

# LUXURY WINE TOUR TO AUSTRALIA

## Exploring the Legends of South Australia

**FEBRUARY 8th – 12st, 2028**

*Hosted by Peter Scudamore-Smith MW*

**US $4,995** *per person*
*including US$250 booking administration fee*

Join us on a vinous walkabout through the historic vineyards and wineries of South Australia. Experience private tastings and fabulous meals during the Aussie harvest time. Together with your host, Peter Scudamore-Smith MW , we are excited to take you to the legends of Australia.

Each day takes you to a classic wine region where owners and winemakers are ready to greet you with laid-back charm and extraordinary wines. Walk through vineyards that contain some of the world's oldest living vines and be guided through some of the country's most notable wineries. At the end of each visit, indulge in a tasting of iconic wines that are of legendary status.

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## YOUR HOST



**PETER SCUDAMORE-SMITH MW**

Becoming Australia's second Master of Wine in 1991, Peter Scudamore-Smith MW is an established international wine authority with deep experience in not only Australia but also in New Zealand, Spain, France, and Italy. His acute sensory skills are well-recognized in both wine and coffee circles where he has judged at multiple international competitions.

Peter is the principal owner of Uncorked and Cultivated, a consulting firm that specialises in winegrowing, hospitality, and wine travel. His passion for global gastronomy, warm charm and in-depth knowledge is unparalleled and will make for a fun and insightful tour.

## PRICE

**US $4,995 (INCLUDING TAX)**

There is a US$800 supplement for single travelers for a single occupancy hotel room.

Deposit at booking: $250 non-refundable administration booking fee.

120 days from start: Remaining deposit (plus single supplement if applicable).

Space is limited to 20.

It will be a great trip with lots of fine wine, great food, amazing chateaux, a luxury hotel, a nice amount of wine education and many, many laughs. If you have any questions, please email us at info@finevintageltd.com.

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## ITINERARY | DAY 1

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH – AMAZING ADELAIDE – AUSTRALIA'S WINE CAPITAL & THE ADELAIDE HILLS**

Please make your own flight arrangements to Adelaide. We meet in the lobby of the luxurious 5-star Marriott in central Adelaide, your home for the four nights of the tour.

Adelaide Marriott
141 King William Street, Adelaide SA 5000
Tel + 61 8 8451 3300

**9:45 AM – MEET GUIDE AND DEPART MARRIOTT HOTEL**

Meet Peter and James in the lobby and board the luxury bus for a visit at Australia's most notable winery located in the outskirts of Adelaide.

**PENFOLDS MAGILL CELLAR DOOR**

Just a short 15-minute drive east of the city is the spiritual home of Penfolds, the Magill Cellar Door. Penfolds first started operations here in 1844 before growing into one of Australia's most celebrated and renowned wineries. Enjoy the breathtaking view of the Magill Estate vineyard before going behind the scenes to see how some of the country's most revered wines are still made in the original cellar. The visit ends with the Ultimate Penfolds tasting of its icon wines, including the coveted Grange Shiraz. For lunch we will enjoy casual local fare right next door in Penfolds own Magill Kitchen. Penfolds

After lunch we head for the hills, the Adelaide Hills, the highest elevation winemaking region of South Australia. We go in search of exquisite cooler climate, later-ripened wine styles.

**SHAW + SMITH**

Founded by cousins Martin Shaw and Michael Hill Smith MW in 1989, the wines of Shaw + Smith are the pinnacle of Adelaide Hills expression. Their Sauvignon Blanc is arguably among Australia's best, and their cool-climate Shiraz offers a different take on the country's signature variety. The M3 Vineyard Chardonnay is the flagship wine and is often rated at the top of Australia's best Chardonnays. Small amounts of refreshing Pinot Noir, Gamay and Riesling round out their portfolio, including stunning wines from Tasmania. This is a benchmark visit to an icon, and a perfect place to sip and savor in the late afternoon summer. Shaw + Smith

**WINEMAKER DINNER**

But the day is not done yet. To celebrate the start of our tour, after a rest at the hotel, we have a private Fine Vintage Ltd hosted-dinner premiere which will be attended by five South Australian regional winemakers. We specifically host wine people from properties making outstanding modern contributions using regenerative and sustainable methods in the Australian wine scene. Our welcome dinner pairs with a selection of fine wines. The dinner will conclude around 10 pm, giving you time to rest up and get excited for another great day tomorrow.

