pottertravel EYRE & YORKE PENINSULAS

13 DAY TOUR

Departing: Monday 24 May 2021 Returning: Saturday 05 June 2021



TOUR COST: \$3875.00 per person Twin/Double Share \$4695.00 Sole Occupancy Please call the office for Direct Deposit details.

PICK UP TIMES:

7.10am Crawford Street, Queanbeyan7.30am Bay 1, Woden Interchange

7.50am West Row Bus Stop, City **8.00am** Riggall Place, Lyneham

Day 1: (LD): CANBERRA TO HAY: Monday 24 May 2021

Welcome to our tour to South Australia's **Yorke and Eyre Peninsulas.** From the friendly locals and rich farmlands of the Yorke Peninsula to the rugged and untouched **Eyre Peninsula** we'll be surrounded by impressive scenery and amazing seafood. Settling into our seats we make our way to Temora for our **lunch** stop before continuing through to Hay, situated on the picturesque Murrumbidgee River and at the centre of the vast open **Hay Plains**.

Cobb Inlander Motel, Hay (02 6993 1901)

Day 2: (BLD): HAY TO BARMERA: Tuesday 25 May 2021

Travelling into Mildura we stop at a lovely olive oil farm, **Varapodio Estate**. We'll have lunch here, taste their awardwinning oils and have an opportunity to stock up on salad dressing, olive oil cosmetics and soaps. Heading into South Australia Riverland district, we arrive at our destination of **Barmera**, set on the banks of **Lake Bonney**. Warmly welcomed at our hotel, we'll enjoy a pre-dinner drink at the bar before our evening meal.

Comfort Inn & Suites Riverland (08 8588 2888)

Day 3: (BLD): BARMERA TO PORT PIRIE: Wednesday 26 May 2021

Starting the day, we follow the Murray River via historic **Overland Corner**. Hear how this unusual outpost came to be a camp for the early drovers with as many as 30,000 sheep and several mobs of cattle stopping to rest here. Onto **Burra**, home to what was Australia's largest and wealthiest metal producing mine responsible for saving the state from bankruptcy in the mid 19th century. As a result the town has an outstanding collection of structures recognised by the National Trust. After some lunch we continue across to the town of **Port Pirie** located on Spencer Gulf.

John Pirie Motor Inn (08 8632 4200)

Day 4: (BLD): PORT PIRIE TO STREAKY BAY: Thursday 27 May 2021

Following Spencer Gulf to its tip we reach the town of **Port Augusta.** From here we pass through mining communities such as **Iron Knob**. In **Kimba** look out for the Big Galah and the incredible art painted on their silos of a young child in a wheat field at sunset. **Lunch** awaits us here before we continue to traverse the Eyre Peninsula. As the mining environment gives way to the farming communities of Kyancutta and Minnipa, we arrive at our destination of **Streaky Bay**. With its spectacular coastline and waters abundant with fish life, the area has become a great base for visitors to explore. Settling into our accommodation, we'll relax and prepare for our sightseeing day ahead.

Streaky Bay Hotel Motel (08 8626 1008)

Day 5: (BD): STREAKY BAY: Friday 28 May 2021

Highlighting the vast spectacle of this area is our drive to beautiful **Point Labatt.** Home to Ospreys and White-bellied Sea Eagles we will also witness the only permanent colony of Australian Sealions on the mainland of Australia. During our visit we'll have the unique opportunity to observe the sealions dozing in the sun or playing on the beach. Set in the middle of a wheat field and surrounded by mallee scrub, we visit **Murphy's Haystacks**. These ancient wind-worn pillars and boulders of pink granite are estimated to be over 1,500 million years old. We return to Streaky Bay to enjoy the local area for the afternoon. You may like to walk along the sandy beach or wander the charming township.

Streaky Bay Hotel Motel (08 8626 1008)

Day 6: (BLD): STREAKY BAY TO PORT LINCOLN: Saturday 29 May 2021

Driving to **Elliston** includes a clifftop roadway appropriately named **Great Ocean View.** With some remarkable views of the **Great Australian Bight** and **Waterloo Bay** it is a highlight of the tour. The town lies between this dramatic coastline and rolling hills, making it a great spot to take a break. A **local specialist** will join us for a **guided town tour** followed by **lunch**. Next it's onto **Port Lincoln**, the seafood capital of the Eyre Peninsula. Home to the country's largest commercial fishing fleets, the pristine waters in the large protected, natural harbour of Port Lincoln provides the ideal conditions. Checking into our accommodation, we settle in to our rooms and refresh for dinner.

Port Lincoln Hotel (08 8621 2000)

Day 7: (BLD): PORT LINCOLN: Sunday 30 May 2021

By invitation only, we are welcomed onto the private property of **Whalers Way** this morning. Once through the gates, we are on an isolated, historic reserve. Be **guided** along the area's unspoilt beauty with plenty of wild fauna and flora.

