Queensland's Southern Outback & Silo Art Adventure

With Val Henry

10 Days / 9 Nights





Tour Departs: Monday 9 May - Wednesday 18 May, 2022.









Day 1. Mon 9 May: Brisbane - Yelarbon - Thallon - St George

Lunch & Dinner

Today we begin our Southern Outback and Silo Art adventure as we head across to St George stopping along the way at Warwick, Yelarbon and Thallon. Travel south-west to the **Rose and Rodeo township of Warwick** for a nice country cuppa before continuing through Inglewood and onto the small township of **Yelarbon** to see the **Graincorp Silo's – named "When the rain comes".** It depicts a young boy at play, cooling off in the Yelarbon Lagoon. Hear the story as we marvel at such a unique set of silos. The artwork was created by Jordache Castillejos and Jordon Bruce of Brightsiders and Steve Falco from Procreative. Enjoy lunch at the **Oasis Hotel** before travelling through Goondiwindi to our next stop on the **silo trail, Thallon.** The giant grain silo's feature the spectacular "**Watering Hole**" **mural** painted in July 2017, enjoy the magnificent artwork from the viewing platform. The last leg of the journey allows us a short visit to **Nindigully Pub known as "The Gully"** situated right on the banks of the Moonie River and established in 1864. We arrive in St George and settle in before dinner is served in the motel restaurant.

Overnight St George: Riverland Motor Inn

Day 2. Tue 10 May: St George

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

This morning visit the **Unique Egg** - the world's only display of hand carved, illuminated emu eggs, which have been gifted as far as the White House! Then join our local guide for a **heritage tour of St George** including a visit to one of the most lovingly restored heritage buildings in the shire - **Anchorage Homestead with morning tea.** Continue to **Riversands Vineyard for a tour and personal wine tasting** where we will meet the owners and enjoy a lovely lunch in the gardens. This afternoon we meet up with a **local cotton farmer** and learn how cotton is grown, irrigated and harvested while touring his farm. Later, return to the motel to freshen up before joining a leisurely **sunset cruise on the Balonne River** - meet our captain Brett and learn all about the river and wildlife that abounds in this beautiful area. After our cruise we return to our motel for dinner in the Rivers Restaurant.

Overnight St George: Riverland Motor Inn

Day 3. Wed 11 May: St George - Bollon - Cunnamulla

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Departing St George this morning we travel further west via the little town of Bollon where we stop for morning tea. We take a slight detour to visit **Charlotte Plains Station**, established in the 1860's this family run property is home to Merino Sheep and Dohne Rams. Meet the owner, a well-known grazier in the area, Robyn Russell who will take us on a guided tour of the property. See the magnificent historic bore that still brings the property its valuable water supply straight from the artesian basin. Learn about the family sheep shearing operation on a wander through their historic woolshed before concluding the tour at the Family Home of Memorabilia where tales are told before enjoying lunch. We continue travelling on to **Cunnamulla** and the **Cunnamulla Fella Visitor Information Centre.** We meet the team before a self-guided tour of the **Artesian Time Tunnel** enjoying the interactive displays with time afterwards for a very informative video on how the Artesian Basin was formed and how the modern world has had its affect.









Day 3. Continued

We arrive at our accommodation to check in and relax before our **town tour** with a fourth generation local, Peieta Mills followed by **complimentary sunset drink and nibbles.** On our tour see the **Cunnamulla Water Tower Art by Guido van Helten**, a mural representing the significance of the sporting rivalry between Cunnamulla and Charleville. Tonight enjoy an **iconic Aussie campfire dinner under the stars** and hear some more local history and stories.

Overnight Cunnamulla: Club Boutique Hotel

Day 4. Thu 12 May: Cunnamulla - Eulo - Thargomindah

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Say goodbye to Cunnamulla today and travel west to **Eulo - "The Montville of the Outback"** - enjoy the quaint little town and see the opals and jewellery at **Telegraph House Gallery**, pick up hand-crafted leather goods at **Paroo Patch** and then meet Col at the Eulo Queen Hotel for morning tea and hear all about the saga of the **Eulo Queen**. Just out of town we visit the **Artesian Mud Springs**; built up over centuries these mud springs were the original release valves for the Great Artesian Basin. Continue to **Thargomindah** and check in to our motel. We enjoy some lunch with time to wander down to the Bulloo River before our short trip to the **Thargomindah Visitor Information Centre** to meet our local guide for a town tour. Explore the first town in Australia, and the third in the world to produce hydro-electric power for street lighting. The tour also includes the **Old Jail and Old Thargomindah Hospital** courtesy of life-size holographics and interactive experiences. We also take in a **tour and demonstration** of the original **Artesian Hydro Power Plant.** Later we return to the motel where a lovely dinner awaits.

