

3 Day

LOXTON CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

(08) 8876 5121 travel@sparktravel.com.au www.sparktravel.com.au Suite 1, Ground Floor 29 King William Street Adelaide, SA 5000 **Tuesday 02 December 2025**

Fully Escorted From Adelaide Return Home Transfers Christmas Shopping at Waikerie's Santa's Cave 'Captain Proud' Paddleboat Lunch Cruise

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Hughes Home Pick Up Service (zoned area only).
- Air conditioned and restroom equipped touring coach.
- 2 nights at the award-winning Loxton Hotel including 2 dinners, (1 dinner Christmas-themed), 2 cooked breakfasts.
- Enjoy a tour with a local guide of the fabulous Loxton Christmas lights.
- Spectacular Silo Art at Waikerie and Karoonda.
- Christmas shopping time at Waikerie's Santa's Cave a magical experience for all ages.
- Wine tasting and share platter lunch at the Riverland Wine Centre at Lyrup.
- Explore Loxton Historical Village including lunch and enjoy a tour and afternoon tea at The Pines historic house and garden.
- 3 hour lunch cruise on board the 'Captain Proud' Paddleboat.



NOTES:

**Health and Fitness: To assist us when booking, please advise your Spark Travel consultant if you have any special needs such as mobility, dietary etc. A minimum level of fitness is required in order to participate. You will need to able to walk up a flight of stairs and manage coach steps unaided. You must inform us before the commencement of the tour of any medical condition which may affect your ability to participate in the tour. If you are unable to manage on your own, it will be necessary to be accompanied by another person who is fit and able to assist you in day to day tasks and capable of providing the assistance required. Dietary requests must be accompanied by the appropriate dietary information in writing.

**Tour extensions subject to availability and extension booking criteria.

**It should be noted that to be fair to all passengers, specific coach seats cannot be reserved. We work a rotating seat system on board the coach.

HUGHES TRANSFERS TO AND FROM YOUR HOME:

Hughes transfers apply in the zoned area. These transfers may be available at additional cost to passengers who live outside the zoned area - please ask your Spark Travel consultant. 'HUGHES HOME PICK UP SERVICE' will call you two (2) days before the commencement of the tour to confirm the time they will be arriving at your home. If you have missed the call, please contact Spark Travel (08) 8876 5121 a day prior to departure for your pickup time. If you reside in a retirement village, please ensure Hughes have clear instructions from you as to means of entry and directions to find your home. If you are out of zone there will be an additional payment due and this should be made at the time of booking. For safety reasons, suitcases should weigh no more than 20kgs. The Hughes home pick up service only applies to scheduled tour departure and return tour dates. Those passengers wishing to extend their tours will be responsible for their own transfers.

ITINERARY:

DAY 01 - TUESDAY: ADELAIDE/LOXTON - WAIKERIE SILO ART & SANTA'S CAVE, RIVERLAND WINE CENTRE AT LYRUP

Depart at **07.30am** from **Adelaide Central Bus Station**, 85 Franklin Street, Adelaide on board our air-conditioned and toilet-equipped touring coach. Travel the Sturt Highway to Blanchetown for a look at **the William Randall Lock No. 1**, the start of the River Murray's lock and weir system. On arrival at **Waikerie**, enjoy the vibrant colours of spectacular **Silo Art** with the theme 'Healthy River, Healthy Community,' painted by artists **Garry Duncan and Jimmy Dvate**. Visit **Santa's Cave** for an opportunity to purchase lovely hand-made Christmas gifts for family and friends. Next stop will be at the family owned **Riverland Wine Centre at Lyrup** with panoramic views overlooking the Murray River where we enjoy a **wine tasting and share platter lunch**. Our route then takes us on to **Loxton**, to view the **Tree of Knowledge** in Lions Park, after which we check into the award-winning **Loxton Hotel**, our home for the next 2 nights. **OVERNIGHT: LOXTON HOTEL, LOXTON. (L.D)**

