



BAIRD BAY EXPERIENCE  
FREE PENINSULA, AUSTRALIA, EST. 1992

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**ITINERARY**



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## DAY 1

Arrival & Acquaintance

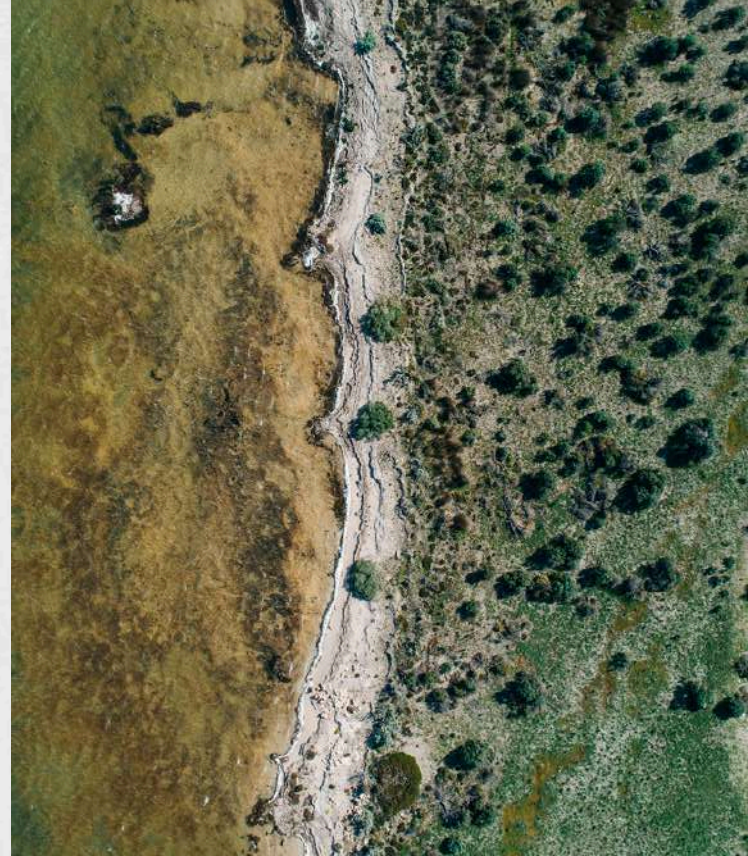
### *Afternoon Activity*

**Baird Bay Headland Walk | 4WD & On foot | 2hrs approx.**

Journey up the beach to the headland to explore the coastal rocks and views of Baird Bay. Ahead, Jones Island, the home of the local Australian Sea Lion colony comes into sight and offers a great orientation and introduction to the bay. Weather permitting, canapes will be served along a picturesque sand spit. Spot sea eagles, osprey, pelicans, black swans, and other sea and shore birds, along with dolphins and euros wallaroos and western grey kangaroos potentially along the beach on the return to the lodge.

### *Evening Meal*

Join Head Chef Calvin around the fire on the beach whilst the sun goes down, as he puts the finishing touches to a wood fired meal, prepared with the region's best produce. Dine on the beach as the bay reflects the glow of the sunset and the first planets and stars become visible overhead.





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## DAY 2

Start the day with an optional sunrise beach walk before joining the guides in the lodge for breakfast.

### *Morning Activity*

#### **Sea Lion & Dolphin Swim Tour | Boat | 4 - 5hrs**

Join guides in the lodge to prepare for a journey into the aquatic wonders of Baird Bay. Once kitted-out, jump aboard the expedition boat for an intimate half-day adventure within the safe and shallow waters of Baird Bay. Begin with a short cruise to Jones Island, the natural home and habitat of the sea lions. Learn about the life cycle and behaviours of this endangered species whilst getting ready to snorkel. Mooring in chest-deep water where the sea lions will come to guests, in their time, on their terms. They are not feed, and guests simply join their aquatic playtime in the calm and protected rockpools surrounding their home. Witness their agility in the water and playful nature as they summersault and dart around swimmers.

Depart for another nearby rockpool to experience ultimate tranquillity, swimming alongside friendly dolphins. These fiercely intelligent and playful dolphins use Baird Bay as a nursery and feeding grounds, so keep an eye out for youngsters.

