

## **NORTHERN EXPLORER WITH PERTH STAY**

### **INDIAN PACIFIC**

SYDNEY TO PERTH
DEPARTURE WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER 2026

Covering a large swathe of Australia, this incredible rail and sail adventure takes you from coast to coast and back again, through spectacular natural landscapes, where you'll have opportunities for deeper exploration through a range of day-trip activities and Off Train Experiences. This is a journey of contrasts, with spectacular coastlines, pristine beaches, and the vast expanse of the Nullarbor Plain, demonstrating Australia's diverse landscapes.

### **INCLUSIONS**

- 4 days aboard the Indian Pacific, Sydney to Perth, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experiences in Broken Hill, Adelaide, Cook and Rawlinna
- Transfer from East Perth Rail terminal to hotel
- 1 night's accommodation in Perth, including breakfast
- Transfer from hotel to Fremantle Cruise Terminal
- 15-day Northern Explorer cruise from Fremantle to Brisbane on board Crown Princess<sup>®</sup> cruise ship, including select main meals
- 19 breakfasts, 16 lunches, 18 dinners

\*A valid passport or government-issued photo identification is required to travel onboard Crown Princess®

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Discover the mining heritage of the Silver City, Broken Hill
- Ponder the vastness of the Australian continent as you cross the Nullarbor Plain
- Enjoy sightseeing and fine food and wine around cosmopolitan Adelaide
- Cruise Itinerary: Perth, Exmouth, Broome, Yampi Sound, Kimberley Coast, Darwin, Port Douglas, Willis Island, Brisbane with optional shore excursions<sup>^</sup>
- Join a cooking demonstration, dance class, trivia contest and more~
- Enjoy a musical production in the Princess Theatre

- ~ Cruise itineraries and onboard offerings are not guaranteed. Charges apply to some activities, venues and menu items.
- ^ Shore Excursions have fees applied

### DAY 1 - BOARD THE INDIAN PACIFIC IN SYDNEY

Feel the excitement build as you arrive at Sydney Central Station to begin your epic adventure on board the Indian Pacific. Departing Sydney's Central Station, get acquainted with your cabin and fellow travellers.

Take in spectacular views as the Indian Pacific winds through the Blue Mountains. Relax in your cabin or socialise in the lounge, enjoying an afternoon tipple on request.

Tonight, you will enjoy your first meal on board – a regionally inspired dinner paired with fine wine and beverages. After dinner, consider a nightcap in the lounge before you retire to your cabin. (D)

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights Indian Pacific

### DAY 2 – INDIAN PACIFIC, BROKEN HILL AND ADELAIDE

This morning prepare for your first Off Train Experience in Broken Hill, the Silver City. Enjoy light refreshments on your tour as you explore the rich mining heritage of the historic Broken Hill Trades Hall and the striking Miners Memorial overlooking the town. For a different perspective, join Shelita Buffet, Queen of the Outback, for a lively tour along the main drag.

Breakfast and lunch is served back on board as the Indian Pacific enters the southern tip of the ancient Flinders Ranges.

Arriving in Adelaide in the late afternoon, you'll have the opportunity to explore Adelaide, and it's surrounds.

Choose to enjoy a taste of McLaren Vale with a guided wine tasting and indulgent meal at the iconic Star of Greece restaurant overlooking Gulf St Vincent. Opt for a cheese or gin tasting in the charming Adelaide Hills village of Hahndorf before feasting at Haus – a German restaurant showcasing the best in local produce. Immerse yourself in the heart of the city with Icons of Adelaide, featuring a



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behind the scenes tour and tasting at Coopers Brewery, a scenic city drive, and a teppanyaki dinner at Shiki followed by a twilight stroll to Adelaide Oval. Alternatively, visit Adelaide Central Market for a tour and exclusive sit-down dinner.

