

ADELAIDE HILLS



Lenswood Apple Orchard

Take yourself on a journey to new heights in the Adelaide Hills. With rolling green hills, historic German townships and award-winning wineries dotted throughout, stepping into the land of the long lunch is a romantic escape. Home to proud artisans and farmers, every season provides a new reason to visit with exquisite, locally sourced produce and cool climate wines. You might even make the acquaintance of our other 'shyer' residents at our wildlife reserve.

- ▶ 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, Adelaide Hills' visitors are spoiled for choice. As one of Australia's best cool climate wine regions, there's a cellar door up and over every hill.
- ▶ Grape vines were first planted here in 1839, three years after European settlers arrived in Adelaide; six years later Australia's first wine export was on its way to England.
- ▶ With beautiful seasonal produce such as apples, cherries, strawberries and leeks it's all too easy to indulge at our quaint German style bakeries and small goods stores. More wholesome and hearty local fare is also available in cafés and restaurants, farm gates and local markets.
- ▶ 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.
- ▶ If you're looking to stay a little longer, one of the Hills' many food and wine festivals is the perfect excuse. Play it cool in summer with the Crush Festival, a three-day affair that includes lazy, long lunches, live music and exceptional cool climate wines. Or return in July



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Cleland Wildlife Park

for the Winter Reds Weekend, and cosy-up for some award-winning food and wine by the fireplace.

- ▶ 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.
- ▶ Get to know our feathered and furry friends at the Cleland Wildlife Park. Home to more than 130 species of Australian wildlife, the 35-hectare park is yours to explore via a self-guided tour through bushland and wetlands.
- ▶ 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.
- ▶ In Summertown, the newly opened Summertown Astrologist is turning heads with their epicurean delights. Home to a large open kitchen, everything you find on the menu is handmade, pickled, cured and churned. Plus, the wine list is no exception. Here you'll find a wide range of 100% organic wines, sourced from the local community of winemakers.
- ▶ 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.

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- ▶ Australia is home to big things, and the Adelaide Hills are no exception with The Big Rocking Horse in Gumeracha. Standing tall at 18m high, visitors are welcome to climb the toy 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.

