

# Discovering the Outback & Central Australia

# Wednesday 1st May to Monday 3rd June 2024

Day 1 PORT MACQUARIE - MOREE (D)

Welcome to our **Outback Queensland and Central Australia** tour. Sit back and meet your fellow travellers as we leave the coast and head into the New England Ranges. Our travels take us through Walcha and onto Uralla where we'll stop to purchase lunch. This afternoon we continue via Inverell and on to our destination of **Moree**.

Dinner in motel | lunch own arrangements and cost

Burke & Wills Motor Inn, Moree | 02 6752 3377 | 1 nights

Day 2 MOREE TO MITCHELL (BD)

Today is a travel day as we make our way across the border into **Queensland** and start heading into the outback. We cross the border at **Goondiwindi** where we will have a break and stretch our legs before continuing our journey to **St. George** to purchase lunch and visit **The Unique Egg.** This is a genuinely impressive and interesting collection of hand-carved emu eggs, illuminated from within. Created by Steve Margaritis over a period of more than 40 years, they have been displayed at World Expos but are on permanent display in a sports store in St. George! This afternoon we express to **Mitchell** and check in to our accommodation.

Breakfast and dinner in motel | lunch own arrangements and cost

Berkely Lodge Motor Inn, Mitchell - 07 4623 1666

#### Day 3 MITCHELL TO LONGREACH (BLD)

This morning we leave the Warrego Highway and meet up with the Landsborough Highway to continue our journey north. Stopping for breaks and our **picnic lunch**, we make our way through **Barcaldine** and **Ilfracombe** where, time permitting we can, "wet the whistle" at the famous **Wellshot Hotel** or take a wander along the **Folk Transport Museum**. From here we head to our destination of **Longreach** where we can check-in and freshen up before dinner.

Breakfast, lunch and dinner included

Longreach Tourist Park | 07 4658 2667 | 3 nights

#### Day 4 MEETING THE LOCALS (BLD)

We have some free time this morning before heading out for our special experience as we get an insight to the area through the eyes of local graziers and pioneer families. **Camden Station** is just out of Longreach situated on the vast open Mitchell grass plains it will give us an authentic insight into life on a cattle station in Outback Queensland. Returning to our accommodation with a bit of time at leisure we are then picked up for a **sunset cruise** down the majestic Thompson River. As the sunset fades into starlight, we dock at **Smithy's Outback Dinner and Show** for a great night of food and live entertainment under the stars.

Day 5 OUTBACK LEGENDS (BLD)

Today's adventure starts at the iconic **Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame** to experience the **Outback Stockman's Show**. The show encompasses the modern-day aspects of being a stockman, as well as telling the tales of the past. We then head back into town and really step back in time — at **Kinnon & Co** in the main street. Their Station Store has an amazing range of traditionally made leatherwear and a treasure trove of historic nostalgia. We then take in the **Harry Redford Old Time Tent Show**. Laugh at the antics of Australia's most famous cattle duffer, Harry Redford, or "Captain Starlight" — a mix of poetic story and Australian humour to create live theatre, outback style! It will be a lot of fun and we enjoy our **Billy Can lunch** as we watch. From here we uncover some national treasures at the **QANTAS Founders Outback Museum**. The historic photographs, memorabilia and multimedia displays bring the inspirational stories of one of the worlds pioneering airlines to life. Tonight, we head into town to the **Welcome Home Café**. Our outback adventure continues with the **Stone grill Dining** encounter that will be an experience for sure.

Breakfast at Woolshed | Billy Can lunch | Stone grill Dinner

DAY 6 WINTON (BLD)

We see some dramatic and ever-changing scenery as we make our way to **Winton**. The area was once home to dinosaurs and is full of groundbreaking scientific discoveries and archaeological digs. Today we'll have the opportunity to learn about his prehistoric phenomenon at the **Australian Age of Dinosaurs** where we also enjoy our morning tea. The centre hosts the largest collection of Australian dinosaur fossils and the largest fossil perpetration laboratory in the Southern Hemisphere. It was here in Winton, that Banjo Paterson wrote his famous poem about the swagman and jolly jumbuck and "Waltzing Matilda" was heard for the first time in the North Gregory Hotel. We visit the **Waltzing Matilda Centre**, the only museum in the world dedicated to a song where we enjoy lunch at time to explore. We stay overnight in Winton tonight.

