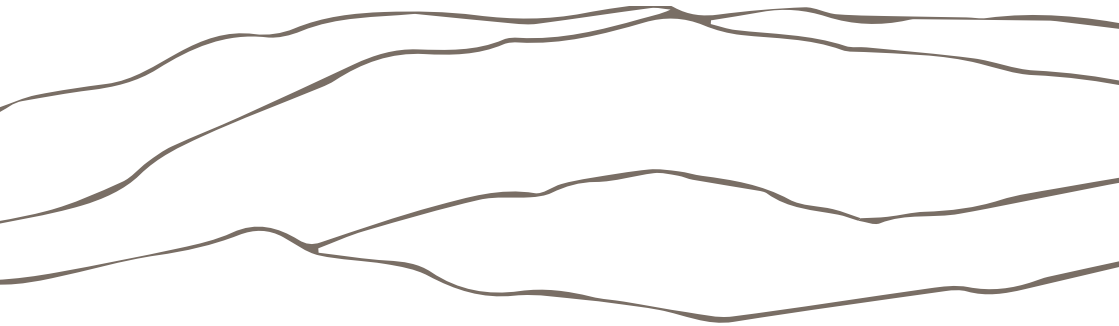




SEQUOIA

Experience Guide





SEQUOIA AND THE ADELAIDE HILLS

While being seemingly removed from the hustle and bustle of the world, Sequoia sits on the side of Mount Lofty, high above the Piccadilly Valley in the Adelaide Hills, a region currently being considered for UNESCO World Heritage status. The area's significance centres on its working agricultural (food and wine) landscapes, historic settlements, abundant wildlife, pure environment, continuing culture and practice.

Nowhere else in the world are there four world-class wine regions found within a 50-kilometre radius. These range from the alluvial plains of Langhorne Creek, to the maritime McLaren Vale, the cool climate Adelaide Hills and the high-altitude Eden Valley. The region is not only home to the largest surviving koala population, but it is also one with extensive Indigenous history. It is no wonder South Australians have kept the Adelaide Hills a secret for so long!

Mount Lofty temperatures are generally five to seven degrees cooler than the Adelaide Plains, some 700 metres lower

in altitude. In the past, this area was highly sought after by Adelaide's elite as a place to build their summer holiday homes. Today, summer continues to be much cooler than anywhere else in South Australia. During winter months, the Piccadilly Valley experiences more rainfall than Tasmania, with roaring fires creating a cosy retreat to hide away. Autumn is one of the most beautiful times to visit, with an array of colours, perfect for a picturesque stroll through the neighbouring botanic gardens. In spring, the hills come alive with new beginnings of native flora.

Within 20 minutes of Sequoia are the homes of many South Australian icons including Jurlique, Penfolds Magill Estate (the home of Grange), and a little further afield is R.M. Williams. There are also more than 200 cellar doors with whom we have arranged intimate behind-the-scenes experiences, curated exclusively for our guests.

Sequoia will connect you to the South Australia you never knew existed.



LODGE WELCOME

Gather on the valley rim at sunset and listen to the fascinating stories of our region; from South Australia's local icons to the boutique and extraordinary. Our Lodge Welcome is a fantastic preface to what makes Sequoia and its surrounds so unique.

Your Host will personally escort you to our gathering place, beautifully positioned along the escarpment, where you will enjoy a glass of South Australian red during the winter months or our very own Sequoia sparkling during summertime, both perfectly paired with a selection of cheese handpicked from the Adelaide Hills. Meet fellow guests and interact in an intimate yet engaging environment facilitated by your Host. You will be invited to share your story, your motivation for visiting the region and what you are hoping to experience during your time at the lodge – all whilst having a laugh or two along the way.

Learn about the traditional custodians of the land and the significance of the Mount Lofty Ranges as a pivotal meeting place where important decisions were made many years ago; get a glimpse into the history of Mount Lofty Estate and Arthur Hardy.

Be introduced to the surrounding regions that are showcased in front of Sequoia – from the Barossa on the left of the valley through to the Adelaide Hills, McLaren Vale and the Coorong to the right. Uncover intimate stories of local

icons including Jurlique, Penfolds and R.M.Williams – not to mention some of the best boutique and most memorable South Australian winemakers in the country.

