

AUSTRALIAN WILDERNESS TOURS 2017/18



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Litchfield, Kakadu, Arnhemland & Katherine Experience

Duration: 6 days, 5 nights

Travel in the comfort of a luxurious fully equipped Air-conditioned 4WD vehicle with a maximum of just 6 passengers

Day 1 - Thursday

Your guide will pick you up at 3.00 to 4.00pm from your Darwin accommodation to take you on an afternoon tour of the sights of Darwin visiting local landmarks and places of interest before taking you to view sunset on the Darwin Harbour and have dinner on the wharf before returning you to your accommodation.

Overnight: DARWIN (your accommodation)

Day 2 - Friday

This morning you will be picked up at 7.00am for you start on your wonderful journey of adventure as we visit the Adelaide River wetlands, Fog Dam Conservation Reserve and the Bark Hut Inn for a refreshment stop before entering Kakadu. We continue our travels to look at Arnhemland and the Oenpelli Art Centre where you will have the opportunity to purchase local aboriginal artworks (if tide times permit) before continuing our travels through the Nadab floodplain, woodlands, and the surrounding stone country. Our next stop is at Ubirr where groups of Aboriginal people camped in rock shelters around to take advantage of the enormous variety of foods available from the East Alligator River. This is an exciting and informative stop for information on Australian Indigenous peoples. We continue to Jabiru on the northern region of Kakadu National Park to our accommodation for the night.

Overnight: Kakadu Lodge, JABIRU

Day 3 - Saturday

Today we firstly travel to explore and view unique aboriginal art & culture, where the art is inspiring, colourful and sacred, from a culture dating back more than 45,000 years and regarded as some of the oldest and finest to be found anywhere in the world. Recorded on rock walls and inside caves which were once occupation sites, these art sites are a fascinating insight into one of the world's oldest and most unique cultures. This remote landscape is full of spectacular scenery, pristine wetlands, billabongs, birdlife and wildlife. Today you will experience true amazing sites including Nourlangie Rock and occupation sites dated in excess of 20,000 years.

We conclude our day on a magic sunset cruise on the famous Yellow Waters, abundant with many species of birds and the mighty salt water crocodile.

Overnight: Gagudju Lodge, COOINDA

Day 4 - Sunday

Kakadu National Park is a World Heritage listed Park featuring many spectacular attractions including the spectacular Maguk / Barramundi Gorge. We travel on to Gunlom, this is a scenic and tranquil place to enjoy another refreshing swim in the series of small waterholes. The water is crystal clear, and a short hike to the top of the waterfall is well worth the effort, affording a panoramic view. Today we visit the fascinating historic town of Pine Creek and the historic Goldfields, full of unusual buildings and memories of the old railway and telegraph line. Located 248 km south of Darwin on the Stuart Highway, Pine Creek was named after the local creek which was crossed in December 1870 by the teams constructing the Overland Telegraph Line. The creek was notable, as the name suggests, for the many pines on its banks. Pine Creek's busiest time was during the Second World War when as many as 247 trains came through in one week in 1944. After an interesting stop at Pine Creek, we continue on to Edith Falls which is located on the western boundary of Nitmiluk National Park (Katherine Gorge). The paperbark and pandanus fringed natural pool at the base of the falls is safe for swimming throughout most of the year. We continue our travel today to the Pine Tree Motel in Katherine for our overnight stay.

Overnight: Pine Tree Motel, KATHERINE

Day 5 - Monday

Our first stop today is at Katherine Gorge where we take an amazing commentated Two Gorge Cruise where we view the Southern Rock hole and famous cliff face - Jemma's Rock. We travel on to visit the

Adelaide River, noted for its large population of saltwater crocodiles. Adelaide River refers to two different locations, the township and the river itself. The Township of Adelaide River lies on the Stuart Highway 201 km northwest of Katherine and 114km south of Darwin and has a population of around 250. We visit the historic war cemetery on the well-presented Adelaide River and continue on to Batchelor for our overnight accommodation.

Overnight: Batchelor Resort, BATCHELOR

Day 6 – Tuesday

Today we venture through Batchelor discovering some amazing natural wonders at one of Litchfield's most unique sites as we visit the incredible Termite Mounds. Hundreds of termite mounds standing up to two metres high in a wide swathe of empty ground will amaze. The mounds are like enormous magnetic compasses, with their thin edges pointing north south and broad backs east west minimising their exposure to the sun, keeping the mounds cool for the termites inside. Nearby, a large cathedral termite mound stands.

Continuing on, we head to our next stops which include Buleys Waterhole where we take the opportunity for a swim and on to Florence Falls, Tolmer Falls lookout, Wangi Falls and then continue on our way to Darwin.

Departs Darwin every Thursday March to November

INCLUSIONS

- 4WD air-conditioned deluxe transport
- All dinners & continental breakfasts
- All accommodation twin share private facilities
- All entries to National Parks
- All cruise charges
- Experienced driver guide

TOUR COST: AUD

\$3,975.00 Adult (twin share)

\$850.00 Single Supplement

\$2,100.00 Child (5-12 years – share with adult)

Minimum 2

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Note: Accommodations are subject to availability and may be changed without notice.