O'Shannessy's
QUALITY TOURS

MURRAY PRINCESS

Country Music Cruisin'

7 DAY FULLY INCLUSIVE TOUR

11th February to 17th February, 2027

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THURSDAY 11TH FEBRUARY TO WEDNESDAY 17TH FEBRUARY, 2027

The Mighty Murray River is one of Australia's most iconic waterways, and the PS Murray Princess stands as the southern hemisphere's largest inland paddlewheeler. Marvel at the towering red cliffs as they shift to burnt orange in the evening sunlight. Sit back and unwind as we meander along the river, experiencing a unique journey unlike any other in the world.
Relax and take advantage of the onboard amenities while being entertained by our special guest, Dave Freeman, with some fantastic country music!

Tour Highlights

- Horsham
- Mannum
- Special Guest Entertainer: Dave Freeman
- Murray Bridge
- Nature Walk at Salt Bush Flat
- River View Flat
- Kingston S.E.
- Mount Gambier
- Blue Lake Pumping Station
- Mount Gambier Old Courthouse
- Umpherston Cave
- Caroline Hills Winery

CRUISE

- PS Murray Princess

Tour Prices

Twin share room first tour:	**$4,995**
Twin share room repeat traveller 2 - 10 Tours:	**$4,945**
Twin share room repeat traveller 11 - 20 Tours:	**$4,920**
Twin share room repeat traveller 21+ Tours:	**$4,895**
Single room supplement:	**$1,340**

Please not a deposit of **$500pp** 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, you will need to pay the Single Room Supplement. 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

3 nights on board the PS Murray Princess
2 nights Mount Gambier

ACTIVITY LEVEL

Our Moderate Tours are for those comfortable with a bit more movement while still enjoying a relaxed pace, our moderate tours may include a mix of touring styles.
Please refer to back cover.

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, 3 axle 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 or twin outside cabins on the Murray Princess, 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: two lunches are at your own expense as outlined in the itinerary. Please enquire with us about limited double cabins or staterooms available.

DAY 1 - MELBOURNE TO HORSHAM — Thursday 11th February, 2027

Welcome to our tour which features a 3 day cruise aboard the stunning **Murray Princess**. With chauffeured pickup from home, we are transferred to meet our **O'Shannessy's Quality Tours coach and crew**. After a stop for morning tea, we travel along the Western Highway to **Ararat** for our lunch stop. This afternoon, we visit **The Gum San Chinese Heritage Centre**. The centre was built to commemorate Ararat's rich gold heritage and tells the story of Chinese miners travelling by sea to Australia and the hardships and prejudices they had to endure as they made their way to Victoria's rich goldfields. Our overnight stay is in **Horsham**.

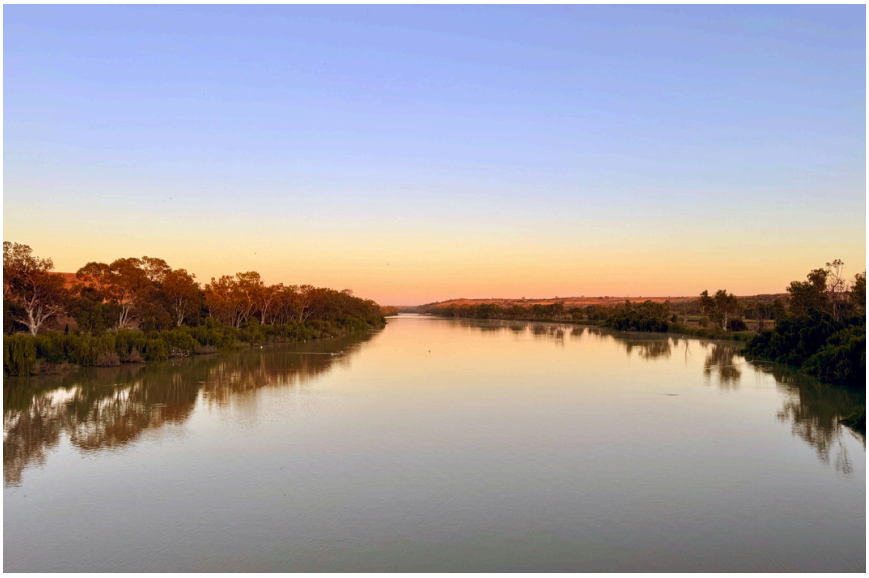
OVERNIGHT: Best Westlander Motor Inn, HORSHAM ★★★★☆

DAY 2 - HORSHAM TO MANNUM – MURRAY PRINCESS CRUISE — Friday 12th February, 2027

Before leaving Horsham this morning, we take a look at their **silo art**. "Walking on Country" artwork celebrates the life of a Wotjobaluk warrior, Yanggendyinanyuk. World renowned street artist Sam Bates 'Smug' was commissioned to transform Horsham's silo with the image of Yanggendyinanyuk. His totem, the Black Cockatoo, has been painted on the adjacent flour mill. After a photo opportunity, we travel through **Nhill** into **South Australia**. We arrive in **Mannum** where we board the **Murray Princess**. Mannum became a major port in the years of river trade, transporting wheat from the eastern **Mount Lofty Ranges** upstream to New South Wales and Victoria. We board the 67 metre (200 ft) **luxury paddlewheeler** for three nights of sheer bliss, relaxation and some great country music! Mid-afternoon, the Murray Princess departs historic Mannum and heads downriver. Enjoy pre-dinner drinks and cocktails (own expense) from the Sturt Bar along with an introduction to your crew who will look after you for the duration of your cruise. Also meet our guest entertainer **Dave Freeman** and enjoy his music during your **Welcome Dinner** as we cruise under floodlight to our overnight mooring at **Murray Bridge**.

