

GRAMPIANS PEAKS TRAIL ADVENTURE

Guided walking tour

5 days | 4 nights

OVERVIEW

Experience the best Peaks Trail adventure in stunning Gariwerd Country.

After much research we have created an itinerary that is unique and packed full of highlights. An itinerary that includes cultural experiences, spectacular mountain ranges, and awe-inspiring peaks. You will follow the Grampians Peaks Trail from Chataugua Peak all the way to the highest point in the park, Mount William peak.

You will cross the summits of Mt Zero (Mura Mura), Chataugua, The Pinnacle, Mt Rosea, The Seven Dials, Redmans Bluff, and Mt William (Duwul) over the 5 days.

Walk safely and pack-free (day pack only) along moderate-hard trails each day. Knowing assistance will be provided along the more technical sections. Enabling you time to appreciate our spectacular surroundings and time to relax each night, in comfortable accommodation. Where delicious cooked meals will be freshly prepared and served.

Allow yourself to connect with this wonderful trail and its natural highlights.

DETAILS

- Type: Challenge Trek Guided
- Adventure: Grampians Peaks Trail Adventure
- Destination: Grampians National Park, Victoria
- Traditional Country: Gariwerd
- Group Size: Max 13 plus leaders

ITINERARY

Day 1 | Depart Adelaide / Cultural Experience / Mount Zero We have an early departure from Adelaide CBD where we take

the freeway out past Murray Bridge and into Victoria. If you are joining us from Melbourne, we will meet you in Horsham for lunch (included). Speak to us about transport options between Melbourne and Horsham.

Upon arriving at the official starting point of the 164km Grampians Peaks Trail, we stretch our legs with a walk up Mount Zero. Although not difficult, this walk provides a taste of the varying terrain you will hike later on. It also allows a view of the Peaks Trail winding its way south across rocky ranges. A spectacular introduction to our Grampians Peaks Trail Adventure.

Today we also take you to an Aboriginal rock art shelter, a spiritual place for over 20,000 years. An awakening of the senses, in readiness to absorb and connect with Gariwerd.

We will then drive to Halls Gap, check in to our comfortable accommodation and enjoy dinner.

Meals Included: Lunch, Trail Snacks, 2 Course Dinner Walking Distance: 4km

Day 2 | Grampians Peaks Trail

After a hearty breakfast, we depart from our accommodation on foot and hike toward Mount Rosea.

Following the creek, this section of the Grampians Peaks Trail passes the 'Elephants Hide' rock formation to 'Venus Baths' and 'Splitter Falls'. There is time for a dip in the water if your keen.

Weaving up through rocky 'Silent Street' and up to the great views from the 'Pinnacle Lookout' – one of the many highlights of the Grampians.

We finish our days hike near Bugiga, rewarded with some afternoon time to enjoy the cosy spaces at our accommodation in front of the wood fire before a delicious 2 course dinner this evening.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Trail Snacks, 2 Course Dinner Walking Distance: 11km

Day 3 | Grampians Peaks Trail

Our adventure continues as we return to our previous days finishing point, then hike towards Barri Yalug.

Although challenging, this is definitely a fave section as we reach the summit of Mt Rosea. Passing through rocky chambers and passages with views of the ranges both sides along the way. Then the Grampians Peaks Trail winds us down through stunning forest and over creeks to our finishing spot.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Trail Snacks, 2 Course Dinner Walking Distance: 14km

Day 4 | Grampians Peaks Trail

Todays morning section of the Grampians Peaks Trail provides a picturesque view of Serra Range, Mount William Range and north to Wonderland Range. An amazing recap of the length of trail we have hiked already. Our destination is 'The Seven Dials' escarpment, high above Barney Creek. The views up top are amazing, but so is the 'Barbican Rocks' and 'Barney Castle' rock formations that accompany us.

After lunch we prepare for our final push to the summit of Mount William (Duwul), the highest peak in Gariwerd.

Ascending to 'Redmans Bluff' you are rewarded with your first unobstructed views of Mt William, our goal. Next we pass Duwul campsite before our push to the top of Mount William. Here, the 360 degree views are endless on a clear day.

