

Adelaide & Surrounds 7 Day Tour

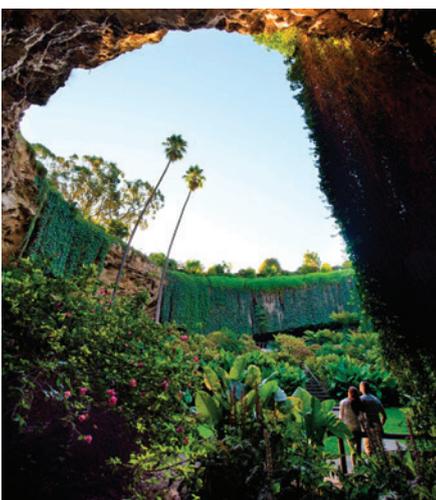
Itinerary

Monday 16 – Sunday 22 November 2026



DAY 1: Mon 16 November

Melbourne to Mount Gambier



Often referred to as ‘the city of churches’, **Adelaide** with its ring of parklands situated on the Torrens River is abound with so much to see and do and our 7 day tour will see us visit it and it’s amazing surrounds. We depart Melbourne today and head out through the western districts of Victoria and to **Hamilton**. We will stop here for lunch at own expense and have a chance to wander this regional centre before reboarding the coach for the trip across the border and on to **Mount Gambier**. Arriving mid-afternoon we take sometime to explore some of the amazing sights that Mount Gambier has including the magnificent **Blue Lake**, and the **Umpherston Sinkhole**. The beauty of the sinkhole has to be seen to believed ... we take a walk along the terraces and get a chance to appreciate the size and depth of this piece of landscape.

ACCOMMODATION Presidential Mount Gambier

MEALS Lunch at own expense, dinner at hotel

DAY 2: Tues 17 November

Mount Gambier to Adelaide



Departing Mount Gambier this morning we head north along the Riddoch Highway towards **Penola** ... this picture-perfect country town has a fascinating history, and is nestled among a sea of vines in the world-famous **Coonawarra** wine region. Penola is also famed as the home of Australia's first saint, **Mary McKillop** and the special centre that was created to honour her life is where we visit this morning.

Following on from there we continue north to the famous **Naracoorte Caves National Park**, the park is South Australia's only World Heritage site, and it preserves Australia's most complete fossil record for the past 500,000 years. We will have a guided tour through one of the caves before having a lunch at the café. Back on the coach we make our way towards Adelaide arriving late in the afternoon at our hotel, our home for the next four nights.

ACCOMMODATION Rockford Adelaide

MEALS Breakfast and dinner at hotel, lunch provided

DAY 3: Wed 18 November

Adelaide & The Barossa Valley



After a leisurely breakfast we will meet our guide for an informative tour of Adelaide ... we take in the local sights of **Adelaide**. Over the past couple of years the City of Adelaide has seen major growth, historic North Terrace has been brought back to its glory days and the Torrens River precinct has come alive with the major renovations of Adelaide Oval. The city's Central Business District is surrounded by parklands, or the Green Belt as it's known. For an excellent overview of the city and its parklands we make a stop at **Montefiore Hill**. It was from this spot that Colonel Light planned a great city of the future in the sweeping valley below. South Australian location.

After our city tour we depart Adelaide and head to the **Barossa Valley** ... just over an hour's drive northeast of Adelaide the Barossa is a renowned wine producing region with an array of high profile wineries and other gourmet delights. We will stop at **Tanunda**, one of the little townships that are dotted through the Valley where you get a chance to wander through this little hamlet and purchase some lunch at own expense.

No visit to the Barossa would be complete without a visit to **Maggie Beer's Farm** ... this is where it all began over 40 years ago, we will be hosted by one of the dedicated staff as we hear all about the life and times of Maggie before we explore the vast array of offerings the store has. Before we make our way out of the Barossa and towards home we will visit one of the many wineries for a taste of what the Barossa is famous for. Having spent our afternoon in the Barossa it is time to board the coach and head back in to Adelaide.

ACCOMMODATION Rockford Adelaide

MEALS Breakfast and dinner at hotel, lunch at own expense

DAY 4: Thurs 19 November

Hahndorf & The Adelaide Hills



After a later breakfast this morning we have some free time to explore the surrounds of the hotel, you may wish to wander to the famous **Adelaide Central Market** which is located in close proximity to our hotel and is a thriving underroof market of colour, culture and aromas all year round. You may wish to have a sleep in, or just put your feet up before heading off to the Adelaide Hills later in the morning.

