CHRISTMAS IN THE ADELAIDE HILLS & FLEURIEU PENINSULA

Sojourn Christmas in Mount Lofty & Beyond

6 Days | 23 - 28 Dec 2021 | AUD$5,995pp twin share | Single Supplement FREE*

EXCLUSIVE HIGHLIGHTS

Enjoy 3 nights at the exclusive Mount Lofty House in the beautiful Adelaide Hills and 2 nights at Adelaide's 5 star boutique Mayfair Hotel

Tour the breathtaking Adelaide Hills, McLaren Vale and the stunning Fleurieu Peninsula and indulge in their exquisite wine and produce

Explore the mouth of the Murray River at Goolwa

Cruise the renowned wetlands of Coorong National Park

Visit the charming town of Hahndorf, Australia's oldest surviving German settlement

All meals - breakfast, lunch and dinner including a dégustation dinner at the three hatted Hardys Verandah Restaurant at Mount Lofty House

Enjoy Christmas celebrations with new friends while enjoying your own room with no single supplement charge

Escorted throughout by a dedicated Journey Director

B ill Peach Journeys invites you to enjoy a delightful Christmas sojourn in the spectacular Adelaide Hills. Spend 3 nights at the award-winning manor hotel, Mount Lofty House, a historical destination in itself. Here you will enjoy magnificent views of the lush landscapes overlooking Piccadilly Valley and indulge in the elegance of this remarkable property acclaimed for its style and the exceptional cuisine served at its three hatted restaurant.

We explore the mouth of the Murray at Goolwa and cruise the wetlands of Coorong National Park. We visit the charming Germanic town of Hahndorf and view Australia's oldest art studio. We soak in the mellow Mediterranean ambiance of the Fleurieu Peninsula and explore its breathtaking coastline dotted with white sand beaches, lush vineyards and charming coastal towns. We explore McLaren Vale, the birthplace of South Australia's wine industry and, naturally, indulge in the exceptional produce of the region.

This 6 day sojourn is a wonderful celebration of this picturesque region nestled in the enchanting countryside of South Australia.

ABOUT SOJOURNS

Our Sojourn programmes are short break journeys put together in conjunction with themes, events or experiences. These programmes range from cruising New Zealand's North Islands to world class events and unique experiences throughout Australia and New Zealand.

FULLY INCLUSIVE

When you travel on a Sojourn with Bill Peach Journeys everything is included and arranged before you even leave home. That includes all sundries like tips, taxes and transfers. In fact you won’t even need to carry your bags.

Enjoy the finest level of accommodation, dining and service all in the one fare. From the very moment your journey begins, your seamless travel experience with Bill Peach Journeys begins.

"Travelling with Bill Peach Journeys everything is so well organised. Highlights were meeting and being with some very interesting people in the group, seeing lots of lovely sights and eating and drinking great food and wine."

Janet Bennet, Shepparton, VIC
**DAY 1 | ARRIVE ADELAIDE**

Arrive into Adelaide and transfer to the luxurious boutique Mayfair Hotel. Your welcome dinner will be hosted by your Journey Director tonight, a perfect chance to get to know your fellow travellers.

Overnight: Mayfair Hotel or similar

**DAY 2 | ADELAIDE, HAHNDORF & MOUNT LOFTY**

This morning we have a private tour of Ayers House Museum, Adelaide’s finest Victorian-era home, one of the last remaining grand nineteenth century residences that once lined the North Terrace cultural boulevard. After lunch, we tour the charming town of Hahndorf, the jewel of the Adelaide Hills. Considered one of South Australia’s most popular towns to visit, Hahndorf was originally a farming village of Lutheran settlers and is classified as the oldest surviving German settlement. We visit the historic The Cedars house and garden, Australia’s oldest viewable artist’s studio of Hans Heysen. This afternoon we check-in to Mount Lofty House, our multi award-winning luxury accommodation for the next three evenings. An iconic manor hotel perfectly positioned overlooking Piccadilly Valley, this designer boutique property in the Adelaide Hills is timeless elegance. Built in 1852 by prominent statesman Arthur Hardy as his summer house, the beautiful manor soon became the state’s premier address for lavish and infamous parties for Adelaide’s elite of the day. An exceptional dégustation dinner this evening at the acclaimed three hatted Hardy’s Verandah restaurant.

Overnight: Mount Lofty House

**DAY 3 | CHRISTMAS DAY**

Today you will spend a relaxing Christmas Day with new friends. For those clients wishing to attend church services, there will be the opportunity to do so. Early afternoon we will enjoy a wonderful Christmas lunch at the hotel restaurant. After lunch, we visit the Mount Lofty Botanical Gardens where we will immerse ourselves in its spectacular colour, rich aromas and amazing diversity. Sprawling across 97 hectares, it is a remarkable Botanic Garden dedicated to the cultivation and display of the world’s cool climate plants. Supper this evening is at the hotel.

Overnight: Mount Lofty House

**DAY 4 | MCLAREN VALE & FLEURIEU PENINSULA**

After breakfast, we tour McLaren Vale, the birthplace of the South Australian wine industry and home to some of the world’s oldest grape vines. We will drive along the breathtaking coastline and explore the stunning Fleurieu Peninsula known for its white sand beaches, undulating vineyards and pretty coastal towns. An exceptional lunch at Coriole winery.

Overnight: Mount Lofty House

**DAY 5 | GOOLWA**

We tour Goolwa after breakfast, once a thriving river port – the last on the Murray before it reached the Southern Ocean. It’s the only place in Australia where paddle steamers and steam trains met to carry produce inland for shipping overseas. This afternoon we cruise into world renowned wetlands of Coorong National Park where the river meets the sea. Visit ancient midden sites, hear stories of the Riverboat days and learn about the area’s first inhabitants, an area immortalised by Colin Thiele’s ‘Storm Boy’. Return to Adelaide and enjoy our farewell dinner.

Overnight: Mayfair Hotel or similar

**DAY 6 | DEPART ADELAIDE**

After a leisurely breakfast, we transfer to the airport. Saying a fond farewell to new friends, we take away memories of a delightful Christmas Sojourn.