

The Murray River Walk

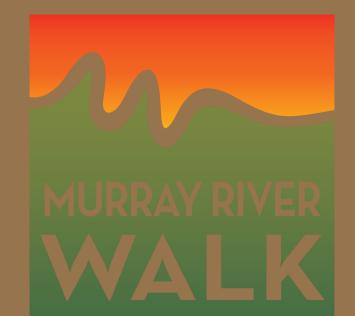
DEPARTS RENMARK **TUES 1 SEP 2020** The only guided multi day walk and houseboat ecotourism experience on an Australian River.

WELLNESS TRAVEL

*private group *4 days and 3 nights *Luxury houseboat accommodation with top deck spa *All meals, snacks, wine and beer *10 -15kms easy walk each day *Walking equipment incl *Secure car parking *Creeks, cliffs, islands, woodland, gum forests and wetlands.



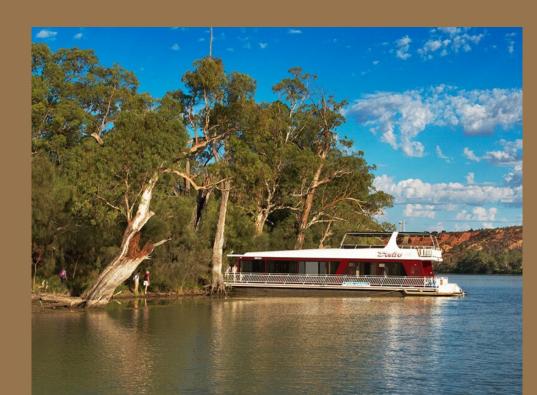




Flowing 2,500km from its source in the Australian Alps to where it meets the Southern Ocean in South Australia, the Murray River has created inspiring cultural stories from 45,000 years ago to the present.Fall in love with the Murray River as the experiences we offer immerse you in an ancient landscape rich in Aboriginal culture, wildlife, wetlands, riverine forests, and spectacular scenery, and of course superb food and wine.







Day 1: Renmark to Headings Cliffs 12km walking 12km river cruising Meet your guides and fellow walkers at 7.30 am at the Renmark Community Hotel for a pre-walk briefing before we board the pontoon "cruiser" boat for a 14 km cruise along the Murray River to the start of the walking route. Discover the lagoons that are havens for waterbirds, learn about the site of a World War II Japanese internment camp and cross creeks that feed the red gum forests and box woodlands. A gentle climb through the cliffs reveals a magnificent view of the vast Murray River floodplain that will surround you over the next 3 days. A short transfer across the river in the cruiser and you have arrived at your destination. Your "Boat Guide" will welcome you aboard and settle you in - before a cool foot dip in the river or a hot spa followed by a 3-course dinner paired with local wines.



Day 2: Headings Cliffs to Chowilla Creek 14km walking 10km cruising Rise before the sun and walk a gentle slope to the rim of the Murray River valley for a spectacular sunrise. See colours appear and marvel at the journey route below before returning to the houseboat for a cooked breakfast. Depart again for the daily walk discovering Aboriginal canoe trees, giant red gum forests and small islands along leafy Amazon Creek. Arriving at your floating home you'll enjoy a local tasting plate as you dip your feet in the cool waters of the Murray River.

Day 3: Chowilla Creek to Bunyip Reach Cliffs 10km walking 18km cruising Awake to the mists on the water and enjoy a great coffee, local navel oranges and tasty breakfast followed by a briefing on the Murray Darling Basin and the management of its network of rivers which drain 14% of Australia. Today we cruise to the Chowilla Creek Environmental Regulator to learn about environmental watering and new stewardship for the river, before setting off on our walk. You'll walk along Chowilla Creek, restored wetlands and visit the proposed site of the 1960's Chowilla Dam. In the afternoon we celebrate completing our walking journey from Queens Bend Cliffs before cruising to the houseboat as the late afternoon sun illuminates the red cliffs.



Day 4: Bunyip Reach to Renmark Optional 2km walk 23km cruise After breakfast take a self-guided 2 km walk along the river, before cruising in the pontoon boat through Lock 6. Experience a gentle drop in the water level of 3 metres. Rejoining the houseboat downstream, you will cruise for 2 hours on the houseboat to the innovative Wilkadene Woolshed Brewery, set in a 100 year old shearing shed on the banks of the river. Enjoy a tour with the head brewer before sitting down with your guides to a fine barbecue, prepared by your guides before saying your farewells. You will depart for Renmark by bus and arrive at the Renmark Hotel at 2.00 pm.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Expert field guides
- Three night's accommodation on a houseboat on the Murray River
- Secure car parking at the Renmark Hotel
- All gourmet meals including in-between meal snacks
 - All beverages including premium Riverland
 Wine & beer
 - All sleeping linen & 1 bath towel
 - A 34L Day pack
 1.0L water bottle -you are welcome to bring your own hydration system/water bottle
 - Walking poles provided
 - Tour & tasting at Wilkadene Woolshed
 Brewery
 - Special dietary requirements catered for on request

YOUR GUIDE WILL CARRY

- Satellite phone for emergency use
- Hand held UHF radio for communication
 - First Aid kit
 - Flora and fauna identification guides
 - Expert knowledge and passion!

WHAT TO PACK

- Hiking boots or hiking shoes offering good ankle support
 - Long lightweight walking trousers
 - Comfortable evening clothing
 - Thermal base layers
 - Warm fleece jumpers
 - Note: in mid-winter the nights and early mornings can be very cold
- T-shirts and long-sleeved shirts for layering
- A waterproof rain jacket for wind (and rain) protection while walking and cruising
 - Pair of slip on shoes for wearing around the houseboat in the evening
 - Camera
 - Head torch or small hand-held torch
- Beanies, scarves and gloves, essential for open boat cruising
 - Swimming costume and a towel for spa use
- Sun hat and sunglasses for sunny winter days
 - Binoculars
 - Gaiters for extra leg protection and possible wet weather

MORE DETAILS

\$50 per person non refundable (refunded if minimum nos not met) deposit to secure your spot this week.

Full payment on confirmation of minimum numbers met, on or before FRIDAY 5 JUNE, 2020.

Travel insurance to cover for involuntary cancellation is strongly recommended. Tour price may be refunded where person cancelling can provide someone to take their place, as satisfactory to the rest of the group.

Transport from your home to Renmark can be discussed on confirmation of all group members and their travel plans are known; car pooling is an option. We can also arrange pre and post tour accommodation in Renmark or other to suit.

Please see https://murrayrivertrails.com.au/murray-rivertours/murray-river-walk/ for more tour inclusions, information, terms and conditions.

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