



# LUXURY WINE TOUR TO AUSTRALIA

Exploring the Legends of South Australia

**FEBRUARY 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026**

— Hosted by *Peter Scudamore-Smith MW & James Cluer MW* —

**US \$4,995** *per person*

Join us on a vinous walkabout through the historic vineyards and wineries of South Australia. Experience private tastings and fabulous meals during the Aussie harvest time. Together with your hosts, Peter Scudamore-Smith MW and James Cluer MW we are excited to take you to the legends of Australia.

Each day takes you to a classic wine region where owners and winemakers are ready to greet you with laid-back charm and extraordinary wines. Walk through vineyards that contain some of the world's oldest living vines and be guided through some of the country's most notable wineries. At the end of each visit, indulge in a tasting of iconic wines that are of legendary status.

## COME AND DISCOVER

**AMAZING ADELAIDE** starts with a visit to **Penfolds Magill Cellar Door** (home to the iconic Grange) in suburban Adelaide. Enjoy a multi-course sharing dinner at Adelaide's premier wine shop on the first evening.

**THE MAGNIFICENCE OF McLAREN VALE** at the colonial **Coriole winery** and explore the modernist at **Yangarra Estate**, and a memorable visit to the iconic **d'Arenberg**.

**EXCELLENCE IN THE EDEN VALLEY** with an unforgettable visit to the legendary **Henschke Cellars**.

**THE BEST OF THE BAROSSA** with visits to **Seppeltsfield, Elderton, Torbreck, Chateau Tanunda**, with a private lunch hosted by **Hill Smith Family Estates**.

**AWE-INSPIRING ADELAIDE HILLS** with the steeper slopes of South Australia visiting the MW-heavy **Shaw + Smith** property, lunch at **The Lane Vineyard** in the rolling hills of Handorf and wrap up the day's visits at **Longview Vineyard** in the cool heights of the Macclesfield.

**LUXURY ACCOMMODATION** with 2 nights at the recently opened, once GPO Marriott Hotel Adelaide and 2 nights at the historic, statuesque Mount Lofty House Estate in Crafers in the Adelaide Hills.



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## YOUR HOSTS



### PETER SCUDAMORE-SMITH MW

Becoming Australia's second Master of Wine in 1991, Peter Scudamore-Smith MW is an established international wine authority with deep experience in not only Australia but also in New Zealand, Spain, France, and Italy. His acute sensory skills are well-recognized in both wine and coffee circles where he has judged at multiple international competitions.

Peter is the principal owner of [Uncorked and Cultivated](#), a consulting firm that specializes in winegrowing, hospitality, and wine travel. His passion for global gastronomy, warm charm and in-depth knowledge are unparalleled and will make for a fun and insightful tour.



### JAMES CLUER MW

James has 26 years of experience in the wine trade and now spends his time running Fine Vintage which operates in 15 countries.

Since 2010, James has personally designed each Fine Vintage tour, paying meticulous attention to the smallest detail. He has hosted all of them for several years. Today, James oversees every tour, directing the itineraries and ensuring the quality standards are at the highest level on every single trip.

## PRICE

### US \$4,995

The price includes all accommodation during the tour, all visits and tastings at wineries, all meals (except dinners on the free evenings), all wine at meals, and local transport. Flights and travel arrangements to and from Adelaide, items of a personal nature, and travel/health insurance are not included. We recommend that you contact your travel agent to arrange travel/health insurance.

If you are travelling by yourself there will be a single supplement of US \$800.

The payment schedule is:

Deposit at booking: \$250 non-refundable booking administration fee

120 days from start: Remaining deposits (plus single supplement if applicable).



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## ITINERARY | DAY 1

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup> – AMAZING ADELAIDE

Please make your own flight arrangements to Adelaide. We meet in the lobby of the luxurious 5-star Marriott in central Adelaide, your home for the first two nights of your tour.

Adelaide Marriott, 141 King William Street, Adelaide SA 5000

[Adelaide Marriott](#)

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### 9:45 AM – MEET YOUR GUIDE AND DEPART

Meet with Peter in the lobby and board the luxury bus for a visit at one of Australia's most historic family holdings.