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## ITINERARY | DAY 2

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH –MAGNIFICENT MCLAREN VALE**

**10:00 AM –DEPART HOTEL**

Meet with Peter and James in the lobby and board the luxury bus to venture into the rolling hills and diverse sea-influenced terroir of McLaren Vale, just 40 minutes' drive south.

**WIRRA WIRRA VINEYARDS**

Our first visit is to the fabled Wirra Wirra ironstone-built winery. It is a biodynamically run vineyard. There is an established a reputation to this major name, and we will discover and taste red wines of exemplary character, quality and style. Wirra Wirra

**CORIOLE**

We arrive at Coriole's hillside vineyards in Chaffey's Road McLaren Vale, passing the 1919-planted Shiraz vines. Established in 1969 by Hugh and Mark Lloyd, Coriole has been at the forefront of the adoption of Mediterranean thinking towards modern health – extra virgin olive oil from its own plantings, self-production of cheese, and of course newer grape varieties. The company has pioneered and is now the go-to maker of Sangiovese wine from 25 vineyards. We lunch rural-style, with Italian-influenced plates (house olives of course) and tastings of Fiano, Piquepoul, Barbera, Montepulciano, Sangiovese, Nebbiolo, and more traditional French-origin stalwarts. Coriole's

**YANGARRA (JACKSON FAMILY WINES)**

Situated on a unique terroir of diverse soils and altitudes, Yangarra is widely respected as an Australian leader in Rhone varieties. Old Vine Grenache is Yangarra' s cornerstone style; the 2021 was rated as the 2024 Grenache of the Year, Red Wine of the Year, and even Wine of the Year. Shiraz, Roussanne, and Grenache Blanc – the first in Australia – round out some of Yangarra' s diverse wine styles. Jackson Family owned-Yangarra is also committed to sustainable viticulture, employing biodynamic techniques. A great end to your day in the McLaren Vale. Yangarra

We return to the Marriott around 5:30 pm; your evening is free to explore Adelaide.

## ITINERARY | DAY 3

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH – BIG GUNS OF EDEN & BAROSSA VALLEYS**

**10:00 AM – DEPART HOTEL**

We depart the hotel and head east to the heights of Eden Valley in Keyneton and then the Barossa Valley floor around Seppeltsfield for a day among the great producers of shiraz in the country, and the world.

**HENSCHKE**

Henschke has been described as "in viticultural terms Australia's most sacred site". The wines are among Australia's most sought-after and age worthy, some of which cost several hundred dollars a bottle. Following a walk through this historic working winery, we will enjoy a tasting of Henschke's premium wines, including the legendary Hill of Grace Shiraz and Mount Edelstone Shiraz. If you know Australian wine, then you'll know how special this visit is. Welcome to Australia, mate. Henschke

**HENTLEY FARM VISIT & LUNCH**

Hentley Farm was established in 1997 by Keith and Alison who had a single vision to craft exceptional single estate wines from the Barossa Valley. Using an old soil map from the 1950's to strategically locate the best parcels of land, they discovered a mixed farming property set among the rolling hills on the banks of Greenock Creek in Barossa's west at Seppeltsfield. We will lunch at the chef's table in a refurbished 1880s farm building with exposed bluestone-brick walls, offering an upmarket degustation menu served alongside wines from the estate's luxury collections. Hentley Farm

**SEPPELTSFIELD WINERY TASTING**

The historic Seppeltsfield Winery dates to 1851 and is one of the jewels in the crown of Australia's wine heritage. It is the only winery in the world to have a collection of tawny fortifieds in every single vintage going back to 1878. They are also the only winery in the world to release a 100-year-old single vintage wine every year. During your private tour you will learn about this historic homestead and visit the astounding Centenary Cellar. You might even get to taste from your birth year. Seppeltsfield Winery

We return to the Marriott around 5:30 pm; your evening is free to explore Adelaide.