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Boulder Opal Motor Inn | 07 4657 1211 | 1 nights

Day 7 WINTON TO MT ISA (BLD)

After breakfast we are on our way again — this time to **Cloncurry** and onto **Mt Isa** for a two night stay. We pass through Kynuna which was once a Cobb & Co post where the horses and coaches would rattle in to a dusty stop. Our lunch today is at the **Walkabout Hotel** at McKinlay, also a Cobb and Co staging post but more recently the town has become known as the home of the **Walkabout Creek Hotel**. This historic pub was once the Shire Hall and has gained notoriety as the pub in the movie "Crocodile Dundee". The hotel was originally named the Federal Hotel and was built in 1900. This afternoon, we continue to **Cloncurry** at the junction of the Landsborough and Barkly Highways. **Cloncurry** has a reputation for being one of Australia's hottest spots (one of the reasons we are travelling during the cooler months!) and the birthplace of the Royal Flying Doctor Service. On arrival we stop to visit **John Flynn Place**, which is both a modern facility for people of the Inland and an important preservation of the beginnings of the RFDS. From Cloncurry, we drive to Mt. Isa and have time to relax before dinner at the hotel.

Breakfast and dinner in the motel | lunch at Walkabout Creek Hotel

Burke & Wills Mt Isa | 07 4743 8000 | 2 nights

# Day 8 MT ISA - DRIVERS DAY OFF (BD)

Today is a day at leisure to simply relax or experience some local touring. A popular spot to visit is the **Isa Experience Gallery,** we meet up tonight over dinner to swap stories of our day.

Breakfast and dinner in motel | lunch own arrangements and cost

Day 9 MT ISA TO TENNANT CREEK (BLD)

Today we will get to see just how far Camooweal is from Mt Isa as we pass through, crossing the border into the Northern Territory. We'll stop en-route at the Barkly Homestead for lunch which is a remote situated on the Barkly Highway, halfway between Tennant Creek in the NT and Camooweal in QLD. Later this afternoon we arrive at Tennant Creek where we check into our overnight accommodation and settle in for dinner. Breakfast and dinner in motel | lunch at Barkly Homestead

Bluestone Motor Inn, Tennant Creek | 088962 2617 | 1 night

#### Day 10 TENNANT CREEK TO MATARANKA

(BLD)

An early starts this morning to make the most of our stay in Mataranka. Our journey today takes us through Renner Springs and Elliot to **Daly Waters** where we stop for lunch at the pub - a well-known spot for many of the air personnel who served in the Pacific during World War II. This afternoon, we continue onto **Mataranka** where we can enjoy the fantastic mineral hot pools. The thermal pools pump out a tremendous amount of warm water which has soothed many a traveller over the years – so bring your bathers and a towel!

Breakfast and dinner in motel |lunch at Daly Waters Pub

Territory Manor, Mataranka | 088975 4516 | 1 night

#### Day 11 MATARANKA TO KATHERINE

(BLD)

Departing Mataranka, we head for the tranquil Katherine Gorge for our 11am cruise. We enjoy a journey of discovery through the magnificent **Nitmiluk Gorge** with a **Nit Nit Dreaming Cruise**. Sit back and relax as the tranquil surrounds transport us into a spiritual world of Jawoyn culture and history against the magnificent backdrop of cliff faces. The scenery is breathtaking. Back on dry land we head to **Sugarbag Café** where we enjoy a delicious buffet lunch with spectacular views over the **Katherine River**. We can check into our motel and enjoy the facilities it has to offer, maybe a refreshing swim.

