



# SA's Remarkable Seafood & Aquaculture Trail



Introducing South Aussie writer Di Ross and her partner, photographer John Batty, to F&B readers again. Following their acclaimed F&B series on the Gippsland Lakes, this time they've set out to produce an exceptional six part series closer to home. Over the next few months, they're taking us on a detailed tour of the boating facilities and resources in South Australia. They're going to explore the mouth-watering SA seafood and aquatrail journey around the Gulfs, reminding us that in boating, as in life, more often than not there's no place like home.

## Part One: CEDUNA

Generally, on our boating expeditions, we have tended to head to the eastern states and like many South Aussies, overlook the attributes of our own back yard. So this time round, we chose the westerly shores of the state.

Tourism Eyre Peninsula recently introduced their Seafood and Aquaculture Trail. The Trail covers the big triangle which forms the Eyre Peninsula, showcasing the seafood and aquaculture industry. It is believed to be the first of its kind in Australia, and there are already rumours of doing similar in the state's south east.

'Well,' said we, 'why not follow the trail, F&B style, and share the experience of what this westerly route has to offer the trailer boat enthusiast'.

In planning the excursion, we were very fortunate with access to the excellent local knowledge of Michael Angelakis AM and Liz Penfold MP (Liberal Member for Flinders). Michael is passionately South Oz, and

like his forebears who worked in the industry since immigrating to Oz in the 1920s, is still very much involved with the day to day operations of the industry, both locally and in the Asian market. Similarly, Liz is equally passionate about the state and represents her constituents with great zeal. She has some very positive and well founded opinions on boating issues such as "safe harbours" and the appropriate expenditure of the SA recreational boating levy which is collected concurrently with our annual boat registration fees.

Being so well briefed, the rest of the logistics were pretty simple; pick a date (outside Snapper closure), ready the rig, pack and partake!

The all-up trip from Adelaide to Ceduna is 781km. We purposefully planned for an overnight stopover at Port Augusta, with the second leg of the trip across country to Ceduna the following day. Whilst many would do the entire trip in one hit, we find