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Travellers' Tales

LET'S DISCOVER AUSTRALIA TOGETHER...



Day Tour & Holiday Tour News

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NEWSLETTER

Would you like to explore the Top End of Australia? Our Top End tour includes not only all of the delights of Darwin, but also some very special places nearby.

Darwin is a fascinating, tropical city and the perfect place to escape to during the cold of winter. One delight is to take a dinner cruise on Darwin harbour as the sun sets – magnificent!

Kakadu is a stunning national park – the second largest in the world. It protects important indigenous heritage, as well as its incredible scenic value. Experience the beauty of the park, the culture and take a Yellow Water Wetlands cruise.

Further south is the stunning Katherine Gorge, now known by its indigenous name; Nitmiluk. The sheer scale of the cliffs need to be seen to be understood, and a cruise in the gorge is an unforgettable experience.

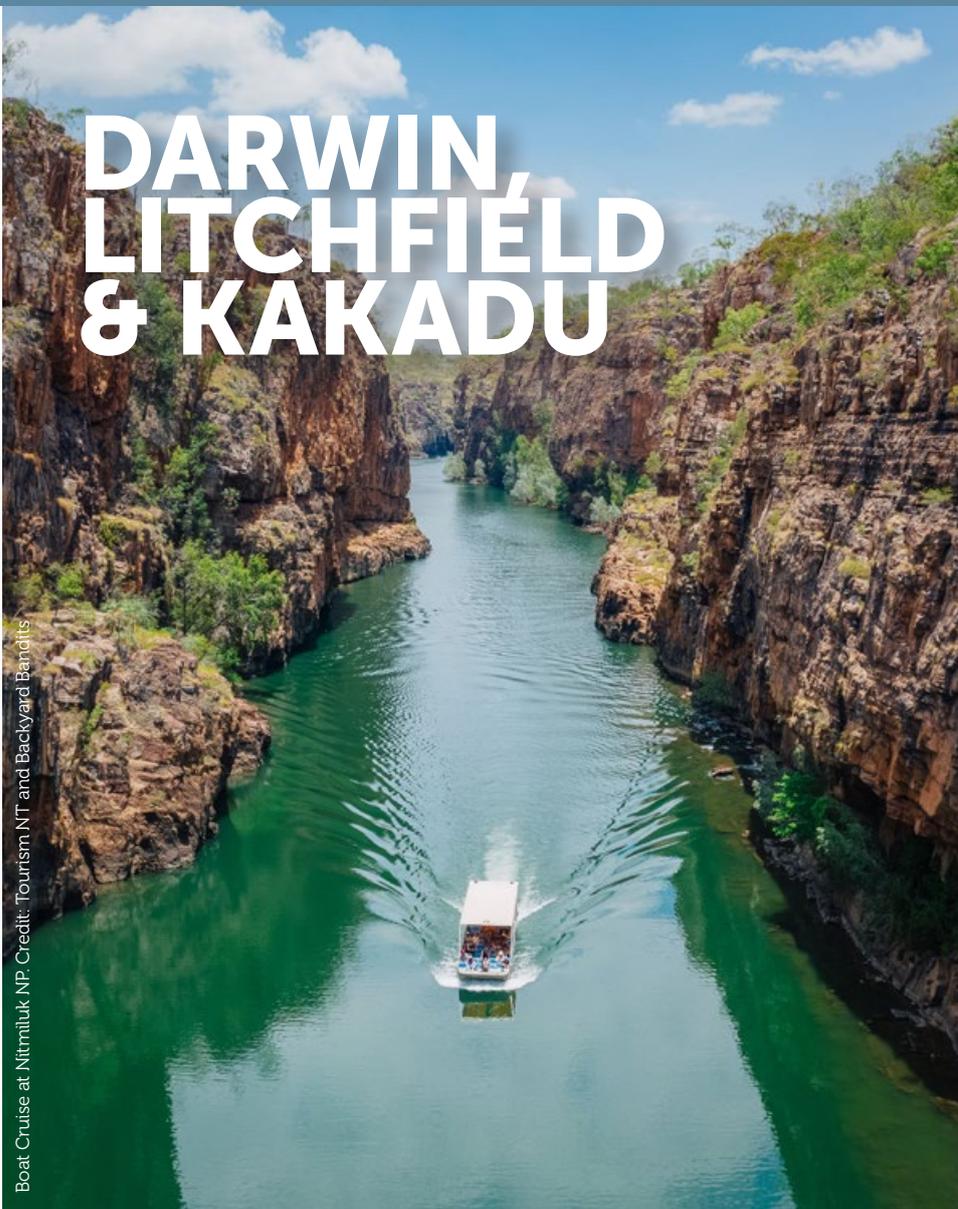
Litchfield NP is another amazing Top End gem. Its waterfalls, giant termite mounds and other amazing features make this an absolute highlight.

