

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

Air services to Kangaroo Island are via [Regional Express \(Rex\)](#). Departing Adelaide Airport (ADL), Rex offers a short 30 minute connection to Kangaroo Island. Interstate connections are available with [Qantas](#), [Virgin Australia](#) and [Jetstar](#). Adelaide is also an international gateway with flights to/from Europe via Asia and the US via New Zealand – a perfect way to start or end an amazing Australian adventure. Private charter flights are also available to streamline connections. Rex (Regional Express) - Rex provides regular daily flights (30 mins) from Adelaide (ADL) to Kangaroo Island - Kingscote (KGC). A 15kg baggage limit per person applies. Rex offers a baggage storage service for international passengers travelling to Kangaroo Island, when travelling with Rex in both directions. Baggage storage is available for a nominal fee regardless of storage duration. To arrange baggage storage, simply inform the check-in staff member at time of check-in. Any items are tagged with the return flight number and stored in a locked facility. The stored item will be made available for collection on the Rex baggage carousel in line with other baggage from the nominated return flight. Alternatively, Rex will uplift excess baggage for a small fee per kilogram above the 15kg allowance. For details on both the luggage limits and charges, as well as Rex check-in requirements [click here](#). [Luggage storage lockers](#) are also available within the Adelaide Airport precinct for a nominal hire fee. For those guests travelling between Southern Ocean Lodge and sister property [Longitude 131°](#) in the Northern Territory, [Qantas](#) operate an excellent daily service from Ayers Rock (AYQ) via Alice Springs (ASP) to Adelaide (ADL) with air connections to Kingscote (KGC) Kangaroo Island via Regional Express. To maximise your experience of each destination and for seamless air connections, a stay at Longitude 131° is recommended prior to Southern Ocean Lodge.

Rex is Australia's largest regional airline, and operates the [Saab 340](#) turboprop aircraft, each seating 34 passengers, across the entirety of their fleet.

Rex Flight Schedule



Adelaide (ADL)			Kingscote (KGC)		
Departure	Flight	Arrival	Departure	Flight	Arrival
0705**	ZL4751	0740	0800**	ZL4752	0835
0930	ZL4753	1005	1030	ZL4754	1105
1145*	ZL4761	1220	1240*	ZL4762	1315
1345**	ZL4767	1420	1450**	ZL4768	1520
1725	ZL4771	1800	1830	ZL4772	1905
1855*	ZL4773	1930	1950*	ZL4774	2025

*Operates in peak periods only

**Operates on selected days

Hot Tips!

✋ Virgin Australia offers an [interline](#) service with Rex, allowing baggage check through to Kingscote (Note: Baggage interlining is not currently available to passengers checking in online). Passengers should advise the check-in staff at their origin point, should they require this baggage interline service. Flights with Qantas and Jetstar require collection of luggage in Adelaide, before proceeding to the Rex check-in counter.

✋ Travelling as a group? Rex offers group fares based on minimum passenger numbers and has aircraft available for private charter from Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide. Baillie Lodges can assist in facilitating flights in association with a group booking at Southern Ocean Lodge.

✋ Adelaide offers a great opportunity to extend an itinerary and explore more of South Australia. Adelaide is a diverse, easily-navigated city 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. Further afield, explore the Flinders Ranges and the historic centres of South Australia. Suggested accommodation in Adelaide includes: [Majestic Roof Garden Hotel](#), [Mayfair Hotel](#), [The Hilton](#), [The Intercontinental](#) and the [Crowne Plaza Adelaide](#). 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.

✋ [Adelaide Airport](#) is just eight kilometres from the city centre, making a day visit to the city convenient and stress free.

Domestic Air Connections

To maximise a stay at Southern Ocean Lodge, there are some 'best travel options' between Kangaroo Island and the interstate ports. Following are recommended routes of travel to/from all major Australian cities, which provide the most convenient and shortest route of travel by air. On arrival, Rex Flight ZL4753 departs Adelaide at 9.30am and arrives Kingscote 10.05am, or ZL4771 departs Adelaide at 5.25pm and arrives Kingscote at 6pm; both allow connections from all major Australian cities. On departure from Kangaroo Island, we recommend Rex Flight ZL4754 departing Kingscote at 10.30am and arriving in Adelaide at 11.05am, providing same day connections to all major Australian cities. Rex Flight ZL4772 departs Kingscote at 6.30pm, and arrives in Adelaide at 7.05pm and is ideal for those wishing to maximise their time on Kangaroo Island or enjoy a post Southern Ocean Lodge stay in Adelaide. It is important to note that this flight does not offer same-day connections through to NSW or QLD. These recommendations are based on year round Rex flight schedules, however high season schedules do include additional daytime flights.

