



O'Shannessy's
QUALITY TOURS

ADELAIDE TO MELBOURNE

Great Southern Touring Route



10 DAY FULLY INCLUSIVE TOUR

12th May to 21st May, 2027

ADELAIDE TO MELBOURNE *Great Southern Tour*

WEDNESDAY 12TH MAY TO FRIDAY 21ST MAY, 2027

Set out from Adelaide on an unforgettable journey along the Great Southern Touring Route, where every mile reveals a new wonder. Discover the volcanic beauty and crystal-blue lakes of Mount Gambier, marvel at the dramatic coastline and maritime heritage of Warrnambool, and follow the breathtaking curves of the Great Ocean Road. This is a road trip rich with stunning landscapes, coastal beauty and unforgettable moments at every turn.

Tour Highlights

- Guided Tour of Adelaide
 - Adelaide Oval
 - Carrick Hill
 - David Roche Gallery
 - Wine Tasting, Coonawarra
 - Guided Tour of Mount Gambier
 - Aquifer Tours, Blue Lake
 - Umpherston Sinkhole
 - Portland Maritime Discovery Centre
 - Portland Cable Tram Ride
 - Guided Tour of Portland and Surrounds
 - Guided Tour of Port Fairy
 - Tower Hill State Game Reserve
 - Schulz Organic Dairy Farm
 - Great Ocean Road
 - GORGE Chocolates
 - Cape Otway Lighthouse
 - Otway Fly
 - Jack Rabbit Vineyard
- CRUISES**
- Searoad Ferry - Queenscliff to Sorrento

Tour Prices

Twin share room first tour:	\$5,975
Twin share room repeat traveller 2 - 10 Tours:	\$5,875
Twin share room repeat traveller 11 - 20 Tours:	\$5,825
Twin share room repeat traveller 21+ Tours:	\$5,775
Single room supplement:	\$ 905

Please note a deposit of \$500 is required upon booking

As a thank you for travelling with O'Shannessy's Quality Tours, you will automatically receive a saving on the total tour price for your second and subsequent tours. O'Shannessy's Quality Tours will match single travellers who wish to twin share with another single traveller of the same gender. However, if this is not possible, in most cases you shall be provided with single accommodation at the twin share fare (no additional cost). If you are willing to twin share but are a smoker, have a CPAP machine or snore, you will need to pay a single supplement for a sole use room.



MULTIPLE NIGHT STAYS

2 nights in Adelaide, Portland and Skenes Creek

ACTIVITY LEVEL

Our moderate tours may include some air travel and a mix of touring styles. Please refer to back cover.



COACH



FLIGHT



BOAT



Moderate



NEW TOUR



SMALL GRP

Tour Inclusions

Complimentary Chauffeur Driven Transfers

Victorian passengers from Greater Melbourne, Bendigo, Torquay, Ballarat, Geelong, the Bellarine and Mornington Peninsulas, Phillip Island and selected areas of Gippsland will be picked up and returned home in a private chauffeured vehicle by one of our professional drivers. For passengers not within this pick up zone, or our interstate passengers, a quote can be provided for home pickup in extended areas.

Luxury Touring Coaches

Our full size luxury coaches have only 32-36 passenger seats allowing you even more personal space and extra leg room. Our coaches are fitted with comfortable reclining seats with aisle arm rests, foot rests, seat belts, panoramic windows with blinds, refrigerator for passenger use, restroom, climate control air conditioning and Road Cam monitors which display the road ahead in real time. Each coach has a second door for easier entry and exit and touchless hand sanitizer dispensers at each entry to help keep everyone safe. Our coaches have full air suspension delivering a smooth and quiet ride which also allows us to lower the coach closer to the ground, making boarding and disembarking even easier.

Friendly Tour Directors

Enjoy peace of mind with O'Shannessy's Quality Tours, where our dedicated coach crew and experienced tour directors are on board to ensure your journey is as comfortable and memorable as possible. From start to finish, they're there to assist, guide and take care of every detail. Relax and enjoy the experience without a worry.

