

GETTING THERE AND AWAY

Kangaroo Island sits a mere 15km from the shores of mainland South Australia. As Australia's third largest, the island is 155km long and 55km wide. Located at Hanson Bay on the island's south-west coast, the Lodge is a 50 minute drive from Kingscote Airport or a 90 minute drive from the ferry terminal at Penneshaw. Access to Kangaroo Island from the Australian mainland is effortless and convenient. Transport options to and from Kangaroo Island are many and varied for domestic and international travellers.

Air

Flights from Adelaide (ADL) to Kangaroo Island – Kingscote (KGC) take 30 minutes. [Regional Express](#) (Rex) operate multiple flights per day between Adelaide and Kingscote. A minimum of 60 minutes is required between connecting interstate flights and an interline service (allowing baggage checked through to Kingscote) is available for Virgin Australia connections with Rex ([conditions apply](#)). [QantasLink](#) offer direct flights from Adelaide to Kingscote five days per week and seasonal summer flights three days per week from Melbourne (MEL) to Kingscote. QantasLink flights offer direct connections with Qantas services to most Australian capital cities.

All major Australian airlines operate domestic services to Adelaide, including [Qantas](#), [Jetstar](#), [Virgin Australia](#) and [Tigerair](#). Private charter flights are also available from Adelaide and other cities to Kingscote to streamline connections.

Adelaide is also an international gateway with flights to Europe via the Middle East and Asia or the United States via New Zealand – a perfect way to start or end an amazing Australian adventure. For guests travelling between Southern Ocean Lodge and sister property [Longitude 131°](#) Qantas operate a daily service from Ayers Rock (AYQ) via Alice Springs (ASP) to Adelaide which connects with Rex services to Kingscote. To maximise time at each destination and for best air connections, sequencing a stay at Longitude 131° prior to Southern Ocean Lodge is recommended.

Rex Flight Schedule



Adelaide (ADL)		Kingscote (KGC)		Kingscote (KGC)		Adelaide (ADL)	
Departure	Flight	Arrival		Departure	Flight	Arrival	
0930	ZL4753	1005		1030	ZL4754	1105	
1355*	ZL4767	1430		1450*	ZL4768	1520	
1725	ZL4771	1800		1830	ZL4772	1905	

*Operates on selected days
Additional flights scheduled during peak periods.

QantasLink Flight Schedule



Adelaide (ADL)		Kingscote (KGC)		Kingscote (KGC)		Adelaide (ADL)	
Departure	Flight	Arrival		Departure	Flight	Arrival	
1035*	QF2142	1110		1140*	QF2143	1220	
1115**	QF2142	1155		1215**	QF2143	1255	
Melbourne (MEL)		Kingscote (KGC)		Kingscote (KGC)		Melbourne (MEL)	
Departure	Flight	Arrival		Departure	Flight	Arrival	
0810#	QF2140	0905		0930#	QF2141	1135	
1135^	QF2140	1230		1300^	QF2141	1505	

*Operates Mon, Weds, Sat up to 27 Oct 2018 & 1 Apr – 1 May 2019
** Operates Mon, Weds, Thurs, Sat & Sun from 28 Oct 2018 – 31 Mar 2019
#Seasonal operation on Sunday between 16 December 2018 – 27 January 2019
^Seasonal operation on Tues & Fri between 16 December 2018 – 27 January 2019

Luggage Allowances

A 15kg baggage limit per person applies for Rex and 23kg for QantasLink on flights between Adelaide and Kingscote. Luggage in excess of these limits can be uplifted subject to flight loads (additional fees apply). Rex also offers a storage service at Adelaide Airport for excess luggage for a nominal fee – this can be arranged at the time of check-in. Stored luggage will be available on the carousel along with other bags from the nominated return flight. Luggage storage lockers are also available at Adelaide Airport.

Travel Tips

Adelaide Airport is just 8kms from the city centre making a day visit convenient. Adelaide also offers a great opportunity to extend an itinerary and explore more of South Australia. The city is easily navigated offering fine dining, the famous Adelaide Central Market, an array of arts and culture, and the nearby world-class wine regions of the McLaren Valley, Barossa and Clare Valley. A short one hour's drive from Adelaide, visit [The Louise](#), well-positioned amongst the 60 cellar doors of the Barossa. Whilst in outback South Australia, visit [Arkaba Station](#), a great base from which to explore the Flinders Ranges.

