

planning your wow factor holiday



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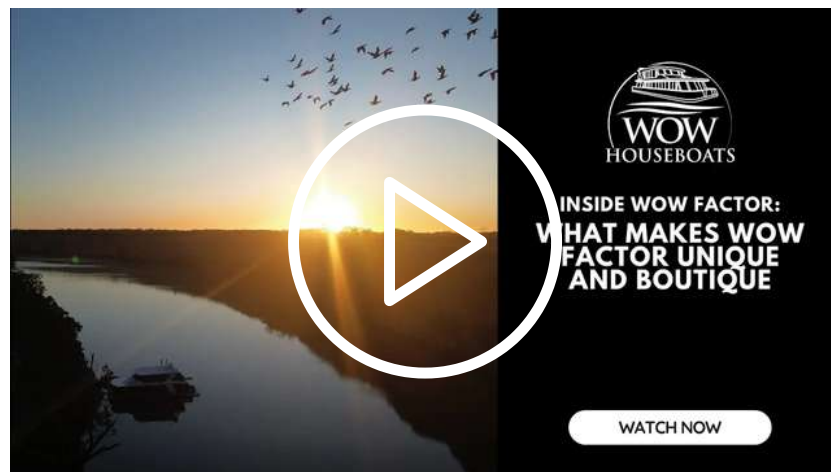


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ONE-WAY BOOKING



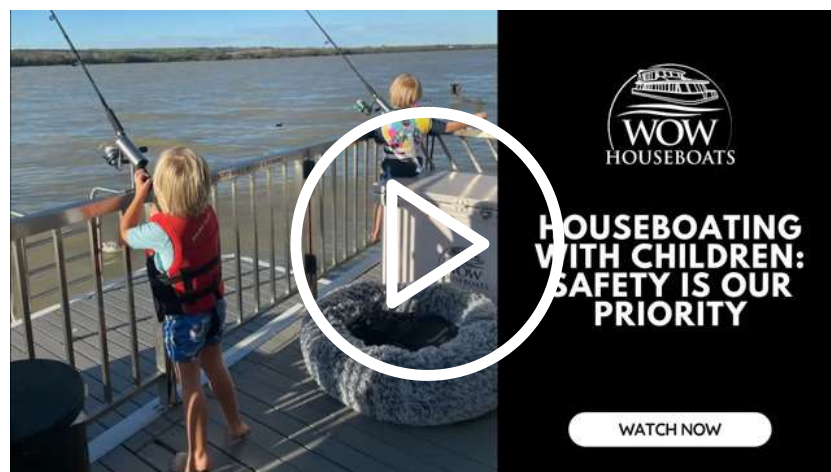
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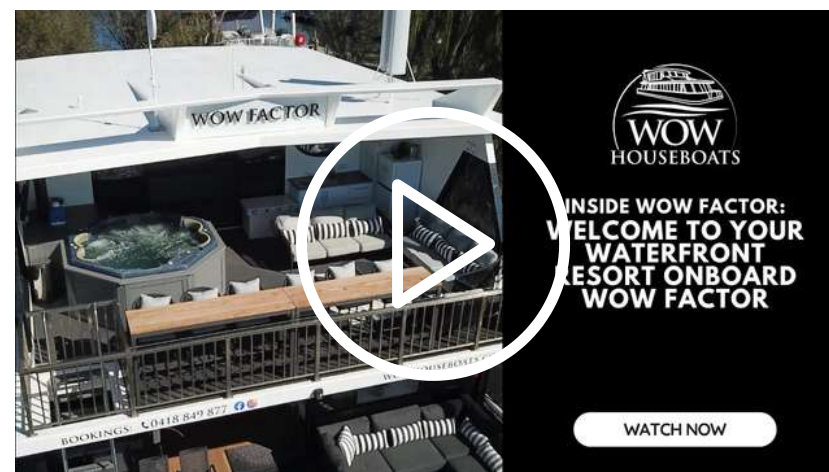
MOORING LOCATIONS



HOUSEBOATING WITH CHILDREN



HOUSEBOATING WITH DOGS



WALKTHROUGH VIDEOS



ONBOARDING VIDEOS



**Remember that happiness
is a way of travel –
not a destination.**

ROY M. GOODMAN

WHAT TO BRING

MAXIMISE YOUR EXPERIENCE ON WOW FACTOR

- **Food and Drinks / Fresh Produce.** We have partnered with Farm Fresh Market to cater all your needs so you can focus on a hassle-free houseboat holiday. Please contact our team to arrange this in advance before your arrival.
- **Alcoholic Drinks.** We have partnered with Willow Point Wines to help us continue in achieving our goal to bring the wow-factor experience to all our guests on the houseboat. Please contact our team if you wish to have the alcohol purchased in advance.
- Clothes, bathers, hats, warm jackets in cooler months
- Beach/swimming towels (these can be purchased at an extra cost)
- Personal toiletries, sun screen, insect/mosquito repellent, personal medications
- Popcorns for watching movies; flour for making pizzas etc.
- Corn for fishing or for feeding swans
- Tennis rackets and balls as there is a great tennis court right in front of Wow Factor's mooring location
- Skateboards and BMX bikes for the skate ramps at Sturt Reserve
- Children's bikes; road bicycle to join the Murray Bridge/Mannum cycle clubs for 40/60 km bike ride every Saturday morning
- Running shoes to join the Saturday morning 5 km fun run starting at Sturt Reserve
- Basketball, cricket, football for many of the public reserves
- In winter bookings, some marina and riverbank areas may get muddy after heavy rain. For your comfort, we suggest wearing boots or gum boots.
- Other items as required



CONSUMABLES WORTH OVER \$1800 INCLUDED

Unlike other holiday accommodations, we understand that a houseboat vacation is a unique experience that requires more than just the basics. That's why we include all the amenities that guests may need to fully enjoy their trip, including toiletries, sunscreen, insect repellent, and other necessities.

NOTE: At Wow Houseboats, we provide all the necessary tools for you to make your own delicious pizzas onboard. Just bring your own flour and yeast and get creative! We have everything else, including rolling pins, pizza trays, cutting wheels, and pizza stones for the oven or BBQ. Impress your loved ones with homemade pizzas and enjoy a unique dining experience onboard Wow Factor.

We strive to provide our guests with a comfortable and enjoyable stay by offering all the necessary amenities and supplies. However, we kindly remind guests that taking any of these items home will result in a restocking fee.

We appreciate guests informing us if any items run out during their houseboat holiday, so we can quickly restock them. Our team always checks the expiration dates on all items, ensuring they are safe for guests to use. We understand that some guests may have dietary restrictions or prefer not to use certain items, and we won't be offended if they choose not to use them during their stay. Our goal is to keep our houseboat fully stocked for every guest's enjoyment.

[CHECK OUR COMPLETE LIST OF AMENITIES HERE](#) ►



PROHIBITED

WHAT NOT TO BRING

- No naked flame, candles or mosquito candles
- Full unleaded fuel containers (please refer to our FAQs section for more information)
- Firearms, chainsaws, or motorbikes
- Bird seed to avoid water rats
- Any dead River Murray carp on the boat or in dustbins (this is illegal to let back into the river alive)
- Any electrical items are subject to approval prior to onboarding





**The world is a book and
those who do not travel
read only one page.**

SAINT AUGUSTINE

MAGICAL MURRAY WOW FACTOR EXPERIENCES FOR ADVENTURE SEEKERS

The Murray River is well known across the world for its wide variety of activities, including golfing, houseboating, wine tasting, cruises, paddle boating, family outings, camping, and much more.

There is actually so much to do and see that we are unable to include it all here. However, Wow Houseboats is proud to introduce you to a couple of our favorite activities specially for those adventure seekers - either it be on land, water or air.

Choose from skydiving, flying the gyrocopter, wake boarding, kayaking, kite surfing, wake foiling, karting, skating, cycling in and around Murray Bridge or in Mannum and a lot more!

We also have a couple of Magical Murray Package Tours in partnership with Juggle House Experience and Big Bend By Night.

ARE YOU AN ADVENTURE-SEEKER? THIS IS FOR YOU! ▶



MAGICAL MURRAY WOW FACTOR EXPERIENCES

FOR FOOD, ART & MUSIC LOVERS

HISTORIC EXPERIENCES AND MUSEUMS

The magical Murray have influenced Australia's culture, history, and heritage, and provides you with some fantastic and fascinating stories about them. You'll start to notice the rich experiences to connect with as you look into the stories of our area. The Murray River forms a beautiful thread that connects Australian communities, and each community has its own distinctive stories that you may learn to respect and come to love and experience.

FLAVOURS OF THE MURRAY

The Murray River offers a wide variety of flavors to sample. Too many to list them all. So here's a sample of what your Murray River trip might be like. The river also has some of Australia's best known wine regions. Explore the beautiful vineyards and taste world class wine today!

ARE YOU A FOOD OR ART LOVER? THIS IS FOR YOU!



WINE TRAILS TO RIVERGLEN MARINA

Welcome to the Riverglen Marina, where a world of sensory delights awaits your arrival! Picture this: depending on the road you're traveling from, get ready to embark on a captivating wine tasting experience in either the picturesque Adelaide Hills or the renowned Barossa Valley. It's a win-win situation!

If your journey takes you through the scenic Adelaide Hills, prepare to be mesmerised by their cool-climate wines. Take a stroll through charming vineyards and cellar doors, where you can sample elegant Chardonnays, vibrant Sauvignon Blancs, and other delightful varietals that thrive in this beautiful setting. Your taste buds will dance with joy as you discover the unique expressions of the Adelaide Hills wine region.

Now, if you find yourself venturing through the revered Barossa Valley, get ready for a bold and robust wine adventure! The Barossa Valley is famous for its iconic Shiraz and rich red varietals. Brace yourself for a sensory overload as you savor the depth and complexity of flavors that this region is known for.

No matter which path you choose, both the Adelaide Hills and the Barossa Valley promise a memorable wine tasting escapade. Experience the passion and craftsmanship of local winemakers, immerse yourself in breathtaking vineyard landscapes, and savor the fruits of their labor.

So, before you reach the Riverglen Marina, embark on a sensory adventure through either the Adelaide Hills or the Barossa Valley. Let your taste buds revel in the exquisite pleasures of wine tasting, and let the lingering flavors and memories enhance your journey to Riverglen Marina. Cheers to an extraordinary wine experience!