Then there are all of the wonderful attractions of Darwin, and other special moments such as visiting the Adelaide River War Cemetery. It all adds up to a trip you'll never forget.

We're visiting from the 7th to the 14th of July – the very best time to be in the Top End.

DARWIN, LITCHFIELD & KAKADU

Boat Cruise at Nitmiluk NP Credit: Tourism NT and Backyard Bandits



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LAST CHANCE FOR QLD...



LAST CHANCE FOR A QUEENSLAND ESCAPE

Winter is almost here, and so are our tours to Queensland. In coming days and weeks we'll need to close off bookings for these tours. So if you want to escape winter in sunny Queensland with us, it's time to make your booking!

We have four fabulous stayput tours in Queensland this year – unpack once for the entire trip. **Brisbane** is a fabulous place to explore. On this trip we enjoy the views from Mount Coot-tha, and relax on a luncheon cruise on the Brisbane River. We discover the many attractions of the city plus venture into the stunning ranges of the scenic rim. We take a wander through rainforest on the Mount Tamborine Skywalk, and take in the views from the Q1 observation deck on the Gold Coast. **This holiday flies to Brisbane on May 19 and flies back on May 26.**

Just north of Brisbane is the stunning **Sunshine Coast**. With beaches, mountains, rainforest and more, there's plenty to enjoy in easy reach of our accommodation in Caloundra. We visit the famous Eumundi Markets and the Yandina Ginger Factory. The Mary Cairncross Reserve allows us to stroll through stunning rainforest. We tour the hinterland with its charming villages, explore Australia Zoo, and cruise on the Noosa River. **This trip flies out of Adelaide on May 26, and flies home on June 2.**

Townsville is considered the capital of north Queensland, and with over 300 days of sunshine a year it's perfect for a winter holiday! A big feature of this holiday is Magnetic Island, just off the coast from Townsville. We spend one day exploring on the Island, plus another taking a fascinating cruise around the island – there's so much to see and discover that is only accessible from the water! We also spend a day in the countryside west of Townsville, including meeting the amazingly gentle Texas Longhorn cattle. When you add in our time visiting the attractions of Townsville itself, you have a superb holiday in Queensland. **This tour flies out of Adelaide on June 4 and flies home on June 10.**

Cairns is the most northern city in Queensland. It is the closest city to the Great Barrier Reef, and despite recent bleaching events there are still stunning sections to see – so one of our days here is spent on the reef. Cairns is also close to the Daintree Rainforest, which we also explore. We take the spectacular Skyrail to Kuranda, plus enjoy the scenic railway. We also explore the Spanish inspired Paronella Park, see the beautiful Millaa Millaa Falls, discover the astonishing Curtain Fig Tree, and lots more. **This holiday flies out of Adelaide on June 11 and flies back on June 18.**

To make sure you have something special to look forward to this winter give us a call. But be quick – bookings are closing very soon!



BROKEN HILL BOOKING FAST

Did you miss out on our very popular tour to Broken Hill in March? If you're not quick you'll miss out on the next one too, because it's booking very quickly!

This has been an amazing season in the outback. The rains that have fallen have changed the landscape, giving the plants and grasses here a new lease on life. That means it's a great year to head to Broken Hill.

