

# THE ULTIMATE TERRITORY TOUR

# THE GHAN

## ADELAIDE TO DARWIN | DEPARTURE SUNDAY

If your dream is to see the best of the Australian outback and immerse yourself in the heart of it with hands on experiences, this is your ultimate holiday. Start your journey on The Ghan before our expert guides from Outback Spirit help you explore some of the Territory's most iconic sights including Uluru and Kata Tjuta. Visits to Kakadu and Nitmiluk Gorge before continuing the journey south on The Ghan top off this sensational journey through the nation's heartland.

#### **INCLUSIONS**

- 1 night aboard The Ghan, Adelaide to Alice Springs, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experience in Marla
- Transfer from Alice Springs Rail Terminal to hotel
- 5 nights intimate small group touring with Outback
   Spirit including meals traveling onboard a state of the art 4WD Mercedes-Benz vehicle
- 2 nights accommodation in Alice Springs including breakfast daily
- Transfer from hotel to Alice Springs Rail Terminal
- 1 night aboard The Ghan, Alice Springs to Darwin, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experience in Katherine
- Transfer from Darwin Rail Terminal to hotel
- 3 nights accommodation in Darwin including breakfast daily
- Darwin Harbour Sunset Dinner Cruise
- 1 night Kakadu and East Alligator River including accommodation and guided touring
- 12 breakfasts, 10 lunches, 8 dinners

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Discover the rugged beauty of Australia's Northern
  Territory
- Visit Kings Canyon for a guided scenic walk through the West MacDonnell Ranges, visiting Stanley Chasm and Ormiston Gorge
- Visit World Heritage Listed Uluru and enjoy a guided base tour
- Experience the magic and beauty of the sun rising over Uluru

- Dine under the stars at the 'Sounds of Silence' dining experience
- Explore the stunning Kata Tjuta (The Olgas) and Walpa Gorge
- Admire the internationally acclaimed 'Field of Light' display at Uluru and watch as it illuminates the desert night
- Experience the dramatic scenery of the Yellow Water Billabong
- Be amazed by rock art galleries at Nourlangie
- Go ashore in Arnhem Land, one of the Top End's most striking natural destinations
- Take in the sparkling waters of Darwin Harbour over a delicious dinner of local seafood and produce

#### DAY 1 - BOARD THE GHAN IN ADELAIDE

Board The Ghan in Adelaide, heading for the Flinders Ranges. (L,D)

**OVERNIGHT:** 1 night The Ghan

# DAY 2 - THE GHAN, ALICE SPRINGS

After arriving into Alice Springs and disembarking The Ghan, your small group tour with Outback Spirit will commence. Includes a brief town tour of Alice Springs including Anzac Hill. (B,L,D)

**OVERNIGHT: 1 night at Mercure Alice Springs** 

# DAY 3 – ALICE SPRINGS TO KINGS CANYON

Today depart Alice Springs and travel the Mereenie loop through the Western MacDonnell Ranges. Visit Standley Chasm and Ormiston Gorge before arriving at Kings Canyon. (B,L,D)

**OVERNIGHT: 2 nights at Kings Canyon Resort** 

#### DAY 4 - KINGS CANYON - WATARRKA NATIONAL PARK

Experience the wonders of the majestic Kings Canyon with your choice of walk, including the 6 km rim walk featuring breathtaking views of the Watarrka National Park or a less arduous 2.6 km walk along the canyon floor. (B,L,D)



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#### **DAY 5 - KINGS CANYON TO ULURU**

Pass through Kings Creek Station and enjoy an informative paper talk and lunch at Curtin Springs, before arriving at Uluru. Enjoy this evening's unique 'Sounds of Silence' dining experience under the stars. Beginning with canapes and chilled sparkling wine, listen to the sound of the didgeridoo and the resident star talker decode the southern night sky while enjoying a premium bush tucker inspired buffet. (B,L,D)

**OVERNIGHT: 2** nights at Sails in the Desert

#### DAY 6 - ULURU KATA TJUTA NATIONAL PARK

Early risers will experience the sun rising over Uluru and the colours of dawn spreading across the landscape. After breakfast, head off to discover Kata Tjuta (the Olgas) and admire the rock formations on a guided walk into Walpa Gorge. Learn about traditional Anangu culture on a guided tour around the base of Uluru.

This evening head to an exclusive dune top location with majestic views of Uluru. Enjoy drinks and canapes as artist Bruce Munro's global phenomenon 'Field of Light' comes to life before heading off to explore the display via dedicated pathways. (B,L,D)

# **DAY 7 – ULURU TO ALICE SPRINGS**

After a leisurely breakfast set your sights for Alice Springs. Pause at Mount Conner before arriving at your hotel in Alice Springs this afternoon. (B,L)

**OVERNIGHT: 2 nights at Mercure Alice Springs** 

## DAY 8 – LEISURE DAY

Today is yours to explore Alice Springs at your own pace. (B)

# DAY 9 - BOARD THE GHAN IN ALICE SPRINGS

Checking out after breakfast, experiences await you in the outback town of Alice Springs. This evening, it's time to get back on board The Ghan and get reacquainted with your cabin. As the train heads north, enjoy watching the beautiful scenery pass by your window as you relax with fellow travellers. (B,D)

OVERNIGHT: 1 night The Ghan

#### DAY 10 - THE GHAN, KATHERINE AND DARWIN

The landscapes continue to transform as you head towards Katherine, where you'll embark on an Off Train Experience exploring natural wonders before continuing your journey to Darwin.

**OVERNIGHT: 2 nights Hilton Darwin** 

# DAY 11 – LEISURE DAY, DARWIN HARBOUR DINNER CRUISE

Explore Darwin at your leisure. Tonight, enjoy a dinner cruise on the 'Charles Darwin' catamaran in air-conditioned comfort. View the famous Darwin sunset while enjoying a delicious Territory style dinner. (B,D)

#### DAY 12 - DARWIN TO KAKADU NATIONAL PARK

Travel along the Arnhem Highway to the heart of Kakadu National Park. Visit Warradjan Cultural Centre, cruise Yellow Water Billabong and stop at Nourlangie where you will be guided to ancient rock art galleries. (B,L)

OVERNIGHT: 1 night Mercure Kakadu Crocodile Hotel

#### **DAY 12 - KAKADU NATIONAL PARK TO DARWIN**

Explore the World Heritage area of Ubirr, climb up through the ancient Aboriginal rock art galleries for views over the surrounding wetlands. Join the Guluyambi Cruise and with special permission of the traditional owners, experience the privilege of going ashore in Arnhem Land. Stop at Marrawuddi Art Gallery before returning to Darwin. (L) OVERNIGHT: 1 night Hilton Darwin

#### **DAY 12 - FAREWELL**

Your two-week adventure comes to an end as you farewell Darwin. (B)