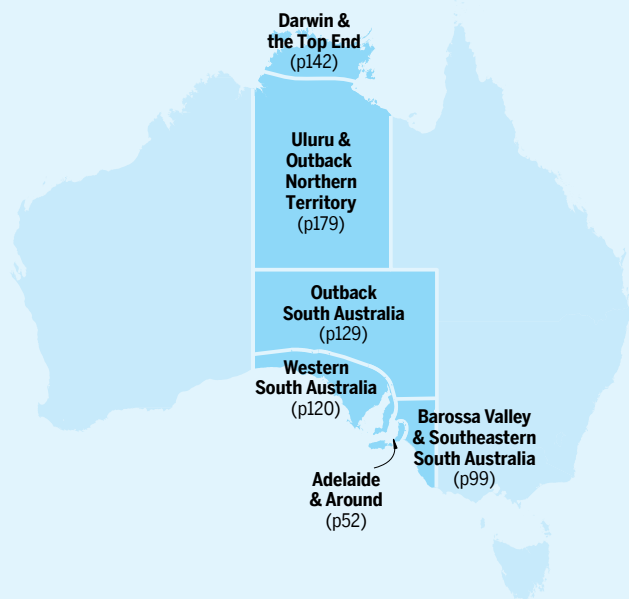


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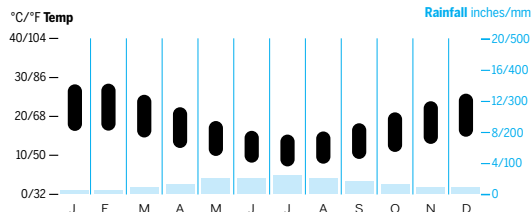
## Why Go?

Escape the frenzy of Australia's east coast in gracious, relaxed Adelaide. Capital of the driest state on the driest inhabited continent, Adelaide beats the heat by celebrating life's finer things: fine landscapes, fine festivals, fine food, and (...OK, forget the other three) fine wine. This is a musical town, too, recently dubbed a Unesco 'City of Music' – catch some live tunes while you're here. And don't miss Adelaide Central Market and the Adelaide Oval – two truly world-class Adelaide experiences.

Inland, Adelaide's plains rise into the Adelaide Hills, just up the freeway. The Hills' gorgeous valley folds, old-fangled towns and cool-climate vineyards are all close at hand.

A day trip away, the Fleurieu Peninsula is Adelaide's favourite naughty-weekender, with surf and safe-swimming beaches, historic towns and the fabulous McLaren Vale wine region (love that shiraz). Further afield, Kangaroo Island's wildlife, forests and seafood await just offshore.

## When to Go Adelaide



**Feb–Mar** Festival season in Adelaide: arts, offbeat entertainment and fast cars.

**Apr–May** Autumn: the McLaren Vale vines would make Van Gogh reach for his tube of vermillion.

**Jun–Aug** Empty beaches, affordable accommodation and open fires.