Domestic Air Connections

To maximise a stay at Southern Ocean Lodge, the following recommended routes of travel to/from all major Australian cities provide the most convenient and shortest route of travel by air. For arrivals, Rex ZL4767 or ZL4771 and QantasLink QF2142 allow connections from all major Australian cities. Departing Kangaroo Island, Rex ZL4754 and QantasLink QF2143 provide same day connections to all major Australian cities whilst Rex ZL4768 provides same day connections to Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane. Rex ZL4772 is ideal for those wishing to maximise their time on Kangaroo Island or enjoy a city stay in Adelaide (this flight does not usually offer same-day connections through to other ports).

These recommendations are based on year-round Rex and QantasLink flight schedules, however, high season schedules include additional flights.

Sydney - Arrival | Early morning Virgin Australia flights from Sydney to Adelaide connect with Rex ZL4753; likewise early morning Qantas flights connect with QantasLink QF2142 – enabling arrival at the lodge in time for lunch. Flights departing late morning connect with Rex ZL4767 and afternoon flights connect with Rex ZL4771.

Sydney – Departure | Depart on Rex ZL4754, Rex ZL4768 or QantasLink QF2143 for same-day connections from Adelaide to Sydney, or opt for a later departure from the Lodge and enjoy a night in Adelaide.

Melbourne - Arrival | Early morning Qantas and Virgin Australia flights from Melbourne to Adelaide connect with Rex ZL4753 or QantasLink QF2142 – enabling arriving at the lodge in time for lunch. Mid-morning and early afternoon flights connect best with Rex ZL4767 or ZL4771. From 16 December 2018 until 27 January 2019, QantasLink QF2140 offers seasonal service direct to Kingscote, departing Melbourne at 1135 on Tuesday and Friday and 0810 on Sunday.

Melbourne – Departure | Depart on Rex ZL4754 or ZL4768 for a mid-morning or early afternoon arrival into Adelaide, enabling same day connections to Melbourne via Qantas and Virgin Australia, or depart via QantasLink QF2143 for an early afternoon arrival into Adelaide. From 17 December 2017 until 28 January 2018, QantasLink QF2141 offers seasonal services direct to Melbourne which will depart Kingscote at 1300 on Tuesday and Friday and 1345 on Sunday.

Brisbane – Arrival | Qantas and Virgin Australia offer daily services between Brisbane and Adelaide providing same day connections to Kangaroo Island via QantasLink QF2142 and Rex ZL4767 or ZL4771.

Brisbane – Departure | Depart on Rex ZL4754 or ZL4768 or QantasLink QF2143 for a mid-morning or early afternoon arrival into Adelaide - enabling same day connections to Brisbane via Qantas and Virgin Australia.

Canberra – Arrival | Qantas offers an early morning service from Canberra to Adelaide, connecting to Rex ZL4753 or QantasLink QF2142 - enabling arrival at the Lodge in time for lunch.

Canberra – Departure | Depart Kingscote on Rex ZL4768 or QantasLink QF2143 for same day connections on early evening Qantas and Virgin Australia flights from Adelaide to Canberra.

Cairns – Arrival | Virgin Australia has services via Brisbane or Sydney to connect with Rex ZL4771. Qantas flights via Brisbane connect with Rex ZL4767 or ZL4771. Jetstar offer direct flights from Cairns to Adelaide, on selected days these provide connections with Rex ZL4767 or ZL4771.

Cairns – Departure | Depart Kingscote on QantasLink QF2143 or Rex ZL4768 to connect with Qantas or Jetstar flights to Cairns (via Brisbane).

Uluru (Ayers Rock) – Arrival | Qantas flights from Ayers Rock Airport to Adelaide (via Alice Springs) provide same day connection on Rex ZL4771 departing Adelaide at 17:25, arriving in Kingscote at 1800.

Uluru (Ayers Rock) – Departure | Flying from Kangaroo Island to Uluru usually requires an overnight stay in Adelaide, therefore sequencing a stay at Longitude 131° prior to Southern Ocean Lodge is recommended.

