



Stay Another Day PORT AUGUSTA DAY 1

AREIAL - FORESHORE

MORNING

A scenic three and a half hour drive from the city of Adelaide, Port Augusta is at the crossroads of Australia, where the Flinders Ranges meets the Spencer Gulf. No matter which direction you are coming from, Port Augusta is your connection to the rest of the country.

With a morning departure travelling by car along National Highway 1, you will arrive in Port Augusta around midday, ready for lunch and to enjoy some country hospitality.

AFTERNOON

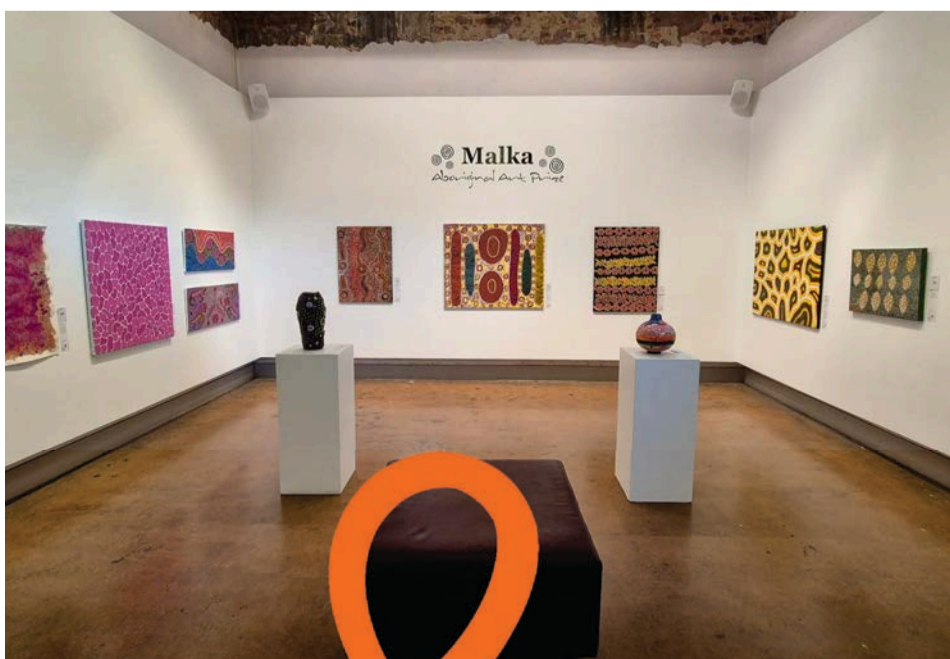
First stop is the award winning [Wadlata Outback Centre](#), with plenty of room to park the caravan, and time to explore the accredited Visitor Information Centre while enjoying lunch at the Outback Tucker Box. Have a chat with our friendly staff and absorb their knowledge of the local area, browse through the gift shop and grab some souvenirs to commemorate your time in Port Augusta. Here you can also pick up your Mural Trail and Heritage Walk brochures along with the Port Augusta Visitor Guide, vital resources for your trip!

No visit to the Wadlata Outback Centre is complete without exploring the incredible Tunnel of Time. Enter through the giant jaws of Max, the prehistoric Ripper Lizard, and be transported back in time to learn about the land from the traditional owners, take in the legendary Tea and Sugar Train, pedal the radio in a School of the Air session and try your hand at Morse Code. The only interactive interpretive Centre for the Flinders Ranges and Outback Region, there is so much to see and do, and if you don't see it all - ask for a pass out to return when you can!

A short stroll across Gladstone Square you will find the [Yarta Purkli Art Gallery](#) situated in the old Magistrates Court. Immerse yourself in Port Augusta's arts and cultural hub, showcasing a dynamic exhibition program and local art workshops, local and touring shows and festivals, the gallery is worth a visit and is free to enter.

Keep an eye out for a life size sculpture of the late mayor, Joy Baluch AM while in Gladstone Square, why not take a minute, sit and reflect in the town square with this iconic public art piece.

With the Visitor Information Centre central to amenities, a quick trip to the local supermarket across the road is convenient for supplies before leaving the centre of town for your accommodation.