SIP, SAVOR, AND SOAK IN ADELAIDE HILLS

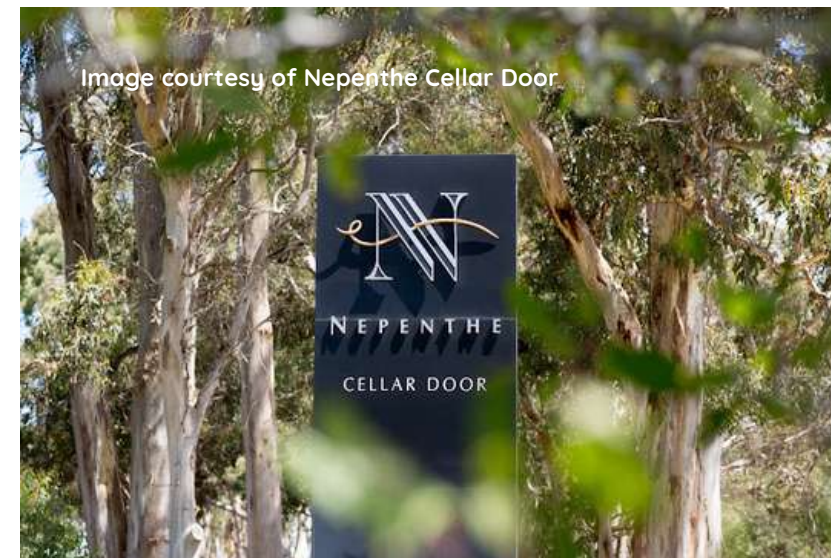
Hey there, wine enthusiasts! Get ready to have your taste buds tantalised in Adelaide Hills, Australia's ultimate wine wonderland. Picture yourself surrounded by picturesque hillsides and valleys, creating the perfect backdrop for an extraordinary wine tasting experience.

Adelaide Hills is where you'll find some of the country's finest wines, and trust me, you won't want to miss out! Prepare for a journey through the unique terroir of this region, where award-winning wineries and cellar doors showcase the very best it has to offer. From crisp Sauvignon Blanc to elegant Chardonnay, and from complex Pinot Noir to other fantastic varietals, this cool-climate paradise has something for everyone.

And that's just the beginning! Many wineries offer guided tours that take you behind the scenes, allowing you to witness the magic of winemaking firsthand. As if that's not enough, some places even offer gourmet food and wine pairing experiences. Imagine savoring locally sourced artisan cheeses, cured meats, and freshly baked bread while enjoying the finest wines. Your taste buds will be in pure bliss!

Don't forget to keep an eye out for renowned wineries like Shaw + Smith, Bird in Hand, Nepenthe, and Hahndorf Hill Winery. These hidden gems not only craft amazing wines but also offer breathtaking views of the hills and valleys that surround them. It's an experience that will create memories to last a lifetime.

So, fellow wine lovers, make sure to mark Adelaide Hills as a must-visit destination on your South Australia itinerary. With its unique terroir and passionate winemakers, this region is a haven for anyone seeking the very best in wine. Cheers to Adelaide Hills and the wow-factor moments it holds!



WINE ADVENTURE AWAITS AT THE BAROSSA VALLEY

Hey there, wine enthusiasts! Before you head to the magnificent Riverglens, let me tell you about an amazing opportunity. Picture this: hop into one of Big Bend By Night's chauffeured vehicles and embark on a wow factor adventure to the prestigious Barossa Valley wine region.

The Barossa Valley is a wine lover's dream, located in South Australia. But hold on tight, because it's not just about wine here; it's a world-renowned haven of rich history, stunning scenery, and exceptional wines. Trust me, you're in for a treat!

When you visit the Barossa Valley, get ready to be spoiled for choice with over 150 wineries and cellar doors to explore. It's a wine tasting paradise that will make your taste buds dance with joy! You can leisurely stroll through picturesque vineyards, have a friendly chat with the passionate winemakers, and indulge in a wide variety of wines that cater to every palate. From the famous Shiraz to elegant Rieslings and delightful Grenache blends, the Barossa Valley has something special for everyone.

Oh, and guess what? It gets even better! Many wineries go the extra mile by offering guided tours and food pairing experiences. It's a chance to dive deep into the captivating world of winemaking, learn from the experts, and savor the region's finest produce. Brace yourself for an incredible feast of flavors!

So, whether you're a seasoned wine connoisseur or simply someone who enjoys a good glass of wine, a visit to the Barossa Valley is an experience that will leave an everlasting impression. It's time to add this incredible destination to the top of your must-do list. Raise your glass and cheers to the Barossa Valley, where wow-factor moments await you at every turn!

LEARN MORE HERE



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THINGS TO DO IN ADELAIDE

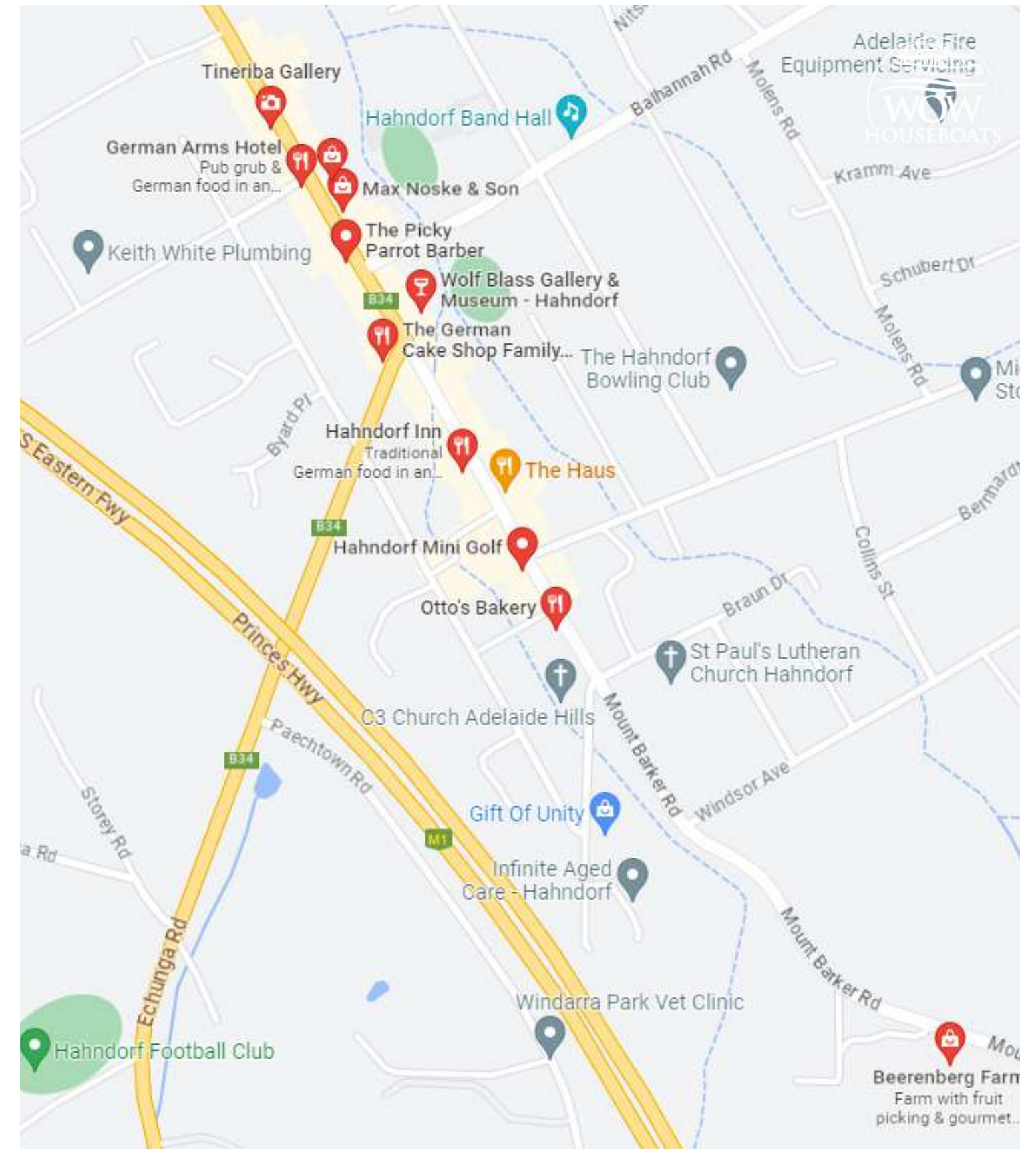
After returning from a wow-factor houseboat holiday on the magical Murray River, Adelaide may seem like a world away from the serenity you've experienced. But don't fret, there are plenty of exciting activities to keep the vacation vibe alive.

A visit to Hahndorf, located in the Adelaide Hills, is a must-do. This historic town was founded in 1839 and is the oldest surviving Germanic settlement in Australia. With more than 100 shops, including a variety of artisanal and traditional businesses such as a leathersmith, jeweler, brewery, wineries, distillery, chocolatier, German-style pubs, bakeries, restaurants, and cafes, you're bound to find something to enjoy.

Foodies will be pleased with the range of food producers in the area, including Udder Delights Cheese and wine producers Somerled, Landhaus, La Prova, Sidewood, and The Lane Vineyard. You can also visit Ambleside Distillers for handcrafted gin and masterclasses.

Families will enjoy visiting the Fairy Garden, playing mini-golf, exploring the Hahndorf Farm Barn, and picking strawberries at Beerenberg Farm. To prolong your stay, Hahndorf offers various accommodation options, from luxurious villas and cozy bed and breakfasts to motels and the Hahndorf Resort. With so much to see and do, Hahndorf is the perfect destination to extend your holiday and continue to relax and unwind.

[LEARN MORE HERE](#)



THINGS TO DO IN ADELAIDE

WHY HAHNDORF

Located in the picturesque Adelaide Hills of South Australia, Hahndorf is a quaint and charming artisan village that exudes Germanic heritage and warm hospitality. Established in 1839, it is the oldest surviving German settlement in Australia and is just a short half-hour drive southeast of Adelaide.

Visitors can meander through over a hundred specialty shops, including artisan crafts such as leatherwork and jewellery, a brewery, wineries, a distillery, a chocolatier, German-style pubs, bakeries, restaurants, and cafés. Foodies won't want to miss a visit to Udder Delights Cheese, Somerled Wine, Landhaus, La Prova, Sidewood, and Hahndorf Hill Winery, or a gin masterclass at Ambleside Distillers.

Families will have plenty to keep them busy, too. Kids will delight in the whimsical Fairy Garden, play a round of Mini Golf, visit the Hahndorf Farm Barn, or pick strawberries at the Beerenberg Farm.

Accommodation options in Hahndorf range from luxurious villas to cozy bed and breakfasts, motels, and the Hahndorf Resort. With its rich history, charming atmosphere, and numerous attractions, Hahndorf is a must-visit destination for anyone exploring the Adelaide Hills region.

Source: <https://southaustralia.com/products/adelaide-hills/attraction/hahndorf-main-street>

Image courtesy of South Australian Tourism Association / Duy Dash



THINGS TO DO IN ADELAIDE

WHY HAHNDORF

Ambleside Distillers is a craft distillery located in Hahndorf, South Australia, specialising in handcrafted gin. They use locally sourced botanicals to create unique and delicious gin flavors, and offer guided tastings and masterclasses for visitors to learn more about the art of gin-making.

