

Murray River Cruise & the Fleurieu Peninsula

2nd—12th October 2024



11 Days from
***5,685.00**
per person

Indulge your senses and stay in style for 5 nights aboard the superb Proud Mary riverboat. Breathtaking beauty abounds whilst cruising along Australia's longest single river, The Murray River.



Wander...Explore...Discover
TOURS FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

For Bookings

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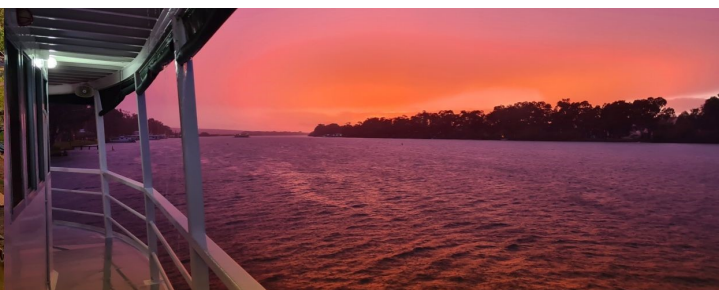
Come and join our travelling family

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ALL INCLUSIVE 11 DAYS 10 NIGHTS, 5 NIGHTS ON THE MURRAY RIVER.

ATTRACTIONS/GUIDED TOURS INCLUDED

- * 5 night Proud Mary River Cruise
- * 3 nights in Victor Harbor, 2 nights in Adelaide
- * Lagoon Cruises
- * Revolution Motor Museum Tour
- * Almond Farm
- * Aussie Apricots
- * Australian themed Bush BBQ
- * Ecological Walks
- * Exploring of ancient archaeological site along the Murray River
- * Live Entertainment
- * Captain's Dinner
- * Hahndorf German Village
- * Victor Harbor Horse Drawn Tramway to Granite Island
- * Cockle Steam Train
- * Monarto Safari Park
- * Old Tailem Town Pioneer Village
- * 10x Breakfasts (B) 1x Morning Tea (MT) 5x Lunch (L) 9x Dinners (D) 1x Supper (S)
- * Return Flights with Virgin



***\$5,685.00 per person Past Passenger Twin/Double**

\$5,905.00 per person Twin/Double

\$1,712.00 additional single supplement

Due to size of the Proud Mary there are VERY Limited single spots available

Tour is based on minimum numbers

Deposit of \$1,500.00 per person payable upon booking

Second Installment of \$2,000.00 Due 1st April 2024 Final Balance Due 15th Aug 2024

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Day #1 Wednesday 2nd October 2024

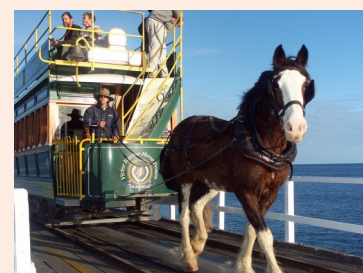
Pickup Passengers from their homes, travel to Launceston airport where we will board our late afternoon flight to Adelaide via Melbourne. Check into accommodation and have a late dinner. *Overnight Rydges South Park Adelaide (D)*



Day #2 Thursday 3rd October 2024

Delicious buffet breakfast to start the day. We board the coach and make our way to Victor Harbor, but first we will be stopping at German Village of Hahndorf. Here you will have free time to explore Hahndorf's main street with many specialty shops and galleries full of local crafts and produce and pubs where you can sample some German Beers. Grab a bite to eat for an early lunch before continuing our way through Mount Compass stopping at Harvest the Fleurieu a family owned and operated strawberry farm, market hall and café. Here you will get the opportunity to hand pick your own strawberries and grab a cuppa. Upon arrival into Victor Harbor we will stop at the Visitors Information Centre where we will wander through the South Australian Whale Museum. Here you will learn about Victor Harbors and surrounds have a rich history of whaling export history. Checking into our hotel where we will call home for the next 3 nights. Two course dinner is to be had at the on site bistro.

Overnight Night Caps Hotel Victor (B, D)



Day #3 Friday 4th October 2024

An exciting day today as we start with a ride on the historic Horse Drawn Tram across the Causeway to Granite Island. The Tramway commenced operation in 1894 and is one of two remaining in the world that operate a daily service. Here we will meet the beautiful Clydesdale horses and board our chariot to Granite Island. We will also be lucky enough to meet and greet these stunning horses in their stables and learn all about how they are trained and what is involved with pulling the tram. After morning tea we will visit Victor Harbor's National Trust Museum. Here we will be guided through the old Victor Harbor Station Master's Residence through their three galleries forming a timeline from pre-European settlement, whaling settlement and the establishment of Port Victor, the river trade and finally the onset of tourism in the 20th Century with the railways. You will have the opportunity to purchase your own lunch in town before we meet our driver and board the coach for an afternoon of touring Port Elliot, Middleton Beach and Encounter Bay. Our driver will share their local knowledge of the areas and point out places of interest, stopping at the best places which offer picturesque views of the coastal landscapes. Free evening tonight in Victor Harbor.

Overnight Night Caps Hotel Victor (B, MT)

Day #4 Saturday 5th October 2024

A relaxed start to the day, having breakfast at your own leisure and enjoy some free time. You may wish to sleep in or wander to the local farmers market in town. The group will meet at the Victor Harbor train station where we will board the Cockle steam Train for a 30 minute ride along the coastal cliffs of Encounter Bay and along side the River Murray to Goolwa.

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After lunch (own expense) we will meet our driver who will drive us to Hindmarsh Island, a river island that is located in the lower Murray River. Enjoying the air conditioning in the coach and a view from higher up we will continue our way to the Murray Mouth Lookout, here you will see where the Murray River meets the Ocean. Our driver will then take us back around Goowla and onto the Barrage which is the ocean side of the Murray Mouth. After an exciting day of touring, walks and stunning coastlines we will enjoy a two course dinner at our accommodation. *Overnight Night Caps Hotel Victor (B, D)*

Day #5 Sunday 6th October 2024

This morning we leave the beautiful Fleurieu Peninsula and make our way to Murray Bridge. Our first stop for the day is the old Tailmen Town Pioneer Village. The town was established in 1982 with their doors opening to the public in 1987. Since then becoming Australia's largest pioneer village showcasing over 110 furnished buildings within their periods for all to enjoy. We then make our way to Monarto Safari Park where we will be treated to lunch before a personalised guided tour of the large open safari park in the comfort of our own air conditioned coach. Our final leg for the day, free time to purchase your own dinner in Murray Bridge before boarding the Proud Mary River Boat, our home for the next 6 days. Our five night cruise departs from Murray Bridge where we will be welcomed aboard by the friendly Proud Mary crew. Enjoy a delicious supper at approximately 8:00pm as we cruise this evening and the Proud Mary's powerful floodlights illuminate the shore. It is a perfect opportunity to view the nocturnal animals of Australia in their natural habitat. Later the Proud Mary ties up for the night at Woodlane.

Overnight on board the Proud Mary (B, S)



Day #6 Monday 7th October 2024

Our cruise continues upstream as we enjoy a delicious breakfast before a mid-morning Proud Mary arrival in picturesque Mannum, the birthplace of the river boat trade. Here you may board the awaiting coach for an interesting tour of the Historic Mannum. Our guide will provide you with information. Lunch will be served aboard the Proud Mary as you cruise upstream to Walkers Flat. This evening is "Australia Night" featuring typically Australian dishes. Followed by a guided Nocturnal Discover Tour, an insight into abundant wildlife including the Southern Hairy Nosed Wombat.

Overnight on board the Proud Mary (B, L, D)



Day #7 Tuesday 8th October 2024

After breakfast the Proud Mary cruises further upstream. In the afternoon arrive Swan Reach and board the coach for a tour to Costa Brothers Almond Farm. Discover how this state of the art almond farm uses water-recycling technology to limit its direct impact on the river system and help secure the diverse ecosystem of the river. Also visit the Swan Reach Museum which is housed in the original school building that was built in 1917.

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Our cruise this evening takes you to Sugar Shack. Sugar Shack is part of the River Murray International Dark Sky Reserve which is an astronomer's paradise. The unpolluted skies and isolation from artificial light sources make the park one of the best places on earth to gaze at the stars. *Overnight on board the Proud Mary (B, L, D)*

Day #8 Wednesday 9th October 2024

We will wake this morning in one of the most unspoilt and picturesque areas of the River Murray. We will be taken on an environmental discovery walk of Sugar Shack. A highlight of your cruise is a guided cruise lead by an ecologist aboard a small boat through the lagoons and inlets of Big Bend. Catch the sunset as the evening rays glisten and glow on the limestone walls of the Big Bend Cliffs. This evening there is a traditional Australian barbeque on shore followed by live Aussie entertainment around a blazing campfire.

Overnight on board the Proud Mary (B, L, D)

Day #9 Thursday 10th October 2024

You can see the sunrise over the towering cliffs this morning with an early departure to the Ngaut Ngaut Aboriginal conservation area where we will be met by our local aboriginal guide and shown over Australia's first Aboriginal Archaeological digs. It contains galleries of Cave Art, smoke stains from ancient fires and an excavated campsite of a civilisation over 8,000 years old. Late afternoon arrive in Mannum for cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a formal Captain's Dinner. *Overnight on board the Proud Mary (B, L, D)*



Day #10 Friday 11th October 2024

Following breakfast the Proud Mary departs once more. Mid morning arrive in Woodlane and board the awaiting coach for a tour to the Reedy Creek Environment tour. We will be joined by a guide for a tour of this fascinating area. Discover this permanent watercourse from waterfalls, through swamps and wetlands. Reedy Creek and the waterfalls played a significant part in the lives of the ancient Nganguruku and Ngaralta Aboriginal Tribes. Today, lunch is superbly prepared using fresh local produce. This afternoon there will be more spectacular scenery before the vessel ties up once more in Murray Bridge, the Captain and crew bid farewell to guests and new-found friends before disembarkation at 4.00pm. Our final night together will be spent at the popular Adelaide beach of Glenelg. We will enjoy dinner at our hotel and for those that wish to can watch the sun set over the pier. *Overnight Stamford Grand (B, L, D)*



Day #11 Saturday 12th October 2024

Today after a cooked breakfast we say farewell to this lovely part of Australia, taking pleasant memories of cruising along the Murray River. We will make our way to the airport for our flight back to Launceston via Melbourne. Our Coach Captain will be awaiting to welcome us and deliver us safely home. **B**

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Important Information

We at Smith's Travel Club do our best to provide activities and tours for all to enjoy, however some elements and weather events are out of our control. Please be aware that on this tour activities will include;

- Walking up stairs to get to your cabin and common areas on the Proud Mary
- Walking tours, in warm-hot climates
- Walking in the evening when it is dark
- Unsealed and possible uneven surfaces such as gravel, grass or sand
- Getting on and off a boat, planes and buses (via ramp or steps)

Terms and Conditions

****Return Transfers enroute between Wynyard and departure Airport***

*Door to door service will be arranged for those in the Main Town Centre's of Wynyard, Somerset, Burnie, Ulverstone, Devonport, Latrobe, Deloraine & Launceston, Otherwise main town pick points will be arranged as per usual day tour arrangements.

Deposit of \$1,500.00 per person payable upon booking. Second Installment of \$2,000 Due 1st April 2024

Final Balance Due 15th Aug 2024 This tour is based on minimum numbers travelling and limited single rooms.

Cancellation Fees –Deposit is non refundable. 30 days or less prior to departure –Loss of 50% Tour Cost. 7 days or less 100% of Tour Cost. No refund will be made if you fail to join the tour on the departure date

Travel Insurance - We strongly recommend Travel Insurance to help compensate with unexpected circumstances which may arise before or during this tour. Application forms available at our office. Travel Insurance is not included in the Tour cost.

Past Passenger Member Discount - Current Travel Club Members are eligible for a discount, IF you have traveled on an extended tour with a minimum of 3 days duration, after August 2000.

Discounts - Only one discount applies per person.

Solo Travelers - If you are travelling alone and do not wish to pay the single supplement, but willing to share, Smith's Travel will endeavor to match you up with someone of the same gender. **If** we are unable to match you up with another solo traveler, you will be required to pay the additional single supplement.

Smith's Travel Club Reserves the right to cancel, postpone, alter or make amendments to the itinerary, accommodation, transport, costs or other services and facilities mentioned in this itinerary according to circumstances which may arise from time to time.

Room & Dietary Requests Special room and dietary requests will be accepted and passed on to our providers however Smith's Travel cannot guarantee these will be available. Not all accommodation offers walk in showers, lift services or portage. Meals included in itinerary as shown **B**=Breakfast **MT**=Morning Tea **L**=Lunch **AT**=Afternoon Tea **D**=Dinner **S**=Supper

Tour Participation.

Clients with disabilities are welcome, providing they are accompanied by an able-bodied companion and do not require special assistance from our crew or our service providers.

Smith's Travel reserves the right to decline to carry anyone, if it is felt the individual cannot cope with the requirements of the tour, or who may require services that we can not guarantee will be available. By booking on this tour you agree not to hold Smith's Travel, or service providers responsible of such refusal. Children under 10 years are ineligible, for extended tours, under 18 years must be accompanied by an adult.

Coach Seating Arrangements - To assist in getting to know one another and to ensure all passengers enjoy the advantage of forward and window seats, you'll be asked to change seats throughout the tour.

Suppliers Indemnity - The airlines and suppliers involvement in this tour is as carriers only and shall take no responsibility for statements in this itinerary relating to ground content and Smith's Travel indemnifies them against claim loss or damage arising there from. Smith's Travel and its agents shall not be liable for any injury, damage, accident or delays arising there from.

