

# SEQUOIA EXPERIENCE GUIDE

ADULTS ONLY LUXURY LODGE



While being seemingly removed from the hustle and bustle of the world, Sequoia sits on the side of Mount Lofty, high above the Piccadilly Valley in the Adelaide Hills, a region currently being considered for UNESCO World Heritage status. The area's significance centres on its working agricultural (food and wine) landscapes, historic settlements, abundant wildlife, pure environment, continuing culture and practice.

Nowhere else in the world are there four world-class wine regions found within a 50kilometre radius. These range from the alluvial plains of Langhorne Creek, to the maritime McLaren Vale, the cool climate Adelaide Hills and the high-altitude Eden Valley. The region is not only home to the largest surviving koala population, but it is also one with extensive Indigenous history. It is no wonder South Australians have kept the Adelaide Hills a secret for so long!

Mount Lofty temperatures are generally five to seven degrees cooler than the Adelaide Plains, some 700 metres lower in altitude. In the past, this area was highly sought after by Adelaide's elite as a place to build their summer holiday homes. Today, summer continues to be much cooler than anywhere else in South Australia. During winter months, the Piccadilly Valley experiences more rainfall than Tasmania, with roaring fires creating a cosy retreat to hide away. Autumn is one of the most beautiful times to visit, with an array of colours, perfect for a picturesque stroll through the neighbouring botanic gardens. In spring, the hills come alive with new beginnings of native flora.

Within 20 minutes of Sequoia are the homes of many South Australian icons including Jurlique, Penfolds Magill Estate (the home of Grange), and a little further afield is R.M.Williams. There are also more than 200 cellar doors with whom we have arranged intimate behind-the scenes experiences, curated exclusively for our guests.

Sequoia will connect you to the South Australia you never knew existed.

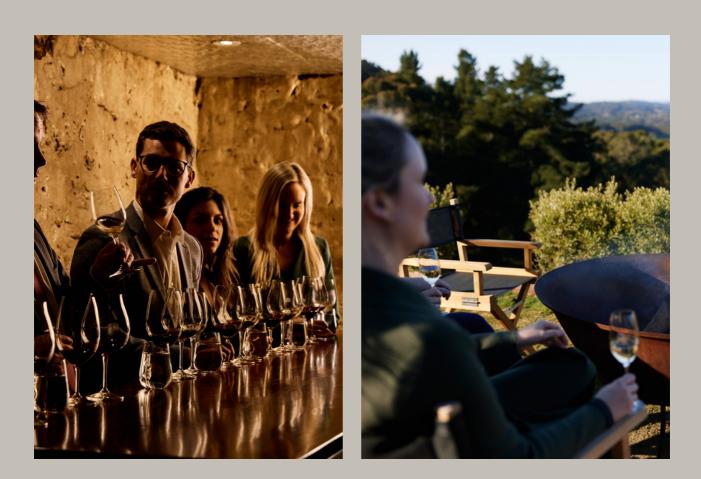
# INCLUDED Experiences

### LODGE WELCOME

Each evening our guests are invited to gather at sunset where you are introduced to the Sequoia story, the region and our experiences during your time at the lodge. Listen to the fascinating stories of our region, enjoy some local wines and share some delicious Adelaide Hills produce. This is the perfect opportunity to meet fellow guests.

### SOUTH AUSTRALIAN CHEESE AND WINE DISCOVERY

Enlighten your senses and immerse yourself in our local artisan food experience. Gather in our lounge, sample some of the region's best produce, and learn about why the Adelaide Hills is recognised for its world-class food – all whilst taking in sweeping views of the Piccadilly Valley.



### GUIDED NATURE WALK

Absorb the land, nature and wildlife surrounding Sequoia on our daily walk, guided by our experience team. Hike along the Heysen Trail, up to long ridge look-out, observing sweeping views of Adelaide and the Mount Lofty Ranges. Be sure to look for Kangaroos, Koalas and wallabies. The team will greet you with refreshments and a transfer back to the lodge.

#### STAR GAZING

From dusk until late, gaze into the stars that light up the Piccadilly Valley, with Sequoia's private telescope. Locate ancient constellations and planets, and discover thousands of stars that are exclusive to the Southern Hemisphere and can only be viewed in this part of the world.

