

11 Days | Wild Islands of South Australia | Expedition

Kangaroo Island - Reevesby Island - Flinders Island - Coffin Bay - and more...

From **\$5,099** Typically \$6,710 pp twin share



See native wildlife including playful dolphins, sea lions, emus, rock wallabies and kangaroos

Collect and shuck your own oysters fresh from the sea at Coffin Bay, paired with local wines

Enjoy refreshing dips in the turquoise waters and relax on deserted silica white beaches

Limited time deal

Description



Embark on a captivating 10 Night voyage that unveils the hidden gems of South Australia's islands and Gulf Waters

Book Your Spot on this AMAZING Expedition

THE SHIP IS BOOKING OUT FAST!

This expedition offers an unparalleled opportunity to discover one of the most pristine and diverse coastal regions of Australia. With 5000 kilometers of untouched shoreline and more than 300 islands, South Australia boasts a remarkable array of natural wonders. The journey promises to be an adventure of a lifetime, exploring remote islands, breathtaking bays, and dramatic sea cliffs, all while experiencing the unspoiled wilderness that makes this region truly unique.

The voyage kicks off in Adelaide, taking you on a meticulously planned route that highlights the best of South Australia's natural beauty and wildlife. One of the first stops is Seal Bay on Kangaroo Island, where you can witness a wild sea lion colony up close on the beach. This intimate encounter with these majestic creatures in their natural habitat is a highlight for many travelers. Kangaroo Island is renowned for its wildlife sanctuaries, offering a haven for birds, kangaroos, wallabies, seals, and sea lions, making it a perfect introduction to the region's biodiversity.

Coffin Bay presents a unique gastronomic experience where you can collect and shuck your own oysters fresh from the sea. This hands-on activity not

only offers a taste of the ocean's bounty but also connects you to the local traditions of the area. The journey continues with a scenic sunset sail past the stunning coastal formations of Cape Jervis and Kangaroo Island, offering spectacular views that are sure to leave a lasting impression.

Port Lincoln, known as the seafood capital of Australia, is another highlight of the expedition. Here, you can sample freshly caught local fare during a wine tasting session, blending culinary delights with fine local wines. The visit to Eyrewoolf Abalone introduces you to the abalone divers, where you can taste pan-seared green-lip abalone on the beach at Flinders Island. This unique culinary experience is complemented by the opportunity to learn about the abalone harvesting process and the importance of sustainable practices.

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For those who enjoy exploring on foot, South Australia's coastal walking trails on the Eyre and Yorke Peninsulas offer rewarding views and a chance to immerse yourself in the natural beauty of the region. These trails provide striking vistas and the chance to encounter local wildlife in their natural surroundings. A refreshing dip in the turquoise waters of Reevesby Island in the Sir Joseph Banks Group is another must-do activity, offering a tranquil respite amidst the journey.

The expedition also delves into the rich history of maritime exploration, with Guest Lecturers sharing fascinating stories about the voyages of Matthew Flinders and Nicolas Baudin. Their historical insights add depth to the journey, providing a greater appreciation for the region's exploration heritage.

Additionally, the voyage includes visits to some of South Australia's most historic lighthouses, such as those at Cape Willoughby and Cape Donington. These iconic landmarks not only offer stunning views but also hold intriguing stories of the past. Learning about their history and the role they played in maritime navigation is a fascinating aspect of the trip.

Throughout the journey, guests will indulge in the tastes of South Australia, with fresh local seafood and wines served onboard. The traditional warm Australian hospitality ensures that every meal is a delightful experience,

reflecting the region's rich culinary heritage. This expedition is not just a journey through stunning landscapes but also a culinary adventure that showcases the best of South Australia's local produce.

In summary, this 10-night voyage through South Australia's islands and gulf waters offers an exceptional blend of natural beauty, wildlife encounters, historical exploration, and culinary delights. Each day presents new adventures and experiences, making it an unforgettable journey that celebrates the wild and unspoiled charm of one of Australia's most beautiful regions.