The **Adelaide Hills**, is where the township of **Hahndorf** is located and where we stop at the famous **Beerenberg Strawberry Farm**. After our visit there we head in to the very quaint township where a stroll along historic Hahndorf's main street is a highlight for many visitors to the Adelaide Hills. Settled in 1839 by Prussian Lutherans seeking religious freedom, Hahndorf is now an artisan village and a delight for shoppers.

Hahndorf is Australia's oldest surviving German settlement and still has a strong German flavour most evident in the smallgoods outlets, bakeries, pubs, restaurants and cafes that line the bustling main street. We have free time to look through the many arts and craft shops and purchase our lunch (own expense) at one of the many eateries. Having enjoyed Hahndorf and the foothills of Adelaide we are now ready to return to Adelaide.

ACCOMMODATION Rockford Adelaide

MEALS Breakfast and dinner at hotel, lunch at own expense

DAY 5: Fri 20 November

Goolwa, Victor Harbour & McLaren Vale



This morning we head out of Adelaide and on to **Goolwa**, located on the beautiful **Fleurieu Peninsula** this once major river port is now home to the **Spirit of Coorong**. We board the Spirit for a picturesque 90 minute cruise in to the stunning Coorong region. We will explore the waterways of the **Coorong**, following the final stretch of the mighty **Murray River** to the **Murray Mouth** and the Southern Ocean.

Following our cruise we head in to **Victor Harbour** for a chance to grab some lunch (at own expense) and to have a wander around this little seaside hamlet before we make our way to **McLaren Vale**, known as the birthplace of the South Australia's wine industry. One of the most unique experiences in this region is a visit to d'Arenberg wines, home to **The Cube**. The five-storey structure created by **Chester Osborn**, was inspired by the complexities and puzzles of winemaking.

Having viewed this amazing structure and enjoyed a tasting of some of the region's top wines we reboard the coach arriving back at our hotel late afternoon with time to relax before our last dinner in Adelaide tonight.

ACCOMMODATION Rockford Adelaide

MEALS Breakfast and dinner at hotel, lunch at own expense

DAY 6: Sat 21 November

Monarto Safari Park



As we enjoy another leisurely start to our day we will get a chance to have that last minute look around Adelaide central before we make our way out of Adelaide towards **Monarto Safari Park** ... the Park is now the largest open range zoo/safari experience to exist outside of Africa, spanning more than 1,500 hectares and home to more than 50 species of exotic and native mammals, birds and reptiles ... you could fit every major zoo in Australia inside the Park and still have land leftover. Our visit to Monarto will include lunch and a two hour safari tour ... following our tour and time at Monarto we board the coach and head to **Horsham** for our last night of the tour.

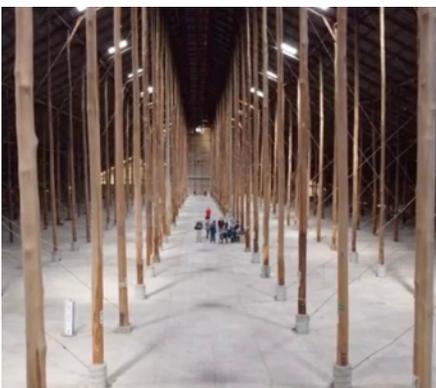


ACCOMMODATION Bestwestlander Horsham

MEALS Breakfast and dinner at hotel, lunch provided

DAY 7: Sun 22 November

Murtoa, Beaufort & Home



So the day has come, the last day of this amazing tour of Adelaide and surrounds, with our bags packed and full of wonderful memories and new experiences enjoyed we return home today via the heritage listed **Stick Shed** in **Murtoa**. The Stick Shed is an enduring testament to iconic Australian bush ingenuity and a symbol of the growth and strength of the Australian wheat industry. Completed in 1942, the unique and dramatic structure of the Stick Shed has captured the imagination of everyone who has seen its serene and evocative cathedral-like interior. Referred to by some as the '**Cathedral of the Wimmera**'. The Murtoa Stick Shed's ghostly unmilled tall timber poles and central aisle draw the eye upward towards the roof as light spills into the space through skylights as if through a stained-glass window.

Departing Murtoa we make our way to **Beaufort** for a chance to purchase lunch before continuing along the Western Highway homeward bound.



MEALS Breakfast in hotel, lunch at own expense