

Tastes of South Australia Escorted Tour Sydney - Adelaide

11 days / 10 nights

From
\$5,699

Per person/Double occupancy/Land package
August 27, 2024 departure

Day 1: Sydney - Canberra

Say goodbye to Sydney and hello to the Southern Highlands. South of the 'Harbour City', the bucolic countryside of Berrima awaits – fun fact: this is the oldest Georgian village in Australia. Not far from here you're welcomed to Gold Creek Station by sheep farmer Craig Starr for a Be My Guest BBQ lunch and tales about life on the land, ringed by glorious gardens and deciduous forest that changes colour with the seasons. Your Sydney to Melbourne trip continues onward to the country's cool little capital, home to Parliament House, where you'll go behind the political scenes, as well as the Australian War Memorial. Hearing the Last Post on your Canberra guided tour is a moving experience.

Meals: Lunch and Dinner with wine

Overnight: Crowne Plaza Hotel Canberra 4*

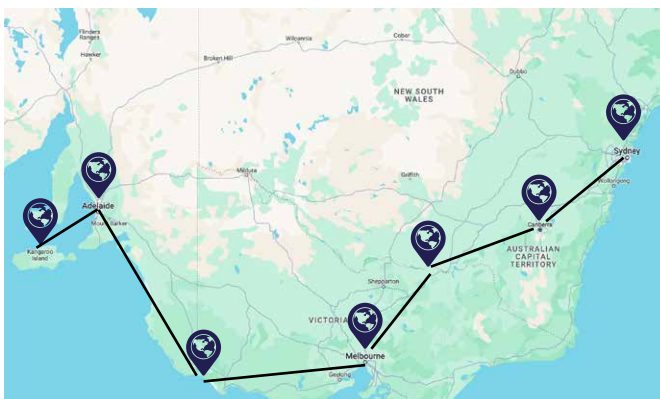


Day 2: Canberra - Wangaratta

Get some Canberra perspective from the summit of Mt. Ainslie. You won't be able to see the Murray River, but you'll soon cross it en route to Beechworth, Victoria's best-preserved gold rush town. Get the lowdown on Beechworth over a chat with the publican of the historic local pub, then set you on your way to explore character-filled antiques stores, galleries, and museums at your leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Quality Hotel Wangaratta 4*



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Day 3: Wangaratta - Melbourne

Head south toward historic Glenrowan, truly in Ned Kelly country where the infamous bushranger and his gang were finally captured in 1880. Once you have your bearings, explore as you will. There's something magical about just getting lost in the art-filled alleys of Australia's second-largest city, discovering underground jazz lounges and rooftop eateries to watch the sun set.

Meals: Melbourne

Overnight: Crowne Plaza Hotel Melbourne 4*

Day 4: Melbourne Tree TME

Enjoy a free day on your own to explore. Linger in the city, gain a bird's-eye view from the Eureka Skydeck, the Southern Hemisphere's highest attraction, looming almost 300 metres above the ground. Animal lover? Venture out on a Phillip Island little penguin tour to see hundreds of these cute creatures. Want to get back to nature? Chug through the lush Dandenong Ranges on the Puffing Billy Steam Train, followed by a sip or two of wine in the Yarra Valley. This cool-climate growing region makes standout chardonnay, pinot noir and sparklings. The choice is yours.

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Crowne Plaza Melbourne 4*

Day 5: Melbourne - Warrnambool

The Great Ocean Road is one of the world's most epic journeys, a dramatic 240-kilometre union of limestone stacks, World Heritage listed rainforest, untouched coastal coves, and sleepy towns, like Lorne and Apollo Bay. It doesn't get any better than this.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner with Wine

Overnight: Deep Blue Hotel and Hot Springs Warrnambool 4*

Day 6: Warrnambool - Naracoorte

Emus, kangaroos, koalas, echidnas... oh my! These are just some of the animals you'll likely spot as you drive through Tower Hill Wildlife Reserve – housed in a dormant volcanic crater. Remarkably, this pocket of paradise was once wasteland, transformed by volunteers. More volcanic history awaits across the South Australian border in Mt. Gambier, home to the crater-filling Blue Lake. Because it's very blue. And it's a lake. By now you'll be thirsty, so it's a good thing the Coonawarra wine region is around the corner. Naracoorte's Alexandra Cave is a maze of delicate needle-like stalactites and massive twisting columns.

