Kangaroo ISLAND Visitor Guide

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"Worth every dollar!! 1st time on Quad bikes, really loved it. Amazing views and good customer service. It's a must to go Adventure ride on Kangaroo Island. Cannot wait to try again. Thanks guys we had a very good time.:)" Trip Advisor Review, 2nd April 2013, by Lohigow, Melbourne

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Welcome to Kangaroo Island

Kangaroo Island is one of the world's great pristine nature-based destinations.

Be greeted by sea lions basking on unspoiled white beaches, koalas dozing in lofty eucalyptus trees and pelicans soaring across shimmering lagoons. Kangaroo Island is a place that offers protection to huge populations of native Australian animals, as well as being a place of beauty and a place of escape.

Australia's third largest island, Kangaroo Island (or as the locals say, 'KI') has many large open spaces and is surprisingly diverse. If you traverse its 155 kilometre length you'll find soaring cliffs, dense forest, towering sand dunes, wetlands and massive arcs of bone white beach.

Remarkably, over half the Island is native 'oldgrowth' bushland, with most of it being preserved and protected, thanks to an innovative responsible tourism program. This means the experience you have today will be the same as the experience enjoyed by generations to come.

Kangaroo Island appears to have an endless amount of space, so you'll always find somewhere to call your own, somewhere to enjoy a little quiet time and let nature soothe your soul.

It may be wild in nature but don't underestimate the welcome. Some 4600 people live here, most of them primary producers, many descended from 'Islanders' who've farmed the local land and fished the seas for generations. Visitors are asked to embrace this welcoming spirit by partaking in the 'Kangaroo Island Wave' – a friendly gesture of lifting your index finger to acknowledge passing cars.

Towns like Kingscote, Penneshaw, Parndana and American River are places for relaxation and unrushed meandering enjoyed by locals and visitors alike. Whether you're in town, in the country or on the fabulous coast, you'll discover a real holiday spirit, not to mention accommodation options ranging from outdoor swags and lighthouse keepers' cottages to super-chic retreats.

Not surprisingly, being surrounded by fertile lands and rich waters, Kangaroo Island produces some of Australia's finest gourmet foods. Just across the water but a world away, adventurers should get ready to be amazed by the likes of freshly-caught King George whiting, sheep's cheese, marron, a unique variety of honey and an exciting range of varietal wines.

If that wasn't enough, discover a rich history, thriving arts community and the famed Southern Ocean Lodge – one of Australia's most prestigious and exciting wilderness retreats.

'There really aren't enough adjectives to accurately describe the beauty of Kangaroo Island. In fact, words can almost spoil the moment. Even photos don't do this wildly gorgeous destination justice.' Issac Bober, Symmetry, Australia.

> Remarkable Rocks, Flinders Chase National Park





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Cover: Cape Willoughby Lighthouse

Useful INFORMATION

Kangaroo Island is Australia's premier wildlife destination - a place where a little research and planning can transform a great trip into a trip of a lifetime.

CLIMATE

	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Winter
Average maximum temperature	21°C	27°C	22°C	15°C
Average minimum temperature	10°C	15°C	12°C	7°C
Average monthly rainfall	35mm	20mm	40mm	56mm

HOSPITAL

Kangaroo Island Hospital The Esplanade, Kingscote Phone: (08) 8553 4200

MEDICAL CENTRES

Kangaroo Island Health Service The Esplanade, Kingscote Phone: (08) 8553 4231

Kangaroo Island Medical Clinic 64 Murray Street, Kingscote Phone: (08) 8553 2037

ADVERTISING SYMBOL AND LOGO DEFINITIONS



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Eco certification program. www.ecotourism.org.au



Respecting Our Culture program. www.ecotourism.org.au/roc.asp 1

Accredited Visitor Information Centres are part of a program committed to quality business practice, professionalism, and designed to provide visitors with a consistent and recognised level of customer service throughout South Australia. These centres are dedicated to providing visitors with up to date, relevant information and in most cases make bookings.



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Howard Drive, Penneshaw Phone: (08) 8553 1185 or 1800 811 080 (freecall) www.tourkangarooisland.com.au

Open Monday-Friday 9am-5pm; Saturday, Sunday and public holidays 10am-4pm; closed Christmas Dav

Your one-stop travel source for accommodation, ferry and attraction bookings; gift shop and souvenirs; internet and wireless access; and travel advice information and brochures.



STAYING SAFE

2014

Phone 13 14 44 for police assistance or phone 000 for all emergencies. See the town facilities directory at the back of this guide for locations of local police stations.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

New Year's Day Australia Day Adelaide Cup Good Friday Easter Monday ANZAC Day **Queen's Birthday** Labour Day **Christmas Day Proclamation Day**

Wednesday 1 Jan Monday 27 Jan Monday 10 Mar Friday 18 Apr Monday 21 Apr Friday 25 Apr Monday 9 Jun Monday 6 Oct Thursday 25 Dec Friday 26 Dec

Thursday 1 Jan Monday 26 Jan Monday 9 Mar Friday 3 Apr Monday 6 Apr

2015

Saturday 25 Apr Monday 8 Jun Monday 5 Oct Friday 25 Dec Monday 28 Dec

SCHOOL TERMS

	2014
Term 1	28 January–11 April
Term 2	28 April–4 July
Term 3	21 July–26 September
Term 4	13 October–12 December
	2015
Term 1	2015 27 January–10 April
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	27 January–10 April
Term 2	27 January–10 April 27 April–3 July

THE CREAM OF THE CROP

The SA Tourism Awards recognise excellence in South Australian tourism. Awards are bestowed on those tourism experiences judged to be the most outstanding and of the highest guality from those who were nominated. Visitors can book award-winning Kangaroo Island tourism experiences with confidence when planning their next escape. The 2013 Tourism Award medallists on Kangaroo Island are:

- Kangaroo Island Gateway Visitor Information Centre
- Kangaroo Island Outdoor Action
- Seascape Lodge on Emu Bay

For more information on the SA Tourism Awards visit www.satourismawards.com.au





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www.QualityTourismSouthAustralia.com.au For more information on the Australian Tourism Accreditation Program contact SATIC on accreditation@satic.com.au



Marine Parks and new fishing rules

South Australia now has 19 marine parks that work together with fisheries management, to help look after what makes our seas special. They can help protect fragile environments from pollution and disturbance and can give the fish, sea lions, dolphins and other marine life we love, a place to breed and grow.

You can still fish in South Australia's marine parks. It's just in the sanctuary zones where you won't be able to fish from 1 October 2014. This gives people plenty of time to prepare for the new fishing rules.

Sanctuary zones are just like national parks on land, they are nature reserves you can visit and enjoy. For example, you can swim, dive, surf and sail in them. You can also motor your boat through them, even with fish and fishing gear on board.

More information



FIRE DANGER

During Fire Danger Season, generally from 1 December to 30 April, there are strict conditions for lighting any fire, including a campfire. On Total Fire Ban Days, all fires are banned. Avoid severe penalties by checking www.cfs.sa.gov.au before lighting any fires.

On days of high fire danger where high temperatures, wind and low humidity are forecast, know your risk and what you will do to stay safe in the event of a fire. Download the CFS FireApp or use the CFS Facebook page to stay informed. Observe the daily weather forecast and Fire Danger Ratings and listen for warning messages from the CFS on your local radio station.

Further bushfire safety information is available by contacting the Bushfire Information Hotline on 1300 362 361 (TTY 13 36 77) or visit www.cfs.sa.gov.au

EMERGENCY BROADCASTING

ABC broadcasts official warnings from emergency agencies at regular intervals on ABC Local Radio, ABC News 24 and via Twitter @abcemergency. For ABC Local Radio frequencies phone 13 99 94 or go to www.abc.net.au/emergency. 891 ABC Adelaide is also available via the ABC Radio mobile app.

KEEP SOUTH AUSTRALIA PHYLLOXERA FREE

South Australia is the only Australian state to have avoided an outbreak of Phylloxera, a plant lice that destroys grape vines. If you've been driving or walking in an interstate vineyard, please thoroughly clean your car and shoes before entering South Australia. Please obtain permission before entering a vineyard.

QUARANTINE RESTRICTIONS

Kangaroo Island has strict quarantine measures to ensure the future survival of agriculture and the environment. The following cannot be brought onto the Island: bees and honey, potatoes for consumption (unless they have been washed or brushed free of soil and are in new packaging) or planting, declared weeds, vines and vine cuttings, foxes, ferrets, deer and all rabbits. Severe penalties apply.



PETS

Pets are not allowed in national or conservation parks on Kangaroo Island. While there is a boarding kennel on the Island and a few accommodation houses that will allow pets, it's recommended that pets be left in care at home. If you bring your cat or dog they need to be registered with Kangaroo Island Council on arrival.

MOBILE TELEPHONES

Telstra Next Generation coverage is widely available across the Island; however, other carriers drop in and out, or have no reception. There is limited Optus, Vodafone and Telstra GSM digital coverage available from Kingscote to Penneshaw and adjacent areas. Visitors are advised to contact their mobile supplier for updated information before their trip. Public telephones are located at various locations around the Island.

SHOPPING

Groceries and goods can be bought from supermarkets in Kingscote and Penneshaw, and general stores are found in other town centres. Basic trading hours for stores in Kingscote, Penneshaw, American River and Parndana are 9am–5:30pm. Only some outlets are open seven days a week.

BANKING

ANZ and BankSA have branches in Kingscote, and an agency at Penneshaw and American River. There are ATMs in Kingscote, Penneshaw, American River, Parndana and at Flinders Chase Visitor Centre, while EFTPOS facilities are widely available.

DISABLED FACILITIES

Facilities for disabled visitors are being progressively established or upgraded. A guide to disabled services is available from the Kangaroo Island Gateway Visitor Information Centre at Penneshaw. For details phone (08) 8553 1185 or download the guide from www.tourkangarooisland.com.au

INTERNET ACCESS AND WIRELESS HOT SPOTS

Internet facilities are available in Kingscote, Penneshaw, Parndana and American River. Wireless hot spots can be found in Kingscote and Penneshaw (fees may apply).

BOAT MOORING FACILITIES

Pontoons are available at Christmas Cove in Penneshaw. Water, power and a sullage point are also available. No bookings can be made for the pontoons or mooring facilities. Payment for mooring is available at the pay station located adjacent to the boat launching ramp, with mooring fees varying depending on the number of nights you intend to stay. For more information on the sizes and number of mooring sites, please contact the Kangaroo Island Council on (08) 8553 4500.

BOAT LAUNCHING RAMP

There are boat launching ramps available at Christmas Cove in Penneshaw, American River, Emu Bay, Stokes Bay, Baudin Beach and Bay of Shoals in Kingscote. Fees apply for launching and retrieval of vessels, and can be paid via the Iron Ranger payment system located adjacent to each boat launch ramp. Annual permits are available on request. Please contact the Kangaroo Island Council on (08) 8553 4500 for rates. There are also beach launching facilities at Hanson Bay, Island Beach and D'Estrees Bay.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How long should visitors stay on Kangaroo Island?

To see all the Island has to offer, a minimum of three days is recommended. Three days will give you a small taste of the Island and allow you time to see some of the major highlights. However, anyone who has been to Kangaroo Island before will tell you that you really need about seven days to truly gain an appreciation for the people, environment, culture and geology of the Island.

What can I expect to see on Kangaroo Island?

Wildlife, wildlife and wildlife... but you need to know where and when to look. The best chances of seeing wildlife is on a tour, as much of Kangaroo Island's wildlife likes to hide away or come out only at night. In addition to Kangaroo Island's wildlife, you'll see a spectacular and diverse coastline, take the time to explore it. The Island has the tallest coastal cliffs in South Australia, some gorgeous hidden coves on the North Coast, and some of the best fishing and surfing beaches in Australia. The best part is, on many occasions, you will have the beach completely to yourself.

How many people live on Kangaroo Island?

Approximately 4600 people live on Kangaroo Island, with the majority located in the towns. Kingscote is the biggest town with about 1800 people, followed by Penneshaw and Parndana.

Is Kangaroo Island a wilderness island?

About one-third of Kangaroo Island is declared as national park, conservation park or wilderness protection areas. Given this, many people are surprised when they arrive on the Island to see so much farming land. What many people don't realise is that for generations agriculture has been the number one industry on Kangaroo Island – Islanders rely heavily on agriculture to sustain its population. This is part of the beauty of Kangaroo Island – it's truly a diverse island that has rich farming land, untouched national parks, unique little country towns, fishing villages and a coastline that is a photographer's dream.

Where on Kangaroo Island should I stay?

Each region and town has its individual strengths, and it's a matter of finding out which town is going to suit your needs. Many visitors like to divide their stay on Kangaroo Island between the various regions, giving them a better taste for what the Island has to offer and to cut down their driving time. Some people like to stay closer to towns, while others like to get away from it all. It's all down to personal preference.

Do I need to book accommodation?

Prior bookings are recommended as accommodation can often be limited, especially during peak periods.

Are there shops and restaurants on Kangaroo Island?

Kangaroo Island's towns have basic shopping facilities. With only a small population, the Island doesn't have huge variety or big shopping malls that you may be used to. There are excellent supermarkets in Kingscote and Penneshaw that carry a great range of products, with first-rate smaller stores in places like Parndana, American River and Vivonne Bay where you can purchase your essentials.

Likewise, Kangaroo Island doesn't have a large number of restaurants or cafés but the few places on offer have great menus, wonderful local produce and service with a smile.

Where can I find a Kangaroo Island TOMM Visitor Exit Survey form?

Kangaroo Island is very proud of its Kangaroo Island Tourism Optimisation Management Model (KITOMM) and rightly so! It has received international acclaim and ensures that visitors are given the best experience, while maintaining the environment and culture of the Island. When visitors leave Kangaroo Island, they're encouraged to complete a KITOMM Visitor Exit Survey. This allows the stakeholders behind KITOMM to learn from visitors, what they've enjoyed and where improvements can be made. KITOMM Visitor Exit Survey forms are located at the Penneshaw ferry terminal, Kingscote Airport and Kangaroo Island Gateway Visitor Information Centre.

