

# Domestic Grains Tour 2023

Yorke Peninsula, South Australia



## Day 1 Sunday 10 September

**Arrive** Adelaide, check in at the Crowne Plaza Adelaide from 3.00pm

**Welcome briefing** Ayres House Adelaide  
Tour briefing and introductions to fellow participants and Rabobank staff

**Welcome dinner** Ayres House Adelaide

**Overnight** Crowne Plaza Adelaide

## Day 2 Monday 11 September

**Depart** Adelaide for Wallaroo

**1. Industry visit** **Australian Grain Technologies (AGT), Roseworthy**  
*Take a behind the scenes look at Australia's largest plant breeding facility where researchers use the latest in technology and innovation to develop new field crop varieties that are more productive, better quality and cost less to grow.*

**2. Farm visit & lunch** **Pindarie Wines, Gomersal**  
*Enjoy Barossa Gourmet Pie Plates, complemented by tastings of Pindarie's award-winning wines while owners Tony and Wendy Brooks share their story of transformation from what was once a run-down and over-cleared farm to what is a now sustainable and regenerated property.*

**3. Industry visit** **Dublin Clean Grain, Dublin**  
*Owned and operated by local Maitland producers, Andrew and Julie Koch, tour their grain cleaning facility which utilises the latest Cimbria 108, two Cimbria gravity tables and six 130 tonne silos to deliver cleaning and dressing to all varieties of seeds and pulses across South Australia's mid-north.*

**Dinner** Bond Store Wallaroo

**Overnight** Wallaroo Marina Apartments

## Day 3 Tuesday 12 September

**4. Industry visit** **T-Ports, Wallaroo**  
*With T-Ports looking to expand further into Western Australia, visit their newly opened facility at Wallaroo to better understand the financial benefits of shallow water ports, with a lower build cost and smaller environmental footprint requiring modest throughput.*

**5. Industry visit** **Venning Engineering, Kadina**  
*Hosted by David Venning, visit Australia's longest family owned and operated bulk grain handling retailer and manufacturer. Learn about their manufacturing processes and how they bring new products to market to meet the changing needs of growers.*

**Lunch** Hedonbar Brewing Company, with optional guided tour of the Farm Shed Museum, Kadina

**6. Farm visit** **Correll Farming, Sunnyvale**  
*From protein monitors on headers to yield mapping to support data driven decisions and piloting a new boom sprayer that uses artificial intelligence for targeted weed control, see how the Correll family are working smarter with the land they have.*

**Dinner** Coopers Alehouse, Wallaroo  
*Over dinner, hear from Scott Jenkin, Rabobank's local Internal Appraisals Manager, as he shares a detailed analysis of the land values on the Yorke Peninsula in comparison to other grain growing regions in Australia.*

**Overnight** Wallaroo Marina Apartments

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## Day 4 Wednesday 13 September

**7. Farm visit** **Anna Binna Farming, Maitland**  
 Explore this sixth-generation farming enterprise with land across nine properties managing a range of soil types and rainfall variation of up to 50mm per year. Host Ben Wundersitz will share strategies that have supported him to enhanced yields across his cropping program despite these challenges.

**8. Farm visit** **Rosevale Lentils, Yorketown**  
 With a focus on lentil production, join farm manager Nathan Phasey, as he shares the on-farm technologies and infrastructure adopted by Rosevale Lentils to support their business model. And, with the soil being a part of their heritage, hear about how they are preserving the land on which they grow.

**Networking dinner** Watsacowie Brewing Company, Minlaton  
 Enjoy an evening of networking with local producers and hear from guest speaker Brett 'Birdman' Burton, ex-AFL footballer and mental health advocate.

**Overnight** Wallaroo Marina Apartments

## Day 5 Thursday 14 September

**9. Farm visit** **Northern Sustainable Soils, Bute**  
 Join local producers on-farm at Barunga Grains for breakfast and a presentation on the supply chain from Rabobank's Research Analyst, Vitor Cacula Pistoia, highlighting issues and trends specific to fertiliser, chemical and other inputs costs before visiting nearby trial sites with members of the Northern Sustainable Soils grower group.

**10. Farm visit** **AG Schilling & Co, Cunliffe**  
 Hear from Mark Schilling, about how AG Schilling & Co have diversified their business to reduce costs and supplement income as rising land values has made the purchase of land almost impossible.

**Dinner** Coopers Alehouse, Wallaroo

**Overnight** Wallaroo Marina Apartments

## Day 6 Friday 15 September

**Depart** Wallaroo for Adelaide

**11. Industry visit** **Gilmac, Balaklava**  
 Visit Australian fodder exporters Gilmac at their facility in Balaklava, with 50,000MT of site storage capacity and an annual production capacity of 70,000MT. Exporting to the dairy and beef industries across east-Asia, Gilmac has also pioneered the development of contamination removal systems.

**Lunch** Penobscot Farm & Watervale Hotel, Watervale  
 In a true farm to fork experience tour this organic, bio-dynamic farm before having lunch at the property's Watervale Hotel.

**Farewell dinner** Malt Shovel Taphouse Adelaide

**Overnight** Crowne Plaza Adelaide

## Day 7 Saturday 16 September

**Depart** Tour concludes after breakfast



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