



# AUSTRALIA – GUIDED CYCLING TOURS

2010

## GOURMET CYCLING IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA

### Adelaide to Barossa and Clare Valleys, return

\* World-famous wine \* Delicious food \* Gentle cycling through rolling countryside \* Riesling Trail cycleway

Departs: 28<sup>th</sup> November – 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2009, 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> January 2010 from Adelaide (CBD hotel pick-ups)

Duration: 5 days, 4 nights

Cost: AUD\$1995 per person (twin share)

Includes: Twin share with shared facilities, 4 Breakfasts, 5 Lunches, 4 Dinners, Tour guide, transport from Adelaide, full vehicle support, wine tasting, meals as indicated.

Not included: Bike and equipment hire is at an additional cost: AU\$225 per bike (you may bring their own bicycle), fuel levy fee (if applicable).

This is your opportunity to enjoy and explore sumptuous local produce, tempting world-class wines, landscapes etched with manicured vineyards, against a backdrop of eucalypts in the beautiful Barossa and Clare Valleys on our fine food and wine with gentle cycling guided holiday.

The Barossa Valley owes much of its appeal to the European peasant farmers and English free settlers who made the place home from the 1850s. You can get a taste of their rich cultural legacy in the superb specialty foods, festivals and events, historic architecture and inspiring arts, antique shops and galleries.

With a rich cultural tapestry dating back 160 years and more than 35 cellar doors, the Clare Valley is a perfect destination to again immerse yourself in the finer things in life: food and wine, divine places to stay, history, arts and festivals. The Riesling Trail is one of the first rail-trails to be developed in South Australia, running for 25 km between the towns of Clare and Auburn and ambling past many cellar doors along the way.

**DAY 1** Food and Wine, local farmer's markets, boutique wineries. On the first day of our tour, we cycle the Seppeltsfield Road, visiting wineries such as Two Hands where we begin with a wine master class and tasting of their premium wines, the Barossa Valley Estate and the historic Seppeltsfield Winery. We visit Maggie Beers Farm Shop to enjoy the surrounds and sample some of the region's delights. Tonight we enjoy a gourmet dinner prepared at our accommodation. Cycling Distance: @25km

**DAY 2** After breakfast overlooking the valley we visit the historic and beautifully restored Chateau Tanunda and again there is the opportunity to enjoy a Barrel tasting before cycling to the early settlement off Bethany. We continue our cycle through the back roads and vineyards stopping at boutique wineries and attractions along the way as the mood takes us. Tonight's dinner is at a local restaurant. Cycling Distance: @ 35 km

**DAY 3** We ride through some of the most breathtaking parts of the region perhaps with a glimpse of native Australian animals in the wild, to the town of Angaston with its amazing art and craft shops. After lunch we drive to Clare Valley and enjoy a gourmet dinner prepared at our accommodation. Cycling Distance: @25 km

**DAY 4** From the town of Auburn we cycle along the Riesling Trail, built along a disused railway line. En route we can visit Knappsteins, Tim Adams Wines, the historic Sevenhill Wines, Crabtree and Annie's Lane. Tonight's dinner is at one of the Clare Valley's finest restaurants. Cycling Distance: @ 30 km

**DAY 5** Cycle magnificent Skilly Ridge, with breathtaking views across the Valley, visit some of the best wineries in the region en route including, Skillogalee & Kilakanoon before cycling to the historic 19<sup>th</sup> century slate mining village of Mintaro and visiting the boutique Reilly's wines. After lunch we cycle to Martindale Hall, a historic Georgian style mansion built @ 1870. Return to Adelaide by 6.00 pm. Cycling Distance: @ 50 km (optional)

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