

BOOKINGS NOW OPEN!

NEW SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ITINERARY FOR 2009

TO GET ORIENTATED, I SUGGEST YOU CLICK ON THIS MAP LINK RIGHT NOW.....

<http://www.williamcreekhotel.net.au/flindersmap.pdf>

DAY 1 Sat 2 May Depart Adelaide by 10 am. Either fly in that morning (there are early flights from Sydney), and be collected from airport ready to hit the road, or let me know where you are staying in Adelaide if you have arrived on prior days and you will be collected from accommodation. We will stop for lunch along the way (most likely Burra or Peterborough just depending on timing) to Hawker, our evening's accommodation and meal at Outback Chapmanton Motel (<http://www.hawkersa.info/biz/outback.htm>). Room rate quoted \$95 single, \$98 double/twin).

DAY 2 Sun 3 May Meander through the Central Flinders Ranges (take a scenic diversion or several) and on to Arkaroola, where we will stay three nights. Three levels of motel accommodation are available Arkaroola – just let me know when booking which you want out of:

Room	Rates
Mawson Lodge	\$175.00 /night (double or single occupancy)
Callitris Lodge	\$130.00 /night (double or single occupancy)
Greenwood Lodge	\$65.00/night (double or single occupancy) - serviced \$55.00 /night (double or single occupancy) - unserviced - minimum 2 nights

Mawson has tv and looks swish. Others look budget, and no views guaranteed with Greenwood. They are all closeby so it's up to you. There are dining and takeaway at Arkaroola.

DAY 3 Mon 4 May Recommend you take scenic flights available from Arkaroola, and spend the day exploring – there are lots of self-guided and guided activities available – not to mention plonking yourself down somewhere and painting!

DAY 4 Tue 5 May Day's painting in the Gammon Ranges. We will also check "Grindell's Hut" where an artist's residency of one month is offered annually, and the rest of the time it is available for holiday rentals.

DAY 5 Wed 6 May Book out of accommodation and head to another day's painting in the Gammon Ranges – I've seen photos and it looks amazing! Mid-afternoon hit the track and head north – the track follows the Old Ghan Rail route – to Maree and book into accommodation for one night at the pub around \$65 double/twin room per night.

DAY 6 Thu 7 May Left onto the Oodnadatta Track (which edges Lake Eyre in parts) to Oodnadatta William Creek. We will do sidetrips on the way to Coward Springs and Lake Eyre.

DAY 7 Fri 8 May Head north to Oodnadatta and book into accommodation for 2 nights.

DAY 8 Sat 9 May Drive out to Painted Desert and explore then stop and paint somewhere for a number of hours. Check out this photo - <http://i131.photobucket.com/albums/p286/stamplis/Petrified%20Forest/PaintedDesertsmall.jpg>

DAY 9 Sun 10 May Another day painting in Painted Desert.

DAY 10 Mon 11 May Drive to Umuwa and book into cabin accommodation for four nights - we will have to take food with us for this section so we will stockup at roadhouse at Marla where there is a supermarket – there is a kitchen facility at accommodation. We will be able to purchase further supplies at Community stores during the next few days, although there is no shop at Umuwa.

NOW OPEN UP THIS MAP <http://www.ernabellaarts.com.au/pdfs/APlandsMap1.pdf>

DAY 11 Tue 12 May, DAY 12 Wed 13 May, DAY 13 Thu 14 May, DAY 14 Fri 15 May, DAY 15 Sat 16 May

These five days will be spent located in Umuwa and doing daytrips to visit arts centres at Ernabella, Mimili, Iwantja and other surrounding communities, plus two days painting in the Musgrove Ranges.

DAY 16 Sun 17 May Drive to Yulara for vehicle dropoff and flight home. You may elect to stay in Yulara and see Uluru, the Olgas and Kings Canyon – there are plenty of commercial tours on offer. If you want to keep one of our hire vehicles just let me know. You may like to consider that and continue on to Alice for flight home, driving via Uluru, Olgas, KC?

The above itinerary is intended and feasible at October 2007. In remote area travel be aware that conditions may necessitate itinerary alternations at short notice.

