



ADELAIDE Highlights



Got a few days in Adelaide and not sure what to do during your time there?

To help you out we've put together this list of what we think are the Top 5 must-dos while you're in Adelaide.

Adelaide is a city known for its rolling, vineyard dotted hills that spill into the sea and also as a vibrant city small enough to make getting around super easy, but large enough that there is something for everyone. Unlike many other Australian cities, Adelaide was 'planned' from the start with grid like streets surrounded by parklands.

You can easily spend a day walking around the city where you'll find plenty of cafés and restaurants, interesting nooks and crannies to explore but you won't want to miss out on some of Adelaide's hidden jewels. So, here's what we think are the Top 5 must do's while you are there:

1. Take a wander along North Terrace

North Terrace is one of four terraces that bound the CBD of Adelaide and theoretically it's part of the Adelaide Parklands. It has an interesting mix of historic and newer buildings and is a nice walk to take on a sunny day and learn about the stories behind its buildings. It's also easy to see along here, why Adelaide is known as the 'City of the Churches'. Each of these following places are worthy visits in their own right:

- **North Terrace East:** Wander along the east end for Adelaide's highest concentration of monuments
- **Government House:** Peer over the fence to see South Australian's Governors home
- **Institute Building:** This building was the first home to many of North Terraces cultural institutions
- **State Library of South Australia:** Visit South Australia's largest library and step back in time and feel like you are walking into Hogwarts!

- **Migration Museum:** A brief detour off North Terrace to learn about migration and settlement history
- **South Australian Museum:** Explore the extensive collections of the south Australian Museum
- **Art Gallery of South Australia:** Art Gallery founded in 1881 has a magnificent collection of old and new
- **The University of Adelaide:** The university has fascinating historic buildings and collections
- **Adelaide Botanic Gardens:** The perfect place to rest after a long walk, or explore more history



2. Adelaide Botanic Gardens

Rich in history, these gardens opened to the public in October 1857 and has been established and planted over the ensuing years. While you are there you can immerse yourself in the beauty and diversity of plants across Australia and around the world. Spend as much or as little time as you want in the 50 hectares of magnificently maintained gardens and stunning architecture.

In amongst the beautifully landscaped gardens, you'll discover majestic avenues leading to stunning architecture such as:

- **The Bicentennial Conservatory** (the largest single span glasshouse in the southern hemisphere and home to a number of endangered rainforest plants),

- **Palm House** built in 1877 it features a fascinating collection of plants from the ancient island of Madagascar and is one of the last of its kind remaining in the world.
- **Amazon Waterlily Pavilion** which is an exquisite glass palace for a jewel of the natural world – the Victoria amazonica waterlily with its interpretive gallery exploring the unique forms of the waterlily.
- **Santos Museum of Economic Botany** with its classical Greek-style exterior, featuring high ceilings, ornate Victorian details and historic cabinet displays.

The gardens also have free guided tours taking in the history and significant planting of the park but if a guided tour is not your thing, grab yourself a map from the Information Centre and explore for yourself.

If you don't take a picnic with you, you'll be able to grab yourself refreshments at either the Botanic Gardens Restaurant, Café Fibonacci and Simpson Kiosk.

Admission: Free. **Open:** Monday – Friday 07:15, weekends and public holidays 09:00 until 17:30 – 19:00 depending on what time of the year it is. **Phone:** (+61 8) 8222 9311.

3. Adelaide Zoo

If you make it to the Botanical Gardens, then you're only a stone's throw away from Adelaide Zoo. This zoo is Australia's second oldest zoo and like other leading zoos in Australia is operated on a not-for-profit basis. It is home to



over 1,800 animals from all over the world, including over 300 native and exotic species.

