

# Murraylands & Mallee



Gluepot Bird Reserve, north of Waikerie in SA, is a small spot of birdwatching heaven of national renown. The Birds Australia-owned reserve is home to six nationally endangered and 17 regionally threatened species of birds. It has unique flora and fauna adapted to the harsh conditions and is bordered by the Bookmark Biosphere. Discover new areas like the Murray River, Stockyard plains, Hattah Lakes, Banrock Station Wetlands along with Daangali NP and Murray Sunset NP. This tour beckons those who wish to add to their bird list or just get away camping in a relaxed and friendly environment.

- Day 1 Depart Adelaide at 8am and drive via the Sturt highway to Blanchetown for morning tea on the Murray River. Chance to birdwatch before moving on to set up camp at Stockyard plains. An afternoon exploring & birding in this area.
- Day 2 A mornings trip to Kingston to visit Banrock Station wetlands (now listed under RAMSAR). The wetlands walk is 8km (can be shorter) then some birding around Waikerie before heading out to the world famous Gluepot bird reserve and setting up camp at the Babbler campsite.
- Day 3 Set out on the Whistler Tank walk (4.8km return) and for the energetic we will complete the Whistler Tank circuit (6.5km return). Afternoon spent birding around the campsite or another of the marked trails.
- Day 4 A day exploring the Eastern end of Gluepot. (Possible talk with rangers)
- Day 5 Early morning bird watching before heading further into the Bookmark Biosphere. We travel through Calperum Station into Danggali Conservation Park for an overnight camp.
- Day 6 Spent exploring this remote area of SA mallee country.
- Day 7 Travel into NSW at Wentworth and follow the Murray River to Hattah Lakes. Camp for 2 nights near the lakes.
- Day 8 A day trip into the Murray Sunset NP.
- Day 9 We head back into SA and travel out in Ngarkat Conservation Park to explore this wonderful mallee region.
- Day 10 A leisurely drive back into Adelaide via the Barossa Valley.