



# FLIGHTSEE SOUTH AUSTRALIA'S ICONIC OUTBACK IN STYLE

**Aircruise** Lake Eyre & Flinders Ranges

6 Days | 21 - 26 Jul 2024 | AUD\$9,495pp twin share | Single Supplement AUD\$895

## EXCLUSIVE HIGHLIGHTS

- ✦ Enjoy incredible 'flightseeing' of rugged ancient landscapes across the Flinders Ranges, Wilpena Pound, Birdsville, Marree Man^ and Lake Eyre (Kati Thanda)
- ✦ Discover the breathtaking Flinders Ranges including the awe-inspiring Ikara-Flinders Ranges National Park, Old Wilpena Station and the 'Corridor Through Time' featuring Bunyeroo and Brachina Gorges
- ✦ Touring of Birdsville, Simpson Desert National Park (Munga-Thirri National Park) and Port Augusta
- ✦ Stay 5 nights in iconic Australian Outback locations including the spectacularly set Rawnsley Park Station in the Flinders Ranges and the Birdsville Hotel
- ✦ Enjoy sunset at 'Big Red', the Simpson Desert's largest sand dune
- ✦ Visit the fascinating Wadlata Outback Centre
- ✦ All meals - breakfast, lunch and dinner
- ✦ Enjoy this outback discovery with new friends in the comfort of your own private aircraft
- ✦ Escorted throughout by a dedicated Journey Director

*"The entire journey was a totally wonderful experience. Seeing our country from the air was a spectacular highlight."*

Patricia Wells, Orange NSW

Join us for a memorable six day journey to discover the great Australian Outback from the spectacular Flinders Ranges to the 'Crossroads' of Port Augusta. We will learn about the Indigenous who moved through the area, the early European explorers and the stockmen, pastoralists and miners who opened up the Outback. Spend two nights in eco-luxury at Rawnsley Park Station, magnificently set in the Flinders Ranges, as we explore this ancient rugged landscape flying over the natural wonder of Wilpena Pound.

With the tremendous flooding of Channel Country in recent years, Lake Eyre (Kati Thanda) underwent a remarkable transformation, a testament to the restorative powers of mother nature. Whether in flood or not, the spectacle of the great Lake Eyre and its expanse of vast salt flats is breathtaking and best viewed from your private aircraft while 'flightseeing'. Stay one night at the iconic Birdsville Hotel as we discover this quintessential frontier town and the Simpson Desert National Park before 'flightseeing' Marree Man. Join us for an incredible Outback discovery in Bill Peach Journeys' inimitable style.

### ABOUT AIRCRUISING

An Air Tour with Bill Peach Journeys is the perfect way to explore these hard to reach destinations in the style, speed and comfort of your own private aircraft. Travelling by private aircraft means that we can land directly in each location ensuring time on the ground is spent discovering each region. The style of aircraft is chosen to provide the best possible access into remote locations.

### FULLY INCLUSIVE

When you travel on an Air Tour everything is included. This means not only does your holiday include accommodation, dining and all excursions but every one of these elements is the finest in its class. Throughout the journey you will have a Journey Director on hand to look after each detail.



### DAY 1 | ARRIVE ADELAIDE

Arrive in Adelaide and transfer to the Mayfair Hotel, a luxurious 5-star boutique hotel. Your welcome dinner tonight will be hosted by your Journey Director.

Overnight: Mayfair Hotel or similar

### DAY 2 | ADELAIDE - FLINDERS RANGES

We fly north to the Flinders Ranges enjoying spectacular aerial views of Wilpena Pound before landing at the magnificently located Rawnsley Park Station. After lunch at The Woolshed, we enjoy a tour of the Old Wilpena Station, one of South Australia's oldest and best preserved pastoral settlement learning about the region and its biodiversity.

Overnight: Rawnsley Park Station or similar

### DAY 3 | FLINDERS RANGES

Today we explore more than 100 million years of geological history in the Ikara-Flinders Ranges National Park. Here we will discover the ancient landscape visible in the fossil layers referred to as the 'Corridor Through Time'. Marvel at the rugged beauty of Brachina and Bunyerroo Gorges. Search for Yellow-footed Rock-wallabies and enjoy sweeping views of Bunyerroo Valley and the eastern wall of Wilpena Pound. After lunch, visit an old copper mining town before arriving at Stokes Hill which offers spectacular 360 degree panoramas of Wilpena Pound and the surrounding ranges.

Overnight: Rawnsley Park Station or similar

### DAY 4 | FLINDERS RANGES - LAKE EYRE - BIRDSVILLE

A morning of impressive flightseeing awaits over Lake Eyre (Kati Thanda). Your private aircraft will provide breathtaking views of the remote landscape of this remarkable ecosystem which covers an area of 9,690 square kilometres, or roughly the size of Holland. Marvel at incredible vistas below of regeneration, wildlife and salt flats.

We land at Birdsville and enjoy a tour of this remote outback town. Proclaimed a town in 1887, it was located at the border of South Australia and Queensland to collect tolls from the droves of cattle being moved interstate. Birdsville was considered the gateway to the Simpson Desert. Known as Munga-Thirri National Park, it is Queensland's largest protected area and covers nearly a million hectares. See Birdsville's famous racecourse and visit 'Big Red', the largest sand dune in the national park, followed by dinner at the famous Birdsville Hotel.

Overnight: Birdsville Hotel

### DAY 5 | BIRDSVILLE - PORT AUGUSTA - ADELAIDE

This morning we fly over the mysterious Marree Man<sup>^</sup> on our way to Port Augusta, a one time port at the top of the Spencer Gulf, where wheat and wool were loaded on clipper ships and transported around the world. Today, it is known as the 'crossroads' to the outback, as its main roadways extend in all four compass

directions. We visit the fascinating Wadlata Outback Centre for a history of the surrounding regions and those that have called them home, from the days of the dinosaurs through to today. Discover the beauty of Australia's arid heart at the Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden which features thousands of plants from Australia's low rainfall regions and more than 150 bird species. After lunch, we fly to Adelaide and enjoy a farewell dinner this evening.

Overnight: Mayfair Hotel or similar

### DAY 6 | DEPART ADELAIDE

Following breakfast this morning transfer to Adelaide Airport for your flight home. Say a fond farewell to new friends and take away memories of an unforgettable outback adventure.



\*Conditions Apply: The \$500 per person Early Bird Offer cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer.

<sup>^</sup>Weather Permitting. Please contact Bill Peach Journeys or your local travel agent for assistance with airfares to meet this Air Tour.

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