

5 NIGHT NEW YEAR'S EVE CRUISE

DEPARTURE/ARRIVAL

Cruise departs Mary Ann Reserve, Mannum on Wednesday 30 December 2026 at 4:30 pm and returns to Mannum the following Monday 4 January 2027 at 9:00 am.

Your Travel Document will include your coach transfer, private transfer or car parking details if arrangements have been made.

WEDNESDAY 30 DECEMBER 2026

Mid-afternoon the Murray Princess departs historic Mannum, birthplace of the Murray River trade and communication, and heads upriver while you enjoy a Welcome Dinner.

As we cruise under floodlight to our overnight mooring at Curnamont, you may see nocturnal wildlife on the riverbank. Watch for kangaroos, hairy-nosed wombats, tortoises, egrets and many other species.

THURSDAY 31 DECEMBER 2026 (NEW YEAR'S EVE)

Daybreak and it's time for the keen photographers to be out to capture the special light and the morning movement of wildlife. Enjoy a leisurely morning and lunch cruising upriver to Blanchetown through one of 13 locks which maintain the flow and levels of the river's water.

This afternoon we moor opposite the township of Blanchetown to visit Burk Salter Boutique Winery for wine tasting at the cellar door which is fitted out with beautiful red gum bars.

Continuing upriver we will moor at Roonka Conservation Park, and celebrate the year of 2026 and welcome in 2027 with a spectacular New Year's Eve Dinner and celebrations.

FRIDAY 1 JANUARY 2027 (NEW YEAR'S DAY)

This morning you may like to join some of the crew for a scenic tender boat ride before continuing upriver.

After lunch we'll reach Pelican Point where we'll turn around, and in the afternoon we'll enjoy a regional Riverland and Murrayland food and wine presentation in the Sturt Dining Room.

Following dinner, join us for all the fun and excitement and participate in our "Murray River Cup".

SATURDAY 2 JANUARY 2027

After breakfast we cruise downriver to picturesque Swan Reach. The town was first settled in the 1850s, was originally the largest of five sheep and cattle stations in the area and is now home to native flower and fruit growers.

When we arrive at Sunnydale, it's all ashore for the Woolshed Show as we recreate typical Australian woolshed history. Later we visit the Native Wildlife Shelter where some of South Australia's most interesting native animals are cared for.

And then of course, there is the great Aussie Barbecue – cooked and served in a bush setting on the banks of the mighty Murray River.

Optional tour: Sunnydale Nocturnal Tour. Additional cost and bookings can be made on board through your Passenger Services Attendant. For details, see 'Optional Onshore Tours & Activities' in your Cruising Guide.

SUNDAY 3 JANUARY 2027

After an optional early morning Bush Tucker Breakfast* or bush walk with the Captain, the vessel cruises slowly downriver past magnificent cliffs scoured by the river over millions of years.

We reach Ngaut Ngaut Conservation Park, one of Australia's most significant archaeological sites, for a step back in time – tens of thousands of years – for a guided boardwalk tour to view ancient rock carvings and to learn about Aboriginal history in the area.

We return to the vessel to cruise downriver to Younghusband. Along the way, adventure seekers can also take a scenic tender boat ride.

***Optional tour: Bush Tucker Breakfast.** Additional cost and bookings can be made on board through your Passenger Services Attendant. For details, see 'Optional Onshore Tours & Activities' in your Cruising Guide.

MONDAY 4 JANUARY 2027

We leave Younghusband and head back to Mannum. After breakfast we reluctantly say farewell as we arrive at the Mannum Wharf.

This is a sample special event itinerary and is subject to change due to weather, water levels and other operational requirements. Murray Princess reserves the right to amend itineraries and tours without notice.



