

# DISCOVER THE GREAT OCEAN ROAD AND THE GRAMPIANS

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### What to expect

Enjoy a relaxing cruise aboard the Spirit of the Murray before exploring the remarkable Naracoorte Caves, World Heritage Site. Continue through the historic towns of Naracoorte, Penola, and Mount Gambier, then travel the iconic Great Ocean Road to view its renowned landmarks, including London Bridge, Loch Ard Gorge, and the Twelve Apostles. Head inland to the Grampians National Park, noted for its striking landscapes and breathtaking views. Conclude your trip via Monarto with a visit to the newly opened Monarto Safari Resort, offering the chance to observe wildlife in expansive natural habitats.

### Tour Inclusions

- Return coach travel from Glenelg (location to be advised)\*
- 4-hour cruise on Spirit of the Murray
- 9 nights' accommodation
- 26 meals
- Sightseeing per itinerary with applicable entry fees
- Travel by air-conditioned coach
- Safari in Monarto Safari Park
- Services of a professional coach driver / guide
- Pre-departure function in Adelaide and tour documentation
- Escorted from Adelaide by a PHT representative
- Bonus \$50 pp discount or wheel-aboard suitcase (1 per booking). Wheelaboard available in Adelaide only.

*\*Conditions apply: Departures from other capital cities available and will incur additional costs. If travelling from other capital cities, you will meet the tour group on Day 1, at the designated meeting point in Glenelg.*

Personally escorted by a  
Phil Hoffmann Travel Representative

## BONUS

Choose from one of the following offers



### Fitness Levels



#### Physical Rating - Level 2

A good level of fitness is required for this tour. This tour involves getting on and off coaches, walking around sites, climbing steps or stairs, and navigating uneven terrain. Expect a moderate amount of walking each day (2- 3 hours).

#### TOUR FROM

#### FULL FARE PRICE

TWIN SHARE

**\$5,799\***

SOLO PRICE

**\$7,299\***

*Advertised price is based on per person twin share from Adelaide. Departures from other capital cities available. Only one exclusive groups booking bonus is offered per booking. Subject to minimum numbers.*

### DAY 1 | MONDAY 6 SEP 2027

Meet at the designated meeting point in Glenelg\*, this morning to depart for the historic river port town of Goolwa. Board the Spirit of the Murray for a relaxing 4-hour lunch cruise from Goolwa to Long Point, travelling along the waters where the Murray River meets the Southern Ocean. The cruise offers ever-changing scenery rich with birdlife and captain's commentary that brings the region's history and ecology to life. Upon arriving at Long Point, meet the coach and continue to Naracoorte for a 2-night stay. (L, D)

**Stay:** William MacIntosh Motor Lodge - 2 nights\*

### DAY 2 | TUESDAY 7 SEP 2027

After breakfast, enjoy a guided tour of the Victoria Fossil Cave at the Naracoorte Caves World Heritage Site. Learn about the ancient fossil remains of megafauna and the remarkable geological processes that shaped the caves over thousands of years. The visit also includes time at the Wonambi Fossil Centre, enhancing understanding of Australia's prehistoric past. Step back in time to discover what Naracoorte was like over 200,000 years ago. After travelling to Penola, to visit the Mary MacKillop Penola Centre, which offers insight into the early life of Australia's first saint and her connection to this historic township. The afternoon is spent in the renowned Coonawarra wine region, where a visit to Chardonnay Lodge includes a relaxed wine tasting followed by lunch. The meal features a variety of shared dishes and fresh fruit platters, providing a delightful culinary experience in a classic vineyard setting. Enjoy dinner tonight back at the hotel. (B, L, D)

