



TASTE

OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

# Coonawarra (Limestone Coast) - Two Day Private Tour

## ***THE HISTORY***

Coonawarra has a reputation for producing some of the finest red wines in Australia. The local winemakers consider one of Australia's most important wine awards, the Jimmy Watson trophy, as their own. There are over 25 wineries in the area; most are multi - award winning wine producers. The regions famous stretch of terra rossa soil lies on top of limestone and with its abundance of under ground water and cool climate for much of the year, results in outstanding wines, especially cabernet sauvignon.

## ***THE TOUR***

Depart Adelaide at approximately 8am you travel through serene pastoral land, in a chauffeur driven vehicle, with an experienced wine guide, to the heart of premium red wine production in Coonawarra.

We visit Padthaway Estate and taste a selection of local wines and tour the property. Padthaway is recognised for the quality Chardonnay and the exceptional character of the varieties produced. Later we travel into Naracoorte and explore the mysteries of the Naracoorte Caves and Bool Lagoon recognised by the United Nations as Wetlands of International importance. Wool products abound. Lunch will be alfresco or at the outstanding Hollicks restaurant.

After lunch an optional may be to stroll down Petticoat Lane in Penola. Penola is the oldest town in the South East and honoured as the workplace of Mary McKillop who is soon to be declared a Saint.

Alternatively we may resume visiting some of the fine wine producers of the Coonawarra wine region. Distinguished wine producers we may visit include, Wynns Coonawarra Estate, the oldest and perhaps the most technologically advanced. We visit Balnaves of Coonawarra and meet some of the Balnaves family maker of premium wines. Another notable wineries we may visit are the small Italian family run, Zema Estate winery; famous for their full flavoured wines and Mrs Zemas preserves.

That evening you will stay at elegant Padthaway Estate Homestead in the heart of the wine country and dine in-house or stay at Punters Corner guesthouse set amongst the vines and dine at Pipers. An alternative would be to stay in the charming seaside village of Robe.

Next morning we may meet Brian Lynn a lecturer of Viticulture at the local college who also has his own winery called Majella Estate. He has won many

prestigious awards for his wines; he will give us a brief tour of his vineyards, an introduction to the area and the opportunity to sample his wines.

If time permits we may meet other local wine producers such as Penley Estate, Rymill Estate, Leconfield and Bowen Estate, tasting their fine wines we can return via the coast. We may visit the newest classified wine region, Mount Benson and travel past the wetlands of the Coorong, along the coast with a seafood lunch before returning to Adelaide.

\*\* This tour can include Great Ocean Road to Melbourne.

# **Terms, Conditions and Contact details for A Taste of South Australia**

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Any additional fees incurred by the operator will be charged accordingly.

Non-contracted agents will pay on invoice, with payment arriving within 7 days.

*Group Tour Payment:* For group tours, a deposit of 10 % will be sent 30 days prior to tour departure, with final payment within 7 days of completed tour.



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