

WONDERS OF THE KIMBERLEY

THE GHAN

DEPARTURE FRIDAY

This is a journey of significance combining the wonders of the Kimberley with one of the world's most renowned rail journeys – The Ghan Expedition from Darwin to Adelaide. Your adventure into the heart of the pristine Kimberley from amazing Broome will leave you speechless and it only gets better from there.

INCLUSIONS

- 11 days/10 nights Wonders of the Kimberley guided holiday including quality accommodation and luxury coach touring
- 2 nights' accommodation in Darwin including breakfast daily
- 4 days/3 nights aboard The Ghan Expedition, Darwin to Adelaide, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Excursions in Katherine, Alice Springs and Coober Pedy
- 15 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 13 dinners

HIGHLIGHTS

- Tour the city of Broome
- See the stunning white sands of Cable Beach
- Visit Geikie Gorge for a scenic cruise on the tranquil waters
- Meet Indigenous artists in Halls Creek
- Enjoy a behind-the-scenes look at the mining process at Argyle Diamond Mine
- Stay in El Questro Wilderness Park
- Hike to Emma Gorge for a dip in the crystal clear waterhole
- Cruise along the Ord River
- Explore the Bungle Bungles
- Sense the spirituality of the land at Nitmiluk (Katherine Gorge)
- Visit the Adelaide River War Cemetery

DAY 1 – ARRIVE BROOME

After your arrival into Broome, check in to your accommodation. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers at dinner this evening.

OVERNIGHT: 2 nights Cable Beach Club Resort (D)

DAY 2 – LEISURE DAY

Today is yours to explore Broome. A fascinating multicultural community surrounded by stunning natural wonders, be sure to visit famous Cable Beach and swim in its turquoise waters. (B)

WE RECOMMEND:

Horizontal Falls & Cape Leveque

From \$925 per person

This option is a rare opportunity to visit the world-renowned wilderness camp, 'Kooljaman' at Cape Leveque. The camp is owned and run by the Indigenous Bardi Jawi Communities and is famous for its astonishing diversity, pristine wilderness and unique landscape. Only a lucky few ever get to see this.

After enjoying a meal, stroll along the pristine white beaches and marvel at nature's contrasts where ancient red cliffs meet the crystal blue of the Indian Ocean. You'll then visit the Aquaculture Hatchery at One Arm Point for a fascinating tour. You'll get insights into the Bardi Jawi Community's age-old saltwater culture, the hatchery's sustainable aquaculture production and the spectacular marine life in the area. Be tempted by special locally crafted souvenirs and be astounded at the stunning views.

DAY 3 – BROOME TO FITZROY CROSSING

After taking in the highlights of Broome, it's time to head to Geikie Gorge for a scenic cruise through sheer limestone walls. From here, you head to Fitzroy Crossing.

OVERNIGHT: Fitzroy River Lodge (B,D)

DAY 4 – FITZROY CROSSING TO HALLS CREEK

Today is all about incredible landscapes and a chance to meet Indigenous artists at Halls Creek – a fascinating town rich in both Aboriginal and European history and culture.

OVERNIGHT: Kimberley Hotel (B,L,D)

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DAY 5 – HALLS CREEK TO EMMA GORGE

You'll be intrigued by how the world's largest source of natural coloured diamonds is extracted at the Argyle Diamond Mine before heading to Parry Lagoons Nature Reserve to see egrets, herons, ibis, magpie geese and perhaps even a jabiru or a lurking crocodile. As the sun fades, settle in to your safari-style tented cabin set among native pandanus and palms at the foot of the Cockburn Ranges in the El Questro Wilderness Park.

OVERNIGHT: 2 nights Emma Gorge Resort (B,L,D)

DAY 6 – EL QUESTRO

Waking to a symphony of birdsong and rising to a hearty breakfast, you'll join a cruise on beautiful Chamberlain Gorge. The rest of the day is yours to relax at the resort. (B,D)

DAY 7 – EMMA GORGE TO KUNUNURRA

Today you're travelling onward to Kununurra but first up it's a guided tour of Hoochery Distillery, the home of Ord River Rum. Visit historic Durack Homestead Museum and later cruise along the wildlife-rich Ord River where you'll also enjoy a stunning sunset.

OVERNIGHT: 2 nights The Kimberley Grande (B,D)

DAY 8 – KUNUNURRA

You can choose from two incredible adventures: an optional early-morning scenic flight over the spectacular Bungle Bungle Range before a tour of Kununurra, or a full-day 4WD tour of the Bungle Bungles. After your afternoon of exploration or relaxation, you'll dine this evening on locally-grown produce at a privately-hosted Be My Guest dinner in the heart of Kununurra's sandalwood plantations. (B,D)

DAY 9 – KUNUNURRA TO KATHERINE

Heading east to the Top End, your introduction to the Northern Territory will be meeting Tom Curtin during his entertaining show at the Katherine Outback Experience.

OVERNIGHT: Paraway Motel (B,D)

DAY 10 – KATHERINE TO DARWIN

In the Nitmiluk National Park, cruise spectacular Katherine Gorge with expert guides. Heading further up the Stuart Highway at Adelaide River, visit the site of a large WWII military base and a significant war cemetery. After arriving in Darwin, tour the city sights before joining your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a Farewell Dinner overlooking the waterfront.

OVERNIGHT: 2 nights Vibe Hotel Darwin Waterfront (B,D)

DAY 11 – LEISURE DAY, DARWIN HARBOUR DINNER CRUISE

Say farewell to your fellow travellers and enjoy a day at rest or explore tropical Darwin at your leisure. Tonight, enjoy a two & half hour dinner cruise on the 'Charles Darwin's' Luxury catamaran in air-conditioned comfort. View the famous Darwin sunset while enjoying a delicious Territory style dinner buffet with Australian seafood and local produce. (B,D)

DAY 12 – LEISURE DAY

Today is yours to discover all that Darwin city has to offer. (B)

DAY 13 – BOARD THE GHAN EXPEDITION IN DARWIN

Prepare for one of the world's great rail journeys this morning. Enjoy your first Off Train Excursion in Katherine before continuing your journey south.

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

DAY 14 – THE GHAN EXPEDITION, ALICE SPRINGS

Your arrival into Alice Springs provides you with a full day to explore the iconic town in the red heart of Australia. This evening, enjoy an Aussie barbecue dinner under a canopy of stars. (B,L,D)

DAY 15 – THE GHAN EXPEDITION, COOBER PEDY

Pull into the middle-of-nowhere stop at Manguri. Here you will discover the sun-scorched opal mining capital of the world, Coober Pedy. (B,L,D)

DAY 16 – THE GHAN EXPEDITION, ADELAIDE

Your arrival into Adelaide completes one of the world's great travel experiences. (B)