



Outback Safari

21 to 29 September 2019

Day 1 | 21 September

Our group will fly from Brisbane at 12.30pm arriving in Adelaide at 3.50pm. If you live outside the Brisbane/Gold Coast/Sunshine Coast areas we will book your flights from your nearest regional airport.

First up, we'll head to our accommodation where our Safari Crew will show you how to set-up and dismantle your tent – watch carefully as you will be responsible for doing this during your adventure. Before dinner you'll have the chance to get to know your travelling companions and the EQI chaperones who will explain the Tour rules, schedule and what to expect on the trip.

Meals included: Dinner

Day 2 | 22 September

After a short tour of Adelaide we'll begin

our journey north, stopping briefly to explore Port Augusta before travelling to Woomera, a former rocket testing range that is our camp for the night.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 3 | 23 September

Our day begins with a short drive to the spectacular Lake Hart, one of Australia's largest salt lakes, where there will be plenty of photo opportunities. Afterwards, our journey will take us to Coober Pedy, one of the world's largest opal mining centres. You'll learn more about the town's gemstone industry before visiting an underground church and some local homes to see how residents live and stay cool in a place where temperatures can climb as high as 50 degrees Celsius. You'll have a chance to fossick for opals before we head to our

underground accommodation. Please note, the accommodation does not have laundry facilities.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 4 | 24 September

You'll enjoy memorable views as we continue on our route north through the country's red centre, passing the oasis of the Marla Bore before arriving at Kings Canyon. Tonight, we'll cook marshmallows around the campfire (subject to fire restrictions) and if the sky is clear, enjoy a breathtaking view of the night stars. Please note, our accommodation does not have laundry facilities.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 5 | 25 September

Another early start to pack up camp before we explore Kings Canyon. The



Canyon's sheer walls rise to 270 metres, making it the deepest gorge in Central Australia. Bring plenty of water as it is very easy to become dehydrated in the heat. There is an opportunity to walk to the Canyon edge for spectacular views over the 'Lost City' and 'Garden of Eden'. From there we'll take a short drive to Yulara to visit the sunset strip and photograph the amazing colours of this magnificent monolith as the sun sets.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 6 | 26 September

Today we visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Uluru where we will learn about its history and local Aboriginal people. Please note, it is important to respect this sacred site and the cultural beliefs of its people, and it is forbidden to climb Uluru. At the Cultural Centre we'll discover more about the local tribes, the Dreamtime and sacred Aboriginal ceremonies. After a base walk around Uluru we visit the magnificent rock formations of Kata Tjuta.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 7 | 27 September

We farewell Uluru to head further north, stopping at Stuarts Well for lunch and a ride on a camel, or as they are sometimes called, a "Ship of the desert". In the afternoon it's onwards to Alice Springs and an early afternoon tour of this iconic Australian town. At Anzac Hill you'll take in views across the West

Macdonnell Ranges. We'll also visit the Royal Flying Doctor Service to learn about the vital services they provide to people in remote areas.

In the evening, you'll meet some fascinating visitors from the Reptile Centre, including frill neck lizards, Thorny Devils and large pythons. It's hands-on fun as you learn about Australia's reptiles and you'll even have the opportunity to have your photo taken holding a snake!

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 8 | 28 September

This morning a Dreamtime & Bushtucker Tour introduces you to members of the Warlpiri tribe to learn about and taste bush tucker - including witchetty grubs. You'll also see indigenous weaponry and try your hand at boomerang throwing. There will be an opportunity to purchase genuine Aboriginal artworks but you will need to take cash as there are no EFTPOS facilities.

Afterwards, we'll take a tour of the town where you can buy lunch and enjoy some free time before we drive towards the West MacDonnell Ranges, one of the region's most popular national parks. At Simpsons Gap we'll take a short stroll along a walking track where you may see black footed rock wallabies.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 9 | 29 September

This morning it's time to say goodbye to your new friends and fly back to Brisbane, arriving at 3.30pm, with a lifetime of memories and a camera or phone full of photographs!

Meals included: Breakfast

Price for 2019

\$1,695 pp + flights (inc. GST)

Applications close 7 September 2019

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