Darwin – Arrival | Virgin Australia offers daily services via Alice Springs to Adelaide whilst Jetstar operates a direct early morning flight between Darwin and Adelaide (on selected days) that connect to Rex ZL4767 or ZL4771.

Darwin – Departure | Depart Kingscote on Rex ZL4768 or QantasLink QF2143 for late afternoon/evening flights to Darwin with Virgin Australia (via Alice Springs) or Jetstar (direct).

Perth – Arrival | Qantas flights from Perth offer same day connections to Kingscote on Rex ZL4767 or ZL4771. Virgin Australia flights from Perth offer same day connections to Kingscote on Rex ZL4771.

Perth – Departure | Depart Kingscote on any Rex or QantasLink flight for same day Qantas connections to Perth. Same day Virgin Australia connections to Perth require departure from Kingscote on Rex ZL4754 or QantasLink QF2143.

International Air Connections

Adelaide is an international gateway to Australia and is easily accessed by air from many destinations. [Emirates](#) and [Qatar Airways](#) operate flights to Europe via the Middle East. Flights to the United States of America via New Zealand are operated by [Air New Zealand](#). Airlines flying directly between Adelaide and Asia (and onwards to Europe) include [China Southern Airlines](#), [Cathay Pacific](#), [Singapore Airlines](#) and [Malaysia Airlines](#).

Arrive In Style

Airport Transfers to/from Kingscote Airport are provided for guests connecting with scheduled Rex and QantasLink flights - this service is included in the tariff.

Private Air Charters are available with selected preferred charter operators between Adelaide or Melbourne and Kingscote Airport. Offering the perfect entrée to your Southern Ocean Lodge experience, a charter flight with a scenic addition to the flight allows an experience of Kangaroo Island's wonders from the air including a fly over of the lodge. In Adelaide charters depart from the General Aviation Terminal located a short 200 metre walk from the Adelaide Domestic Terminal - an executive transfer service is available with some operators. Guests arriving at Kingscote Airport by private air charter require a private transfer to the lodge - please enquire for rates and more information.

Land & Sea

Nearly 1,600kms of road on the island offers tremendous scope for self-guided exploration. For self-drive excursions, [Sealink](#) operates regular 45 minute ferry transfers between Cape Jervis on the mainland and Penneshaw on Kangaroo Island. Cape Jervis is a picturesque two hour drive (108km) from Adelaide.

Some mainland car hire companies have restrictions regarding their vehicles boarding the ferry to Kangaroo Island and their use on the island's unsealed roads - if planning to hire a car it is essential to check with the car hire operator as the rules vary by operator. Vehicles hired on the mainland must be returned for drop off on the mainland.

On the island, car hire is available from [Budget](#) (08 8553 3133) or [Hertz](#) (08 8553 9144) at Kingscote Airport. There is also a Hertz rental car available for daily hire from the lodge. Advance reservations are recommended.

Vehicles hired on Kangaroo Island are not permitted to leave the island. It is also important to be aware that Kangaroo Island wildlife is not road-cautious and may be especially active between dusk and dawn.

Great Australian Drives

There is no better way to see this country than on a great Aussie road trip and with access by ferry, Kangaroo Island should be an inclusion on any itinerary. Victoria's *Great Ocean Road* is one of the world's great coastal drives linking Melbourne past the Twelve Apostles to South Australia and the stunning Fleurieu Peninsula. On return to Melbourne *The Great Southern Touring Route* takes in the Grampians and the Victorian goldfields. From Sydney to Adelaide the drive inland takes in the Southern Highlands, the towns of the Murray River, a taste of the outback and three gorgeous wine regions. From the west coast, the road trip from Perth along the *Nullabor Plain* covers the amazing coastline of the Eyre Peninsula and the beautiful wine region of the Clare Valley. *The Explorer's Way* from Darwin to Adelaide via Alice Springs is another of Australia's great drives from the tropical north, into the Red Centre and through the Flinders Ranges in outback South Australia.

Train

Train travel to Adelaide is available from Sydney, Perth, Darwin and selected regional centres. Relax and travel in style on The Overland, The Ghan and the Indian Pacific. All three interstate trains are operated by [Great Southern Rail](#) and arrive and depart from Adelaide's Keswick Rail Terminal, three kilometres from the city centre or five kilometres from the airport.