable, professional, personable and fun. Small group size (10 on this tour) allows for great connections and happy vibe. For anyone (reasonably fit) who loves walking in beautiful remote locations with a small group and really fabulous guides, I would thoroughly recommend this trip.

Pamela - September 2022





Highlights



Walk through stands of northern cypress-pine, open woodlands, hilltop heath and amazing gorges, all the while enjoying vistas of sweeping plains and endless mountain ranges.



Our tour focuses on walks within the most spectacular 200 km section of the Flinders Ranges.



Visit Mount Remarkable National Park, Dutchman's Stern, Wilpena Pound and the remote northern sections of the Ikara-Flinders Ranges National Park.

What to expect



We will enjoy a combination of delicious homecooked food prepared by the guides and meals at local restaurants.



The accommodation is clean and comfortable. A hot shower will be welcoming after spending the day exploring.



Average Temperature (degrees) May: 7 min - 20 max August: 4 min - 18 max





Itinerary

Enjoy a fantastic selection of guided walks amongst South Australia's longest, oldest and most fascinating mountain range.

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Day 1 ADELAIDE TO PORT AUGUSTA + ALLIGATOR GORGE WALK

With an 8am pick up in central Adelaide, we'll head north to the very start of the Flinders Ranges.

Our first stop is Crystal Brook for morning tea then on to Mt. Remarkable National Park via Melrose, where we'll enjoy a picnic lunch. After lunch we'll head out to the beautiful Alligator Gorge for a short easy walk through the vivid red quartzite gorge.

We will spend the night in Port Augusta, at the cross roads of Australia, heading out to a local restaurant for dinner.

Note, as we walk on the first afternoon, please wear your hiking clothes on the bus and bring your day pack ready to go.

Activity: 2km walk

Meals: L, D

Accommodation: Crossroads Eco Motel, Port Augusta (or similar)

Day 2 QUORN + DUTCHMAN'S STERN

After breakfast we make our way north to our walk at Dutchman's Stern, near Quorn.

The walk today is a steep but steady incline through sugar gum forest to the top, where you will be rewarded with 360° views over the sweeping plains, Quorn and Lake Torrens in the distance. The path then makes its way through drooping she-oak woodlands back down towards the start of the walk. Along the way we cross paths with the famous long-distance Heysen Trail.

After our walk we head to Quorn, an old railway town, to have a quick wander around and stock up on anything extra you may need. From here we make our way in to the heart of the Flinders Ranges.

Tonight we will be able to really make ourselves feel at home at our accommodation, Wilpena Pound Resort, as we will be staying for 5 nights.

Activity: 10.5km walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Wilpena Pound Resort, Wilpena Pound (or similar)

Day 3 BLACK GAP TO WILPENA POUND

This morning we will drive to Black Gap to commence our walk towards Bridle Gap and the natural amphitheater of Wilpena Pound, following a part of the Heysen Trail.

The walk up to Bridle Gap can be quite steep and rocky in sections, but the views at the top are worth it. From Bridle Gap it's a gentle walk down in to the valley floor of Wilpena Pound through a variety of mallee, native pine and heath. These habitats provide excellent opportunities for keen naturalists to observe interesting local birds, including wrens, robins parrots and emus.

Activity: 12km walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Wilpena Pound Resort, Wilpena Pound (or similar)

Day 4 YULUNA HIKE

Enjoy the views along the Aroona Valley Scenic Drive as we make our way toward today's walks. The 8km Yuluna Hike begins with a bit of a climb, offering fabulous views of the Heysen Range and the outer edge of Wilpena Pound.

In the afternoon we drive through Brachina gorge, and take an easy stroll to check out rock layers and rock wallabies!

Activity: 8km Walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Wilpena Pound Resort, Wilpena Pound (or similar)

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Day 5 TANDERRA SADDLE (ST MARY'S PEAK)

Today you'll be walking straight from your accommodation to commence one of the more challenging walks of the week.

St. Mary's Peak stands proudly above the Pound below and is central to the Adnyamathanha creation story. Aboriginal people of the Flinders Ranges ask visitors not to climb to the summit of the peak and thus we will climb as far as Tanderra Saddle with stunning views of the surrounding ranges and plains.

We will have both guides on today's walk to ensure the enjoyment and safety of everyone.

In the afternoon you may opt to do a scenic flight over the majestic ranges that we've been discovering on foot these last few days.