Overnight Thargomindah: Oasis Motel

Day 5. Fri 13 May: Thargomindah - Nockatunga - Eromanga - Quilpie

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

We head off nice and early today and drive along the Cooper Developmental Road with a slight deviation for morning tea at the historic **Noccundra Hotel in Nockatunga.** The beautiful sandstone walls of the 1882 construction were quarried in New South Wales and transported by camel train to its present location. From here continue to **Eromanga** - home of the state of the art Eromanga Natural History Museum. Enjoy lunch followed by a one hour tour of the laboratory and collection centre, meet **Cooper and George the Titanosaur Sauropods**, the largest dinosaurs to have ever been found in Australia. Our guide will demonstrate how to prepare fossilised bone and we will see the incredible **Eulo megafauna' fossils.** If lucky we may bump into the owners, Robyn and Stewart Mackenzie - it is a truly amazing story and equally amazing is the commitment they have made to create such a fantastic museum for everyone to enjoy. The next township in the channel country is **Quilpie - home of the Boulder Opal.** Settle into our motel before enjoying dinner at **The Heritage Inn known as 'The Brick'.**

Overnight Quilpie: Quilpie Motor Inn

Day 6. Sat 14 May: Quilpie

Breakfast. Lunch & Dinner

This morning we meet at the **Quilpie Information Centre and Gallery** where our guide boards our coach for a **town tour.** Discover the unique history and landscapes of Quilpie town including **Baldy Top Lookout, St Finbarrs Opal Altar and Quilpie Airport's mini museum** where we learn about **Amy Johnson**, the first women to fly solo from London to Australia. Return to town and enjoy a visit to **celebrated artist, Lyn Barnes** at her boutique art gallery for morning tea. Enjoy a painting demonstration, view her latest work and discover her unique connection to the outback. Afterwards visit **The Heritage Inn** again and enjoy a **tour and lunch**. Our host explains the history of the beautiful old building and how they have restored it to what it is today. We head back to the motel with time to relax or wander through the town before our next experience. This evening, Dan and Louise will meet us at **"The Lake"**, a working cattle and sheep station, to watch another magnificent sunset while enjoying a drink and **camp oven dinner under the stars.**

Overnight Quilpie: Quilpie Motor Inn

Day 7. Sun 15 May: Quilpie - Charleville

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Today we head east on the loop and arrive in **downtown Charleville** mid-morning in time to enjoy the **Stories tour of the famous heritage listed Hotel Corones.** Learn about the history which dates back to 1929 during Charleville's wool industry boom and the story of local character **Harry Corones**, hear about his rags to riches story and how he shaped the local area. We then enjoy lunch at the Charleville RSL before a **Town Tour** and visit to **Charleville Water Tower Art by Guido van Helten** featuring the youth of Charleville intertwined through sport with their rivals Cunnamulla. Next stop is our motel to check in and enjoy some time to relax and unwind. This afternoon we travel a short distance to the **Cosmos Centre for a tour of the USAAF Top Secret sites.** Find out why Charleville was selected for this top secret site in WWII as we visit intriguing historical sights and learn about their lives and also see the highly classified...... well we will have to wait and see! We return to the **Cosmos Centre and Observatory**, take the opportunity to go through the new **Interpretive Centre** before joining the **Big Sky Twilight Tour.** See an amazing night sky brought into focus with the help of powerful Meade telescopes and listen to captivating stories from their experienced sky guide. Dinner tonight is back at the motel before a good night's rest.

Overnight Charleville: Charleville Motel

Day 8. Mon 16 May: Charleville - Mitchell - Roma

Breakfast & Dinner

After breakfast and check out we are off to Roma, along the way stopping at **Mitchell** for morning tea and an optional visit to the **Great Artesian Spa** - as the locals say, a soak in their mineralised water is relaxing for the body and therapeutic for the soul. Dry off and change in the private bathrooms before continuing onto **Roma**, **the heart of beef country**. Enjoy a tour of the town and learn about the colourful history and characters of Roma. Hear how the town began the industries it supports, discover **Heroes Avenue**, the **Biggest Bottle Tree** and the **Roma Bush Gardens**. Time to check in and relax before transferring to the **Roma Visitor Information Centre** for a browse. Then join our **Roma Rigger** guide to celebrate the triumphs of our pioneering oil and gas industry.

Day 8. Continued

See the towering (EMSCO) 1920's steam-driven rig, listen to captivating stories and toast the sunset with a delicious regional port before taking our seats for the **Sound and Light Show.** We return to the motel and enjoy dinner after another wonderful day.

