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HERITAGE RAILWAYS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Visiting Adelaide, Port Augusta, Quorn, Pichi Richi Railway,
Wilpena Pound, Peterborough, Barossa Valley, Hahndorf

11 to 22 September 2025



Includes
over **\$2000**
per person value
in rail journeys,
sightseeing tours
and entrances!



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Experience the best historic railways, picturesque scenery and fascinating sights that South Australia has to offer. Your adventure starts in Adelaide before heading to Port Augusta for a ride on the Afghan Express steam train and north to Quorn for a journey on the privately chartered Pichi Richi Railway. Spend two days at the magnificent Wilpena Pound in the Flinders Ranges, see a memorable railway lightshow at the Steamtown Heritage Rail Centre, unwind in the German influenced Hahndorf in the Adelaide Hills and take part in a food and wine tour of the Barossa Valley. Finish by riding the HighLander steam train, the famous Cockle Train along the Encounter Bay coast to Victor Harbour where you will ride a Clydesdale horse drawn tram. There's simply so much to see in South Australia, and Travelrite's in depth escorted tours are the best way to do it.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- Travel in 4WDs through the rugged Bunyerroo and Brachina Gorges to spot wildlife
- Enjoy two railway workshop tours and visit Australia's largest railway museum
- Enjoy High Tea in a scenic bush setting after riding the famous Pichi Richi Railway
- Ride a privately chartered heritage tram to learn about the history of Adelaide's trams
- See the famous old Burra homestead, also known as the 'Midnight Oil House'
- Ride the Moonta Mines Railway to learn about the copper mining industry of the 1860s

YOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1 Thursday 11 September 2025 **Adelaide**

Arrive in Adelaide and enjoy a welcome dinner with your tour leader and group.

Overnight: Adelaide (D)

DAY 2 Friday 12 September 2025 **Port Augusta**

This morning, head north through scenic countryside to the Georgian-style Martindale Hall. Built in 1879, this grand country mansion, coach house and stables were constructed by wealthy pastoralists and represents the baronial lifestyle achieved by them. Tour the hall, before arriving in the Clare Valley wine region where you will enjoy a sumptuous lunch. Pause for a photo stop at the 'Midnight Oil House', an old homestead near Burra, famous for being on the cover of Midnight Oil's 1987 hit album "Diesel and Dust" and arrive at Port Augusta in the late afternoon. *Overnight:* Port Augusta (B,L)



DAY 3 Saturday 13 September 2025 **Afghan Express – Port Augusta**

This morning, you will see the rugged Flinders Ranges landscape unfold before you on a full-day Afghan Express return train journey from Port Augusta to the historic railway town of Quorn. Travelling on the original Ghan steam locomotive NM25 and genuine timber-bodied carriages built in the late 1920s, you will traverse the old Ghan route past red earth and bluebush plains and over the Pichi Richi Pass with its rocky outcrops, dry riverbeds and beautiful hilly scenery. Enjoy two hours of free time for lunch at Quorn and return to Port Augusta via rail. *Overnight:* Port Augusta (B)

DAY 4 Sunday 14 September 2025 **Pichi Richi Railway – Quorn**

Enjoy some free time this morning before touring the Wadlata Outback Centre which has unique exhibits offering a journey through the

history of the Outback. Drive to Quorn where you'll enjoy lunch. Later, take a ride on the privately chartered Pichi Richi Railway heritage train and travel on the original Ghan route, stopping for photos, sampling High Tea served in a bush setting and finish with a railway workshop tour. In the evening, you'll visit the railway precinct to experience the Quorn Silo Light Show, a starlit audiovisual celebration of the Flinders Ranges and the Pichi Richi Railway. *Overnight:* Quorn (B,L)

DAY 5 Monday 15 September 2025 **Hawker – Wilpena Pound**

This morning after breakfast, travel by coach to Hawker and visit the old Hawker Railway Station, which was completed in 1885 and was



used on the Ghan train line to Marree, tour the Jeff Morgan Gallery to see painted panoramas of the Flinders Ranges, model cars, rock collections and memorabilia, and enjoy free time for lunch. Continue onto Wilpena Pound in the heart of the Flinders Ranges, arriving in the late afternoon. Check in and enjoy dinner in the grounds of your resort.

Overnight: Wilpena Pound (B,D)

DAY 6 Tuesday 16 September 2025

Wilpena Pound

After breakfast, you'll explore the area's big-ticket drawcard, the enormous natural amphitheatre of mountains – the spectacular Wilpena Pound. Start by visiting the heritage listed Old Wilpena Station Historic Precinct, visit a few scenic lookouts before returning to your resort for lunch and some free time. Laze by the pool or take a scenic flight over Wilpena Pound, at your own cost before taking a sunset trip to Stokes Hill which offers 360-degree views of the surrounding Flinders Ranges with panoramic views of Wilpena Pound. Enjoy some sunset drinks and return to your resort for dinner. *Overnight:* Wilpena Pound (B,L,D)



Photo: Tourism Australia



DAY 7 Wednesday 17 September 2025

Peterborough

This morning, travel in 4WDs through the stunning Bunyerroo and Brachina Gorges, full of natural beauty and home to rock wallabies, kangaroos and emus. Travel to Hawker and enjoy lunch in the Old Ghan Restaurant and Gallery and arrive in Peterborough. On arrival, tour the Steamtown Heritage Rail Museum to get an insight into historic steam and diesel locomotives. Later, enjoy a Sound & Light Show



while sitting in a restored 1916 historic rail carriage which is placed on a turntable, while you move through the tunnels of time, to learn about the railways in South Australia. *Overnight:* Peterborough (B,L)