YARTA PURTLI ART GALLERY



WADLATA OUTBACK CENTRE



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REDBANKS TRAIN BRIDGE

EVENING

Port Augusta offers a wide range of caravan park options to suit your accommodation preferences. If you are an ocean lover, the [Shoreline Caravan Park](#) nestled on the iconic red banks overlooking the Flinders Ranges is perfect.

[Discovery Parks](#), also located in Port Augusta West, can also be your home base, or for a relaxed secluded option the Augusta Caravan Park at Stirling North is popular with tourists. For those travellers that are looking for a cheap, no fuss option, the Port Augusta Motorhome Park provides a space for fully self contained vans – but there's a catch, no reservations or bookings taken, first in best dressed!

Top Tip : For those wanting to get back to nature, the bush retreat of [Spear Creek Holiday Park](#) is calling your name, located 25km out of Port Augusta at the foot of the hills, it is close enough to enjoy what the days offer in Port Augusta with the opportunity to take in the quiet star filled nights.

Once you're settled and set up at a caravan park it's time to think about an evening meal. With Australian and Indian inspired cuisine, [The Standpipe](#) is the perfect restaurant to relax and enjoy a cold drink and beautiful meal after a busy day exploring. Located on the outskirts of the Port Augusta Golf Course, the 'Standpipe' offers individual and banquet style meals that are sure to be popular, whatever your tastes desire.

Following dinner, it's time to relax and catch a new release movie at the [Cinema Augusta](#), settle back and enjoy a movie in the fully licensed cinema, complete with choc top ice cream and popcorn.



AUSTRALIAN ARID LANDS BOTANIC GARDEN



REDBANKS

MORNING

Enjoy your first morning in Port Augusta with something different, by experiencing a sunrise at Mathew Flinders Lookout. Bring your own cuppa, sit back and take in the breathtaking views of the Flinders Ranges and top of the Spencer Gulf. The peace and tranquility, surrounded by the amazing colours of the morning will relax and inspire you, ready to take on the day.

Next up, a hearty breakfast at Ossie's Coffee Lounge, with indoor and alfresco dining available, enjoy Commercial Road, the main street of Port Augusta. Following breakfast take a stroll through the main shopping district and check out local traders and stores, making time for a mid-morning coffee at [Coffee at KD's](#), Mediterranean Cuisine or [Little Squeeze](#)... and a sweet treat if your tummy allows – the options are endless.

It's now time to discover hidden murals and sculptures across the CBD by immersing yourself in the culture and stories of the Mural Trail, covering 3km with over 15 artworks. Enjoy 'Tales of the Infinite' on the exterior wall of the Public Library, and 'Celebrating Indian Culture' at the LG Riches Centre, plus a collection of artworks created for the Desert Fringe 2017 and bridge duplication project, located under the Joy Blanch AM Bridge. Allow an hour to wander through the city and view these amazing pieces of art with plenty of photo opportunities along the way.

AFTERNOON

What's a coastal holiday without fish and chips? A late lunch from [Gotta be Fish & Pizza](#), has an option to satisfy everyone's taste buds. Take your order to go and enjoy the coastal views from the Swimmers Memorial Garden on the busy eastside foreshore, while having lunch. If the weather is kind and the sun is shining, the swimming pontoon is a great location to cool off and enjoy the calm waters.

After a leisurely lunch embark on a captivating journey through Port Augusta with the Heritage Walk, leading you on a journey of historic buildings while learning how the city has transformed into the hub it is today.

The remainder of the afternoon is leisure time, relax, read a book or explore a little more. For those looking to move their body a bit more, take in the fresh air and get some exercise with the many recreational facilities welcoming visitors. Fancy a hit of golf at the [Port Augusta Golf Club](#), book a court at the Port Augusta Tennis Association or have a roll at one of the friendly bowling clubs.

For the history buffs, the RSL Sub-Branch Military Memorabilia Museum boasts the largest display of war memorabilia of its type in regional South Australia with the museum showcasing memorabilia and photos on permanent loan from Port Augusta families.