Breakfast and dinner in resort | lunch at Sugarbag Café

Knotts Crossing Resort, Katherine | 08 8972 2511 | 1 night

# Day 12 KATHERINE TO COOINDA (BLD)

Today we say farewell to Katherine and travel north to Pine Creek. Leaving the main highway, we veer to the Mary River Roadhouse for our early lunch. Our destination today is the Top End's most important asset – the World Heritage Listed **Kakadu National Park**. Aborigines have inhabited the land for more than 50,000 years, leaving behind incredible galleries of rock art - more than 5000 sites of historical or cultural importance have been identified, though only a few are open to visitors. Add Kakadu's magnificent scenery, unique flora, and fauna, and you have one of the world's greatest natural wonders. Our afternoon touring is to **Nourlangie Rock** for a short walk and to view examples of ancient aboriginal art. On our way in to Cooinda, we stop at the **Warradjan Aboriginal Cultural Centre**. The Aboriginal traditional land owners (Bininj) of Kakadu National Park have wanted to tell the story about their culture for a long time. At the Lodge, we have time to check in before dinner.

Breakfast and dinner in Lodge | lunch at Mary River Roadhouse

Kakadu Lodge Cooinda, Kakadu National Park | 08 8979 1500 | 1 night

# Day 13 COOINDA TO DARWIN (BLD)

Another highlight of our tour will be this morning's **Yellow Water Sunrise Cruise** on the Yellow Waters Billabong. We should see a large number of birds and animals as we go along, and hopefully some crocodiles resting on the muddy banks. After the cruise we return to the Lodge for breakfast before checking out. We now head to the **Bowali Visitors Centre** – the Kakadu National Park Headquarters. This afternoon we travel through to Darwin where we can settle in and unpack as this will be home for the next 4 nights.

Breakfast included after cruise | picnic lunch included | dinner at motel

Double Tree By Hilton Esplanade, Darwin | 088980 0800 | 4 nights

Day 14 DARWIN (BD)

Today we take in the sights of Darwin. Many people aren't aware of the importance of Darwin during **World War II** so we'll look at the city as it is today and also learn about the involvement and history of the bombings of Darwin. We also take a drive through Fannie Bay to **East Point** where we visit the **Military Museum**. Here we discover how the Japanese raids on Darwin were kept a secret from the Australian population and have now been made public. We have some time at leisure before our visit late afternoon to Stokes Hill Wharf with a visit to the **Royal Flying Doctor Service and Bombing of Darwin tourist facility** - two iconic stories in one iconic location! Tonight, our dinner is aboard the **Spirit of Darwin** as we watch the sunset on the harbour. See the Darwin skyline from a totally different perspective while enjoying an interesting commentary and dinner. Breakfast in hotel | lunch own arrangements and cost | dinner cruise

### Day 15 LITCHFIELD NATIONAL PARK (BLD)

Today we have another highlight of our holiday as we head to the **Litchfield National Park**. Just 2 hours south of Darwin, Litchfield has gained the reputation as the jewel of the Northern Territory's crown. The 65,000ha National Park has untouched rainforests hot springs, magnificent waterfalls, and stunning scenery. There are some great photo opportunities, and we stop to see the **Magnetic anthills** and the magnificent **Florence Falls** from the lookout platform. We enjoy lunch at **Litchfield Café** and visit **Wangi Falls** for a walk and a refreshing dip! From Litchfield National Park we return to our hotel to freshen up for a relaxing dinner in our hotel for our last night in Darwin.

Breakfast and dinner in hotel | Lunch supplied

### Day 16 DARWIN AT LEISURE - DRIVERS DAY OFF (B)

After all of our travelling we have done the next 4 days is to enjoy at leisure, you may like to purchase a ticket for the 'hop on and off' bus service, or simply relax by the hotels pool, whatever you chose the next 4 days is yours to enjoy.

Breakfast in the hotel

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Day 19 DARWIN AT LEISURE - DRIVERS DAY OFF (B)

Breakfast in the hotel

#### Day 20 DARWIN TO MATARANKA (BLD)

We say farewell to Darwin this morning and make our way south on the Stuart Highway, named after John McDouall Stuart – the first European to cross Australia from the south to the north. We stop in Adelaide River to visit the **Adelaide River War Cemetery**. Adelaide River is the site of the only Australian war cemetery on Australian soil. There are 432 servicemen and 63 civilians, all of whom died because of Japanese bombing raids, buried in the cemetery. From here, we continue south, stopping for lunch in Pine Creek at **Lazy Lizard Tavern**. Later today we arrive in Mataranka for overnight stay. We have been here before however the refreshing swim is always welcoming.