This holiday gives a wonderful experience of this area. We have a tour of the city with a guide to get the best understanding of Broken Hill with all the local stories. We see the stunning sculpture park in the soft light of sunset. The outback light and landscape has attracted many artists to live and work in this area, and a trip to Broken Hill is never complete without a visit to a local gallery. We also venture out to Silverton: this fascinating town is so full of character that it has been used as the backdrop for numerous movies and advertisements.

If you're quick you'll be able to grab a seat on this fabulous tour, which **travels from June 2 to 5.**

LAKE EYRE & THE OODNADATTA TRACK

If you would like a fabulous experience in the outback of Australia, our Oodnadatta Track tour has a bit of everything.

The trip starts by heading away from the highway – we take the quieter roads through the mid north to Port Augusta. We then head for Coober Pedy. We have two nights here so that we have time to properly explore the area, including an underground church, an opal mine and the stunning views at the Breakaways.

From Coober Pedy we leave the bitumen and travel east to William Creek. Our time here is a bit special – it includes a flight out over Lake Eyre! The best way to see Lake Eyre is from the sky – we can see so much more, and get a better understanding of the vast size of the Lake.

From William Creek we're on the famous Oodnadatta Track. This is the most interesting section of the Track – we take in views of Lake Eyre South, the historic Curdimurka Railway Station where the Ghan used to stop, and see the amazing and surprising Mutonia Sculpture Park. We lunch at Maree, before heading to Farina Station, home to the fascinating ghost town of Farina.

From here our tour takes in a little of the Flinders Ranges. We visit a range of the stunning lookouts in the Flinders, and depending on road conditions we take a drive through one of the gorges. We travel through Hawker, taking in the incredible panoramic paintings by artist Jeff Morgan.

If you would like to join us on this outback exploration, please give us a call as soon as you can. This trip has tended to book very quickly and we expect that it will book out. **We're travelling from July 1 to 7.**

Would you like to escape the cold of winter in SA for a little while? It's the perfect time of year to travel in the Northern Territory. When SA is chilling down and the days are dark with cloud and rain, NT shows its very best side – warm, clear days with blue skies and sunshine.

One of the best Australian journeys is to travel from **Darwin to Alice Springs** – few journeys include so much variety and fascination, with the transition from tropical north to desert heart.

Darwin is a fabulous, young city. The destruction caused by Cyclone Tracy resulted in a city reborn, giving it a completely different atmosphere to other Australian cities. Darwin's harbour is magnificent, especially on a sunset dinner cruise. And no experience of the Top End is complete without crocodiles – we get to understand them better at the Territory Wildlife Park!

Travelling south leads through tropical pandanus country to Litchfield National Park. This Park has gorgeous waterfalls and impossibly large termite mounds. Further south is the district around Katherine. This area includes such special places as Edith Falls and the famous Nitmiluk/Katherine

Gorge. And just a little further south is the delightful Mataranka hot springs.

As we head further from the tropical north we find quirky places like the Daly Waters Hotel. The interior of this pub is decorated in a very unusual way! Further south we enter drier country. There's stunning desert scenery, unexpected hills and incredible rock formations (like the Devil's Marbles).

At the end of the journey we enter Alice Springs. This city in the centre of our country has a wealth of places to explore, plus some superb landscapes to take in.

Our great journey from Darwin to Alice flies from **Adelaide on July 14 and back to Adelaide on July 23.** Book now and enjoy the anticipation of a fabulous warm holiday during winter!



THE BIG TERRITORY ADVENTURE

COVID UPDATE

In last month's newsletter we mentioned that due to the removal of Covid restrictions we were going to operate more normally. Then the number of Covid cases rose dramatically – so we changed our minds!

At this stage we are continuing to keep our Covid processes in place. This means if you are travelling on your own, you won't be placed in a double seat next to anyone you don't know.

Masks are still required, so it is important that everyone wears a mask on the bus and while indoors at attractions and other venues. As always, if you have a mask exemption please let us know.

As mentioned last month, attractions, restaurants and other venues are now able to go back to their

pre-covid capacities. While on tour or just out having a meal at a restaurant you may notice more people around.