INDIAN MURAL



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MANGROVES

An alternate option for those that aren't looking to do so much walking...

The [Platform Gallery](#) is the home of the Curdnatta Art Group, located at the Port Augusta Railway Station. Exhibitions change monthly and include paintings, pastels, textile art, photography and more, with a chance for local artists to showcase their talents.

Grab a coffee and some morning tea at [Mamma Lou's Cafe](#) while settling in on the platform to see the [Pichi Richi Railway](#) arrive.

For those train enthusiasts and adventure lovers the Pichi Richi Railway departs the station at 10:30am for a full day trip into the heart of the Flinders Ranges, with a two-hour stopover in Quorn.

EVENING

After a fulfilling day with plenty of history and local knowledge absorbed, it is time for dinner at the Traveller's Rest Hotel in Stirling North.

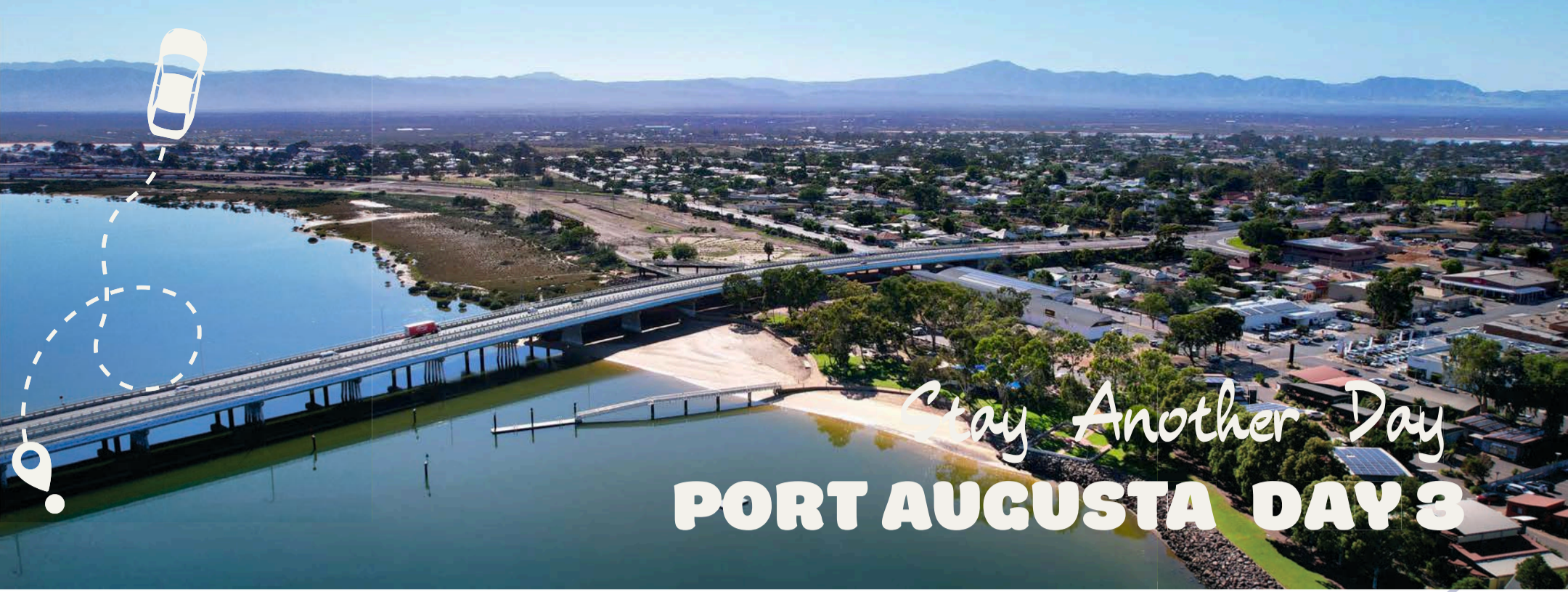
This charming pub has a real country feel with a large beer garden and outdoor eating area with a menu to suit everyone's tastes from daily specials, curries to schnitzels it is the perfect place to sit back and take it all in.

Finish the evening with a delicious gelato at [Scoop Society](#).

