



Central Flinders attractions

A fantastic all day drive to give you insight into the magnificent Central Flinders Ranges.

National Parks Entry Permits are available from the Wilpena Pound Visitors Centre. It is best to start between 8:00am-9:30am to take full advantage of the daylight. Fuel up, head out to the main bitumen road, turn left towards Wilpena Pound and get set to discover the ancient lands of the Flinders Ranges.

1. Rawnsley Park Station 🗟

Pugilist Hill or Station Lookout make for some great views of the Pound and Rawnsley Park Station.

2. Wilpena Pound

Call into the visitor centre for information about the Park and surrounding area. They also have a fully licensed restaurant open for meals, plus petrol and a wellequipped IGA. You can even get espresso coffee

3. Cazneaux Tree

Located 500m past the Wilpena and Blinman road intersection. A New Zealander named Harold Cazneaux photographed this tree with the backdrop of Wilpena Pound in May of 1937. The photo, known as 'Spirit of Endurance' was awarded many prizes in Australia as well as internationally.

4. Stokes Hill Lookout 🛱

At 750m, this lookout gives fantastic 360° views of the Flinders Ranges; North to Patawarta Hill and beyond, south to the Chace and Druid Ranges, east over the Bunkers and of course west to Wilpena Pound. There is also a scale model of the Pound, plus interpretive signs with information about the cultural heritage of the area.

5. Appealinna Homestead

Ruins of the homestead are set along a very picturesque Red Gum creek located 2km off the road. The stone buildings on the northern side of the creek were built by miners from the Appealinna copper mine.

6. Bunyeroo and Brachina Gorge

The gorges are a beautiful drive through the National Park, displaying the 630 million year old geology of the Flinders Ranges. The landscape reveals the sedimentary layers of an ancient seabed that has been uplifted and folded into the Flinders Ranges of today. See evidence of wave action in tidal ripples, and of the earliest animals on Earth (Ediacaran fossils - Brachina Gorge). Watch for wildlife and birdlife; if you are especially lucky you may come across a Yellow-Footed Rock Wallaby. Turn left once you leave Brachina Gorge to enjoy the Moralana Scenic Drive OR turn right to explore Parachilna.

7. The Great Wall of China

Located 5km south of Blinman, officially known as Mount Emily (707m above sea level). Unlike Brachina Gorge, this great wall is made up of a horizontal bed of limestone

8. Blinman 🛱

An historic copper mining town where you can explore a number of buildings dating from the 1860s, when copper ore was first mined in the area. There are also Blinman underground mine tours dailu (10am, 12pm and 2pm - booking recommended). The North Blinman Hotel is a great place to stop for a refreshing drink or a delicious meal. Make sure to leave a business card on the wall. While there you can visit Wadna, an aboriginal owned and operated business, stocking a large range of authentic Aboriginal arts, crafts and handcrafted artifacts.

9. Parachilna Gorge and Angorichina Tourist Village ₩

You can continue directly through Parachilna Gorge, past Angorichina Village, and on to Parachilna. Or you can take the narrow, windier route through Glass Gorge - this option follows the original transport route from Blinman Mine to Parachilna Gorge.

10. Parachilna

This is home to the famous Prairie Hotel. which is known for its unique menu that includes 'Feral Food': emu, goat, kangaroo and camel.

11. Moralana Scenic Drive 🗟

A nice way to end a day of exploration with one of the most spectacular drives in the Flinders. Meander through the valley flanked by the Pound and the Elder Range; every turn in the road yields another breathtaking vista.

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