



SOUTH AUSTRALIA Hike & Bike Adventure

Three World-Class Trails | Flinders Ranges • Barossa Valley • Kangaroo Island

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for travel less ordinary
01-17 May 2027



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INTRODUCTION

We believe that the best way to really experience Australia's spectacular wilderness is to walk in it. Unlike travelling in a vehicle, a hiker can take the time to experience the true beauty and magnificence of nature. We have combined two fabulous South Australian treks that take you to the secluded, unspoiled places where few tourists venture – beautiful, remote, peaceful, and wild. Fully catered and fully guided, you only need a day pack for the epic daily experiences in store. We have crafted a lovely short cycle trip in the middle of our itinerary to not only break up the two distinct walk areas but to inject a really fun-break and tick another iconic spot: the fabulous Barossa Valley. There is a few nights in Adelaide to ensure you truly mark your South Australian holiday done!

TOUR INFORMATION

We kick off with the Heysen Trail for 6 days / 5 nights, then a break in Adelaide: choose from 4 nights free time or 2 nights Adelaide plus 2 nights self-guided cycle in the Barossa Valley. The tour finishes with 5 day/ 4 night hike on the fabulous Kangaroo Island Trail.

The hiking grade is moderate, you don't need to be a pro to take part, but you should have a good level of fitness and be accustomed to walk distances and ascents as described. Daily distances are mapped out in the overview chart further down. A great trek starts with having great guides. The Trek guides all have professional qualifications in-depth training and that something special you can't learn from a book – passion.

They self-guided cycling comes with E-bikes and a map. Transfers out to the trail, accommodation is booked and self-navigation required between. With a number choosing this option it should make a really fun excursion!

You may forgo the cycling if it really isn't your thing, and have 4 nights in Adelaide under your own steam, we can arm you with a list of must do's and recommendations to best use your time. Please ask for an adjusted tour price.

TRAVEL COMFORT

Our ground operator, Trek Tours Australia prides itself on preparing fresh and wholesome meals using organic produce as much as possible. The guides are skilled and passionate cooks who love to surprise and delight you with a tasty array of nutritious dishes. Our style of walking is to take plenty of time to enjoy the birds, plants, animals, scenery and the fact of just being in the bush. We don't race from A to B. That way, you can enjoy both the challenge and the beauty of the trail and surrounds – take a few photographs, sit down occasionally for a cup of tea, ask questions about what you've seen, or just be.

ABOUT THE TRAILS

Heysen Trek

Walk with just a day pack on this fully supported trip, enjoy delicious food cooked on by our experienced guides. The North Flinders Ranges offers some of the most stunning scenery in Australia as well as some of the most attractive outback properties. This accommodated trek includes selected walks in Wilpena Pound and on our favourite sections of the Heysen Trail. The Flinders Ranges offer a rolling range of majestic peaks and rugged ridges, deep gorges and endemic plants and animals.

The world class trails combine exceptional views and achievable challenges to create unforgettable walking experiences. The forests of cypress pines create an almost alpine ambiance in these semi-arid ranges with the dry climate creating ideal conditions for walking. This trip is fully supported so you can enjoy walking with just a day pack. Each evening we stay at comfortable accommodation offering both stunning scenery and the best of outback hospitality.

Cycle Barossa

Set your own pace and follow your own interests cycling between towns, vineyards and the great culinary options along the way.

The Barossa Valley is one of Australia's most celebrated wine regions, yet its appeal extends far beyond the cellar door. Explore the Barossa Valley by bike on this short but rewarding trip. Cycle through many notable towns such as Lyndoch, Tanunda, Nuriootpa and Angaston, as well as the iconic Barossa Rail Trail. You'll also have the chance to

taste some of the delicious wines this beautiful region produces, plus you'll get to witness the fabulous old architecture and rich history this region of South Australia has to offer. With your luggage transferred, logistics sorted and accommodation booked, all you need to do is pedal your bike and enjoy.

Kangaroo Island Trek **Camping Section – 4 nights in comfortable tents******

Trek remote and spectacular coastlines, enjoy peaceful bush walks, Wildlife encounters. Marvel at Admirals Arch and Remarkable Rocks and exclusive Seal Bay tour. Walk with just a day pack on this fully supported trek.

