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4 Day Flinders Ranges Outback Discovery
(Northern & Central Flinders Ranges; 4 days, 3 nights)

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Escape to the spectacular Flinders Ranges for a relaxing weekend or short holiday with a unique Aboriginal cultural experience. Join Haydyn on a trip into his traditional homeland area of the Flinders Ranges and share a cultural experience 40,000 years in the making. Listen to Adnyamathanha Creation stories at traditional significant sites and see ancient paintings and engravings. Learn about the history of the area in the beautiful Ranges landscape with rugged mountains, scenic gorges, ruins of early settlement and abundant wildlife

Your chauffeured 4WD tour is an all inclusive package with everything catered for - deluxe accommodation, meals, entry fees, tours to significant sites and the sharing of extensive knowledge, interpretations of the land and Aboriginal cultural stories from your Aboriginal tour guide

Day 1

- ✚ Travel north, from Adelaide, to the Flinders Ranges;
- ✚ Morning tea on the Port Augusta foreshore and visit Wadlata Outback Centre for hands-on interpretive displays about the history and culture of the Flinders Ranges;
- ✚ Lunch at Wadlata or alternative venue;
- ✚ Then pass through the historic town of Hawker to experience the vast and diverse landscapes of the Aussie outback;
- ✚ Pass through the outback towns of Leigh Creek and Copley;
- ✚ Check in and relax at accommodation.
- ✚ Choice of accommodation in Northern Flinders. Motel or Ensuite cabin accommodation in Leigh Creek, modern ensuite cabin in park at Copley or Nepabunna Aboriginal Community stay.

Leigh Creek Township

Leigh Creek is a company coal mining town on the edge of the desert. It is a new township because the original settlement at Leigh Creek, located 13 km north of the present site, happened to be under the coal seam. It is a modern township with a modern shopping centre, a series of neat modern roads and small, housing that has been built to house the workers and their families who provide the labour force for the huge Leigh Creek open cut coal mine which exists 22 km north of the town.

Copley

The township of Copley was originally known as Leigh's Creek and during 1883 the post office was established and in 1884 Pearce's Hotel was built. The pub has had several names and in 1889 Mary Poole changed the name to the Leigh Creek Hotel which has remained, and has caused confusion ever since as we now have the Leigh Creek Hotel in Copley. The Copley Caravan offers modern clean cabins with ensuite facilities. Positioned on the edge of the park and orientated towards the surrounding ranges, these are well serviced and comfortable cabins.

Nepabunna Community

Nepabunna is an Aboriginal village situated approximately 60km east of Copley along the Copley to Balcanoona Road. At Nepabunna village you experience a genuine spontaneous Adnyamathanha Aboriginal cultural experience right in the middle of the Nepabunna township. Located in the now closed Nepabunna Aboriginal School, the school camp offers modest dorm styled accommodation in the old classrooms modern shared bathroom facilities. A newly renovated school hall offers a dining area with decking providing views of the surrounding mountainside.

Day 2

- ✚ After breakfast, start the morning with a drive to visit a spectacular and secluded Aboriginal engraving and etching site;
- ✚ Walk through scenic creek beds and marvel at ancient artwork dating back many thousands of years;
- ✚ Enjoy your bush foods morning tea in this timeless location;
- ✚ Learn about the early history of the Adnyamathanha people. See the remnants of Mineruta a former location of the Adnyamathanha Aboriginal Village;
- ✚ After lunch, we visit an Aboriginal site renowned for its timeless cave paintings. Hear interpretations of the artwork and reflect on the teachings of an Aboriginal creation story;
- ✚ Return to accommodation for dinner and some company for the evening.