#### ARTESIAN HOT POOLS

The Estate is connected to the local ancient natural spring waters that run deep down in the mountain. The naturally filtered springs feed every tap on the estate and provide for the lodge's bottled water. You can also reap its benefits when relaxing in the artesian spring-fed hot pool or infinity pool overlooking on the valley rim.

### YOGA

Yoga is the perfect way to relax and de-stress. Held on the scenic rim at Sequoia on selected days of the week, this is a wonderful way to start the day.

#### E-BIKES

Take a casual ride through the Adelaide Hill's on style on our e-bikes! The perfect way to take the cruise through the undulating roads of the beautiful region.



# ADDITIONAL ON SITE EXPERIENCES

#### PRIVATE YOGA SESSION

Available as a private practise or group sessions on selected days. Join our local practitioner for a private and bespoke session of movement, designed for beginners and advanced yogis alike. With a focus on connection to the land, this session will break from reality and put you in touch with the nature and wildlife surrounds.

## GATEKEEPER'S DAY SPA

The beautifully appointed Gatekeeper's Day Spa offers a destination Spa escape that sits high above and overlooks the stunning Adelaide Hills from the iconic and award-winning Mount Lofty House. With every element and experience carefully crafted to offer an enchanting Spa Wellness sojourn, our exquisite rituals for face and body incorporate the latest techniques and meticulously formulated products to ensure each spa journey rejuvenates skin-targeting results with a slice of relaxation heaven.

#### CLAY EXPERIENCE

An opportunity to meet one of South Australia's very own ceramicists based in the heart of the Adelaide Hills and experience the tactile joy of making with clay in this exclusive Meet the Maker Workshop. Guests will be guided by Viv on the fundamentals of hand-building techniques and have the opportunity to experiment with different shapes and textures. They will be given hands on demonstration and instruction to create a one of a kind keepsake ceramic cup. Each finished piece which will be glazed and fired at Viv's studio, packaged and posted to guests to remind them of their stay a few weeks post their return home.



# ADDITIONAL ON SITE EXPERIENCES

#### RIESLING AND CLARE VALLEY FLIGHT

Brilliant, shimmering, delicious, delicate – some of the words often used to describe the phenomenon more often known as the Clare Valley Riesling. One of the most versatile grapes there is, the Riesling and Clare valley are synonymous when speaking of Australia's finest. Known for their dry, with fresh citrus and stone fruit character, these wines showcase incredible depth and flavour balancing with acidity. We do a deep dive into one of the key sub regions within the Valley, Watervale.

# ICONS OF THE BAROSSA FLIGHT

Barossa Valley is among Australia's oldest wine regions, with all the experience that goes with it. Home of the oldest Shiraz vines, the Barossa Valley is deservedly recognised as one the finest Shiraz regions in the world. With undulating hills and plains, the region is brimming with established wine legends and cult artisanal producers alike.

# SOUTH AUSTRALIAN GIN FLIGHT

Never Never Distilling Co. is the story of three mates with a shared passion for flavour and the lofty ambition to create Australia's most exciting and innovative gin brand. It's the culmination of their separate journeys, three paths walked that intertwine here in South Australia. This flight takes you on a tasting journey of three of their signature gins.

## CHARLES HEIDSIECK PICNIC

Take your picnic blanket and basket filled with a selection of house made delights and a bottle of Charles Heidsieck Champagne and find a shady spot in the English style gardens and ground of Mount Lofty House. Non alcoholic picnic also available - 99pp.



# ADDITIONAL OFF SITE EXPERIENCES

#### RM WILLIAMS

Go behind the scenes of the iconic R.M.Williams workshop on an exclusive tour and experience the many processes and the care that each and every pair of RM's handcrafted leather boots receive. You'll even get to take home your very own pair of R.M.William's boots – personally fitted! After lunch, head to Adelaide's West End creative precinct for private tours of the Jam Factory followed by the South Australian Museum.