The zoo has daily presentations and talks (tiger, pelicans and penguins) with scheduled sea lion, hippo and lion feeds throughout the week. Popular exhibits here are the two Giant Pandas Wang Wang

and Funi from China. They also have a children's zoo where the kids can pet over 120 animals (for example kangaroo's, quokkas, goats, koalas and cows)

Open: 09:30 – 17:00 daily. It's located just north of the CBD (north west of the Botanic Gardens). **Phone:** (08) 8267 3255. **Cost:** A One Day Concession pass \$26.50, or Adult \$37.

4. Adelaide Central Market

This is one of Australia's largest fresh produce market providing a wide range of fresh and multi-cultural products. Grab yourself some locally grown fresh produce, clothing and souvenirs. Established in 1869, the market has been a thriving hub of food and culture for nearly 150 years. Incidentally, it is Australia's oldest continually running market and was initially started as eight carts full of produce from local market gardeners.

Located conveniently in the heart of Adelaide CBD, it's a great place to experience cultural diversity and has a great many places to grab yourself a bite to eat, enjoy a coffee, sit back, relax and people watch. We highly recommend popping by here. **Address:** 44-60 Gouger St, Adelaide.

Trading Hours (the market is generally closed on bank holidays)

Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	07:00 – 17:30
Wednesday	09:00 – 17:30
Thursday	09:00 – 17:30
Friday	07:00 – 21:00
Saturday	07:00 – 15:00
Sunday	CLOSED

5. You don't have to be an avid football or cricket fan to enjoy a trip to Adelaide Oval

This place is a hive of activity outside of football and cricket, so you might find it an interesting place to visit. They provide Oval tours where you can go behind closed doors and discover hidden secrets on its iconic heritage, access restricted areas and take in the grounds and they also house the Bradman Collection, which is a world class exhibition to an Australian Legend Sir Donald Bradman, who is said to be the greatest batsman in the history of cricket, which is on display at the newly developed purpose built museum.



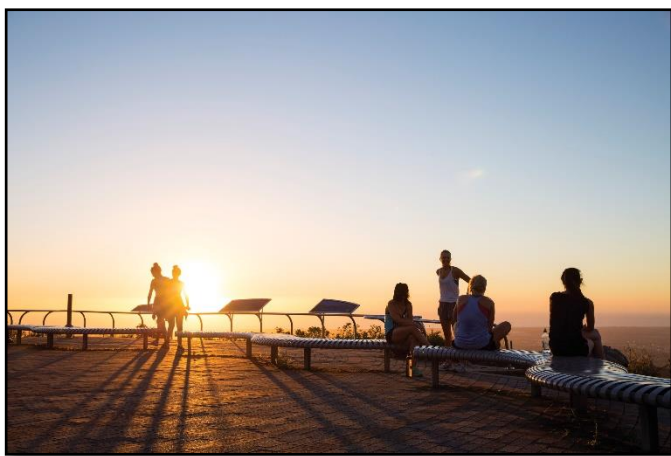
In addition to this you can also have an unforgettable experience in the Roof Climb. Watch the sun set over Adelaide and the city is bathed in a magical twilight glow, or make the journey during the day with views stretching

out to the Adelaide Hills on one side and the coast on the other! The Roof Climb takes approximately 2 hours, it's a guided experience with comprehensive health and safety briefing.

If this takes your fancy, it's worth getting in touch with them before you go to check to see what's on and book if you are interested in the Oval Tour or the Roof Climb.

Phone: (08) 8331 5222.

So many things to do! You might also like to check out...



Adelaide Free Bikes: You can grab a bike from one of 20 locations around the city and North Adelaide. To grab a bike with a helmet and bike lock for free, just provide a form of identification. **Phone:** +61 (08) 8168 9999. We suggest getting a bike at the Torrens Lake weir and take a leisurely bike ride around the lake while soaking up the sights of Adelaide.