DAY 8 Thursday 18 September 2025

Moonta Mines Railway – Barossa Valley

This morning, travel south west to the former mining town of Moonta for a ride on the Mines Railway where passengers are taken past many historic landmarks of the former mining operations, including the reservoir, ore sorting floors, and through a tunnel in Ryans Tailings Heap. Enjoy free time for lunch, and travel to the Barossa Valley, renowned by many as one of the world's greatest wine regions. Check into your hotel in Tanunda and enjoy free time for dinner. *Overnight:* Barossa Valley (B)

DAY 9 Friday 19 September 2025

Barossa Valley

Enjoy a free morning, before embarking on a half day food and wine tour of the Barossa Valley. Start your tour at the elegant grounds of Château Tanunda to try their acclaimed Chardonnay and enjoy lunch, visit the iconic Henschke winery, which is known for their world-class Shiraz and finish at the historic Seppeltsfield Winery. Return to your hotel where your evening is free to wander the historic town of Tanunda to explore heritage buildings or wine and dine at a local restaurant. *Overnight:* Barossa Valley (B,L)

DAY 10 Saturday 20 September 2025

Heritage tram ride – Railway Museum – Hahndorf

This morning, travel to the St Kilda Tram Museum and take a privately chartered ride on their heritage trams to learn about the history of Adelaide's tram network. Enjoy free time at lunch and arrive at Australia's largest railway museum in Port Adelaide where you will tour the museum to see locomotives and railway carriages. Reach Hahndorf in the Adelaide Hills in the late afternoon and learn about Australia's oldest surviving German settlement. Wander the bustling main street to see German influenced bakeries, pubs, restaurants, cafes and smallgoods shops. *Overnight:* Hahndorf (B)



DAY 11 Sunday 21 September 2025

Highlander steam train – Cockle Train – Adelaide

This morning, we travel to the depot of the SteamRanger Heritage Railway in Mt Barker to enjoy a ride on the New Highlander steam locomotive through the Mt Lofty Ranges to the historic township of Strathalbyn. Later, reach Goolwa and board the famous Cockle Train and travel along the Encounter Bay coast to Victor Harbor. Upon arrival, enjoy free time for lunch and take a ride on one of very few horse-drawn tram routes remaining in public transit service in the world. Return to Adelaide and ride the historic Glenelg tram, the only tram line to survive in the city for your farewell dinner at Glenelg Beach. *Overnight:* Adelaide (B,D)

DAY 12 Monday 22 September 2025

Adelaide

Our tour comes to an end this morning after breakfast and hotel check-out. (B).



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Tour Price

Per person twin-share \$ 6,290
Single supplement \$ 1,250

Included in the tour price:

- 11 nights' accommodation in well-located first-class and moderate first-class hotels with private facilities, on a twin-share basis. Hotel taxes and service charges.
- Meals: Breakfasts daily; five lunches, and four dinners.
- Thirteen heritage train and trams journeys and experiences.
- Entry to all sightseeing attractions mentioned in the itinerary, except for those marked 'optional'.
- Transport by first-class chartered coaches throughout.
- Tour management by Travelrite.

Not included in the price:

- Return flights.
- Arrival and departure transfers.
- Insurance. Travel insurance is strongly recommended.
- All items of personal nature, such as drinks, room service, laundry and phone calls.
- Meals and drinks, unless specified in itinerary. Breakfasts, lunches, dinners, that are 'included' are marked B,L,D in the itinerary.



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General information and booking conditions

Touring can involve a considerable amount of walking and stair climbing in the places visited and it is important that all tour participants have a level of physical fitness that allows them to take part in this activity without the need of assistance from others.

TOUR OPERATOR: Travelrite International Pty Ltd. A.C.N. 005 817 0781 (Travelrite International) is the tour operator.

TOUR COSTS: The tours costs are based on transport, accommodation costs and entrance costs at 4 December 2024. Travelrite reserves the right to alter the costs if any of these factors change, giving any passenger that has booked the right to withdraw with full refund of monies paid or modify arrangements. No alterations to costings will be made within 60 days of departure.

DEPOSITS AND PAYMENTS: A non-refundable deposit of \$900 per passenger is required at the time of booking. Full payment will be required 60 days before departure. A 1.5% administration charge will be added to payment by Visa, Mastercard and America Express.

CANCELLATIONS: Cancellations within 60 days prior to departure will result in the loss of all monies paid. Cancellations outside of 60 days prior to departure will result in the loss of the deposit paid per person. Travel insurance is recommended to cover the costs of cancellation fees due to illness, death in family, etc.

CHANGES TO THE TOUR ITINERARY: Travelrite International reserves the right to make changes to the tour itinerary to fit in with operational requirements. Any changes to the itinerary will be replaced with similar arrangements with an equal or greater value.

MINIMUM TOUR NUMBERS: The tour has been costed on the basis of a minimum number of passengers having booked 60 days prior to departure. Travelrite reserves the right to cancel the tour, giving a full refund of all monies paid or offer arrangements to proceed with the tour at a modified cost if the minimum number is not achieved.

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BAGGAGE: All passengers qualify for 1 piece free baggage allowance.

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