### HENSCHKE

Henschke has been described as “in viticultural terms Australia's most sacred site”. The wines are among Australia's most sought-after and age worthy, some of which cost several hundred dollars a bottle. Following a walk through this historic working winery, we will enjoy a tasting of Henschke's premium wines, including the legendary Hill of Grace Shiraz and Mount Edelstone Shiraz. If you know Australian wine, then you'll know how special this visit is. Welcome to Australia, mate. [www.henschke.com.au](http://www.henschke.com.au)

### SEPPELTSFIELD VISIT & LUNCH

The historic Seppeltsfield Winery dates back to 1851 and is one of the jewels in the crown of Australia's wine heritage. It is the only winery in the world to have a collection of tawny fortifieds in every single vintage going back to 1878. They are also the only winery in the world to release a 100-year-old single vintage wine every year. During your private tour you will learn about this historic homestead and visit the astounding Centenary Cellar. You might even get a bottle from your birth year. Our visit to Seppeltsfield will conclude with Fino Restaurant's wine pairing lunch. [www.sepeltfield.com.au](http://www.sepeltfield.com.au)

### ELDERTON

Heading over to Nuriootpa, our next visit pays homage to a relative newcomer to the pantheon of great Barossa wineries: Elderton. Owned by the Ashmead family for nearly half a century, Elderton is currently in the hands of 2<sup>nd</sup> generation Allister and Cameron with a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation on its way to taking the future reins of the winery. Elderton is renowned for their big and bold Barossa reds; the liquorice and minty rich Ashmead Cabernet and the jammy, chocolaty, spicy Command Shiraz regularly garner national and international awards and sit at the top echelon of Australian wines. Hosted by Allister Ashmead, this is a tasting of massive wines for the ages. [www.eldertonwines.com.au](http://www.eldertonwines.com.au)

But the day is not done yet. After a rest at the hotel we head to the **East End Cellars**, Adelaide's premiere wine retail and restaurant destination, a place that regularly hosts high-end clientele and events. Our welcome dinner will be paired with a selection of fine Australian wine from regions beyond our itinerary: You return to the Marriott at around 10pm, ready to rest up and get excited for another great day tomorrow.



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## ITINERARY | DAY 2

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### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18<sup>TH</sup> – MAGILL & MAGNIFICENT McLAREN VALE

#### 10:00 am - Depart hotel

After a bit of a sleep-in and breakfast we'll drive south to Magill, then to the rolling hills and diverse sea-influenced terroir of McLaren Vale.

#### PENFOLDS MAGILL CELLAR DOOR

Just a short 15-minute drive from central Adelaide is the spiritual home of Penfolds, the Magill Cellar Door. Penfolds first started operations here in 1844 before growing into one of Australia's most celebrated and renowned wineries. Enjoy the breathtaking view of the Magill Estate vineyard before going behind the scenes to see how some of the country's most revered wines are made. The visit ends with the Ultimate Penfolds tasting of its icon wines, including the coveted Grange Shiraz. [www.penfolds.com](http://www.penfolds.com)

#### CORIOLE

We arrive at Coriole's hillside vineyards in Chaffey's Road McLaren Vale, passing the 1919-planted Shiraz vines and then the old stone buildings owned by the Lloyd family. Established in 1969 by Hugh and Mark Lloyd, Coriole has been at the forefront of the adoption of Mediterranean thinking towards modern health – extra virgin olive oil from its own plantings, self-production of cheese, and of course newer grape varieties. The company has pioneered and is now the go-to maker of Sangiovese wine from 25 vineyards. We lunch rural-style, with Italian-influenced plates (house olives of course) and tastings of Fiano, Piquepoul, Barbera, Montepulciano, Sangiovese, Nebbiolo, and more. [www.coriole.com/](http://www.coriole.com/)

#### d'ARENBERG

d'Arenberg is one the most famous wineries in the McLaren Vale, and one of the best known in Australia. This visit is a real eye-opener. The new ultra-modern and eye-popping "Cube" tasting monolith is our destination. Winemaking practices remain as if a small artisan winery. We walk through ancient grenache vines to a Dead Arm Distinction Tasting, the famous low yielding "dead arm" vines, which are basket pressed and fermented in open-top vats.. [www.darenberg.com.au](http://www.darenberg.com.au)

We return to the Marriott at around 5pm. This evening, we will host a small walk around tasting with a group of "New Breed" winemakers at 6pm. This is a great opportunity to discover some new tastes of new styles or very smart brands beyond our itinerary. After this is a free evening to explore the many restaurants and wine bars of central Adelaide – that is if you are still thirsty and hungry after a full day.