Hahndorf Hill Winery is a boutique winery located in the picturesque Adelaide Hills region of South Australia. It is renowned for its award-winning cool-climate wines, particularly its signature wine, the Grüner Veltliner. The winery offers visitors a unique tasting experience, with knowledgeable staff providing insights into the wines and the winemaking process. The stunning views of the vineyards and the surrounding hills make for a memorable visit.

Gulf Brewery is a craft brewery located in the town of Hahndorf in the Adelaide Hills of South Australia. They offer a range of locally crafted beers, including pale ales, IPAs, and lagers. Visitors can enjoy a tasting session at the brewery and learn about the brewing process, or relax in the beer garden with a cold pint and some delicious food from the onsite kitchen. The brewery also hosts regular events and live music performances.

Source: <https://hahndorfsa.org.au/>
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THINGS TO DO IN ADELAIDE

WHY HAHNDORF

The German Village Shop is a charming store that offers a wide selection of traditional German gifts, souvenirs, and delicacies. Visitors can browse through an extensive range of German beer steins, cuckoo clocks, and other authentic German products, including handmade chocolates, marzipan, and gingerbread. The store is a must-visit for anyone looking to take home a piece of Germany from their visit to Hahndorf.

Artorium Collective Concepts specialises in creating unique and bespoke art pieces and designs for both commercial and residential clients. Their team of skilled artists and designers work closely with clients to bring their ideas to life, whether it be through custom paintings, murals, sculptures, or graphic design. They also offer workshops and classes for those looking to learn new creative skills or techniques.

Hahndorf Academy is a cultural center and museum showcasing the history, art, and culture of the region through its exhibits and collections. Visitors can explore the galleries, attend workshops, and browse the gift shop, which features handmade items by local artists and artisans. The Academy also hosts regular events and exhibitions, making it a hub of cultural activity in the Adelaide Hills.

Source: <https://hahndorfsa.org.au/>

Image courtesy of <https://hahndorfsa.org.au/business/the-german-village-shop/>



THINGS TO DO IN ADELAIDE

WHY HAHNDORF

Indulge in the delectable world of **Beerenberg Family Farm**, a cherished, family-owned business renowned for crafting a divine selection of jams, sauces, and condiments. Nestled in the picturesque town of Hahndorf, our farm boasts an impressive 180-year legacy of producing irresistible culinary delights. Delight in the joy of picking your own succulent strawberries, and treat yourself to a mouthwatering meal at our charming farm café.

Nestled within the historic German town of Hahndorf, the **Hahndorf Farm Barn** invites families to immerse themselves in a world of wonder. Prepare to be captivated as you interact with a delightful assortment of friendly farm animals, including lambs, goats, chickens, and rabbits. Watch your children's faces light up with joy as they enjoy pony rides, tractor rides, and even try their hand at milking a cow. And when hunger strikes, satisfy your cravings at our delightful café, serving up heavenly homemade cakes, light meals, and aromatic coffee. A family-friendly haven awaits you at Hahndorf Farm Barn.

Hahndorf Sweets is a delightful confectionery shop located in the charming village of Hahndorf. This sweet spot offers a wide range of mouth-watering treats such as fudge, nougat, toffee, chocolates, and old-fashioned sweets. Their handmade goodies are perfect for satisfying your sweet cravings or as gifts for friends and family.

Source: <https://hahndorfsa.org.au/>
Image courtesy of Dan Schultz



THINGS TO DO IN ADELAIDE

WHY HAHNDORF

Mount Lofty Botanic Garden is a beautiful and expansive botanical garden featuring a diverse range of plants from around the world, including rare and endangered species, as well as stunning walking trails and picnic areas for visitors to enjoy. With breathtaking views of the surrounding hills and valleys, Mount Lofty Botanic Garden is a must-visit destination for nature lovers and anyone seeking a peaceful and scenic escape.

- [Fire Danger Information](#)
- [Location and Map](#)
- [Regulations](#)

The Heysen Trail is a long-distance hiking trail in South Australia, stretching for over 1,200 km from Cape Jervis on the Fleurieu Peninsula to Parachilna Gorge in the Flinders Ranges. The trail passes through diverse landscapes including national parks, forests, farmland, and coastal cliffs, and offers stunning views of South Australia's natural beauty. The trail is named after Sir Hans Heysen, an artist famous for his landscapes of the Australian bush, and is a popular destination for hikers and nature enthusiasts.

- Closed during [Fire Danger Season](#)
- [Heysen Trail Interactive Map](#)

Hahndorf Walking Tours offers a guided walking tour of the charming village of Hahndorf in the Adelaide Hills. The tour takes visitors through the historic streets of Hahndorf, offering insights into the town's rich cultural heritage and fascinating stories. Visitors can also learn about the town's Germanic roots, its food, wine, and art scenes, and the local flora and fauna.

Sources:

<https://www.botanicgardens.sa.gov.au/visit/mount-lofty-botanic-garden>

<https://heysentrail.asn.au/heysen-trail/>

<https://www.hahndorfwalkingtours.com.au/>

Image courtesy of Megan Crabb



THINGS TO DO IN ADELAIDE

WHY HAHNDORF

The Adelaide Hills Visitor Information Centre is a tourist center located in the heart of the Adelaide Hills region. The center provides visitors with helpful information about the area's attractions, events, and accommodations. It also offers maps, brochures, and souvenirs for purchase. The friendly staff can assist visitors with planning their itinerary and answering any questions they may have about the region.

Hahndorf Fruit and Veg Market is a popular destination for locals and visitors looking for fresh, high-quality produce. Located in the heart of Hahndorf, South Australia, the market offers a wide variety of seasonal fruits and vegetables, as well as other local products such as cheeses, meats, and baked goods. Visitors can chat with friendly vendors and sample some of the delicious offerings while soaking up the charming atmosphere of the historic town.

Leathersmith & Bush Gallery is a unique shopping destination in Hahndorf, South Australia, offering an array of handcrafted leather goods, artisanal crafts, and souvenirs. Visitors can browse through a range of leather accessories, including belts, wallets, and bags, as well as artworks, ceramics, and jewellery made by local artists. The gallery also features a working leather workshop where visitors can observe skilled craftsmen creating beautiful leather products.

Source: <https://hahndorfsa.org.au/>

Image courtesy of <https://www.hahndorfleathersmith.com.au/>



THINGS TO DO IN ADELAIDE

WHY HAHNDORF

The Hahndorf Inn is a traditional German-style featuring a cozy and welcoming atmosphere, complete with timber furnishings, a fireplace, and an outdoor beer garden. Visitors can enjoy a wide selection of German beer, wine, and cuisine, including traditional dishes such as schnitzel, bratwurst, and sauerkraut. The Hahndorf Inn is a popular destination for tourists seeking an authentic German experience in Adelaide Hills.

Hahndorf Kaffeehaus is a charming cafe located in the heart of the historic town of Hahndorf. It offers a wide range of specialty coffees, teas, and delicious homemade cakes and pastries. The café also serves light lunches and breakfast options, making it the perfect spot for a quick bite or a relaxing afternoon tea. The traditional European-style interior and friendly service create a warm and inviting atmosphere for visitors to enjoy.

Udder Delights Cheese Cellar is a popular destination for cheese lovers. The award-winning artisan cheese company specialises in handmade goat and cow milk cheese and offers visitors the opportunity to taste and purchase a range of their delicious products. Visitors can also enjoy cheese platters, coffee, and other refreshments while taking in the scenic views of the Adelaide Hills. The cheese cellar also offers cheese making classes for those interested in learning how to make their own cheese.

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Image courtesy of <https://www.hahndorfinn.com/>



THINGS TO DO AT MURRAY BRIDGE

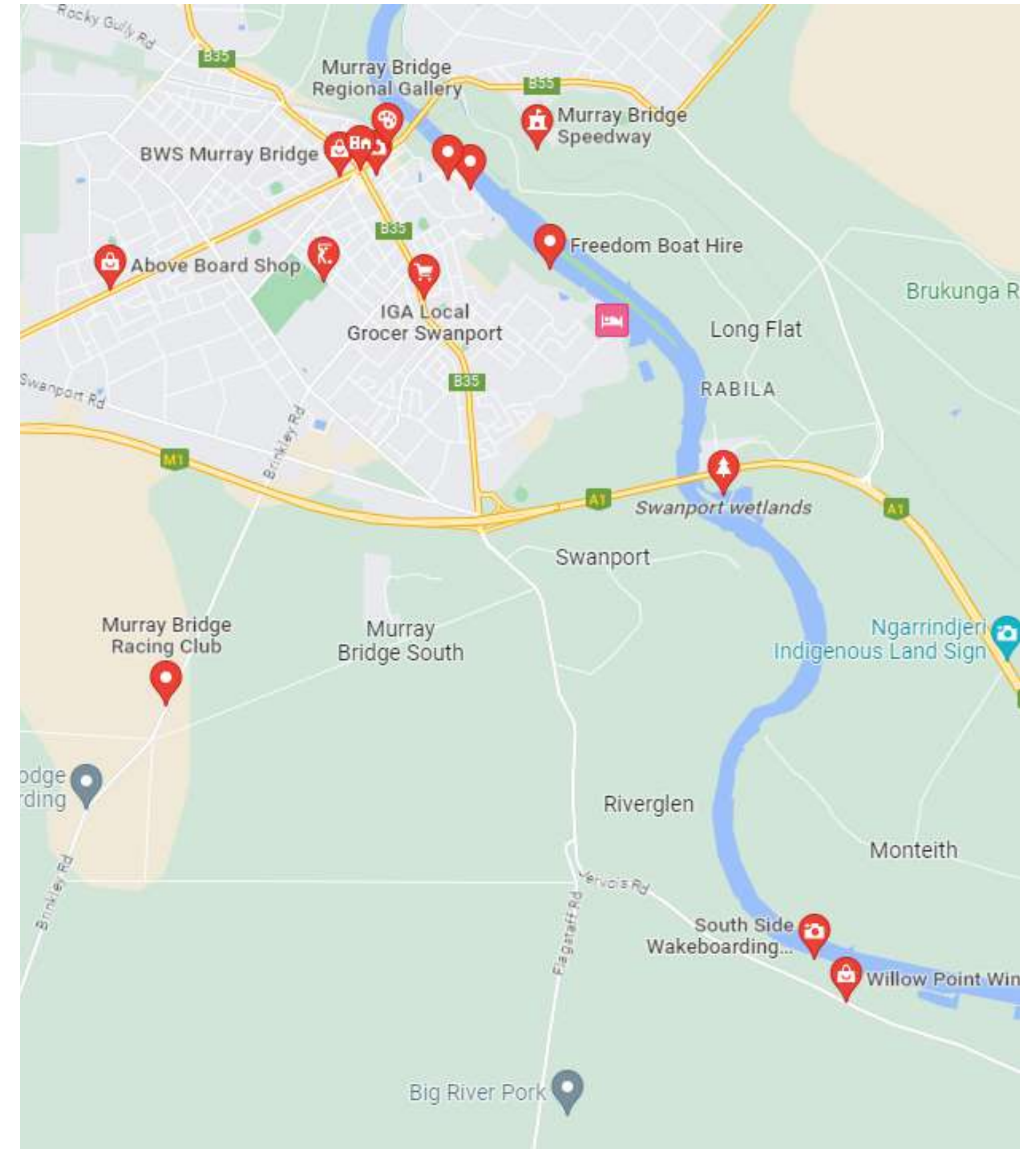
Murray Bridge, a beautiful city located on the banks of the Murray River, has plenty of activities to offer visitors after a relaxing houseboat holiday on Wow Factor. The city is surrounded by stunning scenery, with rolling hills, expansive farmlands, and the beautiful Murray River providing an idyllic backdrop.

