

INDIAN PACIFIC & THE GHAN – Perth to Darwin

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PERTH TO ADELAIDE, ADELAIDE TO DARWIN
DEPARTING SATURDAY
(MARCH TO OCTOBER)
7 Days / 6 Nights

Across a blue coastline and through the Red Centre, the best way to experience the vast remoteness of Australia is by pairing a journey on the Indian Pacific with The Ghan. Departing Perth, you'll cross the Nullarbor, travelling along the world's longest stretch of straight railway track. You'll stop overnight in Adelaide before boarding The Ghan heading towards your final destination, Darwin.

INCLUSIONS

- 2 nights aboard the Indian Pacific, Perth to Adelaide, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experiences in Kalgoorlie and Cook
- Transfer from Adelaide Parklands Terminal to hotel
- 1 night accommodation in Adelaide, including breakfast
- Transfer from hotel to Adelaide Parklands Terminal
- 3 nights aboard The Ghan, Adelaide to Darwin, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experiences in the Clare Valley, Flinders Ranges, Marla, Alice Springs and Katherine
- 6 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 5 dinners

HIGHLIGHTS

- Ponder the vastness of the Australian continent as you cross the Nullarbor Plain
- Experience outback mining heritage in Kalgoorlie
- See Adelaide at your own pace
- Visit Penobscot Farm for a signature dining experience in the Clare Valley
- Discover the remarkable Flinders Ranges
- Explore the outback town of Alice Springs
- Cruise through ancient Nitmiluk Gorge in Katherine

Please note, itineraries are subject to change.

DAY 1 – BOARD THE INDIAN PACIFIC IN PERTH

Your Indian Pacific adventure begins in Perth, where you'll gather with fellow travellers for a warm welcome and a celebratory start to your journey. As the train departs and the sun dips low over the west, settle into your cabin or meet new friends in the lounge before savouring your first chef-prepared dinner on board. (D)

OVERNIGHT: 2 nights Indian Pacific

DAY 2 – INDIAN PACIFIC, KALGOORLIE AND COOK

Rise to see the sunrise across the vast Nullarbor before arriving in Kalgoorlie, Australia's largest outback town. This morning, delve into the region's fascinating past and present with a visit to its gold-rush heritage and the modern-day Super Pit mine. Choose your Off Train Experience and explore Kalgoorlie your way, with morning refreshments included.

After brunch on board, spend the afternoon at your leisure with fine hospitality as the Nullarbor passes by. Along the way, you'll cross state borders and time zones before settling in for a regionally inspired dinner on board. Later, arrive into Cook, South Australia. Once a bustling town and today only a handful of residents remain. Step off into this outback outpost where its stories endure and, as evening falls, look skyward. With little light pollution, Cook offers an extraordinary view of the night sky, including the Southern Cross and other constellations when conditions are right. (B,L,D)

DAY 3 – INDIAN PACIFIC, ADELAIDE

Spend the morning aboard the Indian Pacific as the vast landscapes of the Nullarbor give way to the pastoral heart of South Australia. Enjoy sweeping views of the Flinders Ranges, Spencer Gulf and Adelaide Plains as the scenery unfolds beyond your window. Savour a leisurely breakfast and lunch on board, before arriving into Adelaide in the afternoon where you will transfer to your accommodation. (B,L)

OVERNIGHT: 1 night Crowne Plaza Adelaide

DAY 4 – BOARD THE GHAN IN ADELAIDE, CLARE VALLEY

Check out of your accommodation this morning and explore Adelaide at leisure before transferring to Adelaide Parklands Terminal.



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Your journey begins with a welcome experience before you step aboard The Ghan and settle into the rhythm of life on the rails. Watch the countryside roll past from the comforts of your cabin, or mingle with fellow travellers in the lounge carriage as the train makes its way north.

By early evening, arrive at Long Plains before continuing by coach into the rolling vineyards of the Clare Valley, one of South Australia's most celebrated wine regions. Here, a signature dinner awaits in a reimagined Woolshed, set amongst the picturesque surrounds. With a menu of seasonal produce grown and curated exclusively for guests of The Ghan, every dish is drawn from the farm and paired with the Clare Valley's celebrated Rieslings and reds under the guidance of Executive Chef Nicola Palmer. As the sun sets over the vines, raise a glass to the days of discovery ahead. (B,D)

OVERNIGHT: 3 nights The Ghan

DAY 5 – THE GHAN, FLINDERS RANGES

This morning, wake to the changing countryside as The Ghan arrives into Port Augusta, South Australia's gateway to the outback. After a hearty breakfast, step off the train and prepare for a full day discovering one of the nation's most remarkable regions: the Flinders Ranges.

Your Off Train Experience takes you deep into one of the oldest mountain ranges on Earth, where 600 million years of geological history has folded the land into dramatic gorges and red rock outcrops. Stand amid ancient rock formations and take in a landscape millions of years in the making.

From here, head to the historic town of Quorn, once a vital crossroads on the Trans-Australian Railway and home to the heritage Pichi Richi line. Settle in for a delicious lunch paired with the botanicals of Flinders Gin, then visit the ruins of Kanyaka Station to hear stories of the broken dreams of colonial farmers in this harsh and unrelenting landscape. Rejoin the train for a relaxed dinner on board recalling the day's adventures. (B,L,D)

DAY 6 – THE GHAN, ALICE SPRINGS

After a night of fine dining and comfort aboard The Ghan, wake to a spectacular outback sunrise at Marla, a remote outpost 160 kilometres from the Northern Territory border and gateway to the legendary Oodnadatta Track. With red dirt beneath your feet and a bonfire casting warmth into the cool morning air, pause to take in the stillness of this extraordinary place.

Back on board, enjoy a leisurely brunch as the journey continues north and the desert landscape unfolds. Arriving in Alice Springs, choose from a range of Off Train Experiences that reveal the history, culture and character of this remarkable outback town. Take a guided town tour and gain a deeper sense of place, from its pioneering history to the people and stories that have shaped Alice Springs, or venture into the West MacDonnell Ranges for a guided experience at Simpsons Gap or Standley Chasm, where towering red rock walls and ancient landscapes hold deep spiritual significance for the Arrernte people. At Alice Springs Desert Park, encounter native wildlife and the unique ecosystems of Central Australia, while those seeking a different perspective can upgrade to a scenic helicopter flight over the surrounding ranges, taking in their scale and rugged beauty from above.

By late afternoon, return to the train with time to freshen up for dinner and another unforgettable evening on board. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 – THE GHAN, KATHERINE AND ARRIVE DARWIN

Your final day begins in the tropical north, where the landscape gives way to rocky escarpments and fast-flowing canyon streams. Enjoy breakfast on board as The Ghan makes its way towards Katherine.

Here, the choice is yours as to how to explore this remarkable region. Cruise through the towering sandstone cliffs of Nitmiluk Gorge, uncovering its deep beauty and cultural significance. Step into the Katherine Outback Experience for an authentic glimpse into the lives of those who call the outback home. Or venture underground to the Cutta Cutta Caves, where fascinating limestone formations, native wildlife, and stories of Indigenous culture are waiting to be shared. For a different perspective, upgrade to a helicopter flight and take in the scale of Nitmiluk's 13 gorges from above.

After your day's adventures, return to the train and journey onwards to Darwin, where your unforgettable journey of exploring Australia by train draws to a close. (B,L)