### DAY 3 | WEDNESDAY 8 SEP 2027

Travel south to Mount Gambier and take a tour of the Blue Lake Pumping Station, offering insight into the region's vital water supply and the engineering behind the landmark. Afterwards, enjoy a walking tour of the Umpherston Sinkhole. Originally a limestone cave, the roof collapsed forming the sinkhole. In 1886 the local landowner converted it into a terraced garden adding stone walls, staircases, and exotic plants. Lunch is at leisure in Mount Gambier. After lunch visit the Riddoch Arts and Cultural Centre showcasing a diverse range of exhibitions. Later explore The Old Court House Museum with a self-guided tour, to learn about the historic courtroom and gallery exhibits. Enjoy dinner tonight back at the hotel. (B, D)

**Stay:** Presidential Mount Gambier\*



### DAY 4 | THURSDAY 9 SEP 2027

After breakfast continue south-east, crossing the border into Victoria, to Portland. Later in the morning, visit the Portland Cable Tram Depot Museum and enjoy a one-hour tram ride along the waterfront, accompanied by commentary on the town's maritime history. Following the ride, a light lunch will be served at the museum. After lunch continue travelling along the coast to Warrnambool. (B,L,D)

**Stay:** Mid City Motel Warrnambool - 2 nights\*

### DAY 5 | FRIDAY 10 SEP 2027

This morning, explore nearby Port Fairy with a town tour led by a local expert, sharing stories of the town's maritime past, historic streetscapes and charming coastal character. Enjoy some free time to explore the town and purchase lunch (own cost). The afternoon continues in Warrnambool with entry to the Flagstaff Hill Maritime Museum and the opportunity to explore Australia's rich shipwreck history through engaging exhibits and a guided tour. Return to the hotel for some free time and dinner. This evening return to Flagstaff Hill to experience a sound and light show, bringing the maritime tales to life after dark. (B, D)

### DAY 6 | SATURDAY 11 SEP 2027

Travel along the Great Ocean Road with several scenic stops including London Bridge, Port Campbell, Loch Ard Gorge and the iconic Twelve Apostles. Early afternoon, arrive at the Otway Fly Tree Top Walk for lunch, followed by time to experience the elevated walkway through the rainforest canopy, offering a unique perspective on the Otway Ranges surrounded by towering trees and lush vegetation. Later, continue to Apollo Bay for an overnight stay. (B, L, D)

**Stay:** 61 Ocean Road Motel, Apollo Bay\*

### DAY 7 | SUNDAY 12 SEP 2027

Begin today with a stop at Memorial Arch, a tribute to the 3,000 return World War I soldiers to honour their fallen comrades. Next a quick stop at the Great Ocean Road

Chocolaterie, for a tasting of a variety of handcrafted chocolates. Continue inland to the Ararat RSL Club for lunch. Later travel to the Grampians region with a stop at the Five Ducks Farm for a jam tasting accompanied by traditional scones, cream and coffee. (B, L, D)

**Stay:** Grampians Motel, Halls Gap - 2 nights\*

### DAY 8 | MONDAY 13 SEP 2027

Today enjoy a tour of the Grampians with a local guide, visiting some of the region's most celebrated natural highlights including stops at MacKenzie Falls, Reeds Lookout and Boroka Lookout, each offering views of the rugged mountain ranges and valleys. Enjoy lunch at Pomonal Estate with shared platters of fresh seasonal produce. Conclude the afternoon with a visit to Grampians Olive Co. for a farm visit and an informative talk about olive oil growing and production. (B, L, D)

### DAY 9 | TUESDAY 14 SEP 2027

Travel across the border back into South Australia and stop at Keith for a light lunch at Henry & Rose Café before arriving at Monarto. Check into the resort and enjoy some free time trying to spot roaming animals near the waterhole before enjoying a Sunset Wildlife Safari. This opportunity is exclusively offered to guests of the resort. (B, L, D)

**Stay:** Monarto Safari Resort\*

### DAY 10 | WEDNESDAY 15 SEP 2027

After breakfast, tour the Monarto Safari Park, and drive through multiple open range habitats offering close up views of the animals as they roam free in their environments. The guide will share engaging insights into animal behaviour, conservation programs and Monarto's important role in global breeding initiatives. After the tour, travel back to the meeting point in Glenelg\*, where the tour concludes. (B)

*\*or similar*