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## ITINERARY | DAY 3

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### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19<sup>TH</sup> – MCLAREN VALE & ADELAIDE HILLS

#### 10:00 am Depart Hotel

We check out of the hotel and head south to the heights of McLaren Vale in Blewett Springs and Clarendon for a day of among the great producers of Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Grenache and Grenache Blanc,

#### YANGARRA (JACKSON FAMILY WINES)

Situated on a unique terroir of diverse soils and altitudes, Yangarra is widely respected as an Australian leader in Rhone varieties. Old Vine Grenache is Yangarra's cornerstone style; the 2021 was rated as the 2024 Grenache of the Year, Red Wine of the Year, and even Wine of the Year. Shiraz, Roussanne, and Grenache Blanc – the first in Australia – round out some of Yangarra's diverse wine styles. Yangarra is also committed to sustainable viticulture, employing biodynamic techniques. A great start to your day in the McLaren Vale. [www.yangarra.com](http://www.yangarra.com)

#### THE LANE

Blown away by your bucket-list tastings so far, we head for the hills – the Adelaide Hills. We start with a visit to The Lane. At 1500 feet altitude, cool climate varieties such as Pinot Noir, Sauvignon Blanc, and Chardonnay thrive. Our visit includes a casual lunch paired with these elegant wines. An after-lunch stroll through the quaint shop-lined streets of Hahndorf village will help shake off the wine and calories. [www.thelane.com.au](http://www.thelane.com.au)

#### SHAW + SMITH

Founded by cousins Martin Shaw and Michael Hill Smith MW in 1989, the wines of Shaw + Smith are the pinnacle of Adelaide Hills expression with a focus on just 5 varieties. Their Sauvignon Blanc is arguably among Australia's best, and their cool-climate Shiraz offers a different take on the country's signature variety. The M3 Vineyard Chardonnay is the flagship wine and is often rated at the top of Australia's best Chardonnays. Small amounts of refreshing Pinot Noir and Riesling round out their portfolio, including stunning wines from Tasmania. A perfect range of wines to sip and savor in the late afternoon sunshine. [www.shawandsmith.com](http://www.shawandsmith.com)

#### MOUNT LOFTY HOUSE ESTATE – ADELAIDE HILLS

We then check into the 5-star Iconic Designer Boutique Mount Lofty House Estate Hotel in the small Adelaide Hills village of Crafters around 4:30 pm. Built in 1852 by Arthur Hardy, this is our home for the next two evenings and site of the famous three hat Hardy Verandah Restaurant with its international cellar. At 6:00 pm we convene to experience a focus tasting presentation of Adelaide Hills Sparkling Wines, being the premier region of the State for new-look but classic bubbles where several single-style makers have estates. Afterwards the evening is free. [www.mtloftyhouse.com.au](http://www.mtloftyhouse.com.au)



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## ITINERARY | DAY 4

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### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20<sup>TH</sup> – THE BIG GUNS OF THE BAROSSA

#### 10:00 am Depart hotel

It's time to set off for our visits and lunch in the Barossa Valley

#### LANGMEIL

Our host will be James Lindner, who as owner is Barossan royalty and member of the “Barons of the Barossa” historical wine fraternity. We start with a guided tour of Langmeil, hear what they believe is the world’s oldest surviving Shiraz vineyard called “The Freedom 1843.” After that it’s just a ton of outstanding wines as we explore both the tradition and the ultra-modern thinking around Australia’s most loved variety – Shiraz. This is a wine experience you’ll never forget – tasting wines from the world’s oldest vines of this variety. [www.langmeilwinery.com.au](http://www.langmeilwinery.com.au)

