

THE ULTIMATE TERRITORY TOUR

THE GHAN

DARWIN TO ADELAIDE | DEPARTURE SATURDAY

**Tuesday departures also available April to August with slightly altered itinerary in the Red Centre*

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

- 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
- Transfer from hotel to Darwin Rail Terminal
- 1 night aboard The Ghan Expedition Darwin to Alice Springs, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Excursion in Katherine
- Transfer from Alice Springs Rail Terminal to hotel
- 5 nights intimate small group touring with Outback Spirit 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
- 2 nights aboard The Ghan Expedition Alice Springs to Adelaide, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Excursions in Alice Springs and Coober Pedy
- 13 breakfasts, 9 lunches, 9 dinners

HIGHLIGHTS

- Take in the sparkling waters of Darwin's Harbour over a delicious buffet dinner of local seafood and produce
- 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
- Dine under the stars at the 'Sounds of Silence' dining experience
- Explore the rock formations of 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

DAY 1 – DARWIN

You've arrived in Darwin – it's yours to explore. Spend the day at your leisure before checking in to your accommodation.

OVERNIGHT: 2 nights at Hilton Darwin

DAY 2 – LEISURE DAY, DARWIN HARBOUR 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 3 – 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 4 – 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 5 – BOARD THE GHAN IN DARWIN

Settle into the comforts of The Ghan, relax in your cabin or mingle with fellow travellers in the Outback Explorer Lounge. Enjoy lunch ahead of your Off Train Excursion in Katherine. In a region renowned for jaw-dropping natural

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assets, Katherine boasts one of the Top End's best – the incredible Nitmiluk Gorge. (B,L,D)

OVERNIGHT: 1 night The Ghan

DAY 6 – 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 7 – 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 8 – 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)

DAY 9 – 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 10 – 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 11 – 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 12 – ALICE SPRINGS, LEISURE DAY

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

DAY 13 – 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: 2 nights The Ghan

DAY 14 – THE GHAN, COOBER PEDY

From your morning stop at Manguri, you'll venture into the weird and wonderful opal mining township of Coober Pedy, where more than half of the residents live underground. Here, you'll enjoy a day of discovery, and a gourmet lunch in the most unique of locations: underground. Dinner is served back on the train where you can enjoy a nightcap as your journey continues. (B,L,D)

DAY 15 – THE GHAN, ADELAIDE

From your cabin window this morning you'll see a dramatic change in landscape, as the rich ochre tones of the outback make way for the green fields of South Australia. Enjoy a leisurely brunch as you pass through the majestic Flinders Ranges and prepare for your mid-morning arrival into Adelaide, completing one of the world's great travel experiences. (B)