One of the must-visit attractions in Murray Bridge is the Monarto Safari Park, which is just a 20-minute drive from the city center. This massive open-range zoo is home to over 500 animals, including lions, tigers, cheetahs, and giraffes. Visitors can take a guided tour, hop on a safari bus, or even experience a thrilling behind-the-scenes animal encounter.

For those seeking a bit of history and culture, the Murray Bridge Regional Gallery is a must-visit. This beautiful art gallery is located in a heritage-listed building and showcases a range of contemporary and traditional art from local and regional artists.

If you're looking to get active, head to the Sturt Reserve, which is located right on the banks of the Murray River. The reserve offers plenty of activities, including a swimming pool, water park, playground, and plenty of picnic and BBQ spots. For the more adventurous, there are also plenty of hiking and biking trails to explore in the nearby hills.

And if you're a wine lover, don't miss out on the opportunity to explore the nearby Langhorne Creek Wine Region, which boasts some of the best wine in South Australia. The region is just a 30-minute drive from Murray Bridge and offers stunning vineyard views and plenty of cellar doors to sample the local wines.



[LEARN MORE HERE](#) 



Each and every moment is meant to be enjoyed as it passes by. Because surely, it is in these moments that the beauty of life lies within.

ANONYMOUS

HOUSEBOAT RULES

PROTECTING THE RIVERLAND IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

DRIVING THE HOUSEBOAT

- The Wow Factor is a large two-storey houseboat. If it is driven at the not recommended engine RPM, it has the potential to use 40 litres of unleaded fuel per hour.
- To reduce the risk of running out of fuel, the maximum permitted engine hours before refilling is 15 hours.
- You must log your engine hours throughout the hire to ensure sufficient fuel and avoid running out, which will likely cause significant damage.
- The Wow Factor records engine hours if both the keys are not completely off position. You must ensure the keys are fully in the off position. This is visible by the two digital speedometers for RPM being turned off.
- Running out of fuel in the middle of the river will likely result in an accident when the wind or current moves the houseboat into other boats, bridges, cliffs, jetties, pontoons, etc. This will put you at significant risk of losing your bond and \$5,000 in excess. We suggest you plan your trip, so you do not need to refuel.
- Driving Wow Factor (a double-storey houseboat) during windy conditions is risky. If the wind is blowing at more than 30 km/h, driving the Wow Factor puts you at risk of an accident, losing your bond, and having to pay your excess.
- It is an **offence** to drive any houseboat under the influence of alcohol (.05) and/or illicit drugs.
- It is an **offence** to drive the vessel between sunset and sunrise.
- It is an **offence** to operate the vessel downstream of Wellington Ferry.



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MOORING THE HOUSEBOAT

- Please check our list of recommended mooring locations in public parklands and reserves.
- Under no circumstances is the boat to be moored against any private or public jetty/pontoon, boardwalk or pier. Doing so will likely result in damage to Wow Factor and the pier. You will lose your bond if you do this.
- If guests bring a ski boat or jet ski, they must secure these watercraft/s to the vessel's side. Instructions will be provided during the show-out process.
- Be aware of gum tree branches damaging the houseboat's top storey. Even if the branches do not strike the houseboat, the wind may change and blow the boat into the branch/es.
- Caution must be used when using the gangplank. The river is unpredictable, and misuse will likely cause the front glass sliding door to break, causing significant expense. The wind, or wakeboard boats, is sufficient to push the boat into the riverbank and gangplank through the front glass door. The repair cost approximately \$600 plus GST.
- The vessel should be firmly roped (both sides and fore and aft) to the bank during mooring. All four ropes should be firmly tied to suitable trees or posts.
- A ski boat rescue will be required at a significant cost to the hirer (\$250 plus GST per hour).

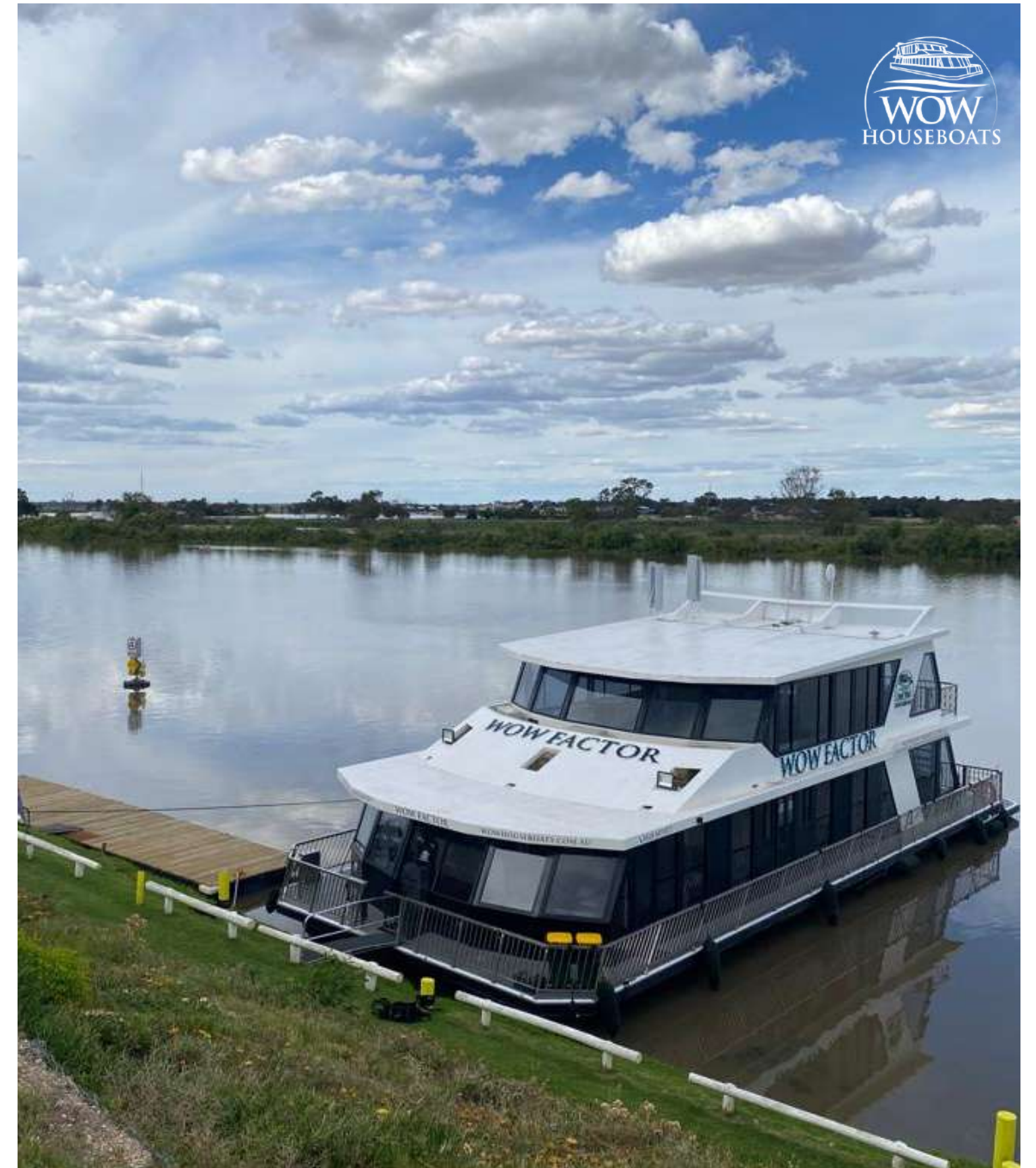


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WHILE ON THE HOUSEBOAT

- Do not jump into the river from the top deck.
- No one must be on the swim deck whilst the boat is in motion.
- Do not climb over the balcony through the windows to reach upstairs.
- This is a smoke-free vessel. Do not smoke on the vessel, including in outdoor areas.
- While the vessel is in motion, no one should have any part of their body outside the railings. While on Wow Factor, children must be supervised at all times.
- The vacuum cleaner is only meant to be used INSIDE the boat, not in any of the Wow Factor's wet areas, such as around the spa, outside the lower deck, or the upper deck.
- There aren't any fly screens upstairs. For safety reasons (to avoid people jumping from the window), these windows are only to be opened 50 mm.
- When the deed is done (using the toilet), remember to half-flush on the left and full-flush on the right. **DO NOT flush anything except toilet paper and human waste.** Please use the bins provided to dispose of feminine products, paper towels, tissues, wipes, etc.
- Never leave your spa unsupervised when uncovered.
- No electrical appliances near the spa to avoid electrocution.
- No drinking glass in and around the spa. Do not sit, stand or walk on your cover; try to avoid pets sleeping on your cover or kids jumping on it.