The options don't stop at gelato with acai, frozen yoghurt and sorbet available plus vegan options, with over 30 flavours and toppings there is something for everyone! You're on holidays... why not get a double scoop?



PLATFORM GALLERY



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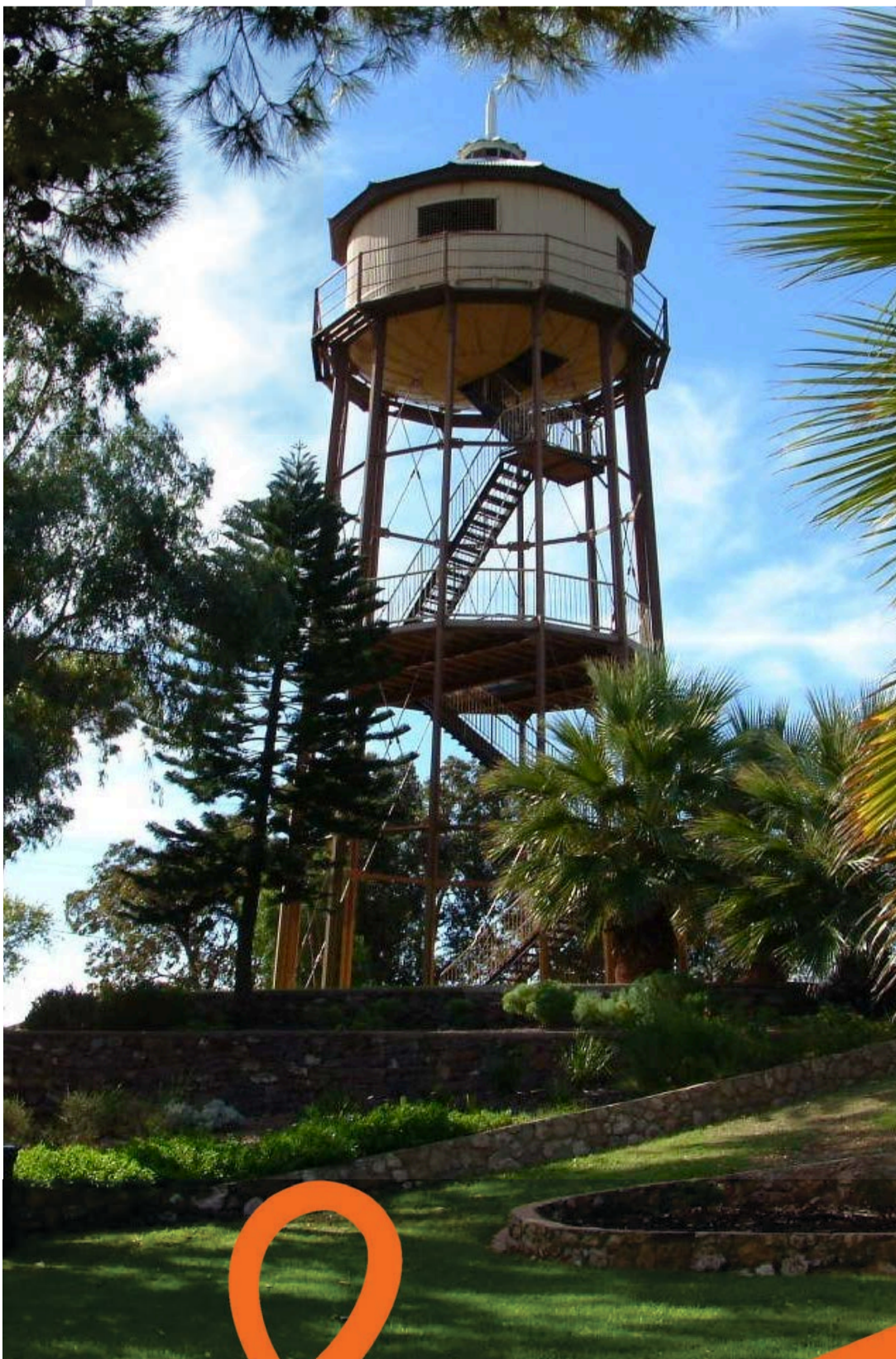
EASTSIDE FORESHORE

MORNING

A visit to Port Augusta isn't complete without breakfast at [Archers Table](#). This quirky little cafe offers an extensive menu using good quality seasonal food and local produce to create favourite breakfast items like Eggs Benedict, Warm Chai Spice Rice Pudding and house made Granola. With alfresco dining options available, sit back and relax with a barista-made coffee and enjoy people watching, followed by a stroll down Loudon Road to the Westside Foreshore and boat ramp.

