

Uluru, Kakadu & Top End

- Enjoy a Yellow Waters Sunset cruise through the wetlands of Kakadu National Park
- See saltwater crocodiles on the Adelaide River

Accommodation	Exclusive and Luxurious
Tour Code	DS12
Tour Duration	12
Style	Classic Coach / Motor Coach Touring
Finest Dining	Includes 19 Meals
Outstanding Places to Stay	Two nights at Ayers Rock Resort's Sails in the Desert

Itinerary

Day 1. Darwin

Arrive at Darwin and transfer to the hotel.

Two Night Stay: Darwin, Novotel Atrium Hotel.

Day 2. Darwin, Freedom of Choice Touring.

Today choose from four Freedom of Choice Touring options. Take a day tour to Litchfield National Park, a huge sandstone plateau with cascading waterfalls. Swim in the natural pool at Wangi Falls, view the beautiful double waterfall that is Florence Falls and wander amid the intriguing magnetic termite mounds. Perhaps just relax and enjoy a Darwin Harbour luncheon cruise, check out the Indo-Pacific Marine and Pearling Exhibitions or explore Darwin at your own pace on the Tour Tub 'jump on, jump off' bus. Adventure upgrade - Full Day Reef and Sports Fishing.

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Day 3. Darwin City Tour, Adelaide River, Crocodile Cruise.

In Darwin we take a city sights tour. Admire the architecture of this tropical capital, almost completely rebuilt after Cyclone Tracy hit on Christmas Eve, 1974. Stroll the Botanic Gardens, established in the 1870s, and enjoy visits to the city's museum, art gallery and picturesque Fannie Bay. We travel to Adelaide River for a guided wildlife cruise and watch saltwater crocodiles leap out of the river.

Two Night Stay: Jabiru, Gagudju Crocodile Holiday Inn, right in the heart of Kakadu National Park.

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Day 4. Arnhem Land, Ubirr Art Site, Kakadu Wetlands Cruise. Explore Kakadu National Park.

Visit the Ubirr rock art gallery, including X-ray style paintings (subject to road access) then see Nourlangie Rock. Later visit Warradjan Aboriginal Cultural Centre to view the displays depicting Aboriginal culture, then enjoy the Yellow Waters Sunset Cruise through the wetlands of Kakadu. Dine tonight at Gagudju Lodge, Cooinda, where the local delicacies of kangaroo, crocodile, barramundi and emu are on the menu.

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Day 5 Katherine Gorge Guided Cruise, World Heritage-listed Kakadu National Park.

We travel to Kakadu National Park and absorb the Bowali Visitors Centre's fascinating interpretive displays of ecology and country. North-east of Katherine is Nitmiluk National Park. This 292 000 hectare national park features spectacular gorges which have been carved into the Arnhem Land plateau by the Katherine River. Enjoy a guided cruise and learn about the local flora, fauna, freshwater crocodiles and ancient Aboriginal art on the gorge walls.

Stay: Katherine, All Seasons Hotel

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What's Included

Dine Around Dinners™

- Choose from a selection of restaurants in Kings Canyon and Alice Springs.

APT Guaranteed Inclusions

- Visit Ubirr Aboriginal art site
- Explore Karlwewarlwe (Devils Marbles)
- Visit Bond Springs Cattle Station
- Explore Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park - Walpa (Olga) Gorge walk
- Cruise through Katherine Gorge
- Discover the beauty of World Heritage-listed Kakadu
- Explore Angkerle (Standley Chasm) and Simpsons Gap in the West MacDonnell Ranges
- Join a Darwin sightseeing tour

Finest Dining

- 'Sounds of Silence' dinner, Uluru (Ayers Rock)
- 11 hot breakfasts (B) and 8 dinners (D)
- Dine Around Dinners™: Choose from a selection of restaurants in Kings Canyon and Alice Springs

Outstanding Places to Stay

- Two nights at Ayers Rock Resort's Sails in the Desert
- Kakadu National Park-- two nights at the Gagudju Crocodile Holiday Inn
- Two nights in Alice Springs and Darwin
- Centrally located hotels in key locations
- All hotel portorage and tipping included

The APT Difference

Day 6. Katherine, Mataranka Thermal Pool, Daly Waters Pub, Elliott.