Chat with the experts

This guide covers just one of the State's tourism regions. No matter where you are travelling in South Australia, you can get the information you need call or visit one of the accredited Visitor Information Centres featured on this page.

Look out for the 🖌 symbol.

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South Australian Visitor Information Centre	1300 655 276
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Kapunda Visitor Information Centre	1300 770 301

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Clare Valley Visitor Information Centre	1800 242 131

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McLaren Vale & Fleurieu Visitor Centre	1800 628 410
Strathalbyn Visitor Information Centre	1300 007 842
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Yankalilla Bay Visitor Information Centre	1300 965 842

FLINDERS RANGES & OUTBACK

Coober Pedy Visitor Information Centre	1800 637 076
Flinders Ranges Visitor Information Centre Quorn	1800 220 980
Hawker Visitor Information Centre	1800 777 880
Port Augusta Visitor Information Centre – Wadlata	1800 633 060
Port Pirie Visitor Information Centre	1800 000 424
Roxby Downs Visitor Information Centre	08 8671 2001
Wilpena Pound Visitor Centre	1800 805 802
Woomera Heritage Visitor Information Centre	1300 761 620

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Kangaroo Island Gateway Visitor Information Centre Penneshaw	1800 811 080
LIMESTONE COAST	

Beachport Visitor Information Centre	08 8735 8029
Bordertown Visitor Information Centre	1800 520 700
Millicent Visitor Information Centre	08 8733 0904
Naracoorte Visitor Information Centre	1800 244 421
Penola/Coonawarra Visitor Information Centre	08 8737 2855
Robe Visitor Information Centre	1300 367 144
The Lady Nelson Visitor & Discovery Centre,	
Mount Gambier	1800 087 187

MURRAY RIVER, LAKES & COORONG

Mannum Visitor Information Centre	1300 626 686
Murray Bridge Visitor Information Centre	1800 442 784
RIVERLAND	
Barmera Visitor Information Centre	08 8588 2289

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1300 768 582
1300 869 990
1300 661 704
08 8541 2332

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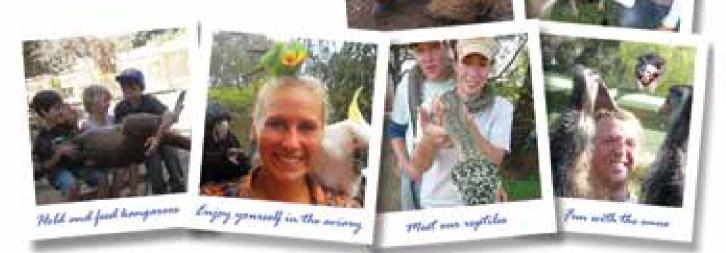
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Kangaroo Island Gateway VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE - PENNESHAW



If you're coming to Kangaroo Island, you need to speak with us

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- For all your accommodation, attraction and ferry bookings
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Open

Monday to Friday 9am – 5pm Saturday, Sunday & Public Holidays 10am – 4pm Closed Christmas Day

Contact

Phone: +61 8 8553 1185 Fax: + 61 8 8553 1255 Free Call: 1800 811 080 www.tourkangarooisland.com.au Howard Street, Penneshaw (opposite Christmas Cove on the way out of Penneshaw)









Council facilities for all ...

Camping Ground Facilities						
Town / Site	American River	Browns Beach	Duck Lagoon	Emu Bay	Vivonne Bay	Western River
Unpowered Sites	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Powered Sites	Х				Х	
Toilets	Х	Х	Х	Х*	Х	Х
Showers	Х	Х			Х	
BBQ (electric)	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Playground				x	X	
Beach Access*	Х	Х		Х	Х	Х
Pet Friendly	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х

*Not accessed directly from camp grounds, but available nearby.

Camping Grounds

Kangaroo Island Council have camping grounds at American River, Browns Beach, Duck Lagoon, Emu Bay, Vivonne Bay and Western River. Each campsite has it's own unique features. Fees apply for each location and are made onsite via a selfregistration booth (iron ranger). Council are unable to take bookings for sites.

Boat Ramps

Boat launching ramps are available at Christmas Cove (Penneshaw), Baudin Beach, American River, Bay of Shoals (Kingscote) and Emu Bay.

Facilities are varied and fees apply at some locations. Mooring facilities are available at Christmas Cove.

Electric Cars

Kangaroo Island Council has introduced the ability for visitors to hire electric vehicles and/or charge their own electric vehicles on Kangaroo Island. Electric vehicles can be hired from the Airport by contacting KI Transfers on 0427 887 575. Six charge points (at five locations) for electric vehicles are located around Kangaroo Island at the Airport, Kingscote, Penneshaw, American River and Parndana.

Waste

Ph: 8553 7260 www.frwa.com.au

General waste bins are located at all campsites, parks and reserves. Alternatively, waste can be delivered to the KI Resource Recovery Centre, North Coast Road, Kingscote. Open 9.30am to 4.30pm daily.

Please Note

Due to the nature of Kangaroo Island, please check our website for any road updates before travelling. *www.kangarooisland.sa.gov.au/roads*

Motor-homes and Campervans

To provide protection for our environment, Council have installed three 'Dump Ezy' units. These units can be found at Brownlow (Third Street, adjacent to the Nepean Bay Tourist Park), Penneshaw (Christmas Cove Marina) and Parndana (Jubilee Street, next to Community Health Centre).

Tidal Pool

Chapman Terrace, Kingscote

The Kingscote tidal pool is located on the Kingscote foreshore near the wharf. Sea water flows in (and out) of the pool in accordance with the normal tidal movements. No fishing is allowed in the pool and normal swimming pool guidelines apply.

Visiting Cats and Dogs

Kangaroo Island Council have by - laws in relation to cats and dogs on Kangaroo Island. Anyone wishing to bring their cat or dog with them should notify Council before visiting.

Public Library

43 Dauncey Street, Kingscote Ph: 8553 4516

Books, newspapers, DVDs, CDs, local history collection, magazines, public access computers and internet, wireless internet, pre-school story time (Wednesdays 11am) and school holiday programs.

Kangaroo Island Council

Dauncey Street, Kingscote SA 5223 Phone: (08) 8553 4500

Web: www.kangarooisland.sa.gov.au E-mail: kicouncil@kicouncil.sa.gov.au Office Open: Monday - Friday 9am to 5pm Report an Issue: Phone (08) 8553 4500 24 Hours



Drive on left in Australia

Take care when driving on Australian roads. Be sure to drive on the left-hand side of two-way roads. Obey the road signs and remember that speed limits are strictly enforced in Australia. You must not drive if vour blood alcohol level is 0.05 per cent or higher, nor are you permitted to use a hand-held mobile phone when driving. When travelling long distances plan your journey to include several rest breaks and ensure you have enough fuel for your journey. For your safety and enjoyment slow down, relax and enjoy the country pace of Kangaroo Island.



Getting here & AROUNE

There's something special about getting to an island. Whether travelling by car, bus, ferry or plane, your adventure starts as soon as you leave home.

Getting to Kangaroo Island By ferry

SeaLink, Kangaroo Island's vehicle and passenger ferry service, operates every day (except Christmas Day) between Cape Jervis, Fleurieu Peninsula (two hours' drive south of Adelaide) and Penneshaw, Kangaroo Island. Operating two large, spacious vehicle and passenger ferries, *Sealion 2000* and *Spirit of Kangaroo Island*, SeaLink has four departures daily, with additional services during peak times. Bookings are necessary. The ferry crossing is a comfortable 45 minutes, with the spray of the ocean symbolising the beginning of the adventure.

By coach

Mainland coach return connections are available twice daily to/from Adelaide and Goolwa to Cape Jervis, to meet up with SeaLink ferries. Hire car or tour pick-up can be organised for arrival in Penneshaw. On-Island connections are also available to/from Penneshaw to American River and Kingscote; while accommodation pickup and drop-off can be arranged at both ends.

By air

Regular daily services are available to and from Kangaroo Island. You can take a 30 minute flight operating between the main terminal at Adelaide Airport and Kingscote Airport (located 14 kilometres from Kingscote).



Getting around Kangaroo Island By car

If you wish, you can bring your own vehicle from the mainland, via the ferry, or there are hire car companies operating from Kingscote, Penneshaw or the airport. A 2WD vehicle is fine to use when driving around the Island, however some visitors prefer a 4WD on the unsealed roads. If you're hiring a vehicle from the mainland, it's best to check with your hire company their policies regarding Kangaroo Island, as some have restrictions on vehicles being driven on the Island. Limited cars are available for hire on the Island so advance bookings are recommended.

The size of Kangaroo Island shouldn't be underestimated. It's Australia's third largest island and takes two hours and 20 minutes to travel east to west, from Cape Willoughby to Flinders Chase National Park, and 45 minutes travelling north to south, from Stokes Bay to Vivonne Bay. It's much bigger than most people realise, so you must plan your holiday to give yourself enough time to see the sites.

The major roads between Penneshaw, American River, Kingscote, Parndana and Flinders Chase are sealed, well maintained and well signposted but the remainder are unsealed, and require reduced speed and caution, particularly on corners and when approaching other traffic.

Kangaroo Island has a small population so it's impossible to keep the whole road network constantly maintained. Sometimes the unsealed roads will be corrugated and in poor condition but this is part of the remote rural Australian experience. You're encouraged to always carry a spare tyre in your vehicle.

Fuel is available from Kingscote, American River, Island Beach, Penneshaw, Parndana, Vivonne Bay and KI Wilderness Retreat (near Flinders Chase National Park). LPG is available at Kingscote and Penneshaw. It's advised to fill up before heading out on a full-day of touring and be aware that fuel stations have limited hours, some closing at 6pm.

Kangaroo Island wildlife is precious, protected, and often active at night! Many of the roads are flanked by thick bushland so animals can (and do) cross with little warning and, in the case of larger animals, at speed. Play your part by driving with care and at sensible speeds, especially during dawn, dusk and night time – this is for your sake and theirs. Native animals become blinded by bright light. Slow down, dip your lights and take time to observe the wildlife. During the day, be especially careful not to hit goannas basking on the warm roads.

Everyone's very friendly on the roads and it doesn't take long to get caught up in the local tradition (dating back to horse and cart days) of waving at passing cars. To look like a local, just raise your index finger. The 'Kangaroo Island Wave' is a tradition that locals have carried on and visitors have embraced wholeheartedly. It's all part of the friendly culture of the Island.

Electric vehicles can be hired at Kangaroo Island airport and charged at charge points located in Kingscote, Parndana, Penneshaw, American River and Kangaroo Island airport. Look out for the orange 'C' symbol on the town maps.

Turn to page 46 for a chart of driving distances.

By coach

A SeaLink coach service runs twice daily between Kingscote, American River and Penneshaw, connecting with the SeaLink ferry service. Passenger transfer services can also provide door-to-door transfers between towns and the airport, advance bookings required.

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Cycling

For those with determination and energy, biking can be considered but this decision should not be taken lightly. The Island is large (155 kilometres long) and careful assessment of your fitness level and equipment should be made. Although, with a little planning, exploring Kangaroo Island by bike can be a great adventure, with magnificent scenery and plenty of camping spots along the way to rest those weary legs.

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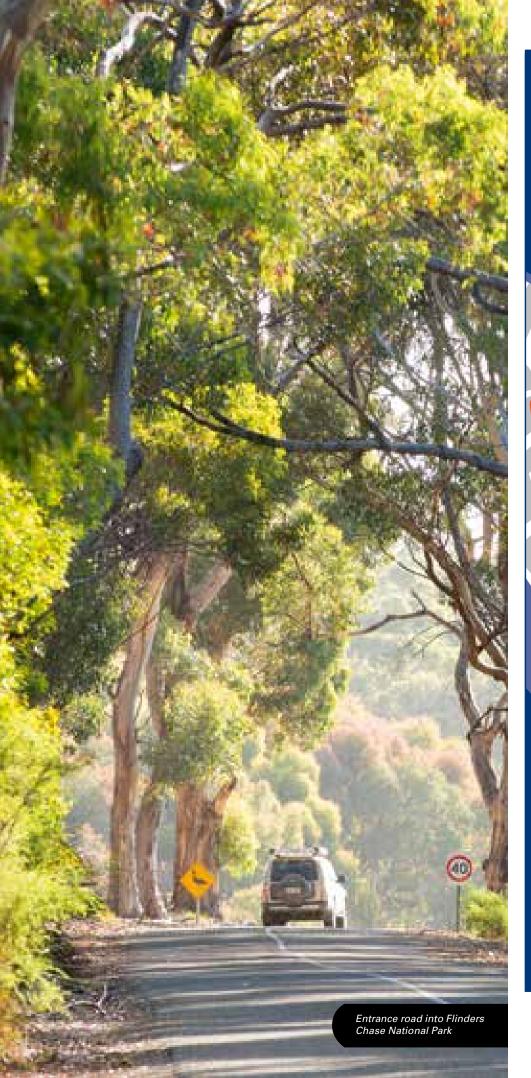
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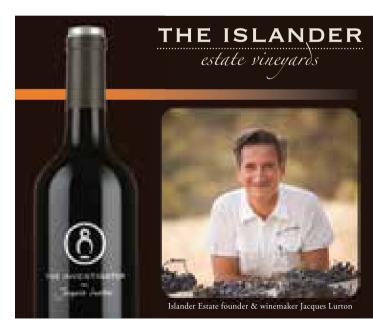
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EVENTS

With a yearly calendar packed with an assortment of events, Kangaroo Island knows how to put on a show.



April 2014

18-26 April Easter Art Exhibition at Penneshaw Penneshaw Town Hall

Running for 26 years, this event attracts exhibits from Kangaroo Island and the mainland. All artwork is for sale and the opening night, held on Good Friday, always attracts a decent crowd eager to see the artwork, hear the prize winners announced and perhaps make a purchase.

