

23 DAY WEST COAST

AND THE

KIMBERLEY INCLUDING EL QUESTRO

DEPARTING MONDAY 23RD AUGUST TO TUESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2010

MOTEL ACCOMMODATION - MOSTLY SAFARI STYLE MEALS

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HIGHLIGHTS

- # DARWIN # KATHERINE
- # ORD RIVER CRUISE # HALLS CREEK
- # EL QUESTRO STATION
- # ZEBEDEE SPRINGS
- # FITZROY CROSSING
- # GEIKIE GORGE NATIONAL PARK & CRUISE
- # OSCAR RANGE - WINDJANA GORGE
- # BOAB PRISON TREE # DERBY
- # BROOME 3 NIGHTS # EIGHTY MILE BEACH
- # PORT HEDLAND # MT TOM PRICE MINE TOUR
- # WITTENOOM # KARIJINI NATIONAL PARK
- # HAMERSLEY RANGES # EXMOUTH
- # CORAL BAY # SHARK BAY
- # CARNARVON # MONKEY MIA DOLPHINS
- # KALBARRI WILDFLOWERS # PERTH 3 NIGHTS
- # CITY CENTRE ACCOMMODATION IN DARWIN & PERTH

DAY 1: MON 23RD AUG D. HOME TO DARWIN

After pick up from your home town, travel to Tullamarine and join your flight to Darwin where our luxury coach will meet you and take you to your accommodation, home for the next two nights.

DAY 2: TUE 24TH AUG B. DARWIN

Known as the Northern Gateway to Australia, Darwin is a multi-cultural city and capital of the Northern Territory situated on one of Australia's largest harbours. Today is a free day for you to do your own exploring.

DAY 3: WED 25TH AUG B.L.D. DARWIN TO KATHERINE

Morning tour of the city visiting Fannie Bay Gaol Museum. Next stop the Botanical Gardens and Christ Church Cathedral, constructed in 1977 to replace the original stone church destroyed by Cyclone Tracy in 1974. Farewell Darwin and join the Stuart Highway travelling south, we visit the Adelaide River War Cemetery. Continue onto Katherine for our overnight stop.

DAY 4: THUR 26TH AUG B.L.D. KATHERINE TO KUNUNURRA

The dramatic landforms and colours of this region will surprise you at every bend as you travel the 520km Victoria Highway between Katherine and Kununurra. The drive passes through the Victoria River Districts sprawling cattle country and historic Timber Creek. Continue on crossing the Western Australian border and on to Kununurra, home for the next three nights.

DAY 5: FRI 27TH AUG B.L.D. EL QUESTRO-ZEBEDEE SPRINGS - WYNDHAM

A breathtaking day today as we travel west of Kununurra where our first stop is Zebedee Springs. Relax in the thermal springs before continuing the short distance to El Questro Station. Marvel at the scenery as we enjoy a leisurely cruise through Chamberlain Gorge. Travel to Wyndham, the most northerly town in Western Australia. Marvel at the views from the Five Rivers Lookout over Wyndham and the Cambridge Gulf. Return to Kununurra after an amazing day sightseeing.

DAY 6: SAT 28TH AUG B.L.D. ORD RIVER CRUISE - HIDDEN VALLEY NATIONAL PARK

Time to take an optional early morning flight over the vast lost world of the Bungle Bungles with spectacular views of Lake Argyle and the Argyle Diamond Mine (passengers own expense). Following breakfast, cruise the peaceful waters of the Ord River System before enjoying some free time to explore the shops.

DAY 7: SUN 29TH AUG B.L.D. KUNUNURRA TO FITZROY CROSSING

Join the Great Northern Highway this morning and travel via Turkey Creek to Halls Creek situated on the edge of the Great Sandy Desert. See China Wall, before continuing further west to Fitzroy Crossing, a centre for the surrounding cattle stations for our overnight stop.

DAY 8: MON 30TH AUG B.L.D.**FITZROY CROSSING - GEIKIE GORGE - DERBY**

Enjoy a town tour this morning before taking a short drive north to Geikie Gorge National Park for our morning cruise. Further onto Windjana Gorge, a spectacular area where you can see the full glory of the 350 million year old Devonian reef rising above the flood plains. Continue via the Gibb River Road to Derby.

DAY 9: TUE 31ST AUG B.L.**DERBY TO BROOME**

Today we enjoy the sights of King Sound and see the Boab Prison Tree before joining the Great Northern Highway to Broome. On our arrival to Broome we visit Willie Creek Pearl Farm. Broome's climate is also something to boast about with the warm sunny days and balmy nights.