DAY 02 - WEDNESDAY: AT LOXTON - LOXTON HISTORICAL VILLAGE, THE PINES, LOXTON CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Today at the Loxton Historical Village step back in time to an era when bread was baked at home in a wood-fuelled oven, milk came directly from cows and horses pulled ploughs to cultivate the land. The Loxton Historical Village tells the story of the region's early settlers and all buildings and displays have either been relocated or built on site – explore historical household items, vintage machinery, vehicles and much more, plus enjoy a delightful light lunch. Enjoy a tour and afternoon tea at the Pines Historic House and Garden. Built in 1909, with its wide driveway lined with mature pine trees and beautiful gardens, the house and its untouched contents provides a snapshot of the lifestyle of the Kingdon and Thiele families in the early 20th Century. On our way back to the hotel, visit the spectacular Venus Citrus wall mural by artist Garry Duncan, with the remainder of the afternoon being free for your own exploration of Loxton – maybe explore the shops, or enjoy the many facilities at the hotel. This evening, after our Christmas-themed dinner, rejoin our coach for a guided tour of the glittering spectacle of the Loxton Christmas Lights. From the great dazzling Christmas tree in the centre of town, to homes adorned with thousands of twinkling colourful lights and over 400 unique hand-painted Christmas scenes, it is an unforgettable sight!

OVERNIGHT: LOXTON HOTEL MOTEL, LOXTON. (B,L,A,D)

DAY 03 - THURSDAY: LOXTON/ADELAIDE - CAPTAIN PROUD LUNCH CRUISE, HAHNDORF

This morning, we depart Loxton and head off via Alawoona to the small Mallee Region farming town of **Karoonda**. Here, we will make a stop to view the spectacular award-winning **Silo Art**, painted in 2019 by acclaimed street artist **Heesco Khosnaran**, depicting the rural life of the Mallee

Next stop will be at **Murray Bridge** where we board the 'Captain Proud' paddleboat for a delightful **3 hour lunch cruise** on the Murray River. Enjoy a **2 course lunch** as you cruise past points of interest along the river and take in the wonderful scenery from the deck. After the cruise, rejoin our coach for the return to Adelaide, with a short stop in Hahndorf en route, arriving back at **Adelaide Central Bus Station** at approximately **6.00pm**. **(B,L)**

AFTER YOUR TOUR A HUGHES CAR WILL DRIVE YOU BACK HOME

TOUR COST: Sharing twin/double: \$1298.00 per person Single supplement: \$215.00 per person

MEAL CODINGS: (B) - Breakfast (L) - Lunch (A) - Afternoon Tea (D) - Dinner

TOUR INCLUDES:

- Hughes transfers from/to your home (zoned area only).
- Escorted from Adelaide by an experienced Spark Travel Tour Manager.
- Airconditioned and restroom equipped touring coach.
- Accommodation at the Loxton Hotel with private facilities in Gardenview rooms.
- 2 full breakfasts, 2 dinners (1 Christmas-themed dinner), 3 lunches, 1 afternoon tea.
- Santa's Cave at Waikerie.
- Wine tasting and share platter lunch at the Riverland Wine Centre.
- Guided tour of the Loxton Lights, explore Loxton Historical Village, tour The Pines Historic House and Garden, 'Captain Proud' 3 hour lunch cruise, spectacular Silo Art at Waikerie & Karoonda.
- Touring as detailed in the itinerary.
- Goods and Services Tax.

NOT INCLUDED:

- Meals, morning and afternoon teas, drinks other than indicated in the itinerary.
- Porterage. A suitcase with wheels is recommended max weight 20kgs.
- Items of a personal nature.

COVID-19:

No responsibility is taken by Spark Travel or the Event Organisers in regard to Covid-19. It is highly recommended that visitors wear a mask on board flights and whilst in enclosed spaces. We also recommend full vaccination against Covid-19.

IMPORTANT:

Due to OSH requirements, baggage weighing more than 20kgs will **not** be carried by Hughes and coach company.