Breakfast and dinner in motel | lunch at Lazy Lizard Tavern

Territory Manor, Mataranka | 1 night

#### Day 21 MATARANKA TO TENNANT CREEK (BLD)

We have an early start today travelling through the centre of Australia seeing the vast spaces of Central Australia stretch from horizon to horizon. Today's journey takes us through Elliott and Renner Springs to **Tennant Creek** for our overnight stay.

Breakfast and dinner in motel | picnic lunch included

# Day 22 TENNANT CREEK TO ALICE SPRINGS (BLD)

This morning we continue our travels south, stopping at **Devils Marbles** for a break. These gigantic, rounded granite boulders are scattered across a wide, shallow valley and are spectacularly poised in a remarkable landscape. The Devils Marbles are a nationally and internationally recognised symbol of Australia's outback. We will stop along the way at the Ti Tree Roadhouse for lunch before continuing through to Alice Springs for the next two nights.

Breakfast and dinner in hotel | lunch at Ti Tree Roadhouse

Double Tree by Hilton | 08 8950 8000 | 3 nights

#### Day 23 WESTERN MACDONNELL RANGES

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We have a great day in store, as we explore the majestic **Western MacDonnell Ranges**. The natural beauty in this area is outstanding! After a walk-through **Standley Chasm** with its towering walls, we enjoy lunch. Our afternoon is free to do as we please. Tonight, we head to **Earth Sanctuary** – a World Nature Centre at **Quandong Homestead** to enjoy a mouth-watering bush BBQ. We will be treated to music and entertainment and experience the spirit of the outback through stories of the aboriginal dreamtime. We even learn how to cook a swagman's damper!

Breakfast in hotel | lunch included | dinner at Earth Sanctuary

# Day 24 ALICE SPRINGS AT LEISURE –Driver's day off

It's time to have a day of exploring the township for us. Relax, read a book or source some more touring whatever you choose to do we can meet up over dinner to share the stories of our day.

Breakfast and dinner in hotel | lunch own arrangements and cost

# Day 25 ALICE SPRINGS TO ULURU (BLD)

We farewell Alice Springs this morning and begin our journey to **Uluru** – we have a travel day today, but the landscape will be interesting as we pass through the desert country, dotted with spinifex and desert oaks. At Erldunda, we turn west; Mt Conner will be on our left. This sandstone mesa is often confused as Ayers Rock. We arrive at **Yulara** and check into our accommodation. We'll spend some time at the Rock tomorrow, but this evening we drive to **Sunset Strip** - the colour of the Rock changes depending on the time of day and the weather but in the evening, at sunset, Ayers Rock puts on a remarkable light show as it changes colour from red to orange to lilac in a matter of minutes. We enjoy this special experience with drinks and nibbles before returning to the resort.

Breakfast and dinner in hotel | lunch at Erldunda

Desert Gardens Hotel, Ayers Rock Resort | 08 8957 7714 | 2 nights

### Day 26 EXPLORING ULURU (BD)

For the very early risers, at around 6.00 am the coach will depart for the Sunrise Viewing Area to experience the first glimpse of the day and some brilliant photo opportunities. Breakfast is served on return and for those not wanting such an early morning, there will be breakfast at the resort. Mid-morning, we return to the National Park and arrive at the rock for the **Ranger-Guided Mala Walk**. Learn about Aboriginal perceptions of Uluru, its powerful spiritual significance and how Anangu Traditional Owners and Ranges are looking after the Park together. We can enjoy some free time back at the resort to purchase lunch then this afternoon we head straight to the **Olgas**, called by the Aboriginal people, **'Kata Tjuta'** or place of many domes. There are excellent views from an observation deck then time for a walk among the ancient domes. Once at the **Valley of the Winds** lookout, we take some time to gaze out over the central valley of Kata Tjuta before returning to the Ayers Rock Resort where we have time to freshen up before dinner in the resort.