Quality Accommodation & Fully Inclusive Tours

Enjoy the best available ensuite motel accommodation each night, ensuring a restful journey. All attractions, flights and tours listed in the itinerary are included, as are fully cooked breakfasts, along with delicious two-course restaurant dinners daily and most morning teas and lunches. Please note: one lunch is at your own expense as outlined in the itinerary.

Welcome to our 10 day **Adelaide to Melbourne** tour featuring the **Great Southern Touring Route**. With chauffeured pickup from home, we are transferred to the Melbourne Airport where we meet our O'Shannessy's Quality Tours crew and board our flight. Arriving in Adelaide, we enjoy our lunch before we set out on a guided City Sight tour of this vibrant and welcoming city. Our tour offers an introduction to Adelaide's elegant boulevards, historic landmarks and cultural highlights. Thanking our guide, we now head to our hotel located in the city where the rest of the afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure - explore Adelaide's laneways and shops, visit local galleries or simply relax.

Refreshments inflight

OVERNIGHT: InterContinental Adelaide, ADELAIDE ★★★★★



“...Adelaide's history is the backdrop to the everyday. It isn't kept behind glass; it's the worn brass of the Adelaide Arcade and the grand arches you walk through at the Railway Station...”



DAY 2 - EXPLORING ADELAIDE

Thursday 13th May, 2027

Our day begins in the heart of the city with an exclusive behind-the-scenes tour of **Adelaide Oval**, where the history, atmosphere and stories of this iconic sporting ground come vividly to life. From here, the journey continues to **Carrick Hill** in Springfield, a beautifully preserved historic estate that feels like stepping into another era. A guided tour reveals the charm and character of the house and its remarkable collection. We then enjoy a relaxed lunch at the cafe, set among the tranquil gardens. This afternoon, we discover more elegance at the **David Roche Gallery**. A guided tour of Fermoy House offers an intimate look into one man's extraordinary passion for art and antiques, with each room revealing treasures gathered from around the world. Afterwards there will be time to wander through the Gallery before returning to our hotel to relax before dinner.

OVERNIGHT: InterContinental Adelaide, ADELAIDE ★★★★★

DAY 3 - ADELAIDE TO MOUNT GAMBIER

Friday 14th May, 2027

Today we sit back and relax as we leave Adelaide behind and begin our journey into the south-east of South Australia, where city skylines give way to rolling farmland and charming country towns. Along the way, we pause in **Coonalpyn** to take in the imagery of its painted silo, featuring five local junior primary school children. Enjoying lunch along the way, we continue through the changing scenery of the Limestone Coast. **Coonawarra** is known for its wines of course, so it's only fitting that we enjoy a **wine tasting** before the last leg of our journey to Mount Gambier, home to the remarkable Blue Lake. Here, we settle into our hotel for the evening.

OVERNIGHT: The Barn Accommodation, MOUNT GAMBIER ★★★★★

This morning we enjoy a guided tour of **Mount Gambier**, uncovering the highlights and stories of this unique city built on ancient volcanic landscapes and limestone formations. Then we visit the fascinating **Aquifer Tours** at the **Blue Lake Pumping Station**. Here we descend into the city's underground water system and learn how the pristine aquifer beneath Mount Gambier supplies the region, all set against the dramatic backdrop of the famous Blue Lake crater. Before leaving town, we see the remarkable **Umpherston Sinkhole**, a hidden garden formed within a collapsed limestone cave. Cascading greenery, towering walls and filtered light create a peaceful oasis in the heart of the city. We now travel to Portland where we settle in for the next two nights.

Lunch at own arrangements and cost

OVERNIGHT: Richmond Henty Hotel Motel, PORTLAND ★★☆☆☆



*“...Mount Gambier is a city
built on the slopes of a dormant volcano
which forms part of the larger volcanic precinct,
laden with a dynamic culture and arts scene,
and a café culture deep in conversation...”*