HOUSEBOAT RULES

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PUMPING OUT BLACK WATER

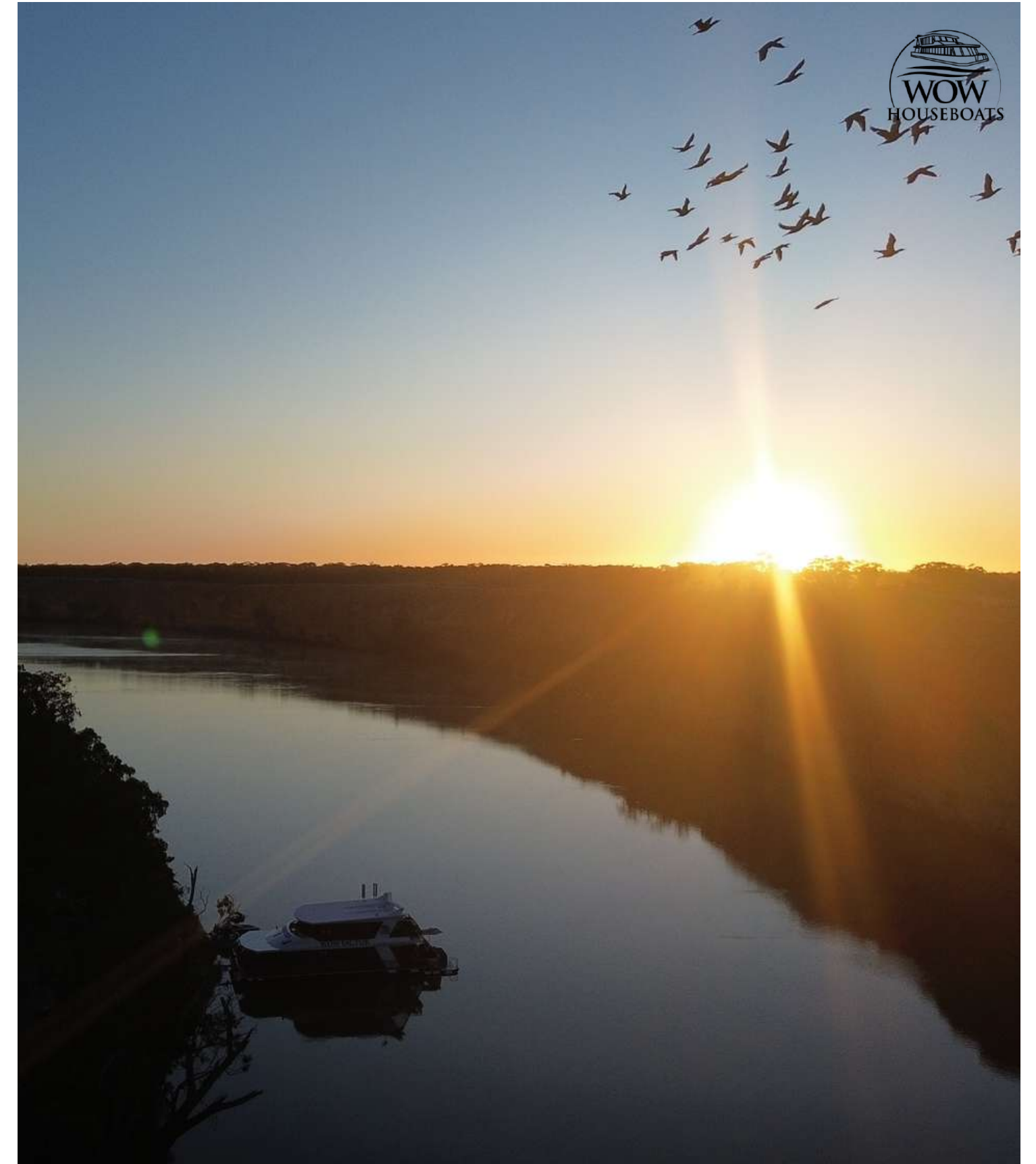
- Pump outs will be required on longer bookings, and guests are to follow the procedure on the boat and at the pump-out station. If the sewage overflows from the toilets into Wow Factor, we recommend pumping it out every three days.
- Do not leave rubbish along the riverbank. Please check our document - [River Waste Disposal Stations](#) - where you can specifically dispose of your rubbish and bottles/cans.

SAFETY

- Naked flames or fire are strictly forbidden on the houseboat.
- Fire extinguishers are provided for emergencies only. If they are used other than in an emergency, there will be a refill charge of \$100 per item.
- The portable fire pit on the front pontoon will only be used onshore.
- Lifebuoys and emergency lifejackets are provided for emergency situations only. Using them for non-emergencies is illegal.
- **Beware of the Fruit Fly!** If you're planning a trip to the Riverland, check the list of fruit and vegetables on the fruit fly website to find out what you can pack. [Check more information here.](#)

RETURNING THE HOUSEBOAT

- Please return the boat in a reasonably clean and tidy condition, otherwise, an extra cleaning charge may be incurred.
- All damage or loss of equipment must be reported and paid for.



SAMPLE AVERAGE FUEL CONSUMPTION



At Wow Factor, we're committed to providing our customers with an exceptional boating experience, and that includes fuel efficiency. Our state-of-the-art engines and props ensure that you can travel further and for longer periods of time without worrying about fuel consumption. The outboards (together) both use 11 litres per hour if the boat is driven at our recommended RPM of 2500 RPM, which will give a boat speed of 6 km per hour (upstream) and 7 km per hour (downstream). Based on our experience, the average fuel consumption per booking are as follows:

BOOKING LENGTH	LITRES PER HOUR (AT 2500 RPM)	TOTAL LITRES USED
3-DAY BOOKING	11 (total of \$25 per an hour both engines)	121
4-DAY BOOKING	11 (total of \$25 per an hour both engines)	187
7-DAY BOOKING	11 (total of \$25 per an hour both engines)	264

DISCLAIMER: This is a guide only. The fuel price varies from time to time, but you may check the prices during your show out. It's worth noting that fuel consumption and driving hours may vary depending on factors such as weather conditions, currents, and navigational obstacles. On average, the daily generator usage starts at 17 litres per day. The generator runs depending on the amount of power used onboard. Thus, the generator usage increases when it is really hot or cold, and the air conditioners or heaters are used heavily.

HOW TO SAVE DIESEL? Guests can stay their first or last night at Riverglen (public reserve) where the show out is performed or at the Murray Bridge where both locations have shore power that the houseboat can be plugged into. This can save money as this is "FREE POWER" and the batteries will be charged overnight from shore power. Other savings are - opening the bedroom sliding patio doors with fly wire to save power cost from turning on the air conditioner.

EXPERIENCE A COMFORT FIRE ALL YEAR ROUND WITH WOW FACTOR

Teenagers love to be around the fire while the adults prefer to spend their nights on the boat. We provide camping essentials such as outdoor cooking equipment for open fire:

- The most comfortable outdoor camping chairs with 2 heat packs
- Firewood and outdoor cooking equipment, with fire box and water bucket near the fire
- Most powerful floodlights so kids can play football or cricket at night
- Torches (everyone has torches!)
- Groundsheet and folding table, hammock
- Oz Pig Smoker that can be used during the fire season
- Solar light can be hired
- 2 x yoga mats on the boat
- Stargazing App is great on the riverbank

Campfires and Barbecues

MUST-READ! [Fire Prevention and Fire Danger Season](#)

MUST-READ! [Personal Comfort Fire Code of Practice](#)

WATCH HERE



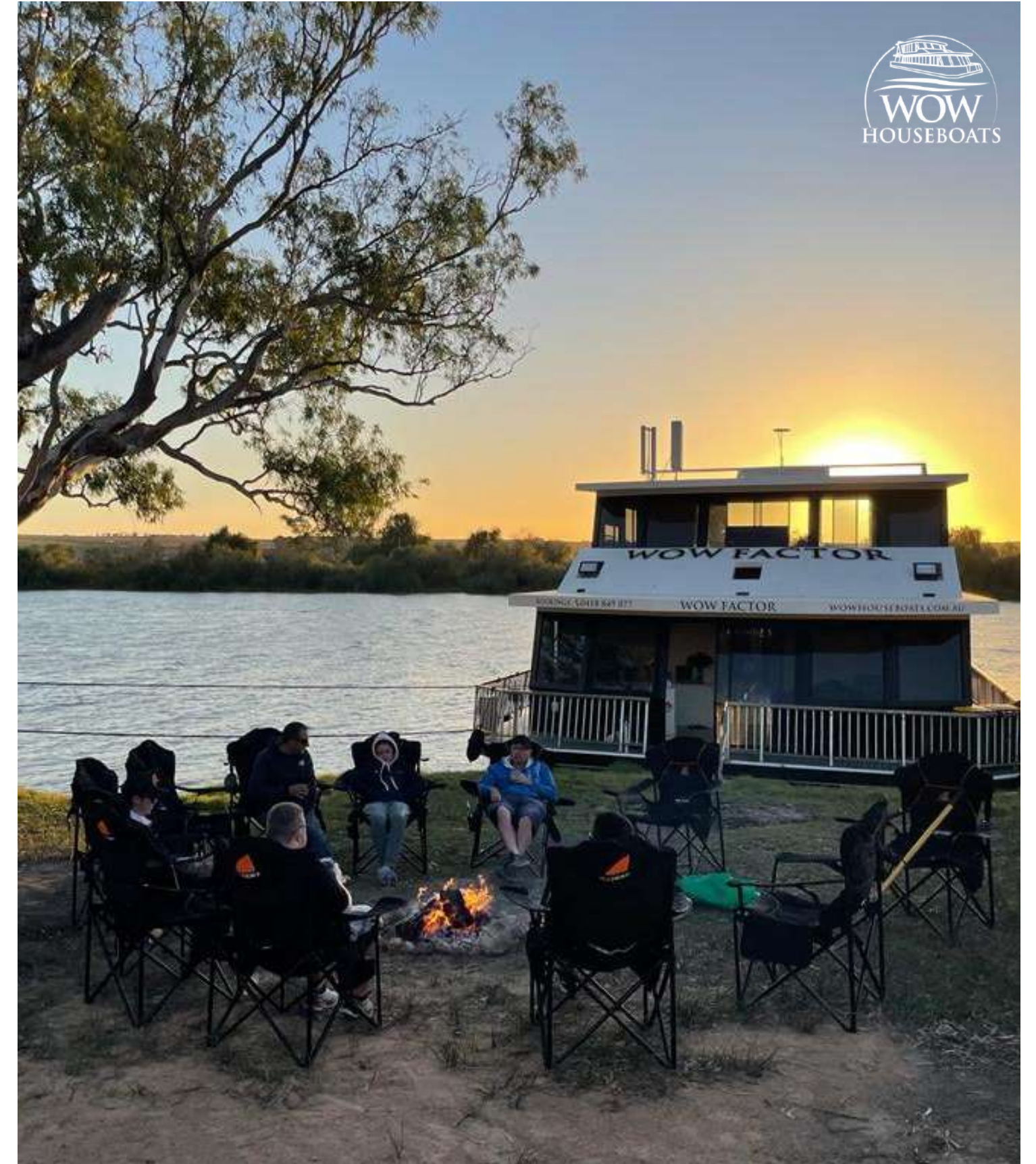
EXPERIENCE A COMFORT FIRE ALL YEAR ROUND WITH WOW FACTOR

Can I have a campfire, bonfire, or light a fire for warmth or comfort during the fire danger season? The answer is “Yes” to the following conditions when it is not a total fire ban day.

- A 300mm trench is dug and no more than one square metre in area.
- The Wow Factor has a long-handled shovel.
- There’s also a portable steel fire pit.
- The comfort fire has a 4m radius of cleared space around and above the fire.
- A responsible person is around at all times with a bucket of water or fire extinguisher.
- The Wow Factor has buckets of wood.
- On total fire ban days, a comfort fire cannot be built inside the fire danger season.

IMPORTANT

- You are permitted to camp on Crown land for up to 3 weeks. Camping or occupying Crown land for a period longer than 3 weeks without a permit is an offence. Some waterfront areas may be managed by local council and other restrictions may apply.
- You are not permitted to cut down, lop branches from or otherwise damage any tree or bush (whether alive or dead) on Crown land without consent. Collection of firewood is not permitted. Interfering with any vegetation on Crown land without lawful authority is an offence. To arrange consent to remove vegetation please contact your local DEWNR regional office. River Red Gums (of any size) are not permitted to be cleared.