Reconnect with nature and take time to feed our resident wildlife. Understand Cleland's conservation efforts in the Mount Lofty Ranges, home to the largest surviving koala population. Discover hidden secrets along South Australia's 1200-kilometre Heysen Trail and explore the journeys of neighbouring artisans and artists including Nick Mount and Stephen Trebilcock. When weather conditions permit, a campfire will burn under the stars for you to relish. As the evening festivities come to an end, your Host will escort you back to your suite, the lounge or Hardy's Verandah Restaurant for dinner.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Gather inside our lounge, make yourself at home and find a cosy spot nearby the fireplace. Your Host will decide on the most fitting and comfortable area to host our Lodge Welcome. Whilst feeding our resident wildlife would not be included in inclement weather, should you wish to brave the wet or cold weather, our team would be happy for you to join.

COST

Inclusive

AVAILABLE

Daily



ARTESIAN SPRING-FED HOT POOLS

The Kurna and Peramangk people believe that Mount Lofty was the source of life in the region and often share stories of Mount Lofty and Mount Bonython being the ears of Ngarno Yurrebella, the Creator Giant.

Deep beneath the grounds of Sequoia, ancient spring waters run through the mountain. Carving their way through the layers of sandstone, the spring waters break free at the earth's surface feeding every tap on the estate, and filling our artesian hot pools along the scenic rim.

Rejuvenate your body and mind, and reap the benefits of the naturally flowing spring water. Different times of day hold their own unique beauty whether it is a sunrise, mid-morning, afternoon or a sunset experience.

A private changeroom, shower and locker space are available to store your belongings during your time of

rejuvenation, with towels available for your convenience.

Book one of two private artesian hot pools ranging between 38 and 40 degrees, for up to one hour of relaxation. Alternatively, our third hot pool can also be enjoyed at your leisure, shared alongside fellow guests.

COST
Inclusive

AVAILABLE
Daily

SUNRISE YOGA

Yoga is a transformative pathway to a stronger body and calmer mind. Join us for a bespoke experience of movement designed for beginners and advanced yogis alike. This session will allow you to take a break from the everyday stresses of life, connect with your surroundings and tune in to the sounds of wildlife around you.

The session is tailored to each individual, using scientific and ancient yogic knowledge to empower you to your fullest potential. Your class will include an array of postures based on your fitness level combined with breath enhancement exercises and meditation to support deep relaxation.

Meet your personal practitioner in the lodge 15 minutes prior to your class

commencement. Yoga mats, blocks, bottled water and blankets are provided; however, we recommend wearing warm and flexible clothing.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the event that inclement weather is expected, your Host will contact you the night prior to your scheduled experience to advise of an alternative option.

COST

Inclusive
Private sessions may be booked at an additional cost

AVAILABLE

Thursday and Saturday





GATEKEEPER'S DAY SPA

The beautifully appointed Gatekeeper's Day Spa offers a destination spa escape within the iconic Mount Lofty Estate.

Leave the weight of daily life behind as you retreat into the historic walls of this sanctuary. The holistic menu offers relaxing rituals, rejuvenating experiences and gentle beauty treatments that honour your body's individual needs and acknowledge where you are in your life's journey.

We are very proud to be an exclusive Jurlique-approved day spa. This globally successful skincare brand places great focus on the finest biodynamic and

organic ingredients that are grown and hand harvested at its farm, located in Mount Barker, just a stone's throw away from Sequoia.

Our professionally trained and compassionate spa therapists will tailor your treatments specifically to your personal needs to ensure you get the most benefit from your experience and feel completely revitalised.

COST

Treatments individually priced

AVAILABLE

By appointment only



MAKER AND SOMM

A South Australian winemaker will join one of our own sommeliers to pour, taste and discuss their wines in an exclusive behind-the-scenes experience. This tasting is much more than what you will find at a typical cellar door – instead, you will have the rare opportunity to spend time with a duo of experts – a sommelier and winemaker – in an interactive, fun, and informative setting, where the dynamic relationship between the winemaker and sommelier creates a lively, energetic environment.

Shortly after the tasting begins, gather around high-top tables or find a cosy seat next to the fireplace. Indulge in a selection of canapés, highlighting local ingredients from the Adelaide Hills region and showcasing seasonal produce – all perfectly paired by our sommelier.

This is an incredible opportunity for you to ask all of the pressing questions you may have about wine in general. Wondering how to pair a glass of white with salt and vinegar chips, or the best choice of red to match with your favourite chocolate? This experience focuses on pairing food and wine in a way that is unique and relatable to your kitchen at home – all whilst interacting and engaging with you on a variety of different levels.

Maker and Somm is the perfect match for both wine lovers and novices alike.

COST

Inclusive

AVAILABLE

Friday

Availability is subject to change

LE NEZ DU VIN

Gather in the lounge with fellow guests for a playful experience hosted by one of our very own sommeliers and learn all about Le Nez du Vin.

'The Nose of the Wine', designed by Jean Lenoir, is a nifty kit consisting of 50 superb quality aromas used for making rapid progress in wine tasting. Aromas are learned from nature or perfumery. If you have been curious about scents in your youth, or have not had the opportunity to explore them, your olfactory references may be more limited than you might expect. Have you ever sighed, "I know this smell but I cannot seem to put a name to it"?

In this experience, discover the story of Jean, a true magician, who managed to dissect these 50 scents, capture the molecules, and turn them into an entertaining, living sensory dictionary.

Delve into the complexity of wine, and understand what gives it such a unique identity and aromatic expression. You can expect to explore aromas such as cedar, pine, licorice, boxwood (or blackcurrant bud), cut hay, thyme, vanilla, cinnamon, clove, pepper and saffron – just to name a few.

Our sommelier takes you on a journey where you will witness your glass of wine become a sensory illustration.

COST
Inclusive

AVAILABLE
Saturday
Availability subject to change



GUIDED NATURE WALK

Rise with the sun and fill your lungs with pure mountain air as you discover the land, nature and wildlife surrounding the lodge. Join us on a 90-minute guided nature walk and trek along the renowned Heysen Trail. Stroll through Cleland Conservation Park amongst South Australian blue gums, local flora and fauna, and even koalas, kangaroos, wallabies, cockatoos and kookaburras – to name a few.

Listen to the history of the Adelaide Hills and appreciate the native surroundings from a new perspective. Connect with stories about the traditional custodians of the land and gain insight into what made the Mount Lofty Ranges such a significant place many years ago.

This is the time to connect with yourself whilst taking in the beauty of this unique region. Remain free from distractions and discover what nature is truly about. Remember to look up – being home to the largest surviving koala population, it is likely you may spot a koala or two along the way.

At the end of your journey, rest and recharge with refreshments and stop

by Cleland Wildlife Park for a coffee, or browse around the local gift shop, before being chauffeured back to the lodge by your host.

This guided walk is tailored to suit all fitness levels. Should you wish to continue to hike along a more challenging route, your Host will be able to offer a suitable recommendation, including hiking up to the Mount Lofty Summit where you can observe sweeping views of Adelaide and the Mount Lofty Ranges.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Our guided nature walk can take place rain or shine, with travel ponchos available for you that offer lightweight protection from wind and rain. For the safety of you and our team, we are unable to conduct our nature walk during heat waves and when bushfires pose a risk.

COST

Inclusive

AVAILABLE

Monday, Tuesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday



STAR GAZING

Gaze into the stars that light up the Piccadilly Valley, with a private Celestron Telescope at your disposal. Available from the early hours of darkness up until 10:30pm, this experience offers you the opportunity to observe ancient constellations and planets. Discover thousands of stars that are exclusive to our skies, with 100 times more stars on display than can be seen in the Northern Hemisphere.

The Southern Hemisphere offers celestial sights you simply cannot see anywhere else in the world. You will also get a new perspective on familiar constellations – which appear to hang upside down in the skies. Australia is home to the best view of the Milky Way on Earth, as it looks toward the galactic centre rather than away from it.

Your Host will be readily available to help guide you through the use of the telescope and offer expert tips on what to search for on this starry night. Weather and clear skies permitting, this out-of-this-world experience is not one to miss.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Star gazing is unavailable during wet weather and on foggy or cloudy evenings where there is little to no visibility.

COST

Inclusive

AVAILABLE

Daily





Mount Lofty Botanic Garden
Adelaide Hills
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Hahndorf
Adelaide Hills
Michael Waterhouse Photography

ICONIC ADELAIDE HILLS

Known for charming towns nestled within lush greenery, and sprawling vineyards with cool climate wine region elegance, the high-country Adelaide Hills showcases award-winning artisanal food and wine amongst picturesque scenery. Driving through the winding roads of the Adelaide Hills, you will arrive at Hahndorf, Australia's oldest German settlement. Dating back to 1839, Hahndorf's aesthetics combine traditional European village charm with modern Australian influences. Discover this historic town and explore its variety of boutique stores and artisan creations, alongside heritage-rich museums and art galleries.