When scheduled, ZL4767 and ZL4768 to and from Kangaroo Island, provide ideal same day connections between Adelaide and Australia's eastern states.

Sydney | Depart early morning on a Jetstar (including Qantas code share) or Virgin Australia flight (offering baggage interline service), to arrive in Adelaide with time to connect to the Rex ZL4753 flight departing at 9.30am. Arriving to Kingscote at 10.05am will see you settled at the Lodge in time to enjoy a sumptuous lunch in the Lodge restaurant.

On return, a departure from KI on ZL4754 at 10.30am, offers ideal same-day connections from Adelaide to Sydney. Alternatively, opt for a later departure from the Lodge and enjoy a night in Adelaide and its surrounds. Please note Rex Flight ZL4754 is the only flight offering year round same day connections from Adelaide to Sydney. Qantas flights from Sydney to Adelaide connect with the evening ZL4771 flight departing Adelaide at 5.25pm arriving in Kingscote at 6pm. Morning connections to KI from Qantas flights are not available due to airline minimum connection time, however earlier connections are possible when additional high season flights come on line.

Melbourne | Departures from Melbourne offer morning or evening flight connections between Adelaide and Kingscote, providing the option to arrive to the Lodge for lunch, or enjoy a more leisurely start to the day, arriving to pre-dinner drinks and canapés. On return to Melbourne, all Rex Flights from KI, with the exception of ZL4774, offer same day connections from Adelaide.

Brisbane | Qantas, Jetstar and Virgin Australia offer daily services between Brisbane and Adelaide, providing same day connections to KI. Upon arrival to Adelaide, flights from Brisbane best connect with ZL4771 departing Adelaide at 5.25pm, arriving to Kingscote at 6pm. For return to Brisbane, connect in Adelaide from Rex Flight ZL4754, departing KI at 10.30am, or to maximise time at the lodge elect the evening flight, ZL4772. This flight departs KI at 6.30pm and arrives into Adelaide at 7.05pm, still allowing for an evening connection to Brisbane.

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Canberra | Qantas and Virgin Australia offer daily services to Adelaide with same day connections to Kingscote via Rex. On return to Canberra, same day connections from Adelaide require departure from KI on Rex ZL4754 at 10.30am, arriving in Adelaide at 11.05am. A departure on Rex ZL4772 at 6.30pm arriving in Adelaide at 7.05pm offers the opportunity to maximise time at the Lodge and requires an overnight stay in Adelaide.

Cairns | Jetstar operates direct flights Cairns to Adelaide on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, offering an afternoon connection on ZL4771 departing 6.00pm, and on return a morning connection departing from KI on ZL4754. Daily flights are also available on Virgin Australia and Qantas, offering same day connections to/from Cairns via other Australian cities.

Uluru (Ayers Rock) | A popular destination pre or post Southern Ocean Lodge, this connection needn't require an overnight stay in Adelaide. A Qantas flight departure from Uluru (Ayers Rock) to Adelaide via Alice Springs ensures a same day connection to KI on ZL4771 departing Adelaide at 5.25pm, arriving into Kingscote at 6pm. An early departure from KI on ZL4752 departs Kingscote at 8.00am and arrives into Adelaide at 8.35am and ensures a connection with Qantas from Adelaide to Uluru (Ayers Rock) via Alice Springs.

Darwin | Qantas, Jetstar and Virgin Australia offer flights to/from Australia's 'Top End' to Adelaide. Same day connections are available to KI with Rex. For return to Darwin, departure on Rex ZL4754 at 10.30am arriving into Adelaide at 11.05am connects with a Virgin Australia flight from Adelaide to Darwin. Alternatively, consider an evening flight and overnight option in Adelaide prior to returning to Darwin.

Perth | Qantas and Virgin Australia offer flights to/from the west coast of Australia to Adelaide. Same day connections are available to KI with Rex. On return to Perth, departure on Rex ZL4754 at 10.30am arrives into Adelaide at 11.05am and connects with both direct Qantas and Virgin Australia flights from Adelaide to Perth.

International Air Connections

Adelaide is an international gateway to Australia and is easily accessed by air from many international destinations. Qantas, Singapore Airlines, Cathay Pacific, Malaysian Airlines and Air New Zealand offer services from Europe via Asia and the US via New Zealand Pacific ports direct to Adelaide. Flights with alternative international carriers will require a domestic connection to Adelaide from their Australian port of call. The state-of-the-art Adelaide airport is the newest and one of the most efficient aviation terminals in Australia, incorporating the latest in design and technology.

Arrive In Style

Airport Transfers The Lodge operates small group transfers for all guests connecting with scheduled Rex flights and this service is included in the tariff. Connections with charter flights require the engagement of a Private Transfer at additional cost. Luxury private transfers are available in the lodge fleet of prestige vehicles. For rates and more information [click here](#).

