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# South East South Australia Insights

Friday 1st to Friday 8th May 2026

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## Welcome to SESA Insights

The South East of South Australia encompasses the Coorong, Murray River and what is generally regarded as the most productive agricultural region of the state.

With lots of diverse scenery and with the comfort of travelling on our spacious chartered coach you will be provided with a perspective unlike any other. Our specially crafted itinerary of South East South Australia and far western Victoria will leave you with a memorable experience. Let the adventure begin . . .

### Day 1 Friday 1st May – arrive Adelaide

Check-in from 2pm at our hotel located in central Adelaide.

Overnight at the Vibe Hotel, Flinders Street, Adelaide

### Day 2 Saturday 2nd May – Adelaide to Murray Bridge



After breakfast we meet our coach driver team of Wayne and Sue and head over the Adelaide Hills to Mt Barker where we board our chartered train. Our SteamRanger Heritage Railway train takes us to the heritage town of Strathalbyn where rejoin our coach to the historic Murray River port of Murray Bridge. We board the paddle steamer Captain Proud for a 3 hour relaxing luncheon cruise on Australia's longest river. After returning to port we have a specially arranged guided tour of the heritage Round House. Overnight at the Bridgeport Hotel located within easy walk of the Murray River precinct.

### **Day 3 Sunday 3rd May – Murray Bridge to Naracoorte**

Our coach takes us to Bordertown but enroute we make a stop at the small settlement of Coonalpyn where we enjoy authentic Belgium crepes. At Bordertown we have lunch before taking some backroads to Naracoorte and the World Heritage Listed Naracoorte Caves where we have a guided tour of a cave and learn why it is so important to the study of palaeontology. We stay 2 nights at the William McIntosh Motor Inn

### **Day 4 Monday 4th May – Robe day tour**

Our touring today includes the journey to the port of Robe. Firstly we visit the Robe Camel Farm for a guided tour of their enterprise including observing the milking of the camels and tasting their products including ice cream. Next we visit Robe where our guide will inform us about it's long maritime history including the story of the many Chinese who landed in Robe during the 1840's. After lunch we travel to Mini Jumbuk which is a business manufacturing woollen products such as quilts and blankets at their premises in Naracoorte.

### **Day 5 Tuesday 5th May – Naracoorte to Mount Gambier**



After breakfast we board our coach for Wagner's Roses at Kalangadoo where they will explain the operation of their rose production. Wagner's Rose Nursery is one of the largest and longest-running rose nurseries in Australia and is the agent for many rose breeders around the world.

Afterwards we visit the St Mary McKillop Museum in Penola where she started her schooling and educational work. Afterwards we travel to the city of Mt Gambier known for its dramatic volcanic Blue Lakes. The formation of the lakes is dramatically depicted during the viewing of the film: Craitbul and the Volcano at the Riddoch Theatre before proceeding to several lookouts to take in the views of the lakes.

Stay 2 nights at the Commodore Motel, Mount Gambier

## Day 6 Wednesday 6th May – Portland day tour

This morning we head east and cross the border into far western Victoria to visit the World Heritage Site of Budj Bim. A member of the local aboriginal clan will guide us through this fascinating site where aboriginal people have been fishing eel for thousands of years. After lunch we head to Portland and ride the heritage tram along the foreshore whilst being informed of the history of Portland. We return to Mt Gambier for our second night.

## Day 7 Thursday 7th May – Mount Gambier to Adelaide



Our coach departs for the Coorong where we board our specially arranged chartered cruise at Long Point near Meningie. This unique cruise takes in the scenery of the



Coorong and the Murray Mouth and as well as lunch on board as we voyage to Goolwa. There is a planned enroute stop to disembark for a beach walk before our arrival at the historic port of Goolwa where we walk a very short distance to the railway station to board our chartered train to Victor Harbour. This journey is a spectacular finale to our touring with its beachside route offering panoramic views of Encounter Bay where Flinders and Baudin met

by chance in 1801. At Victor Harbour we board our coach for Adelaide where we arrive in the late afternoon. Overnight at the Vibe Hotel, Adelaide

## Day 8 Friday 8th May – depart Adelaide

The tour concludes after breakfast. Check out by 11am.

## General Information & Booking Conditions

### Cost

The cost of this tour is \$5,575 AUD.

The cost includes:

- good quality motel accommodation for 7 nights on a twin-share basis in ensuite rooms
- all meals
- travel by private chartered trains from Mount Barker to Strathalbyn and from Goolwa to Victor Harbour
- travel by private chartered coach for all road transport and transfers as described in the itinerary
- private chartered luncheon cruise on the Coorong
- luncheon cruise on the Murray River
- services of Insights Tours' Tour Escort throughout the tour
- all sightseeing excursions, guided touring and entrance fees to all places as specified in the itinerary
- all taxes, charges and tips
- a personal complimentary reusable metal water bottle

### Additional costs

The additional costs are: drinks, travel insurance and items of a personal nature and anything not specified above.

### Single supplement

Single occupancy of a room is available for an additional cost of \$622 AUD

### To make a booking

Please complete the enclosed booking form and return it to Insights Tours with your deposit. Places on the tour require a \$500 AUD deposit.

The balance will be due by Monday 2nd March 2026.

### Cancellation policy

For cancellations on or before Monday 2nd March 2026 the deposit will be refunded.

For cancellations after Monday 2nd March 2026, the cancellation fee will be the total tariff. That is, there is no refund.

