



## DARWIN DISCOVERY

### THE GHAN EXPEDITION

DEPARTURE SUNDAY

ADDITIONAL DEPARTURES WEDNESDAY (APR – OCT)

Darwin is yours to explore when you start your journey with three nights' accommodation in this tropical, laid-back city. Make the most of the Top End sunsets by boarding Darwin Harbour Cruises' Charles Darwin catamaran for a sunset dinner cruise. After a relaxed start to your journey, it's time to amp up the excitement by boarding the iconic Ghan from Darwin to Adelaide, connecting you with incredible landscapes and Off Train Experiences along the way.

#### INCLUSIONS

- 3 nights' accommodation in Darwin including breakfast daily
- Darwin Harbour Cruises Sunset Dinner Cruise
- Transfer from Hotel to Darwin Rail Terminal
- 3 nights aboard The Ghan Expedition, Darwin to Adelaide, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experiences in Katherine, Alice Springs and Coober Pedy
- 6 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 4 dinners

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Experience Darwin at your leisure
- Enjoy the relaxed vibe of Darwin along the waterfront
- Take in the fascinating history of the tropical northern city by visiting the museums celebrating the city's rich past and galleries showcasing the region's renowned Indigenous art. Nature is truly Darwin's backyard, with the iconic national parks of Kakadu and Litchfield only a few hours away
- Enjoy dinner with a breathtaking tropical sunset view on your Darwin Harbour Cruise

#### DAY 1 – ARRIVE DARWIN

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

**OVERNIGHT:** 3 nights at Hilton Darwin

#### DAY 2 – DARWIN

Stroll around the city today, taking in its fascinating history at your own pace. Wander to the Stokes Hill Wharf area, the Botanic Gardens or the Chinese Temple and don't miss a visit to the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory. This evening, prepare to be amazed by the breathtaking tropical sunset from a location like no other – savour the sights and enjoy the swirl of the sea breeze as you sail and on a spacious, modern catamaran. Enjoy a sumptuous meal onboard focused on local produce and fresh seafood. Nothing is more relaxing than soaking up the splendour of the skies, champagne flute in hand. (B, D)

#### DAY 3 – DARWIN

Today is for further exploration of the Darwin waterfront and its top-notch restaurants, taking in the relaxed pace of life in the north. Alternatively, consider an optional tour (additional expense) to make the most of your time in the Top End. (B)

#### WE RECOMMEND

Optional tour – Croc N History Explorer Ticket  
From \$105 per person

Combine three of Darwin's premier attractions with one ticket and save. The flexible Croc n History Explorer package gives you Full day Entry to Crocosaurus Cove, RFDS Tourist facility and the Darwin Big Bus, for a hop-on, hop-off transport option.

#### DAY 4 – BOARD THE GHAN EXPEDITION IN DARWIN

Settle into the comforts of The Ghan by relaxing in your cabin or mingling with fellow travellers in the Outback Explorer Lounge. Enjoy lunch ahead of your Off Train Experience in Katherine. In a region renowned for jaw-dropping natural assets, Katherine boasts one of the Top End's best – the incredible Nitmiluk Gorge. The stunning gorge lies within the massive 292,000-hectare 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.

**OVERNIGHT:** 3 nights The Ghan (B, L, D)



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### **DAY 5 – THE GHAN EXPEDITION, 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 Experience 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 6 – THE GHAN EXPEDITION, COOBER PEDY**

After a morning stop at the outback outpost of 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. Discover the diversity of Coober Pedy's spectacular Breakaways on your guided walking tour, taking in the colourful low hills that from a distance look as if they have 'broken away' from the higher ground of the reserve. This area was once an inland sea and over time, has transformed into a dramatic landscape that changes colour with the passing of the sun, creating an almost surreal panorama. Dinner is served back on the train, where you can enjoy a nightcap as your journey continues. (B, L, D)

### **DAY 7 – THE GHAN EXPEDITION, ADELAIDE**

Watch the dramatic scenery of the Flinders Ranges appear before passing through the mid north of South Australia for a mid-morning arrival into Adelaide. Your journey comes to an end here, leaving you with memories of awe-inspiring landscapes and unique outback experiences that will last you a lifetime. (B)