THE SKY IS CLOSER THAN YOU THINK!

EASILY IDENTIFY STARS AT NIGHT WITH THIS STARGAZING APP



Camping at the magical Murray River is a unique experience, but what makes it even more special is the opportunity for stargazing. As the sun sets, the sky is transformed into a breathtaking display of stars, planets, and galaxies. Far from the city lights, the magical Murray River provides the perfect environment for a clear view of the night sky.

As you sit around your campfire, you can enjoy the peace and tranquility of the great outdoors while marveling at the beauty of the stars. With the naked eye or binoculars, you can observe the constellations, the Milky Way, and shooting stars. You may even spot the Southern Cross, a prominent feature of the southern hemisphere's night sky.

Star Walk is a popular mobile app for stargazing and astronomy enthusiasts. It provides users with a unique experience of exploring the night sky in real-time with the help of their smartphones or tablets. With Star Walk, users can discover constellations, planets, and satellites with detailed information about each object.

The app also features a time machine that allows users to travel back or forward in time to see the position of the stars and planets at any given moment. It also has an augmented reality mode that provides an immersive stargazing experience.



FIRE DANGER SEASON AND TOTAL FIRE BAN

WHAT YOU CAN AND CANNOT DO



WITHIN THE FIRE DANGER SEASON

ON A TOTAL FIRE BAN DAY

Can I light a fire without a permit? ▶

Fires are NOT permitted.

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Can I have a fire in a forest reserve? ▶

No fires, including barbecues and campfires, are permitted in forest reserves between November 30 to April 30 each year. However, gas barbecues may be permitted in designated areas in Mount Lofty Ranges forest under certain conditions. For enquiries, contact the [Forestry Reserve](#) office.

Fires are NOT permitted.

Can I have a fire in a National Park Reserve? ▶

Strict regulations apply to all fires, including barbecues, in National Parks and Wildlife Reserves. Signs are placed at the park entrance when fires are permitted, but they can only be lit in designated areas. Many National Parks and Wildlife Reserves have total bans on the use of wood fires. For further information, contact the [Park Office](#).

Fires are NOT permitted.

****NOTE**** You must check with your local council for compliance with [Environment Protection Authority](#) restrictions. Some councils have totally prohibited the use of incinerators and open fires for waste disposal on domestic premises.

FIRE DANGER SEASON AND TOTAL FIRE BAN

WHAT YOU CAN AND CANNOT DO



WITHIN THE FIRE DANGER SEASON

ON A TOTAL FIRE BAN DAY

Can I have a campfire, bonfire or light a fire for warmth or comfort?



Yes, provided that:

- the fire is in a 30 cm deep trench and no more than one square metre in area
- you have a 4 metre cleared space around and above the fire
- a responsible person is in attendance at all times with water and/or an appropriate extinguisher.

Please note that only charcoal is allowed to be burnt for comfort fires within a metropolitan area or within township boundaries by the EPA Legislation. Check with your local council before lighting a comfort fire.

The use of above ground fires such as chimineas, fire drums, braziers are only permitted with the use of permits.

No, because:

- Unless you have a [Schedule 10 Permit](#) from your local council. These permits are generally only issued for emergency purposes.

****NOTE**** Some local councils allow gas or electric barbecues in caravan parks or cleared picnic areas. Look for signs or contact the council for advice.

FIRE DANGER SEASON AND TOTAL FIRE BAN

WHAT YOU CAN AND CANNOT DO



WITHIN THE FIRE DANGER SEASON

Can I use a gas or electric barbecue or cooking appliance? ▶

Yes, provided that:

- the barbecue/cooking appliance is clear of all flammable vegetation to a distance of at least 4 metres
- a person who is able to control the fire is present at the site of the fire until it is extinguished
- an appropriate extinguisher is at hand.

ON A TOTAL FIRE BAN DAY

Yes, provided that:

A gas or electric barbecue or cooking appliance can be used:

- within 15 metres of a domestic or commercial premises, OR
- on a coastal foreshore.

Providing:

- the barbecue/cooking appliance is clear of all flammable vegetation to a distance of at least 4 metres
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- an appropriate extinguisher is at hand.

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FIRE DANGER SEASON AND TOTAL FIRE BAN

WHAT YOU CAN AND CANNOT DO



WITHIN THE FIRE DANGER SEASON

Can I use fireworks? ▶

Private use of fireworks is banned. Licensed pyrotechnicians may conduct public fireworks displays providing they have a [Schedule 9 Permit](#) from CFS.

Can I smoke cigarettes? ▶

Yes, but:

- You must not smoke within 2 metres of flammable bush or grass outside of a township (Penalty: \$1250).
- You must not throw a cigarette butt from a vehicle (Penalty: \$500).
- You must not drop or throw a cigarette butt where it will come into contact with flammable vegetation (Penalty: \$500).

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HOUSEBOATING WITH CHILDREN

For children of all ages, houseboating can be an educational and eye-opening experience. There are new experiences on the water, places to see, exciting things to do, and most importantly, absolute quality time with the family. However, vacationing with children may be a daunting task - extensive packing lists, grumpy children and the horrors of "I'm bored".

On top of that, the main concern is that "is houseboating safe for my children?" and this oftentimes, could be something that keeps you away from booking that houseboat holiday of your dreams.

But Wow Houseboats defies all of these concerns as we ensure the best out of your houseboating with your children. From our long list of child-safety features, fun and exciting add-ons to add some spice to your water activities, to help you create that children's bucket list to avoid the horrors of "I'm bored".

Let Wow Houseboats help you plan and achieve that wow factor holiday with ease.

[CHECK OUR CHILD-FRIENDLY FEATURES HERE!](#)



DOG-FRIENDLY HOUSEBOAT

Wow Factor is a one-of-a-kind houseboat that goes above and beyond to welcome furry companions on board. Situated on the serene waters of the picturesque Murray River, this unique houseboat offers a fantastic opportunity for dog lovers to explore the stunning scenery with their four-legged friends.

The boat is specially designed to accommodate pets with ample space for them to play and relax while enjoying the company of their human companions. The houseboat is fully equipped with all the necessary amenities to ensure a comfortable stay for both humans and canines alike.

Whether you're looking to unwind with your furry friend by your side or go for a refreshing swim together, Wow Factor has everything you need to create wow factor memories. In fact, even our furry companion, a Cavalier King Charles, has his own life jacket for extended times in the river or when he joins us on an inflatable SUP for an early morning paddle.

If you're a pet parent seeking a peaceful retreat with your furry friend, look no further than Wow Factor. It offers a cozy and comfortable space where you can relax and make the most of your time with your beloved pooch.

READ THIS IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM ROSSO ▶



NAVIGATE THE MAGICAL MURRAY RIVER

The magical Murray Way offers a unique opportunity to explore the diverse landscapes, rich cultural heritage and natural beauty of South Australia. With almost 2500 kilometres of river to navigate, there's plenty to discover on this stunning waterway.

Cruising down the magical Murray River, visitors can experience the changing scenery from the Riverland to the Murray Mouth. Along the way, there are plenty of opportunities to witness breathtaking landscapes and observe the evolution of life along the river.

The river boasts a variety of attractions for all interests, making it the perfect destination for all types of travelers. From learning about the rich Aboriginal culture and history of the region to tasting the gourmet food and drink produced in the area, there is something for everyone. Visitors can explore microbreweries and sample local wines, dine in award-winning restaurants or simply relax and enjoy the natural beauty of the river.

For those who want to delve deeper into the history of the river, there are plenty of riverboats and cruises that offer an insight into the region's past. Take a guided tour to learn about the paddle steamers that once plied the river, or explore the many historic sites and museums dotted along the river's banks.

NAVIGATE MURRAY RIVER HERE



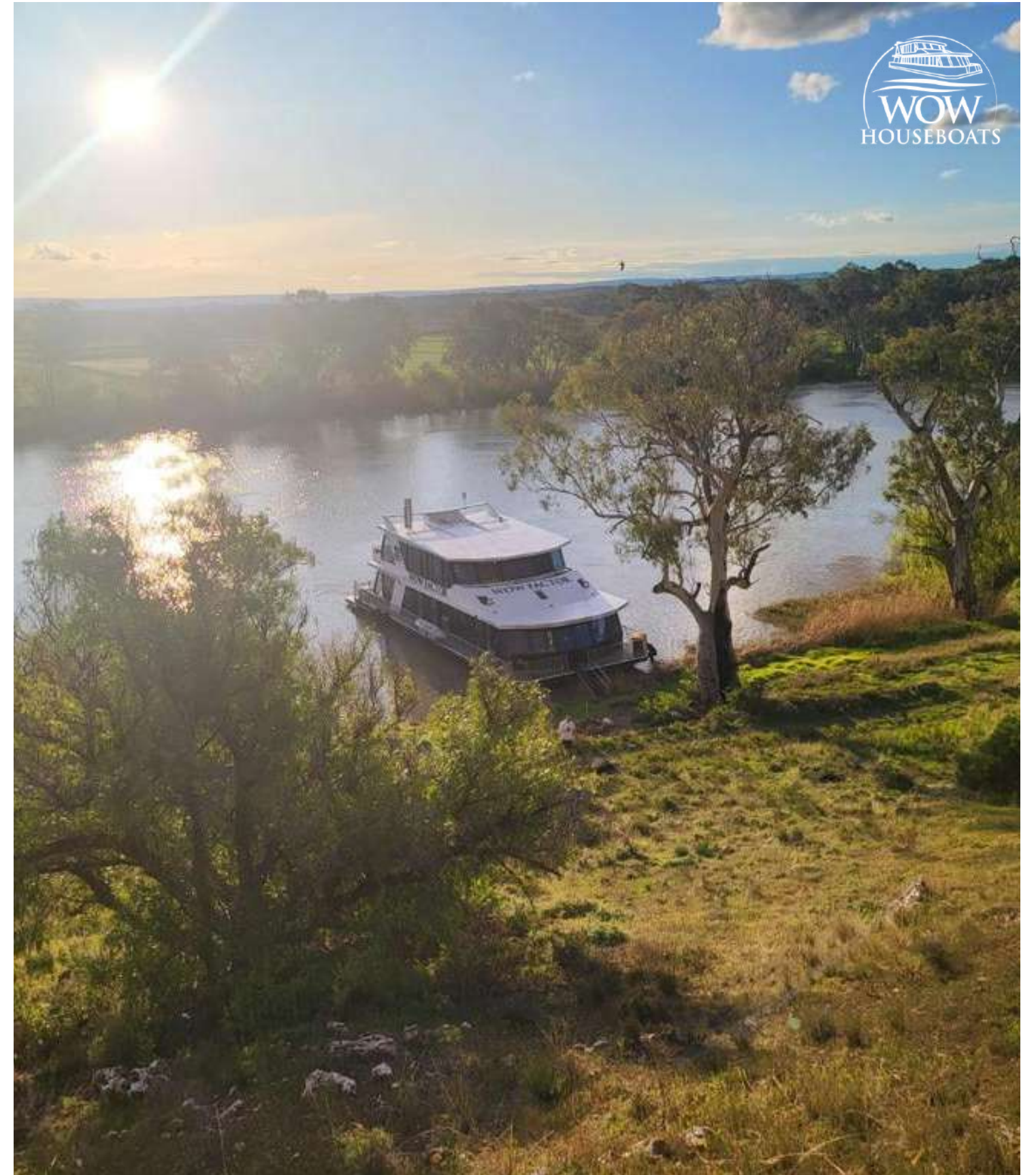
MOORING LOCATIONS

Houseboats can be temporarily moored on Crown land for up to 21 days, but permanent mooring is only permitted with authorisation or in designated marinas. Some parts of the river are under freehold title and require landowner permission for mooring. Local councils may close dedicated Crown land due to changing water levels.