Breakfast and dinner in the hotel | lunch own arrangements and cost

(BLD)

Our destination today is **Coober Pedy** – the well-known opal town in the far north of South Australia. We make our way back to 'the track" (Stuart Highway) and head south. Late afternoon we arrive at **Coober Pedy**. This will be our base for the next 2 nights, as we discover this fascinating and remote opal mining town.

Breakfast at the resort, picnic lunch en-route, dinner at motel

Opal Inn Hotel Motel, Coober Pedy | 008 8672 5054 | 2 nights

Day 28 COOBER PEDY (BLD)

First time visitors will be fascinated by **Coober Pedy.** About 80 per cent of the population lives underground. The reason is that the temperature can rise to 50°C in summer - and it has been known to rise to 60°C! To most outsiders the idea of living underground sounds terribly primitive. In fact, the houses here, which have been built underground, are as good as any built above ground. The floors are tiled and the mechanical equipment which digs out the rooms, leave attractive patterns in the red and white walls which are sealed to prevent dust and decay. There is certainly no likelihood of a sudden cave in. Our host from the **Umoona Opal Mine and Museum** will show us around today. Highlights of the day will be an opal cutting demonstration, the tour of an underground house and a mine tour. From the **Big Winch Lookout,** we will enjoy some sensational views of Coober Pedy. We will call in at an underground church; see the Coober Pedy Golf Course (the only one in the world with reciprocal rights to Saint Andrews in Scotland!). We now head to The Breakaways, a reserve consisting of colourful low hills which have broken away from the Stuart Range. We return to Coober Pedy, with time to freshen up for dinner.

Breakfast and dinner in the Motel | Lunch at Desert Cave Hotel

# Day 29 COOBER PEDY TO PORT AUGUSTA (BLD)

We have an early breakfast before our drive south through Glendambo to Pimba and **Woomera**. Woomera is just 90 kms south of the huge mining operation at Olympic Dam. The Woomera Rocket Range carried out 3,000 missile and rocket launch during its 30 years of operation. Since its beginning in 1947 undoubtedly the most ambitious and probably most expensive project was sponsored by the **European Launcher Development Organisation** which, amongst other things, was to place European communication satellites into orbit making Woomera a household name. On arrival we enjoy lunch at the **Woomera Heritage Centre**, which will give us a fascinating insight into the **Woomera Rocket Range**. This afternoon we continue to Port Junea at the Head of the Spencer Gulf.

Breakfast and dinner at the Motel | lunch in Woomera

Standpipe Golf Motor Inn, Port Augusta | 08 8642 4033 | 2 nights

Day 30 PORT AUGUSTA (BLD)

Our day starts with a visit to the **Wadlata Outback Centre** and discover how the Flinders Ranges evolved and be transported back to the age of the Dinosaurs. Wadlata is certainly an enthralling experience. At the **Australian Arid Lands Botanical Gardens,** we enjoy a guided tour; you will be stunned to discover the thousands of highly evolved plant communities, specially adapted to thrive in extreme temperatures and decade lasting droughts. We enjoy lunch at **The Café**, it may sound like we are going to a barren lifeless environment but fortunately the opposite is true. We return to our hotel with some free time.

Breakfast and dinner in hotel | lunch at the Café

#### Day 31 PORT AUGUSTA TO BROKEN HILL (BD)

Leaving Port Junea, we drive to **Peterborough**, whose history is all about rail. We stop here to enjoy our morning break. On arrival into Broken Hill, we have some time to purchase lunch before visiting the **Silver City Mint and Art Centre.** Known as one of the best galleries in town, the centre houses jewellery made from Broken Hill silver, a Broken Hill mineral display, and an extensive range of original paintings by well-known artists. However, it is the dramatic "**Big Picture**" painted by Peter Anderson that will be of greatest interest.