Overnight Roma: Best Western Bungil Creek Motel

Day 9. Tue 17 May: Roma - Surat - Roma

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Enjoy breakfast then feel the energy and excitement of a real **cattle auction** at Australia's largest cattle selling facility, **Roma Saleyards.** On any given day up to 7,000 head of cattle are brought to sale. Join a retired grazier for an insider's view of the saleyards and then see the new **multi-media Interpretive Centre.** It really is a 'not to be missed' experience! Next stop is just south of Roma in the picturesque township of **Surat.** Visit the **Cobb and Co Changing Station Museum** located at the original site of the Cobb and Co Store, see the **25,000 litre freshwater aquarium**, the **Social History Museum** and **Regional Art Gallery.** Enjoy lunch on the grounds and see the **original Cob and Co Stagecoach** before wandering up the **Shire Hall** and then meander along the river and see the **weir** before travelling back to Roma. We return to the motel to freshen up before our **farewell dinner** in the motel restaurant.

Overnight Roma: Best Western Bungil Creek Motel

Day 10. Wed 18 May: Roma - Brisbane

Breakfast

Our last day has us checking out after breakfast and travelling east via Miles, Chinchilla, Dalby and Toowoomba. We enjoy lunch en-route (own cost) before re-joining the Warrego Highway back to Brisbane arriving approx 3.30pm this afternoon after an amazing **Queensland Southern Outback**, **Silo and Water Tower Art Adventure with Trade Travel.**

Tour Highlights: Yelarbon Silo Art; Thallon Silo Art; Nindigully Pub; Unique Egg; St George Heritage Tour; Anchorage Homestead & M/Tea; Riversands Wine Tasting & Lunch; Cotton Farm Tour; St George Balonne River Sunset Cruise; Charlotte Plains Station Tour & Lunch; Cunnamulla Fella Visitor Information Centre; Artesian Time Tunnel Tour; Cunnamulla Tour + Sunset Drink/Nibbles; Cunnamulla Water Tower Art; Eulo Queen Hotel; Telegraph House Gallery; Eulo Artesian Mud Springs; Thargomindah Tour & Lunch - Old Jail, Old Hospital; Thargomindah Artesian Hydro Power Plant Tour; Historic Noccundra Hotel; Eromanga Natural History Museum Tour & Lunch - Meet Dinosaurs Cooper & George; Quilpie Town Tour - Baldy Top Lookout, St Finbarrs Opal Altar, Quilpie Airport Museum; Lyn Barnes Outback Gallery & M/Tea; Heritage Inn Tour & Lunch; Starlight Dinner at "The Lake"; Charleville - Historic Hotel Corones Tour; Charleville Town Tour & Water Tower Art; Cosmos Centre - USAAF Top Secret WWII Tour; Cosmos Centre Big Sky Twilight Tour; Roma Town Tour - Heroes Avenue, Biggest Bottle Tree, Roma Bush Gardens; Roma Big Rig Sound & Light Show; Roma Saleyards; Surat - Cobb and Co Changing Station Museum, Surat Shire Hall; Farewell Dinner & more.









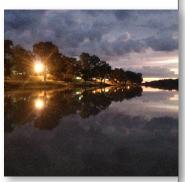


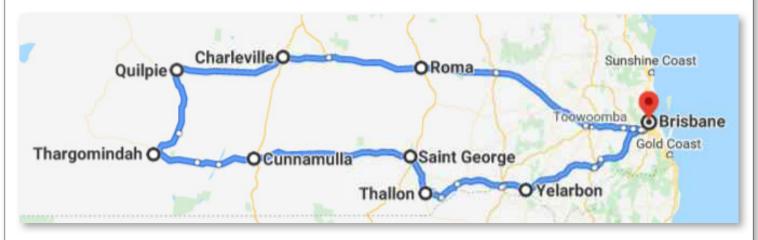
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Tour Price Includes:

- Central Pickup points in Brisbane TBA
- Luxury coach travel
- 9 nights quality accommodation
- Breakfast, lunch & dinner as per itinerary (26 Meals)
- All entry fees, cruise & guides as per itinerary

\$3349.00 per person Twin Share (Single Supplement \$750 - limited capacity)

Tour cost based on minimum 20 pax

The tour prices valid for travel in 2022. Please note that the itinerary is subject to change without notice.

Deposit: A deposit of \$200 per person is due on booking to secure your place on this tour, along with completed & signed booking form!

Final Payment: Due no later than Friday 11 March, 2022.

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