It's essential to regularly check mooring ropes and avoid mooring to trees as they may collapse due to softened ground or erosion caused by floodwaters. Recovery and re-floating of stranded houseboats are the owner's responsibility, and permission is required for vessels stranded for more than 21 days.

Mooring to existing structures may result in damage for which the owner is liable. Private land may require permission to moor.

WHERE TO MOOR



BEWARE OF THE FRUIT FLY

You're allowed to move restricted fruit and vegetables purchased at a shop (permanent retail business) in a red outbreak area across all fruit fly affected areas, with an itemised receipt. You must also seal fruit and vegetables in a bag or container while moving them. Dispose of any waste by double-bagging it and putting it in a rubbish bin. You cannot buy restricted fruit and vegetables from roadside sellers, markets and stalls in a red outbreak area to take away, even with a receipt.

[Download the complete list of restricted fruit and vegetable chart here.](#)

These fruit and vegetables can host fruit fly eggs and larvae. They cannot be brought into South Australia or the Riverland. Additional restrictions are in place during a fruit fly outbreak.

Fruit fly like these fruit and vegetables so they are at risk of being infested. Industry may know of these as host fruit and vegetables.

[Check the complete list of fruits and vegetables without restrictions here.](#) These fruit and vegetables are not restricted. You can move these fruit and vegetables between outbreak areas and into the Riverland if travelling from within South Australia.



SHOPPING OPTIONS FOR REGULAR RIVERLAND TRAVELLERS

SHOPPING LOCALLY

We encourage you to continue to support local shops inside the Riverland Pest Free Area if you are able to do so. Some shops in Walker Flat, Swan Reach and Blanchetown have endeavored to increase stock and broaden their offering to make more fresh fruit and vegetables available to support their Riverland community.

SHOPPING OUTSIDE THE RIVERLAND PEST FREE AREA

Retailers on the fringe of the Riverland Pest Free Area can become accredited to sell fruit and vegetables that meet the requirements to enter the Riverland Pest Free Area. This means you can buy fruit and vegetables from an accredited retailer and, with an itemised receipt from within the last 14 days, bring them into the Riverland Pest Free Area.

Accredited retailers outside the Riverland Pest Free Area

- Coles, Murray Bridge - River View Rd, Murray Bridge SA 5253
- Farm Fresh Market, Murray Bridge - 185 Adelaide Road, Murray Bridge
- Mannum IGA - 12/67 Adelaide Rd, Mannum
- Woolworths, Murray Bridge - 23/51 South Terrace, Murray Bridge.

This list may change regularly and with no prior notice.

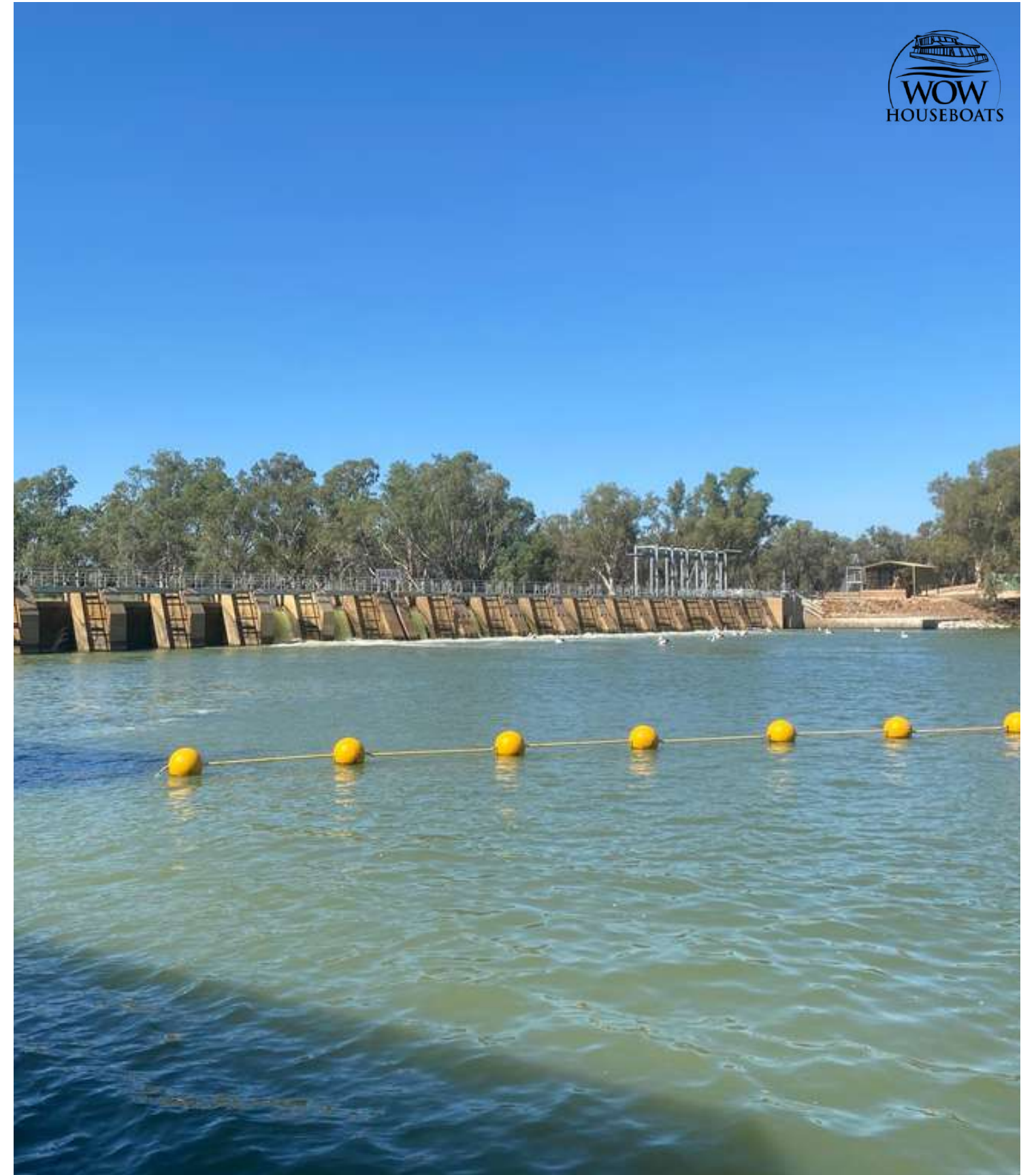


PUBLIC WASTE DISPOSAL STATIONS

The South Australian Government has provided 13 public waste disposal stations (in this document, we only provided 12 stations), for both water and solid wastes, along the 650 km of the River Murray in South Australia.

- Lock 6
- Renmark
- Berri
- Loxton
- Lock 3
- Waikerie
- Morgan
- Blanchetown
- Swan Reach
- Walker Flat – please note this station is presently closed due to the threat of Riverbank Collapse. A temporary station is available at Sprinkler Drive Boat Ramp, upstream of the Ferry.
- Mannum
- Murray Bridge

For more details, check [River Vessel Waste Disposal Stations here.](#)



PRIVATE WASTE DISPOSAL STATIONS

A number of privately owned waste disposal stations are also available to pump waste into holding tanks or treatment systems ashore; the locations are shown on the following pages and contact details listed below:

Wellington Marina
08 8572 7222 / 0433 162 700

Riverglen Marina
08 8532 1985 / 0421 288 999

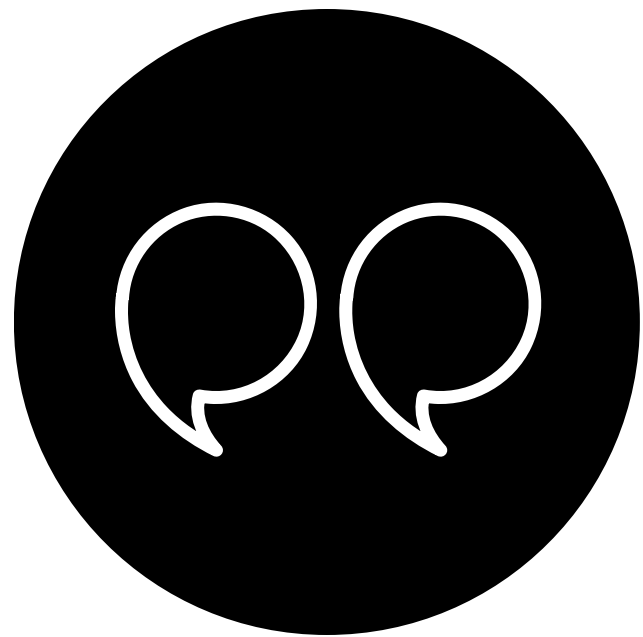
Long Island Marina
08 8532 6900

White Marina
08 8569 2412 / 0427 810 110

Liba Liba Houseboats (Jane Eliza Landing)
08 8586 6734 / 1800 810 252

For more details, check [River Vessel Waste Disposal Stations here.](#)





**Blessed are the
curious for they shall
have adventures.**

LOVELLE DRACHMAN

WHAT MAKES WOW FACTOR UNIQUE?

Wow Factor has an impressive array of features and amenities suited for any occasion or adventure that everyone can enjoy. There are a lot of reasons why Wow Factor is your best Murray Houseboat choice for having that 'wow' houseboat holiday experience. But we can list the key highlights of what makes WOW FACTOR unique:

- Wow Factor LED Lights / Signages
- Fully-equipped rear-facing kitchen
- Fresh flowers on arrival at the rear-facing dining
- 360 degree-view of the river from the upstairs lounge
- 8-person spa with SMART TV + patio heaters
- 3 sofa beds + 4 master bedrooms, with breakfast in bed table
- Grilling as easy as 1-2-3 with our latest hassle-free BBQ oven
- Business / Study Hub on-the-go
- 200+ movies that can be watched on 8 TVs, 7 built-in DVDs
- Experience comfort fire all year round with our riverbank camping and outdoor cooking essentials
- Cycling essentials - bicycle, bike trainer, and rowing machine
- Dog-friendly houseboat
- Outside loo with a view
- and some more!