#### CLELAND KOALA

Cleland Wildlife Park comes alive to the tune of native Australian animals. Experience our park before it opens to the public. Hand feed the freely roaming kangaroos and emus that call our park their home. Learn intriguing facts about the koala and fall in love with their beautiful aroma, as you cuddle their thick soft fur and big grey ears, for a souvenir photograph. A special, experience that will provide you with a lasting memory.



# SEASONAL OFF SITE EXPERIENCES

#### LUXURY DRIVE with PRANCING HORSE

Experience the beauty of South Australia on a luxury drive through the Adelaide Hills.

Starting exclusively from Mount Lofty Estate and Sequoia Lodge, drive a collection of the world's finest supercars on a 200km+ driving experience across the Adelaide Hills.

An intimate drive designed for couples featuring brand new supercars, morning tea at Pike & Joyce Winery and an exquisite five-course lunch at The Lane Vineyard.

Depart Mt. Lofty into a blur of vibrant colour as you whirl through the hills, en-route to Lobethal, Gumeracha and the fringe of the Barossa Valley.







# OFF SITE TOURING

#### ADELAIDE HILLS HALF DAY

On this half-day tour, experience three of Adelaide Hills' most celebrated winemakers, and savour a beautiful lunch highlighting local produce. Your first stop is Tapanappa Wines, followed by lunch at Deviation Road Wines before finishing the day at Shaw and Smith.

### ICONIC ADELAIDE HILLS

Known for charming towns nestled within lush greenery, and sprawling vineyards with cool climate wine region elegance, the high-country Adelaide Hills showcases award-winning artisanal food and wine amongst picturesque scenery.

#### ULTIMATE PENFOLDS AND HILLS

Visit South Australia's signature sparkling wine producer, then see the most famous wine brand in Australia including a tasting of its coveted Grange. At Deviation Road you'll meet one of the winemakers, before heading to Penfolds Magill Estate for a private tour of the Grange Cottage and underground drives, a private tasting of all the icons including Grange, finishing with a three course lunch with matched wine.



# OFF SITE TOURING

### HILLS AND VALE SMALL ESTATES

Traverse up to two of the highest wineries in the Adelaide Hills then explore a private estate in McLaren Vale. Includes visits to Tapanappa Wines and lunch at Deviation Road Wines. In the afternoon savour a private estate tour at Bekkers Clarendon Vineyard with one of the owners, an unrivalled experience that is highly limited, followed by a private masterclass at their McLaren Vale Wine Room. Head to the beach to view spectacular Fleurieu Peninsula coastline.

### MCLAREN VALE PRODUCERS

A spectacular private 4WD tour to visit pristine coastline and some of the finest small winemakers in the country, included are visits to Samson Tall, Bekkers Wine Room and Yangarra Estate. Marvel at the ancient Onkaparinga Gorge geology that dates back 600 million years and soak up spectacular views over the vineyards, whist enjoying a lunch at award winning Salopian Inn.

### WINEMAKER FOR A DAY

Get up close and personal with vintners and discover what really goes on during vintage season. Visit Shottesbrooke winery in McLaren Vale and learn the secrets of winemaking. Go beyond the cellar door to see what takes place in a modern winery during vintage, with the opportunity to get "hands on" with some unique vintage tasks.



# OFF SITE TOURING

#### ULTIMATE BAROSSA

Explore one of Australia's most iconic wine regions, the Barossa. Join us for a day tour that explores the most famous wine brands in the country in a series of private tastings that finishes with an prestigious experience at Henschke Wines. First stopping at Elderton Wines, then on to Torbreck Vintners before lunch at Vintners Bar and Grill. Your last stop of the day is a tour of the Hill of Grace Vineyard followed by a tasting of the Hill of Grace Shiraz and their icon wines.

#### BAROSSA WINEMAKERS

Meet two famous winemaking dynasties in the Barossa Valley. Start with Dan Standish, a winemaker who is collected around the world, then in the afternoon visit Phil Lehmann's own vineyard in the Eden Valley, for a private estate tour and tasting with Phil.







# Contact your Sequoia Experience Curator today

08 8130 9230 experience@sequoialodge.com.au

sequoialodge.com.au \mid 1 Mawson Drive, Crafers SA

Pricing accurate as of August 2023