DAY 5 - EXPLORING PORTLAND

Sunday 16th May, 2027

Wake up to the fresh sea air and set out to uncover the many layers of Portland's character. We begin the day at the **Portland Maritime Discovery Centre**, where we step into the region's rich whaling past and come face to face a rib cage of a sperm whale skeleton. From here, the story continues just a short distance away at the **Portland Cable Tram Depot**, where heritage comes to life through a collection of memorabilia and a scenic tram ride along Henty Beach, tracing the edge of a working deep-water harbour. After lunch, we are joined by a **local guide**, who brings to life Portland's unique identity. As Victoria's oldest European settlement and the only deep-water port between Adelaide and Melbourne, the town plays a key role in regional industry. From the working waterfront, we journey into wild coastal scenery and visit the **Cape Nelson Lighthouse**, perched above rugged cliffs with sweeping ocean views. We finish our day with the dramatic coastline to **Cape Bridgewater**, where a short walk reveals the intriguing Petrified Forest and, when the sea is active, the natural blowhole in full force.

OVERNIGHT: Richmond Henty Hotel Motel, PORTLAND ★★★★★

DAY 6 - PORTLAND TO PORT FAIRY TO WARRNAMBOOL

Monday 17th May, 2027

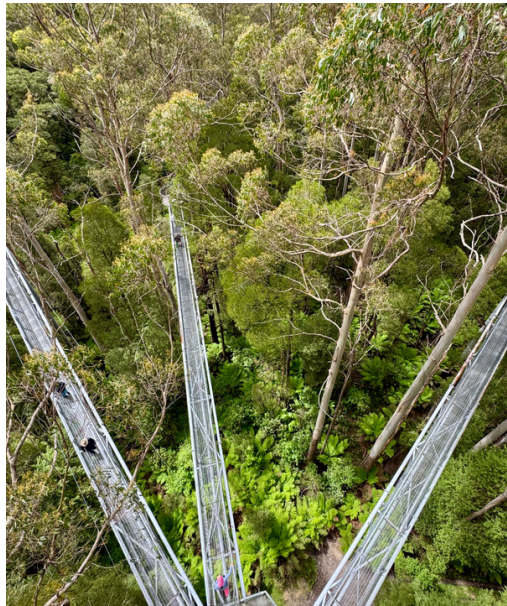
Following breakfast, we depart Portland and head to the charming seaside village of **Port Fairy**, where we are met by our **local guide**. Rich in maritime history and colonial charm, this beautifully preserved township comes to life as we are lead past bluestone cottages, antique shops, and original Victorian-era buildings, each with its own story to tell. We now have some free time to explore this charming town before enjoying a relaxed lunch. Now we're off to explore the **Tower Hill State Game Reserve**. Here we'll uncover the crater of an extinct volcano teeming with wildlife, including some very bold emus. Take in the beauty of this remarkable reserve on a one-way scenic drive across the land bridge and through the main body of the crater. After a wonderful day we continue on to **Warrnambool** for the night.

OVERNIGHT: Best Western Olde Maritime Motor Inn, WARRNAMBOOL ★★★★★

We set out from Warrnambool and start the day at **Schulz Organic Dairy Farm** where we are invited for a behind-the-scenes tour. Meet the famous happy cows and discover the farm's innovative and organic practices and their philosophy on regenerative farming. Accompanied by our knowledgeable guide, we also learn the ins and outs of cheese-making in the creamery. After our tour we enjoy morning tea in the Creamery. Our drive now takes us into the breathtaking **Port Campbell National Park**, to journey along one of Australia's most iconic coastal routes, where dramatic ocean scenery and ancient landscapes unfold at every turn. Here we witness the power of the Southern Ocean as it has sculpted towering limestone cliffs from the Bay of Islands to London Bridge, a dramatic limestone formation that was once a double-span bridge connected to the mainland. We will also see the world-famous **Twelve Apostles**, rising majestically from the sea before heading to **GORGE Chocolates**, producers of handmade chocolates using a special type of Belgian chocolate. We enjoy a late lunch here and time to wander the store full of goodies before we make our way to **Skenes Creek**, quiet seaside spot just a few minutes east of Apollo Bay. Here we settle in to our hotel for the next two nights.