Insights Tours strongly recommends that insurance cover be obtained.

### Insurance

We strongly recommend that you consider obtaining travel insurance to cover cancellation fees as well as medical emergencies, lost luggage and unforeseen delays during the tour. Insights Tours can provide information about obtaining insurance. We are an accredited agent of Covermore insurance.

### Viability of tour

In the event that the economic minimum number of guests is not reached, the tour will be cancelled by Insights Tours no later than Wednesday 4th March 2026 and we will refund in full any money paid.

### Trains

Insights Tours has arranged the exclusive charter of a heritage railcar from the Steamranger Railway for our rail journeys on days 2 and 7. The railcar will be either a "Red Hen" or a Brill railcar. These are pictured in this brochure. For your comfort there is a toilet on board. The trains are equipped with opening windows.

## Coach

Insights Tours has chartered an air-conditioned, 46 seat coach for all road travel and transfers. Guest numbers will be limited to 24 ensuring a spacious and comfortable travelling experience.

## Luggage

Please limit your luggage to one suitcase and one piece of hand luggage per person. All guests must accept responsibility for manoeuvring their luggage.

## Travel to and from Adelaide

Travel to and from Adelaide is not included in the tariff however if you would like any assistance with booking your air, train or coach travel, please contact us.

## Health and fitness to travel

This tour involves numerous short walking sectors during guided tours and short excursions. We recommend that guests be able to walk for up to a total of 2kms per day in sectors of up to 500m over various surfaces eg paved and uneven, unpaved surfaces, and boardwalks.

If you or a travelling companion have a condition which may or does require any assistance or accessibility requirements, please contact us prior to booking as a medical questionnaire will be required to be completed and assessed before your booking can be accepted. It is a condition of booking that guests agree to comply with all health and safety related practices, procedures and requirements which may be either recommended or mandatory during the tour.

## Guides

Insights Tours has engaged our own proficient English speaking guides for all guided touring described in the itinerary.

## Meals

All meals are included and are a set menu. We take care to ensure that the menu is varied throughout the tour and features regional specialities where possible. Please ensure that you carefully note any dietary or any other requests on your booking form so that we can oblige your requirements.

## Force Majeure

Insights Tours will not be liable for any failure or delay in performing an obligation under this Agreement that is due to any of the following causes, to the extent beyond its reasonable control: acts of God, accident, riots, war, terrorist act, epidemic, pandemic, quarantine, outbreaks of infectious disease or any other public health crisis, civil commotion, breakdown of communication facilities, natural catastrophes, governmental acts or omissions, changes in laws or regulations, national strikes, fire, explosion, generalised lack of availability of raw materials or energy.

## Limitation of liability

Subject to Australian Consumer Law, Insights Tours does not accept any liability in contract, tort or otherwise for any injury, damage, loss, delay, additional expense or inconvenience caused by suppliers or third party providers over whom Insights Tours has no direct control. Insights Tours arranges

and coordinates services provided by suppliers and Insights Tours cannot guarantee the performance of suppliers.

### Changes to the itinerary

There is always the chance that our itinerary could be delayed or curtailed in some way beyond our control. Except for prolonged or unexpected events, the tour will be conducted as closely as possible to the itinerary stated above. Every reasonable endeavour will be made to conduct the advertised itinerary however we reserve the right to alter the itinerary in the event of unforeseen circumstances.

### Privacy and your data

Insights Tours provides data about you to third parties only to the absolute minimum necessary to provide you with our advertised services. For example; we provide your name to accommodation providers for the purposes of registration as a guest where this is required by regulation.

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## About Insights Tours



Insights Tours is a tour company operated by Paul, Brigitte and John Tuckerman.

We arrange tours which utilise chartered trains, coaches and aeroplanes and provide our guests with spacious and comfortable accommodation. Our philosophy is to provide a tour with a spectrum of interesting visits, inspections and conveyances. Each tour is uniquely arranged to encompass the most interesting sights of the regions visited. Insights Tours engages our own guides to ensure that our passengers have the best insight into the location being visited.

Guest numbers are limited to ensure a commodious travelling experience and to ensure that visits and guided tours are of maximum benefit. This tour will be for a maximum of 24 guests.

Each of our tours is personally escorted ensuring you can relax in the confidence that all of the pesky administrative details and arrangements are taken care of.

If you would like details or assistance with any booking, please contact John:

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# Booking Form

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	Guest 1	Guest 2
<b>Name</b>		
<b>Address</b>		
<b>Telephone</b>		
<b>Email</b>		
<b>Emergency contact person &amp; telephone</b>		
<b>Any special requirements or requests (especially dietary)</b>		
<b>Room type (please indicate)</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Twin (2 beds) <input type="checkbox"/> Double (1 large bed) <input type="checkbox"/> Single supplement (Single occupancy of a double room. Additional AUD \$622)	
Deposit <input type="checkbox"/> Cheque enclosed - Please make cheques payable to "Insights Tours"  <input type="checkbox"/> Electronic transfer/direct deposit Account Name: Insights Tours Client Travel Account BSB: 062607 Account Number: 10131313  <input type="checkbox"/> I / we wish to pay by credit card. A secure link will be sent via email. Please note that a 1.5% transaction fee applies to credit card payments.		

I/we acknowledge the terms and conditions of booking

Signature/s

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Guest 1

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Guest 2

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please return by email or post to:

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