See the effects of erosion from the wild seas and sites relating to early pioneer families who settled in the area. Returning to town, we have lunch at the **Marina Hotel** before joining **Adventure Bay Charters** for a cruise on **Boston Bay.** Stretching from the top of the Port Lincoln National Park to Point Boston it covers an area more than 3½ times the size of Sydney Harbour. We cruise the magnificent canals of the Lincoln Cove marina, Boston Bay and Port Lincoln National Park and also indulge in a tasting of a local specialty.

Port Lincoln Hotel (08 8621 2000)

Day 8: (BLD): PORT LINCOLN TO CLARE: Monday 31 May 2021

On the eastern coastline of Eyre Peninsula sits the town of **Cowell**, home to **Turners Oyster and Seafood.** Known for their premium oysters, we are welcomed onto their premises for an insight into this small yet lucrative business. Unravelling the mysteries behind oyster schucking, we will have one of the team show us exactly how to do it. After a tasting, stock up if you wish before we get underway. We'll stop for a slightly later **lunch** in Port Augusta and spend the afternoon making our way through to the **Clare Valley** for a 3 night stay.

3 nights | Clare Country Club (08 8842 1060)

Day 9: (BLD): EXPLORING CLARE: Tuesday 01 June 2021

A **guided tour** starts our day, discovering this beautiful wine region is as diverse as we anticipated. No more so than the interesting **Bungaree Station**. This merino sheep station established in the 1880s is still run by descendants of the original founder. We won't be seeing a museum but rather a living record of rural Australia, revealed by a member of the family. Following a lovely morning tea we'll visit station sites such as St Michael's church and cemetery, the homestead gardens and the station store, complete with its tools of trade – all giving us a wonderful insight into early station life. The nearby town of Blyth gives us our **lunch** venue and a visit to **Medika Gallery** to see the works of lan Roberts, nationally recognised as one of Australia's premier bird painters. His work also includes native flora with a particular passion for eucalypts. Enjoy a wander through his gallery and we'll hopefully see him at work during our visit.

Day 10: (BLD): YORKE PENINSULA: Wednesday 02 June 2021

Travelling through wheat and canola paddocks we drive to the **Yorke Peninsula**. The coastal town of **Moonta** promotes itself as Australia's little Cornwall due to the discovery of Copper in the late 1800s. Attracting many Cornishmen miners and their mining know-how we will see plenty of Cornish influences around the area. Spending some time at the **Moonta Mines Museum** we'll hear how the district produced so much copper the wealth generated exceeded all other mining in the state. Settling into our train seats, we go for a **ride** on the **Moonta Mine Tourist Railway**. Passing historic landmarks of former mining operations such as the reservoir and tunnel is a sight to see. Having worked up an appetite, choose a Cornish pasty for **lunch** at the **Cornish Kitchen**. Crossing the peninsula, we head to **Ardrossan**. The beautiful, blue waters of the Gulf St Vincent contrast with the patchwork of grain fields producing the world's best barley and cereals. Pausing to witness the glorious gulf views from the red clay coastal cliffs on which the town sits, on a clear day it's possible to see the Adelaide Hills. We'll enjoy a wander through the fascinating **Ardrossan Heritage Museum**, housed in the original factory that manufactured the 'stump jump' plough. The invention was stumbled upon quite by accident and we'll discover how it happened during our visit. It was also the site which produced the first electricity on the Yorke Peninsula. We head back to Clare for dinner.

Day 11: (BLD): CLARE TO BROKEN HILL: Thursday 03 June 2021

Loading our bags onto the coach, we depart Clare and head to **Broken Hill.** A true outback city in every sense, Broken Hill is a living, breathing time capsule where the great mining prosperity of yesteryear has blended into the cultural hub it is today. Arriving into Broken Hill we step back in time with **lunch** at **Bells Milk Bar.** Later, visit the **Silver City Mint and Art Centre** for a guided tour and be mesmerised by the impressive Big Picture. This large acrylic painting will draw you into the huge skies and red rocky earth of ancient river beds dotted with gums, leading out into the distant Flinders Ranges. It is indeed a picture that says a thousand words! Checking into our accommodation, unwind and refresh with a pre-dinner drink.

Desert Sand Motor Inn Broken Hill (08 8088 4122)

Day 12: (BLD): BROKEN HILL TO NYNGAN: Friday 04 June 2021

Commencing our return home, we travel to Wilcannia on the Darling River. **Wilcannia** became one of the major ports of the Murray Darling system in the late 1880s as the paddle steamer trade carried wool and other produce downriver to Goolwa, some 1110 river miles away! Eventually rail and road transport killed the river boats and Wilcannia lost its former glory. Today we'll enjoy **lunch** at the Wilcannia Golf Club. Continuing east, we'll drive through Cobar and onto **Nyngan** where we check into our overnight accommodation.

Country Manor Motor Inn Nyngan (02 6832 1447)

Day 13: (B): NYNGAN TO CANBERRA: Saturday 05 June 2021

On the home stretch, we travel onto Parkes for an early lunch at the Parkes Services Club. The final leg has us arriving home before it gets dark, ending a wonderful tour with many memories to share.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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FINAL PAYMENT: MONDAY 22 MARCH 2021

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