



boathouse bliss



At sunrise a symphony of pelicans glides along the water in front of the Boathouse in Goolwa, schooling together and synchronising their dipping for fish below the surface.

It is a spectacular scene that draws honeymooners and couples looking for romance from all over Australia.

“We had a couple a few weeks ago arrive in a horse and carriage,” says Wendy Watson, owner of the luxury bed and breakfast.

The Boathouse was converted into a romantic getaway after Wendy and her husband, Philip, bought the existing marina at Birks Harbour three years ago. Wooden boats still dock in the River Murray marina that dates back to the 1920s. Wendy says the open plan retreat has a luxury queen size bed with a private deck for alfresco dining.

It also comes with a gourmet breakfast basket, complimentary local port, homemade biscuits and chocolate - all saturated in peace and tranquillity.