

# **TROPICAL TOP END - CITY**

## **THE GHAN**

**DEPARTURE SUNDAY** 

Step aboard The Ghan in Adelaide and experience the wonders of Alice Springs and Katherine on your way to Darwin. From here, explore spectacular Litchfield National Park and take in the splendour of thundering waterfalls, pockets of rainforest and historic sacred sites.

#### **INCLUSIONS**

- 2 nights aboard The Ghan, Adelaide to Darwin, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experiences in Marla, Alice Springs and Katherine
- Transfer from Darwin Rail Terminal to your hotel
- 3 nights' accommodation in Darwin including breakfast daily
- 1 day Litchfield National Park Waterfalls including lunch and touring\*
- 5 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 2 dinners

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Be impressed by the array of native birdlife
- Discover the natural architecture of the termite mounds
- View the spectacular double waterfalls of Florence Falls
- Marvel at the water cascading into the deep waterhole at the base of Tolmer Falls & Wangi Falls

#### DAY 1 - THE GHAN, ADELAIDE

Depart Adelaide aboard The Ghan. Watch the passing scenery and observe as the spectacular Flinders Ranges disappear into the horizon. This evening, relax and enjoy the comforts of the lounge and dine in the restaurant, with an enticing range of menu options.

OVERNIGHT: 2 nights The Ghan (L,D)

#### DAY 2 - THE GHAN, ALICE SPRINGS

Wake up with a coffee or juice and witness an unforgettable sunrise off train at Marla, in the remote reaches of South Australia. After more incredible outback scenery, arrive in Alice Springs early in the afternoon and join an Off Train Experience to explore the many facets of this historic outback city. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 3 - THE GHAN, KATHERINE AND DARWIN

This morning after breakfast, The Ghan arrives in Katherine. Today, you will discover the wonders of Nitmiluk Gorge with a variety of Off Train Excursions to choose from. The stunning gorge lies within the massive 292,000 hectares of Nitmiluk National Park. You'll have the chance to explore it from the water with guided cruise options - an Off Train Experience you'll never forget.

Having worked up an appetite after your morning adventures, make your way to the restaurant for a late lunch. Continue into the lounge before arriving in Darwin and transferring to your accommodation.

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights Hilton Darwin (B,L)

## **DAY 4 – LEISURE DAY**

Today is yours to explore Darwin at your own pace. Take in a spot of souvenir shopping, wander the harbourfront or simply relax at your accommodation. (B)

#### WE RECOMMEND:

Morning Darwin City Sights tour (Half Day) - From \$67pp (when booked with this package).

Darwin is Australia's only tropical capital city and the largest city in the Northern Territory. It is a former frontier outpost and the gateway to Kakadu National Park. Darwin is treasured country to its traditional owners, the Larrakia people, who are prominent and active members of the local community. A multicultural city, it boasts a population comprising people representing more than 60 nationalities and 70 different ethnic backgrounds.

# **DAY 5 – LITCHFIELD NATIONAL PARK**

Litchfield National Park contains several types of typical Top End habitats, including lush monsoon forests, termite mounds, unusual rock formations, waterfalls and cascades. During the green season, four major waterfalls thunder from the cliffs to tropical rock pools many metres below. The first stop of the day is Florence Falls, where you have the opportunity for an interpretive bush and monsoon vine forest walk. There is also the chance for a swim, by making your way down the stairs to the plunge pool below. Travel on to Tolmer Falls for a magnificent view of the water



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cascading into the deep waterhole at the base of the falls, followed by a visit to Wangi Falls. On the way back to Darwin, you will stop at Howard Springs Nature Park, where you will have the chance to feed the barramundi and turtles. This is a great day for photography, including the amazing stand of termite mounds. (B, L)

#### **DAY 6 - FAREWELL**

This morning, after breakfast, check out of your hotel as your adventure comes to its end, leaving you with memories of awe-inspiring landscapes and unique outback experiences that will last a lifetime. (B)

\*Please note that tour itinerary and operations are subject to change or cancellation due to weather conditions at this time of year.