

HOW TO 

REDUCE FUEL USE WHEN TOWING A CARAVAN

SMARTER TOWING TIPS FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ROAD TRIPS

TRIPS MIGHT LOOK A LITTLE DIFFERENT RIGHT NOW, BUT YOU CAN STILL GET MORE OUT OF EVERY LITRE AND HIT THE ROAD.

1 GET YOUR WEIGHT RIGHT FOR BETTER TOWING

- The heavier your setup, the harder your vehicle works.
- Aim for 8-12% ball weight (within limits)
- Keep heavy items low and close to the axle.
- Remove gear you don't need from your vehicle and van



TIP: A weigh check = peace of mind + better fuel economy.

2 SLOW DOWN AND USE LESS FUEL

- Wind resistance increases sharply above 90-95 km/h.
- Dropping from 100 to 90 km/h can reduce fuel use.
- You'll arrive safer and more relaxed.



Arrive 30 minutes later, use noticeably less fuel.

3 IMPROVE YOUR AERODYNAMICS

- Remove roof racks when not in use.
- Keep gear and bikes off the roof.
- Close windows and hatches while driving.
- Streamline where you can.



Less drag = less fuel.

4 DON'T UNDERESTIMATE YOUR TYRES

- Under-inflated tyres increase rolling resistance.
- Check pressures on your tow vehicle AND caravan.
- Adjust for your load.
- Don't forget the spare!



Correct tyre pressure helps improve fuel efficiency

5 DRIVE SMOOTHER, NOT HARDER

- Accelerate gently.
- Maintain steady speeds.
- Use cruise control on flat roads.
- Let the engine brake downhill.



Smooth driving = lower fuel use + a safer, more comfortable trip.

6 KEEP YOUR VEHICLE WELL MAINTAINED

- Clean air filter (especially in dusty SA conditions).
- Check fluids and engine oil.
- Inspect wheel alignment.
- Ensure transmission is in good shape.



A well-maintained vehicle runs more efficiently.

7 PLAN YOUR ROUTE AND CONDITIONS

- Headwinds and hills use more fuel.
- Travel early when winds are lighter.
- Avoid peak traffic.
- Plan your fuel stops.
- Get more out of your stops - combine fuel, food and breaks



Not all kilometres are equal - plan smart.

8 USE THE RIGHT GEAR

- Use towing mode if you have it.
- Keep the engine in its most efficient range.
- Use manual mode to reduce gear hunting and fuel burn.



Towing mode is your best friend.

Hit the road - just travel a little differently



ROAD TRIP LOCAL



SLOW IT DOWN



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YOUR
WANDERER

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