

Flinders Ranges Outback Tour

AND KANGAROO ISLAND WILDERNESS TRAIL



THANK YOU FOR CHOOSING TO TRAVEL WITH FLINDERS RANGES ODYSSEYS.

6 Day / 5 Night Flinders Ranges Outback and Kangaroo Island Wilderness Trail Tour

INCLUSIONS & HIGHLIGHTS (Tour Code: FROKIWT)

- Personalised 4x4 touring with expert commentary from your local Driver/Guide and all entrance fees and special permits
- Morning pick-up and evening set-down at selected Adelaide CBD hotels
- Morning and/or afternoon tea and lunch each day

Day 1:

Flinders Ranges Outback Tour (4 days / 3 nights) includes:

- See the Kanyaka Station Homestead Ruins
- 2 nights accommodation at Rawnsley Park Station including daily continental breakfast (Standard or Superior)
- Enjoy a 'Sunset on the Chace' tour (operated by Rawnsley Park Station)
- 2 course dinner in the Woolshed Restaurant at Rawnsley Park Station

Day 2:

- 3 hour Guided Daybreak Loop Walk to Rawnsley Bluff including a cooked bush breakfast (operated by Rawnsley Park Station)
- See picturesque gorges on your tour around Wilpena Pound and the southern Flinders Ranges including a picnic lunch
- Delight in a 3 course Lamb Tasting food experience with matching wines

Day 3:

- Explore the historic mining town of Blinman and take a scenic drive through Parachilna Gorge
- Signature Antipasto platter lunch, sunset pre-dinner drinks with canapes and a 3 course a la carte dinner at the Prairie Hotel
- Nilpena Station Ediacaran Experience
- 1 night accommodation at the Prairie Hotel including a full cooked breakfast

Day 4:

- Journey through the Clare Valley to Paulett Wines & Bush Devine Café for wine tastings & 3 course lunch
- 1 night at the Stamford Plaza Adelaide in a Premier City View Room (room only)

Day 5:

Kangaroo Island Wilderness Trail – Small Group Guided Tour (2 days / 1 night)

- Return transfers to Adelaide Airport from Adelaide CBD hotels
- Return flights to Kangaroo Island
- One day Kangaroo Island Wildlife Discovery tour(W1) including:
 - Unforgettable beach walk to see Australian sea lions at Seal Bay Conservation Park
 - See koalas, kangaroos, wallabies, echidnas and birdlife
 - Enjoy a delicious gourmet picnic style lunch with South Australian wines in a natural bush setting
 - 1 night at the Kangaroo Island Wilderness Retreat including 2 course dinner and continental breakfast

Day 6:

- 1 day guided walk along the new Kangaroo Island Wilderness Trail
- Cape du Couedic to Sanderson Bay – 13km (approx. 6.5 hours)
- **Exclusive to Kangaroo Island Odysseys** – Take-home Backpack containing water, packed lunch, trail food, cap, sunscreen, Trail guide & map

OVERVIEW:

Rawnsley Park Station will be a highlight on this tour with hosts Julie and Tony Smith providing true outback hospitality and Aussie station experiences. Stay in luxurious Eco Villas, all with commanding views of the surrounding landscape. Touring includes the spectacular and rugged scenery of Wilpena Pound and the magnificent Flinders Ranges region with its wealth of wildlife, geology and ancient history.

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At Nilpena Station, take a fascinating station and Ediacaran fossil tour, and enjoy outback food and hospitality at the famous Prairie Hotel at Parachilna. Then travel through the stunning Clare Valley wine region for some wine tasting and lunch before returning to Adelaide.

The Kangaroo Island Wilderness Trail is a new world class experience that covers 66 kilometres, with access to some of the most rugged, remote and spectacular coastlines in South Australia. Your 2 day fully inclusive package features a guided walk along one section of the trail.

ITINERARY:

Day 1: Friday or Sunday

Your Flinders Ranges Odysseys guide will pick you up from your Adelaide hotel around 7.30am to commence your 4 day tour into the majestic Flinders Ranges. Sit back and relax while you travel through the mid-north region of South Australia stopping at the old copper mining town of Burra for morning tea and then Orroroo for lunch.

Enjoy view of Mount Remarkable as you head to the towns of Wilmington and Quorn. The majestic Flinders Ranges come into view as you get closer to the small outback town of Hawker. On the way, stop at Kanyaka Station Homestead Ruins and see what's left of this once massive sheep and cattle station of about 950 square kilometres. Late afternoon, arrive at Rawnsley Park Station, your home for the next two nights.

Rawnsley Park Station overlooks the southern side of Wilpena Pound and provides the perfect base for exploring the Finders Ranges.

Late afternoon, enjoy a *Sunset on the Chase* tour where you'll watch the stunning sunset reflect on the Chase Range as you sip on local wine and enjoy delicious canapes. The 40 minute drive through the property provides a great opportunity to see native wildlife then finish your day with a delicious 2-course dinner in the Woolshed Restaurant, an authentic Australian converted woolshed serving delicious Modern Australian cuisine.

Overnight: Rawnsley Park Station.

Day 2: Saturday or Monday

Early this morning join the 3km *Daybreak Loop Walk* where your experienced local guide will introduce you to the unique plants and wildlife of Rawnsley Bluff. Learn how the ancient sea floor has been uplifted and eroded to create this amazing landscape. Complete your morning with a cooked bush breakfast.

Spend the rest of the day touring around the southern Flinders Ranges including the local sights, picturesque Bunyeroo and Brachina Gorges and peaceful walks taking through the creek beds.