Tour cost of \$2,500 includes:

- Participation fee
- Accommodation for final 6 nights at Umuwa, twin share, share facilities
- **For those wishing to travel in their own 4wd**, deduct \$1500 per person being transportation allowance
- Land transport – hire and fuel – however we do need some volunteer licenced drivers aged 25 or over (no upper age limit)
- Morning tea/coffee and snacks daily
- (the vehicles are available for your personal use at no extra charge when not being used for group purposes – say if you want to go shopping, to a museum, or out to dinner)
- 4wd guidance
- Information pack including maps, parks information, and coolpack for you to use for your picnic lunches
- Lots of tales, fun, goodwill, chat, companionship and care
- After trip get-together in Sydney

Tour cost excludes:

- Airfares from home city to Adelaide where tour begins, or from Uluru return to home city.
- Accommodation for first nine nights. Reservations will be made in your own names at motels. This allows you to settle your account including meals/incidentals/accommodation via credit card upon checkout and gain the benefit of loyalty scheme points on transactions. NOTE THE ROOM RATES QUOTED ARE ON PROVIDERS' WEBSITES AT AUGUST 2008 – allow for some possible increases.
- Meals
- Personal items
- Entry fees to museums or other attractions
- Upgrades on accommodation in the case of incompatibility with room/flatmates
- Personal travel insurance (all participants are responsible for their own personal travel insurances for duration of tour)
- Formal Art tuition
- Personal travel indemnity – you must take personal travel insurance before participating in this tour

Payments and cancellations:

- Bookings secure upon receipt of \$1,000 per person, completed booking form and signed Waiver
- Participants should settle their own accounts with accommodation providers as outlined above.
- Balance due and payable (\$1,500 per person) one month prior to tour commencement, i.e. 2 April 2009.
- Cancellation up to eight weeks prior to tour commencement, full refund of deposit. Cancellation up to four weeks prior to tour commencement 50% deposit, and after that no refund payable. Travel insurance is essential to cover cancellations due to illness.

THERE ARE ONLY EIGHT (FULL) PLACES AVAILABLE, THAT IS EIGHT SEATS IN VEHICLES SO IF YOU WANT TO COME BOOK EARLY. RETURN OF ATTACHED BOOKING FORM, WAIVER, AND A DEPOSIT OF \$1,000 PAYABLE TO E.M. CUMING WILL SECURE YOUR PLACE ON THE TRIP. ADDITIONAL TO THESE PLACES WILL BE THOSE WHO TRAVEL IN THEIR OWN VEHICLES.

BOOKING FORM - Please complete and return to secure booking

I / We..... of.....

..... Intend participating in the group trip to remote South Australia in May 2009

My phone numbers are:.....and.....

My email address is:.....

I WOULD LIKE YOU TO TRY TO FIND A PERSON TO SHARE ROOM WITH ME AND AGREE THAT I TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS DECISION AND UNDERSTAND THAT IN CASE OF INCOMPATIBILITY IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE ALTERNATIVE ROOM OCCUPANCY AND IF THIS WERE POSSIBLE ALL I WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL EXPENSES INCURRED RESULTING FROM ROOM CHANGE

Yes / No

I / We are licenced drivers and wish to be drivers during the trip
I / We will travel in our own 4wd and certify the vehicle is fully insured and maintained to a level making it capable or doing the trip

Yes / No

Please contact
in case of emergency during travel.

Please be aware of the following allergies/medical conditions.....
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I / We agree to sign the attached Waiver of Indemnity and return with this form. I / We will ensure we hold suitable travel insurances for the period of travel.

Signed.....and.....

WAIVER OF INDEMNITY

I / We.....and..... will participate in a trip to remote SA in May 2009 organized by Liz Cuming for a group of friends to provide the opportunity to explore areas specified in itinerary and visit indigenous communities and arts centres. I am entirely responsible for all risks to myself and my belongings associated with this trip, and those that I may pose to others. I hold appropriate personal travel insurance to cover myself for any expenses or loss during the period of travel, and understand that no other member of the group, including the said organizer, holds or could be deemed liable to hold any indemnity towards myself or my belongings, or on behalf of any action by myself. I agree as a participant in this project to abide by the belowmentioned parameters regarding use of vehicles hired and premises occupied.

VEHICLES:

Drivers to be licenced and registered with Avis as authorized drivers on any vehicle driven. All care must be taken to ensure safe operation. Vehicles must be locked when unattended or insurance is void. Overhead/roof/bonnet damage to vehicles is not covered so extra care must be taken not to collide with awnings, low ceilings in carparks, overhanging trees. No heavy objects, persons to be placed on bonnet or roof of vehicles. Tyre damage to be avoided. Do not drive if over .5 alcohol limit or insurance is void. Beware reversing – this is another insurance grey area – get out and look if you are unsure what is behind you, whether in the bush or town carparks – many have sail shades which have stanchions which protrude into parking spaces! On unsealed roads drive in tracks to avoid tyre damage, and take care to prevent scratches to paintwork by contact with roadside vegetation. Drivers whose actions cause issue of parking/driving infringements are responsible for payment of fines and any subsequent consequences.

ACCOMMODATION:

Outside doors to be kept locked. Premises to be left tidy and free of rubbish. Conduct to not offend other guests or management.

Signed.....and dated.....