

'A Taste of Italy in Mildura'
3 nights/4 day tour

Enjoy four days with like-minded people that share a love of Italy, Regional Australia, quality local food, wine and living 'la dolce vita.'

FRIDAY

Make your own way to the Quality Hotel Mildura Grand

3 nights' accommodation including breakfast daily, along with bottle of prosecco on arrival.



6.45pm – Meet Emily from Avanti Italy at the hotel foyer and meet fellow tour guests.

7pm - Welcome dinner at *Stefano's Restaurant* (wine included)



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SATURDAY

Breakfast at Hotel

9am -Enjoy a 3 hour cultural and nature tour of the region. Visit Lock 11 and lock island, Merbein cliff top lookout, morning tea at Murray Darling Junction and cultural talk with local indigenous man, Willie Hannah including a didgeridoo performance. *Please wear comfortable shoes and bring a hat as there will be some walking involved. Morning tea included.*

12pm - Wine tasting, vineyard tour and lunch at Chalmers Vineyard

The Chalmers family's commitment to innovation and excellence has made them a pivotal force in the Australian wine scene for almost 30 years. Enjoy a tour of their beautiful Merbein vineyard, followed by wine tasting and farmhouse shared platter lunch.



Photo credit: Chalmers Wines

Transfer back to Grand Hotel in the afternoon. Free evening.
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SUNDAY

Breakfast at Hotel

9.30am – Meet Emily at the hotel foyer for a leisurely 10 minute walk to Mildura Arts Centre.

We meet Stefano at the Mildura Arts Centre (MAC) lawns for an informal talk on the art and cultural significance of Mildura. Enjoy insights into the history of Rio Vista House and the MAC from Stefano while you view this spectacular historic house as well as collections on display.

11am to approx 3pm – Wine, dine and discover tour with Discover Mildura

Depart the MAC to travel to the site of “Murray River (Pink) Salt” and hear the story behind this worthy product which has huge environmental benefits to the Murray Region. You will be gifted a sample of the “Pink Salt” as part of this memorable exclusive experience as this site is closed to the public.

Travel on to Trentham Estate Winery which is situated on the banks of The Murray where you'll enjoy a private wine tasting experience in the “Barrel Room” before sitting down in their restaurant which overlooks The Murray River. Enjoy a relaxed a la carte dining experience which includes two glasses of wine of your choice as well as tea/coffee before journeying back to the Grand Hotel.



Rest and relaxation before cooking demonstration and dinner with Stefano de Pieri.

5pm – Cooking demonstration and farewell dinner with Stefano

Meet Emily at the hotel foyer for a minibus transfer to Stefano de Pieri's home cucina. Stefano will exclusively open up his home for this special cooking demonstration and dinner with wine. A fun and relaxed evening to end your time in Mildura.



Transfer back to Grand Hotel after dinner.

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MONDAY

Breakfast at Hotel and check-out.

Arrivederci e Buon viaggio!

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TOUR DATES:

Friday 4th to Monday 7th April 2025
Friday 25th to Monday 28th April 2025
Friday 27th to Monday 30th June 2025 **Please note Trentham Estate not available this day so itinerary will be altered.*
Friday 29th August to Monday 1st September 2025
Friday 21st to Monday 24th November 2025

PRICE PER PERSON:

\$1,950 per person, twin share (\$3,900 per couple)

Single supplement: \$400

INCLUSION SUMMARY:

- 3 nights' accommodation in a Superior Room with breakfast daily
- Bottle of prosecco on arrival
- Dinner at Stefano's Restaurant including matching wines
- Exclusive cooking demonstration and farewell dinner (including wine) with Stefano de Pieri at Stefano's home cucina
- 3-hour Cultural and Nature tour including morning tea with Murray Offroad Adventures
- Vineyard tour, wine tastings and lunch at Chalmer's Vineyard
- Discover Mildura guided tour of Murray River Salt site and sample
- Lunch and wine tasting at Trentham Estate Winery