When conditions ease and case numbers drop we'll change to more 'normal' seating. At that stage, if you would still like to have a seat on your own there will be that option at an additional cost. We are planning to trial a new system where you can choose to pay a little extra and have this guaranteed. On a Day Tour this will cost \$25 extra, and on a Holiday Tour this will cost \$50 per day extra. If you prefer not to pay you may still get a seat on your own, but it's not guaranteed. Of course, this new way of doing things won't be implemented until we feel comfortable that Covid cases have reduced.

GREAT HOLIDAYS IN 2022

TWO DAYS

Coorong Overnighter (Comb dept)
– Aug 30 to 31

Fleurieu Overnighter (Adelaide dept)
– Sept 6 to 7
– Twin \$595, Single \$675

Monarto & More Overnighter
(Sth Cst dept) – Sept 16 to 17
– Twin \$635, Single \$699

Monarto & More Overnighter
(Adelaide dept) – Sept 19 to 20
– Twin \$635, Single \$699

FOUR DAYS

Broken Hill (Comb dept) – June 2 to 5
– Twin \$1395, Single \$1685

Pichi Richi Railway & Southern Flinders
(Adelaide dept) – Sept 2 to 5
– Twin \$1395, Single \$1645

Pichi Richi Railway & Southern Flinders
(Sth Cst dept) – Oct 6 to 9
– Twin \$1395, Single \$1645

Kingston & Robe (Comb dept)
– Sept 13 to 16

Riverland Roses & Gardens
– Oct 14 to 17

FIVE DAYS

Gawler Ranges (Sth Cst dept)
– May 4 to 8
– Twin \$1695, Single \$1845

Gawler Ranges (Adelaide dept)
– May 23 to 27
– Twin \$1695, Single \$1845

Whales at the Head of the Bight
(Adelaide dept) – Aug 1 to 5
– Twin \$1795, Single \$1995

Whales at the Head of the Bight
(Sth Cst dept) – Aug 8 to 12
– Twin \$1795, Single \$1995

Port Lincoln featuring the Spencer Gulf
ferry (Comb dept) – Oct 23 to 27
– Twin \$1995, Single \$2295

SEVEN DAYS

Townsville & Magnetic Island
(Comb dept) – June 4 to 10
– Twin \$3795, Single \$4195

Oodnadatta Track & Lake Eyre
(Comb dept) – July 1 to 7
– Twin \$3195, Single \$3675

Flinders Ranges & Arkaroola Sanctuary
(Comb dept) – Aug 29 to Sept 4

Flinders Ranges & Arkaroola Sanctuary
(Comb dept) – Sept 26 to Oct 2

EIGHT DAYS

Kiama & the Shoalhaven Coast
(Comb dept) – May 1 to 8
– Twin \$3595, Single \$4095

Beautiful Brisbane Stayput (Comb dept)
– May 19 to 26
– Twin \$3795, Single \$4289

Sunshine Coast Stayput (Comb dept)
– May 26 to June 2
– Twin \$3995, Single \$4495

Cairns & the Daintree (Comb dept)
– June 11 to 18
– Twin \$4795, Single \$5395

Darwin, Kakadu & Litchfield
(Comb dept) – July 7 to 14
– Twin \$5395, Single \$6195

NINE DAYS

Canberra's Floriade Festival
(Comb dept) – Sept 20 to 28

TEN DAYS

The Northern Territory: Darwin to
Alice Springs – July 14 to 23
– Twin \$5595, Single \$6395

Central Australia: Alice to Adelaide
– July 24 to Aug 2

SIXTEEN DAYS

Queensland Outback: Cairns to
Darwin (Comb dept) – June 21 to
July 6 – Twin \$8395, Single \$9695

And lots more to come!

Please note: prices throughout this newsletter are per person, all inclusive. 'Adelaide dept' tours depart from and return to Adelaide. 'Sth Cst dept' tours depart from and return to Victor Harbor, Middleton, Pt Elliot and Goolwa. 'Comb dept' tours are available to customers from both Adelaide and South Coast pick up areas.