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The Bungle Bungle Ranges, Purnululu National Park, Tourism WA

Ultimate Outback Air Safari

15 Days | 14 Nights | All Inclusive | Private Aircraft

Explore some of Australia's most stunning outback regions in the Northern Territory and Western Australia, as well as Queensland and South Australia.

Just because we're going to remote areas doesn't mean we scrimp on luxury and exclusivity. You'll stay in some incredible resorts in spectacular settings - Arnhemland, a Territory cattle station, a new luxury resort in outback NT, and Ayers Rock. You'll also be treated to some more traditional outback experiences like the Birdsville Hotel, Adels Grove and the Flinders Ranges, plus stays in the remote cities Kununurra and Broome.

Destinations







Uluru

Highlights

- Outback Innamincka and Birdsville
- Desert oasis Adels Grove (Lawn Hill NP)
- Indigenous insights at Davidson's Arnhemland Safaris
- Vast cattle station Bullo River Station
- Luxury on the floodplains at Finniss River Lodge
- Dazzling sunset over the Indian Ocean
- Beehives of Purnululu (Bungle Bungle Ranges)
- Magical Uluru - Kata Tjuta
- Scenic Rawnsley Park Station
- Spectacular flightseeing including Buccaneer Archipelago

✈ Departures

Departing Melbourne

-  10 August 2023
-  \$25,980 pp twin share
-  \$29,980 single
-  ALL INCLUSIVE PRICE

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Ultimate Outback Air Safari

Day 1: Depart for Innamincka and Birdsville (L,D)

Depart for Innamincka in South Australia. On the way, your pilot will take you low over the Dig Tree, where the explorers Burke and Wills famously set up camp. Meander by boat along the Cooper Creek and take in the stunning birdlife, spot the occasional inquisitive animal on the banks, and marvel at the variety of flora along this surprisingly serene waterway.

Over the border into Queensland and Birdsville, followed by sunset drinks on Big Red, the first of 1,140 parallel sand dunes marking the edge of the Simpson Desert. To end the day, we stay in one of Australia's most iconic pubs — the Birdsville Hotel.

Overnight: Birdsville Hotel

Day 2: Birdsville to Lawn Hill (B,L,D)

Flying north towards the Gulf of Carpentaria, your aircraft will land near your cabin at Adels Grove, just outside Boodjamulla (Lawn Hill) National Park, which overlooks the stunning Lawn Hill Creek. Lawn Hill Gorge is one of the most spectacular gorges in the Gulf Country, with luscious tropical vegetation, sheer red cliffs, and enchanting green water. Basic accommodation is more than made up for with the magnificent location.

Overnight: Adels Grove

Day 3: Lawn Hill to Arnhemland (B,L,D)

Flying north-west into the Northern Territory and across Arnhemland, the next stop is Davidson's Arnhemland Safaris, set in an aboriginal sacred site nestled against the Arnhemland escarpment, east of Darwin. Idyllic billabongs, flood plains, paper bark swamps and monsoonal rainforests make for an amazingly beautiful wilderness. Valleys, overhangs and caves have been occupied for over 50,000 years and offer awe-inspiring galleries of rock art. Savour fabulous food with attentive service. Deluxe cabins in the bush with a relaxing verandah offer private comfort.

2 nights: Davidson's Arnhemland Safaris, deluxe cabin

Day 4: Arnhemland (B,L,D)

At Davidson's, there are no itineraries or busy time schedules to adhere to. Cruise along the billabong to see the sun set over the floodplain and watch Mt Borradaile light up with magnificent colours. Explore the wetlands which shelter thousands of myriad birds. Marvel at ancient sandstone escarpments, savannah woodland and rainforests. See amazing ancient rock art and meander through the rocky billabong areas for a few quiet hours, swim, fish or just relax.



Heli into Kimberley Coastal Camp

Day 5: Arnhemland to Bullo River (B,L,D)

Fly south-west this morning, across Litchfield National Park to Bullo River Station near the border of WA, landing right at the homestead. On this half-million-acre cattle station, your days are mapped out depending on your interests.

In the spirit of outback hospitality, the 12 guest rooms are sanctuaries opening onto shady lawns. Breakfast on the homestead verandah, lunch with a picnic by a billabong and dine under the stars by a campfire.

