

Join Michelle Marvig on the Travelrite International

Murray River



Quilting Cruise



on the Murray Princess

18 to 28 March, 2023

Visiting Victor Harbor, Adelaide, Kangaroo Island
and cruising the mighty Murray River



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Discover the delights of the Murray from Mannum to Morgan plus Victor Harbor and Adelaide. Highlights include cellar door tastings at Caudo Vineyard, a visit to well-known Banrock Station Wine and Wetland Centre, guided walks around historic towns, an Aussie barbecue beside the river; a visit to a wildlife shelter, sheep shearing demonstration and a guided walk through one of Australia's most significant aboriginal archaeological sites at Ngaut Ngaut Conservation Park. The tour is fully escorted and includes Murray River cruise and coach travel, sightseeing tours in each region and special events for tour members. We hope that you can join us for eleven days of fun.

Don't worry about coming alone

You won't be left alone - Travelrite will be looking after you and there will be sightseeing excursions or classes every day.



Itinerary

DAY 1 Saturday 18 March, 2023

Victor Harbor

Tour members will depart from Adelaide airport at 12.30pm. We will have time for a stop in the quaint town of Hahndorf – “Australia's Oldest German Town”, settled in 1839 by Lutherans fleeing religious persecution in Prussia. Hahndorf was named after the ship's captain Hahn, whilst dorf is German for village. We continue to our accommodation at Victor Harbor for a 2 night stay. This evening we will enjoy a welcome dinner.



DAY 2 Sunday 19 March, 2023

Victor Harbor

This morning we will visit Penny Lane Patchwork shop. They stock a large range of kits and fabrics including some fabulous children's fabrics. Early afternoon we catch the Cockle Train to Goolwa, a gorgeous riverside 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. On our return to Victor Harbor we will set up our project under Michelle Marvig's instruction.



DAY 3 Monday 20 March, 2023

Embarkation

Today we travel to Mannum arriving at lunch time. We have free time before boarding the PS Murray Princess mid-afternoon and sailing upriver while we enjoy a Welcome Aboard dinner. As we cruise under floodlight to our overnight mooring at Curnamont, you may see nocturnal wildlife on the riverbank. Watch for kangaroos, hairy-nosed wombats, tortoises, egrets and many other species.

DAY 4 Tuesday 21 March, 2023

Blanchetown

Enjoy a leisurely morning, with time to work on our projects, then enjoy lunch while cruising upriver to Blanchetown through one of 13 locks which maintain the flow and levels of water. This afternoon we moor opposite the township of Blanchetown for our overnight anchorage. As the last rays of the sun fade, we visit Burk Salter Boutique Winery and enjoy wine tasting at the cellar door, which is fitted out with beautiful red gum bars. After dinner, join us for all the fun and excitement, and participate in our “Murray River Cup” – the local version of the Melbourne Cup.



Michelle Marvig

Within two years of discovering patchwork, Michelle was working for an Australian distributor of American patchwork cottons, as a sample maker. This allowed her to work from home, around the responsibilities of her two small children. It also meant that she was exposed to many styles of fabrics, and stepped up to the challenge of designing quilts in all genres. It was during this time that her work was noticed by magazine editors. She was among the contributors included in the first edition of Australian Patchwork and Quilting magazine. Since that date she has been published consistently in a wide variety of Australian magazines. Michelle writes a permanent column in Quilter's Companion, Road Test, where she puts different products through their paces. She has presented 9 DVD's for Quilter's Companion, on a variety of techniques and subjects. Her quilts have received numerous awards at the NSW Quilter's Guild Quilt Shows. Since 2008 Michelle has escorted Australian quilters overseas on patchwork tours to America, Canada, Japan, Vietnam, Singapore and Europe for Travelrite International and Quilter's Companion.

