

National Trust of Australia: Amazing Stories Every moment

South Australia

Examples from the National Trust of South Australia for the History Challenge and the National Trust themes:

Celebrations, memories and history in Australia's heritage

Uncover amazing stories every moment in National Trust properties.

The National Trust of South Australia has over 120 properties and reserves celebrating and commemorating the lives of the people who lived there. Every property tells an amazing story and many properties have education programs and materials.

Some specific examples from the property portfolio include:

Celebrate political and city life at Ayres House

http://www.nationaltrustsa.org.au/places/ayers_house.xml

The house has had an interesting history being used as the family home of Sir Henry Ayers, Premier of SA, later a Nurses Home and a previous headquarters of the National Trust of South Australia. Now a House Museum and restaurant, if the walls could talk, there would be many stories to tell of celebrations, history and memories.

Fortunately the National Trust has researched much of this history to help you begin your research for your entry.

Discover more political and clerical memories and history at Beaumont House, Burnside http://www.nationaltrustsa.org.au/places/beaumont_house.xml

This Mediterranean style building was the home of the first Anglican Bishop of Adelaide Short, Bishop Augustus Short, and later Sir Samuel Davenport, politician, horticulturist and founder of the olive oil industry in SA. It is now headquarters of National Trust of SA.

The fascinating collection from the Davenport family includes illuminated addresses, and gives insight into a by-gone world of celebrations, memories and history.

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Commemorate World War 2 at Loveday Internment Camp

http://www.nationaltrustsa.org.au/places/loveday_reserve.xml

The Loveday Reserve is now a haven for birds. It conserves relic mallee vegetation in the Riverland and a number of birds and plants of conservation value. As well as this valuable natural heritage it also contains the site of the Loveday Internment Camp which held many thousands of people during World War 2. Recently interpretation of the camp was opened to the public illustrating memories and histories of many people.

Celebrate Rural and pioneer life at Collingrove Homestead, Barossa Valley

http://www.nationaltrustsa.org.au/places/collingrove_homestead.xml

A large house built of local stone with a slate roof. Collingrove Homestead provides a fine example of how our pioneers created a new Australian architecture which still retains the Old Country atmosphere of their origin.

Celebrate the Outback at Old Telegraph Station, Gawler

http://www.nationaltrustsa.org.au/places/gawler_telegraph_station.xml

The museum displays include a pioneer kitchen and laundry; rare musical instruments; memorabilia from explorer John McKinlay; photographs; telegraph memorabilia; items related to early local businesses, a wealth of stories to choose from celebrating history and memories.

Celebrate heritage at Burra Township, Clare valley

<http://www.visitburra.com/>

<http://www.nationaltrustsa.org.au/places/>

The township of Burra is a testament to the copper mining industry. Once a boom town of such importance that it saved the young colony from financial disaster, it has many stories to tell containing celebrations, memories and history that shaped South Australian heritage. It also had importance to the merino sheep industry. The National Trust owns and manages nine properties in this heritage place. Burra is

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also well known as the historic site where the Burra Charter which provides guidance for the conservation and management of places of cultural significance (cultural heritage places) was adopted by ICOMOS.

Celebrate the heritage of the Wool industry at the Old Wool and Grain Store, Beachport

http://www.nationaltrustsa.org.au/places/beachport_ wool_grain_store.xml

This building was owned until 1944 by Goldsbrough Mort Ltd. Here you can find stories of celebrations, and many memories and histories in the series of exhibits focusing on the people, activities and industries of the lower south eastern region of South Australia, including the major part this region played in Australia's wool industry. Research Richard Goldsbrough, his major role in the wool industry and his company, Goldsbrough Mort Ltd.

Celebrate Natural Heritage at Watiparinga Reserve, Adelaide Hills

http://www.nationaltrustsa.org.au/places/watiparinga_reserve.xml

Watiparinga was one of the first properties donated to NTSA and contains the first National Trust plaque in South Australia unveiled by the then Governor Sir Robert George. The site also contains some historic plantings of horticultural interest, a commemorative plaque in memory of the donor Alison Ashby, Wattiparinga Creek and shelter caves that are likely to have been used by the aboriginal people.

Watiparinga is a restored woodland of Grey Box (*Eucalyptus microcarpa*) trees over a grassy understorey. The main Adelaide to Melbourne railway line passes through the reserve and the original single-track railway tunnel, which was in use from 1883 to 1919, is still present.

Watiparinga celebrates restoration of an ecosystem and shows how careful land management has restored a grassy woodland from a grazed farming property to a vegetation community in a condition as near as possible to that which existed prior to European settlement. There are many histories and memories associated with the natural, Indigenous and European history of the site.

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Overland Corner Hotel and Reserve

http://www.nationaltrustsa.org.au/places/overland_corner_hotel.xml

This property was the first building acquired by the National Trust of South Australia and contains Aboriginal Heritage, Natural Heritage and Cultural Heritage, in the many stories and memories of the site.

Built in 1859 to take advantage of the growing intercolonial trade between SA & NSW via the overland route along the Murray, which was the main coach route, it held an important place in history of development of South Australia.

Other reserves owned by the Trust include:

Nurragi Conservation Reserve

http://www.nationaltrustsa.org.au/places/nurragi_conservation_reserve.xml

Willunga Courthouse Reserve and Museum

http://www.nationaltrustsa.org.au/places/nurragi_conservation_reserve.xml

http://www.nationaltrustsa.org.au/places/willunga_courthouse.xml

The natural, cultural and indigenous heritage of these sites contain numerous stories, memories, histories and celebrations.

SA entrants to Australia's heritage in the National Heritage Challenge are not restricted to researching SA heritage- you may choose Australia's heritage from anywhere.

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