2 nights: Bullo River Station, guest room



Broome



Bullo River





Finniss River Lodge



Longitude 131°



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The Bungle Bungle Ranges



Mt Borradaile, Arnhemland Tourism Australia



Bullo River Station



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Day 6: Bullo River Station (B,L,D)

Wildlife congregates on the water's edge, the landscape takes on different perspectives if you're on a quad bike, on foot, in a 4WD or on the back of a horse, and the timeless art of an ancient land is hidden in the rugged red cliffs and ridge lines. Join in with the operational tasks or take a station tour to learn about everything they do.

Day 7: Bullo River to Finnis River (B,L,D)

Fly north towards the coast to Finnis River Lodge, a newly created luxury lodge not far from the Timor Sea.

On a working cattle station, the lodge opened in May 2022. With only 6 stunning rooms overlooking floodplains, we have the place to ourselves. Your choice of a selection of activities will fill your days. Enjoy chef prepared, local produce. The serenity will fill your soul.

2 nights: Finnis River Lodge

Day 8: Finnis River Lodge (B,L,D)

Rise early this morning to spot some of the countless wildlife. Skim through forested waters as your airboat hugs each bend. Learn all about the fauna that inhabit these environments, from barramundi to broilgas and of course the prehistoric saltwater crocodile.

The afternoon may be spent on tour, or relaxing on your verandah or by the pool, with magnificent views over the plains.

Day 9: Finnis River to Kununurra (B,L,D)

Fly west into WA and on to Kununurra. Travel out to the enormous Lake Argyle, more than 18 times larger than Sydney Harbour, created by the Ord River Dam. Join a cruise around the northern end of the lake and some of the 90 islands and inlets it offers. You may spot rock wallabies, crocodiles, wallaroos and a diverse range of birdlife. Sip on a drink as the sun sets behind the Carr Boyd

Ranges and enjoy.

2 nights: Freshwater Apartments

Day 10: Purnululu National Park (B,L,D)

Back in the aircraft, fly out to Purnululu National Park, also known as the Bungle Bungle Range, landing at Bellburn. An expert guide will take you on a magical walk through the iconic beehive domes, Cathedral Gorge and Piccaninny Creek. Learn about the importance of native flora and fauna, as well as the six season calendar the Gija people live by. On the way back to Kununurra, a flyover of the domes offers some magnificent photo opportunities.

Day 11: Kununurra to Broome (B,L,D)

Fly to Broome on the Indian Ocean to relax. A short tour of the highlights will introduce you to this iconic town. Head down to Cable Beach to enjoy sunset drinks with a view of the sunset over the ocean before a relaxing dinner.

Overnight: The Pearle of Cable Beach

Day 12: Broome to Ayers Rock (B,L,D)

Depart the coast for the Red Centre and the magnificent Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. Longitude 131° is a luxury desert basecamp offering exquisite accommodation, service, dining and touring. Wake up to the incomparable view of Uluru while lying in bed in your luxury "tent".

Exclusive and authentic experiences are shared with only a few others. The touring schedule is determined by the resort and will include the following experiences.

Witness an Uluru sunset, capture the changing light reflected over Uluru's many faces as the sun sets, glass in hand. Be dazzled by Bruce Munro's solar-powered art installation, Field of Light, which blooms as darkness falls.

Dine under the stars at Table 131°, surrounded only by nature, before the resident astronomer explains the

Your window
to extraordinary
landscapes

constellations.

2 nights: Longitude 131°, Luxury Tent

Day 13: Uluru (B,L,D)

Explore the impressive formations of Kata Tjuta (The Olgas) on a walk through Walpa Gorge. Visit the Cultural Centre for insight into the spiritual and cultural meanings of the area.

Join a gentle walk along Uluru's base and learn about the Mala people, viewing cave paintings and other sites important to both Anangu and the early explorers. Enter Kantju Gorge at dusk to witness the rock walls ablaze with the light of the setting sun.

Discover peaceful Mutitjulu Waterhole and the sacred site of Kuniya Piti and learn the Anangu creation story of Kuniya and Liru.

Day 14: Ayers Rock to Rawnsley Park Station (B,L,D)

Time for a final tour this morning. Then fly to South Australia and the Flinders Ranges over the incredible Wilpena Pound. Land at Rawnsley Park Station. Take in the ambience of the outback - head out for sunset drinks overlooking The Chace Range, then enjoy dinner in the Woolshed restaurant.

Overnight: Rawnsley Park Station, one bedroom superior units

Day 15: Rawnsley Park to home city (B,L)

This morning embark on a 4WD tour of the Station before a final lunch together. Then back in the air for the journey home, ending an epic discovery of our magnificent and diverse country.