On this fully supported trek you'll walk with just a day pack as you experience one of Australia's most spectacular walks. You'll discover an abundance of wildlife, sculpted rock landscapes, pristine beaches, turquoise blue waters and dramatic coastlines as you walk the stunning Wilderness Trail on South Australia's Kangaroo Island. This 60.4km trail, with 12.6km of return side trips (73km overall) starts from the Flinders Chase Visitor Centre where you'll follow the trail over Black Swamp before turning west along Rocky River. The remote trail then weaves its way along the wild coastline with side trips to the magnificent Admirals Arch and the iconic Remarkable Rocks. From here you'll walk on to Hanson Bay before returning inland through the forests to Kelly Hill. We hope you can join us on one of Australia's best walking trails.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA WEATHER in MAY

Adelaide

Adelaide enjoys a Mediterranean climate, and May marks the transition from autumn into winter.

Typical conditions:

Comfortable walking temperatures, cool mornings requiring a light jacket, pleasant afternoons, occasional passing cold fronts bringing showers. Sunset around 5:20–5:30 pm.

Average temperatures are around **18.6°C by day** and **10.4°C overnight**, with May typically receiving around 67 mm of rainfall.

Flinders Ranges

May is widely regarded as one of the best months to visit the Flinders Ranges.

Guests can expect:

Sunny days. low humidity, excellent visibility, comfortable hiking temperatures, cold nights and fresh green growth if autumn rains have arrived Typical temperatures: Day: **19–23°C** Night: **5–9°C**

One of the biggest advantages is that there is very little risk of extreme heat, making longer walks far more enjoyable than in summer.

Barossa Valley

The Barossa is slightly cooler than Adelaide, particularly first thing in the morning.

Guests can expect:

Calm, crisp mornings, warm sunshine during the day, little humidity, excellent cycling conditions and beautiful autumn vineyard colours lingering into early May. Most rainfall comes from passing fronts rather than prolonged wet periods. Ideal riding temperatures are generally **17–20°C**.

Kangaroo Island

Kangaroo Island experiences a true maritime climate. The cooler temperatures are excellent for walking.

Guests should expect:

Cooler temperatures than Adelaide, fresh ocean breezes, rapid weather changes, passing showers and clear blue skies between fronts. Typical conditions include: Day: **16–19°C** Night: **9–11°C**

The Southern Ocean keeps temperatures mild, so it's a good idea to carry a waterproof jacket even on fine days. Wildlife is especially active during May: Australian sea lions, Fur seals, Kangaroos, Echidnas and numerous bird species.

OVERVIEW OF EXERCISE PROFILES....

Flinders Range

Trip at a Glance							
Day	Activity	Distance	Est. Elevation	Time	Transfer/Cycling	Difficulty	Accommodation
1	Wilpena Pound Walk	 12 km	▲ 500 m	5–6 hrs	Adelaide → Flinders (5 hrs)	 Moderate	Wilpena Resort
2	Heysen Trail Walk	 16 km	▲ 650 m	6–7 hrs	Short transfer	 Challenging	Wilpena Resort
3	Bunyeroo Gorge & Razorback	 13 km	▲ 420 m	5 hrs	Scenic drive	 Moderate	Rawnsley Park
4	Arkaroo Rock Walk	 9 km	▲ 280 m	3–4 hrs	Scenic drive	 Easy– Moderate	Rawnsley Park
5	Rail Trail Ride	 42 km	▲ 350 m	4–5 hrs	Cycling	 Moderate	Melrose
6	Mount Remarkable Walk	 10 km	▲ 450 m	4–5 hrs	Return to Adelaide	 Moderate	Tour concludes

Barossa Valley Cycling

Trip at a Glance							
Day	Route	Distance	Elevation Gain	Elevation Loss	Riding Time*	Highlights	Difficulty
10	Angaston – Tanunda – Nuriootpa Loop	 38 km	▲ 375 m	▼ 375 m	 3–5 hrs	Saltram Wines, Yalumba, Penfolds, Tanunda, boutique wineries	 Easy– Moderate
11	Angaston – Barossa Rail Trail – Gawler	 41 km	▲ 196 m	▼ 451 m	 3–4 hrs	Historic rail trail, vineyards, German heritage towns	 Easy

* Riding times exclude winery visits, café stops and sightseeing.

