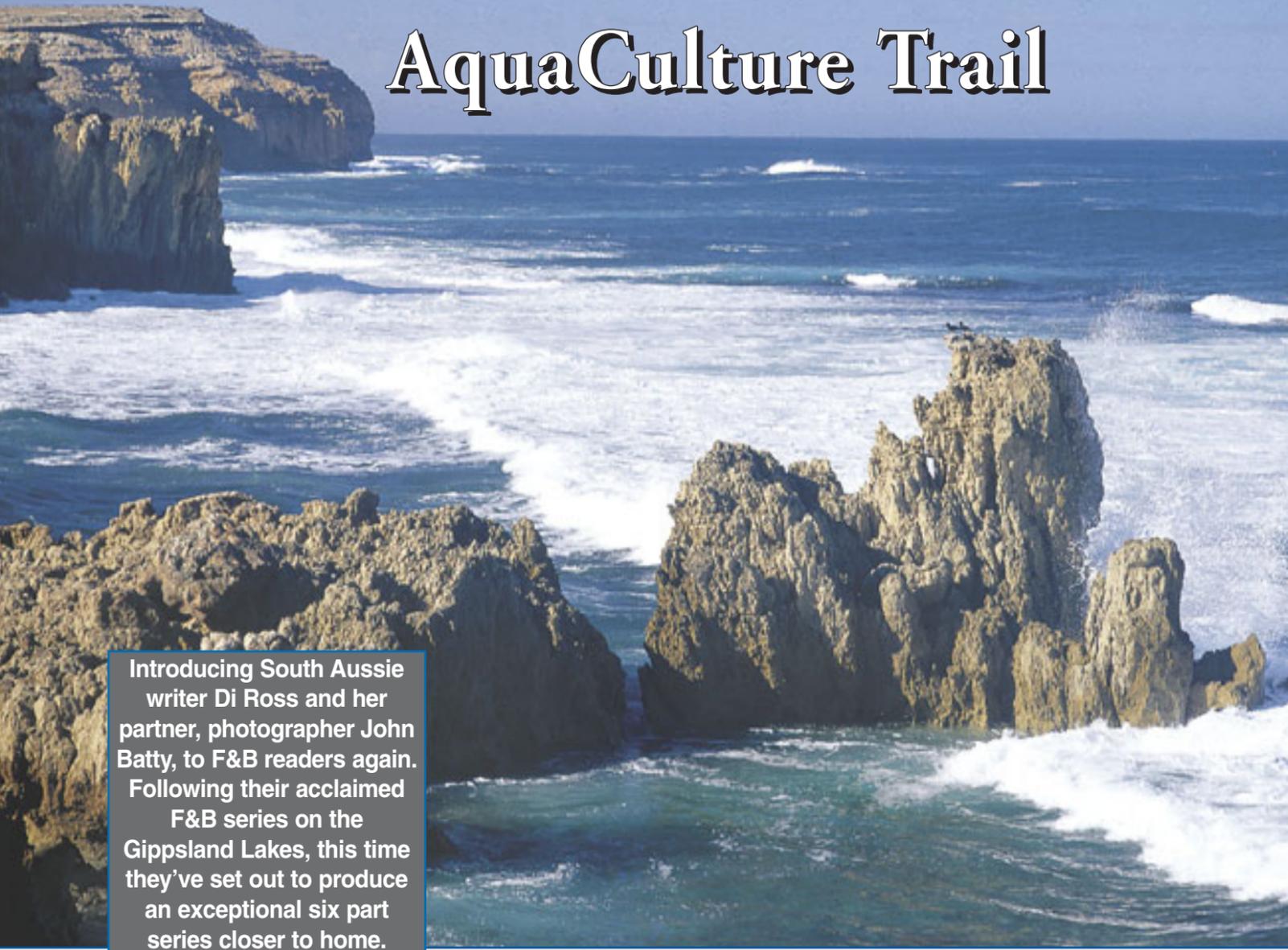


SA's Remarkable Seafood & AquaCulture Trail



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, more often than not, there's 'no place like home!'

Part Two: Elliston, SA

On departing Ceduna we travel south on the Flinders Highway some 43km to Smoky Bay, a small township 1km off the highway.

With a population of under 200 people, the town is set on the shores of a well-sheltered bay of the same name. As like many of the coastal towns it was once a cargo port. The new Smoky Bay Aquaculture Park along the foreshore provides purpose built facilities for the industry operations as well as direct access to the new four

laned pontooned boat ramp.

Eyre Island lies about 8km off the coast to the west and acts as a break to the Southern Ocean's weather. The Seafood and Aquaculture Trail highlight here is Smoky Bay Oysters, a processing facility for Pacific variety. Tours of the plant and the aquarium, include tastings, are available with produce on sale to the general public. Back to the highway and a further 51km is Perlubie Beach. This lovely beach almost looks a little sad with



Facing Page: Typical of the coastline along the Great Ocean View Drive **Top:** Elliston Jetty **Above:** Cleaning the catch at Streaky Bay **Below:** John Batty's excellent pic of the Elliston Community Hall mural art.