Activity: 15km walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Wilpena Pound Resort, Wilpena Pound (or similar)

Day 6 MOUNT OHLSSEN BAGGE WALK & SACRED CANYON TOUR

Our walk starts at our accommodation today with a short but challenging walk, and one of the best views of Wilpena Pound. The Ohlssen Bagge requires a steepish but short climb, which is well worth it for the spectacular views of the area.

In the afternoon we are lucky to be able to enjoy a private tour at Sacred Canyon. Learn about the cultural significance of the site and the ancient rock engravings from the perspective of the Adnyamathanha people.

Activity: 6km walk + 2.5hr tour

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Wilpena Pound Resort, Wilpena Pound (or similar)

Day 7 RETURN TO ADELAIDE VIA THE CLARE VALLEY

Today we will make our way back to Adelaide via the picturesque Clare Valley where we'll pick up some lunch (own expense) before heading out to one of the local wineries. Here you can taste some wine (optional own expense) or discover some of the vineyard by foot.

We expect to arrive back in Adelaide at around 4.30pm.

Activity: Travel Day

Meals:





Departure Dates

26 Apr 2025 02 May 2025

24 May 2025 30 May 2025

07 Jun 2025 13 Jun 2025

05 Jul 2025 11 Jul 2025

02 Aug 2025 08 Aug 2025

16 Aug 2025 22 Aug 2025

30 Aug 2025 05 Sep 2025

13 Sep 2025 19 Sep 2025





Pricing

2025

\$3,774 Per Person

\$350 Deposit

Optional Extras

Single Supplement \$810

Inclusions

All transport: private coach transport to and from

- Adelaide as well as transport to and from the track each day
- Professional guiding and support each day
- Emergency support: guides carry satellite phones and a full first aid kit
- 6 night's comfortable accommodation
- 6 healthy breakfasts cereal, fruit, yogurt, toast
- 7 morning teas, carried by your guide
- 6 lunches some packed and some delivered picnics
- Pre-dinner nibbles each night
- 6 delicious two course dinners at local restaurants
- Excellent itinerary and planning drawn from 19 yrs experience

Exclusions

- Lunch & Wine Tasting on the last day
- Snacks if you need them (morning tea and fruit are provided)
- Alcohol





Ready to book?

Your next adventure is two steps away...

Jump onto our website www.inspirationoutdoors.com.au, find your tour in the menu and click on the orange button in the top right hand corner that states, 'CheckAvailability/ Book Now' alternatively call us on 08 6219 5164 (international calls dial +618 62195164) or email us at walk@inspirationoutdoors.com.au.

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).

Payment by Travel Credit: Please let us know if you wish for us to apply a standing travel credit to your booking. Note: Travel Credits are not redeemable for cash.

Cancellation Policy

All our tours are guaranteed departures.

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:

- 84 days or more prior to departure, we will refund your deposit minus \$50 administration fee
- between 30 and 84 days prior to departure, loss of deposit
- between 24 and 29 days prior to departure, we charge a cancellation fee of 25% of the total booking cost
- between 15 and 23 days prior to departure, we charge a cancellation fee of 50% of the total booking cost
- 14 days or fewer prior to departure, we charge a cancellation fee of 100% of the booking cost.

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About our tours

First, our tours are for people who like to walk long(ish) distances. That means we usually leave our accommodation pretty early each morning (between 7.30 and 8.30) and finish walking mid to late afternoon.

You won't break any records on our walks - for fastest or slowest hike. We keep a steady pace, but there are plenty of opportunities to rest, take photos and appreciate the views along the way.

A relaxed, social and supportive atmosphere is central to our tours. Have a chat and enjoy the sights and smells with your walking companions. Then back at the accommodation, slip into your comfy slacks and slippers and put your feet up with a cup of tea or a wine. Enjoy the conversation around the dinner table. And if you want to go to bed as soon as you've finished the last spoonful of dessert, or stay up and chat, you can.

We don't specialise in birds or plants or rare subterranean amphibians - although we're interested in all of these things. There are no evening lectures and you don't need to bring a notepad and pen (unless you want to). We have a sound and ever-expanding knowledge of the unique and special environments that we walk through, and love sharing what we know with those who are interested. We especially like digging around for stories of the plants and people whose history is linked with the areas we walk in and we'll share those stories with you as we walk.

Our tours are for those who enjoy the simple pleasure of walking in nature, combined with the luxuries of a proper relaxing holiday. We pay attention to the details so that you can relax and enjoy the experience. With the assistance of a team of knowledgeable friends, Inspiration Outdoors aims to provide... Recreation Beyond Expectation

Check out our reviews on TripAdvisor





