

Discover Flora & Fauna

With 21 National and Conservation parks, 267 species of birds, 891 species of native plants and a species of bee found nowhere else on the planet, Kangaroo Island has established itself as a premiere destination for nature lovers of all types. Nestled amongst the pristine coastal landscape of Hanson Bay, much of KI's diverse plant and animal life can be found right on the Lodge doorstep.

Marine Animals

Southern Right Whales *Eubalaena australis* – these whales frequent the sheltered bays of Kangaroo Island and may be seen in Hanson Bay during the winter months.

Humpback Whales *Megaptera novaeangliae* – occasionally seen from the Lodge.

Australian Sea Lions *Neophoca cinerea* – endemic to Australian waters with the third largest breeding population found at Seal Bay. A guided morning walk brings you up close and personal with these fascinating marine mammals.

New Zealand Fur Seals *Arctocephalus forsteri* – a small colony of New Zealand Fur Seals is located at Admirals Arch, Cape De Couedic.

Bottle Nosed Dolphins *Tursiops truncatus* – a pod of up to twenty dolphins are frequently seen from the Lodge Restaurant cruising Hanson Bay and cavorting in the surf breakers.

wildlife

Echidna *Tachyglossus aculeatus multiaculeatus* – Kangaroo Island Echidnas are one of five recognised sub species. Regularly sighted on drives to and from the Lodge they are also found on the Lodge grounds.

Tammar Wallaby *Macropus eugenii decres* – Kangaroo Island Tammars are a sub species distinctly different from mainland SA and Western Australian sub species. Commonly seen at night on the grounds of the Lodge and in particular on the 'Kangas & Kanapés' sunset drinks experience.

Western Grey *Macropus fuliginosus fuliginosus* – Another Kangaroo Island sub species often seen around the Lodge and in particular on 'Kangas & Kanapés'.

Common Brushtail Possum *Trichosurus vulpecular* – Common around the Lodge.

Wildlife listed on site a little more difficult to sight

- Southern Brown Bandicoot
- Western Pygmy Possum *Cercartetus concinnus*
- Little Pygmy Possum *Cercartetus Lepidus*

Birds

- Australian Brush Turkey/Scrub Turkey
- Superb Fairy Wren
- Osprey
- White Breasted Sea Eagle
- Grey Currawong
- Wedgetailed Eagle – on drive to the lodge
- Sooty Oyster Catchers
- Pied Oyster Catchers
- Hooded Plovers
- Pacific Gulls
- Silver Gulls
- Purple Naped Honey eater
- Crimson Rosella
- New Holland Honeyeater
- Grey Fantail
- Silver Eye
- Red Wattle Bird
- White Browed Scrub Wren
- Grey Shrike Thrush
- Eastern Spine Bill

Plants

- Coastal White Mallee
- Kangaroo Island Narrow - leaved Mallee
- Goodenia
- KI Correa
- Salmon Correa
- Dwarf Hop Bush
- Dwarf Hakea
- Spyridium
- Pimelea
- Native Mint Bush
- Port Lincoln Grevillea
- Silver Bush
- Coast Velvet Bush
- Drooping Velvet Bush
- Boobialla
- Common Pigface
- Round Leaved Pigface
- Threlkeldia
- Ice Plant
- Rice flower
- Slender Honey Myrtle
- Dryland Tea Tree
- Terrestrial Ground Orchids – numerous varieties