OVERNIGHT: 61 Ocean Road Motel, SKENES CREEK ★★☆☆☆





DAY 8 - CAPE OTWAY LIGHTHOUSE & THE OTWAY RANGES Wednesday 19th May, 2027

This morning we travel through the Otway National Park to **Cape Otway**. Steeped in history and surrounded by beauty, the **Cape Otway Lighthouse** is an unforgettable experience. In 1848 the lighthouse became the beacon of hope on a dangerous coastline and is one of the oldest lighthouses in Australia. Spend time exploring the station at your own pace, discovering the amazing history of the lighthouse. Afterwards we leave the coastline and venture inland to the lush beauty of the Otway Ranges. In this cool temperate rainforest, we experience the unforgettable **Otway Fly**, soaring high above the forest floor along an elevated walkway that offers a unique perspective of the towering trees and dense canopy. After our up-lifting walk, we journey back to Skenes Creek.

OVERNIGHT: 61 Ocean Road Motel, SKENES CREEK ★★★★★

DAY 9 - SKENES CREEK TO GEELONG Thursday 20th May, 2027

Our journey continues along the final stretch of the **Great Ocean Road** as we arrive in **Lorne**, a charming seaside retreat nestled between lush native forest and the sparkling ocean. The approach is unforgettable, with towering trees cascading down the hillsides to meet the water's edge. Travelling onward through **Anglesea**, we pause to enjoy a relaxing lunch, before the afternoon brings us to **Torquay**, the gateway to Australia's surf coast. Here, we visit the **Australian National Surfing Museum**, home of the Australian Surfing Hall of Fame, where the stories, triumphs and culture of the country's surfing legends come vividly to life. Then its off to **Geelong**, beautifully set along Corio Bay, part of the larger Port Phillip Bay. On arrival at our hotel, we settle in and reflect on our amazing coastal adventures, enjoying our final evening on tour in this welcoming bayside city.

OVERNIGHT: Rydges Geelong, GEELONG ★★★★★

This morning begins with a stroll along the **Geelong Bollard Trail Walk**. The bollards, taken out of the old harbour, have been carved into colourful and interesting characters of various themes. There are more than 100 of these huge painted icons guiding visitors along the foreshore walking/cycling track. They represent a fascinating and fun chronicle of the city's past. Next, we visit the **Hive Gallery** to see the home of Victorian garden sculptor, Wil Wilson. Discover the intricate process behind his remarkable bronze pieces showcased annually at the prestigious Chelsea Flower Show and admire works by other talented local artists. We now indulge in a farewell lunch at the idyllic Jack Rabbit Vineyard. Later, with cherished memories, we return homeward via the Searoad Ferry. Our chauffeurs will be ready to drop us to our very door – all part of the great **O'Shannessy's Quality Tours** service!



*“...Following the Bollard Trail,
you will meet some of the unique characters
who played a part in Geelong's history,
from the original Indigenous inhabitants
to more contemporary characters...”*

PAYMENT AND CANCELLATION POLICY

Receipt of payment of funds will be taken as acceptance of O'Shannessy's Quality Tours conditions of travel for this tour. Prices include GST and all taxes. Deposit is fully refundable until **61 days** prior to departure date. Balance due on invoice.

Cancellation within **60 days** of tour departure date:

No refund

Cancellation **on or after** tour departure date:

No refund

If a tour is cancelled for any reason by O'Shannessy's Quality Tours before the departure date, all passengers will be offered the option of transferring to another tour of their choice, hold the funds in trust for a future tour or a full refund. There is no time limit as to when this must be used. If a lockdown is implemented while a tour is in progress, our first priority is the safety and wellbeing of our passengers and ensuring that we get each and every one of them home safely, and therefore we treat every situation individually. The Australian Government (see www.smarttraveller.gov.au) recommends all travellers no matter where you are going, obtain comprehensive travel insurance from a reputable provider. It may enable you to claim back the cost of your tour if you are unable to travel or have to cancel at late notice. Always read the PDS provided, to ensure the cover meets all of your needs. We are able to provide travel insurance through Nib Insurance.

If you would like a quote for travel insurance, please call our office on 1800 354 352.

