

# ADELAIDE HILLS



*Cleland Wildlife Park*

Take yourself on a journey to new heights in the Adelaide Hills. With rolling green hills, historic towns and award winning wineries dotted throughout, stepping into the land of the long lunch is a romantic escape. With every season providing a new reason to explore, the Adelaide Hills specialise in exquisite, locally sourced produce, cool climate wines and up close and personal experiences with Australia's most loved wildlife.

- A 30-minute drive from Adelaide's city centre and 45 minutes from the airport.
- The Adelaide Hills stretch from the Barossa in the north, to Kuitpo Forest that borders McLaren Vale
- Mount Lofty Summit is the highest peak near Adelaide and provides spectacular views of the Adelaide Plains, Kangaroo Island and the Yorke Peninsula.
- The main industries in the Adelaide Hills are viticulture, cattle and sheep production, dairy production, fruit produce, horticulture and tourism.
- With more than 40 cellar doors, the Adelaide Hills offers many options for visitors to indulge. As one of Australia's best cool climate wine regions, there's a cellar door over every hill.
- Grape vines were first planted in 1839, three years after European settlers arrived in Adelaide; six years later Australia's first wine export was on its way to England.
- The Adelaide Hills are also well-known for apples, cherries, strawberries, lettuce, leeks and German-style bakeries and small-goods. Local produce is available in cafés and restaurants, farm gates and local markets.



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- Cheese has become a big part of the food and wine experience in the Adelaide Hills since two award-winning producers of gourmet cheese, Woodside Cheese Wrights and Udder Delights, opened their doors in the 1990s.
- There are three major shopping precincts in the Adelaide Hills; Hahndorf, Australia's oldest surviving German settlement; the garden village of Stirling and thriving Mount Barker.
- Lobethal has a German history, but is best known for the largest Christmas light display in the Southern Hemisphere which attracts more than 250,000 visitors each year.
- Oakbank is famous for the Southern Hemisphere's biggest picnic race meet – Oakbank Easter Racing Carnival.
- The small towns of Uraidla and Crafers have both undergone a recent revival with the recently refurbished Uraidla Hotel, Lost in a Forest Pizza and Wine Bar and Crafers Hotel.
- Cleland Wildlife Park is home to more than 130 species of Australian wildlife. A self-guided tour through the 35-hectare park helps visitors discover native animals, bushland and wetlands.
- World-class mountain bike trails are dotted throughout the Adelaide Hills. The Eagle Mountain Bike Park, just 15 minutes from the Adelaide city centre, features 21kms of tracks designed to suit novices and experts alike.
- The three waterfalls at Morialta Falls Conservation Park is Adelaide's most popular rock-climbing area, with the 30m cliffs located only 20-minutes-drive from Adelaide's CBD.
- The Big Rocking Horse in Gumeracha stands at 18m high. Visitors can climb the rocking horse before visiting the nearby toy factory and seven-acre animal park.
- The Adelaide Hills are one of the few regions in Australia that enjoys four distinct seasons. The average winter maximum temperature is 14°C and 26°C in summer.

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