It's the world's largest acrylic painting on canvas that totally immerses visitors into the local landscape. The experience is breathtaking as we gaze out to the distant Flinders Ranges, follow ancient riverbeds dotted with gum trees, and see a massive thunderstorm unfolding in the desert and get a view of the Sculpture Symposium and Living Desert area to the west of Broken Hill. For generations artists have drawn inspiration from the city's larger than life history and its spectacular ancient setting. Late afternoon, we visit the **Living Desert and Sculpture Symposium** on the western outskirts of the town. Twelve of the finest sculptors from around the world created this unusual attraction from large pieces of Wilcannia Sandstone. The arrangements of the stones are double colonnade which defines a special flow from the Pinnacles Hills to Fred Hollow's resting place in Bourke and provides one of the most spectacular views in the area. We then head to our motel for dinner and our overnight stay.

Breakfast and dinner included | lunch own arrangements and cost

Desert Sands Motor Inn, Broken Hill | 08 8088 4122 | 1 night

# Day 32 BROKEN HILL TO DUBBO (BLD)

We farewell Broken Hill early this morning as we have a full travel day ahead of us, sit back and relax as we make our way through Wilcannia and Cobar to **Dubbo**. Of course, there will be rest stops along the way and we'll enjoy a picnic lunch at a suitable spot.

Breakfast and dinner at motel | picnic lunch included

Golden West Motor Inn, Dubbo | 02 6882 2822 | 2 nights

Day 33 DUBBO (BLD)

After breakfast we make our way to the **Taronga Western Plains Zoo** where we spend the morning. The Zoo is home to more than 1100 animals from around the world, many of them endangered species. The Zoo is in the unique position to allow many of the animals to roam freely and to be viewed without the visual barriers of fences, bars or glass, instead using a system of dry and water-filled moats. A zookeeper will escort our coach and explain the open range layout and some of the behind-the-scenes operations of the Zoo. We have time at leisure to explore further before making our way to **Dundullimal Homestead**. Wealthy Squatter John Maughan built Dundullimal in the 1840's as the head station of his 1600-acre sheep run. Maughan sold the property in 1858, and it was subsequently occupied by three prominent Dubbo families. The slab house and stone stables that remain bear testimony to the hardships and conditions of colonial life on the land. We enjoy lunch here before returning to the township where we visit the **Old Dubbo Gaol**. Originally a courthouse lockup in 1847, it was proclaimed an official Gaol in 1859 and closed operations as a penal institution in 1966. It was officially re-opened as a tourist attraction in 1974. It is now fully restored and home to a large display of animatronic models and holographic displays which provide a realistic and fascinating insight into a bygone era of barbaric prison life.

Breakfast and dinner at the motel | Lunch at Dundullimal Homestead

# Day 34 DUBBO TO HOME (BL)

What a lovely holiday we have had travelling with friends. Today is a travel day to home with stops made along the way to stretch our legs and to enjoy lunch at **Club Singleton**. Arriving home later today with many wonderful memories made in Outback Australia.

Breakfast in hotel and lunch at Club Singleton

\$14,680 pp twin share | \$4,425 pp SS \$2,000 deposit pp Balance due 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024

#### **Tour Inclusions**

- 33 night's motel accommodation
- 33 Breakfasts
- 24 motel Dinners, 5 own arrangements and cost and 4 out see below
- 22 included lunches see below
- Talk at Unique Egg, St George
- Picnic lunch from the Cambridge Motel, Mitchell
- Entry and self-guided tour at the Australian Workers Heritage Centre, Barcaldine
- Stonegrill Dining Experience, Longreach
- The Stockmans Experience and A Stockman's Life at the Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame
- Harry Redford Old Time Tent Show including Billy can lunch at Outback Pioneer Kinnon & Co
- Entry to Qantas Founders Outback Museum, Longreach
- Dinner at The Woolshed Restaurant, Longreach
- Camden Park Station Lunch and Tour with Outback Aussie Tours, Longreach
- Smithy's Outback Dinner and Show with Outback Aussie Tours, Longreach
- Morning tea, entry and museum tour at the Australian Age of Dinosaurs, Winton
- Lunch, entry and self-guided tour including audio set at the Waltzing Matilda Centre Winton
- Entry to the Crackup Sisters, Winton
- Lunch at the Walkabout Creek Hotel, McKinlay
- Entry to John Flynns Place, Cloncurry
- Mine Tour, Riversleigh Guided Tour, Isa Experience History Museum and Crib Port Lunch at Outback at Isa
- Lunch at the Barkly Homestead
- Lunch at the Daly Waters Pub
- NitNit Dreaming Cruise with Nitmiluk Tours, Katherine
- Lunch at the Nitmiluk Visitor Centre, Katherine
- Lunch at the Mary River Roadhouse
- Kakadu National Park entry fee
- Kakadu Guide Accredited Kakadu
- Visit Warradjan Aboriginal Cultural Centre, Kakadu
- Dawn Yellow Water Cruise, Kakadu
- Visit Bowali Visitors Centre, Kakadu
- Entry and Tour at the Darwin Military Museum
- Entry to the Royal Flying Doctor Service
- Dinner Cruise with Spirit of Darwin Cruises
- Lunch at Litchfield Café
- Entry and Tour at the Darwin Military Museum
- Entry including welcome talk at Darwin Aviation Museum
- Dinner at Seafood on Cullen, Cullen Bay
- Lunch at Lazy Lizard Tavern, Pine Creek
- Picnic Lunch from the Territory Manor, Mataranka
- Lunch at Ti Tree Roadhouse
- Entry and lunch at Standley Chasm
- Return transfers and Spirit of the Outback dinner and show at Earth Sanctuary World Nature Centre, Alice Springs

