Itinerary 2013/14



5 Day Darwin to Alice Springs Explorer incl. Kakadu

Tour Code: DASK5

Tour Departs: Select Darwin accommodation from 06:20am

Default pick up: Adventure Tours Australia shop at 06:50am

(Shop 2/52 Mitchell St, Darwin)

Year Round: Wed

Tour Finishes: Alice Springs accommodation early evening day 5

Tour Style: Explorer

Max People: 16/48

ITINERARY:

Day 1 – Darwin to Litchfield National Park <u>DEFAULT PICK UP: Adventure Tours Australia Shop, 52 Mitchell St Darwin,</u> 06:50am.

Leaving cosmopolitan Darwin, we journey south to beautiful Litchfield National Park, where we experience the stunning waterfalls that flow all year round. Take a refreshing swim and enjoy lunch before we travel into Wulna Country and receive a Cul Cul or unique 'Welcome to Country' by the traditional owners of the land, the Limilngan – Wulna people. Experience the local Aboriginal culture including bush tucker talks, playing the didgeridoo, basket weaving and spear throwing.* We finish the day in the spectacular Mary River Wetlands, where the exotic birds are not the only wildlife to see. Keep a watch for lurking crocodiles on an afternoon river cruise! Climb into your sleeping bag for a well earned rest at our secluded Mary River camping spot. (LD)

Day 2 - Mary River to Kakadu

Discover ancient Aboriginal rock art at Ubirr, our first stop this morning. Clamber to the top of a rocky lookout for fabulous views over the Nardab floodplain. Next it's on to Maguk (Barramundi Gorge), where a hike is rewarded with a reviving swim in the plunge pools. Tonight we stay at our permanent camp within Kakadu National Park. (BLD)

Day 3 – Kakadu to Darwin

Get ready for some 4WD action today on our way to Jim Jim Falls! Once we get there, we'll hike to the base of the falls before continuing on to Twin Falls. Feel the beauty of the stunning gorge and powerful falls from the National Park operated boat and boardwalk experience. Stop in at the Warradjan Aboriginal Cultural Centre this afternoon to learn about local Indigenous culture. The impressive scenery will continue to amaze you as we journey back to Darwin in the afternoon. (BL)

Day 4 – Darwin to Katherine Gorge and Daly Waters PICK UP DAY 4: Adventure Tours Australia Shop, 52 Mitchell St Darwin, 06:30am.

We depart from Darwin early and we make our way to Nitmiluk National Park: the home of magnificent Katherine Gorge. Here you will have the chance to take an optional cruise through the first 2 gorges (own expense and seasonal). Alternatively, if you prefer to get more active you also have the option of canoeing through the first gorge (own expense and seasonal), or taking a guided walk to Baruwei lookout; you can get a nice postcard shot of the gorge and learn about this stunning area and its significance to the local Jawoyn Aboriginal people. Once we finish exploring the gorge we continue our journey south, arriving in time for dinner and a beer at the historic Daly Waters Hotel — the Northern Territory's oldest pub (own expense). The journey towards Alice Springs continues overnight.

Day 5 - Alice Springs

In the early hours of the morning, we make a stop at Tennant Creek so that you can stretch your legs and grab some refreshments before we continue on to Alice Springs. There is also one last photo stop as we cross the Tropic of Capricorn. We arrive at our final destination around 8am. You have the rest of the day free to explore the heart of the Red Centre.

BRING:

Sturdy walking shoes, hat and sunscreen, towel and toiletries, water bottle, torch, insect repellent, camera, pillow, sleeping bag (can be purchased for \$30).

INCLUDED:

Experienced tour guides, national park entrance fee, Aboriginal cultural experience*, meals as indicated, accommodation transfers, 2 nights' camping fees and equipment, 1 night overnight coach and one night dorm accommodation with share facilities in Darwin.

NOTES:

- Itineraries may vary and/or attractions be substituted for any cause including seasonal conditions, weather extremes, traditional owner and national park requirements. See terms and conditions of travel for full details.
- Travel Insurance is compulsory for all travellers on all tours and details must be presented to tour guide before departure.
- *The Aboriginal Wulna-Limilngan cultural experience is only available during the dry season (Apr-Oct) as site is subject to flooding (contact our customer service team for availability). Participants may be absent due to cultural commitments with minimal prior notification and Adventure Tours Australia reserves the right to amend the itinerary in these circumstances with no obligation to refund.
- A tropical summer itinerary applies in Kakadu (Nov/Dec-May).
- This is a packaged tour, therefore you may travel with a different guide and passengers on each section.



- Please note that activities at Katherine Gorge are seasonal and may not be available during the wet season.
- Safaris must be reconfirmed 48hrs prior to departure by phone on 1300 654 604 (within Australia).
- It is you or your clients' responsibility to contact Adventure Tours with your
 preferred accommodation pick up point. Please contact our inside sales teams for
 information on other available pick up points. If we do not hear from you, we will
 assume you will make your way to our default pick up point as listed on this
 document. We will not be responsible for missed pick-ups (and a missed tour) if we
 do not receive notification from you or your travel agent, and if you are not at the
 default pick up point at the appropriate time.
- A STRICT luggage limit of 10kg applies on Kakadu Safaris and 15kg applies between Darwin and Alice Springs.
- B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner