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Title.....Surname.First Name

(as it appears on your Passport/Drivers License)

Address.....Town.....

Post Code.....Date of Birth.....

Home Phone.....Mobile Phone.....

Emergency Contact Name.....

Relation to You.....Phone.....

Sharing Request (if applicable).....

Type of Share Please Circle

TWIN

DOUBLE

SINGLE

2 Single Beds

1 Double Bed

Exclusive Use

Do you have a Gold Smith's Travel Club Badge?

YES

NO

Name on Badge.....

Do you have a Yellow Luggage Tag?

YES

NO

Do You Require a Special Diet?

Please Circle

YES

NO

Please Specify.....

PLEASE advise of any medical Conditions/Disabilities/Medical Aides you have

We strongly recommend travel insurance, would like us to contact you for a quote?

YES NO

Any other requirements.....

Bookings:

Please call ahead and book on tour BEFORE sending booking form. You will be given an individualised booking reference number which you will use as your reference on each payment. Then send in your completed booking form to;

Want to pay Direct Deposit?

Cash deposit at Westpac branches or transfers from your bank.

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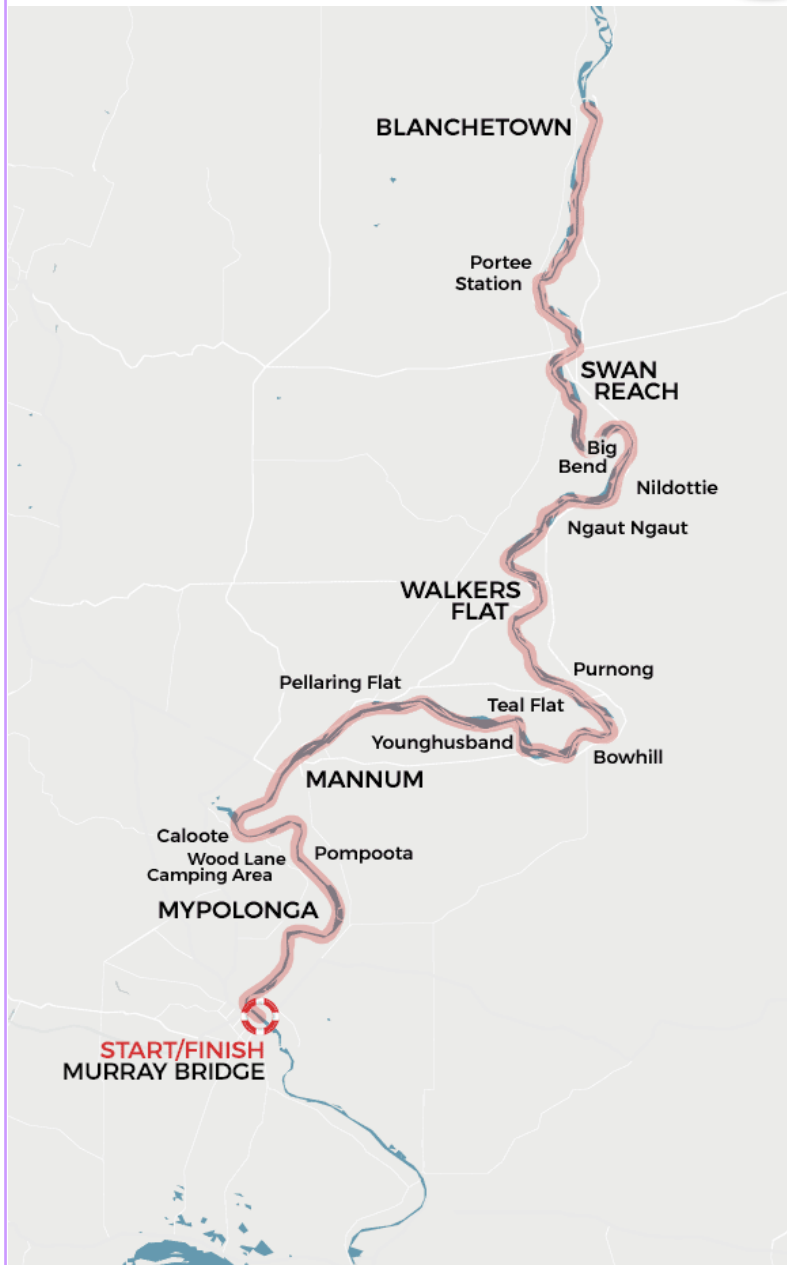
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Per Person *Past Passenger \$5,685.00 Full Price \$5,905.00 Single Supplement \$1,712.00

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Booking Form

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To confirm booking Send to;

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