Day 3

- ✚ Set out for an early morning tour to the site of Wakarla Adpaindanha - & hear the creation story about this site.
- ✚ Stop for morning tea in a tree lined creek;
- ✚ Tour Nepabunna Aboriginal Village and meet some locals;
- ✚ Then proceed to tour Ithala Awi (Italowie Gorge) and learn about native bushfoods;
- ✚ Visit Balcanoona Rangers' Headquarters (time permitting);
- ✚ Visit a beautiful gorge to experience the remote yet timeless ancient Aboriginal engravings, and hear a creation story that explains geographical features of the surrounding area while you enjoy a picnic lunch;
- ✚ Leave for a gorge tour on a drive through breath-taking gorges and view magnificent geological rock formations and look for [Yellow-Footed Rock Wallabies](#) and other wildlife;
- ✚ Arrive at [Wilpena Pound Resort](#), settle in and dine at the impressive resort restaurant before retiring to the resorts deluxe accommodation.
- ✚ *Consider a 30 minute scenic flight which can be arranged for an additional cost of \$165.00 pp.*

DAY 4:

- ✚ Enjoy a full buffet breakfast in the restaurant;
- ✚ Take a peaceful walk along the beautiful Wilpena Creek to a Wangarra Look-Out for a spectacular view inside Wilpena Pound;
- ✚ Depart for the historic town of Hawker;
- ✚ Visit the [Wilpena Panorama Gallery](#) in Hawker and see a magnificent 360° degree painting of Wilpena Pound and locally produced art, craft and foods;
- ✚ Depart for Adelaide lunch en-route via Quorn or Clare Valley, visit a cellar door for a quick wine tasting on the way home (time permitting).

Extra Activities Available

* *Wilpena scenic flight- Take a 30 minute scenic flight for a birds-eye view of Wilpena Pound and the ranges. Cost \$165.00 per person, Min 2 people - Bookings essential.*

Tours

Your experienced Aboriginal tour guide has local knowledge of the Flinders Ranges.

Please note – tours routes and options may be changed due to weather conditions and road restrictions.



Tour Vehicles

Experience the outback in comfort and style, travel in our accredited chauffeured vehicle - a luxury, fully optioned current shape 4WD Land Rover Discovery 3 HSE or Mitsubishi Pajero Exceed both with dual air-conditioning and leather interior. Vehicles are also equipped with comprehensive first aid kits, safety and recovery gear and emergency communications radios and equipment.

What to Bring

- + Soft pack bag for luggage (note – max. size **24”x18”x9”**, weight limit 12kgs. *larger sizes by negotiation only*).
- + Wide brim hat and sunscreen
- + Torch
- + Personal water bottle (for walks)
- + Insect repellent
- + Warm clothes for nights
- + Don't forget your camera, extra film and sunglasses
- + Bathers and towel, (warmer weather)
- + Walking shoes (enclosed)

Costs include

2 nights (twin share) accommodation in Northern Flinders;

1 night deluxe accommodation (twin share) at Wilpena Pound Resort;

(Note: choice of accommodation may be limited by availability; alternative accommodation providers may be used; cheaper packages can be arranged by reducing level of accommodation.)

All cultural tours, Activities and Interpretations with Aboriginal tour guide;

Entry Fees - Wadlata Outback Centre, Wilpena Panorama Gallery and Flinders Ranges National Park;

Meals – Note: Guests responsibility to provide or purchase afternoon tea, however allowances will be made to accommodate this.

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
	Breakfast: Continental	Breakfast: Continental	Breakfast: Full Buffet
Morning Tea	Morning Tea	Morning Tea	Morning Tea
Lunch: 1 Course	Lunch: 1 Course	Lunch: 1 Course	Lunch: 1 Course
Dinner: 2 Courses	Dinner: 2 Courses	Dinner: 3 Courses	

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Cost – based on per person (twin share)
 Children – prices upon application
 Minimum booking: 2 Adult fares
Single supplement rates apply

Depart Adelaide CBD: 7.30am Day 1
 Arrive Adelaide CBD: 5.30pm Day 4
 Tour Code: FR004 – 4 Days – 3 Nights
 Price valid from 1 April 2010 - 31 March 2011

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