Your first winery will be the widely-acclaimed Shaw + Smith. Embark on a behind-the-scenes tour throughout their picturesque winery and vineyard, followed by a hosted wine flight tasting where you will sample several of their championed wines.

Resume your viticultural exploration after lunch, with your next stop at the family-run Deviation Road. This boutique winery showcases a spectacular cellar door and tasting room with a specialisation in méthode traditionnelle sparkling wine. You will be given the opportunity to disgorge your own bottle of sparkling wine to take home as a remembrance of your day in the Adelaide Hills.

COST

\$3760 per couple
Inclusive of all experiences, lunch, private guide and luxury transportation

AVAILABLE

Daily

DURATION

8 hours
Depart at 9am and return at 5pm



Koala - Cleland Wildlife Park
Adelaide Hills
South Australian Tourism Commission

CLELAND KOALA EXPERIENCE

In the early morning, Cleland Wildlife Park comes alive to the tune of many iconic Australian animals. This experience offers you the unique opportunity to venture inside Cleland Wildlife Park before it opens to the general public, on a two-hour engaging adventure hosted by your Cleland Wildlife Park guide.

Starting at the entrance to Cleland, visit the new cockatoo aviary and undertake an immersive cockatoo encounter. Entering the aviary, you will have the opportunity to interact with these unique birds, and have them fly down to be hand fed while learning about the biology and natural history of some of the region's largest and most spectacular birds.

The next stop along your journey is meeting and hand feeding freely roaming kangaroos and emus. With a large walk-through enclosure, you will be provided with your own kangaroo food where you can walk amongst and hand feed these iconic Australian species. Yellow-footed rock wallabies are normally a shy and elusive animal in the wild, however they love coming out from their rock homes to meet with guests at Cleland Wildlife Park. Here, whilst hand feeding this historically iconic animal and learning about the plight of its species, take in the panoramic view over the Adelaide Plains. From rolling hills to the Saint Vincent Gulf – this is a perfect photo opportunity.

Moving along from the yellow-footed rock wallaby enclosure towards the Cleland Lake, explore the forest aviary containing many unique South Australian bird species such as the critically endangered regent honey eater, read warbler, musk lorikeet and princess parrot. Birds are at their most active at this time of the morning. Continuing on from the forest aviary, you will stroll passed the wetlands area where you can observe many unique South Australian waterbird species and perhaps even a turtle or two.

Before your adventure comes to an end, spend some one-on-one time with a koala in a private session with a koala keeper, where you will hold a koala. A souvenir photograph will be gifted to you as part of this special memory. Learn interesting facts about the history and future of the koala, fall in love with their beautiful aroma, and be delighted at their thick soft grey fur and big black noses.

COST

\$898 per couple

Inclusive of an intimate koala experience, private guide and return transfers

AVAILABLE

Daily

DURATION

8 hours

Depart at 8:30am and return at 11:30am



PRANCING HORSE

Experience the beauty of South Australia on a luxury drive through the Adelaide Hills.

This is an immersive driving experience in the latest specification of supercars. Drive through Carey Gully into a blur of vibrant autumn colours, winding along the roads between Lenswood, Lobethal and Cudlee Creek.

As the hills unravel into vineyards and farmland, follow the River Torrens down to Kangaroo Creek Reservoir and the beautiful bends of Gorge Road.

Indulge in a provincial lunch at The Lane Vineyard in Hahndorf, before returning to the hills.

Ascend Corkscrew Road; a series of sequential hair-pin turns, before entering Piccadilly Valley at sunset. Enjoy a private dinner for two at Hardy's Verandah Restaurant.

This is a once-in-a-lifetime experience where you will be able to drive the latest collections of model supercars; Ferrari F8 Tributo, Lamborghini Huracán, McLaren 570S and Aston Martin Vantage.

COST

\$3,590 per couple on weekdays
Inclusive of all experiences

AVAILABLE

April to May 2022



ULTIMATE PENFOLDS AND HILLS PRIVATE CHARTER

See the most famous wine brand in Australia including a tasting of its coveted Grange Hermitage followed by a visit to meet the owners at South Australia's signature sparkling wine producer.

