

Southern Australia Sheep & Wool Tour Itinerary

29 July - 4 August 2018



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Sunday 29 July - Melbourne

Arrive Melbourne

Welcome Drinks & Dinner

This will be a relaxed evening, giving you a chance to acquaint yourselves with the other tour participants. Meet at the hotel at 5.00 pm.

Dinner - Cumulus Inc

Accommodation - Sofitel

25 Collins St, Melbourne

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Monday 30 July - Colac & Terang

Australian Lamb Company - Colac Vic

In 2016 Australian Lamb Company Group (ALC) entered a 10 year agreement to supply Coles Supermarkets with over 1 million lambs per annum. Investing \$30 million to upgrade their processing facilities in Colac they have the latest technology in processing techniques. In addition to supplying domestic markets, ALC exports to over 60 countries.

www.austlambco.com.au

Eddington Pastoral Company/AgriWebb - Terang

Self replacing composite ewe flock producing 23-24 kg dressed weight lambs, and self replacing Angus herd. Property is 1,842 ha, with 660 mm annual rain aiming for > 20 DSE/ha stocking rate or 40,000 DSE. In addition the Webb family have developed a farm record keeping system which is actively used on property.

www.agriwebb.com

Time permitting – Quick visit of Mortlake Sale Yards – Australia's newest livestock sales complex

Dinner / Accommodation - Hamilton

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Tuesday 31 July - Cavendish & Hamilton

Jigsaw Farms - Cavendish

3,378 ha family property of Mark Wootton and Eve Kantor integrating forestry, carbon and indigenous plantings with high-productivity grazing on a large scale. Running approx. 25,000 Merino ewes and 300 head of Hereford cattle. Mark and Eve are developing their own dual purpose sheep. Grazed paddocks are run at an average of 20-22 DSE per hectare, close to double the district average and in the top 5% for the area.

Agriculture Victoria - Hamilton Research Centre - Hamilton

Hamilton Research Centre researches new genetic and nutritional technologies and on-farm practices to improve the lamb industry. The facilities and complex includes a farm of 1000 ha, shearing shed, animal house with individual penning capability. Key research areas, in partnership and collaboration with Meat & Livestock Australia, cover ewe nutrition management, post weaning finishing, lean meat yield of lamb and meat eating quality.

www.agriculture.vic.gov.au

Dinner - Royal Mail Dunkeld

Dinner will include a tour of the Royal Mail kitchen garden, where much of the fresh produce used in the kitchen is grown, along with a tour of Australia's largest private wine collection.

www.royalmail.com.au

Guest Speaker Tim Leeming

Southern Australia Meat Research Council Regional Chair, Western Victoria and prime lamb & seed stock producer.

Accommodation - Hamilton

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Wednesday 1 August - Coleraine & Naracoorte

Nareen Station, Dickinson Family - Coleraine

Nareen Station is a family owned farming operation at Coleraine, Victoria and Robe, South Australia, Joining commercial ewes and stud ewes they aim to produce easy care, 19 micron, and heavy cutting sheep with emphasis on fertility and carcase weight. They also run Angus and Hereford cattle producing a 450 - 500 kg animal suitable for feedlot entry.

Ogilvie Family - Naracoorte

The Ogilvie family run a large scale grass and feedlot cattle operation including breeding and finishing facilities. Their enterprise spreads across Western Victoria & Southern South Australia. They mainly supply their produce to their long-term customer, Woolworths.

Dinner / Accommodation - Naracoorte

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Thursday 2 August - Naracoorte & Kingston South East

MiniJumbuk - Naracoorte

MiniJumbuk opened its doors in 1975 when local shearer, Don Wray succeeded in creating a woollen quilt that was light, warm, comfortable and hard wearing. Since then, MiniJumbuk has become a global leader in the design and manufacture of premium wool bedding products, and is still proudly Australian owned. With a real commitment to quality, MiniJumbuk continues to source the finest wools and cottons and completes the process with hand finishing ensuring some of the best bedding products in the world.

www.minijumbuk.com.au

Goode Family - Kingston South East

The Goode family have 2,772 ha (including 290 ha pivot irrigation) with 7,500 Merino ewes and 350 head beef breeding operation. Long regarded as innovative producers, the Goode family ceased mulesing 12 years ago and despite not using any chemical fly treatments have minimal fly strike issues. They shear twice per year during May and November consistently producing a clip of 65 mm length at 18-19 micron.

Dinner / Accommodation - Adelaide

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Friday 3 August - Adelaide

Michell Wool Processing - Adelaide

Based in Adelaide, Michell Wool is Australia's oldest and largest exporter of wool fibre. The Michell family has processed and traded wool across the globe since 1870. Producing carbonised and scoured wool since the very early days of the company and they own factories both in Adelaide and in China with combined capacity of 18,000 tonnes per annum.

www.michellwool.com

Wine Tasting – McLaren Vale and Barossa Valley are both within easy commute of Adelaide – enjoy some of the regions premier wines as we visit a cellar door, or maybe two!!

“Bringing it all together”

At the conclusion of the tour, we will bring together some key industry people for a discussion and presentations. You will have the opportunity to hear from key staff from Michell Wool, Thomas Foods, Elders and Rabobank as we bring all the learnings of the week together.

Themed Dinner - The best lamb can offer?

Accommodation - Adelaide

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Saturday 4 August - Adelaide

Depart at your leisure



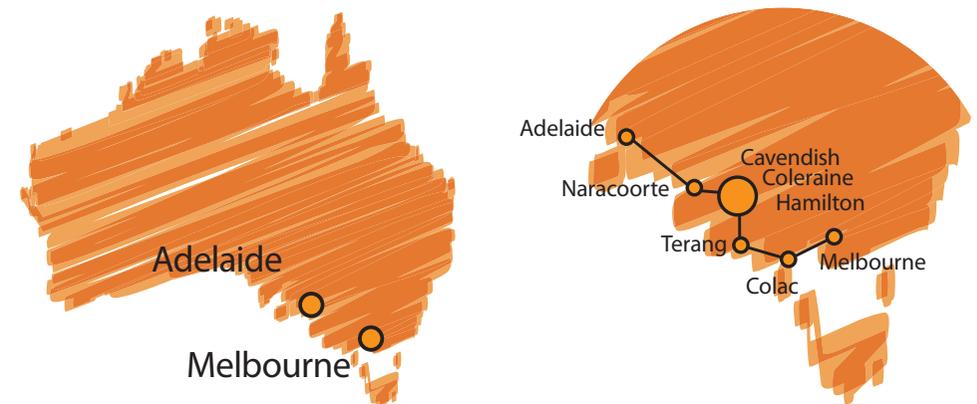
LambEx 2018 celebrates all that is great about Australia's sheep and lamb industries, featuring a compelling program with outstanding speakers and an opportunity to network with all sectors of the lamb value chain.

Registration is your responsibility, however, depending on the level of interest to continue on to LambEx 2018, our group may be able to secure some additional benefits.

See www.lambex.com.au for full registration and program details.

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Please indicate on the tour registration form if you are interested in attending LambEx 2018.



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