DOMESTIC TOUR BOOKING CONDITIONS

TRAVEL INSURANCE:

Travel insurance is strongly recommended. Please ask your consultant for details.

Should you have any pre-existing medical conditions, please let your consultant know so they can be listed on the policy.

EVENTS BEYOND THE CONTROL OF SPARK TRAVEL:

Should an event occur which is beyond the control of Spark Travel, ie: delays to ship, aircraft, train, coach thereby incurring extra expenses, these additional costs are borne by the passenger at the time of the event. A travel insurance claim for reimbursement should be submitted to the insurance company upon return home. Please keep any receipts. It should be understood that neither Spark Travel nor any subsidiary company or representative shall be liable for any loss, injury or damage arising from our services.

ITINIFPADIES.

Itineraries are subject to change and no responsibility can be accepted. Coach operator and size of coach may be changed at the discretion of Spark Travel without notice. Where a tour does not meet minimum numbers travelling together on the outward journey a cost surcharge will apply. If group numbers fall below 15 adult paying passengers no tour leader will be provided. No itemisation of tour arrangements can be given and no refund for any portion of a tour not taken. Flora and fauna as described in an itinerary is nature and as such cannot be guaranteed.

ACCOMMODATION:

Spark Travel reserves the right to alter hotel/motel accommodation and to substitute a suitable alternative. Where accommodation is booked on a 'will share basis,' at the time of finalisation if there is nobody suitable to share with, it may be necessary to pay the appropriate single supplement. Spark Travel does not accept any responsibility for the non-compatibility of 'sharing' clients. If by choice a single room is requested and booked a single room surcharge will apply.

HEALTH AND FITNESS:

A minimum level of fitness is required in order to be able to participate. As a minimum you will need to able to walk up a flight of stairs and manage coach steps unaided. You must inform us before the commencement of the tour of any medical condition which may affect your ability to participate in the tour. Dietary requests must be accompanied by the appropriate dietary information. It is recommended masks be worn on flights and in crowded or inside spaces. To protect yourself and fellow travellers, vaccination against Covid-19 is recommended.

FUEL SURCHARGES AND TAXES:

All bookings may attract additional fuel surcharges and taxes which can be levied up to and including the date of departure even if final payment has been made. Booking is subject to final audit.

SECURITY DEPOSIT:

A non-refundable security deposit of \$375.00 per person (inc GST) is required within five (5 days) of booking.

FINAL PAYMENTS

The security deposit forms part of the total price, the balance of which is due 60 days prior to departure, or in the case of bookings made within that 60 day period, the final payment is due as soon as the booking is confirmed.

LATE BOOKINGS AND AMENDMENTS:

Bookings made within 7 days inclusive of departure will incur a late booking fee of \$75.00 per person. Late bookings subject to availability. Once a booking has been made a \$75.00 per person amendment fee will apply for any alterations on selected departures only, and if applicable, one (1) change only to that booking. Transfers to other tours not permitted.

CREDIT CARDS:

If paying by credit card, a surcharge applies of 2% for Visa and Mastercard and 3.5% for Amex and Diners cards.

CANCELLATION CONDITIONS:

i) We act as an Agent; and

- ii) That our Terms and Conditions are in addition to the Terms and Conditions of each Travel supplier listed on the quote itinerary; and
- iii) That it is the Terms and Conditions of the Travel supplier that determine the terms of cancellation and refunds, if any.

BOOKINGS CANCELLED AFTER THE FINAL PAYMENT HAS BEEN MADE:

- (a) Bookings cancelled 61 days or earlier, full refund less deposit and booking fee and any other non-refundable services or products.
- (b) Bookings cancelled 60 days or less prior to departure will incur a cancellation fee of 100% of the tour cost.
- (c) No refund can be given for any portion of the tour not taken and no refund after the tour has commenced.

Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is strongly recommended for all travel including domestic.

Travel insurance is available to cover you for cancellation including COVID-19.

Please ask your consultant for a quote.

| Accreditation



