



JOURNEY BEYOND  
THE GHAN



## DISCOVER DARWIN

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ADELAIDE TO DARWIN

DEPARTING SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY

(MARCH TO OCTOBER)

6 Days / 5 Nights

Explore Australia by train on Australia's iconic rail adventure, The Ghan. Settle into your cabin and watch the world go by as you familiarise yourself with exceptional hospitality and all-inclusive dining. Be captivated by the fascinating historic outback town of Alice Springs and the inspiring gorge landscape of Katherine on your Off Train Experiences. Make your way to Darwin, the capital of the Northern Territory, which is yours to explore with three nights' accommodation as your base. Toast the Top End's legendary sunsets on a sunset cruise on Darwin Harbour Cruises' Charles Darwin catamaran, while enjoying a Territory-style dinner.

#### INCLUSIONS

- 2 nights aboard The Ghan, Adelaide to Darwin, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experiences in Marla, Alice Springs and Katherine
- Transfer from Darwin Rail Terminal to hotel
- 3 nights' accommodation in Darwin including breakfast daily
- Darwin Harbour Sunset Dinner Cruise
- 5 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 3 dinners

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore the outback town of Alice Springs
- Cruise through ancient Nitmiluk Gorge in Katherine
- Enjoy dinner with a breathtaking tropical sunset view on your Darwin Harbour Cruise
- Experience the relaxed vibe of Darwin along the waterfront

#### DAY 1 – BOARD THE GHAN IN ADELAIDE

Board The Ghan in Adelaide for an incredible showcase journey of inland Australia. As the train leaves the city heading for the Flinders Ranges and beyond, the dramatic changes in landscape from pastoral land to arid outback scenes will ignite your imagination. Lunch is served on board – this is the first of many superb, chef-prepared

gourmet meals, showcasing regional flair and season flavours. (L,D)

**OVERNIGHT:** 2 nights The Ghan

#### DAY 2 – THE GHAN, ALICE SPRINGS

After your first night enjoying the fine dining and relaxed comfort of this iconic train, you'll wake to an unforgettable outback sunrise at Marla – a remote outpost 160 kilometres from the Northern Territory border that marks the start of the Oodnadatta Track. Enjoy the magnificent scenery as you make your way onwards to Alice Springs, where you have a selection of Off Train Experiences to choose from. There's an experience to suit everyone, from an off-road mountain bike adventure, to the Alice Explorer tour, a cultural experience at Standley Chasm, meeting the wildlife at the Desert Park, or taking in the astounding beauty of Simpson's Gap. Alternatively, take it all in from the air, with an optional upgrade helicopter flight. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 3 – THE GHAN, KATHERINE AND DARWIN

When the landscape transforms into rocky gorges and fast-flowing canyon streams, prepare to experience one of the Top End's most impressive natural wonders on a boat cruise along Nitmiluk Gorge. Alternatively, the Katherine Outback Experience lets you into the lives of those who call the outback home. There is also a helicopter flight upgrade available, for those wishing to see Nitmiluk from an aerial perspective.

A few hours later as evening falls, you'll arrive in Darwin and transfer to your accommodation, where you can settle in and reflect on your outback adventure thus far. (B,L)

**OVERNIGHT:** 3 nights Vibe Hotel Darwin Waterfront

#### DAY 4 – DARWIN HARBOUR CRUISE

Stroll around Darwin today, taking in the fascinating history of the northern capital at your own pace. Wander to the Stokes Hill Wharf area, stroll through the Botanic Gardens or the Chinese Temple and don't forget a visit to the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory.

You haven't seen a sunset until you see a Darwin sunset, and this evening you'll understand why they're so special. Board Darwin Harbour Cruise's catamaran, the Charles Darwin, to savour the sights and enjoy the swirl of the sea



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breeze as you cruise the Harbour by water. Enjoy a sumptuous meal onboard focused on local produce and fresh seafood. Nothing is more relaxing than soaking up the splendour of the skies, champagne flute in hand. (B,D)

### **DAY 5 – DARWIN**

Today is for further exploration of the Darwin waterfront and its top-notch restaurants, taking in the relaxed pace of life in the north. Alternatively, consider an optional tour (additional expense) to make the most of your time in the Top End. (B)

#### *WE RECOMMEND:*

**Croc 'N' History Explorer Ticket**  
**From \$110 per person**

Combine three of Darwin's premier attractions with one ticket and save. The flexible Croc 'N' History Explorer package gives you full day entry to Crocosaurus Cove, RFDS Tourist facility and the Darwin Big Bus, for a hop-on, hop-off transport option.

### **DAY 6 – FAREWELL**

After breakfast check-out of your accommodation and say farewell to Darwin. You're leaving with memories of awe-inspiring landscapes and unique outback experiences that will last a lifetime. (B)