Meals: Breakfast and dinner with wine

Overnight: William Macintosh Motor Lodge Naracoorte 3*

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Day 7: Naracoorte - Kangaroo Island

The Fleurieu Peninsula region of South Australia is a natural adventure playground with rolling hills, rugged clifftops, and sandy beaches. All aboard to tour Kangaroo Island. A well-deserved tasting of craft beer awaits at a boutique brewery, the only one on the island. How does sheoak stout sound or a Mexican inspired brew made using a combination of malted barley and flaked rice? No judgement for sneaking in a nap en route to is Kingscote, South Australia's oldest European settlement and your base for the night.

Meals: Breakfast and dinner with wine

Overnight: Aurora Ozone Hotel Kangaroo Island 3*

Day 8: Kangaroo Island

If you like alliterations, you'll love today's attractions: first stops are Remarkable Rocks (because these rust-hued monoliths really are) and Admirals Arch, home to an immense colony of raucous fur seals. More wildlife greets you at Seal Bay Conservation Park, where enormous sea lions barrel down the sand to the water. This is one of the most significant breeding colonies in the country.

Meals: Breakfast and lunch

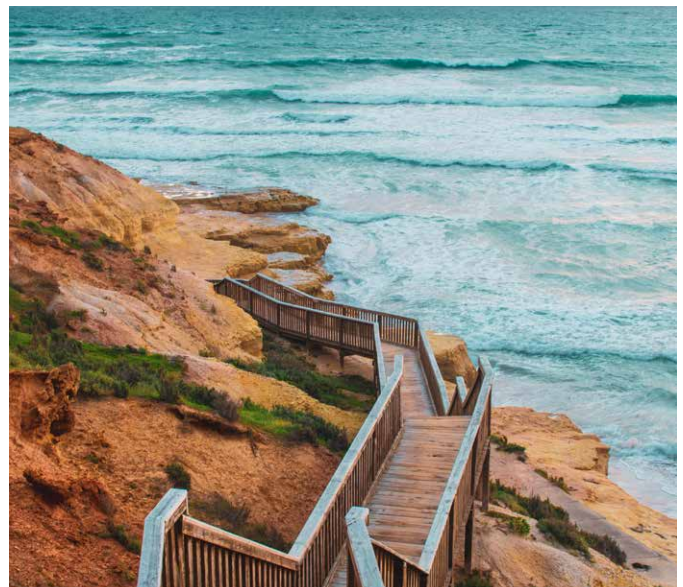
Overnight: Aurora Ozone Kangaroo Island 3*

Day 9: Kangaroo island - Adelaide

You've arrived in the South Australian capital, known for its well-preserved churches and well-admired cuisine. Did you know that Adelaide boasts more restaurants per capita than any other city in Australia? After a cultural walking tour through the city's Botanic Gardens with an Aboriginal Guide, and an Adelaide city tour, the afternoon is yours to see just how many you can sample – we have a few recommendations, including a visit to the epic Central Market, where you can try green ant gin with cheese, among so many other delicacies.

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Crowne Plaza Adelaide 4*



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Day 10: Adelaide Hills and the Barossa Valley

Pull on your elastic-waisted pants – today is one of indulgences through the Adelaide Hills and the Barossa, dotted with atmospheric towns like Hahndorf, Australia’s oldest surviving German settlement. A Barossa and Hahndorf tour reveals the bountiful food and wine this pocket of the state is known for. And you’ll enjoy a tasting from small batch wine makers from across the valley as well as discovering local flavours over lunch at Lambert Estate enveloped by vines.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, and farewell dinner
Overnight: Crowne Plaza Adelaide 4*

Day 11: Adelaide Departure

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for departure.

The Package Includes:

- 10 nights accommodation in double occupancy, 4* hotels centrally located
- National Park Entrance Fees
- Specialist team of highly experienced Travel Director and Driver Guide
- Meals: 10 full breakfasts, 2 lunches, 4 dinners with wine, 1 farewell dinner and 1 Be My Guest Lunch

The package does not include:

- Any flights
- Personal expenses
- Gratuities
- Meals or beverages unless mentioned in the inclusions

Land package 11 days / 10 nights, price per person

Departures	Double occupancy
April 9, 2024	\$ 5,699
August 27, 2024	\$ 5,699
September 17, 2024	\$ 5,699
October 15, 29, 2024	\$ 5,719
November 19, 2024	\$ 5,999
February 4, 2025	\$ 5,999
March 4, 2025	\$ 5,999
Single traveler	On request

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