Depart Sequoia for a short drive to Penfolds Magill Estate. You will have an exclusive historical tour of Penfolds Magill Estate including a tour of Grange Cottage, the original home of Doctor Christopher and Mary Penfold. Take a trip to the Vintage Cellar and then embark upon a journey of discovery through the famous underground drives to see the original hiding spot of Max Schubert's hidden Grange. Your guide will then lead you through a private, structured tasting of Penfolds' most coveted wines including Penfolds Grange Hermitage, finishing with a three-course lunch with matching wine.

Following lunch, travel to Deviation Road and meet Hamish or Kate Laurie, famous sparkling wine producers from the Adelaide Hills. Experience their range of premium handcrafted sparkling wines with a Noble Cuvée wine flight, followed by a tour of the winery where you will hand disgorge and bottle a souvenir custom cuvée.

COST

\$2600 per couple

Inclusive of all experiences, lunch, private guide and luxury transportation

AVAILABLE

Daily

DURATION

6 hours

Depart at 10:30am and return at 4:30pm



Piccadilly
Adelaide Hills
Michael Waterhouse Photography



Deviation Road
Adelaide Hills
Ryan Cantwell

HILLS AND VALE

Clamber up to two of the highest wineries in the Adelaide Hills, then explore the very best of McLaren Vale and its spectacular coastline.

Depart Sequoia for a short drive to Tapannapa Wines, home to legendary Australian winemaker Brian Croser and the first vineyard site in the Adelaide Hills. Enjoy a private tasting overlooking the vineyard, then take a drive through glorious rolling hills to Deviation Road Wines.

Deviation Road Wines are known in South Australia for their signature sparkling wine. Owner and winemaker Kate Laurie trained in France to make fine sparkling wines using the traditional method. Enjoy a tasting and lunch overlooking their beautiful garden and vineyards.

Yangarra Estate, where they produce wines solely from their single vineyard estate, is a highlight, with bush vine grenache as their keystone variety.

With no less than three 99-point scores in James Halliday's recent Wine Companion, Yangarra is one of South Australia's pre-eminent winemakers.

Your experience finishes with a masterclass overlooking the estate at Bekkers Wine, which was recently named by Gourmet Traveller Wine as one of the top six wineries in the country. As we make our way back to the lodge, we will venture over to the beach to catch a glimpse of the spectacular Fleurieu Peninsula coastline.

COST

\$1,900 per couple

Inclusive of all experiences, lunch, private guide and luxury transportation

AVAILABLE

Daily

DURATION

7 hours

Depart at 10:30am and return at 5:30pm



McLaren Vale
Fleurieu Peninsula
Isaac Forman, Serio

MCLAREN VALE PRODUCERS

This is a spectacular tour to see pristine coastline and some of the finest small winemakers in the country.

Depart Sequoia and drive into McLaren Vale starting with a 4WD tour into ancient Onkaparinga Gorge to marvel at geology that dates back 600 million years and spectacular views over the coast and vineyards.

Visit Samson Tall, a boutique, small batch producer making exceptional single vineyard wines. Surrounded by the first Church Block vineyards, this beautiful chapel is home to some magnificent single vineyard wines in McLaren Vale. Enjoy a private winery tour and then a tasting in the Chapel.

Indulge in a delicious lunch at Salopian Inn, one of Australia's top 100 restaurants as voted by both the Australian Financial Review and Tasting Australia. Savour a beautiful three-course lunch in the stunning old homestead.

Following lunch, visit Bekkers Wine, one of the best in the Vale and named by Gourmet Traveller Wine as one of the top six wineries in the country. Join

a private masterclass overlooking the estate at Bekkers Wine with one of the owners.

Yangarra Estate, where they produce wines solely from their single vineyard estate, is a highlight, with bush vine grenache as their keystone variety. With no less than three 99-point scores in James Halliday's recent Wine Companion, Yangarra is one of South Australia's pre-eminent winemakers. Enjoy a private tasting in their exclusive lounge, tasting a select range of Yangarra Estate wines plus famous single vineyard wines from Hickinbotham Estate, a vineyard which for years provided shiraz for Penfolds Grange Hermitage.