After a leisurely long breakfast, it's time to get moving and further explore the natural beauty of Port Augusta and its waterfront. For an organised activity meet at the Swimmers Memorial Garden and get to know the local community by joining with Parkrun for a 5km walk, jog or run.

If a casual walk is more your thing than enjoy the stunning scenery on the Coastal Path, running 7.8km from the 'back beach' along the coast all the way to the Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden. With the option of a short journey or long walk the path has plenty of points to join along the way, with water bottle refill stations positioned throughout, you will travel along the Eastside Foreshore, Redbanks and Joy Baluch AM Bridge, at your own pace, enjoying the picturesque views.



WATER TOWER

LUNCH

All that walking has built up an appetite, and it's the perfect time to visit '[The Hut Takeaway](#)' to order some lunch to go! A huge variety of options available with choices from the Chicken or Pizza shop menus, like yiros, chicken and seafood packs, pizza and pasta, and for an extra sweet treat try something from the dessert menu!

A short drive will bring you to the Water Tower to sit and eat lunch at one of the picnic tables on site. Following lunch take in the beautiful gardens and excellent views of the gulf before climbing the tower for breathtaking views of the Flinders Ranges – an amazing photo opportunity!



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BLANCHE HARBOUR AQUATIC RESERVE

AFTERNOON

The Spencer Gulf waters are known for their fishing, from Blue Swimmer Crabs and Squid to Whiting and the elusive Kingfish, there is something for everyone who is keen to drop a line in.

For those experienced on the water why not hire a boat from [Spencer Gulf Hire](#), which comes with all the optional extras for your afternoon out on the water. Even if the fish aren't biting enjoy the pristine waters and views from Redbanks to Blanche Harbour.

If the sea isn't for you, and you'd prefer to stay on dry land, then a drive to the Blanche Harbour Aquatic Reserve is for you. Driving south along Shack Road, enjoy 23km of scenic coastal views to the Douglas Bank Aquatic Reserve.

Learn about the delicate marine environment from the interpretive signage displayed in the picnic shelter, and don't forget to sign the visitors book. Be sure to look out for the unique and entertaining signage along the way, from local shack owners.

EVENING

The end of the day is near with the [Western Hotel](#) the choice of dining for tonight's dinner. Enjoy a pre-dinner drink or cocktail in the bar, before moving on to the Bistro for a delicious meal!

Their new menu includes share plates, pasta, steaks and traditional pub favourites. Don't forget to order dessert!



PORT AUGUSTA WHARF



MORNING

Your final morning in the crossroads of Australia is relaxed with a bit of a lay in before packing up the van and heading to the [Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden](#) for breakfast. With ample space for caravan parking there is small walk from the carpark to the Visitor Centre and café. The Bluebush Café is peaceful and scenic, eating breakfast amongst the birdlife and enjoying the serenity with a mouthwatering menu to compliment the location. With a native inspired menu including Lemon Myrtle Pancakes with Quandong Ice Cream and barista- made coffee of your choice, you may not stop at one!

Explore the garden following breakfast on either a guided tour with a volunteer from the Friends of the Arid Lands, or a self-guided tour, there is plenty to see. The garden is famous for its abundance of Stuart Desert Peas with four specially marked walking tracks, taking from 30 minutes to 2 hours to complete, you could be lucky to see them flowering. With around 140 species of native birds calling the Arid Lands home, and the award winning Arid Smart Display gardens there are photo opportunities galore, with ample opportunity to sit and reflect.