Itinerary

Day 1

Adelaide

Arrive at Adelaide: Outer Harbour (Berth 1) for boarding at 4PM, with time to settle into your stateroom before our 5PM departure. Settle into your cabin and familiarise yourself with the ship before your first delicious dinner as we cruise towards Kangaroo Island.

**This itinerary is indicative and we may make changes to the itinerary due to weather conditions.*

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Coral Adventurer

Day 2

Kangaroo Island - Seal Bay (Karta Pintingga)

Kangaroo island is Australia's third largest and was once part of the Australian mainland before rising sea levels separated it some 10,000 years ago. Also known as Karta Pintingga, or 'Island of the Dead' in the local indigenous language, the island was later named Kangaroo Island by British explorer Matthew Flinders in 1802.

Today enjoy a truly unforgettable wildlife experience at Seal Bay. After traversing the scenic interior of Kangaroo Island by coach from American River, we will visit the heart of the third largest colony of endangered Australian Sea lion, and share the beach with these magnificent animals. This is the only place in the world you can see Australian sea lions at close quarters and walk on a beach where pups frolic, bulls battle for supremacy and resting mothers suckle their young.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Coral Adventurer

Day 3

The Yorke Peninsula

The Yorke Peninsula is fringed by over 700 kilometres of pristine coastline. Known for rugged beaches boasting spectacular views over the Investigator Strait and Spencer Gulf, its shoreline is studded with a number of shipwrecks. Here we will visit Dhillba-Guuranda (Innes) National Park, where emus, kangaroos and tammar wallabies are commonly spotted, as are dolphins, seals and whales in its adjacent waters. Depending on the prevailing wind and swell, we will land at Dolphin Beach and walk to the Royston Head lookout, or come ashore at Little Emu Beach in the southeast and walk to the post-card perfect Stenhouse Bay Jetty.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Coral Adventurer

Day 4

Boston Island

Today we explore Boston Island, which lies between Port Lincoln and Cape Donington. Roughly 6km long, Boston Island is very hilly and has four beautiful beaches. Within the island landmass there is about 2,500 acres of grassy, hilly slopes with many sheep. Given its sheltered coastal aspect there is much birdlife on the island with Sea Eagles, Cape Barren Geese, Wedge Tailed and some 40 or so other species that make the island their home.

Explore this important seabird breeding area, with walks along golden sand beaches and learn of the history of this island.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Coral Adventurer

Day 5

Port Lincoln (Galinyala)

Known as the seafood capital of Australia, Port Lincoln is a small coastal city situated on Boston Bay, one of the largest protected natural harbours in the world. The traditional home to the Barngarla people, Matthew Flinders came to the area in 1802 and named it Port Lincoln.

Today we will learn about Port Lincoln's maritime history at the Axel Stenross Museum, and sample some of the region's fresh seafood paired with wines at a local vineyard.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Coral Adventurer

Day 6

Flinders Island - Investigator Group

Located around 35kms from the Eyre Peninsula Coast, Flinders Island has a long history of sealing, whaling, and farming. Owned by the Woolford family since 1979, they run an established sheep farm, abalone harvesting business and are working to establish a safe haven for vulnerable native species. Meet the Woolford family to learn about the history and conservation projects on the island.

Visit the Kapara shipwreck at Bryant's Bay, and stroll through the shearing sheds at the farm. Taste fresh abalone at Eyrewoolf Abalone.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Coral Adventurer

Day 7

Coffin Bay

Bordered by sea and National Parks, Coffin Bay is a stunning destination. The pristine waters of the bays in this area are home to numerous pods of dolphins, sea lions, seals and many seabirds. The natural beauty of the turquoise sea, white sand dunes, and bright blue sky is a wonderful backdrop to our day's adventures.

