Darwin & Top End Discovery Tour



Katherine Gorge - Courtesy of Tourism NT - Jason Charles Hill

Darwin... the Northern Territory's tropical capital city which is located on a magnificent harbour, surrounded by scenic mangroves and pristine tidal waters. Treat your taste buds to the city's Asian-influenced food, fresh seafood, and tropical outdoor lifestyle.

Also, much history of WW11,Cyclone Tracey and confiscated Indonesian fishing vessels.

The Top End has numerous national parks, magnificent wilderness areas, spectacular waterfalls and gorges, cool waterholes, amazing landscapes, and First Nations history.

Highlights include...

Litchfield NP, Katherine Gorge, Katherine Outback Experience, Kakadu NP, Yellow Water Cruise, Kakadu sightseeing tour, Darwin Harbour Gaze & Graze Sunset Cruise, 2-Day Hop-on hop-off Sightseeing bus tour, and more!

9 Day Fly/Coach Tour - Departing 30 May 2024

Price \$4990_{pp} (twin share)
Single price \$6290

All inclusive holiday package... return (daytime) direct flights with Qantas, return airport transfers in Sydney and Darwin, incorporating an AAT Kings luxury 5-day coach tour, 8 nights in 3 & 4 star hotels, 7 meals (2 dinners and 5 breakfasts), all park and entry fees, Katherine Gorge cruise, and Yellow Water Billabong Cruise Optional scenic flight over Kakadu!

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\$153 Discount for AAT Kings Clients



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Day 1 Sydney - Darwin

We are transferred from RELC Club to Sydney airport, for our direct flight to Darwin departing at 8.30am. Arrive at 12.35pm and take the shuttle to our hotel, where the rest of the day is at leisure. Late afternoon we make our way to the Mindil Beach Sunset Markets. A wonderful experience of this fabulous local market that offers over 200 stalls with nearly 60 food stalls from more than 30 different countries.

O/n Darwin Travelodge Resort

(Tour price is based on Qantas QF840 direct flight to Darwin and allowance is \$668 + \$22 service fee)

Day 2 Darwin - Katherine

Today we visit Litchfield National Park, where there are lakes, rivers, waterfalls and waterholes. We visit Florence Falls, then we can take a dip in the clear pool of Wangi Falls, set in the monsoon forest. The landscape is also shaped by termites, and the national park has enormous termite mounds. Later we continue to Katherine for 2 nights. O/n Contour Hotel Katherine (B,D)

Day 3 Katherine - Katherine Gorge Excursion

Our excursion takes us to the gaping Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge, which carves the countryside in spectacular form. Sit back on our boat and enjoy a cruise through this ancient landscape, home to the Jawoyn people for millennia. You'll learn about First Nations culture with a Jawoyn guide and will tempt your tastebuds with some bush tucker. Dinner is at our own express in the hotel restaurant. O/n Contour Hotel Katherine (B)

Day 4 Katherine - Kakadu

This morning we can have a swim in Edith Falls, a series of cascades in Nitmiluk National Park. (Please note that swimming at Edith Falls is controlled by National Parks). Enroute to Kakadu with a short stopover in the film-set-like town of Pine Creek, where buildings date back to the heady gold rush days. Later in Kakadu, we will take a guided walk to view ancient Aboriginal rock art at Burrungkuy (Nourlangie). Dinner is at our own express in the hotel restaurant. O/n Mercure Kakadu Crocodile Hotel (B)

<u>Day 5 Kakadu – Kakadu National Park Excursion</u>

Today we visit the iconic Kakadu National Park and experience spectacular view over Kakadu from the top of the impressive escarpment. Australia is home to some of the oldest art in the world, as seen on the rock walls at Ubirr, with Aboriginal rock paintings and carvings dating back more than 20,000 years. This afternoon we see the dramatic escarpments, waterholes and abundant wildlife of Kakadu. Also join a magnificent Yellow Water Billabong cruise, spotting saltwater crocs in the water and on the banks as we drift these ancient waterways. Maybe consider an optional scenic flight over the national park, revealing just how wide, wild and wonderful this area is. Tonight, is the farewell dinner, being the last night of the group tour. O/n Mercure Kakadu Crocodile Hotel (B,D)

Day 6 Kakadu - Darwin

Following breakfast, we return to Darwin around midday and hopefully dropped off at the Cavenagh Hotel, centrally located in the CBD. The afternoon is at leisure and firstly visit the nearby Darwin & Top End Visitors Centre and gather information of places of interest. Tonight, maybe experience the majestic 'deckchair cinema' down by the Harbour. O/n Cavenagh Hotel (B)

<u>Day 7 Darwin – Independent Sightseeing Tour</u>

Have the benefit of a 2-day hop-on hop-off bus ticket to visit the attraction of Darwin. These will include Darwin's wildlife at Crocosauras Cove, an exhibit showcasing saltwater crocodiles, turtles and other reptiles: Museum and Art Gallery of Northern, with an art collection consisting of over 30,000 pieces; George Brown Botanic Gardens, covers 42 hectares and houses exotic flora; Darwin's Military Museum and learn of its involvement in World War II; and the Royal Flying Doctors Service, and learn more about the Bombing of Darwin Harbour that rocked Australia in 1942. Tonight, we join a wonderful aincluded Darwin Harbour Sunset Gaze and Graze 2.5hr Cruise. O/n Cavenagh Hotel

<u>Day 8 Darwin – Independent Sightseeing Tour</u>

Another day visiting Darwin's attractions using your 2-day hop-on hop-off bus ticket. Late this afternoon we can revisit Mindil Sunset Markets and food stalls. O/n Cavenagh Hotel

Day 9 Darwin - Sydney

Morning is at leisure, and late take the shuttle bus to Darwin Airport for our direct early afternoon Qantas flight to Sydney, departing around 1.30pm. Arrive around 6pm and later transferred to back to the Club. (Tour price is based on Qantas QF841 direct flight to Sydney and allowance is \$642 + \$22 service fee)