



Join Travelrite International on the

Garden Tour to

Adelaide, Kangaroo Island and Victor Harbor

with Deryn Thorpe



15 to 22 March 2023

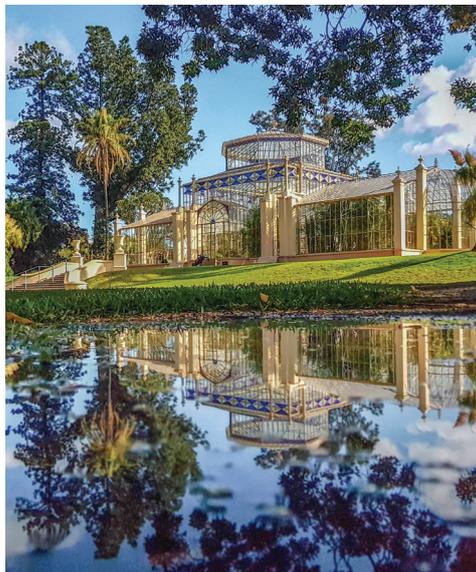
Deryn Thorpe is a fanatical gardener, passionate about communicating her love of gardening to others. She has been taking people on specialist garden tours for 25 years. She is an award winning garden journalist, writing for Gardening Australia magazine and other gardening publications. She co-presents the multi-award winning 'All The Dirt' www.allthedirt.com.au, Australia's most popular gardening podcast with more than a million downloads.

Deryn has edited garden books and worked as a garden TV presenter and is a regular presenter on ABC garden radio and a vivacious and popular speaker at festivals and garden clubs. She volunteered for six years with Open Gardens Australia and opened her own beautiful, cottage-style garden to the public. She is an Honourary Life Member of the Horticultural Media Association Australia (HMAA) and the Nursery and Garden Industry WA.

DAY 1 Wednesday 15 March, 2023

Adelaide

We meet group members at Adelaide airport for a 2.00 pm start to our exciting garden tour. Adelaide is a gracious city where the early settlers built attractive stone buildings. The city has a superb setting surrounded by green parkland. This afternoon we will enjoy a panoramic tour of Adelaide. We will see the art gallery, museum, state library, university and the casino. We will also visit the Adelaide Botanic Garden, for a guided tour of the restored Victorian Palm House which was imported from Germany in 1875, and stroll amongst 2,700 roses in the International Rose Garden which has mixed companion plantings for seasonal colour. The garden is also home to the National Rose Trial Garden which tests roses not yet commercially available in Australia. This evening we will enjoy a welcome dinner to meet Deryn Thorpe and other tour members.



DAY 2 Thursday 16 March, 2023

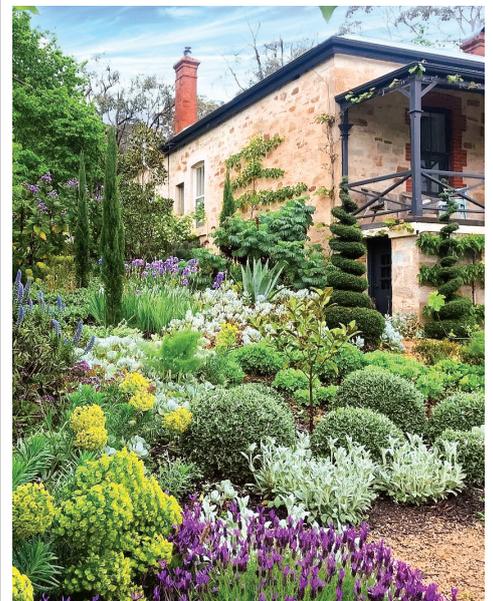
Adelaide

This morning we visit Al-Ru Farm named after Alan and Ruth Irving, who founded the garden in 1979. The 10 acre flowering country garden is filled with self-sown plants, and roses and has a wonderful backdrop of trees. We will enjoy an included light lunch before continuing to Hahndorf, Australia's oldest German town. It was settled in 1839 by Lutherans fleeing religious persecution in Prussia. In the afternoon we visit The Cedars, a 132 acre country property, which was home to the iconic landscape painter Sir Hans Heyson, his wife and family, including Nora, who became a famous artist in her own right. We will enjoy a tour of the house and the garden planted by Hans himself. We will have free time for an afternoon snack or early dinner before visiting a highlight garden, stunning Yalamurra created by gardener Kurt Wilkinson. He invited us to visit the garden in the early evening to see it at its best. He describes his garden as a wild blend of chaos and formal structures. Loose, flowing, cottage-style plants combine with strictly trimmed bushes including needle-like trimmed pencil pines. Kurt is a very individualistic garden designer and the garden, which has featured on 'Gardening Australia', has been described as 'outback cottage meets Piet Oudolf'