## ITINERARY | DAY 4

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH – BAROSSA MODERNISTS**

**10:00 AM – DEPART HOTEL**

It's time to set off for our visits and lunch in the Barossa Valley

**LANGMEIL**

Our host will be James Lindner, who as owner is Barossan royalty and member of the "Barons of the Barossa" historical wine fraternity. We start with a guided tour of Langmeil, and see what they believe is the world's oldest surviving Shiraz vineyard called "The Freedom 1843." After that it's just a ton of outstanding wines as we explore both the tradition and the ultra-modern thinking around Australia's most loved variety – Shiraz. This is a wine experience you'll never forget – tasting wines from the world's oldest vines of this variety. Langmeil

**LUNCH AT VINTNERS BAR & GRILL**

To gain more Aussie flavour we move on to Vintners Bar & Grill, a nationally recognized award-winning restaurant that reflects the best of the region's winemakers, farmers and growers. Enjoy a BBQ style casual lunch while enjoying the bucolic ambience of the Barossan countryside and adjacent Angaston vineyards, and catching up on some more South Australian wines from the extensive Vintners cellar. Vintners Bar & Grill

**TORBRECK**

Another day, another icon! Torbreck is one of the few wineries that can lay claim to be a true modern classic and in just 30 years has become one of Australia's most recognized and awarded brands. Established in 1994, Texan-owned Torbreck's vision has been to create wines solely from Barossa old vines. Our private VIP tour will include a tasting of Torbreck's icon wines, including RunRig and The Laird, both of which have been awarded the magic 100 points by Robert Parker. This is how you end a day in the Barossa. Torbreck

We are not finished. We return to Adelaide at 5:30 pm, then get set for our final dinner and celebration together at a local restaurant near the city's Torrens River at 7:00pm. This is a blow-out dinner that will be filled with fun, laughter, and plenty of new wine.

## ITINERARY | DAY 5

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH – THE GRAND BAROSSA FINALE**

**10:00 AM – DEPART HOTEL**

After a big night there is time to sleep in before packing up, checking out, and heading off.

**HILL-SMITH FAMILY ESTATES**

Next on the agenda is a short drive over to Angaston to visit Australia's oldest family-owned wine company, Hill Smith Family Estates in their 176th year. Now in its sixth generation, HSFE produces more than a dozen labels from throughout Australia, but it is their Yalumba brand that is the most recognized worldwide. Awarded New World Winery of the Year in 2010, Yalumba features an on-site cooperage and wine museum, which you will get to see first-hand. Your tasting will include their top wines: The Signature Cabernet/Shiraz, The Octavius Shiraz, the Virgilius Viognier, and their new icon, The Caley Cabernet/Shiraz. Yalumba is 1st class. James Cluer did a vintage there in 2003 and has fond memories of an excellent winery. Hill Smith Family Estates

**SALTRAM WINES**

Saltram Wines was founded by William Salter in 1859 and became a cornerstone of Australian wine. The property has seen 10 winemakers over 167 years. Shiraz and cabernet sauvignon are specialties, known for combining ancient techniques with modern winemaking. Afterwards we have lunch in their cellars for another unique experience. Saltram Wines

**CHATEAU TANUNDA**

Time for some royal treatment at the Icon of the Barossa, Chateau Tanunda. For more than 130 years, Chateau Tanunda has been producing wines of outstanding quality. Their list of former winemakers is a veritable who's-who of Australia's most famous and celebrated vintners. The Everest Old Vine Grenache and Everest Shiraz are treasured by critics the world over, and their 50-, 100-, and 150-Year 'Old Vines Expressions' wines are transcendent. This visit is a rare journey back in time. A game of croquet on the estate's grounds is a fitting way to enjoy these historic wines. Chateau Tanunda

After Chateau Tanunda we jump back on the bus at 4pm and head back to Adelaide. The bus will first drop guests off at the airport at around 5:30 pm or so for those with onward travel plans. From there, the bus will return to the Marriott in central Adelaide for those wishing to stay on. If you wish to make reservations for extra nights at the Marriott you can reach out to them directly and let them know you are with the Fine Vintage group to receive a favourable rate.

It's an experience you will never ever forget. This is an all-access pass to see Australia's finest wine producers.