We return to our accommodation. Rest and celebrate your achievement in completing some of the more technical sections of the Grampians Peaks Trail Adventure..

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Trail Snacks, 2 Course Dinner Walking Distance: up to 18km

Day 5 | Grampians Peaks Trail / Drive to Adelaide

You have another chance to walk a small section of the Grampians Peaks Trail today if you have any fuel left in the tank. From our accommodation we take you up to the peak of Chatauqua at sunrise. This 3km section up to the peak is a comfortable walk and will be under torch light (bring a torch with you).

If you prefer to sleep in, then you still have the opportunity for a comfortable walk later in the morning to Beehive Falls. One final moment to connect with the beauty of Gariwerd on our way back to Adelaide via Horsham. Speak to us about transport options if returning to Melbourne.

We enjoy a stop for lunch and comfort as needed along the way. We should arrive back to the Adelaide CBD by 6pm. Please do not book flights for this evening.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Trail Snacks Walking Distance: up to 9km

INCLUSIONS

Travel

Comfortable private vehicle transport

Meals

All meals and snacks as per the itinerary 2 course dinners
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Accommodation

4 nights comfortable group style accommodation

Activities

Professionally guided walks by our Leaders Hike sections of the Grampians Peaks Trail

Safety

Each trip has 2 Guides/Leaders Group First Aid kit and emergency communication device Leaders certified in Remote Area/Wilderness First Aid Oualified Bushwalking Leaders













Environmental

Small group guided experience Leave No Trace principles Invitations to connect with nature Reduce waste through recycling, reusing and composting National Park entry fees

Big Heart Extras

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EXCLUSIONS

- Comprehensive Travel Insurance
- Meals and drinks not stated on itinerary
- Items of a personal nature

FITNESS REQUIREMENT

- A very good level of fitness is required to walk the trails on this trip
- You will be walking pack free (day packs only)
- You will walk on a variety of surfaces including some rock scrambling, steep sections and loose ground
- You may also walk on trails that hug cliff tops or cross creeks
- Our longest walking day is up to 18km and we walk 5 consecutive days on this trip
- We recommend you do hilly walks before this trip to maximise your enjoyment of the climbs and views
- Trail rating: Moderate-hard

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Eligible Past Traveller Discount applies if you've travelled with us on any of our guided tours which were 5 days duration or longer
- Read terms and conditions before booking
- Itinerary and price subject to change at any time
- Travel Insurance is recommended. Get a quote from Covermore or Go Insurance

- Note weather, group member welfare and a range of circumstances outside our control can mean last minute changes to our itinerary are necessary once on tour
- A limited number of single rooms are available on a first-come basis
- Please contact us before booking any flights. Depending on flight arrival and departure times extra nights accommodation may be required at own expense
- A minimum number of travellers are required for this trip to depart so ask someone to join you. If minimum numbers aren't reached, we may decide to still go or we will provide a full
- If this trip departs during Fire Ban Season last minute changes to our itinerary or walking days may be required for safety reasons
- Rooming is double, triple or quad share rooms
- Private transport to and from the Grampians is included from Adelaide, with multiple pick up points available in transit between Adelaide and Horsham
- Private transport for our time at the Grampians is included
- If you have additional needs please connect with us, we're committed to being inclusive and accessible

ADVENTURE LEADERS

Our team is qualified, experienced and super friendly. We will ensure you have a fun and connecting adventure. Leaders are certified in Remote or Wilderness First-Aid. All leaders carry a group first-aid kit, emergency communications device, emergency documentation and equipment.

PACKING LIST

A detailed packing list is provided prior to travel

- Gear you will need:
- Rainproof jacket and pants
- Davpack (35 litre approx.)
- Water bottles/hydration kit (min 2Ltrs)
- Personal medications
- Clothing suitable for walking that is quick drying and breathable - consider merino/synthetic clothing
- Sun protection such as hat, sunglasses and suncream, insect repellent
- Sleeping attire
- Bath towel



ACCESSIBILITY

There are stairs, uneven surfaces and moving luggage to and from accommodation, plus walking rocky trails on this trip. Please talk to us about your accessibility needs before booking