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24-28 April

Kangaroo Island FEASTival

Various locations, Kangaroo Island

The Kangaroo Island FEASTival is a five-day gastronomic celebration that features a degustation of over 15 extraordinary dining events around Australia's third largest island. Experience interactive cooking displays, cooking competitions, live entertainment and market stalls; share a home-cooked meal in the private homes of locals; and table surf with a group of friends. You can also dine as nature's guests at a collection of pop-up and wilderness events staged around the Island. Meet Kangaroo Island's food, wine and spirit makers, and learn about their produce and lives at exclusive 'Meet the Maker' soirees. Finally, the Tourism Kangaroo Island Signature Dish Competition is guaranteed to again deliver a new and exciting signature dish for the Island.

www.tourkangarooisland.com.au

October 2014

2-6 October

Kangaroo Island Art Feast Various locations, Kangaroo Island

The Island celebrates its very own art, food and wine in events, exhibitions and performances at around 30 venues, including galleries, cafés, shearing sheds and artists' studios.

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Penneshaw Market Day

Kangaroo Island Community Market

Stallholders travel from all over the Island, resulting in a wide variety of stalls, including homemade soap and candles, wooden bird houses and toys, wooden wares, gifts, photography, clothing and a whole lot more.

Hot and cold food and beverages complete the experience, as does the lovely backdrop of the coastline.

Kangaroo Island Farmers' Market

The monthly Kangaroo Island Farmers' Market brings the region's artisan food and wine producers together with the community and visitors in a social village atmosphere.

Meet Kangaroo Island's local farmers, growers, winemakers, home gardeners and artisan producers; and sample a great range of seasonal Kangaroo Island food and wine.

Stay for a gourmet breakfast or brunch, and then spend the day admiring the attractions of the Dudley Peninsula and taking home an Island bounty.

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November 2014

1 November

Kangaroo Island Show

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8 November

Parndana Agricultural Show

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28-29 November **Kangaroo Island Speed Shears** Parndana Hotel

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January 2015

18 January

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24 January

Kangaroo Island Gourmet Gallop Cygnet River Racecourse

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February 2015 13-15 February Kangaroo Island Cup

Cygnet River Racecourse

Spread over two huge days of racing (Friday and Sunday), the cup is the Island's biggest party. Attracting spectators and horses Australia-wide, it is fast becoming an iconic event. Off the track the action is just as good, with 'Fashions on the Field' and the always popular party tents.

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What an Event!

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Kangaroo Island Feastival 24 - 28 April 2014

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Kangaroo Island Food & Wine Gourmet Gallop 24 January 2015

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Food for PURISTS

Innovative, passionate and fresh - three words that best describe the people and the products behind Kangaroo Island's boutique food and wine industry. Kangaroo Island's pristine environment and isolation from the mainland provides a fertile ground for the growth of premium food. Visitors to the Island have the rare opportunity to taste nature at its best.

Local producers have been fiercely protective of the clean, green character of the Island and for good reason. Today, a stunning array of foods are produced, from high quality dairy products and pure honey to gourmet ice cream and some of the finest seafood available in Australia.

You'll have the opportunity to experience first-hand the skills involved in making some of the produce, with many food producers running visitor facilities for tastings and sales. The Kangaroo Island Farm Gate & Cellar Door Trail brochure provides a variety of tour suggestions. Pick up a copy from the Kangaroo Island Gateway Visitor Information Centre at Penneshaw and local outlets.

On a food tour you can find everything from regional cheeses and yoghurts to olive oil and native jams. The Island is also renowned for its honey produced from Ligurian bees, as well as free-range chickens and eggs. Any visit to Kangaroo Island is incomplete without trying the local seafood. There is an abundance of natural and farmed produce; from oysters, abalone, prawns and crayfish to whiting, barramundi, snapper and freshwater marron.

Many local restaurants, accommodation and tour providers utilise the Island's world-class produce, so make sure you ask 'what's local?' Or you can look out for the 'Eat Local' signs at retailers, cafés and restaurants that feature local produce.

Take a Kangaroo Island Culinary Adventures tour and join a local, fully qualified chef that will introduce you to the locals and their labours of love: producing, growing and catching Kangaroo Island's bountiful harvest.

Order from Hannaford & Sachs seasonal menu before you arrive and find packaged and gift wrapped provincial parcels ready to go, so you can unwind and graze, or dine at your leisure, without having to stop at the supermarket. You can indulge while relaxing in your accommodation or have the girls do the cooking for you.



The first Kangaroo Island FEASTival event was held in 2012, a part of which was the Tourism Kangaroo Island Signature Dish competition. Adrian Walker won the 2013 competition, with his winning dish 'Southrock Lamb Belly, KI baby potatoes with wild rosemary salt, KI red nugget lentils, Pure Island Dairy yoghurt and pumpkin puree'. The Tourism Kangaroo Island Signature Dish competition will be held again in April 2014.

On the menu

Ligurian bee honey

Jenny and David Clifford, of Clifford Honey Farm, have a collection of displays at their bee farm, which is a long-running attraction famous for the Ligurian bee and producer of one of the world's finest honeys. Jenny makes amazing honey ice cream but beware, it's one of the richest, sweetest substances on the planet.

At Island Beehive, you can watch the bees at work in a glass hive or take a tour. The centre is operated by Peter Davis, the founder of Kangaroo Island Organic Honey – one of the first, and among the largest, organic honey producers in the world.

Lobster and crab

Visit the Ferguson family at their fishing depot. View live lobster and King crab in the holding tanks, as well as local fishermen unloading the daily catch of whiting and other scale fish. Buy a live or freshly-cooked lobster or choose from the wide range of Australian locally-caught seafood, including prawns, oysters and crab. Try their specialty, a seafood platter prepared to eat there or take home, as well as lobster oil and other gourmet products, including cheeses.

Marron

At Andermel Marron Café, the Island's prized freshwater crayfish doesn't come any fresher. Visitors can view marron up close in the holding tanks and experience seeing the range of sizes, including juveniles (babies) at times and Blue marron.

Oysters

Picture yourself on a beach, drinking a glass of Kangaroo Island wine, watching the sunset and feasting on some of the best oysters in Australia. Local oysters are available at restaurants across the Island or visit The Oyster Farm Shop at American River for farm gate sales.

Sheep's milk cheeses

It's quite simple, sheep's milk naturally makes the best cheeses and yoghurt. Famous for its award-winning Mediterranean chesses and yoghurt, Island Pure is open daily 12–4pm. Visit the dairy door for tastings, as well as an extensive range of local produce and tours. Sheep are milked daily 2–4pm. Closed Christmas Day.

Farmers' markets

Purchase a variety of Kangaroo Island produce, all in the one place, at the regular Kangaroo Island Farmers' Market. Held at Penneshaw on the first Sunday of the month, buy direct and meet the very people behind Kangaroo Island's thriving food industry.

Restaurants and cafés

Kangaroo Island's restaurants and cafés are, for the most part, interesting, intimate and welcoming. They offer the best ingredients, a whole-hearted rural welcome and quite often, regardless of the cost of the meal, a million-dollar view. For more details pick up a copy of the Islander Food, Wine and Art Guide from the Kangaroo Island Gateway Visitor Information Centre and local outlets.

Eat like a local

Eat Local is all about offering you more opportunities to enjoy the very best of local food on local menus or shelves.

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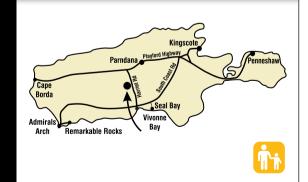
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Vines aren't new to Kangaroo Island, grown as far back as 1837, but it was only in 2001 that Kangaroo Island was declared an official Australian wine region.

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As always on Kangaroo Island, the main focus is quality, and each new vintage produces more complex and distinctive wines that are representative of the Island.

It would be unjust to leave Kangaroo Island without tasting a few of the local drops and there are plenty of opportunities to do so. A selection of Kangaroo Island wines are available for tasting at the Island's hotels, as well as cellar doors, local restaurants and cafés. Many of the local cellar doors are often hidden far off the main roads so be prepared to grab a map and plan your wine tour carefully, but detouring down dirt tracks is all part of the adventure. On arrival, you'll be rewarded – prepare to indulge your eyes, as well as your palate, with several cellar doors and restaurants enjoying remarkable views.

If you've got questions about the wine or winemaking process, there's every chance the winemaker is somewhere nearby.

Kangaroo Island's wineries and cellar doors are as distinct as their wines. A few highlights include:

- At Islander Estate Vineyards, you can tour (by appointment) the vineyards of Frenchman, Jacques Lurton. Originally on his honeymoon, Lurton fell in love with Kangaroo Island and decided to stay. Here, find out why he chose the Island to produce his premium wine range.
- Select wineries, such as Bay of Shoals Wines, Dudley Wines and Sunset Winery, serve up the very best accompaniment to any glass of wine: gorgeous ocean views and the smell of salt air.
- For a family-friendly cellar door option, you can't go past Chapman River Wines on Dudley Peninsula, which comes complete with a playground to keep the kids entertained.
- If you want to combine your cellar door experience with a memorable meal, put a few hours aside to spend at Dudley Wines, Chapman River Wines or Two Wheeler Creek Wines – it'll be a few hours well spent.
- Keep an eye out for False Cape Wines, in particular their trophy-winning Cabernet Sauvignon. Emu Ridge Eucalyptus hosts tastings of the award-winning Rookery Wines (sales available) and the new range of Kangaroo Island Ciders, complemented by a full bar license and cheese platters. Kangaroo Island Ciders are made from over 30 varieties of apples grown on the Island.
- Visit 'the big smoke' of Kingscote, Roger's Deli and Café, to sample wines from nearby Kangaroo Island Springs Road Vineyard.
- Tasted enough wines and looking for something to finish off with? Pay a visit to South Australia's only boutique distillery, Kangaroo Island Spirits. Make sure you try the honey and walnut liqueur.

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Kangaroo Island is the place where you can quietly 'go bush' and see native Australian animals and birds as they were meant to be seen - in the wild.

Kangaroo Island is a true wildlife sanctuary. Owing to its isolation from the mainland, the Island has suffered less from the impact of European settlement and retains more than half of its native old-growth vegetation – a vast area of some 2250 square kilometres.

Similarly, the Island has been spared the damage done by introduced species, such as foxes and rabbits, ensuring the integrity of native bushland. As a result, animal and bird populations have flourished.

Today, more than one-third of Kangaroo Island is declared conservation park, national park and wilderness protection areas. Because of this, Kangaroo Island continues to be a special and protected place, where you will be truly amazed.

Animals everywhere

Australian sea lions and New Zealand fur seals

Both species are native to Kangaroo Island and most famously seen in great numbers in their natural environment around Admirals Arch and the magnificent Seal Bay. At the latter, you can join park guides on guided tours to observe these playful animals basking in the sun, frolicking in the surf and returning from their overnight fishing expeditions. Over 7000 fur seals live and breed around Cape du Couedic.

Echidnas

An egg-laying mammal occasionally seen in the understorey foraging for ants with its sticky tongue, you can spot the Kangaroo Island echidna by their distinctive 'blonde' spine. During winter, echidnas form 'mating trains', where up to eight males follow a female around.

Kangaroo Island kangaroos

Kangaroo Island's isolation has seen some species evolve differently from the mainland species. This is evident in the Kangaroo Island kangaroo – a sub-species of the Western Grey kangaroo, which is smaller, darker and has longer fur than its mainland counterpart. Kangaroos and wallabies can be found across most of the Island.

Koalas

One of the Kangaroo Island's most famous characters, the koala (like the platypus and Ringtail possum) is an introduced species and their numbers have truly exploded. Unlike on the mainland, you don't have to try too hard to get your first glimpse of a wild koala.

Rosenberg goannas

This magnificent lizard, which grows up to a metre, is a predator of smaller reptiles, young birds and eggs, and is often seen on warm days basking or scavenging on dead animals along the roads.

Tammar wallabies

The Tammar wallaby is much smaller and has finer features than the kangaroo, and is abundant on Kangaroo Island. Mainland populations are extinct in south-eastern Australia, with only a small population surviving in Western Australia.

Other natives

On your travels keep an eye out for Brushtail possums, Southern Brown bandicoots, Western and Little Pygmy possums, bush and swamp rats, six bat species, six frog species, Black Tiger snakes and Pygmy Copperhead snakes.

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Driving safely

Kangaroo Island wildlife is precious and protected, and active at night! Native animals are blinded by bright light, so slow down, dip your lights and take time to observe the wildlife. During the day, be especially careful not to hit goannas basking on the warm roads.

Tips to observing wildlife

- The key is to get out of your car and walk among Kangaroo Island's many national parks.
- Take advice from national park staff and stick to designated walking trails rather than making your own.
- Guided tours take you to places that are known wildlife habitats, with experienced guides and interpretive signage allowing you to gain a greater insight into animal behaviour and ecology.
- Wildlife is mostly visible during winter. In summer, you are more likely to see wildlife at dawn and dusk.
- Wildlife is more successfully observed from a distance, so take your binoculars for a closer look.
- Most of Kangaroo Island's wildlife is nocturnal so consider taking a nocturnal tour.

Keeping the wildlife protected

Always put the animal's welfare first. Move slowly and quietly, and please don't feed them as human foods can cause illness, even death. Feeding the wildlife also interrupts their natural behaviour patterns, which are essential for their survival in the bush.

To report injured animals phone the Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources on (08) 8553 4444.

A wild island with WILD STORIES

Kangaroo Island is steeped in history dating back to 1802 when it was first sighted by European explorer, Captain Matthew Flinders.

Aboriginal inhabitation

The first European explorers found Kangaroo Island to be uninhabited, as evidenced by the lack of campfires and tameness of the wildlife. Since the 1930s, Aboriginal campsites have been discovered in a number of areas around Kangaroo Island, including one near the seal colonies of Cape du Couedic. Today, it's believed Aboriginal people were living on the Island at least as long as 16,000 years ago (before Kangaroo Island was separated by rising sea levels) and as recently as 2000 years ago.

Why the Aboriginal people abandoned Kangaroo Island (and how they left) remains a mystery. Intriguingly, mainland Indigenous people called it 'Karta' or 'Land of the Dead'.