Kangaroo Island Wilderness Trail

Trip at a Glance						
Day	Distance	Elevation	Walk Time	Transfer	Difficulty	Accommodation
13	 12 km	▲ 250 m	 3–5 hrs	 Adelaide–Cape Jervis–KI	 Moderate	Cup Gum Camp
14	 14 km	▲ 300 m	 4–6 hrs	—	 Moderate+	Hakea Camp
15	 13 km	▲ 220 m	 3–5 hrs	—	 Moderate	Banksia Camp
16	 13.5 km	▲ 280 m	 3–5 hrs	 Seal Bay	 Moderate	Tea Tree Camp
17	 7.5 km	▲ 100 m	 2–3 hrs	 Ferry to Adelaide	 Easy	—

ITINERARY: SOUTH AUSTRALIA HIKE & BIKE

30 APR Day 1 – Arrive in Adelaide

Fly Auckland/Christchurch to Adelaide. Arrive and transfer to accommodation for 1 night.

3:00PM Hike Briefing with our Guide. Dinner at our Hotel.

Accommodation:

Majestic Roof Garden Hotel or Vibe Hotel

01 MAY Day 2 – transfer to from Adelaide to Flinders Ranges (L,D)

We drive north through South Australia's agricultural districts to the small township of Wilmington on the footsteps of Mount Remarkable National Park. Our walk today is the Alligator Gorge Ring Route, one of the Flinders' regions best kept secrets and part of the Heysen Trail. This walk takes us along the highlight sections of Alligator Gorge and through The Narrows – a peaceful gorge only a few metres wide that stretches for a couple of hundred metres. We can see ancient ripple fossils in the rocks of The Terraces. This unique walk is a magnificent beginning to our 6 days of Flinders Ranges walking. Walking Distance: 3km | Walking Time: 1 hour | Driving Time: 6-7 hours.

Accommodation: Willow Springs Station (or similar)

02 MAY Day 3 – Trek Black Gap to Wilpena Pound (B,L,D)

Today we walk section 57 of the famous, 1200km Heysen Trail. Beginning at scenic Black Gap Lookout, the trail takes us north-east to Bridle Gap. From here we have views across the expansive Wilpena Pound, and back towards the Elder Range. We descend into the Pound itself and follow the trail straight through the middle – an unforgettable walking experience. A variety of mallee, native pine and heath habitats within the Pound provide excellent opportunities to observe interesting local birds including wrens, robins, parrots and raptors. We meet our bus at the Wilpena Visitors Centre and transfer to our accommodation. Walking Distance: 14km | Walking Time: 5-6 hours

Accommodation: Willow Springs Station (or similar)

03 MAY Day 4 – Morning Cultural Tour, Afternoon hike Mount Ohlssen Bagge (B,L,D)

This morning, we have our own private cultural tour with a local business to learn about Indigenous culture. During this tour, we visit Sacred Canyon, an area of great cultural significance to the Adnyamathanha people, where access is only allowed when accompanied by an Aboriginal guide. In the afternoon, we hike one of the best short walks in the Flinders Ranges: Mount Ohlssen Bagge. Mount Ohlssen Bagge offers arguably the best view over Wilpena Pound and the surrounding mountain ranges. You start the walk through some of the surrounding bushland teeming with animal life. You might get lucky and spot an emu, echidna, or even a perentie lizard in the scrub. Quickly, you start your steep, rocky ascent to the summit. On the way up, you will be rewarded with sweeping, spectacular views over the land—it's the kind of view you only get in these vast Australian landscapes, being able to see as far as the eye can. We return following the same path. Walking Distance: 7km | Walking Time: 3-4 hours

Accommodation: Willow Springs Station (or similar)

04 MAY Day 5 – Tanderra Saddle Walk (B,L,D)

The Tanderra Saddle Walk begins on the outer edges of Wilpena Pound through Sheoaks and Grass Trees. Starting from Wilpena, we trek along the 'Outside Trail' which skirts around the foothills of Wilpena Pound's northern edge. As we ascend to the top of the saddle, our reward awaits us: utterly unbeatable views in all directions of the Central Flinders Ranges, Aroona Valley, and the salt plains to the west. The Tanderra Saddle Walk is a shorter but equally rewarding section of the St Mary's Peak walk. The Adnyamathanha people of the Flinders Ranges would prefer visitors not to climb to the summi, as it is important to the Adnyamathanha creation story. A picnic lunch on the Saddle gives us time to kick back and take it all in before we begin the descent, retracing our steps to Wilpena. We return to our accommodation and celebrate our walk with another scrumptious evening meal together. Walking Distance: 12km | Walking Time: 5 hours

