

Welcome to Adelaide - This page has been created by Neil from Adelaide Walks, Talks and Drives (click --> <http://ads19.com/walks/>) who has been welcoming people to Adelaide for many years.

1. The transport System:

- Buses - [97A, 97B, 97C, 98A, 98B, 98C, 99A, 99B, 99C](#) are loop free bus routes
- Trams - [Are free within the city mile and along Jetty Road in Glenelg](#)
- Trains - www.adelaidemetro.com.au/timetables/trains
- Airport Transport: www.adelaidemetro.com.au/Timetables-Maps/Special-Services/Airport-services
- Tickets - [each ticket lasts for 2 hours](#)
- Taxis: Best company to use is [Maxi Limo](#)
 - They are reliable, not expensive, and you travel in style.

2. Adelaide's History

- **Why is Adelaide called Adelaide?** Adelaide is named after Queen Adelaide, wife of King William IV, king and queen of England from September 1831 to June 1837.
- Colonel William Light was one of Adelaide's founding fathers, designed the city and chose its location close to the [River Torrens](#) in the area originally inhabited by the [Kaurna](#) people. Light's design set out Adelaide in a grid layout, interspaced by wide boulevards and large public squares, and entirely surrounded by [parkland](#). He is buried in Light Square.
- All the streets in Adelaide City are named after men who helped create Adelaide, and all these men were alive when the streets were named on 23 May 1837 except for Matthew Flinders (16 March 1774 – 19 July 1814) .
- The city was founded in **1836** as the [planned capital](#) for a freely settled British province in Australia.
- Early Adelaide was shaped by religious freedom and a commitment to political [progressivism](#) and civil liberties, which led to the moniker "City of Churches", but there are more pubs than Churches.

3. Other Information:

- The website: www.adelaidecityexplorer.com.au is good to view as you walk around Adelaide.
- Adelaide is the capital city of South Australia and the fifth largest Australian capital city.
- Adelaide is the capital city of South Australia and the fifth largest Australian capital city. South Australia has a population of over 1.7 million. Over 75% of the population (over 1.3 million) lives within the metropolitan capital of Adelaide, which is also 5.5% of the national population. 25% of South Australian residents were born outside of Australia.
- The city of Adelaide is surrounded by the hills on the east, and over 70 kilometres of coastline on the west. **Adelaide's population should reach 1.408 million by June 2019.**
- 2016 Census fact sheet on Adelaide can be accessed from [Download PDF - ABS Adelaide - Fact Sheet](#) ([All 2016 Census summary data click>](#))
- Adelaide is a coastal city situated on the eastern shores of [Gulf St Vincent](#), on the [Adelaide Plains](#), north of the [Fleurieu Peninsula](#), between Gulf St Vincent and the low-lying [Mount Lofty Ranges](#). The suburbs reach roughly 20 km (12 mi) from the coast to the foothills but sprawl 100 km (62 mi) from [Gawler](#) at its northern extent to [Sellicks Beach](#) in the south.
- As South Australia's seat of government and commercial centre, Adelaide is the site of many governmental and financial institutions. Most of these are concentrated in the [city centre](#) along the cultural boulevard of [North Terrace](#), [King William Street](#) and in various districts of the metropolitan area.
- Today, Adelaide is noted for [its many festivals](#) and sporting events, its food, wine and culture, its long beachfronts, and its large defence and manufacturing sectors. It ranks highly in terms of liveability, being listed in the Top 10 World's Most Liveable Cities index a number of times.