(Day 2 – continued)

This evening, join a tour of the old woolshed and enjoy a 3-course Lamb Tasting food experience where local lamb from the property will be showcased, and prepared in three different and delicious courses. Clare Valley wines will be matched with each course. The dinner will finish with South Australian port and local cheeses (vegetarians will be catered for). **Overnight: Rawnsley Park Station.**

Day 3: Sunday or Tuesday

This morning, relax with breakfast in your private Eco Villa or Holiday Unit and for the more adventurous, you may like to take an early morning scenic flight from Rawnsley Park Station with Chinta Air to gain an appreciation of the scale and beauty of Wilpena Pound (*additional cost and must be booked through your Guide the day prior*).

Farewell your hosts and Rawnsley Park Station and continue your tour through the small outback copper mining town of Blinman. Leave the bitumen here and traverse the beautiful Parachilna Gorge, with ancient river beds, towering ghost gums and spectacular rock formations. Arrive at Australia's #1 Outback Hotel, the Prairie Hotel, where their "cult" feral food menu has been recognised as 1 of 20 "unmissable outback experiences" and has people from all over the world talking about the unique and delicious food. You'll get to enjoy one of their Signature Antipasto Platters for lunch.

After lunch visit Nilpena Station for a fascinating tour of the working Cattle Station, red sand dunes and the Ediacaran Fossil Site, where you'll witness fossils that are over 500 million years old, which have been preserved in the ancient sea-floor.

Finish the day off with sunset drinks on the veranda and canapés at the Prairie Hotel, followed by a stunning 3-course A La Carte dinner. **Overnight: Prairie Hotel, Parachilna.**

Day 4: Monday or Wednesday

Start your day with a delicious cooked breakfast before departing Parachilna and travel south with the western side of the Flinders Ranges in view. Stop at the old railway township of Quorn, before continuing your journey through to the charmingly secluded Clare Valley, one of Australia's oldest wine growing regions. With its picturesque, rolling countryside, unique geography, and climate you will see why it is a premium grape growing area.

Enjoy wine tastings and 3-course lunch at the family owned Paulett Wines Cellar Door and Bush Devine Café inspired and partly sourced from the adjacent Bush Food Garden. Located in the Polish Hill River region of the Clare Valley, Paulett Wines is named after the Polish Settlers of the mid 1800's.

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After lunch, farewell Clare and return to Adelaide, arriving approximately 5.30pm. **Overnight: Stamford Plaza Adelaide.**

Day 5: Tuesday or Thursday

Early this morning you will be collected from your hotel and transferred to the Adelaide Airport for your flight to Kangaroo Island. On arrival at Kingscote Airport, meet your local guide and your island nature experience begins with an introduction to Kangaroo Island. Tour through several island habitats and see wildlife in their natural environments. As you travel the island keep an eye out for echidnas, wallabies, reptiles and wildflowers.

At the spectacular Seal Bay Conservation Park, your guide will escort you on a memorable walk along the beach. Home to a healthy Australian sea lion colony, walk amongst them as they bask on the beach or in the sand dunes after their extensive fishing expedition. This is a truly unforgettable experience — one that you will treasure forever.

Enjoy a delicious gourmet picnic style lunch with local KI wine in an exclusive Heritage-listed natural bush property. Follow lunch with a pleasant bushwalk or a stroll along the beach. Explore the spectacular beaches of the north coast and enjoy a bushwalk. As the sun goes down you will be transferred to your accommodation at Kangaroo Island Wilderness Retreat, where you will enjoy dinner before retiring to your room, in preparation for your Walking Tour tomorrow. **Overnight: Kangaroo Island Wilderness Retreat.**

Day 6: Wednesday or Friday

This morning is an early start, and after a quick breakfast, your Guide will explain the days plan plus give you a safety briefing before you set off. Start the day with an optional side trip to view the popular sites of historic Weirs Cove, Cape du Couedic Lighthouse and Admirals Arch. Here you will be enchanted by the antics of the Long-nosed Fur Seals, and the occasional Australian sea lion.

Back on the Trail and heading east towards Sanderson Bay, the track enters dense coastal mallee country before breaking out to the awesome sight of the iconic Remarkable Rocks. It is from this point where you will truly experience the rugged wilderness of the south coast of the island, as the trail hugs the coastline and offers cinematic views that inspire both awe and contemplation.

North of Sanderson Bay you will be greeted by an isolated and protected campsite where you can relax and rest amongst the wildlife and listen to the sounds of the native birds. From here you will be collected, and transferred to Kingscote Airport for your return flight to Adelaide and transfer to your chosen accommodation.

Please Note:

- Itinerary is subject to change and weather conditions on the day.
- This tour is not recommended for children up to 7 years and prices available on application for children aged 7-14 years. The KIWT is not recommended for children under 10 years.
- There are no extra person prices on these tours.
- Please refer to website www.kangarooislandodysseys.com.au/tours/nature-tours/kangaroo-island-wilderness-trail for details about the KI Wilderness Trail.
- Distance walked on KIWT: Cape du Couedic to Sanderson Bay – 13km (approx. 6.5 hours)
- Kangaroo Island Wilderness Trail is categorised as a Grade 4 walking trail – some sections are long, rough and very steep. Bushwalking experience and a good level of fitness is recommended.
- **MINIMUM NUMBERS:** If minimum numbers are not met at 30 days prior to departure, an alternate date will be offered or a full refund given.

LUGGAGE LIMITS:

Touring is in 4WDs and flights between Adelaide and Kangaroo Island may entail small aircraft and suitcases cannot be carried. This will require 'packing down' to one smaller bag per person. When this is necessary luggage can be stored at the Adelaide Airport or your hotel. Luggage limits 15kg per person.