DAY 10: WED 1ST SEPT B.**BROOME - CABLE BEACH**

Today we explore the "Pearls of Broome". First visit is to Chinatown and Streeters Jetty where the luggers discharged their hard won treasure. Also see the Japanese Cemetery which reminds us of the terrible toll wrought by the industry. Other "Pearls of Broome" include the Dinosaur Footprints and Anastasia's Pool. Enjoy a visit to Cable Beach.

DAY 11: THUR 2ND SEPT B.**BROOME**

Free day today to do some of your own exploring maybe you might like to take a Scenic Flight to the famous Horizontal Waterfalls and Cape Leveque with great views of the rugged coastline. Or perhaps go for a stroll along famous Cable Beach.

DAY 12: FRI 3RD SEPT B.L.D.**BROOME TO PORT HEDLAND**

Farewelling Broome we join the Great Northern Highway before arriving at Eighty Mile Beach where the Great Sandy Desert stretches to the ocean. After lunch we travel further south to Port Hedland.

DAY 13: SAT 4TH SEPT B.L.D.**PORT HEDLAND TO MT TOM PRICE**

After breakfast we join the Port Hedland Highway and continue south where we visit the ghost town of Wittenoom before moving on through Hamersley Gorge to Mt Tom Price, our home for the next two nights.

DAY 14: SUN 5TH SEPT B.L.D.**TOM PRICE - MINE TOUR - KARIJINI NATIONAL PARK**

Tour Mt. Tom Price mine this morning and see the huge equipment and scale of operations. We spend this afternoon admiring the scenery of Karijini National Park, renowned for its spectacular mountains, gorges and watercourses

DAY 15: MON 6TH SEPT B.L.D.**MT TOM PRICE TO EXMOUTH**

Today we travel through the rich red earth and spinifex landscape of the Pilbara, passing Mt. Stuart. Join the North West Coastal Highway and stop at Nanutarra Roadhouse before leaving the highway to travel to the coastal town of Exmouth.

DAY 16: TUE 7TH SEPT B.L.D.**EXMOUTH TO CARNARVON**

Travel south this morning to Coral Bay, home to one of the world's major reef systems. Visit Ningaloo Marine Park where you can view life forms of the reef through a glass bottom boat. Travel further south and join the North West Coastal Highway to Carnarvon.

DAY 17: WED 8TH SEPT B.L.D.**CARNARVON TO NANGA BAY**

This morning we travel to the Shark Bay region, see a colony of Stromatolites that date back to the beginning of life on earth. Stroll along the shores of Shell Beach and take in the dramatic views from Eagle Bluff before continuing to Nanga Bay.

DAY 18: THUR 9TH SEPT B.L.D.**NANGA BAY - MONKEY MIA TO KALBARRI**

See the friendly dolphins at Monkey Mia this morning. This is a rare place in the world where "wild" dolphins come to shore. Continue south to Kalbarri, home for the next two nights and renowned for extraordinary river gorge scenery, soaring sea cliffs and heath wildflowers.

DAY 19: FRI 10TH SEPT B.L.D.**KALBARRI SIGHTSEEING**

Today is spent exploring the magnificent Kalbarri National Park. Visit some lookouts for spectacular views of the Murchison River Gorges and Red Bluff Lookout. The remainder of the day is free to put your feet up and relax or explore the local shops.

DAY 20: SAT 11TH SEPT B.L.**KALBARRI TO PERTH**

Early start this morning as we continue south to the Nambung National Park and the remarkable Pinnacles Desert. Leave the eerie surrounds of the Pinnacles and continue on to Perth, our home for the next three nights.

DAY 21: SUN 12TH SEPT B.**PERTH SIGHTSEEING**

Morning sightseeing in this fabulous city. After touring Scarborough Beach, City Beach and picturesque Kings Park featuring 400ha of gardens and views over the Swan River, we will continue the day by visiting historical Fremantle.

DAY 22: MON 13TH SEPT B.**PERTH**

A free day for some shopping, maybe an optional tour to New Norcia or Rottneest Island or perhaps just put your feet up and relax.

DAY 23: TUE 14TH SEPT B.**PERTH TO HOME**

After breakfast this morning, you will be transferred to Perth Airport where you will join your flight back to Tullamarine. A Kingstons coach will once again meet you at Tullamarine Airport and transfer you to your home town after a memorable twenty-three days touring the far west.

PRICE: \$.00 per person
SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$.00 (If Available)

