



### What our Adventurer's say!

Great driving tracks, beautiful scenery, fun times with like minded people. Well planned event with plenty of support if needed. - Steve

It was a fabulous, non rushed, exhilarating event. All rolled into one! The officials make sure we all had a good time - giving advice on the driving, making sure we were safe and informed. Wonderful to see more of our lovely wonderful National Parks.
- Sallymae

The event was fabulous. The tracks and terrain that we travelled were breathtaking. The scenery and the small communities were awesome. Visiting such small and remote schools is an eye opening experience and to see the wonderful talent of the young kids and their educators is very rewarding and to be able to contribute to their ongoing better education and life experiences is very special. - Richard



### Flinders Ranges Unearthed: A Detailed Itinerary

Our Flinders Ranges adventure begins with a meet & greet upon your arrival in Broken Hill. On Day 1, we travel to the spectacular Wilpena Pound – the heart of the Flinders Ranges.

Day 2 will be spent exploring the wonders of Wilpena Pound. Highlights include experiencing authentic outback life at the iconic Merna Mora Station, a working cattle and sheep property, and discovering the historic town of Hawker.

On Day 3, we take in panoramic views from Razorback Lookout, with its iconic winding dirt track that frames the Heysen Range. Then explore the 20km Brachina Gorge Geological Trail, home to fossilised remains and evidence of a meteorite impact. After a relaxing lunch at Leigh Creek, overlooking the scenic Aroona Dam Sanctuary, we'll continue to Arkaroola.

Day 4 sees us exploring the stunning Vulkathunha-Gammon Ranges National Park. We'll embark on scenic 4WD trails to the vast salt lake, Lake Frome, and discover the Arkaroola Wilderness Sanctuary with its magnificent gorges, towering granite peaks, and diverse wildlife, including the elusive Yellow-Footed Rock-Wallaby.

On Day 5, we journey to Blinman, a tiny, historic copper mining town nestled in the hills which also happens to be the highest town in South Australia, then on to Rawnsley Park for dinner under the stars.

Day 6 will find us exploring the award-winning Bendleby Ranges, rugged 4WD tracks and stunning landscapes. Our adventure culminates with a drive along the 34km Bridle Track, offering sensational views over Spencer Gulf and Port Germein.

Finally, on Day 7, our memorable journey concludes in Clare, the gateway to South Australia's renowned wine regions, where we'll celebrate with a Final Night Dinner. This stunning region provides a wonderful opportunity to extend your stay and explore the Barossa Valley and Adelaide Hills at your leisure.

Join us in 2026 for the "Flinders Ranges Unearthed" adventure – a journey of discovery, relaxation, and unforgettable outback experiences. Your participation directly supports Variety NSW/ACT's vital work, making a real difference in the lives of children and communities who need it most.





- **Expert Support Team:** Our experienced medics and crew ensure your safety and comfort throughout the adventure.
- Hassle-Free Logistics: We handle all the details, so you can focus on enjoying the journey.
- Unforgettable Experiences: Explore stunning landscapes, challenge yourself on phenomenal 4WD tracks, and create memories to last a lifetime.
- **Ultimate Getaway:** This fully hosted and catered event guarantees you can truly relax and enjoy the experience.
- Connect with Fellow Adventurers: Share this incredible experience with like-minded travellers and forge new friendships.

#### THE 2026 VARIETY 4WD ADVENTURE ROUTE

The 'Flinders Ranges Unearthed' - choose your Adventure. 28 February - 7 March 11 March to 18 March

Day 0 | Broken Hill

Day 1 | Broken Hill - Yunta - Wilpena Pound

Day 2 | Wilpena Pound - Merna Mora - Wilpena Pound

Day 3 | Wilpena Pound - Leigh Creek - Arkaroola

Day 4 | Arkaroola

Day 5 | Arkaroola - Blinman - Rawnsley Park

Day 6 | Rawnsley Park - Bendleby Ranges - Port Augusta

Day 7 | Port Augusta - Clare

### Your Support Can Help Kids Like Mikey

"Mikey is my middle child. He's always happy, he's always smiling. He loves the outdoors and is just always on the go", shares his mum, Tina. Mikey is globally and developmentally delayed due to a rare genetic condition he was born with. He is only one of seven people worldwide with the same condition. Mikey attends Fernhill School in Glenmore Park, a school that provides specialist and intensive support for students with moderate to high learning and support needs.

Last year, Variety NSW/ACT granted seven We Join Grants, one of which was to Fernhill School for adaptive bikes. "They give him independence. Being adaptive, the bikes give him the opportunity to get out there and give him a sense of freedom, just him being able to do what other kids can do and not being left out. It makes me happy because I know he's enjoying himself."

"Being able to have the bikes at school means freedom, independence and happiness for Mikey. Thank you, Variety!" – Tina, mum to Mikey

Watch Mikey's Story





## Where Your Fundraising Goes

13-year-old Ivy was born with a range of visual conditions which have seen her undergo numerous operations and invasive treatments. Talented in both para-alpine skiing and blind cricket, last year Ivy received a \$5000 Variety Heart Scholarship to help her pursue her dream of representing her country in the Paralympics.





On the 2025 Variety 4WD Adventure Hill End Public School was presented with a \$4,243 grant, which will provide vital teaching and play resources for their students – including literacy and creative arts learning packs, play resources, instruments, and science and technology resources!

17-year-old Daisy lives with a neurodegenerative condition that affects every aspect of her life. Daisy attends Anson Street School, which was granted a Variety Sunshine Coach fitted with wheelchair modifications. This enables Daisy and her friends to spend time together enjoying school excursions, extra-curricular activities and local community events that they would otherwise miss out on.

None of this would be possible without the incredible support of our Adventurers and Variety motoring fundraisers! LEARN MORE ABOUT THE IMPACT OF YOUR FUNDRAISING



# About Variety – the Children's Charity NSW/ACT

Since 1975, Variety has been a champion for children in Australia who are sick, experiencing disadvantage or living with a disability. We empower children, regardless of their ability or background, to live life to the fullest. We deliver transformative grants, programs and events that open doors to improved mobility, freedom and community, enabling children to thrive.

Your support directly impacts children in need across NSW and the ACT. By participating in the Variety 4WD Adventure, you're not only having the time of your life – you're funding vital programs, grants and children's events that make a real difference year-round. All of this is possible thanks to the incredible generosity of our motoring community.

Join us in creating a brighter future for all kids, helping us ensure they all have the chance to shine.

### Register now!





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