Modern exploration

In 1800, the British Government commissioned Captain Matthew Flinders to explore and map the southern coastline of 'Terra Australis' in HMS *Investigator*. Flinders made the first recorded European sighting of the Island in March 1802. He came ashore on the north coast, and named it Kangaroo Island in gratitude of the number of roaming kangaroos, which was the first time his ravenous crew had found fresh food in months.

On the afternoon of 8 April 1802, as the *Investigator* tracked towards the mainland, a sail appeared on the horizon. It was a French corvette, *Le Geographe*, under the command of Nicolas Baudin.

Despite Britain and France being at war at the time, both parties soon realised that neither had hostile intentions. Information was exchanged about their explorations, with Flinders advising Baudin of the large Island nearby and the opportunity to replenish supplies with fresh meat and water.

Baudin returned to the Island in the summer of 1802–1803, mapping much of the rugged south and west coastlines. Many of the features along this part of the coastline carry French names as a consequence of this visit.



Early European settlement

The first non-Aboriginal people to live on Kangaroo Island were sealers, escaped convicts and runaway sailors who sought refuge here in the early 1800s. They led a selfsufficient, lawless existence, eating the local wildlife, and trading salt and skins for spirits and tobacco.

Australia's first free European settlement

The South Australian Company was established by an Act of Parliament in England in 1834, with its charter to establish the first colony somewhere along the coast between the Great Australian Bight and Port Phillip Bay. By 1836, the company had acquired a fleet of ships and chose Kangaroo Island to start Australia's first free European-settled colony.

On 27 July 1836, the barque *Duke of York* anchored in Nepean Bay and began the first formal settlement in South Australia, at the

place now known as Reeves Point. Several other ships soon joined the *Duke of York*.

Challenged by a shortage of water and building timber, the formal settlement was to last less than four years. At its peak, some 300 people lived there, and 42 dwellings and other buildings were constructed. Some persistent individuals stayed on and formed the basis of a community that prided itself on a strong sense of independence.

Reeves Point remains a testimony to the hopes and aspirations of these early pioneers. In 1982, the site was placed on the South Australian Heritage Register. Poignant reminders of the early days include the first European cemetery, the site of the first post office, early house sites, original jetty remains and the mulberry tree that grew from a cutting brought out from England with the first settlers.

Shipwrecks

Since the first recorded shipwreck in 1847, over 60 ships have been lost around the coast of Kangaroo Island, many with loss of life. The largest vessel to be wrecked off the coast was the 5800 tonne *Portland Maru* in 1935, which began taking water near Cape du Couedic before sinking close to Cape Torrens. One of the more notable, tragic events occurred to the *Loch Vennachar*, which sailed into cliffs on the west coast in 1905, with the loss of all 27 crew. Only one body was found and buried, unidentified, in the sandhills of West Bay.

Working the land

In the early days, as farmers battled to clear the land, their livelihood was principally derived from the bush. They felled and sold timber, snared possums, kangaroos and wallabies for their skins, collected yacca gum and distilled eucalyptus oil.

At the end of the 19th century, Kangaroo Island's pastoral industry was growing around sheep farming (wool was easily shipped to the mainland) and grain. After World War II, this was consolidated when the government established a war service land settlement scheme. Exsoldiers were to farm the undeveloped land on the Island's central plateau. One hundred and seventy-four soldier settlers and their families came to Kangaroo Island and were each allocated 1200 acres with boundary fencing, two dams, a small house and implement shed, and were required to clear and develop 800 acres for pasture. The cost of the house, shed and fencing had to be paid back over 30 years. The Parndana Soldier Settlement Museum provides an excellent insight into these times.

Lighthouses

The first lighthouse to be built in South Australia was in 1852 at Cape Willoughby. The 27 metre high tower is now open for tours daily and provides spectacular views across the coast. Cape Borda Lighthouse, which forms part of Flinders Chase National Park, opened on 5 July 1858. A small cannon stands nearby and was used to signal ships of danger and to signal at one o'clock so passing ships could reset their clocks. Tours of the lighthouse and museum are conducted daily. Nearby is Harvey's Return, the old landing site for the lightstation and historic lightkeepers' cemetery. Cape du Couedic Lighthouse was then opened in 1909. The remains of a jetty, water tank and storeroom can be seen at Weirs Cove, a spectacular site, from where the building materials and other supplies were hauled by flying fox to the top of the cliffs.



The ARTS

Meet the people who paint, the people who make pottery, the people who sculpt and weave, and take a piece of Kangaroo Island home with you.

The arts

From quiet achiever to rising star, Kangaroo Island is emerging as a top arts destination. Award-winning and emerging artists contribute year-round to a vibrant arts scene.

Kangaroo Island is an inspiring place for an artist and is rapidly establishing itself as an important cultural destination. Its vibrant arts scene lures new artists to its shores and taps into a seemingly limitless supply of homegrown talent.

Many artists are moved by the Island's tranquillity and soulful beauty. This sustains their creativity while a thriving arts community supports their art practices and encourages new and emerging talent. An estimated 10 per cent of the Island's resident population is engaged in a creative art form.

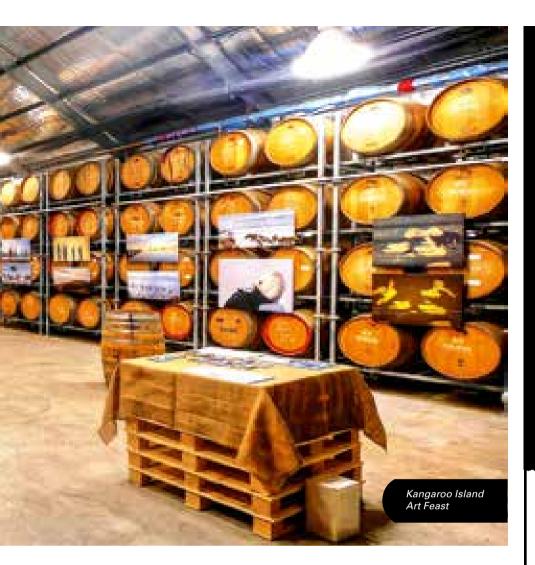
In the past decade, Kangaroo Island has earned a reputation for producing both unique and high quality artwork, with many artists enjoying national and international acclaim. Kangaroo Island's artists regularly feature in major mainland exhibitions and art competitions, such as the prestigious Waterhouse Natural History Art Prize.

Exhibition spaces and outlets

Discover one of the many galleries, studios and art spaces across Kangaroo Island where artisans produce their work. There are places to view paintings, drawings, print making, photography, sculpture, jewellery, woodwork, ceramics, textiles, hot glass work and leadlight.

Installation and public art

Scattered across the Island are plenty of locations to admire the public work of local artists, including the recent installation of a 175th commemorative contemporary sculpture by Deb Sleeman, a historic door mural by Jenny Clapson in Kingscote, Dave Clarke's Nicolas Baudin at Baudin Beach sculpture, Shep's striking mural at Stokes Bay, Indianna James' Contemplation Seat adjacent to Frenchman's Rock and significant sculptural works at each of the entrances to the Island's four main towns.



Annual events

With an annual calendar packed with art events there is something for visiting artists, art lovers or interested onlookers.

The Penneshaw Easter Art Exhibition is an annual event of over 26 years and draws entries from on and off the Island. Over the Easter holiday, other Kangaroo Island galleries stage themed exhibitions.

In July, Kangaroo Island celebrates Settlement Day. White settlement officially occurred on Kangaroo Island before Adelaide and to mark the occasion, Kangaroo Island Gallery holds its annual exhibition, as it has done for 23 years.

In August, the South Australian Living Artists (SALA) Festival is held across the state and each year Kangaroo Island's galleries participate. Winter provides a quieter opportunity to visit the Island and chat with working artists in residence and view their creations. Spring adds an extra dimension to the Island's art scene, with the Kangaroo Island Art Feast in bloom for 10 days in October. The event is the Island's biggest celebration of its art, food and wine, visual art exhibitions and activities, and performances. Experiences are offered at venues around the Island, including galleries, private homes and gardens, wineries and community venues.

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Tourism for TOMORROW

Few places in the world are as committed to sustainable tourism the same way Kangaroo Island is.



Kangaroo Island is protected through conservation zoning, wildlife reserves and heritage listings. It's also protected for the simple reason that Island people are dedicated to keeping it special, for locals and visitors alike. The reason you visit is the same reason residents love to live here.

In 1997, the Kangaroo Island community drove the development of an innovative model to monitor the effect of tourism – the Kangaroo Island Tourism Optimisation Management Model (KITOMM).

Recognised across the globe, KITOMM monitors the long-term health of Kangaroo Island as a tourism destination by measuring a series of environmental, social, experiential and economic indicators. These in turn provide a raft of information about the positive and negative effects tourism has on Kangaroo Island.

The information generated from KITOMM is then used to make better decisions regarding the health of Kangaroo Island as a tourism destination, all based on relevant information and knowledge.

More than just a project, it's a committed partnership between core government agencies who are responsible for managing Kangaroo Island's resources, as well as key stakeholders, including Tourism Kangaroo Island, the KI Natural Resource Management Board, Kangaroo Island Council, South Australian Tourism Commission, Kangaroo Island's tourism businesses and the local community. For more information on the Kangaroo Island Tourism Optimisation Management Model visit www.tomm.info and www.tourkangarooisland.com.au

A few guidelines to help protect Kangaroo Island

Quarantine matters

Many of Australia's pests and diseases are not found on the Island. You can help preserve the purity of Kangaroo Island by ensuring pests and diseases fail to make it across the sea. Significant penalties apply for bringing in honey products, bee-handling equipment and potatoes (unless washed or brushed free of soil, in new packaging and are only to be used for consumption). Vines are not to be brought onto the Island without prior inspection and approval. Foxes, ferrets, deers and all rabbits are also prohibited. Before arriving on Kangaroo Island, be sure to clean camping gear and hiking boots to prevent the invasion of weed seeds.

Beach driving

Preserve our beautiful beaches and coastal wildlife. Emu Bay is the only beach where vehicles are permitted onto the sand, unless you are using a boat ramp to launch a boat.

Wildlife disturbance

Keep dogs controlled or on a leash at all times. When viewing penguins, move slowly and speak softly so you don't frighten them. Birds of prey such as White-bellied Sea eagles and Ospreys are prone to disturbance in spring and summer when nesting – if you see one or two birds circling and calling, please leave the area to minimise risk to their young.

Walking

In the bush, follow the designated walking trails provided. Help prevent the spread of the phytophthora fungus by cleaning your shoes or boots of any soil after walking. Many of the trails have cleaning stations. Feel free to admire the beautiful species of wildflowers and plants but please leave them undisturbed. Pets are prohibited in all protected areas.

Driving

Travelling between places is part of the Kangaroo Island experience but remember wildlife is always close to the roadsides. Allow plenty of time to get to your next destination so there is no need to rush. Expect to see wildlife on or by the road so please slow down, especially at dusk and night, to avoid killing or injuring wildlife. If you spot something of interest, pull off to the side of the road in a safe location and observe from a distance.

Feeding wildlife

Please keep the local wildlife wild. Animals are quite happy to feed themselves because they know what is good for them and quite often human food is bad for their health. Just remember to observe, not interact.

How you can help

Help make better decisions about tourism by taking the time to complete a KITOMM Visitor Exit Survey, which can be found at the airport, ferry terminal or the Kangaroo Island Gateway Visitor Information Centre.

Even if you've visited Kangaroo Island before, please complete a survey again – information about every visit is valuable!

Be a part of this world-leading tourism model and help the Island maintain its precious natural, social and cultural resources for future generations.

A coast with THE MOST

The Kangaroo Island coastline is large enough to bestow a real sense of peace, wild enough to harbour a few secrets and small enough to tour.

Measuring 540 kilometres in total, Kangaroo Island's coastline has everything from surfpounded cliffs and becalmed coves to famous sweeps of sand and secret rocky inlets. Yet, in spite of the diversity, you don't have to travel far to enjoy spectacular contrasts.

The possibilities for recreation are equally diverse. Surfers, fishermen, wreck-divers, wildlife lovers and people who simply love to feel the sand between their toes, all relish the Island fringes.

Surfing

Kangaroo Island surfing is a well kept secret, prized for its quality and quantity of uncrowded surf breaks. Stokes Bay and Vivonne Bay are suitable for beginners, with beach breaks producing quality waves for more advanced surfers. There are numerous surfing spots on the Island for experienced surfers and most are accessible by car. A Kangaroo Island surfing guide is available at the Kangaroo Island Gateway Visitor Information Centre and www.tourkangarooisland.com.au

Scuba diving

The waters off Kangaroo Island provide some of the best temperate water diving in Australia. Descending to 20–24 metres, you'll marvel at walls of gorgonian coral and magnificent fish, including Blue devil, Harlequin, Truncate coralfish and boarfish. Keep an eye out for the elusive Leafy Sea dragon, which is endemic to the waters off southern Australia, including Kangaroo Island. Along Kangaroo Island's coastline over 60 recorded shipwrecks are strewn across the ocean floor, some of them accessible to divers and fascinating to explore.

Fishing

Home to some of the finest eating and game fish in southern waters, fishing fanatics from far and wide flock to Kangaroo Island's waters. Whether you want to dangle a line from a jetty, cast a line from one of the numerous beaches or charter a deep-sea boat, Kangaroo Island won't disappoint. Fishing rods are available for hire from the Kangaroo Island Gateway Visitor Information Centre.

Snorkelling

With abundant marine life close to shore and crystal clear water, Kangaroo Island's beaches and coast offer great snorkelling options. There are several tour companies that will escort you to the prime viewing spots.

Swimming

With the ocean shimmering an inviting aquamarine colour, you'll want to take a dip in one of the many beaches and coves. Generally, the North Coast provides safe swimming areas for all ages, while the South Coast is more rugged, with some areas requiring particular care.

Sailing

Clear water, jaw-dropping scenery and isolated coves make for impressive sailing. Nepean Bay has year-round sheltered cruising for day sailing and the North Coast provides numerous spectacular anchorages on longer voyages.