COST

\$1600 per couple
Inclusive of all experiences, lunch, private guide and luxury transportation

AVAILABLE

Daily

DURATION

8 hours
Depart at 9.30am and return at 5.30pm



Vineyard, McLaren Vale
Fleurieu Peninsula
Graham Scheer



The Currant Shed
Fleurieu Peninsula
HEY GENTS

WINEMAKER FOR A DAY

Get up close and personal with vintners and discover what really goes on during vintage season. Visit Shottesbrooke winery in McLaren Vale and learn the secrets of winemaking. Go beyond the cellar door to see what takes place in a modern winery during vintage, with the opportunity to get "hands on" with some unique vintage tasks.

Upon arriving at Shottesbrooke winery, begin a guided tour through the beautiful Shottesbrooke vineyard property and state-of-the-art winery complex, whilst learning about how this company has become a truly sustainable producer and contributor within the McLaren Vale region.

Enjoy a short morning tea break, before embarking on an expedition through the winery to immerse yourself in the excitement of vintage. See fresh fruit being delivered into the winery direct from incredibly efficient Pellenc harvesters and learn how the fruit is prepared for winemaking. Your guide will take you through the fermentation process and what happens right before the juice is ready to be placed into barrels.

After making your way through the winery, taste an exclusive offering of raw, unfiltered and unrefined wines,

alongside current and museum releases that truly showcase the progression of where a wine begins, through to how it matures. Following this, take a guided walk back through Shottesbrooke's native woodlot and vineyards to their award-winning hatted restaurant, the Currant Shed.

At the Currant Shed, indulge in a regionally inspired six-course degustation lunch, matched perfectly with Shottesbrooke wines and an incredible view of the vineyards and surrounds.

Between courses, you are welcome to wander over to the Currant Shed's onsite vegetable patch and Tahitian lime grove – or, simply sit back, relax and embrace the charming ambiance that is McLaren Vale.

COST

\$1800 per couple

Inclusive of all experiences, lunch, private guide and luxury transportation

AVAILABLE

Daily

DURATION

8 hours

Depart at 9am and return at 5pm



Henschke Hill of Grace Vineyard
Barossa Grape & Wine Association
Barossa



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ICONIC ADELAIDE

The Adelaide Central Market showcases 70 traders and is one of the largest undercover fresh produce markets in the Southern Hemisphere, buzzing with life and colour all year round. Be treated to a private tour of the establishment, meeting many of the wonderful vendors and learning about their long-standing histories. The market remains Adelaide's premier food destination for multicultural cuisine. From the markets, you will be escorted to your next destination, JamFactory, which highlights local craftsmanship found within the Australian creative community. Journey over to the South Australian Museum for a privately guided tour.

After these unique city experiences, stop by Penfolds Magill Estate restaurant for a leisurely lunch. Known for its refined dining experience paired with

brehtaking views over the city, Magill Estate is a stunning destination to conclude your Adelaide experience. Enjoy a private tour of the estate, tasting the magnificent selection of varietals on offer. With a history dating back to 1844, Penfolds and its excellent collection of wines are the result of multiple generations of knowledge and innovation.

COST

\$3000 per couple
Inclusive of all experiences, lunch, private guide and luxury transportation

AVAILABLE

Daily

DURATION

8 hours
Depart at 8am and return at 5pm



R.M.WILLIAMS EXPERIENCE

R.M.Williams is an iconic South Australian brand and has become one of the best-known and best-loved footwear brands in the world. Go behind the scenes of the renowned R.M.Williams workshop on an exclusive tour and learn about the many processes and care that every pair of handcrafted leather boots receives. You will even get to take home your very own pair of R.M.Williams boots – personally fitted!

Located in Adelaide's West End Creative Precinct is the JamFactory, which you will visit after lunch. The JamFactory is a unique not-for-profit organisation that supports local talented designers and artists by showcasing the wonderful craftsmanship found within the Australian creative community. A private tour of the precinct's four studios – ceramics, glass blowing, furniture and jewellery – will give you the opportunity to observe the remarkable collection of locally made crafts and designs.

Once your time at the JamFactory has concluded, journey over to the South Australian Museum for a privately guided tour. Immerse yourself in the ancient and beautiful culture of the Indigenous Peoples of Australia and view the largest collection of Aboriginal ethnographic material in the world,

COST

\$3020 per couple
Inclusive of all experiences, lunch, private guide, R.M.Williams boots and luxury transportation

AVAILABLE

Daily

DURATION

8 hours
Depart at 8:30am and return at 4:30pm
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