Today we travel to Mataranka for a swim in the natural thermal pool, set among tropical vegetation and then to Eley Station, of 'We of the Never Never' fame. After pausing for a drink at the Daly Waters Pub, we go through the scattered settlements of Elliott and Daly Waters.

Stay: Tennant Creek, Bluestone Motor Inn.

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Day 7. Tennant Creek, Karlwekarlwe (Devils Marbles), Bond Springs Cattle Station.

We visit the Battery Museum at Tennant Creek - the site of Australia's most recent gold rush, and later enjoy a drink and admire the Outback at dusk. Then continue to Karlwekarlwe. Here, according to Aboriginal legend, the granite boulders that balance delicately atop one another are the Rainbow Serpent's eggs before getting a glimpse of life on a remote cattle station at Bond Springs.

Two Night Stay: Alice Springs Resort

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Day 8. Freedom of Choice Touring. Dine Around Dinner.

Take a full-day 4WD tour of Palm Valley. Alternatively, spend the morning either visiting the Alice Springs Desert Park, on a camel ride along the dry Todd River, learning to play the didgeridoo or on an Aboriginal Dreamtime tour. In the afternoon, discover the remote township of Alice Springs on a tour that includes the Royal Flying Doctor Service, the School of Air and the Alice Springs Telegraph Station built in the 1870s. Adventure upgrade - Replace your Freedom of Choice Touring with a stunning morning balloon flight. Dine Around Dinner, where you'll choose from five dining and entertainment options.

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Day 9. Angkerle (Standley Chasm), West MacDonnell National Park, Kings Canyon. Dine Around Dinner.

At Simpsons Gap, search for rock wallabies then continue to enter West MacDonnell National Park for a walk at Angkerle, with its towering walls rising just five metres apart. Historic Hermannsburg, an Aboriginal community that occupies the site of an historic former mission station before travelling the unsealed Mereenie Loop Road (subject to road conditions) to Kings Canyon. At our Dine Around Dinner enjoy a buffet at Carmichael's or a barbeque at the Outback BBQ and Grill.

Stay: Kings Canyon Resort.

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Day 10. Kings Canyon, Freedom of Choice Touring, Uluru

Today at Kings Canyon, choose from the rim walk, taking you up to the rim and down to the lush 'Garden of Eden', or the floor walk to the canyon's natural amphitheatre, with expert commentary on native wildlife. Once in Uluru transfer to the resort. With a drink in hand, watch the spectacular colours of the western sky light up the surface of Uluru at dusk. Longitude 131° Upgrade Stay two nights at this luxurious wilderness camp with all meals, drinks and touring included. This upgrade replaces accommodation and touring at Ayers Rock Resort, Sails in the Desert. Additional: Twin Share A\$1185, Single A\$2070.

Two Night Stay: Ayers Rock Resort, Sails in the Desert.

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Day 11. Uluru, Freedom of Choice Touring, Kata Tjuta (Olgas), 'Sounds of Silence' Dinner.

Choose to climb The Rock or walk to Mutitjulu waterhole. Your Freedom of Choice touring options comprise of a Harley Davidson tour, a Liru Walk with Aboriginal custodians, a 9 km guided Uluru base walk or taking in the Predators of the Red Centre show. If there's time, visit the Cultural Centre or join the Mala Walk and learn of Uluru's geology and flora. Later journey to Kata Tjuta (Olgas) and walk to Walpa (Olga) Gorge. Tonight, listen to the didgeridoo as the sun sets on Uluru and dine on Australian delicacies under the stars with our unforgettable 'Sounds of Silence' desert dinner. Afterwards, relax by the fire and discover the heavens on an astronomy tour. Adventure upgrade - Replace your Freedom of Choice Touring with a helicopter flight over Ayers Rock.

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Day 12. Fly Home

Transfer to the airport to meet your flight home.

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- Cultural and Indigenous experiences
- Fully trained Tour Director and Driver/Guide
- Guaranteed Mercedes-Benz coaches, with an unrivalled safety record
- Fewer seats on coaches giving more leg room
- \$5 Million Consumer Protection Guarantee
- All inclusive touring – no optional meals, coach tours or nights out sold on tour
- Free travel kit including stylish travel bag

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