OUTBACK TO ISLAND

THE GHAN

DEPARTURE SATURDAY

Enjoy the very best of the dramatic scenery and diverse experiences offered by the contrasts between Australia's vast interior and its rugged coastlines. And there's no better way to link them all together than by travelling on The Ghan. You'll be captivated by the power of Kakadu, the inspiring gorge country of Katherine, the tranquillity of the Barossa Valley and fascinating Kangaroo Island.

INCLUSIONS

- 3 nights accommodation in Darwin including breakfast daily
- 2 days/1 night Kakadu and East Alligator River including accommodation and guided touring
- Transfer from Hotel to Darwin Rail Terminal
- 3 days/2 nights aboard The Ghan, Darwin to Adelaide, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experiences in Katherine, Alice Springs and Manguri
- Transfer from Adelaide Parklands Terminal to Airport
- 2 days/2 nights Kangaroo Island in Style tour including flights to and from the Island, accommodation and personalised touring
- 3 nights accommodation in Adelaide including breakfast daily
- 1 day Northern Barossa Valley Voyager tour
- 10 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 4 dinners

HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit Warradjan Aboriginal Cultural Centre
- Cruise Yellow Water Billabong
- Explore Nourlangie, Ubirr and Arnhem Land
- Wildlife experience at Seal Bay Conservation Park
- Explore Flinders Chase National Park, Admirals Arch and Remarkable Rocks
- Cellar door wine tastings in the Barossa Valley

DAY 1 ARRIVE DARWIN

The starting point of your journey is the tropical capital of the north where you'll check in to your overnight accommodation.

OVERNIGHT: Hilton Darwin

DAY 2 DARWIN TO KAKADU NATIONAL PARK

As you travel along the Arnhem Highway, the excitement level escalates. Soon you'll be in the heart of Kakadu National Park enjoying a full day of immersive experiences. You'll cruise the Yellow Water Billabong, search for saltwater crocodiles, see a variety of informative displays at the Warradjan Cultural Centre, and be guided to ancient rock art galleries at Nourlangie.

OVERNIGHT: Mercure Kakadu Crocodile Hotel (B,L)

DAY 3 KAKADU NATIONAL PARK TO DARWIN

At the World Heritage area of Ubirr, your guide will reveal art sites dating back more than 20,000 years. On your way to join the Guluyambi Cruise on the East Alligator River, you'll visit a lookout to take in the majestic vistas of the Kakadu wetlands. Later, with special permission of the traditional owners, you'll go ashore in Arnhem Land, finishing with a visit to the Bowali Visitor Centre.

OVERNIGHT: 2 nights Hilton Darwin (L)

DAY 4 LEISURE DAY

The day is free to enjoy Darwin. (B)

WE RECOMMEND

'Charles Darwin' Sunset Buffet Dinner Cruise from \$110 per person

The Dinner Cruise aboard the 'Charles Darwin' is a great way to get a bird's eye view of the famous Darwin sunset whilst enjoying a delicious Territory style buffet with Australian seafood and local produce all in air-conditioned comfort. This two & half hour cruise on the 'Charles Darwin's' Captain's Deck (main Deck) offers the best value for money dinner cruise on Darwin harbour. This sunset cruise is the perfect way to feed the family and enjoy the scenery.

DAY 5 BOARD THE GHAN IN DARWIN

Today you settle in to the comforts of The Ghan, relax in your cabin or mingle with fellow travellers in the Outback Explorer Lounge. Enjoy lunch ahead of your first Off Train Excursion in Katherine. In a region renowned for jaw-dropping natural assets, Katherine boasts one of the Top End's best – the incredible Nitmiluk Gorge. OVERNIGHT: 2 nights The Ghan (B,L,D)

DAY 6 THE GHAN, ALICE SPRINGS

Your arrival into Alice Springs after breakfast provides you with time to explore the iconic town in the red heart of Australia. Your Off Train Excursion choices today include visiting the spectacular Alice Springs Desert Park and Reptile Centre, walking Simpsons Gap, and exploring the historic Telegraph Station and Royal Flying Doctor Service. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 THE GHAN, ADELAIDE AND KANGAROO ISLAND

Pass through the majestic Flinders Ranges as you head towards Adelaide. On arrival, transfer to the Airport for your flight to the magical place of Kangaroo Island to be met by your guide for your transfer to your accommodation. OVERNIGHT: 2 nights Mercure Kangaroo Island Lodge (B,D)

DAY 8 KANGAROO ISLAND

Commence your two day tour this morning. Walk through Lathami Conservation Park, visit a beautiful beach to stroll among Australian sea lions, and then head off for more exploring. (B,L,D)

DAY 9 KANGAROO ISLAND TO ADELAIDE

See the Island's wild side today in Flinders Chase National Park. Then it's onward to dramatic Cape de Couedic and Remarkable Rocks. After more touring, you'll be transferred to the airport for your return to Adelaide. OVERNIGHT: 3 nights Hilton Adelaide (B)

DAY 10 LEISURE DAY

Enjoy Adelaide at your leisure. (B)

WE RECOMMEND

Morning Adelaide City tour \$71 per person.

See all the city highlights of Adelaide including its grand boulevards and terraces, magnificent churches and gardens, and Adelaide Oval.

DAY 11 BAROSSA VALLEY

Today you'll be touring one of the world's great wine regions, the Barossa Valley. With exclusive cellar door experiences, you'll be hosted by passionate vignerons explaining what makes this region and its wines so special. (B,L)

DAY 12 FAREWELL

This spectacular two weeks full of incredible experiences finishes in Adelaide for your return journey home. (B)