



JOURNEY BEYOND  
THE GHAN



## DISCOVER ALICE SPRINGS

### THE GHAN

ALICE SPRINGS TO DARWIN

DEPARTING MONDAY

(MARCH TO OCTOBER)

5 Days / 4 Nights

Experience the heart of Australia with a three-night stay in Alice Springs. Immerse yourself in this outback town affectionately known as 'The Alice', as you discover its evolution over time before embarking on a mesmerising journey aboard The Ghan, where you'll surrender to the soothing rhythm of the rails en route to Darwin.

#### INCLUSIONS

- 3 nights' accommodation in Alice Springs including breakfast daily
- Half-day A Town Like Alice tour
- 1 night aboard The Ghan, Alice Springs to Darwin, including all meals, beverages, and Off Train Experience in Katherine
- 4 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 1 dinner

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Learn how the town of Alice Springs has evolved
- Hear how children who cannot access schools are educated by radio at The School of the Air
- Visit historical sites, such as the Alice Springs Telegraph Station
- See how the essential services of the region are delivered from Alice Springs to the community at the Royal Flying Doctor Service
- Encounter reptiles at the Alice Springs Reptile Centre
- Visit the ancient Nitmiluk Gorge

#### DAY 1 – ARRIVE ALICE SPRINGS

You've arrived in Alice Springs – it's yours to explore. Spend the day at your leisure before checking in to your accommodation.

**OVERNIGHT:** 3 nights Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters

#### DAY 2 – ALICE SPRINGS

This morning is yours at leisure, you may wish to take a stroll to the Olive Pink Botanic Garden or simply relax in the comfort of your hotel.

Explore Alice Springs this afternoon, touring the sights including The School of the Air, where you learn how children who cannot access schools are educated by radio. Stop at the historic Telegraph Station, which marks the original site of the first European settlement in Alice Springs. Visit the Royal Flying Doctors Service, where you will see how medical aid reaches those who live in the remote outback. We also make a stop at the Alice Springs Reptile Centre, where you can see, and potentially touch, the lizards and snakes of Central Australia's semi-arid desert, such as the Perentie Lizard and the Thorny Devil. Your tour concludes with a panoramic view of the township of Alice Springs and the MacDonnell Ranges from the top of Anzac Hill. (B)

#### DAY 3 – ALICE SPRINGS

Today is yours to do as you please. Depending on your interests, perhaps take a dip in the swimming pool or visit the day spa at your hotel. Or if you want to get out and explore further, visit the Museum of Central Australia, Alice Springs Desert Park, or the Araluen Arts Centre. (B)

#### DAY 4 – BOARD THE GHAN IN ALICE SPRINGS

Step into the comforts of The Ghan, relax in your cabin or mingle with fellow travellers in the Outback Explorer Lounge. Watch as the beautiful scenery passes by your window. (B,D)

**OVERNIGHT:** 1 night The Ghan

#### DAY 5 – THE GHAN, KATHERINE AND DARWIN

The landscapes continue to transform as you head towards Katherine, where you'll embark on an Off Train Experience exploring natural wonders that you'll never forget. A few hours later, you'll arrive in Darwin, completing your journey through the Red Centre. (B,L)