Accommodation: Willow Springs Station (or similar)

05 MAY Day 6 – Trek Aroona Hut to Parachilna Gorge (B,L,D)

Today we walk the official final leg of the Heysen Trail – section 61. After breakfast we leave Willow Springs and transfer north through Brachina Gorge to the Aroona Valley. The bus drops us off in the middle of the wilderness at Aroona Hut and we set off for a full day on the trail, walking along the valley between ABC Range and Heysen Range. The day's walk is gently undulating, taking us through bird life filled vegetation and past numerous abandoned mine sites. Reaching the trail head at Parachilna Gorge, we board the bus for a transfer back to our accommodation.

Tonight we enjoy our final meal together as a group. Walking Distance: 17km | Walking Time: 6-7 hours | Driving Time: 2 hours

Accommodation: Willow Springs Station (or similar)

06 MAY Day 7 – Arkaroo Circuit Walk (B,L)

After indulging in an early breakfast, we embark on a southbound journey, pausing for our final hike. Our destination is the captivating Arkaroo Rock, where we'll traverse a brief circuit to immerse ourselves in the mesmerising Indigenous rock art sites. This distinctive walk serves as a splendid conclusion to our enriching six-day Flinders walking experience. It provides a poignant moment to the land and the enduring Indigenous culture that has nurtured it for millennia. Our journey concludes when we drop you at your Adelaide accommodation in the late afternoon between 4-5pm. Walking Distance: 3km | Walking Time: 1.5 hours | Driving Time: 6-7 hours

Accommodation: Majestic Roof Garden Hotel or Vibe Hotel

07 MAY Day 8 – Adelaide Free Day

Accommodation: Majestic Roof Garden Hotel or Vibe Hotel

08 MAY Day 9 – Free Morning Transfer from Adelaide to Angaston

This afternoon you will be picked up in Adelaide and driven to your accommodation in the Barossa Valley. You are free to relax and explore the area this afternoon. Overnight in Angaston.

Accommodation: Boutique Lodging

09 MAY Day 10 – Cycle Loop through Tanunda to Nuriootpa (B,D)

This morning the cycling begins from Angaston, with vineyards virtually on your doorstep with a panoramic view over Saltrams Vineyard from the rotunda at rear of the property. Saltrams history stretches back over 150 years but a pedal to the cellar door takes just a few minutes. It is a short cycle into Angaston which makes for a great breakfast stop in one of the many cafes or small bakeries with delectable delights. And, if you are looking for a snack for the day, the Barossa Valley Cheese Company in downtown Angaston has an impressive range of cheese hampers, platters and pamper packs made from local produce by former winemaker now cheesemaker Victoria McClurg. From Angaston it is a leisurely day of cycling through some of the very best South Australian wine country. You'll cycle along country roads lined with vineyards and you'll come across both the larger well known wineries such as Yalumba and Penfolds, but also stumble upon small boutique wineries with their own appeal and special unique blends and vintages. At roughly the mid point of your cycle today is the township of Tanunda, an Aboriginal word meaning waterhole. It's also a good place to stop for lunch. You'll be passing back through this town tomorrow so you don't have to see it all today, as there is plenty to see including the iconic Chateau Tanunda. The cycle then passes through the township of Nuriootpa before heading back to Angaston along a section of the Barossa Valley Trail. Ascent 375m. Descent 375m. Cycle 38kms Overnight Angaston.

Accommodation: Boutique Lodging

10 MAY Day 11 -Cycle the Barossa Rail Trail East to West - Transfer to Adelaide

An outstanding day today as you traverse this acclaimed wine region from east to west cycling the full length of the Barossa Trail from Angaston to Gawler just to the north of Adelaide. The trail follows sections of the old Gawler Angaston Rail line as well as purpose built cycle trails. The traditional owners of the Barossa Valley are the Indigenous Peramangk people and more recently German Lutheran settlers arriving in the Barossa Valley in 1842, settling at Bethany. In early Australian European history some Barossa towns had up to 25 German-speaking inhabitants to every English-speaking person. Much of the Germanic history survives today in the food and winemaking skills of the region. It is a region where immigrants came looking for a better life than the one they left behind and in the harsh South Australian environment created a wine industry of world standing. During your cycle journey through Barossa townships with buildings hewn from stone you get a sense of a unique history and community that is part of the fabric of a multi layered Australian society built by immigrants. You'll be exploring the region by bicycle but there is plenty of opportunity to take a gastronomic journey. From Gawler you will be transferred back to your preferred Adelaide CBD location. Ascent: 196m Descent: 451m Cycle 41kms