LEARN MORE HERE



Enjoy being on the riverbank under the dark sky reserve and a million star accommodation. The WOW Factor lights can be synchronised or set to random using the remote control from the riverbank. So you can capture some wow-factor photos and memories.

THE ONLY HOUSEBOAT OFFERING ONE-WAY JOURNEY

Wow Factor's one-way booking is the perfect option for those who want to experience a unique houseboating adventure along the magical Murray River. With this option, guests can book a one-way trip, which means that they can travel from one location to another without the need to return to their starting point. This is an excellent opportunity to explore new areas and enjoy a more extended houseboating experience.

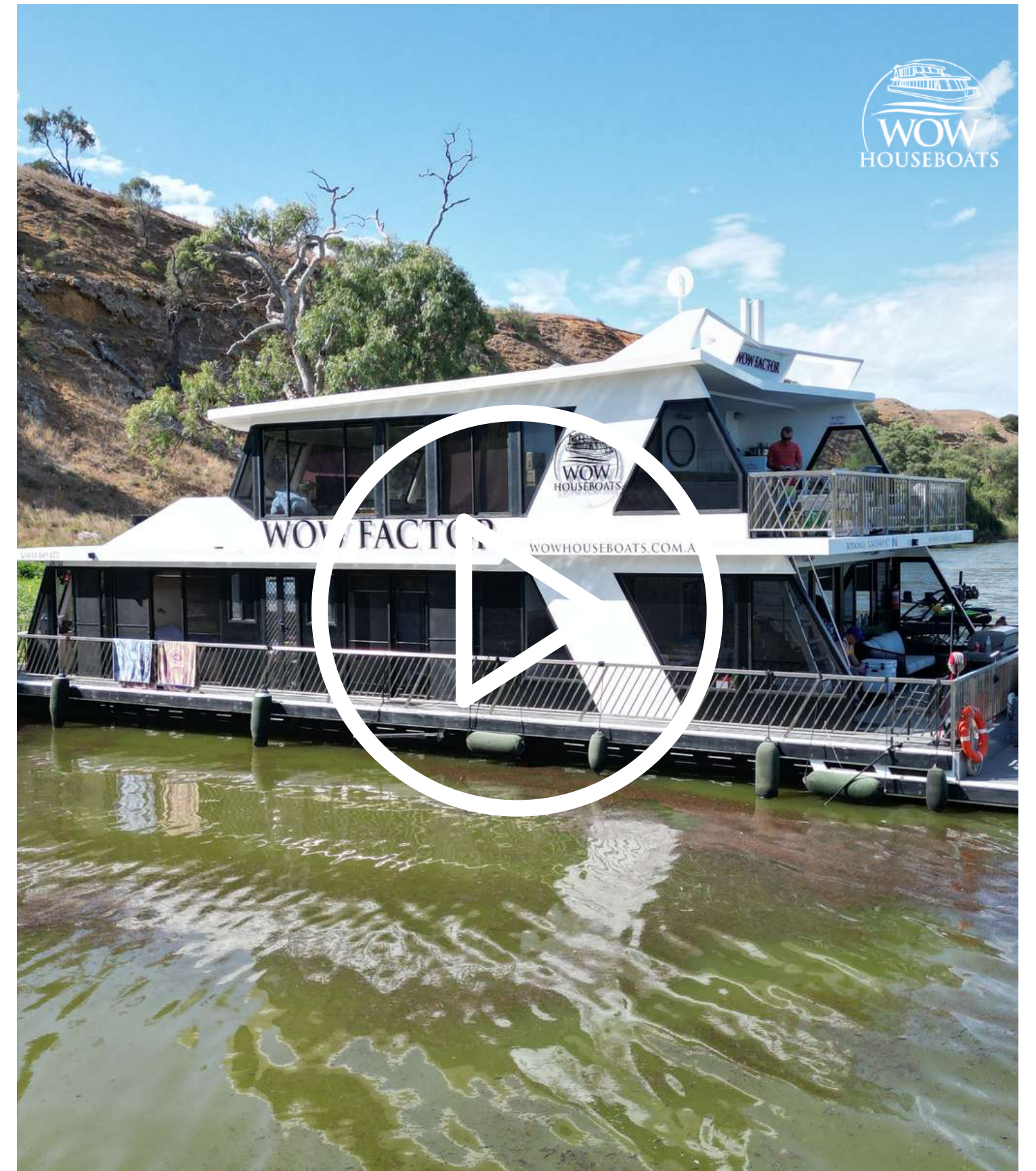
One of the advantages of a one-way booking is that guests can enjoy a more flexible and customisable itinerary. They can plan their route according to their preferences, explore different towns and attractions, and take their time to fully immerse themselves in the beautiful scenery of the river.

Another advantage of a one-way booking is that it allows guests to cover more ground and see more of what the region has to offer. They can travel further and experience a wider range of landscapes, from the lush riverbanks to the vast open plains. This can be particularly appealing to those who want to escape the hustle and bustle of city life and reconnect with nature.

Finally, a one-way booking can be an excellent option for those who want to make the most out of their holiday time. With a one-way trip, guests can travel further and experience more in the same amount of time, without having to worry about backtracking or doubling up on routes. This can be particularly appealing to those with a limited time frame, as it allows them to maximise their houseboating adventure.

RIVERGLEN TO SWAN REACH ▶

SWAN REACH TO RIVERGLEN ▶



WHY OUR GUESTS LOVE WOW FACTOR?

Wow Houseboats has a reputation for delivering wow factor experiences to its guests. Many guests have left highly positive reviews, expressing their satisfaction with the exceptional service and facilities provided by the company.

They praise the luxurious and spacious living spaces, comfortable beds, and well-equipped kitchens. The boats are also described as being clean, well-maintained, and easy to maneuver.

Guests also rave about the breathtaking views of the magical Murray River, which can be enjoyed from the spacious outdoor decks or the indoor lounges with panoramic windows.

The exceptional customer service provided by the team at Wow Factor is another aspect that guests appreciate, with many praising the friendly and accommodating staff who go above and beyond to ensure a memorable stay.

LEARN MORE HERE



CELEBRATING WOW-FACTOR MOMENTS WITH WOW HOUSEBOATS

Celebrating wow-factor moments is easy when you're on a houseboat holiday with Wow Houseboats. From romantic getaways to family reunions, Wow Houseboats offers a experience.

Gather around the outdoor BBQ or in the indoor kitchen and dining area to cook and share meals with loved ones. Enjoy breathtaking views from the upstairs lounge or relax in the hot tub.

For those who love water sports, Wow Houseboats offers a range of activities, including fishing, swimming, and jet skiing. There are also plenty of opportunities to explore the Murray River and its surroundings.

Whether you want to spend your time relaxing or enjoying outdoor activities, Wow Houseboats provides an experience that will leave you with lasting memories. So, come aboard and celebrate your wow-factor moments in style!

[LEARN MORE HERE](#) ▶



SPECIAL WOW FACTOR OFFER

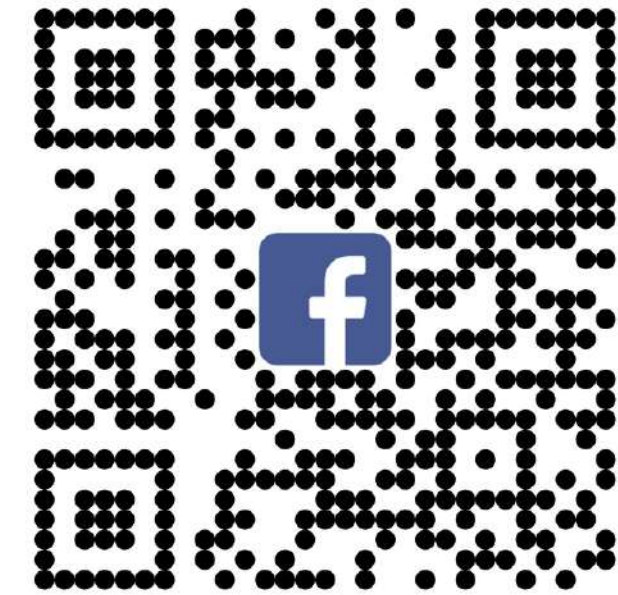
We have some exciting news for our valued guests! For a limited time, we're offering an amazing deal for both repeat customers and those who leave us a positive review (either on Google or Facebook) after their stay. If you're a repeat customer, you can enjoy 7 nights on our stunning houseboat for the price of 6. That's one free night to soak up the beauty of the river and make even more wow factor memories with your loved ones.

But that's not all - if any of the guests leave us a positive review after their holiday and books within 7 days after, we'll give you the same deal of 7 nights for the price of 6. Not only will you be helping us by sharing your experience, but you'll also be able to save money on your next trip!

Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to relax and unwind on our luxurious houseboat. Book your stay with us now and take advantage of this special offer. We can't wait to welcome you aboard!

Share your experience on social media with **#wowhouseboats** and **#wowfactor** to help us continue providing exceptional service. Thank you for choosing Wow Houseboats!

HAVE A WOW FACTOR HOLIDAY!



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HOW TO WRITE A REVIEW ON FACEBOOK



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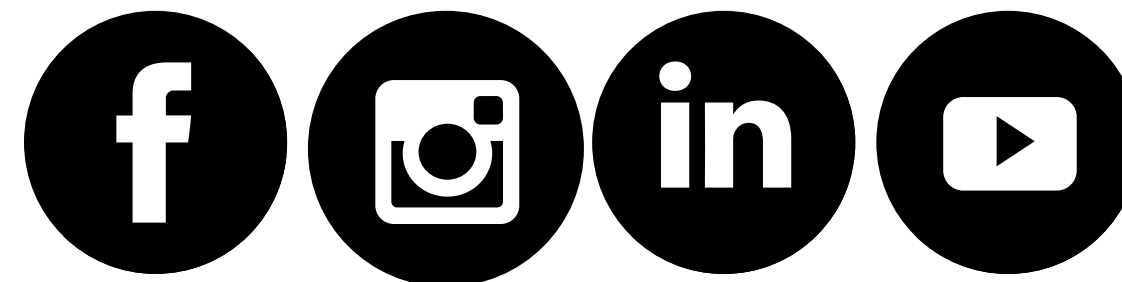
STAY IN THE LOOP

Come and discover why Wow Factor is the best hire/drive houseboat on the lower-to-mid Murray River. Follow us on our official Facebook Page @wowhouseboats to see why our guests love their experience with us.

Our team and valued guests regularly post videos, photos, and the latest promotions, giving you a glimpse of the unique and amazing experience that awaits you.

Don't wait any longer, join our community and follow us now to stay up-to-date with the latest news and exciting offers.

HAVE A WOW FACTOR HOLIDAY!



LET'S TALK!

HOW TO GET IN TOUCH



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