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MURRAY RIVER FLINDERS RANGES

15 DAY TOUR

Departing: Friday 23 September 2022

Returning: Friday 07 October 2022



TOUR COST:

\$4995.00 per person Twin/Double Share

\$5995.00 Sole Occupancy

PICK UP TIMES:

7.10am Crawford Street, Queanbeyan
7.30am Bay 1, Woden Bus Interchange

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

Uncover the largest river in Australia, the Murray River which provides a spectacular backdrop to a number of Australian towns and a rich river heritage,. Then encounter the ancient wonders and rugged scenery of the Flinders Ranges. Explore the most dramatic and beautiful landscapes in the country. Towering ancient cliffs, dusty red roads and special landscapes are all part of the Flinders Ranges experience. It's also a place rich in Aboriginal history and home to a vast array of wildlife, making it one of South Australia's iconic destinations.

DAY 1: (LD) HOME PORT TO ECHUCA-MOAMA: FRIDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2022

Welcome to our fantastic tour featuring the mighty Murray River, and the town the connect it before entering the stunning Flinders Ranges. Our journey today will take us through **Albury** for lunch before arriving to the twin towns of **Echuca Moama**, recognised as one of Australia's finest heritage icons and home to the largest paddlesteamer fleet in the world. *Meninya Palms Moama | (Ph: 03 5482 3311)*

DAY 2: (BLD) ECHUCA TO MILDURA: SATURDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2022

Our morning stop is at **Lake Boga**, home to the famous **Catalina Flying Boat A24-30** – one of only 4 in Australia. The museum here holds a number of artefacts relating to Lake Boga's proud history associated with WWII. We head to **Swan Hill** for lunch before we continue to our destination, **Mildura**. *Commodore Motor Inn | (Ph: 03 5023 0241)*

DAY 3: (BLD) MILDURA TO GOOLWA: SUNDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2022

This morning we head to Renmark then follow the river to Berri, Barmera, Waikerie and Blanchetown then onto **Mannum**, the birthplace of the Murray River trade and communication. We have lunch at **Pretoria Hotel** before continuing to **Goolwa**, once a thriving river port – the last on the Murray River before it reached the Southern Ocean. *Motel Goolwa | (Ph: 08 8555 1155)*

DAY 4: (BLD) SPIRIT AUSTRALIA CRUISE: MONDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2022

We board the "**Spirit of the Coorong**" for a delightful and relaxing luncheon cruise across the spectacular **Coorong National Park**. Derived from an Aboriginal word 'karangk' meaning narrow neck, it is one of the most breathtaking national parks in Australia. We cruise downstream from the port of Goolwa taking in the sights of the historic wharf, lock chamber and waterways of the Coorong. We follow the last kilometres of the mighty Murray River to the Murray Mouth and to its opening to the Southern Ocean. We then enter Storm Boy country, passing by the quaint fishing village of the Coorong Shacks. Be amazed by the towering dunes, bird life and beautiful scenery before returning to Goolwa. *Motel Goolwa | (Ph: 08 8555 1155)*

DAY 5: (BD) LOCAL TOURING: TUESDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2022

The **Cockle Train** is one of the regions hidden gems as it travels across farmlands and coastal dunes from Goolwa to Victor Harbor. The heritage train windows frame the sparkling Southern Ocean and coastal cliffs as we travel along the oldest steel railed railway in Australia. Our train arrives in **Victor Harbor**, the area is known for its surf breaches, fishing and winter sightings of the Southern Right Whale. Here we take an incredible interactive journey at the **SA Whale Centre**. Our guide, with the help of audio-visual displays, artefacts and a 3D theatrette, will introduce us to these magnificent creatures. Next, we enjoy a ride on the historic **Horse Drawn Tram** across the Causeway to **Granite Island**. Feel the ocean breeze as the beautiful Clydesdale horses draw us along the jetty bridge. Mid-afternoon we head to the **Adelaide Hills**. *Manna of Hahndorf | (08 8388 1000)*

DAY 6: (BD) HAHNDORF & ADELAIDE: WEDNESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2022

We have some **free time in Hahndorf** this morning before heading to Adelaide Airport to collect the Potter Travel Club members who are joining us for the Flinders Ranges. With everyone onboard we travel to the **Adelaide city centre** for the opportunity to take a look at the shops and purchase lunch (own expense). This afternoon we head back to the Adelaide Hills with a stop at **Mt Lofty Lookout**. *Manna of Hahndorf | (08 8388 1000)*

DAY 7: (BD) HAHNDORF TO FLINDERS RANGES: THURSDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2022

