



# Desert Sky Tours

## Personalised Tours 2020



## 5 day Yorke Peninsula and Southern Flinders Ranges

### Day 1

pick up 06:45

We travel along Highway 1 to Port Wakefield with it's sea faring atmosphere, and after a look around at the heritage and charm that lies beyond the busy corridor of the Highway. We then head down Yorke Peninsula to Port Clinton and the salt pan area of Price.

Ardrossan, with excellent views of St Vincent Gulf, provides an ideal backdrop for lunch, after which we continue through Pine Point, and Port Julia to the timber covered cliffs of Port Vincent.

The lime mining towns of Stansbury and Wool Bay provide further interest before arriving at Edithburgh for our overnight stop.

Overnight – Troubridge Motel -Edithburgh

### Day 2

After breakfast, we take a scenic drive to Troubridge point, the Clan Ranald anchor and Suicide Point. The area is known for the treacherous Troubridge Shoal and nearby Marion Reef which by 1911 had claimed nineteen ships.

The Troubridge Hill Lighthouse was built in 1980 and is unique as the bricks have never been rendered or painted, making it a distinctive day mark.

We continue to Marion Bay, Stenhouse Bay and Innes National Park - a coastal Reserve comprising nearly 10,000 hectares of natural bushland and representing one of only a few pockets of significant vegetation on the peninsula. Points of interest here include Cable Bay, Cape Spencer, the historic site of Innes and Pondalowie Bay. The remains of around 40 shipwrecks lie in this area.

We head up the western side of the foot of the Peninsula to Corny Point, Galway Bay and Point Turton, Warooka and Yorketown

Overnight – Troubridge Motel -Edithburgh

### Day 3

Travelling up the Peninsula we visit Brentwood, Minlaton and Urania. At the geographical centre of the Peninsula is Maitland, which we pass through on our way to Moonta and Wallaroo. The heritage trail continues to Kadina and Wallaroo.

O/N – Sonbern Lodge Motel Wallaroo

### Day 4

Leaving Wallaroo, we head to Port Broughton, a delightful town with attractive beaches. We take the Collaby Hill Drive, just out of Crystal Brook. As we climb the Hill, there are spectacular views to the Ranges and Spencer Gulf, before entering the Beetaloo Valley and arriving at Laura, a delightful town nestled into the eastern slopes of the southern Flinders Ranges. It is also home of the famed Golden North icecream ! A track through the Wirrabara Forest leads us towards Melrose.

Alligator Gorge within Mount Remarkable National Park is the premier natural attraction in the Southern Flinders Ranges. This spectacular gorge cut through ancient quartzite by the Alligator Creek, has several walks, with access stairs descending to the Gorge floor.

Melrose, at the foot of Mt Remarkable is the oldest town in the Flinders Ranges. It has many fascinating heritage buildings, and easy walks.

O/N – North Star Hotel Melrose

### Day 5

The Bridle Track which starts just out of Melrose offers unforgettable views of the upper Spencer Gulf and the Baroota Reservoir. Euros may be spotted on the flanks of the hills, and wedge tailed eagles riding the thermals.

The Track descends to Port Germein, a seaside town which once boasted the longest jetty in Australia. Storm damage shortened the length to 1532 metres.

Just south of Port Pirie, we take the road to Gladstone, and return to Adelaide through the towns of Georgetown, Yacka and the Clare Valley.

#### Tour Includes:

5 days escorted 4WD touring

All Hotel/Motel accommodation as stated

All morning teas and lunches

All park entry fees

Complimentary pick up and set down in Adelaide metropolitan area

Per person twin share : AUD \$1700pp

Single Supplement : AUD \$ 200



Departure Date : Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020

