

A wide, calm river flows through a landscape. The water is a deep blue, reflecting the clear sky above. The banks are lined with lush green trees and bushes. In the distance, a flat landscape with fields and a few buildings is visible under a vast, clear blue sky. The word "Murray" is written in a black, cursive font in the center of the image.

*Murray*

# *Geography*

The Murray River forms part of the 3,750-kilometre (2,330 mi) long combined Murray-Darling river system which drains most of inland Victoria, New South Wales, and southern Queensland. Begins in the Australian Alps. River haven't much water, many of its tributaries dry up and parsed for irrigation



# *River transport*

*The lack of an estuary means that shipping cannot enter the Murray from the sea. However in the 19th century the river supported a substantial commercial trade using shallow-draft steamboats, the first trips being made by two boats from South Australia on the spring flood of 1853.*

*The PS Murray Princess is the largest paddle wheeler operating on the Murray river*