Accommodation: Majestic Roof Garden Hotel or Vibe Hotel

11 MAY Day 12 – Free Day Adelaide

Accommodation: Majestic Roof Garden Hotel or Vibe Hotel

12 MAY Day 13 – Transfer from Adelaide to Kangaroo Island (L,D)

We pick you up and drive two hours south through the picturesque Fleurieu Peninsula to the small township of Cape Jervis. Our ferry from Cape Jervis is booked for the morning and the crossing to Kangaroo Island takes approximately 60 minutes. On arrival we'll make our way to the the Flinders Chase National Park and commence our walk along the Wilderness Trail. We start at Rocky River where you'll quickly be immersed in dense eucalypt woodland flourishing with fresh green growth. This area is home to a diversity of bird life and native animals. Reaching the Pardalote Lookout you will see the meandering Rocky River far below you as it flows out towards the Southern Ocean. We then pass through riverbank and mallee habitats where wildflowers provide stunning arrays of colour all year around. Traversing our way down from the ridge towards the river we come across the spectacular sight of the Rocky River Cascades. Today's walk comes to an end at the Cup Gum Campground, a peaceful setting for our first night's rest set among tall sugar gums and old-growth cup gums. | Hike - 12km | Walking Time: 3-5 hours |

Accommodation: Cup Gum Camp

13 MAY Day 14 – Snake Lagoon to Hakea Campsite at Cape du Couedic (B,L,D)

Our hike today takes us along the Rocky River towards its mouth at the coast. Not long into the walk we'll be rewarded with our first views of the deep blue sea of the mighty Southern Ocean. The trail then cuts south along the island's wild and rugged coastline where birds of prey may be seen flying overhead and bottle-nosed dolphins often surface the water as they hunt for fish. Reaching Maupertuis Bay we head down from the clifftop onto the bone white beach below. The trail eventually winds its way back up to the rocky clifftop, bringing us ever closer to the famous Cape du Couedic Lighthouse that sits atop the headland in the distance. We turn back inland for the final stretch to camp. Tucked away in a swale, the Hakea Campground offers protection from the coastal winds and you can relax with the sound of crashing waves on the nearby cliffs. If time permits, you may want to venture to nearby Admirals Arch to finish the day with a spectacular sunset. | Hike -14km | Walking Time: 4-6 hours |

Accommodation: Hakea Camp

14 MAY Day 15 – Cape du Couedic to Banksia campsite at Sanderson Bay (B,L,D)

We require an early start today if we wish to complete the optional side trip off the wilderness trail to view the popular sites of historic Weirs Cove, Cape du Couedic lighthouse and Admirals Arch. The side trip is well worth the effort and we we'll also have the opportunity to view the enchanting antics of Australian and long-nosed fur seals and Australian sea-lions that visit this section of the coast. Back on the Wilderness Trail the track heads east towards Sanderson Bay and enters dense coastal mallee before breaking out to the awesome sight of the famed Remarkable Rocks. We have the opportunity here for another short side trip off the wilderness trail to visit this incredible site. Continuing on, the path hugs the coastline and offers inspiring views. At the end of day we'll arrive at Banksia Campground, located in a sheltered area close to Sanderson Bay, where we can drop our bags and take a short walk down to the small secluded beach to cool our tired feet. | Hike - 13km (optional side trips – Remarkable Rocks 1km) | Walking Time: 3-5 hours |

