



TASTE

OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

A Taste of South Australia Special Interest Tours Overview

Since A Taste of South Australia was founded just over fifteen years ago, there has been an increase in demand for special interest tours, with particular interest coming from the Conference and Incentive organisers. Special interest tours combine the richness of the wine industry with other areas and activities in the wine regions. Tours will always include simple, fresh food and local wines but incorporate beach, nature, botanic gardens and heritage. Including experiences that may include art, fine food, golf, wildlife, hot air ballooning and camel riding.

South Australia is known as the "Festival State" and festivals staged in the State's wine regions are plentiful. As A Taste of South Australia tours are tailor made, they can incorporate the colourful festivals held at various times throughout the year.

Gourmet Food Tour and Cooking Schools (private)

Suitable for groups and individuals, the Gourmet Food Tour is tailored to visitors' particular knowledge and levels of interest. The tour includes meeting with food producers and winemakers, visiting markets and eating at the finest restaurants throughout the Adelaide Hills and McLaren Vale, incorporating Chapel Hill and Mount Lofty Cooking Schools. Highlights of the tour include visiting Springs Smoked Salmon, the nationally acclaimed Woodside Cheesewrights and dining in the regions most innovative restaurants. Tours can conclude with a stop at Medlow Fine Gels or Haighs Chocolates. Luxury country house accommodation is organised for 'two plus' day tours. Tasting Australia, Cooking School and Vintage Festival Packages are also available.

Wine and Wildlife - Southern Vales and Kangaroo Island (private)

This two-day tour combines the best of wine and wildlife in the State. The tour takes in some of the finest wine producers in the McLaren Vale Region, which has over 50 small wineries. We take a boat trip over to Kangaroo Island - an island of untouched natural beauty, which offers many sightings of birds, sea lions, penguins and kangaroos in their natural habitat. One day tours may include some wine and wildlife on the Fleurieu Peninsula.

Gourmet Walking and Cycling Tours (small group)

With fine weather most of the year, cycling or walking around the premier wine regions of South Australia is the perfect way to travel! The gourmet cycle tour can be from one to several days and incorporates the Riesling Trail through the beautiful Clare Valley. A visit to the Barossa Valley may include cycling through the Eden Valley, as well as visits to some of the more exclusive, out of the way wineries in the State. McLaren Vale is just right for exploring some of the 50 small wineries in the area, as well as walking through almond and olive groves, and dining alfresco among the vines. Designed for small groups and tailored to levels of fitness and experience.

****Art of Food and Wine***

Features a visit to meet with famous landscape artist David Dridan, as well as winemakers of the McLaren Vale Wine Region. We meet with David Dridan a winemaker himself and talk wine and art. This tour also includes a visit to Tandanya, Australia's first Aboriginal multi-arts complex. If taken over two days the tour includes an informal dinner with the local art community. We stay at country houses nestled in the vines and enjoy masterclasses of wine, cooking with fine local produce and art.

****The Fine Antiques Tour***

Our Antiques tour gives lovers of antiques to visit the undiscovered treasures hidden in and around Adelaide. This tour can take place over one or two days, with fine food and hosted by a local Antiques dealer and bon vivant. You will stay in quality heritage accommodation and dine well.

The Wine and Great Ocean Road Tours (small group)

With a minimum of three day and two nights, lovers of wine have the chance to visit the fine cool climate wine regions of the Mornington Peninsula in Victoria and to taste the red wines from the famous stretch of terra rossa soil in Coonawarra. Tours depart from Melbourne or Adelaide and include the undiscovered treasures, hidden in and around the Great Ocean Road. These tours can take place over three, four or five days, always with fine food and wine, hosted by local experts. You will stay at premium guesthouse like Oscars or Hearn's Cottage in Port Fairy and with special food experiences like Mietta's in Queenscliff or include wildlife experiences in the Grampians.

A Taste of the Outback – refreshed!!

This personalised 3 day adventure tour, encompasses the vast Outback of South Australia's Flinders Ranges, whilst incorporating the regions native gourmet delights, native wildlife and rugged country side that is interwoven with Aboriginal

dreamtime stories. Enjoy touring that travels through the Clare Valley wine region, up to the Flinders Ranges whilst having a beer at the famous Prairie Hotel at Parachilna and staying in the heart of the Flinders Ranges. Tours visit surrounding highlights such as the stunning Brachina Gorge, historic township of Quorn and picturesque Melrose. Ideal for those who want the outback experience not far from the city!

A Taste of Real Australia

A Taste of the Real Australia gives visitors the opportunity to experience the best of all aspects of life in South Australia. We begin with a native bush food tour through the Botanic Gardens then through the Aboriginal Cultural Gallery with our Aboriginal guide. Visiting farms, interacting with animals, horseriding if you wish and crossing the mighty River Murray by ferry with a gourmet bush BBQ (or similar). We enjoy a taste of everything from the fine wines, an aboriginal culture and rural experience over the one to three-day tour. We also offer the 5 nights Fleurieu Peninsula, Coorong and the Limestone Coast which offers some of the best kept secrets.

The Great Australian Wine Tour

The Great Australian Wine Tour is based on a fourteen-day tour that features wine touring through the wine regions of Victoria, South Australia, and New South Wales. The emphasis is on fine wines and food but also includes highlights and is tailored to all levels of wine experience. We can combine Australian wine Regions as modules of three days to create a program, which also can encompass new tours to Tasmania and Western Australia.

Wine Education and Appreciation Tours

Winemakers host our Wine Appreciation and Education tours and trained wine educators. Tours begin with a two hour Introduction to Wine, up to several weeks where people may make their own wines. Tours are designed for those who just want to understand our food and wine culture through to those who love wine and want to learn about it and come away with in-depth knowledge on Australian wine, and even take away some wine they made themselves.

Tours provides technical information but also includes some general and wine region touring to put that knowledge into context. Ideal for small groups.

Agricultural Technical Tours

The Agricultural tours give technical groups the chance to meet the producers and advisers in our agricultural industry and interact with them on a personal and professional level. The examples of two and 5 day tours give an excellent overview.

A Taste of South Australia tours are ideally suited to wine lovers and can be tailored to the expert or those who simply enjoy wine. All guides have technical wine knowledge, many work in the wine and tourism industry, all are enthusiastic about what South Australia has to offer. Guides with language skills available.

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

Prices and itineraries stated are subject to change without notice due to road, weather, seasonal variation and other unforeseen situation that may arise, over which the operator has no control.

A Taste of South Australia reserves the right to substitute vehicle, restaurants and accommodation, of the same value, other than those specified.

A Taste of South Australia expects that the client of his/her agent will advise of any injury or condition (past or present) that may affect or compromise the clients ability to travel, mobility in general and/or overall level of comfort and safety.

A Taste of South Australia shall not be liable for any accident, death, irregularity, injury, loss or damage caused by or arising out of services offered by *A Taste of South Australia*.

Cancellations and Payments

A deposit of \$100 per person is required. Full payment 30 days prior to departure. Cancellations notified less than 30 days but more than 7 days prior to the scheduled departure will be charged a cancellation fee of \$100 per person. Cancellation notified less than 7 days prior to the scheduled departure date will incur a 50% cancellation fee. Less than 24 hours notification charged at 100%.

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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