Enjoy an unforgettable wild cuisine experience during a small boat cruise along the oyster beds to collect and enjoy them fresh from the sea. Later, walk through the Coffin Bay National Park at Point Sir Isaac to get an understanding of the forests and environment – enjoy the interpretation of the heathlands, mallee forest and she-oak woodlands.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Coral Adventurer

Day 8

Lincoln National Park

A headland at the most northerly part of the Jussieu Peninsula on the east coast of Eyre Peninsula, Cape Donington is a great spot to enjoy refreshing sea views and rocky coastline. Take a dip at Cape Donington Beach before heading along the 2km trail over to September Beach.

Keep an eye out for western grey kangaroos, emus or goannas near the Cape Donington lighthouse, or head out to Donington Island to view long-nosed fur seals or Australian sea lions from the Xplorer.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Coral Adventurer

Day 9

Reevesby Island - Sir Joseph Banks Group

Head to Reevesby Island, part of the Sir Joseph Banks Group; an archipelago on the eastern coast of the Eyre Peninsula. Accessible only by boat, this island is one of the largest of the group. Women played a major role in the island's history, especially in the early days leading up to the Great Depression. Take a hike around this important seabird breeding site and visit the homestead and machinery sheds. This beautiful chain of islands offers a range of sheltered bays, golden sand beaches and reefs teeming with marine life.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Coral Adventurer

Day 10

Kangaroo Island - Cape Willoughby

Cape Willoughby juts into the 'Backstairs Passage' – the narrow strait between Kangaroo Island and the Fleurieu Peninsula that was named by Matthew Flinders as the 'private entrance' to the two gulfs. Lighting this 14km wide strait is the Cape Willoughby Light Station. We will visit the Lighthouse keeper's cottage and learn of it's interesting stories and have opportunity to climb the light house itself. In the grounds, we will do a loop walk from the Lighthouse to the beautiful Smuggler's Cove and often the special Kangaroo Island wallaby are spotted along the way.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Coral Adventurer

Day 11

Adelaide

This morning we arrive into Adelaide for an 8AM disembarkation. C

omplimentary post-cruise transfers to the airport or CBD will be available. These will be organised onboard with the purser.

Meals: Breakfast

Inclusions & Exclusions

Inclusions

- 10 Nights onboard Coral Adventurer in a Coral View Stateroom
- All excursions with our Expedition Team
- Use of Xplorer, Zodiacs and Kayaks
- Snorkelling & SCUBA equipment (SCUBA diving at an additional cost)
- Daily lectures and briefings with Guest Lecturers
- All meals, chef-prepared on board
- Captain's welcome and farewell events, and open bridge access
- Selected wines, selected beers and house spirits, juices, and soft drinks served with lunch and dinner
- 24-hour barista-style coffee and tea station
- All entrance fees to National Parks, ports, traditional owner fees and charges imposed by governing authorities
- Tips and gratuities
- Use of all onboard facilities, incl. a reference library
- Your expedition photos captured during the voyage
- Post-cruise transfers
- Wifi Access – Standard speed connectivity enabling email, social image sharing, web browsing and messaging

About your Ship:

CORAL ADVENTURER

Coral Adventurer carries a maximum of 120 guests, inspired by the company's Australian ethos and the wide-open spaces the ship visits, is purpose-built to take you closer to unspoiled vistas in comfort, style, and safety.

Upgrade options available (Based on Twin Share only)

Promenade Deck Stateroom \$1799 per person

Explorer Deck Balcony Stateroom \$3999.00 per person

Exclusions

- Pre-cruise transfers
- Pre and post cruise flights/charter flights
- Pre and post cruise accommodation
- Travel Insurance
- SCUBA Diving
- Entry visas & travel permits for the country you are traveling to/from
- Alcoholic drinks (including beer and wine) outside of lunch and dinner service
- Laundry service (available at a cost)
- Items of a personal nature such souvenir purchases
- Optional Extras (in some destinations)



Travel Insurance: We recommend Covermore travel insurance. To quote and book, please click [HERE](#).

Cabin type: Coral Deck Stateroom. Upgrades Available, contact us NOW for a quote.

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