Accommodation: Banksia Camp

15 MAY Day 16 – Sanderson Bay to Tea Tree campsite at Grassdale. Guided Seal Bay Tour (B)

Today presents coastal trekking at its best, with massive swells, towering cliffs and extended views along the coast all the way from Sanderson Bay to the spectacular Cape Younghusband. Looking back we'll see Remarkable Rocks, framed by the surrounding wild landscape. As the trail turns inland and we head towards Hanson Bay we'll notice a dramatic change in vegetation from low coastal heath to tall, dense mallee and tea tree. Reaching the South West River we have the opportunity to use a punt to cross the river; a novel experience not to be missed. The river crossing marks the gateway to the Cape Bouguer Wilderness Protection Area and the most untouched area on the trail. Another short side trip off the wilderness trail takes us to nearby Hanson Bay headland and the small settlement of Hanson Bay where we have the opportunity to dip our toes in the crystal clear water. Back on the Wilderness Trail we follow the winding river to Kelly Hill Conservation Park and the Tea Tree Campground, located adjacent to the historic Grassdale property. This afternoon we will visit Seal Bay as no trip to Kangaroo Island is complete without a visit to one of the most exceptional nature-based experiences in the world. Seal Bay has been home to an Australian sea lion population for thousands of years, during our visit we will be taken into the heart of the colony on a private guided tour where we will have the opportunity to learn about these endangered animals. A short walk from the

campground is the original cottage that housed the Edwards family who were pioneers in the early settlement of the western end of the island. At sunrise and sunset you will encounter Kangaroo Island kangaroos as they emerge to feed on the open grassland. | Hike - 13.5km (optional side trip – Hanson Bay 700 metres) | Walking Time: 3-5 hours |
Accommodation: Tea Tree Camp

16 MAY Day 17 – Grassdale to Kelly Hill Caves. Guided Seal Ay Tour. Transfer to Adelaide (B,L)

The final day's walk is spectacular and beautiful. The trail passes through a diverse array of habitats, from recovering woodlands to freshwater lakes and 'karst' cave systems. Upon reaching the stunning Wilderness and Grassdale Lagoons, we'll be rewarded with sightings of local and visiting woodland and wading birds. The Wilderness Lagoon provides vital habitat even in dry years when other water bodies dry out. A relatively short walk through beautiful sugar gum woodland brings the trail to its conclusion at the amazing Kelly Hill Caves. From here we transfer to the Penneshaw for final lunch and board our afternoon ferry back to the mainland. You will be dropped directly at your city center Adelaide accommodation between 4:00 & 5:00pm. | Hike - 7.5km | Walking Time: 2-3 hours |
Accommodation: Majestic Roof Garden Hotel or Vibe Hotel

17 MAY Day 18 Fly home

After Breakfast we transfer to Adelaide Airport for a lunchtime departure.

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Depart Auckland or Christchurch Sunday 01 May 2027

TOUR PRICE: NZ \$13,920 per person

TOUR COSTS INCLUDE

* Flights:

- 1 NZ 191 **01MAY** Auckland – Melbourne depart 0855 hrs arrive 1055 hrs
- 2 NZ7683 **01MAY** Melbourne – Adelaide depart 1245 hrs arrive 1335 hrs
- 3 NZ 192 **17MAY** Adelaide – Auckland depart 1205 hrs arrive 1855 hrs

Note: we are not holding flight allocations. Tickets will be issued once a group of 5 is formed.

***Trek Guide:** Professional wilderness guide and support staff, experienced, knowledgeable and service oriented.

***All Vehicle Transportation:** All Trek and Cycle transfers by minibus plus return airport shuttles.

***All Accommodations:** 5 nights Adelaide 5 nights Wilderness Cabins, 4 nights camping

***All Entry Fees/Permits:** All National Parks & camping fees

***Meals:** 9 breakfasts, 11 lunches, 9 dinners + snacks and drinks while hiking

***E-bike** hire, with helmet & lock

***Route notes** & maps, with GPS information for Cycle days

***Kangaroo Island** return ferry tickets

***Emergency** communications & 24 hour back-up

***Comprehensive** group first aid kit

The tour is priced for 8 passengers, maximum of 12.

NOT INCLUDED

***Meals** not indicated

***Insurance** – mandatory

***Domestic flights** from provincial ports can be added from all Provincial towns and Cities: Please ask for a quote.

***Premium or Business Class** upgrades are allowed. Please ask for a quote.

FOOD & DRINK

We recommend bringing a reusable water bottle and perhaps a small lunch box and any other reusable items you think you may need. There is a great number of meals on this tour, including drinks and snacks on the hikes.