Adelaide Gaol: is in Adelaide's north western parklands. The Adelaide Gaol was built in 1841. It housed approximately 300,000 prisoners during its 147 years of operation. These prisoners consisted of men, women, and children. It also housed those unfortunates who were referred to at the time, as lunatics. The Gaol was closed in 1988 and is known as the longest continuously operating prison in Australia. For the latest information on entry prices and tour times **Phone:** 0434 115 952 or visit <https://adelaidegaol.org.au/> **Address:** 18 Gaol Road, Thebarton. You can get the tram to West Terrace, then take a 10-minute walk, or there is lots of free parking on site.

Rundle Mall: if you are into your shopping then you might like to take a stroll along Adelaide's pedestrian street mall which is home to the SA flagship stores of many large Australian retailers and a number of smaller independent and chain stores. Located in the north-eastern corner of Adelaide CBD and runs between Hindley Street and Rundle Street.

Haigh's Chocolates: Mmmmmm, chocolate! For chocolate lovers, we strongly suggest visiting Haigh's Chocolate. They are the oldest family-owned chocolate makers in Australia since 1915. They offer free guided viewing tours where you can learn the history of Haigh's and how they make premium quality chocolate from coca beans sourced from plantation around the world. **Tours operate** Monday to Saturday from 09:00. **Address:** 154 Greenhill, Parkside, SA 5063. **Phone:** (08) 8372 7070 for tour times and to make a tour booking (booking recommended). **Admission:** Free.

Wander the weekend Markets: Adelaide is a hive of activity when it comes to markets. There are weekend markets, week day markets, twilight markets, farmer's markets, vintage markets, in fact pretty much anything you can think of markets! Be sure to check out Gilles Street Market which runs on selected Sundays of the month (check their website for up to date info www.gillesatthegrounds.com.au), Wayville Farmers Market which runs every Sunday from 8am to 1pm. You're certainly spoiled for choice!

Wine Regions: Heading out of the City there are certainly more diverse things to go and see. Adelaide is famous for its world-class wine regions: the Barossa Valley, Adelaide Hills, Clare Valley, Coonawarra....to name but a few!

These wine regions surround the capital, making day tours from Adelaide through the regions easy and enjoyable.



Stroll the River Torrens: The River Torrens run through the heart of Adelaide. You'll find lots of meandering pathways for walking or cycling, strewn with picnic-ready grassy knolls and alfresco dining eateries dotted along the way.

Cleland Conservation Park (National Parks South Australia): a short 20-minute drive south-east of Adelaide is the Cleland Conservation Park which features the Cleland Wildlife Park, Mt Lofty Summit and the scenic Waterfall Gully. The very highest point in the Adelaide Hills is the spectacular summit of Mount Lofty (2,300ft/710m high), a popular but strenuous walk to the summit starts at the Waterfall Gully car park and climbs through the parks steep hills, native vegetation and Stringybark forest. Currently there are detours in place due to restoration



work along the Waterfall Gully to Mount Lofty Summit Trail. Detours will be in place at certain times, including weekends on sections of the trail for public safety. Works are expected to be finished in the first half of 2020.

The trek is worth the effort however, as from the summit you can admire panoramic views over Adelaide and out across the Gulf St Vincent. There is a lookout here and a lovely restaurant/café boasting wall-to-wall windows for you to enjoy the view with your cappuccino (or an outside terrace if you prefer).

You can explore the national park using the extensive network of walking and cycling trails. However, at time of print, there is part closure of Waterfall Gully to Mount Lofty Walking trail so it'll be worth checking ahead of time what

the suggested alternative routes are. Don't let this put you off though as this is truly a spectacular national park and is worth the visit. **Phone:** +61 (08) 8204 1910.

Nearby Cleland Wildlife Park is home to over 130 species of Australian native animals that roam free in 86 acres (35 hectares) of beautiful natural bushland. The animals are happy to meet people for photos or a pat. You'll see kangaroo, koalas, dingoes, waterbirds snakes and more – but no cages. There's wonderful walking tracks, a good onsite café, free parking and stunning views over Adelaide as well. **Open daily:** 09:30 -17:00, Cost: \$30 Adult /\$25 Concession, 365 Mount Lofty Summit Road, Crafers.