Marine tours

Kangaroo Island's marine environment is nationally-recognised and a marine tour will allow you to explore the underwater world, gain an insight into the lives of dolphins and coastal birds, or even enjoy a chance encounter with seals.





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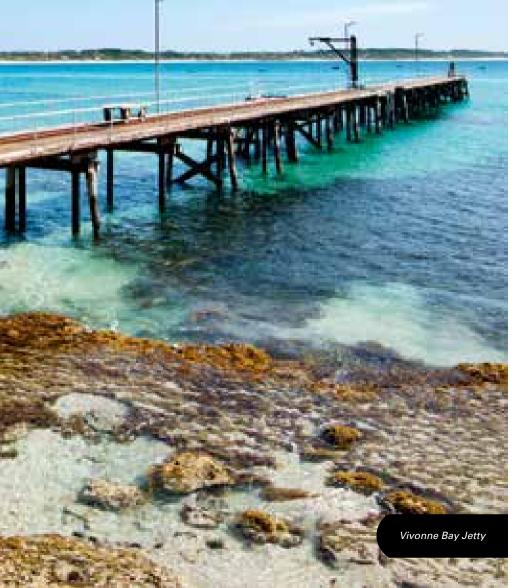
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World-famous natural landmarks

Flinders Chase National Park is home to two iconic landmarks. Remarkable Rocks' surreal beauty has been sculpted by the elements over 500 million years. The granite rocks overlook a stunning ocean view offering endless photo opportunities. Just 10 minutes' drive from the rocks, Admirals Arch frames New Zealand fur seals basking on a rocky shoreline. Watch the fierce ocean swells of the Western Kangaroo Island Marine Park from the safety of the boardwalk and viewing platform.

Extend your stay in unique accommodation and campsites

A range of beautifully restored, self-contained accommodation and campsites are available in Kangaroo Island parks. Flinders Chase National Park offers three lighthouse keepers' cottages nestled near the beautiful Cape de Couedic Lighthouse on the south-west corner of the Island, with easy access to Admirals Arch and Remarkable Rocks. Two pioneer cottages at Rocky River offer a scenic base for exploring the park close to the visitor centre. The park is also home to four campgrounds with varying facilities. Set up camp near a tranquil bay or among native bushland.

Cape Borda Lightstation, in Kangaroo Island's north-west, has a lighthouse keeper's cottage, small cabin and quaint bunk house, with a gift shop, as well as picnic and barbecue facilities located nearby.

Cape Willoughby Conservation Park, on the eastern-most point of Kangaroo Island, has two lighthouse keepers' cottages with spectacular views of Backstairs Passage, in the Encounter Marine Park.

Enjoy swimming, bushwalking and birdwatching while camping at Cape Gantheaume Conservation Park or Lashmar Conservation Park.

Walk through wilderness

A network of walking trails and boardwalks of varying levels of difficulty criss-cross Kangaroo Island's national parks. Experienced hikers can traverse the true wilderness of the Ravine des Casoars hike or enjoy Southern Kangaroo Island Marine Park's spectacular coastal scenery on the Cape Gantheaume Coastal Trek. Visitors hiking and/or camping in remote parks are required to discuss their route with a ranger and complete a trip intentions form available at www.parks.sa.gov.au

MORE INFORMATION

Purchasing a Kangaroo Island Tour Pass is the best way to see Kangaroo Island's natural attractions. More information, guides, maps, accommodation and camping details, the latest fire information and personal safety information is available from Natural Resources Centre Kangaroo Island on (08) 8553 4444 or (08) 8553 4490. Alternatively, you can visit www.naturalresources.sa.gov.au/ kangarooisland. More information on heritage accommodation is available at www.kiparksaccom@sa.gov.au Like national parks? Join National Parks South Australia on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ParksSA

Meet the locals at Seal Bay

Home to the third largest colony of Australian sea lions in the world, Seal Bay is Kangaroo Island's premier attraction. There are no enclosures or cages at Seal Bay. Instead visitors can take a 45 minute beach tour into the heart of the colony where they are given a unique insight into how these endangered animals fish, surf, rest, interact with their pups and defend their territory. Multi-lingual audio tours are available on all beach tours. Alternatively, the specially-constructed 800 metre return boardwalk to the Seal Bay Lookout is ideal for those short on time or with access needs. The lookout offers picture perfect views of Cape Gantheaume and the Southern Kangaroo Island Marine Park, which protects part of the sea lions' feeding grounds. Tour and boardwalk fees apply. All tours can be purchased at the visitor centre and are run at regular intervals from 9am. Seal Bay offers private extended Twilight Tours during South Australian daylight savings (additional fees apply, advanced bookings required). Please call (08) 8553 4463 for details. Nearby Bales Bay picnic area has gas barbecue facilities and is only a short drive to Bales Beach.

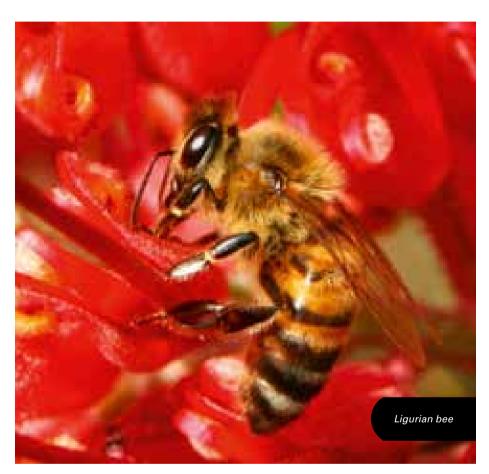
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Wildflowers, BIRDS & BEES

Kangaroo Island is home to 267 species of birds, 891 species of native plants and a rare bee species.



Birds

Kangaroo Island is a paradise for birdwatchers. Some 267 recorded species of birds can be found among a diverse range of habitats, including coastal cliffs, beaches and estuaries; heath and mallee; river and creek systems; and wetlands and lagoons. Duck Lagoon, Murray Lagoon and Pelican Lagoon are some of the better known locations for birdwatching. Kangaroo Island is excellent for spotting waders and seabirds, while bush birds thrive in the large parks. One of the most prized sightings is the very rare Glossy Black cockatoo. Two of the Island's most famous avian residents are the Little penguin and pelican. Little penguins are found around the coastline, living and breeding in burrows under shrubs, rocks and other sheltered places. Listen out for their noisy call, which can be heard at night. For a look at these fascinating creatures, guided tours are conducted each evening at Penneshaw, excluding 1–21 February due to penguin breeding cycles.

Bring your camera, because the Pelican Man provides an entertaining and informative talk about the pelicans and other sea birds, while encouraging their participation with fish treats at the wharf area, 5pm daily.

Plants and wildflowers

Kangaroo Island is home to 891 native plant species, as well as at least 300 non-native species that have been introduced from other parts of the world.

Over 400 Kangaroo Island species are found in Flinders Chase National Park, making it the most representative area of original flora.

Due to its isolation from the mainland, Kangaroo Island has 46 endemic plant species. Some, like the tetrathecas, are very beautiful, others, like the prickly Kangaroo Island conestick, are more remarkable for their uniqueness.

Wildflowers are found in every season, although September and October enjoy spectacular flowering displays. Spring is the best time to see golden wattle (Australia's floral emblem), with many species of wattle providing a mass of vivid yellow stretching from Penneshaw to Cape Borda.

Other flowering plants that bring a splash of colour to the bush include scarlet bottlebrush, cockies tongue, purple fringe-lily, green and red correa, and azure daisy bush. There are also more than 60 different species of orchid found on the Island.

The Ligurian bee

The Ligurian bee story started in 1884 when the South Australian Chamber of Manufacturers sent Ligurian bees to two Kangaroo Island farmers, John Buick of American River and John Turner of Smiths Bay. One year later, other Island residents received Ligurian Queen bees, imported from Bologna, Italy. This resulted in the South Australian parliament proclaiming Kangaroo Island a sanctuary for these unique Ligurian bees in September 1885.

Kangaroo Island's Ligurian bees are unique in the world, renowned for their gentle nature and productivity. These characteristics make them a valuable genetic pool for breeding purposes. Mated queen bees are regularly exported interstate and overseas.

In recognition of Kangaroo Island's bee sanctuary status, legislation was introduced in 1931 prohibiting the importation of bees and second-hand bee-keeping equipment to the Island. Since then, the identification of Foul Brood Disease in mainland hives has necessitated the banning of all bee products to the Island, to ensure that the Ligurian bee remains disease-free.



Whether you're in a five-star suite, a lighthouse keeper's cottage or a swag under the stars, you'll love waking up to Kangaroo Island.

Kangaroo Island accommodation has dramatically changed over the past decade. Today, you'll find a truly eclectic range of accommodation, not only satisfying diverse tastes and budgets but also ensuring a holiday experience that gets the most out of the exceptional surroundings.

Of course, Kangaroo Island has one of the world's luxury lodges, Southern Ocean Lodge. This spectacular cliff top eco-resort is truly something to write home about (in fact, international travel writers have done just that), drawing inspiration from the world's finest wilderness lodges to deliver a unique Australian experience, in a unique Australian setting.

But imagination, intimacy and beauty aren't exclusive to Kangaroo Island's premium products. On Kangaroo Island, space, solace and views are enjoyed by people staying in all types of accommodation. It could be in re-styled beach shacks, wilderness lodges wrought from natural timbers, historic lighthouse keepers' cottages, or state-of-theart steel and glass constructions designed to let the indoors out and the outdoors in.

Eco-accommodation is enjoying real success on the Island. These lodges and retreats are sensitively located, sustainably run and designed to immerse guests into the middle of the natural action. You'll find them in secluded locations, beside the sea and deep within bushland sanctuaries.

If you'd like to get to know the people who call Kangaroo Island home, stay in a bed and breakfast. From supremely modern to Tuscaninspired and grand farm houses, Kangaroo Island has a reputation for unique bed and breakfasts. Beachside and rural residences provide terrific hospitality, real home cooking, as well as that all-important local knowledge. If you want a space to call your own, beachside self-catering is still the most popular style of

accommodation on the Island. It's perfect for

families and couples just wanting to relax.

Caravanning and camping

If you're travelling on a budget or want to experience nature at its most intimate, caravanning or camping may be a preferred option. However, be aware that camping is only permitted in designated areas on Kangaroo Island.

Campgrounds and caravan parks can be busy, especially during the peak summer season, if possible, it's advisable to book ahead. The following private and national park campgrounds can be booked ahead: Kangaroo Island Shores, Kingscote Tourist Park and Family Units, Western KI Caravan Park, Parndana Caravan Park and Discovery Lagoon; as well as West Bay, Snake Lagoon and Rocky River campgrounds in Flinders Chase National Park.

Bookings are not available for Kangaroo Island Council campgrounds as they work on a first-come, first-served basis with a self-registering system.

Due to restricted turning room, low branches and road conditions, West Bay, American River, Murray Lagoon and D'Estrees Bay campgrounds, as well as West Bay Road, are generally inaccessible to all caravans and campervans over five metres in length. Western River Cove is strictly inaccessible to all caravans and campervans over five metres due to a steep entry into the cove.

For all camping information, please check with the Kangaroo Island Gateway Visitor

Information Centre or download information from www.tourkangarooisland.com.au

Campfires are only permitted at designated locations. If using a campfire, ensure that fire bans are observed and keep the fire small by using wood sparingly. Wood fires are not permitted in national and conservation parks or wilderness protection areas at any time. Only gas and liquid fuel stoves are permitted. Fires of any kind aren't permitted in any location on a Total Fire Ban Day.

Effluent dump stations are located at Kingscote Tourist Park and Family Units, Western KI Caravan Park, Parndana Lions Park, American River Campground and Christmas Cove at Penneshaw. These facilities are for the disposal of toilet waste and grey water from motor homes and caravans.

Hostel accommodation

For those on a budget, or campers looking for a more secure roof over their head, Kangaroo Island has a range of clean and welcoming budget accommodation houses where you can shrug off your backpack.

Penneshaw, Kingscote, the South Coast, Parndana and the West End are all home to different styles of lively hostel accommodation. Bookings are strongly recommended, especially during summer and holiday periods.

For more accommodation information and bookings visit www.tourkangarooisland.com.au or speak to the friendly staff at the Kangaroo Island Gateway Visitor Information Centre on (08) 8553 1185 or 1800 811 080.

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Kangaroo Island is split into seven distinct and diverse regions. Spend seven days appreciating seven regions.

With rolling hills, secluded bays and views for miles, exploring the magnificent North Coast is an unforgettable experience. In stark contrast, you have the rugged South Coast, which is home to many of the Island's most popular attractions, including 'Australia's Best Beach' – Vivonne Bay.

Situated on the shores of beautiful Nepean Bay, boasting panoramic views, Kingscote is the Island's capital and commercial hub, and home to 1800 people.

Dudley Peninsula houses the seaside village of Penneshaw, 'millionaire's row' at Island Beach and the magnificent Cape Willoughby. It's easy to see why this is a favourite spot for South Australian holidaymakers.

People from all over the world travel to see the rugged natural beauty and wildlife of Kangaroo Island's West End.

A narrow tidal channel separating Pelican Lagoon and Eastern Cove forms the Island's most protected harbour. The American River village nestles on the hillside here in native bushland, offering superb views of Eastern Cove and the mainland. Finally, in Parndana and districts, the agricultural hub and (some argue) the soul of Kangaroo Island, discover classic Island countryside.