Private Air Charters are available to/from Adelaide and Kingscote Airport or Snug Cove, an exclusive private airfield just 30 minutes drive from the Lodge. Southern Ocean Lodge coordinates with select preferred charter operators, which provide private air services to KI from various mainland ports. Offering the perfect entrée to your Southern Ocean Lodge experience, a charter flight arriving to Snug Cove, a private airstrip in a bush location, adds a sense of adventure. A scenic addition to the flight allows an experience of KI's wonders from the air, including a fly over of Southern Ocean Lodge. In Adelaide, Private Air Charters depart from the General Aviation Terminal, a short 200 metre walk from the Adelaide Domestic Terminal. A 'meet & greet' transfer service is also available. Private Air Charters, including luxury private jets, can be arranged to/from other cities on application. For rates and more information [click here](#).

Helicopter Transfers to Southern Ocean Lodge are available from Adelaide (and selected ports) and land within the grounds of the Lodge. Details are available on request.

Land & Sea

Self Drive & Ferry For self drive excursions, SeaLink operate regular 45 minute ferry transfers between Cape Jervis on the mainland and Penneshaw on Kangaroo Island. Positioned at the very south-western tip of the Fleurieu Peninsula, Cape Jervis is a picturesque two hour drive (108km) from Adelaide. Mainland coach connections are available to/from Adelaide and Goolwa to Cape Jervis. Southern Ocean Lodge offers Luxury Private Transfers from Penneshaw. [Click here](#) for rates.

Car Hire Many mainland car hire companies have restrictions regarding 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 hire car operator as rules vary by operator and individual franchisees. Nationally, [Hertz](#) permit vehicle travel to/from KI, although this may vary by franchisee. If hiring a vehicle in Adelaide, we recommend [Budget Adelaide City](#) T 08 8418 7300 and [Budget Adelaide Airport](#) T 08 8234 4900. Vehicles hired on the mainland must be returned to the mainland as an island drop-off is not available. Unless, as part of a self drive touring itinerary, those interested in hiring a car should do so once on Kangaroo Island. Car hire is available from Kingscote Airport on KI, in coordination with connecting flights, see; [Hertz](#) T 08 8553 9144 or [Budget KI](#) T 08 8553 3133. Please note that KI operators do not allow vehicles to be taken off the island. For driving directions to Southern Ocean Lodge from Kingscote and Penneshaw, [click here](#). Nearly 1,600 kilometres of road on the island offer a variety of great self-guided explorative tours. It is important to note that Kangaroo Island wildlife is not road-cautious and may be especially active between dusk and dawn.

Great Australian Drives

Australia's diverse landscape offers an idyllic driving holiday; the roads are open and the scenery is spectacular. With access by ferry, Kangaroo Island is a perfect inclusion on any self-driving itinerary.

Melbourne to Adelaide Victoria's Great Ocean Road is one of the world's great coastal drives, and is a picturesque link to South Australia. Take an unforgettable journey along the Great Ocean Road, past the Twelve Apostles and endless ocean vistas, continuing to the majestic Fleurieu Peninsula. On return to Melbourne [The Great Southern Touring Route](#) takes in the Grampians and the Victorian goldfields.

Sydney to Adelaide Driving inland from Sydney provides a picturesque tour of the [Murray River](#), a taste of the Outback and three gorgeous wine regions. The road between Sydney and Adelaide passes through the Southern Highlands of NSW, the Hay Plains and riverside towns of the Murray.

Perth to Adelaide via the Nullarbor Plain This trip arrives in Adelaide via the west coast of Australia along the [Nullarbor Plain](#), the amazing coastline of the [Eyre Peninsula](#) and the beautiful wine region of the [Clare Valley](#). Surf at some of Australia's most famous breaks, swim with sea-lions, watch whales, taste fine wines and cross one of the country's most austere deserts, the Nullarbor Plain.

Darwin to Adelaide via Alice Springs The Explorer's Way is one of the world's greatest drives, tracing the path of explorer John McDouall Stuart and leading from Darwin to Alice Springs and on to Adelaide. Experience some of Australia's most spectacular and rugged scenery from the tropical north, into the red centre, via [Coober Pedy](#) and through the Flinders Ranges in outback South Australia.

Train

Train travel to Adelaide is available from Sydney, Perth, Darwin and regional centres en route. 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. Why not combine your Southern Ocean Lodge experience with a stay at fellow [Luxury Lodges of Australia](#) property, Emirates One&Only Wolgan Valley, when journeying between Sydney and Adelaide on the Indian Pacific. Learn more about the [Great Southern Experience](#).