Today we begin our journey to the Flinders Ranges. Stopping in Hawker we spend some time at the Jeff Morgan Art Gallery. Jeff has a superb reputation in the art world and when we visit his gallery, standing in front of his Wilpena Panorama, we will be in awe. We make our way to Rawnsley Park Station, set overlooking the southern side of Wilpena Pound providing the perfect base to explore. Dinner tonight will be in the Woolshed *Restaurant*, where the ever-changing menu makes use of the best local produce. Rawnsley Park Station | (08 8648 0700)

DAY 8: (BLD) FLINDERS RANGES: FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

Uncover the dramatic gorges and spectacular peaks of the Flinders Ranges. We meet our local guide who will take us on an insider's tour of this stunning national park. We then visit Gumcreek Station for lunch before returning to Rawnsley late afternoon for time at leisure. Wrap up warmly as late afternoon we'll drive to Pugilist Lookout for Sundowners – nibbles and drinks as we watch the sun set. (*Touring subject to weather and road conditions). Rawnsley Park Station | (08 8648 0700)

DAY 9: (BLD) RAWNSLEY TO ARKAROOA: SATURDAY 1 OCTOBER 2022

We tour further into the Flinders today on our way to Arkaroola Wilderness Sanctuary. Lunch today is at Blinman – historic, picturesque and the highest town in South Australia. During the copper mining boom of the 1850s, more than 1500 people lived in Blinman. Today it's just over 20! This afternoon we arrive at Arkaroola in the Gammon Ranges National Park, one of Australia's true tourist gems. *Arkaroola Wilderness Sanctuary* | (08 8648 4848)

DAY 10: (BLD) ARKAROOA TOURING: SUNDAY 2 OCTOBER 2022

This morning we take the incredible 4WD 'Ridge Top Tour' driving along mine tracks winding through rugged mountains. Visit 'Crystal Candy Mountain', Mt Painter Yudnamutana Gorge and Sillers Lookout with awe-inspiring viewing extending more than 80km over Lake Frome. We return to Arkaroola for lunch before an afternoon at leisure. Take a self-guided walk, a scenic flight over the Gammon Ranges or perhaps kick back and relax. The choice is yours! *Arkaroola Wilderness Sanctuary* | (08 8648 4848)

DAY 11: (BD) ARKAROOA TO CLARE: MONDAY 3 OCTOBER 2022

We have a travel day ahead as we make our way out of the Ranges. We travel through Hawker and Peterborough before arriving in Clare, our overnight destination. *Clare Country Club* | (08 8842 1060)

DAY 12: (BD) CLARE TO BROKEN HILL: TUESDAY 4 OCTOBER 2022

We set our sights on Broken Hill today. The town is like a living, breathing time capsule where the great mining prosperity of yesteryear blends seamlessly with the rising modern art scene. Dominating the town is the 'Line of Lode' which sits side by side with the Miners Memorial. On arrival a local expert will join us on the coach to showcase the best of Broken Hill. *Hilltop Motel, Broken Hill* | (08 8088 2999)

DAY 13: (BLD) BROKEN HILL: WEDNESDAY 5 OCTOBER 2022

We begin our day at Pro Hart Gallery, be amazed by the lush colours, sense of space and spiritual quality of the outback captured in ways only few artists are able to emulate. We then visit the Silver City Mint and Art Gallery for a guided tour of the impressive Big Picture. The large acrylic painting will draw you into its huge skies and red rock earth of ancient river beds dotted with gums, leading to the distant Flinders Ranges. We continue to Silverton, which was once the largest town in the Barrier Ranges for some time. Today it's virtually a ghost town but a number of historic buildings still remain. More recently Silverton has hosted film crews for *Priscilla Queen of the Desert* and *Mad Max 2*. We enjoy lunch at the iconic Silverton Pub before stepping back in time at the Silverton Gaol Museum. Virtually every aspect of life in Silverton's heyday is represented with literally thousands of items on display. Back in Broken Hill, our visual senses will be delighted at the Living Desert. Nestled amongst the Barrier Ranges, twelve sandstone artworks highlight the skyline, all with a story to tell. Located on a majestic hilltop, this unusual attraction was created by the finest sculptors from around the world. *Hilltop Motel, Broken Hill* | (08 8088 2999)

DAY 14: (BLD) BROKEN HILL TO NYNGAN: THURSDAY 6 OCTOBER 2022

We have our longest travel day ahead, stopping for convenience breaks and time to enjoy our packed lunch. 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 15: (BL) NYNGAN TO CANBERRA: FRIDAY 7 OCTOBER 2022

On the final stretch, we travel onto Parkes for an early farewell lunch at the Parkes Services Club. The final leg has us arriving home before it gets dark, ending an incredible tour to the Flinders Ranges.

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