After dinner, return to the train to continue your journey west. (B,L,D)

### DAY 3 - INDIAN PACIFIC, NULLARBOR PLAIN

Today is all about those amazing outback views as you cross this famous stretch of the Australian interior, the ancient Nullarbor Plain, on the longest stretch of straight railway track in the world. En route, the Indian Pacific calls in to Cook, once-bustling, now almost-ghost town that was originally built as a support town for the railway.

Travelling further west, the next stop is at Rawlinna on the fringe of Australia's largest sheep station for a signature dinner under a thousand stars. You'll arrive at sunset, where the quiet outpost of Rawlinna comes to life with an al fresco long table set up (seasonal and subject to weather conditions). (B,L,D)

### DAY 4 – INDIAN PACIFIC, PERTH

Admire the delightful undulations of the Avon Valley and enjoy a final breakfast on board as the final stage of your transcontinental crossing unfolds, heading into Perth.

Situated on the banks of the Swan River some 15 miles upriver from Fremantle, Perth is a bustling city where soaring high-rises co-exist with elegant sandstone buildings from the colonial era

After being transferred to your hotel, relax and enjoy the evening at your leisure. (B)

**OVERNIGHT:** 1 night Pan Pacific Perth

### DAY 5 - BOARD CROWN PRINCESS® IN FREMANTLE

Lying at the mouth of the Swan River, historic Fremantle founded in 1829 - is the cruise gateway to Perth, the capital of Western Australia

After breakfast and check out, you will be transferred to the Cruise Terminal and board Crown Princess®, ready to

truly light up the seas, serving up tantalising cuisine, dazzling live entertainment, and enriching experiences.

Discover upcoming events and activities onboard using the Medallion app. Live music, games, Stargazing, dance classes and more – create your own itinerary so you don't miss a thing - whatever you decide to do, your time onboard will be unforgettable. (B,D)

**OVERNIGHT:** 15 nights Crown Princess®

### DAY 6 - CROWN PRINCESS®, AT SEA

Familiarise yourself with the layout of the ship today. A variety of everyday dining venues are available including The Salty Dog Grill, Horizon Court, International Café, and Slice Pizzeria. Choose from specialty restaurants~ Sabatini's Italian Trattoria, Crown Grill, the Salty Dog Gastropub and the Chef's Table Experience. (B,L,D)

### DAY 7 - CROWN PRINCESS®, EXMOUTH

(Water Shuttle Required, Wheelchair Access Limited)
Exmouth lies some 780 miles north of Perth on the rugged and stunningly beautiful Northwest Cape. This remote corner of Australia has been of strategic importance since the days of the Second World War. In fact, Exmouth was built in 1964 to support the Harold E. Holt Communications Station. Nearly 45 years later, the base remains a top-secret installation.

Australians, however, discovered the North Cape's strategic importance as a travel destination. Here rugged mountains and stony gorges descend to stunning beaches. Australia's longest fringing reef lies just offshore. Its crystalline waters boast great fishing, and whale sharks are frequently encountered basking on the surface between April and July.

Exmouth's permanent population numbers approximately 2,400 souls - but visitors are increasingly drawn to the Northwest Cape's rugged beauty and mild climate. (B,L,D)

### DAY 8 – CROWN PRINCESS®, AT SEA

Relax in one of the lounges, read a good book or visit The Sanctuary~, an exclusive adults-only retreat offering a relaxing alternative to the myriad outdoor activities and entertainment available elsewhere on the ship (B,L,D)



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### DAY 9 - CROWN PRINCESS®, BROOME

Built on the back of the pearl trade, Broome is a wonderfully multicultural town on the rugged North West coast of Western Australia. This fascinating and diverse remote outpost boasts one of the country's premier beaches – stunning Cable Beach stretches more than 20 kilometres along the coastline of the Indian Ocean. (B,L,D)

# DAY 10 – CROWN PRINCESS®, YAMPI SOUND (SCENIC CRUISING)

Yampi Sound is a part of the Indian Ocean off the coast of north-western Australia, in the Kimberley region of Western Australia. It is located between King Sound and Collier Bay and is jam packed with natural wonders. The Traditional Owners of the areas around the Sound are the Umiida people.