The Gift and Garden Shop is where you'll find unique and Australian made gifts and an extensive range of Arid Smart plants for your own garden so be sure to allow some time to browse before leaving.

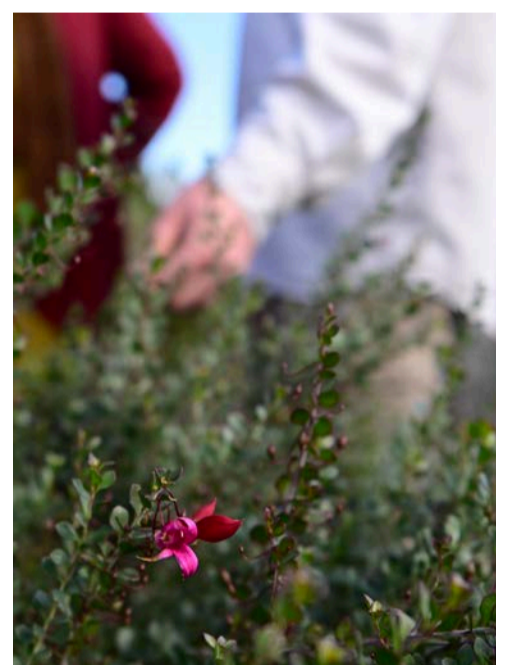
As you get ready to start your journey home a visit to local JM Deli and Bakery for lunch is a must! Locally owned and operated this family business is 'famous' for its specialty pies, pasties, cheese & bacon sausage rolls and incredible cakes.

Grab a chocolate donut, kitchener bun or cream lamington and coffee for the road trip – you wont be disappointed.

REFLECTION

Your final drive home will be filled with happy memories and some surprises, discovering that Port Augusta is a destination with so much to offer.

From their warm welcoming hospitality to local attractions and breathtaking scenery, you will be glad you chose to stay another day...



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PORT AUGUSTA PUBLIC LIBRARY

TOP TIPS

Summer

Traditionally known for our scorching summer days and balmy nights, Port Augusta is all about keeping cool and avoiding the heat. Long summer days are spent at BBQs and eating out, early morning activities and visits to the [Ryan Mitchell Swim Centre](#) and the Foreshores are a must!

Autumn

Cooler mornings and pristine days, while the sun is shining, Autumn is a gorgeous time of the year to visit Port Augusta. Crystal clear waters and calming fishing conditions bring the local community out, with the CBD bustling and local cafes overflowing.

Winter

The cold is upon us, with freezing temperatures overnight warming up throughout the day, making it the perfect time to get outdoors and explore while the sun is shining. Open fires at local pubs with sports bars and community clubs welcoming people to socialise in the warmth.

Spring

Wildflowers are bursting, walking trails and coastal paths are alive with activity, museums and art galleries are open with glorious sunshine and warm days welcoming visitors to town.



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CENTRAL OVAL COMMUNITY SPORTING HUB

SEASONAL ACTIVITIES

Silver Spurs Line Dancing Group is a social club that welcomes new people looking for a fun, social and active session that caters for all skill levels. meeting weekly.

The Port Augusta Racing Club holds 9 race meets per year with views of the world famous Flinders Ranges as a backdrop to the racecourse. It is the premier event on the social calendar with full catering and bar facilities, bookmakers and TAB on course - welcoming visitors to enjoy a day at the races.

Located only 18km from Port Augusta, the Spear Creek Holiday Park boasts two onsite 4WD Tracks suitable for various experience levels.

Stirling North Market Day is held on the third Saturday of the month at the Stirling North Progress Association, with a selection of crafts, fresh vegetables, plants, and homemade treats available, supporting local entrepreneurs.

Central Oval Community Sporting Hub is our premier sport and event precinct hosting football and netball matches in the winter and a large range of community events throughout the year, catered and fully licensed, its worth checking out.

Body movement is important, with Pilates classes popular, casual and class sessions available at SOL Pilates and Club Eleve Pilates – suitable for all and for the gym enthusiasts - there are fitness options for all levels with MacxFit 24, and 24/7 Performance & Fitness welcoming visitors.

PORT AUGUSTA RACING CLUB