#### HILL-SMITH FAMILY ESTATES

Next on the agenda is a short drive over to Angaston to visit Australia’s oldest family-owned wine company, Hill Smith Family Estates in their 176<sup>th</sup> year. Now in its sixth generation, HSFE produces more than a dozen labels from throughout Australia, but it is their Yalumba brand that is the most recognized worldwide. Awarded New World Winery of the Year in 2010, Yalumba features an on-site cooperage and wine museum, which you will get to see first-hand. Your tasting will include their top wines: The Signature Cabernet/Shiraz, The Octavius Shiraz, the Virgilius Viognier, and their new icon, The Caley Cabernet/Shiraz. Our visit will conclude with a light lunch, Yalumba is 1<sup>st</sup> class. James Cluer did a vintage there in 2003 and has fond memories of an excellent winery. [www.hsfe.com](http://www.hsfe.com)

#### LONGVIEW VINEYARD

We head back to the Hills but on the way seek out the Saturno Brothers and family’s extensive 150-acre Longview Vineyard in the historic township of Macclesfield; great makers of cooler-grown gruner veltliner, chardonnay, nebbiolo rose, shiraz and cabernet sauvignon (and some terrific nebbiolo). We visit a picturesque location of landscaped gardens and rural chic architecture established in the late 1990s when the Adelaide Hills region became the rage for the cooler growing of grapes. At 1300 feet the property occupies a cold south-eastern ridge of the Mount Lofty Ranges now treasured for viticulture. [www.longviewvineyard.com.au](http://www.longviewvineyard.com.au)

But the day has not finished as we return to Mount Lofty House at 5:30 pm, then get set for our final dinner and celebration together in the Hardy Verandah Restaurant at 7:30pm. This is a blow-out dinner that will be filled with fun, laughter, and plenty of wine.





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## ITINERARY | DAY 5

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21<sup>ST</sup> – THE GRAND BAROSSA FINALE

#### 10:00 am Depart Hotel

After a big night there is time to sleep in before packing up, checking out, and heading off.

#### TORBRECK

Another day, another icon! Torbreck is one of the few wineries that can lay claim to be a true modern classic and in just 30 years has become one of Australia's most recognized and awarded brands. Established in 1994, Texan-owned Torbreck's vision has been to create wines solely from Barossa old vines. Our private VIP tour will include a tasting of Torbreck's icon wines, including RunRig and The Laird, both of which have been awarded the magic 100 points by Robert Parker. This is how you start a day in the Barossa. [www.torbreck.com](http://www.torbreck.com)

#### BBQ LUNCH AT VINTNERS BAR & GRILL

To gain more Aussie flavour we move on to Vintners Bar & Grill, a nationally recognized award-winning restaurant that reflects the best of the region's winemakers, farmers and growers. Enjoy a BBQ style casual lunch while enjoying the bucolic ambience of the Barossan countryside and adjacent Angaston vineyards. [www.vintners.com.au](http://www.vintners.com.au)

#### CHATEAU TANUNDA

Time for some royal treatment at the Icon of the Barossa, Chateau Tanunda. For more than 130 years, Chateau Tanunda has been producing wines of outstanding quality. Their list of former winemakers is a veritable who's-who of Australia's most famous and celebrated vintners. Their vineyards contain old Grenache, Malbec, and Mourvèdre, which combined together create the much-heralded 1858 Field Blend. The Everest Old Vine Grenache and Everest Shiraz are treasured by critics the world over, and their 50-, 100-, and 150-Year 'Old Vines Expressions' wines are transcendent. This visit is a rare journey back in time. A game of croquet on the estate's grounds is a fitting way to enjoy these historic wines. [www.chateautanunda.com](http://www.chateautanunda.com)

After Chateau Tanunda we jump back on the bus at 4pm and head back to Adelaide. The bus will first drop guests off at the airport at around 5:30 pm or so for those with onward travel plans. From there, the bus will return to the Marriott in central Adelaide for those wishing to stay on. If you wish to make reservations for extra nights at the Marriott you can reach out to them directly and let them know you are with the Fine Vintage group to receive a favourable rate.

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[Adelaide Marriott](http://AdelaideMarriott) Tel + 61 8 8451 3300

**Price: \$4,995 US (including plus \$250 non-refundable registration fee) per person based on double occupancy.**

**There is a \$800 US per person single supplement.**

**Space is limited to 20.**

This is a luxurious trip, hosted by local and international wine experts, visiting the great estates with a small group of about 20 like-minded fun-loving people. It's suited to all wine lovers. It's a bucket list trip. If you have any questions, please contact us at [info@FineVintageLtd.com](mailto:info@FineVintageLtd.com).