In 2009 Michelle designed her first fabric range. Since then she has designed four more ranges, in a variety of styles. She has published five books, her last book on scrap quilts was published in 2021 and is called Lemonade Quilts. When not traveling on tours, Michelle teaches workshops around Australia, and New Zealand. She loves teaching others the skills required to make new quilt designs and understand the best way to use fabrics. She also loves to help others to find bargains in the patchwork shops on tour!



DAY 5 Wednesday 22 March, 2023 Swan Reach/Sunnydale

After breakfast cruise to picturesque Swan Reach. The town was first settled in the 1850s and was originally the largest of five sheep and cattle stations in the area and is now home to native flower and fruit growers. The original Swan Reach homestead is now the Swan Reach Hotel where you can enjoy an ale or cappuccino overlooking the Murray River. Join a walking tour and visit the Swan Reach Museum. After lunch as we cruise downriver we can take in the tranquillity as the landscape slides by or work on your project. When we arrive at Sunnydale, it's all ashore for the Woolshed Show where we take in some typical Australian woolshed history. Later we visit the Native Wildlife Shelter where some of South Australia's most interesting native animals are cared for. And then of course, there is the great Aussie Barbecue – cooked and served in a bush setting on the banks of the mighty Murray River. After dinner, there are two optional onshore tours to choose from (additional cost). A Nocturnal Tour in a comfortable purpose-built cart where you may see kangaroos, wombats, foxes, bats and owls and the Dark Sky Night Tour where you will be taken to an internationally recognised Dark Sky Reserve to observe the stars of the Milky Way.



DAY 6 Thursday 23 March, 2023 Younghusband

After breakfast, we slowly cruise downriver past magnificent cliffs scoured by the river over millions of years. Tour members will have time to work on their projects. We reach Ngaut Ngaut Aboriginal Reserve, one of Australia's most significant archaeological sites, for a step back in time – tens of thousands of years – for a guided boardwalk tour to view ancient rock carvings and to learn about aboriginal history in the area. We return to the vessel to cruise downriver to Younghusband.

DAY 7 Friday 24 March, 2023 Disembarkation/Kangaroo Island

We leave Younghusband and head back to Mannum. After breakfast we reluctantly say farewell to the PS Murray Princess as we arrive at the Mannum Wharf. We board our coach to transfer to the ferry, which sails to Kangaroo Island. After landing at Penneshaw, we continue to Kingscote, the largest town on the island. This is South Australia's oldest European settlement. We will have time to explore that main street and visit Patchwork at the Bay Window, which stocks a large range of cottage



garden embroidery, Batiks and wide backing fabric. Michelle will meet those wishing to dine with the group for dinner.

DAY 8 Saturday 25 March, 2023 Adelaide

This morning 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. On our drive around the island we will be able to spot wallabies, koalas, kangaroos and fur seals. We travel to Adelaide our home for three nights. Adelaide is a gracious city, where the early settlers built attractive stone buildings. The city has a superb setting surrounded by green parkland.

DAY 9 Sunday 26 March, 2023 Adelaide

In the morning we travel to the Adelaide Hills to visit Quiltaholics, which stocks lots of different fabrics and gives great service. This afternoon we will visit Carrick Hill a house built 62 years ago. We will enjoy a guided tour of the 400 years old interior, which was shipped from England. The house contains some wonderful antiques. The garden has a large collection of roses including important collections of old-fashioned and Australian roses.

DAY 10 Monday 27 March, 2023 Adelaide

Today we will visit the Art Gallery of South Australia. Housed within jewel-like 19th and 20th century buildings in the heart of the city's cultural precinct, the gallery has one of the largest collections in Australia, with around 47,000 works of art from across the globe. We will enjoy a guided tour of the gallery. The tour will focus on the gorgeous William Morris & Co exhibition which includes furniture, ceramics and textiles. After time for lunch we travel Hattie's Patchwork shop, which stocks a huge range of beautifully chosen fabric, patterns and wadding in the afternoon. This evening we will enjoy a farewell dinner.

