



## Self Drive Information Kit

Think of an island seven times the size of Singapore. Think of native bushland, wildlife and pristine beaches. Think of adventure and days of exploring. Think of beach houses, local wines and sunsets. You're thinking of Kangaroo Island, a brilliant blend.

Welcome to Kangaroo Island, the island is Australia's third-largest island, covering some 4,500 sq km. Over a third of it is conservation land, while the coast-with its beaches, cliffs, shipwrecks, lighthouses and marine parks-runs for some 540km. A day trip? It's possible, but it would be a shame to miss out on so much more this amazing island has to offer.

## Important Information about Driving on Kangaroo Island

Before you head of on your adventure, please read the following, we hope a few tips will give you a lot more confidence on the roads, because it is the best way to see Kangaroo Island. Good luck and have a fun and safe drive!!

### **Driving on Kangaroo Island**

There are nearly 1,600km of roads on the island. The major roads between Penneshaw, American River, Kingscote, Parndana and Flinders Chase are sealed. The remainder are unsealed and require reduced speed and caution-particularly on corners and when approaching other traffic.



### **Wildlife on the Roads**

Kangaroo Island Wildlife is precious and protected- and active at night!! Native animals are blinded by bright light. So SLOW DOWN, dip your lights and take time to observe the wildlife. During the day, the



animals still wonder around especially Goannas, Snakes and Echidnas. So care is to be taken during the day as well as night. It is recommended at night to not exceed a speed of 80km, as precious as wildlife is- you are just as precious.



### **Fuel on Kangaroo Island**

Fuel is available from Penneshaw, Island Beach, American River, Kingscote, Parndana, Vivonne Bay, KI Wilderness retreat. LPG is available at Penneshaw and Kingscote only. A full tank is recommended before heading out on a full day of touring.

Penneshaw opening hours: 7.30am- 6.30pm (24 Hours Self-Serve Available)

Kingscote opening hours: 7am-8pm 7 days a week

### **Fitness Levels**

MEDIUM- Most attractions involve walking to destinations and need an average level of fitness.

### **Mobile Phones**

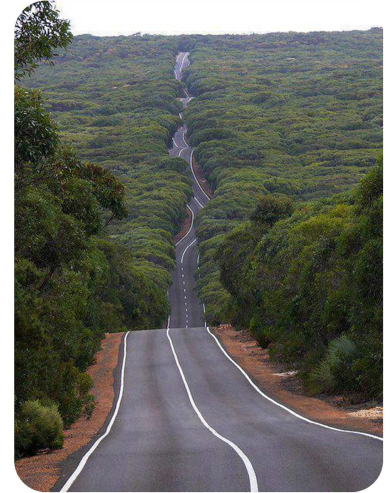
Telstra Next G coverage is widely available across the Island and all other carriers have limited access.



# Suggested Self Drive Itinerary

## Day 1

Head straight for the island largest national park Flinders's Chase at the western end of the Island. You will get the chance to see the wonderful native wildlife such as kangaroo's, wallabies and birds at Rocky River. From there we drive through the park to Admirals Arch and see the colony of New Zealand Fur Seals, from the viewing platform you will get fantastic photo opportunity's not to be missed. Next stop are the Remarkable Rocks, these are large granite boulders standing dramatically on the cliff top which plunges 75 meters into the Southern Ocean



After all this fresh air you can then stop for lunch at the Flinders Chase Cafe, you can sit back with a glass of Kangaroo Island Wine and admire the surroundings and hopefully see more wildlife.

Then head off to Koala Avenue just outside the Park where we have the chance to view Koala's in their natural habitat.

Next it's off to Kelly Hill Caves where you get to have a guided tour of the Caves. You'll discover an amazing underground world with sinkholes and caverns that possibly extend 9km underground to the coast of Australia's Southern Ocean.



Now it's time to head back to Penneshaw to your beautiful accommodation at the Kangaroo Island Seafront, you now have time to relax and have time to decide what's for dinner?

**TIP: IF YOU HEAD STRAIGHT FOR FLINDERS CHASE YOU WILL MISS MOST OF THE TOUR BUSES AS THEY GO THE OTHER WAY.**

## Day 2

First stop is to Pennington Bay just 18km out of Penneshaw, this is also one of KI spectacular beaches if you feel energetic there is a 550 step hill to climb to see an amazing view of Kangaroo Island.



Now off to the Eucalyptus farm, take this opportunity to find out how a traditional Aussie Bush Product is made. It's South Australia's only commercial Eucalyptus Oil Distillery operating only on solar, steam and wind power.



Now head to Seal Bay Conservation Park where your guide will take you on the beach to get up close and personal with the Australian Sea-Lion colony. Watch them surf the waves for feed their young, this is an experience you will never forget.

Why not head North to Snellings Beach, along on the way stop and have lunch at Parndana. Now you get to work off that lunch with a stroll through Latham National Park and observe the Kangaroos and wallabies, this is also the habitat of the rare Glossy Black Cockatoo's and the shy and very cute Echidna.

Straight after you can head to Stokes Bay along the fantastic coastline of North Kangaroo Island we get to show you a hidden beach- we make our way through the tunnel on the eastern end of the beach.

And if time is on your side, call into the town centre Kingscote to pick yourself up some Kangaroo Island souvenirs.



**TIP: WHEN DRIVING UPTO THE NORTH COAST BE CAREFUL ON THE DIRT ROADS, WE SUGGEST YOU STAY TO A COMFORATBLE SPEED BETWEEN 60-70KMS.**

# Must See Must Do on Kangaroo Island

## **Flinders Chase National Park**

Marvel at Remarkable Rocks and Admirals Arch, just two of the many amazing land formations within the 33,000-hectare Flinders Chase National Park. There's also the 1909 Cape du Couedic lighthouse and wildlife aplenty, including kangaroos, koalas, echidnas and the endangered Cape Barren geese. Start with a visit to the fabulous Flinders Chase Visitor Centre.

## **Seal Bay Conservation Park**

Walk among the nation's third largest and most accessible colony of Australian Sea Lions as these cute creatures doze in the sun after lengthy fishing forays in the Southern Ocean. Various tours are available at the hugely popular Seal Bay Conservation Park: you can join a park ranger for a guided walk on the beach, or take a self-guided tour on the more accessible boardwalk.

## **See the Light (house)**

Envelop yourself in the Island's history with a tour of its spectacular lighthouses. Dating back to 1852, Cape Willoughby is SA's oldest lighthouse: you can tour it daily. At Cape Borda, tour the lighthouse and museum before exploring the old landing site and lightkeeper's cemetery. And at Weirs Cove wonder at how life was for the early keepers of Cape du Couedic lighthouse, visiting the remains of the jetty, water tank and storerooms that sustained life in this isolated post between infrequent supply ships.

## **Kangaroo Island Wildlife Park**

Location: 4068 Playford Highway, Seddon (3km past the town of Parndana)

Opening Hours: Open Daily from 9am – 5pm & Christmas Day from 10am – 3pm

Telephone: 8559 6050

With a wide range of Kangaroo Island and Australia's rare, unique and special wildlife, our aim is to provide all visitors with a unique, hands-on experience in a safe, friendly and educational environment.

## **Raptor Domain, Birds of Prey & Fang-Tastic**

With an amazing collection of birds for an entertaining, educational and interactive experience suitable for the whole family. During the free-flight presentation, marvel at the natural hunting abilities. The all new 'fang-tastic' interactive reptile show; Educational and interactive experience with friendly lizards and snakes. Learn some interesting facts about their reptiles in Australia, find out how to treat a snake bite and much more.