ACCOMMODATION

A lovely mix of Wilderness Lodge, Boutique Inns and Downtown Chic...and yes 4 nights comfortable camping! The rewards of immersing in magical wilderness will have to be earned and a few nights camping should not deter your Adventures! Yes, you can do it!!! 😊

ROOMING, NUMBERS & PACKING

Rooms have been costed for either Double or Twin-share. For single travellers we are happy to find roommates (same gender). Or if you prefer you may opt to have a Single room on your own and pay a single supplement of **NZ \$1180**. If we are unable to find a suitable roommate, the single supplement will apply.

AGE AND CAPABILITIES

This tour will appeal to and suit mature travellers. You should be a reasonably active person with a fair level of fitness for the treks. You need to be capable and prepared for long, medium paced walks of 5-6 hrs. Previous experience on multi day walks is recommended but not essential. The majority of our clients fall into the 60's to late 70's age range and enjoy our style of small-group travel. We don't focus on age, but if joining we want you to participate and enjoy everything on offer. *Please don't let the 4 nights camping put you off...be Bold Mature Adventurers!

EQUIPMENT

For the hikes, you will carry just a day pack containing the items you need during the day (water, sun hat, snacks, lunch, camera, waterproof and warm layers, etc). This is likely to weigh between 5-7kg.

Hiking Boots are recommended. The terrain on these treks are both rugged. For your comfort, you must have high supported footwear with a heavy duty grip. There are lots of rocky, uneven and unstable sections, so ankle support will be beneficial. Hiking poles can definitely assist with going up and down the inclines and for stability – best if you are used to using these.

Booking :

How To Book

Complete our **ONLINE BOOKING FORM**, and then email a copy of the front page of your passport and advise payment of a **NZ\$1000** non-refundable deposit per person.

*This ensures we can fulfil payment of deposits to the airline and ground operator to secure seats and hotel rooms ahead of time.

Email: - andrea@wildsidetravel.nz

Bank Transfer - **ANZ 06-0507-0871753-01**

Account Name: **Wanderlust Travel Experts Ltd**

Please use **WILDSIDE /** as your Reference

Credit Card – add 1.4% fee. Phone this through to us.

FINAL PAYMENT

The balance of your tour cost is due 6 weeks before tour departure, **29 March 2027**. Payment can be made via Bank Transfer or Credit Card (1.4% card fee)

CANCELLATION TERMS

Should **Wildside Travel** cancel the trip due to advice from our Ground Operator and cannot provide the tour or sudden Boarder restrictions, and other reasons beyond our control, you are due a refund of deposit and all refundable services paid less an admin fee of \$80 per person. Or monies can be deferred to any Wildside 2027 tour. If **you** wish to cancel, your deposit remains non-refundable. If you have paid in full a refund will be calculated according to Airline and Accommodation refund policies. We recommend you take out insurance cover early, so you are covered for non-refundable money paid at any time. If you leave the trip to come home early, there is no refund for unused portions.

CHANGES TO FLIGHTS If you wish to alter your booking in some way or upgrade to a higher cabin, change fees will apply. Please make any amendment requests prior to tickets being issued and prior to full payment to avoid this.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Comprehensive Travel & Medical Insurance is essential for tours. We would recommend you purchase insurance at the same time you make any payments so we can be completely confident of your cover. We use Kiwi Holiday Insurance (Southern Cross Underwrite) – so please discuss your cover needs with us.

If organizing your own, you will be required to provide us with details of your Travel Insurance and any medical conditions we should know about before we leave on tour. We will get this from you after full payment.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

All participants must be in possession of a valid passport (valid for a minimum of 6 months) and all visas, permits required for your passport type. It is ultimately your responsibility to have the necessary documentation to travel. If you have another type of passport, please let us know. We provide all our tour documentation and tickets via our **TRAVEL APP**. And will ask you to download this onto your smart phone.

EXCLUSIONS

We do reserve the right to amend the itinerary of any day due to weather, road and vehicle problems, or other civil circumstances beyond our control. We will also endeavour to take all reasonable steps to look after you and your personal property, but we will not be held liable for any accident, personal injury, illness and any consequential loss, damage or loss of property or delays. Wildside is not liable for defaults in the performance of other operators whose services we may employ.

We do look forward to you joining us on a tour designed to be spectacular every single day with our signature 'less ordinary' experiences!



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