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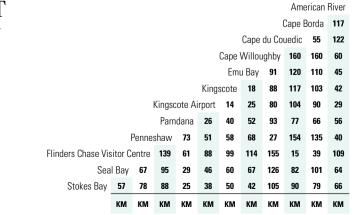


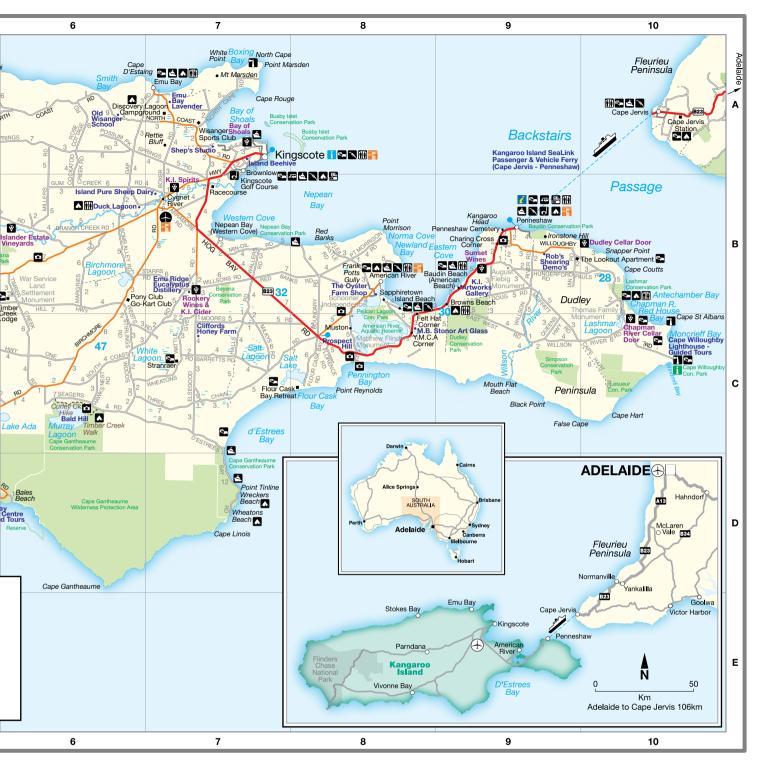
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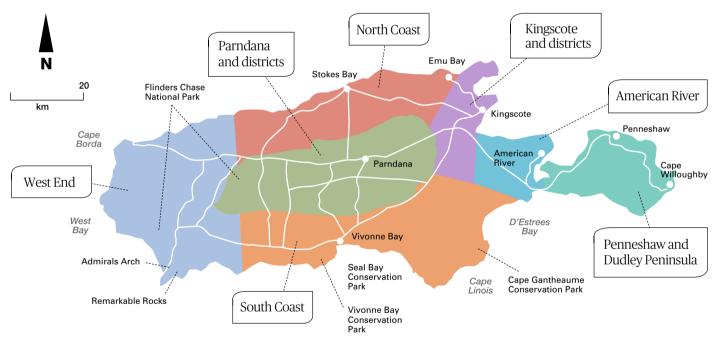
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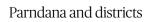


West End

Incorporating Flinders Chase National Park, Cape Borda and Hanson Bay

South Coast

Incorporating D'Estrees Bay, Murray Lagoon, Seal Bay, Vivonne Bay and Flour Cask Bay



North Coast

Incorporating Emu Bay, Smith Bay, Cape Cassini, Stokes Bay, Snelling Beach, Middle River and Western River Cove

Kingscote and districts

Incorporating Brownlow, Bay of Shoals and Cygnet River

American River Incorporating Pelican Lagoon and Pennington Bay

Penneshaw and Dudley Peninsula Incorporating Penneshaw, Island Beach, Baudin Beach, Brown Beach, Cape Willoughby and Antechamber Bay



Many visitors start their Kangaroo Island experience on Dudley Peninsula.

Dudley Peninsula is in some ways a microcosm of the Island. There is plenty of wildlife, lots of safe swimming beaches, rugged cliffs, a river, historic lighthouse, art galleries, cellar doors and, of course, stunning views to keep you busy.

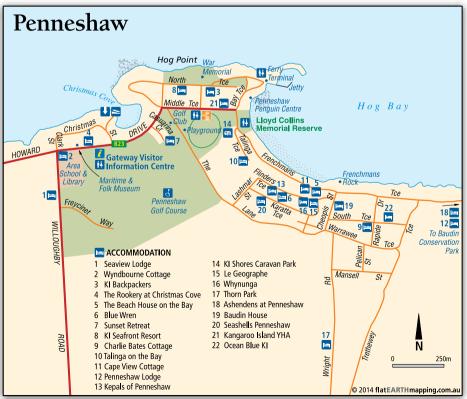
Dudley Peninsula is home to the quintessential seaside town of Penneshaw, where the SeaLink ferry docks and many travellers get their first taste of Kangaroo Island.



Attractions

Markets

On the first Sunday of the month (including Easter Sunday) from 9am–1pm, join a selection of Kangaroo Island's top food producers at the Penneshaw Market Day, which holds both the Kangaroo Island Farmers' Market and Community Market. Here you can purchase a selection of fresh local produce from the very people who grow, farm or make it, with tastings, breakfast, coffee and a great village atmosphere all on offer. Stallholders travel from all corners of the Island resulting in a wide variety of stalls, including homemade items, gifts, photography, clothing and much more. Hot and cold food, as well as beverages, completes the market experience. The Penneshaw Market Day is located at Penneshaw Oval from October–April and by the beach at Lloyd Collins Reserve from May–September. Phone (08) 8553 1185 for more information.



Food and wine

If you're looking for a good place to eat try Fish, Isola Pizza or the Penneshaw Hotel. Alternatively, 2 Birds & A Squid and Kangaroo Island Source offer good gourmet catering options.

Dudley Peninsula is home to several cellar doors, including Chapman River Wines, Dudley Wines and Sunset Winery. Set in an old tin shed aircraft hangar, behind the sand dunes at Antechamber Bay, the Chapman River Wines' cellar door and art gallery is welcoming and charming. There's free tastings of Happiness Wines, delicious platters, cakes and espresso coffee.

Taste a full range of handcrafted wines overlooking the cliff tops of Kangaroo Island's stunning North Coast at Dudley Wines. Enjoy spectacular views from the deck while sipping on a 'Dudley Bubbly'; browse through a range of wool and natural fibre clothing, Kangaroo Island produce and artworks; or enjoy a coffee and light meal.

False Cape Wines established a vineyard on Dudley Peninsula in 1999 and has been consistently producing quality whites and reds ever since. These wines are widely available around the Island.

Sunset Winery offers visitors stunning elevated 180 degree sea views of Eastern Cove and beyond. Enjoy complimentary wine tasting, or relax on the outdoor deck with a glass of wine and savoury platter, featuring local and regional produce. Coffee and muffins are available for purchase, as is a range of local produce and art.

Heritage and culture

For a taste of the area's heritage and culture, visit the Cape Willoughby Lightstation, Frenchman's Rock, Penneshaw Maritime and Folk Museum (formerly the Penneshaw School and now opposite the current school) or Rob's Shearing Demos. Tour the historic Cape Willoughby Lightstation and delve into the area's history, as well as soak up the panoramic views.

In 1803, Captain Nicolas Baudin, the French explorer, anchored in Hog Bay and sent a party ashore to find fresh meat and water. While waiting for the water casks to fill, one of the sailors carved on a nearby rock, 'Expedition de decouverte par le commandant Baudin sur le *Geographe* 1803'. Translated it reads: 'Expedition of discovery by Captain Baudin in the *Geographe* 1803'. The original stone is now housed at the Kangaroo Island Gateway Visitor Information Centre and a replica, Frenchman's Rock can be viewed under the white dome next to Hog Bay Beach.

At Rob's Shearing Demos, meet Rob Howard and his dog Toby on their working farm seven

kilometres outside Penneshaw. He has many interesting facts and stories to share with visitors and demonstrates shearing, wool classing and hand-spinning, as well as mustering and yarding with Toby.

A stroll around Penneshaw will give you a real appreciation for the town's heritage. Interpretive signage is found around the streets pointing out key sites. Alternatively, a detailed self-guided Penneshaw walking book is available for purchase from the Kangaroo Island Gateway Visitor Information Centre.

Arts

KI Artworks Gallery and M.B. Stonor Art Glass are two local art galleries worth calling into during a stay on Dudley Peninsula. The exciting KI Artworks Gallery, only 10 minutes from Penneshaw, is home to the 'Octopus Garden' limestone sculpture and features a diversity of media by Kangaroo Island's talented artists.

The M.B. Stonor Art Glass studio is run by Bernard Stonor and specialises in superb oneoff pieces, including marbles, scent bottles, sculptural pieces, jewellery and beads. Each piece is individually made by Bernard Stonor on Kangaroo Island.

Tours

For something really different, join 'Wallaby Bob', an ex-professional fisherman, on a guided shore-based fishing tour exploring the sandy beaches and small reefs around Eastern Cove. Wallaby Bob's Night Fishing Tours are designed for small groups of up to four people and run nightly by appointment mid-November–April (subject to weather and tides).

Take a Kangaroo Island Ocean Safari Marine Tour, operating from Christmas Cove Marina. This coastal and wildlife tour takes you to places where you may encounter pods of Bottlenose and Common dolphins. Colonies of New Zealand fur seals and Australian sea lions also inhabit the coast.

Join an informative nightly tour at the Penneshaw Penguin Centre through spectacular protected areas under a luminous southern night sky. Tours last approximately 45 minutes to an hour. An introductory talk is given at the centre before viewing this endangered colony. The centre is closed 1–21 February each year.

Walking trails

Keen walkers will revel in the Ironstone Hill Hike and the Penneshaw Historic Walk. The four-kilometre Ironstone Hill Hike follows the coast east of Penneshaw along a section of the original bullock track to Cape Willoughby. The farming heritage of the area is interpreted on signs along the hike.

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Beaches

Dudley Peninsula has many fine beaches to choose from! Chapman River is great for children as they can play in the shallow waters of the river mouth. A stroll along the long, sandy beach will reveal the splendour of Antechamber Bay and you may even get the beach to yourself. Swimming, picnic areas, camping and public toilets are available.

The small Baudin Beach community of approximately 50 residents is actively preserving the local area for the enjoyment of all. Next to the boat ramp is an interesting copper sculpture celebrating Mary Beckwith - the first recorded European woman to set foot on South Australian soil. East of the town you'll find a staircase to Deep Creek mouth, while to the west, follow

Dudley Wines

Visit Dudley's cliff top Cellar Door, just 12km from Penneshaw and enjoy the wine, the views and the Island-influenced tasting plates. Wool and natural fibre clothing, KI produce, art, coffee and beer are also available.

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the boardwalk to a sheltered beach, perfect for watching the sunset. Facilities include a boat ramp, viewing platform, cliff top walking path and public toilets.

Brown Beach is a sheltered and easily accessible beach suitable for families with children and great for swimming, snorkelling or fossicking for shells. Camping facilities, a picnic area and public toilets are available.

Clean sand, safe swimming and views across Backstairs Passage to the mainland make Hog Bay the ideal holiday beach. Lloyd Collins Reserve has toilets, a barbecue and picnic areas.

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American River is a quiet, friendly fishing village nestled on a hillside in native bushland and is home to some 250 people, as well as countless Tammar wallabies.

But it's neither American, nor does it have a river. It's named after a group of American sealers who landed here in 1803 and camped alongside a narrow inlet from the sea – at the time mistaken for a river.

American River is a birdwatcher's paradise and a great place to savour some of the fruits of the sea, including a dozen of the finest oysters, best enjoyed on the wharf overlooking Pelican Lagoon. With its calm waters it's a great spot to go sailing and, when the fish are biting, fishing. The ocean is often dotted with boats bobbing in the water.

The river has a very interesting history and there are a number of interpretive signs located at various spots around town. The best place to start your history tour is at the wharf where you'll find the first sign and a box containing maps that will guide you around the trail (please return the map to the box when you are finished).







Attractions

Food

There are several places where you can grab a decent bite to eat. If you're after lunch in a relaxed atmosphere, there is a lovely little café called Ulonga Lodge Café or, if you're looking for an à la carte restaurant, why not try the Mercure Kangaroo Island Lodge with its vine-canopied al fresco dining in summer or a romantic meal in winter.

American River is the home of Kangaroo Island Shellfish, located on the wharf, it's the largest commercial oyster farm on the Island. All of Kangaroo Island's aquaculture and sustainable seafood products are for sale when in season, including Pacific oysters open and whole-shell (April–January), Marron (freshwater cravfish), Greenlip abalone and abalini, King George whiting and crayfish (December-April). Their 'Eat Like an Islander' range of recipe cards and locally-made sauces/condiments make it so easy to prepare a gourmet feast of local produce back at your accommodation or you could treat yourself to their take away lunch menu. Ask for a free tasting of Sheoak smoked oysters and smoked oyster dip also made at the farm shop.

Wildlife

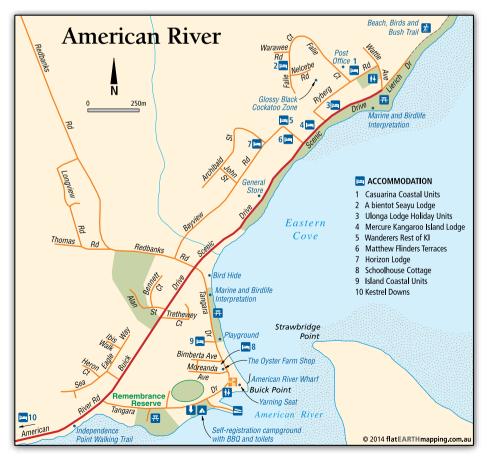
American River is home to a flock of endangered Glossy Black cockatoos. These can often be seen towards the northern end of town, between the general store and the post office. Other species of local birds include Cape Barren geese, various types of parrots and the ever-graceful pelican (in fact, the area was named by Nicolas Baudin in 1803 as 'Port des Pelikans'). The morning and evening pelican flypasts are not to be missed.

Heritage and culture

Prospect Hill is the highest point in the area and well worth the climb. First climbed by Captain Matthew Flinders, the top of the hill was used by the famous explorer to survey the Island. There are 512 steps leading to a rewarding view across American River, Pelican Lagoon, the Southern Ocean and Pennington Bay.

The American sealers who landed here in 1803 built a schooner, which they called *Independence*, and a representation of this vessel can be found where American River Road leaves the main Hog Bay Road. Independence Point, at the bottom of the hill on the way into American River, may be where the schooner was built.

To the south of Independence Point, you'll find the remains of Muston Wharf. See evidence of the only railway that has ever operated on Kangaroo Island, once used to bring salt from Salt Lake near Flour Cask Bay for export to the mainland. A range of mining and railway remnants still exist here.