The Sound contains many islands of the Buccaneer Archipelago, the largest being Koolan Island; others include Cockatoo Island, Irvine Island, Bathurst Island, Finch Islands, Hidden Island, Baylis Islands and Iron Islands. The rich fish life is an attraction for bottlenose dolphins that come to feed in the early mornings. (B,L,D)

# DAY 11 – CROWN PRINCESS®, KIMBERLEY COAST (SCENIC CRUISING)

Renowned as one of the most important and spectacular wilderness regions on Earth, you will get to see the beauty of the Kimberley from the ocean. The dramatic coastline framed by stark red cliffs has been identified as one of the least impacted marine environments in the world. With more than 2,600 islands scattered beyond the reefs, the area is rich in biodiversity and wildlife. Expect to see plenty of exotic bird life as you cruise past this amazing wonderland. (B,L,D)

### DAY 12 - CROWN PRINCESS®, AT SEA

Today is yours to enjoy. Take some time to relax and revitalise with a dip in one of the freshwater pools or hot tubs. Enjoy the sea breeze as you soak up the sun in a padded lounger with a good book, listen to music, or dream about your next adventure. (B,L,D)

### DAY 13 - CROWN PRINCESS®, DARWIN

Closer to Indonesia than to any other Australian city, Darwin is the capital of the "Top End" and is home to more than half the population of the remote, vast Northern Territory. A popular starting point for journeys through the Top End wilderness region's many attractions, there's plenty of fascinating history to explore in and around Darwin (B,L,D)

### DAY 14, 15 & 16 - CROWN PRINCESS®, AT SEA

Use the Medallion app and plan your onboard activities for the next three days whilst at sea.

Perhaps indulge in a decadent afternoon tea in the dining room, where you can enjoy freshly prepared finger sandwiches, cakes and cookies, accompanied by a wide variety of teas or coffee

Throughout the day and night, Movies under the Stars ™ is an exclusive open-air poolside amphitheatre and is the go to destination for feature films, thrilling concerts and exciting sporting event. Cozy up under a fleece blanket in the comfortable lounger and feast on complimentary fresh-popped popcorn in the evening or delicious cookies and milk during the day and enjoy that exciting car chase or mystery thriller on the giant screen. (B,L,D)

# DAY 17 – CROWN PRINCESS®, PORT DOUGLAS (Water Shuttle Required, Wheelchair Access Limited)

Located between the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area and the Great Barrier Reef, Port Douglas provides a perfect gateway to hardy adventurers en route to rainforest and reef. (B,L,D)

# DAY 18 – CROWN PRINCESS®, WILLIS ISLAND (SCENIC CRUISING)

Willis Island is one of several tropical islands sitting beyond the Great Barrier Reef in the Coral Sea Islands Territory and is surrounded by thriving reefs where many creatures make their homes. Numbering into the thousands, Willis Island itself caters to many species of seabirds, including Masked, Brown and Red-footed Boobies that cry out nearly 24 hours a day. It is also an important nesting ground for turtles. (B,L,D)



DAY 19 - CROWN PRINCESS®, AT SEA

Enjoy today at your leisure. Peruse the daily newsletter 'Princess Patter' or check the Medallion app for today's events.

Perhaps Attend a Champagne Art Auction, take a stroll through the European-style Piazza, where roving performers will delight you with their skills, or practice your putting in a round of mini-golf. (B,L,D)

### DAY 20 - CROWN PRINCESS®, BRISBANE

Brisbane, the capital of Queensland, located in the Sunshine State, boasts of having over 280 days of sunshine per year. Brisbane is known for its laid back and friendly atmosphere, sophisticated art galleries and museums, beautiful botanic gardens, and Moreton Bay.

The Brisbane River, which flows through the city, gives you great access to both north and south via the famous CityCats.

Farewell Crown Princess® this morning as you disembark upon arrival into Brisbane where your incredible rail and ocean journey comes to an end. (B)

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