Interesting Fact!

The twin peaks of Mount Lofty and its slightly smaller neighbour, Mount Bonython were called Yureilla (two ears) by the indigenous Kaurna people, as when viewed from the Adelaide plains they look like the ears of a giant kangaroo. The name lives on as the village Uraidla.

Autumn in SA is a great time of year to visit the stunning **Mount Lofty Botanical Gardens**, with the magnificent changing of colours of the trees. We recommend parking in the lower carpark and enjoying the easy 1km Lakeside Trail stroll around Main Lake, taking in 8 artworks, each one reflecting a fundamental message about the human relationship with the environment. **Entry:** Free, Parking \$3/day (from ticket machine - need coins). **Open:** 08:30-16:00 (Mon-Fri) and 10:00 – 17:00 (Sat & Sun).

Useful Information

Adelaide Visitor Information **Phone:** 1300 588 140.

Email: visitor@adelaidecitycouncil.com

Open: Monday to Friday 09:00-17:00, Sat/Sun 10:00-16:00. Public holidays 11:00-15:00.

Parking & Transport Options for Adelaide

Parking your motorhome in Adelaide is easy if you know how...and we do! Adelaide's city centre is serviced by the best public transport system of any capital city in Australia and the city centre is so compact and you can easily walk from one end to the other, making it a breeze to get around.

For the city centre, your **best option is to park outside of the square mile and take public transport in**. It's fast, reliable and cheap (or free) and you can buy a Metro-card, or pay on board with your credit card.

On weekends, you may have some luck with on-street parking inside the square mile. The CBD is city meter parking and you pay per half hour. Most of the inner-city spaces are suitable for cars only unless you want to take up to spaces with a motorhome but then you'll need to be mindful of the width of the vehicle.

The best parking spots for a campervan around the city are:

- South Terrace heading to East Terrace and vice versa down in the south-east corner of the CBD
- In between South Terrace and Greenhill Road (A21) along Hutt Road
- Just north of the CBD along 'War Memorial Drive' (near the Oval)
- A little further north of the CBD along Strangways Terrace

Either way, read the signs carefully, keep an eye on the time and avoid undercover parking at all costs!

If you're confused by the signage or need more info, contact the Adelaide Council on (08) 8203 7203.

A **free tram service** runs from Glenelg to South Terrace, along the entire length of both King William Street and North Terrace, to West Terrace and then to the Entertainment Centre.

A **free bus service** operates around an Adelaide city loop with bus stops in Victoria Square, King William Street, and North Terrace. The Adelaide Railway Station is located on North Terrace.

For more information contact the Passenger Transport Information Centre on (08) 8210 1000. For bus, train and tram timetables, tickets, and tourist information visit their main office, located on the corner of King William and Currie Streets.

Adelaide Entertainment Centre Park 'n' Ride: (Entry/Exit via Mary St, Manton St or Adam St) Gets busy.

Mon-Sun: 05:00-18:30 / 17:00 – 05:00

COST: \$5 (entry 05:00-17:00 & leave before 18:30) \$15 (for entry 17:00 – 05:00)

TRANSPORT: Free tram service runs frequently between Adelaide Entertainment Centre to the city and the ride takes approx. 10-12 mins (can continue onto Glenelg for a small fee). Station is on Port Road, in front of the Entertainment Centre.

Bonython Park: Off Port Road, Gate 3 (Opposite the huge Red Coca Cola Building) or Gate 4 (Opposite Phillips Street and the Southwark Pub)

Mon-Sun: 06:00-18:00 (4-hour parking)

COST: FREE

TRANSPORT: Gate 3 – Therbarton tram stop (carpark beside main road)

Gate 4 – Bonython Park tram stop (carpark inside park, 5 min walk)