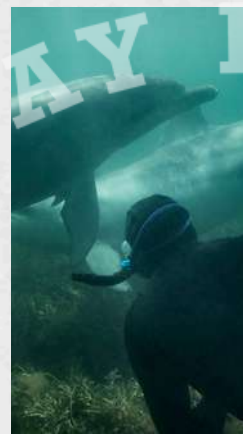
Following the on water tour, take the chance to freshen up with a warm shower and enjoy lunch on the deck out the front of the lodge.

### *Afternoon Activity*

#### **Guided Kayak Tour | Boat | 2hrs approx.**

Dive into an engaging kayak fishing adventure where guests will do more than just cast a line. Whether paddling out to a nearby sandbar or wading through the shallows of the beaches of Tawonga, each excursion is designed to actively participate. With a focus on the natural synergy of nutrient flows, tidal movements, and moon phases, gain an insightful look at the local marine life and their behaviours. Get up close to local birdlife like cormorants, pelicans, heron and black swans.

The evening meal will be served a la carte inside the lodge.





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## DAY 3

### *Morning Activity*

#### **Fishing from Neo Phocus | Boat | 2 - 4hrs**

Head further afield aboard a private charter, to fish within the bay. Fun for the whole family, keep an eye out for bird activity and learn how to read the water to find the next prime fishing spot. Australian salmon, trout, snook and King George whiting are the most common catches. Head back ashore for a waterside cook-up as Head Chef Calvin prepares the catch of the day, while pelicans wait patiently nearby for a share of the feast.



### *Afternoon Activity*

#### **Peninsula by Safari Truck | 4WD Vehicle | 2hrs approx.**

Embark on a captivating journey around Baird Bay and the surrounding peninsula, guided through both stunning natural landscapes and the local community's daily life. Visit Point Labbatt Conservation Park, perched atop the dramatic cliffs of the Great Australian Bight. Here, observe Australian sea lions and long-nosed fur seals frolicking in natural rock pools below, while raptors soar overhead and the dark waves of the Southern Ocean relentlessly sculpt the coastline. Venture inland through nearby farmland, offering a glimpse into the main industry of the locals and an opportunity to spot reptiles and large macropods, especially active during the late afternoon.



**Optional extra:** Explore this area via e-mountain bikes.



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## DAY 4

### *Three-quarter Day Activity*

#### **Bush & Beach Walk | On foot | 6hrs+**

Depart from the lodge on foot and venture into the bush to trek through diverse vegetation biomes that surround Baird Bay. While exploring, note native plants and communities of interest. Distinctive calls of woodland birds provide a contrast to the shorebirds familiar from the lodge, and use binoculars to catch a glimpse of these elusive creatures. Along the way, discover mammal tracks and scats, and observe smaller insect organisms, gaining insights into the relationships between the flora and fauna. The journey leads to Tyringa Beach, southwest of the lodge, where the vegetation gradually transitions to low-lying shrubs sculpted by the wind. Upon arrival, Head Chef Calvin will be preparing a pop-up picnic lunch. Spend time fishing from the beach, or spotting oceanic bird species like petrels and sea eagles that hunt along the coastline.

After lunch, choose to return by vehicle or continue the guided exploration along the southern coastline, culminating in a return to Baird Bay for a comprehensive 10 - 12 kilometre (6 - 7.5 mile) hike.

**Optional extra:** Explore this area via e-mountain bikes.

Relax with some leisure time after the hike until canapes are served at the pool deck lounge.





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## DAY 5

### Full Day Activity

#### **Streak Bay Regional Tour | Safari Truck | 8hrs+**

An excursion that begins with a visit to the picturesque Sceale Bay and Surfers Beach, where between November and May, guests can participate in a surf lesson with local surf experts. Out of the surf, continue exploring along the Eyre Peninsula's Westall Way Loop. Start with a snorkelling session at Smooth Pools, where guests can spot the world's smallest sea stars, endemic to this region. Next, walk across the striking orange granite formations at the Granites.

Enjoy a relaxed lunch at Drift, overlooking the Streaky Bay jetty. After lunch, visit Jeff Schmucker's crab shed for a direct look at the life of a commercial fisherman and big-wave surfer. Learn about local fishing techniques and the coastal lifestyle that shapes this community.

End your day by taking some fresh catches back to the lodge where Head Chef Calvin will prepare a delicious dinner featuring the fresh selections.

*Example itinerary, can be further customised based on personal preferences and length of stay.*





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