



DISCOVER ALICE SPRINGS

THE GHAN

ADELAIDE TO DARWIN
DEPARTING SUNDAY
(MARCH TO OCTOBER)
6 Days / 5 Nights

Embark on a mesmerising journey aboard The Ghan, where you'll surrender to the soothing rhythm of the rails en route to the Red Centre. 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 re-joining The Ghan to journey north.

INCLUSIONS

- 1 night aboard The Ghan, Adelaide to Alice Springs, including all meals, beverages, and Off Train Experience in Marla
- 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
- 5 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners

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 – BOARD THE GHAN IN ADELAIDE

Board The Ghan in Adelaide, heading for the Flinders Ranges and beyond. The city streets will give way to rural South Australia before the impressive mountains of the Flinders Ranges come into view. Enjoy regionally inspired lunch and dinner on board before settling in for the night. (L,D)

OVERNIGHT: The Ghan

DAY 2 – THE GHAN, ARRIVE ALICE SPRINGS

Wake to an unforgettable outback sunrise at Marla and enjoy the jaw-dropping natural landscapes that pass by as you travel to Alice Springs. Upon arrival into Alice Springs, you will be transferred to your hotel to enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. (B,L)

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters

DAY 3 – 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 4 – 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 5 – ALICE SPRINGS, THE GHAN

Re-join The Ghan today and head north enjoying the beautiful scenery passing by your window as you relax with fellow travellers in the Outback Explorer Lounge. (B,D)

OVERNIGHT: 1 night The Ghan

DAY 6 – 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)