Walking trails

Exploring American River by foot is rewarding. The Beyeria Walk is a delightful short stroll through Kangaroo Island's narrow-leaved mallee, with broombush understorey. The walk has 20 interpretive signs, highlighting 'the many faces of mallee scrub'.

The walking/cycling Independence Trail follows the foreshore between the campground and Independence Point. The return walk takes a little over an hour and maps of the trail are found in the boxes at Independence Point and near the entrance to the boat ramp (adjacent to the campground).

Starting from the northern end of town, where Wattle Avenue joins Scenic Drive, the Fish Cannery Walk (also known as the Beach, Birds and Bush Trail) takes you on a fascinating coastal journey to the site of the Historic Fish Cannery.

Beaches

American River isn't shy of an impressive stretch of coastline either. Just two kilometres off the main Hog Bay Road you'll find the spectacular Pennington Bay, a popular place for fishing and swimming. But as with South Coast beaches, care must be taken, as Pennington Bay can be dangerous at times, even for experienced swimmers and surfers.

Lookouts

One of Kangaroo Island's best kept secrets, Red Banks, is a stretch of interesting, coloured cliffs just five minutes north of American River. Watching the sunset on the cliffs is a special experience. Please note: infrastructure at Red Banks is minimal so please take care, follow designated tracks and respect the environment.

Fishing

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Kingscote & DISTRICTS

Kingscote is a lively town that is often referred to as Kangaroo Island's 'commercial hub'.

Kingscote is the capital of Kangaroo Island and home to a number of shops, facilities and nearly half of the Island's population. It's the centre of the action.

Situated on the beautiful Nepean Bay, overlooking a harbour that is often studded with yachts and fishing boats, it's indeed a peaceful and striking place to call home during your stay on Kangaroo Island, many accommodation facilities boast million-dollar views, without the price tag.

The jetty nearly always yields a harvest of fish for the keen and patient angler. If you don't like to catch your own, no problems, there are some great restaurants and eateries waiting to serve you catches fresh from the sea.

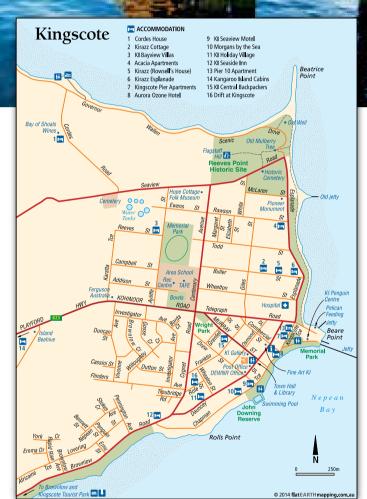
In and around Kingscote, you're invited to view some of the unique Island artwork that is proudly displayed in galleries, and you'll also find outlets for some of Kangaroo Island's famous gourmet products, including delicious honey, local wines and sumptuous seafood.

This is a very special place in South Australia's colonial history, as just north of Kingscote is the important heritage site Reeves Point – South Australia's first European settlement. Interpretive signage tells this important story in the state's history.

Little penguins are found around the coastline of Kingscote, living and breeding in burrows under shrubs, rocks and other sheltered places. Listen out for their noisy call, which can be heard at night.

Pelicans are also common – dinner time for the Little penguins and pelicans can be extremely lively.

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Attractions

Food and wine

Head to Kingscote's town centre where delis and cafés boast al fresco areas. Cooked breakfast options are also on offer and the local bakery is extremely popular, so make sure you get in early before they sell out.

From sandwiches and soups to freshly prepared fish dishes, pasta and curries, savour the flavours and laidback atmosphere at Roger's Deli & Café, located in the heart of Kingscote. Meals and Kangaroo Island Springs Road Vineyard wines are served indoors and out. An all day breakfast menu is also available.

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For a touch of sweetness, experience coffee and chocolate at Chocol' Art and Coffee. It's also the new home of Pete Nash Photography.

Kingscote is home to a number of local producers. At Clifford's Honey Farm discover the Ligurian bee. View them in a glass hive and watch an informative video before browsing the local produce, art and craft, and cosmetics made with honey and beeswax. Sample the flavours of Ligurian honey and Jenny's famous honey ice cream. Visit one of Australia's largest organic honey producers, Island Beehive – an apiary industry showcase for Kangaroo Island's worldrenowned Ligurian bee. Enjoy free tastings of their award-winning honey, view bees in the glass hive and take a guided factory tour. Shop for local art, homemade honeycomb ice cream and quality souvenirs. There's a café and a secure play area too.

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Island Pure Sheep Dairy is a unique culinary experience. There's an interactive factory onsite and dairy tours include sheep milking, tastings and Island Pure's history.

Featuring a cellar door, vineyards to the water's edge and panoramic views, Bay of Shoals Wines is an ideal setting for wine tasting. The winner of 30 wine show medals and the 2010 Gramp Cup for the 'Best Wine on Kangaroo Island', the winery is located a short drive from Reeves Point.

Rookery Wines produce small quantities of their range and ensures the highest quality in every bottle. This family-owned winery consistently receives top reviews for its wines and has won awards at wine shows Australiawide. With its cellar door outlet located at Emu Ridge Eucalyptus Distillery, visitors can taste and purchase a diverse range of wines.

Graham Jones of Kangaroo Island Ciders has been making cider and teaching cider making for many years. Made from apples grown on Kangaroo Island, there are over 30 varieties available. Visit their cellar door at Emu Ridge Eucalyptus Distillery.

Kangaroo Island Spirits (KIS) is South Australia's first and only boutique distillery. KIS partners, Jon and Sarah Lark, produce high quality liqueurs and spirits, using local and native ingredients. Visit the cellar door for tastings, espresso coffee, T-bar teas or an affogato, using their own liqueur and homemade honey ice cream.

Wildlife

Located at the Kingscote wharf area, the Pelican Man provides an entertaining and informative talk about pelicans and other seabirds. Shows daily 5pm.

Heritage and culture

Established and operated by the National Trust, the Hope Cottage Folk Museum is one of the Island's most historic homes. The Calnan brothers built it in the 1850s with the proceeds from a gold mining expedition to Victoria. Exhibits show the pioneering history of Kangaroo Island. Reeves Point is the site of the first official European settlement in South Australia and features walking paths and interpretive signs that explain the significance of the old mulberry tree, first well, old jetty and quarry sites, German row, landing site, bullock track and old post office.

Arts

Art lovers have a choice of galleries to visit in and around Kingscote. At Fine Art Kangaroo Island, Fleur and Fred Peters present a welcoming art space. The finest local artwork, inspired by the Island, is displayed in a renovated heritage building, with views to Deb Sleeman's new contemporary sculpture.

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Beaches

The Kingscote beach area is a popular family picnic spot. Little Brownlow Beach, in front of the Yacht Club, is a great area for shallow swimming and wading. Tour by foot on the Kingscote to Brownlow Coastal Walk. Beginning at the Kingscote wharf, this trail follows the coast past a tidal pool to the nearby township of Brownlow and provides impressive coastal views over Nepean Bay.

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Parndana & DISTRICTS

Parndana and the surrounding district is commonly referred to as the 'heartland' of Kangaroo Island, and some may argue 'the soul'.

> Kangaroo Island Wildlife Park

Parndana is Kangaroo Island's most central township. It's a typical Australian country centre where farmers manage and work the land to make a living for their families, while providing a valuable contribution to the Island's economy. Traditional farming, such as prime lamb, wool, cattle and broad acre cropping, still exist, along with many other types of farming, such as marron, viticulture, potatoes, broccoli and honey.

Ex-servicemen and their families settled and developed Kangaroo Island's central plateau in the late 1940s to early 1960s as part of the War Service Land Settlement Scheme. Returned soldiers almost doubled the area of agricultural land in use on the Island. Visit the Parndana Soldier Settlement Museum to experience the way life was during the soldier settlement days.

The heartland is renowned for observing many species of wildlife, and during late winter and early spring you can enjoy the stunning display of wildflowers, as well as the birdlife it attracts. If you're into bushwalking, the Parndana township provides natural scrubland walking trails that meander through the township and surrounds.

Parndana is an ideal base from which to explore the rest of the Island, providing convenient access to both the North and South coasts. The township offers seven-day services, with cafés, take away food, fuel and mechanical services, basic food supplies, a laundromat, bakery, post office and well stocked bottle shop with local wines. For families visiting the township, an excellent playground and free barbecue facilities are provided at the Western KI Lions Park, located in the centre of the township.

You may spot a koala or two close by if dining under the shade of the natural outdoor eating areas. A caravan park, owned by the community, is located in the bushland grounds near the hotel, with powered and free unpowered camping sites.





Attractions

Food and wine

Live the life of a Heartland resident and grab a beer at the Parndana Hotel – the local's pub. Situated in the centre of the Island, the hotel boasts country surroundings of big gums and red soil flourishes, with the décor revolving around the corrugated iron bar, solid wood furniture and open wood fires.

At Islander Estate Vineyards find out what inspired French winemaker, Jacques Lurton, to choose Kangaroo Island as the ideal Australian site for grape growing and winemaking. Enjoy a fully guided tour of the vineyard and five-star rated winery. Open daily by appointment.

At Andermel Marron and Two Wheeler Creek Wines, enjoy the three-fold opportunity to try magnificent marron (freshwater crayfish), local wines and café dining. View marron in holding tanks in the farm shed and learn more about this Island icon. Then taste a selection of premium wines made from grapes grown on the property and select marron, along with wines and bush tucker sauces, to create your own Island feast, or dine at the Marron Café beside the native herb garden.

Wildlife

Kangaroo Island Wildlife Park is the second largest privately-owned park in South Australia and is known for giving visitors the opportunity to get up close and personal with an extensive range of birds and animals. Handfeed kangaroos and wallabies, pat koalas and take a walk through the aviary. Other facilities include a large souvenir shop, café and a well presented picnic area with barbecues.

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Heritage and culture

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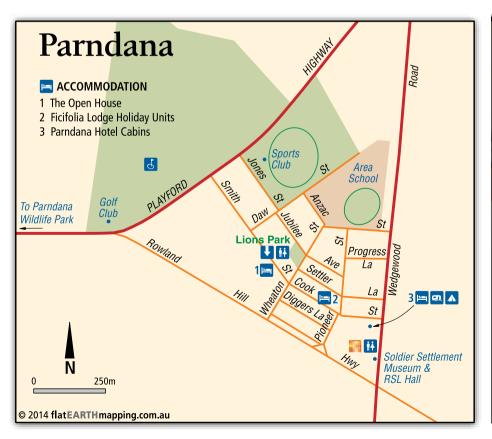
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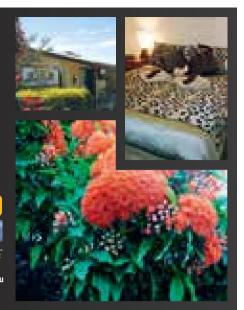
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There is more to the North Coast than just stunning scenery though. It's home to some

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Ask a local. What I love about the North Coast...

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Nick Hannaford, North Coast resident.

Attractions Wildlife

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Beaches

The North Coast is famed for its secluded beaches. Emu Bay is a beautiful four-kilometre beach, with vehicle access onto the hard sand. It's one of the most popular spots on the Island with safe, clear water for swimming. Anglers can try their luck from the jetty or launch their boats from the access ramp. A barbecue, picnic area and toilets are available.

A hidden treasure, King George Beach is a small pebble beach tucked away in a delightful cove – it's worth the detour. Explore the rock pools or take a walk around the headland.

At the mouth of Middle River, Snelling Beach is excellent for swimming and surf fishing, while either end of the beach offers quality rock fishing. Care should be used when swimming in the river because of hidden logs and weeds.

To access Stokes Bay, walk to the east of the bay, follow the signs pointing to the 'Beach' and make your way through the headland of boulders. There you'll find a fine, white beach surrounded by cliffs, a large rock-enclosed pool that provides protection from the surf and a safe swimming spot for the entire family. Facilities include barbecue and picnic areas, basic camping and toilets.

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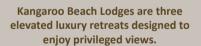
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West END

People from all over the world flock to experience the wild, rugged and naturally beautiful West End. If you desire peace and solitude, this is the place, and the ample wildlife is company enough. The native bushland is home to an abundance of wildlife, teeming with the likes of birds, echidnas and kangaroos, while koalas doze happily in eucalyptus trees above – don't expect to run into much human contact away from the tourist hot spots.

From the beautiful windswept sculptures of Remarkable Rocks that are surrounded by a carpet of greenery to the equally remarkable Admirals Arch. Marvel at the underground wonders at Kelly Hill Caves, the pristine Hanson Bay and the dense bushland in Flinders Chase National Park, this is nature at her artistic best.

In the accommodation stakes, the West End is home to the luxurious (forget the expense) Southern Ocean Lodge, perched high above a deserted coastline. But if you're on a budget, rest assured, there are accommodation options that won't break the bank. The region has a fascinating history with Cape du Couedic, Cape Borda and Weirs Cove all remnants of a telling past. Back in 1905, the doomed *Loch Vennachar* came to an unfortunate rest on the cliffs along the West End with all 27 crew lost at sea and it's not the only shipwreck to occur along this unforgiving stretch of coastline.

At Cape du Couedic, a lively colony of New Zealand fur seals frolic in the surf or doze on the rocks, unperturbed by the wild surf hammering the coastline – you'll find that the pounding waves create a very relaxing, hypnotic feel.







Attractions

Visitor information

Call into the Flinders Chase Visitor Centre to get park information and permits from the friendly staff. Take some time to learn about Kangaroo Island's natural and cultural history. The Chase Café provides a wide variety of quick foods, including sandwiches and bakery goods, or more substantial sit-down meals using fresh local produce. Enjoy quality espresso coffee while dining al fresco in a bush setting or browse the well stocked gift shop.

Food

Another authentic Kangaroo Island spot to eat is at the Nicolas Baudin Restaurant, located at Kangaroo Island Wilderness Retreat. Enjoy a memorable al fresco dining experience in a relaxed and natural environment surrounded by wallabies and other native wildlife.

Attractions

Flinders Chase National Park is home to two of the Island's most popular landmarks: Admirals Arch and Remarkable Rocks. Visit the bizarre granite boulders of Remarkable Rocks, which have been in the making for 500 million years. A 10 minute drive away, Admirals Arch is a magnificent archway sculptured by the wind and sea, and where hundreds of New Zealand fur seals play on the shore platform below. Cape du Couedic and Cape Borda lightstations are both found within the park.

Wildlife

One of the best places to see animals on Kangaroo Island is at Hanson Bay Wildlife Sanctuary and it's not just about the famous 'Koala Walk', many other wild species call the area home. During the day relax and stroll through the avenue of eucalyptus trees, spotting koalas, wallabies, kangaroos, echidnas and birds. At sunset, Hanson Bay Wildlife Sanctuary comes to life with guided, informative and educational nocturnal tours that allow guests an insight into the natural behaviours of these wild native animals at a time when they're most active. The small entry fee funds important conservation work on the largest privately-owned sanctuary on Kangaroo Island.

Adventure

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Tours

See Kangaroo Island from a different angle. Kangaroo Island Heliexperiences can take you up into the sky for an exhilarating helicopter scenic flight along the stunning coastline.

Walking trails

The West End has a diverse range of hiking and walking trails that are well worth the energy, including the Weirs Cove Hike, Rocky River Hike and Sandy Creek Hike. The Platypus Waterhole Walk departs from the Flinders Chase Visitor Centre and is a 4.5 kilometre return trip. Allow time to view the waterholes from a series of platforms, a hide and lookout.

Departing from Cape du Couedic Lightstation in Flinders Chase National Park, the twokilometre Cape du Couedic Hike provides spectacular coastal cliff top views as it meanders between the Cape du Couedic Lightstation and Admirals Arch car park.

Imagine spending three months or more waiting for fresh supplies. Embark on the Weirs Cove Hike from Cape du Couedic Lightstation to Weirs Cove (three kilometres return) to appreciate the life of a lightkeeper. Discover the method of landing people and supplies along this treacherous coastline.

Starting at Snake Lagoon campground, the popular Snake Lagoon Hike winds through sugar gums and mallee before descending into the Rocky River Valley. The trail crosses Rocky River and meanders along its bank to the mouth, providing spectacular views through the valley and across the Southern Ocean. Allow 1.5 hours for this three-kilometre return walk.

On the Sandy Creek Hike follow the bank of Sandy Creek before descending into the creek bed for the last section, travelling through sand dunes and onto a large sandy beach. Allow 1.5 hours for this three-kilometre return walk.

The short Harveys Return Hike follows the original route used by the Cape Borda lightkeepers who hauled their stores up from Harveys Return using a horse and capstan (horse-drawn winch), and small rail cars. Below the capstan, the trail is very steep, so walkers should descend carefully.

Starting at Harveys Return, the nine-kilometre Return Road Hike wanders through low sugar gum woodland, passing groves of native pine near the lightkeepers' cemetery. The hike follows the lightkeepers' old cart track used for transporting supplies between Harveys Return and Cape Borda, which they called 'The Return Road'.

The short one-kilometre Cliff Top Hike is the perfect complement to a guided tour at Cape Borda Lightstation. Meander through the picturesque coastal heath and observe how the vegetation changes as you near the cliff top. A stone lookout provides an ideal vantage point for spotting whales and dolphins frolicking in the Southern Ocean below.

Follow the Waterfall Creek Hike, located in the Western River Wilderness Protection Area, from the car park down the valley to the creek, where stepping stones lead you up a small winding trail through sheoak trees to a lookout with spectacular views of a winter waterfall. The sheoaks provide a valuable food source for the elusive, endangered Glossy Black cockatoo. Allow two hours for this fivekilometre return walk.

The Ravine des Casoars Hike follows the ravine valley to the coast, passing along the creek bed and then high above the valley floor, providing spectacular views. Allow four hours for this eight-kilometre walk.

Beaches

Hanson Bay is a popular surf fishing area with large Australian salmon often caught along the spectacular sandy beach. At a rocky outcrop, a short way down the beach, a walkway leads to a second section of beach. For the more energetic, the spectacular 18 kilometre Hanson Bay Hike ends or begins here, meandering from Hanson Bay, through the Cape Bouger Wilderness Protection Area to Kelly Hill Visitor Centre.

The spectacular North Coast cliffs of Cape Torrens and Cape Forbin can be seen from the magnificent vantage point of Scott Cove. At 263 metres, these are the highest coastal cliffs in South Australia.

The drive to West Bay and campground will take you through dense bushland, much of it regenerating spectacularly since the 2007 bushfires. At West Bay itself, you will find a remote beach ideal for a brisk walk.

Gazing out to sea, it's not hard to see why this isolated part of the Island has claimed many ships. A stark reminder is a grave just behind the sand dunes where a sailor was buried after the wreck of *Loch Vennachar* in 1905. Camping, picnic and public toilet facilities are available.

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Ruth Wandel, West End resident.

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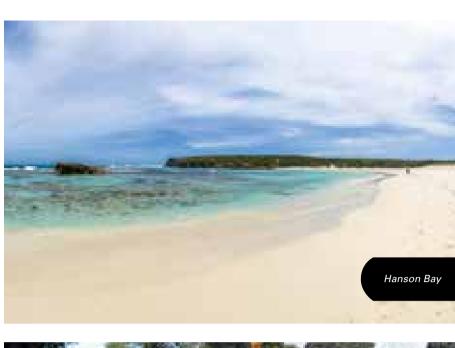
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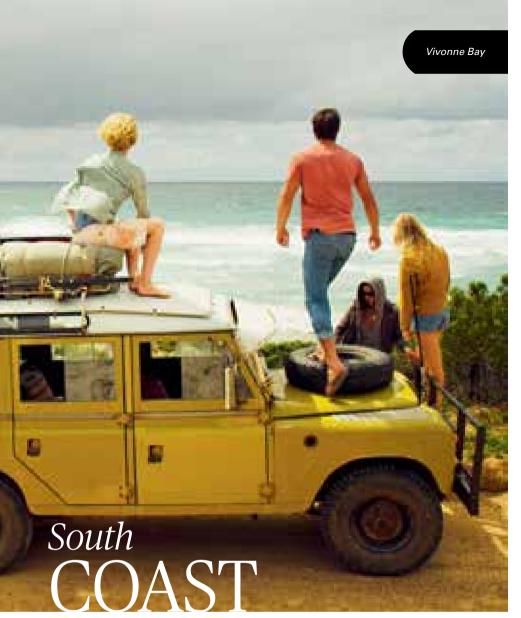
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The South Coast is one of the most popular places on the Island and for good reason.

It's rugged, astoundingly beautiful and home to many of the Island's favourite attractions, including Vivonne Bay, once voted Australia's Best Beach. Looking out across the sparkling turquoise bay, with the fleet of fishing boats waiting for their next big haul of Southern Rock lobster and King crab, is breathtaking.

Just down the coast is the nation's most accessible colony of Australian sea lions. Thousands of seals just casually 'hang out', rolling around on the beach or lazing in the sun. They're extremely friendly and come remarkably close to visitors – this is one of the few places humans can get up close to the beautiful, playful mammals. For another unique animal encounter, between June–October keep a look out at sea anywhere along the South Coast and you might be lucky enough to see Southern Right whales and their calves.

The South Coast is a unique adventure. If you're looking for an adrenalin rush, go quad biking, horse riding, kayaking on the Harriet River, paintballing or surfing the sand dunes of Little Sahara.



Attractions

Food

Before exploring the South Coast, grab a bite to eat at Seal Bay Cottages. Relax in a fantastic rural setting, while enjoying local cheeses and wines, or a range of other menu choices, including homemade dishes, sandwiches and delicious desserts.

The Vivonne Bay Store and Bottle Shop serves classic take away food and great burgers, including the legendary Kangaroo Island whiting burger and Kangaroo Island lamb burger. Here, you can also hire sandboards, boogie boards and fishing rods to kick-start your adventures. The store sells a fantastic selection of local produce, including local wines, cheeses, eggs, jams, honey and hand-spun clothing.

Wildlife

Experience one of South Australia's premier nature-based attractions at Seal Bay Conservation Park, just a 45 minute drive from Kingscote. Guided tours provide visitors with an exclusive opportunity to observe Australian sea lions in their natural environment of sand dunes, beach and ocean. Seal Bay is one of the few places in the world where you can closely observe sea lions swim, play and doze on the beach.

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Adventure

With Kangaroo Island Outdoor Action you have the opportunity to enjoy nature-based adventures at one of Australia's best beaches, Vivonne Bay. For an adrenaline-packed day, try sandboarding the massive sand dunes at Little Sahara, kayaking along the Harriet River or take a guided quad bike tour.

For a fun-filled day, Kangaroo Island Bush Getaway Adventures, located on South Coast Road, is a must. There are nine fun paintball playing fields to choose from and 250 acres of beautiful, natural Kangaroo Island landscape for you to see on a guided quad bike tour. Add to your Kangaroo Island experience with yabby and marron catching, as well as the



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opportunity to view Kangaroo Island's wildlife, including koalas, in their natural environment.

Located off South Coast Road at Vivonne Bay, Little Sahara is an area of spectacular white sand dunes, surrounded by bush vegetation. Take your sandboard and climb to the top of the razorback ridges and enjoy a thrilling ride to the bottom. There's no charge for your enjoyment of Little Sahara, please respect this environment and leave only footprints behind. Sandboards and toboggans are available for hire from Kangaroo Island Outdoor Action at Vivonne Bay, or the Vivonne Bay Store and Bottleshop.

Arts

Slow the pace and visit the nearby Rustic Blue Gallery & Café, a serene gallery that showcases a collection of artwork, photography and jewellery, done by the resident artists in a renovated shearing shed.

Walking trails

By foot is one of the best ways to explore this section of the Island, with Murray Lagoon, Tadpole Cove Walk and Cape Gantheaume Coastal Trek all offering rewarding vistas.

Murray Lagoon is the Island's largest lagoon and offers three walks: Bald Hill (onekilometre), Curley Creek (11 kilometres) and Timber Creek (1.5 kilometres). All have great vantage points to observe bird life.

The short Tadpole Cove Walk combines unusual coastal scenery with early settlement heritage sites. The walk starts at an old grainthreshing floor extending to a lookout above Tadpole Cove, named after an unusual rock formation in the centre of the cove. Watch for Ospreys soaring along the cliff edge as they hunt for fish in the calm waters of the cove.

For experienced walkers only, the Cape Gantheaume Coastal Trek is an overnight hike that follows the spectacular rugged coastline from D'Estrees Bay Road to Bales Beach. Highlights include coastal cliffs and secluded bays. Note: trekkers to Cape Gantheaume are required to discuss their plans with national parks staff at Dauncey Street, Kingscote before beginning their trek. Adequate and appropriate equipment is essential.

Beaches

The South Coast is depicted by its stunning, raw beaches that are incredibly inviting in summer and wildly beautiful in winter. Perhaps the most famous, Vivonne Bay was once proclaimed the best beach in Australia after Sydney University Professor, Andrew Short, conducted a research study to unearth the best strip of sand Australia has to offer.



Experienced surfers can enjoy the wonderful turquoise waters, while fanatical fishermen will appreciate excellent fishing from the jetty, beach or Harriet River mouth. To get to the beach take the road just past the Vivonne Bay Store and Bottleshop. Safe swimming areas can be found near the jetty or the sandy-bottomed Harriet River that enters the bay nearby.

On the other side of the river, Point Ellen provides photographers with spectacular views of the Southern Ocean sending its waves crashing onto the cliff face. Vivonne Bay is the only safe harbour on the South Coast of the Island and is the base for crayfishing boats from November–May. Barbecue, picnic, toilet and camping facilities are all available.

The secluded Flour Cask Bay is a great place to experience the raw power of the Southern Ocean. Enjoy sweeping views of the South Coast, salt lakes and dunes that house a wide variety of bird species and other wildlife. Bales Beach is the closest beach to Seal Bay.

Take a walk around the sweeping bay towards the Cape Gantheaume Wilderness Protection Area. Picnic, barbecue and toilet facilities are located just a short drive from the beach.

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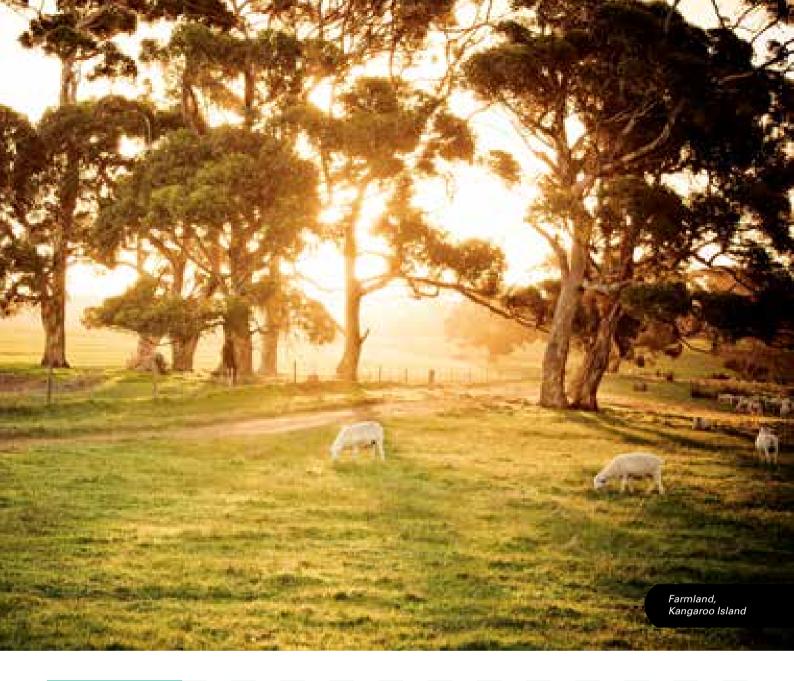
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