DAY 11 Tuesday 28 March, 2023 Depart

This morning we travel to Riverlea Quilts. With 4,000 bolts of fabric, this shop can cater to many different tastes, from traditional to contemporary. In the afternoon we are transferred to Adelaide Airport for flights back home. We plan to arrive at the airport at 1.00pm.

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Price per person, twin-share \$ 4,895
Single supplement \$ 1,295

*Includes GST • The price for flights will be additional

Cabin Description: Outside Cabins open onto the outside deck and have picture windows. Each cabin has a private ensuite, air-conditioning, electric blankets, soaps, shampoo and towels and are serviced daily. Each cabin is approximately 12 sq metres. Most rooms have twin beds. A \$60 per cabin per night surcharge applies for cabins with a double bed, subject to availability. A limited number of cabins are available for single occupancy. Single Occupancy cabins may be smaller than standard twin rooms. All cabins are subject to availability. Please call for details on 1800 630 343.



Included in the tour price:

- Travel on the Murray Princess in the selected cabin category
- All meals, entertainment and service charges on Murray Princess during the Quilting tour
- Leadership and workshops by Michelle Marvig
- Sightseeing tours in Adelaide, Kangaroo Island and while on the Murray Princess
- 3 nights in Adelaide, 2 nights in Victor Harbor and 1 night on Kangaroo Island including breakfast in 3 and 4-star accommodation
- A Welcome and Farewell dinner
- The use of radio receivers during sightseeing tours
- Port and handling charges, cruise taxes and gratuities on the Murray Princess
- Professional tour management by Travelrite International

Not included in the price:

- Flights to and return from Adelaide.
Please speak with one of our friendly consultants for a quote.
- Travel insurance
- Additional travel arrangements not detailed in the itinerary will be quoted for separately
- Drinks on board
- Lunches and dinners unless listed



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: Tour Operator: Travelrite International Pty Ltd, (ABN 64 005 817 078) is the tour operator. The PS Murray Princess is operated by Captain Cook Cruises.

TOUR COSTS: The tour costs are based on general transport, entry, and accommodation costs. 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 price will be made within 90 days of departure from Australia.

DEPOSITS AND PAYMENTS: A deposit of \$900 per passenger for is required at the time of booking. Full payment will be required 90 days before departure for the Murray River Cruise tour. Cancellation over 91 days before tour departs the deposit is refundable. Cancellation under 90 days before tour departs will result in a loss of all monies paid. Payment may be made by cheque or cash a 1.5% administration fee will be charged on payments made by credit cards.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Travel insurance is recommended to cover the costs of cancellation fees due to illness, death in family, etc.

MINIMUM TOUR NUMBERS AND CONDITIONS: The tour has been priced on the basis of a minimum number of passengers having booked 90 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.

TOUR ORGANISATION: Travelrite reserves the right to change advertised entrances if necessary for the smooth operation of the tour.

REFUNDS: The tour is based on arrangements that do not allow for any refunds in respect to sightseeing, accommodation, meals, airfare or other services not utilized after the tour has commenced.

BAGGAGE: Due to coach restrictions, tour members can only bring one large suitcase.

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DELAYS AND UNFORESEEN EVENTS: You engage Travelrite International to book this tour on your behalf and you acknowledge that Travelrite International acts as your agent for the purpose of making contracts between you and the various providers of accommodation, transportation and other services that comprise the tour. Travelrite International may without reference to you provide or make available to you, or may as your agent engage any third party to provide or make available to you, any good or service which Travelrite International reasonably believes is necessary for your benefit to maintain the tour itinerary, repatriate you or otherwise accommodate, transport or sustain you in circumstances in which the tour itinerary fails wholly or partly for any reason. You appoint Travelrite International your attorney for this purpose.

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HOW TO BOOK: Bookings can be made by completing a booking form and sending it with a deposit of \$900 per person to:

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