CONDITIONS OF TRAVEL

These terms and conditions form the basis of the contract between You and O'Shannessy's Quality Tours (O'Shannessy's Quality Tours "We", "Us", or "Our" contract). It is important that You read the complete list of terms and conditions provided to you upon invoice carefully and that you understand your rights and obligations. A complete list will be provided upon invoice, alternatively they are available upon request via phone, mail, email or on our website. By agreeing to participate in a tour arranged by Us, You are deemed to have accepted these terms and conditions in full. Any special requests, dietary/personal must be notified to Our office at the time of booking. All efforts will be made to accommodate any special requests. It is your responsibility to advise O'Shannessy's Quality Tours of any pre-existing medical conditions that may affect your ability to participate on the tour. No passenger will be permitted to embark on or continue the tour while their physical or mental condition is, in the opinion of any representative of O'Shannessy's Quality Tours, such as to render them incapable of caring for themselves, or whereby they become objectionable to other passengers or they become a hazard to themselves or other passengers. Passengers rotate seats in the coach daily to ensure fairness to all passengers. No exceptions will be made. The information presented in any printed publications, itineraries, brochures or touring programs is to the best of our knowledge correct at the time of publication. The itinerary may be subject to change without notice. Whilst every effort is made to adhere to the itinerary provided, O'Shannessy's Quality Tours reserves the right to alter the touring and attractions as dictated by circumstances and conditions outside the company's control. Alterations may be made to ensure the smooth running of the tour. O'Shannessy's Quality Tours cannot be held responsible for printing or typographical errors arising from unforeseen circumstances. O'Shannessy's Quality Tours representatives/crew or any associated carrier, reserves the right at its discretion to exclude from a tour or to terminate the travel arrangements of any person during the course of the tour, without refund, of anyone who: Presents on the day of the tour departure as ill or unwell in any way, including but not limited to: cough, runny nose, sneezing, vomiting or temperature above 37.5 deg C, Is incapable of caring for themselves without a minder/carer, Is unable to cope with the requirements of the tour or who may need or require services or facilities that are not available, Fails to comply with the reasonable instructions of O'Shannessy's Quality Tours crew, Engages in undesirable behaviour or interferes with the enjoyment of other passengers, Is a hazard to themselves or other passengers and/or is likely to become objectionable to other passengers, O'Shannessy's Quality Tours staff and or third party suppliers. Anyone so excluded will be required to disembark at a safe public location, transport from which will be wholly their responsibility. However, if and where possible, O'Shannessy's Quality Tours staff may assist in obtaining transport. You agree that O'Shannessy's Quality Tours is released from all liability for You and You agree not to hold O'Shannessy's Quality Tours responsible for termination of Your travel arrangements.

Activity Level - Moderate

Our Moderate Tours are for those comfortable with a bit more movement while still enjoying a relaxed pace; our moderate tours may include air travel and a mix of touring styles. You should be prepared to:

- Embark and disembark the coach unassisted
- Negotiate some steps and gentle, undulating paths
- Embark and disembark watercraft and other vehicles via stairs
- Walk or stand for up to an hour at a time, including through domestic airports
- Negotiate a flight of stairs
- Travel for up to 2 hours in various vehicles for guided tours
- Manage uneven ground such as sand, pebbles or gravel
- Handle different climates, including heat and humidity
- Occasionally stay above ground floor (no guarantee of ground floor rooms)

Upcoming Tours

Outback Queensland - Meet the Locals - July 2027

Cape York Adventure - August 2027

Canberra Floriade - September 2027

Travelling with like-minded, mature aged travellers means you'll experience a casual and relaxed atmosphere, where fellow travellers become new-found friends.

Keep in Touch

Be sure to visit our website oshannessys.com.au where you'll be able to stay up to date with information, tour inspiration or simply enjoy sharing your travel experiences with us.

You can subscribe to our **eNewsletter** so you'll be the first to find out about our additional tours that pop up throughout the year.

You can also find us on **Facebook** at *O'Shannessy's Quality Tours* and stay up to date with our posts by liking the page. We would also love to see your pictures exploring Australia or travelling the world with O'Shannessy's Quality Tours so be sure to tag us in your travels!

#oshannessys #friendstotravelwith

Feel free to call into our office for a chat with our friendly team at **2121 Point Nepean Road, Rye Vic 3943**. You can also email us at enquiries@oshannessys.com.au or call us:



1800 354 352

