



## WESTERN AUSTRALIA, SOUTH AUSTRALIA & KING ISLAND - A PRIVATE LUXURY AIR SAFARI

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Tailor-Made Journeys, Suggested Itineraries



Australia, South Australia,  
Western Australia



9 days Call for a quote pp



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## Journey Overview

Discover the natural vistas and gastronomic gems of Australia's southern states on this luxurious private jet journey. From savouring the famed wines of Western Australia's Margaret River, to a chef-led feast in the seafood mecca of Port Lincoln, it's sure to delight gourmands and gourmets alike. Keen golfers can enjoy a game on King Island's Cape Wickham course, between savouring renowned epicurean delights. As you explore, discover some of the country's most awe-inspiring landscapes, from crossing the storied plains of the Nullarbor to the regal Flinders Ranges and to floating along the winding waters of the Murray River.

### Journey Highlights

- Intimate group size of no more than 8 guests
- Savour a visit to the renowned Margaret River Wine region
- Stay in the idyllic Esperance Chalet Village, and witness the iconic Pink Lake
- Fly over the awe inspiring Great Australian Bight
- Visit Port Lincoln; the seafood capital of Australia for a chef-led seafood masterclass and private dinner
- Explore the magnificent Flinders Ranges in true outback South Australia
- Discover the Riverland region on a bespoke Murray River houseboat experience
- Relax with a stay at Tasmania's King Island; a golfing paradise and gastronomic mecca



## Itinerary

### Day 1: Perth - Esperance

Depart Perth by private jet for Busselton. Transfer by road to the renowned Margaret River region, an epicurean haven with many natural wonders to explore.

The Margaret River cape offers one of the most spectacular, untouched stretches of coastline in the world. Experience the power of the Indian Ocean and the unique and pristine flora and fauna of the Region on a walking tour with track specialists, before indulging the senses at Margaret River's founding wine estate, Vasse Felix on a private behind-the-scenes tour. Meet with the winemaker as you explore the winery and red barrel hall, before joining your host for a tasting of the wine collection.

Take your new wine knowledge with you into the world of food and wine pairing with 5 courses at the Vasse Felix Restaurant - one of Australia's most awarded establishments. Complete your adventure with a walk through the original vineyards of Margaret River, learning about the unique geology and climate of the region that defines the wines of Vasse Felix. Transfer by road back to Busselton to fly to Esperance, and settle into your luxury bush coastal chalet. This evening enjoy dinner at Taylor St Quarters; located beachside and overlooking the Esperance Bay.

***Esperance Chalet Village (Large Chalet) | Meals: LD***

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## **Day 2: Esperance - Port Lincoln**

This morning, depart on a half day private Cape Le Grande Tour, exploring the breathtaking landscapes and abundance of natural wonders with an expert guide including Lucky Bay with its resident friendly kangaroos. Enjoy a gourmet lunch before you depart by private jet for Port Lincoln, the seafood capital of Australia. Check out one of the best vantage points in South Australia - Winters Hill gazing over Port Lincoln, Boston Island, Boston Bay and all the way out to the stunning Port Lincoln National Park.

With your expert guide, head to Whalers Way; an ancient rocky coastline with a series of natural bays and headlands, some of the rocky promontories believed to be among the oldest rock formations in South Australia. Explore rock pools, caves, crevasses, blow holes, high cliffs, and beach landscapes, eyes peeled for, local fauna and flora.

Tonight, meet renowned chef Kris Bunders in his home on the Lincoln Marina for a seafood masterclass and dinner. Begin the evening with a twilight tour on board the Tesla, a unique electric canal cruiser, discovering the rich local history, before being welcomed into the Bunders residence for an unforgettable evening of locally caught seafood and Eyre Peninsula produce.

***Port Lincoln Hotel (Luxury Ocean View Suite) / Meals: BLD***

## **Day 3: Port Lincoln - Rawnsley Park Station**

Today you depart for Coffin Bay, an area of outstanding beauty, world famous oysters and home to many iconic species. Join Coffin Bay oyster farmer Chris Hank as he takes you on his educational oyster cruise. Learn about the Pacific and the native Angasi oysters and sample these jewels fresh from the bay. During the cruise, keep an eye out for seabirds, seals and the bottlenose and common dolphins. Continue your epicurean exploration with a gourmet beach lunch in Coffin Bay National Park before embarking on a 4WD adventure through the national park back to Port Lincoln. Board your jet and journey onward to the magnificent Ikara-Flinders Ranges National Park, drinking in a breathtaking aerial view over the awe-inspiring natural amphitheatre of Wilpena Pound. Explore the picturesque pastoral run of Wilpena Pound Station on a guided walk, before admiring a stunning Flinders Ranges sunset. Enjoy a 3-course dinner tonight at the Woolshed Restaurant.

***Rawnsley Park Station (Luxury Eco Villa) / Meals: BLD***

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#### **Day 4: Rawnsley Park Station**

After a leisurely breakfast in your villa head out by 4WD to discover more of the spectacular scenery, wildlife and geological attractions of the Ikara Flinders Ranges National Park. Admire the rugged rock formations of Bunyeroo Gorge and keep an eye out for the elusive yellow-footed rock wallaby at Brachina Gorge, neighbouring the celebrated Ediacaran fossil fields, as well as the historic Prairie Hotel. Sit down to a lunch of the Prairie's famous 'Flinders Feral' food which focuses on local produce and bush tucker. Afterwards travel to the old copper mining town of Blinman for a historical immersion before returning to Rawnsley Park. Rest up in your eco-villa before taking in a brilliant Flinders Ranges sunset overlooking the rugged Chace Range.

