

SOUTHERN SAFARI

INDIAN PACIFIC

DEPARTURE THURSDAY

There is arguably no greater contrast in travel experiences than venturing inland from Australia's capital cities. In just a few hours, journeying from the bright lights of a modern metropolis to the stirring silence of the vast outback is an experiential and emotional shift unparalleled anywhere. This holiday adventure presents that incredible diversity, splendour and awe-inspiring scale of the outback in spectacular style concluding aboard the Indian Pacific.

INCLUSIONS

- 5 nights accommodation in Adelaide including breakfast daily
- 3 days/2 nights Flinders Ranges and Outback small group Eco Safari including accommodation and guided touring
- Transfer from Hotel to Adelaide Parklands Terminal
- 3 days/2 nights aboard the Indian Pacific, Adelaide to Perth including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experiences in Cook and Rawlinna
- 9 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 4 dinners

HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit Mount Remarkable National Park
- Explore Quorn and the Old Ghan Railway Station
- Entry to Flinders Ranges National Park
- See the incredible rock formations of Wilpena Pound, Brachina and Bunyerroo Gorges
- Visit an ancient Aboriginal Rock Art site
- Pass through the wine region of Clare Valley

DAY 1 ARRIVE ADELAIDE

Welcome to Adelaide. Explore the food and wine capital at your leisure after checking in to your accommodation.
OVERNIGHT: Hotel Grand Chancellor Adelaide on Hindley

DAY 2 ADELAIDE TO WILPENA POUND

You are about to be immersed in a pocket of Australia where legends were born. Your expertly guided outback Eco Safari begins by heading north along the coast through Port Wakefield and Port Germein, and onward to the Southern Flinders Ranges to Mount Remarkable National Park.

It's here you'll explore 600 million year old mountain peaks and enjoy gorgeous views over Spencer Gulf before venturing further through picturesque Pichi Richi Pass and Quorn – once the starting point of the original Ghan Railway. For the remainder of the day, expect to see an abundance of native wildlife as you pass through ghost towns heading for your accommodation at Wilpena Pound Resort.

OVERNIGHT: 2 nights Wilpena Pound Resort (B,L,D)

DAY 3 WILPENA POUND

Today is all about exploring an icon of the outback. Enjoy a guided walk along dry creek beds to Wangara Lookout to view spectacular Wilpena Pound.

After taking in the stunning beauty of this amazing natural amphitheatre, your exploration and geological understanding of the outback continues at Bunyerroo and Brachina Gorges – home to some of the oldest rock formations and fossils on earth. (B,L,D)

DAY 4 WILPENA POUND TO ADELAIDE

The final day of your Eco Safari begins on foot with an early morning bush walk to an ancient rock art site of great spiritual significance to the Adnyamathanha people. The journey back to Adelaide descends through the magnificent Southern Flinders Ranges toward the acclaimed wine country of the Clare Valley.

OVERNIGHT: 4 nights Hotel Grand Chancellor Adelaide on Hindley (B,L)

DAY 5 LEISURE DAY

Today is yours to enjoy a stroll around Adelaide's shopping district or take a tram to beautiful beachside Glenelg. (B)

WE RECOMMEND

Best of Adelaide tour \$184 per person.

A great option if you've never been to the city before or if you'd just like to learn more about it. This tour includes a cruise on the River Torrens, a visit to the village of Hahndorf and a three-course dinner.

DAY 6 LEISURE DAY

Explore more of Adelaide at your own pace. Visit the many attractions, galleries and museums or simply enjoy the comforts of your accommodation. (B)

DAY 7 LEISURE DAY

Delight in the flavours of Adelaide, perhaps visit one of the many restaurants in and around the CBD, try a small boutique brewery or grab a delicious red in a cosy setting – the choice is yours. (B)

DAY 8 BOARD THE INDIAN PACIFIC IN ADELAIDE

Take in any last minute sights before starting your journey with a delicious welcome dinner followed by joining the Indian Pacific, where you can settle in to your cabin or mingle with fellow travellers in the Outback Explorer Lounge.

OVERNIGHT: 2 nights Indian Pacific (B,D)

DAY 9 INDIAN PACIFIC, NULLARBOR PLAIN

Travelling Australia's longest straight stretch of railway is an amazing experience. The outback scenery continues to change as you journey along the famous Nullarbor Plain. In the afternoon, we visit remote Cook for a leg stretch followed by dinner this evening under an outback sky (seasonal). (B,L,D)

DAY 10 INDIAN PACIFIC, PERTH

Enjoy breakfast as the delightful Avon Valley passes by your window. The final stage of this transcontinental crossing unfolds as you head into Perth just after lunch. (B,L)