Lunch at own expense and arrangement.

OVERNIGHT: Murray Princess



DAY 3 - MURRAY BRIDGE TO SALT BUSH FLAT — Saturday 13th February, 2027

In 1879 the first bridge to span the Murray River was built here at Edwards Crossing which quickly became the bustling township of Murray Bridge. After breakfast, choose to explore the town's historic landmarks and local attractions, such as the Roundhouse, or go on a wildlife tour to Monarto Safari Park*. A shuttle bus is available to the main street of Murray Bridge or if you'd prefer, take a walk across the bridge or a leisurely stroll along the pleasant river front lawns and area. Tonight, we will moor at **Salt Bush Flat** and after dinner, Dave will thrill you with his **Country Cruisin' Music Show** which includes hits from Kenny Rogers, Johnny Cash, Glen Campbell, John Denver, Charley Pride, Willie Nelson, Elvis Presley and many more!

**Optional tour: Monarto Safari Park Wildlife Tour at own expense.*

OVERNIGHT: Murray Princess

DAY 4 - SALT BUSH FLAT TO RIVER VIEW FLAT — Sunday 14th February, 2027

After a delicious breakfast, join the First Officer at the gangway for a guided nature walk at **Salt Bush Flat**. Depart late morning and enjoy a regional **Riverland/Murrayland local food and wine tasting presentation** in the Sturt Dining Room. During lunch we will continue cruising downriver with time to relax and enjoy the on-board facilities. Catch up with friends over a coffee or a drink and reminisce about last night's entertainment whilst enjoying the magnificent scenery. This afternoon we will moor at **River View Lodge** (near Piggy Flat/ Coolcha) where the 'Dragon-Fly' flat-bottomed boat awaits you. Travel in small, personalised groups and explore the river, getting up close to the 20-million-year-old limestone cliffs and view the amazing birdlife, including darters, herons and egrets that inhabit the areas along river's edge. We can enjoy a fun game of bocce on the riverbank or try your hand at fishing. Tonight, join your fellow guests for a delicious final night dinner on board and more great music and songs from Dave.

OVERNIGHT: Murray Princess

DAY 5 - THE COORONG – MOUNT GAMBIER — Monday 15th February, 2027

We depart River View Lodge early in the morning while enjoying breakfast in the Sturt Dining Room before docking at the **Mannum Wharf**. Here we farewell our hosts and board the coach. Our travels today take us along the **Coorong** and into South Eastern South Australia, visiting **Kingston S.E.** for our lunch break. This afternoon, we continue to **Mount Gambier** where we check into our final two night's accommodation and freshen up for dinner.

OVERNIGHT: The Barn Accommodation and Steakhouse, MOUNT GAMBIER ★★★★☆

DAY 6 - EXPLORING MOUNT GAMBIER — Tuesday 16th February, 2027

Unlock the secrets, folklore and legends of Mount Gambier when we visit the **Blue Lake Pumping Station** to hear the fascinating story about the unique Blue Lake and its mysterious annual colour change. At the **Mount Gambier Old Courthouse**, we discover the galleries of information and interpretive banners which tell the stories of some of the people who worked or whose crimes were judged here. Next is **Umpherston Cave**, a century old sunken garden planted on a series of terraces reflecting a bygone era. There's now a bit of time for us to wander town. Why not take a look through the Riddoch Art Gallery or just stroll through the main shopping precinct? The choice is yours. We end our day with a tour, tasting and afternoon tea at the friendly **Caroline Hills Winery**. The small batch wines are made with minimal intervention, using open fermentation, hand plunging and minimal filtration. While here, roam the peaceful 3-acre garden and meander through the art gallery.

Lunch at own expense and arrangement.

OVERNIGHT: The Barn Accommodation and Steakhouse, MOUNT GAMBIER ★★★★☆

DAY 7 - MOUNT GAMBIER TO MELBOURNE — Wednesday 17th February, 2027

It's time to head for home as we travel the very picturesque area of Victoria's Western District via Casterton and Coleraine to Hamilton, the **"wool capital of the world"**. Continuing on, we stop for lunch before driving through the **great volcanic plain** of Victoria's Western District. We arrive back in Melbourne late afternoon after a wonderful time away. As always our limousines will be on hand to transfer us home - all part of the **O'Shannessy's Quality Tours** superior service!

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 **121 days** prior to departure date. Balance due on invoice.

Cancellation **120 days** before 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 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
- Negotiate a flight of stairs
- Occasionally stay above ground floor (no guarantee of ground floor rooms)

Upcoming Tours

Autumn in the Adelaide Hills - April 2027

Blue Water Paradise - May 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:

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