

## **DISCOVER ADELAIDE**

### **GREAT SOUTHERN**

ADELAIDE TO BRISBANE DEPARTING TUESDAY (JANUARY, FEBRUARY & DECEMBER) 6 Days / 5 Nights

This six-day itinerary is a feast for the senses as you discover South Australia's food gems, using Adelaide as your base. In the world-renowned Barossa Valley, you'll find plenty of flavours to inspire, before travelling across Australia's southeast to make your way to Brisbane. With the perfect combination of meals on and off the train, you'll make the most of your rail journey while also exploring the delights of iconic Coffs Harbour and the Hunter Region.

#### INCLUSIONS

- 3 nights' accommodation in Adelaide, including breakfast daily
- Northern Barossa Valley Voyager Tour, including lunch
- Transfer from hotel to Adelaide Parklands Rail Terminal
- 2 nights aboard the Great Southern, Adelaide to Brisbane, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experiences in the Grampians, Canberra and the Northern New South Wales Coast
- 5 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 2 dinners

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Discover the history of the Barossa Valley
- Enjoy cellar door tastings and a restaurant lunch
- Appreciate the ancient beauty of the Grampians
- Explore Canberra's art, history and culinary culture
- Take in the beauty of the NSW coast

#### DAY 1 - ARRIVE ADELAIDE

Welcome to Adelaide. After checking into your accommodation in the heart of the CBD, there are plenty of opportunities to delve into its food, wine, arts and shopping scenes as you get to know the laid-back capital.

**OVERNIGHT: 3 nights The Playford Adelaide – MGallery** 

#### DAY 2 – ADELAIDE

Explore more of Adelaide at your leisure. If you'd like to get to the source of that gourmet experience by visiting another wine growing region, McLaren Vale is the perfect option. (B)

#### WE RECOMMEND:

McLaren Vale Winery Experience \$220 per person

A tour to McLaren Vale along the beautiful Fleurieu Peninsula includes four cellar door experiences and a delicious restaurant lunch. The region is best known for its Shiraz, but expert vignerons will explain why Grenache, Cabernet Sauvignon and Chardonnay grapes also thrive in this unique microclimate.

#### DAY 3 - BAROSSA VALLEY

Today, delight your senses with boutique wine and food touring to the historic Barossa Valley, with its 80 cellar doors. You'll even visit one of the oldest vineyards in the world, where Shiraz vines were planted in 1843. Enjoy running commentary from your driver as you make your way towards the world-renowned wine region and be guided though some of the best wines South Australia has to offer. Tours are small groups up to 8 people only to ensure a relaxed and unhurried day. Whether you prefer red or white, there will be something to tantalise and delight with tastings at three wineries throughout the day, and a delicious lunch with an accompanying glass of wine included in your tour. (B,L)

#### DAY 4 – BOARD THE GREAT SOUTHERN IN ADELAIDE

Board the Great Southern for your memorable two-night journey to Brisbane. Enjoy morning tea and savour a relaxed lunch on board while watching the ever-changing landscape through the windows. In the afternoon, the train will arrive in regional Victoria for your first Off Train Experience. A million years in the making, the Grampians region is celebrated for its wild and spectacular scenery.

Explore The Grampians with a choice of four Off Train Experiences. Enjoy a guided coach tour through the scenic town of Halls Gap, including the incredible Boroka Lookout, or embrace Mother Nature and stretch your legs with a guided walk to the Venus Baths. Alternatively, spend the afternoon tasting regional wines at Pomonal Estate with a



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cellar door experience paired with artisanal chocolates, or Fallen Giants, where you'll taste and learn about the winery's 50-year history. You may choose to upgrade your Grampians' experience with a helicopter flight that soars across the National Park.

Return to the train and continue travelling up the east coast, with a delectable dinner on board. (B,L,D)

**OVERNIGHT: 2 nights Great Southern** 

#### DAY 5 - GREAT SOUTHERN, CANBERRA

After breakfast on board, today is yours to explore Australia's political capital, Canberra. After breakfast on board, enjoy a coach ride to Canberra city centre to experience a memorable lunch at Old Parliament House before an afternoon of insightful guided tours at your pick of iconic institutions, whether it's the National War Memorial, Parliament House or the National Portrait Gallery.

As afternoon turns to evening, return to the train in time for another gourmet dinner on board. After dinner, retire to the lounge for a nightcap with your fellow travellers as the Great Southern rolls north. (B,L,D)

# DAY 6 – GREAT SOUTHERN, COFFS HARBOUR AND BRISBANE

Linger over breakfast on board before departing on your choice of Off Train Experience around Coffs Harbour. The Coffs Explorer travels up to Sealy Lookout, offering views for miles from the Forest Sky Pier, before heading to the spectacular North Coast Regional Botanical Garden.

Alternatively, take a stroll from the Urunga Boardwalk to the Beach with an Indigenous guide, who will help you spot native wildlife and teach about the history of the Gumbaynggirr people, with a demonstration of traditional tools and weaponry and the opportunity to see and taste bush tucker. If you'd prefer to take to the skies, treat yourself to an optional upgrade with a hinterland helicopter flight that soars over the Great Diving Range and Coffs Harbour coastline.

After your Coffs Harbour morning, indulge in a final lunch on board before arriving into Brisbane, completing your coastal train journey. (B,L)