Entry, guided tour and morning tea at Old Telegraph Station, Alice Springs

#### **Tour Inclusions Continued**

- Entry and tour including lunch at the Royal Flying Doctor Service, Alice Springs
- Entry to the train museum, national road transport hall of fame, RSL war museum and Kenworth Hall of fame at the National Road Transport Hall of Fame, Alice Springs
- Lunch at Desert Oaks Resort Roadhouse, Erldunda
- Entry to Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park
- Sunset drinks and nibbles at sunset strip
- Guided tour of Mala Walk, Uluru
- Guided tour of Kata Tjuta National Park
- Picnic lunch from Voyages Desert Gardens Hotel
- Locally guided tour including entry to mine, town tour, big winch lookout, and Breakaways
- Lunch at the Desert Cave Hotel, Coober Pedy
- The Umoona Experience & Extended Town Tour including opal cutting and polishing demo, guided tour of dugouts with Umoona Opal Mine & Museum, Coober Pedy
- Entry to heritage including lunch at the Woomera Heritage & Visitor Information Centre
- Entry to the Wadlata Outback Centre, Port Augusta
- Entry, guided tour and lunch at the Australian Arid Lands Botanic Gardens, Port Augusta
- Picnic lunch from Standpipe Golf Motor Inn
- Guided tour including Big Picture viewing at Silver City Mint & Art Centre, Broken Hill
- Entry to the Living Desert Sculptures, Broken Hill
- Picnic lunch from Desert Sand Motor Inn, Broken Hill
- Entry and guided tour of the Taronga Western Plains Zoo, Dubbo
- Entry and guided tour at the Old Dubbo Gaol
- Lunch at Club Singleton

#### **Confirmed Accommodation**

- Burke and Wills Motor Inn Moree (1 night)
- Cambridge Motel, Mitchell (1 night)
- Longreach Tourist Park (3 nights)
- Boulder Opal Motor Inn, Winton (1 night)
- Ibis Styles Mt Isa Verona (2 nights)
- Bluestone Motor Inn, Tennant Creek (2 nights)
- Territory Manor, Mataranka (2 nights)
- Knotts Crossing Resort (1 night)
- Mercure Kakadu Crocodile Hotel (1 night)
- DoubleTree by Hilton Esplanade Darwin (7 nights)
- DoubleTree by Hilton Alice Springs (3 nights)
- Voyages Desert Gardens Hotel, Yulara (2 nights)
- Opal Inn Hotel Motel, Coober Pedy (2 nights)
- Standpipe Golf Motor Inn, Port Augusta (2 nights)
- Desert Sand Motor Inn, Broken Hill (1 night)
- Golden West Motor Inn, Dubbo (2 nights)

All itineraries are subject to change due to occasional restrictions in opening times/days of some attractions, e.g. churches, wineries etc. We cannot be held responsible for any changes due to closures, inclement weather etc.