DAY 3 Friday 17 March, 2023

Adelaide

Today we visit Ray Brodie cottage, the 1868 stone home and garden of Brenton and Libby Roberts. They started developing their garden in 2012, firstly spending 18 months terracing the site to provide a space for the picturesque vegetable garden and front lawn. The driveway to the beautiful cottage garden is lined with 70 Manchurian pear trees and under planted with the succulent sedum. Brenton has developed the garden on a budget and there are many re-cycled materials, drought hardy plants and clipped shrubs fill the beds. This afternoon is free for individual activities and those interested can be dropped off at North Terrace where there is the Art Gallery of South Australia, the South Australian Museum and the University of South Australia's MOD, an innovative science and technology experience.





DAY 4 Saturday 18 March, 2023 Adelaide

This morning we visit Churston, a relatable small garden on a modest quarter of an acre block. Set around a Victorian house, the structured garden was created by the owners over two decades and has many 'rooms' including a woodland walk, a sunny rose garden and a productive garden with a home-made wicking beds and espaliered fruit trees. Two years ago the owners were part of a community project to create an adjoining 250m corridor planted to attract native bees and butterflies. This afternoon we visit to Carrick Hill and have a guided tour of the English manor-style home which was built in 1939 with a 400 year-old interior, which was shipped from England. Deryn will escort us around the arts and crafts Edwardian-style garden which has a large collection of roses, including important collections of old fashioned and Australian roses, a pleached pear arbour, herb garden, shade house, rill and vegetable garden.

DAY 5 Sunday 19 March, 2023

Victor Harbor

Today we travel to Wirra Wirra Winery in McLaren Vale which was started in 1894. We will enjoy a wine tasting in their attractive gardens, which are surrounded by a boundary fence known as 'woodhenge' made from threaded redgum trunks. We continue on to Victor Harbor which is surrounded by stunning beaches, islands, rocky cliffs, granite boulders, rivers and fertile farm land. In the early afternoon we catch the Cockle Train to Goolwa, a gorgeous riverside port town at the mouth of the Murray. In the early days of settlement locals would take the horse drawn train to Goolwa to collect cockles for bait. Deryn will meet those wishing to dine with the group for dinner.

DAY 6 Monday 20 March, 2023

Kangaroo Island

A coach and ferry take us to Kangaroo Island. Over a third of the island is protected in nature reserves, home to native wildlife like sea lions, koalas and diverse bird species. In the west, Flinders Chase National Park is known for penguin colonies and striking coastal rock formations. The afternoon brings us to the southern coast of the island, where we will have a tour of Seal Bay, viewing the Sea Lion colony and learning about their habitats before continuing on to the Remarkable Rocks in the national park. We spend two nights in Kingscote.



DAY 7 Tuesday 21 March, 2023

Kangaroo Island

This morning we visit the Parndana Community garden. It was set up by Sophie Thompson from Gardening Australia and other volunteers in 2020 after the devastating fires burnt out large parts of Kangaroo Island. There are herb beds on the perimeter of the garden and wicking beds around the central seating area to give an enclosed feeling. In 2019 retirees Max and Penny Smith began building a productive and pretty garden in American River on what was old cropping land. Now, Kangaroo Island natives and hardy perennials create a silver grey palette that complements the local landscape. Although totally reliant on rainwater there is now a flourishing habitat for local fauna, inspiring the garden's name, Riverwren. Deryn will make sure we enjoy our visit. We will enjoy a farewell dinner this evening to say good-bye to group members.

DAY 8 Wednesday 22 March, 2023

Departure

We travel by ferry to the mainland and then drive to the airport for our flight home. **Please don't book a flight departing before 3.00 pm.**

Prices

Twin-share per person: \$ 3895
Single supplement: \$ 695

Included in the tour price:

- Travel in first-class chartered coach
- Accommodation in three and four star hotels with daily buffet breakfast, a welcome dinner, a farewell dinner and a light lunch.
- Entry to gardens, attractions and sightseeing tours as detailed in itinerary
- Tour leadership by Deryn Thorpe
- Tour management by Travelrite International Pty. Ltd. with an experienced Tour Manager travelling with the group.

Not included in the tour price:

- Flights to and from Adelaide
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- Travel insurance
- Meals unless specified in the itinerary
- Sightseeing and general expenses unless specified in the itinerary
- Additional travel arrangements not in the detailed itinerary. These will be quoted for separately

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