***Rawnsley Park Station (Luxury Eco Villa) / Meals: BLD***

#### **Day 5: Rawnsley Park Station - Riverland**

Board your jet and journey to Renmark, the heart of South Australia's Riverland district. Take to the water on a 14 -kilometre cruise along the mighty Murray River, taking in the serene surroundings. Back on dry land, head out on a walk to the spectacular Headings Cliffs where your houseboat accommodation is moored. As you walk, discover the horseshoe lagoons that protect local waterbirds, learn of WWII history and a gentle climb will be rewarded with breathtaking vistas of the vast Murray River floodplain. Afterwards be transferred across the river to your floating haven for the next two days. After a warm welcome, prepare for tonight's 3-course dinner paired with local wines

***Murray River Houseboat / Meals: BLD***

#### **Day 6: Riverland**

Arise before the sun and walk a gentle slope to the rim of the Murray River valley for a spectacular sunrise. Enjoy a warm drink as you listen to the bird song of morning. With the knowledgeable insights of your guide, learn about the geological layers in the cliffs formed by wind, ocean, freshwater lakes and the river over millions of years. Return to the houseboat and load your day packs for a wonderful day walk discovering the tapestry of natural beauty. Keep your eye out for resident wildlife as you forage some saltbush leaves to flavour tomorrow's breakfast. Return to the houseboat and enjoy a local tasting plate, dipping your feet in the cool waters of the Murray River and watching the Riverland sunset.

***Murray River Houseboat / Meals: BLD***

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## Day 7: Riverland - King Island

Start your day with an optional leisurely self-guided short walk along the riverbank before bidding farewell to the houseboat and taking to the skies, touching down on King Island. Lying off the north-west coast of Tasmania, it is surrounded by a rugged coastline with fresh seafood, famously flavourful produce and some of the cleanest air in the world.

Tonight, feast at Wild Harvest where the chefs transform the culinary delights of King Island into a gastronomical dining experience.

***Cape Wickham (Guest Room) / Meals: BLD***

## Day 8: King Island

Today enjoy breakfast at the King Island Bakery, learning the story of Australia's tallest lighthouse on your way.

Afterwards tour the township of Currie, with some guided insight into the local kelp industry, an icon of the island. Journey onward to the Currie Light House for stunning views over Bass Strait, followed by the iconic King Island Dairy for a cheese tasting.

Follow your flavourful tasting with a visit to Shag Lagoon; relaxing amid the coastal idyll, eyes peeled for the plethora of local birdlife. Enjoy lunch at View Dining overlooking the stunning and rugged coastline towards the south of Currie and seek out more spectacular views with an afternoon visit to Seal Rocks. Swap coast for almost-forest with an exploration of the otherworldly Calcified Forest. The last adventure for the day heads north, learning the history of the King Island's First Settlers the Bowling family while travelling through their property Surprise Bay. Head home through plethora of panoramic bay views and coastal idyll, paying a visit to the pleasant misnomer Disappointment Bay, before settling in for the evening at Cape Wickham.

***Cape Wickham (Guest Room) / Meals: BLD***

## Day 9: King Island - Melbourne

After breakfast, play 18-holes of golf at Cape Wickham. Drink in mesmerising views of the formidable Bass Strait from all 18 holes as you wind around the rugged coastline, over bridges and into coves. A motorised golf buggy is included. After finishing your round, head to the clubhouse for a few drinks with your fellow golfers and a gourmet lunch overlooking the course before you board your private jet flight for your flight to Melbourne.

***Meals: BL***

## Map





## Accommodation

### **Rawnsley Park Station, Flinders Ranges**



Overlooking the southern side of Wilpena Pound, Rawnsley Park Station provides the perfect base for exploring South Australia's beautiful Flinders Ranges.

From pitching a tent under the stars to enjoying the station's luxury eco villas, Rawnsley Park Station has accommodation to suit all tastes and budgets. If you are tempted by an eco-villa, picture yourself enjoying spectacular views of Wilpena Pound and the surrounding ranges from your private verandah every morning. Tucked away in a secluded spot, the eco-villas offer well-equipped kitchens, luxurious bathrooms and spacious living and dining areas. For a little more spacious outback luxe, consider a private homestead, with breathtaking views of Chace Range from your private verandah. These luxurious self-contained homesteads are the ideal place to escape, relax and explore. There are two king-size bedrooms with ensuite bathrooms, spacious living and dining areas and a well-equipped country kitchen.

Housed in an authentic Australian Woolshed, the onsite restaurant serves delicious modern Australian cuisine that champions local produce. Choose from a table in the old Woolshed, perhaps by the wood fire in winter, or out on the deck for a memorable summer lunch. Visitors can explore the property on seven marked walking trails or on numerous cycling trails.



## Murray River Houseboat



The five-bedroom houseboat offers lodge-based accommodation which moves each day according to the daily walking schedule. View from each room are breathtaking and change throughout the journey. Bathrooms are shared with a spacious lounge, kitchen and deck with spa. Operating in the delicate Murray River system, the houseboat is low impact on the environment.

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