









#### **AUSTRALIA**

# THE GHAN - RED CENTRE SPECTACULAR (TOUR CODE: 12993)

STARTS AND ENDS	TRAVEL PERIODS	EXPERIENCE	TRAVEL STYLE
Darwin to Adelaide	Wednesday (March – October) and Saturdays (April – October)	Cultural Rail	Rail Journeys

Settle into The Ghan's gentle rhythm as you travel through the country and immerse yourself in the Northern Territory's breathtaking natural wonders on this spectacular 11-day journey.

## Highlights

- · Visit the ancient Nitmiluk Gorge
- · Discover the incredible rugged beauty of Australia's Red Centre
- Visit Kings Canyon for a guided scenic walk and journey through the West MacDonnell Ranges, visiting Standley Chasm and Ormiston Gorge
- · Visit World Heritage-listed Uluru and enjoy a guided base tour
- · Early risers will experience the magic and beauty of the sun rising over Uluru
- Explore the rock formations of Kata Tjuta (The Olgas) and Walpa Gorge
- · Admire the internationally acclaimed 'Field of Light' display at Uluru and watch as it illuminates the desert night
- · Explore underground sights in Coober Pedy
- Dine under the stars at the 'Sounds of Silence' dining experience

Experience the soothing rhythm of The Ghan as you journey through the land, engaging with the awe-inspiring natural marvels of the Northern Territory during this magnificent 11-day expedition. From exploring the West MacDonnell Ranges to taking your place beside spiritual Uluru and Kata Tjuta, you'll understand why people travel great distances to see the Territory's remarkable landscapes and icons.

## **INCLUSIONS**

- 1 night aboard The Ghan Expedition Darwin to Alice Springs, including all meals and beverages, and Off Train Experiences in Katherine and Alice Springs
- 5 nights intimate small-group touring with Outback Spirit, travelling on board a state-of-the-art 4WD Mercedes-Benz vehicle, including accommodation, meals and guided touring
- 2 nights aboard The Ghan Expedition Alice Springs to Adelaide, including all meals and beverages and Off Train Experiences in Coober Pedy
- · Alice Springs accommodation, including breakfast
- Transfer from Alice Springs Rail terminal to hotel
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- · 10 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 8 dinners

## **ITINERARY**

## Intro Map

The Ghan - Red Centre Spectacular

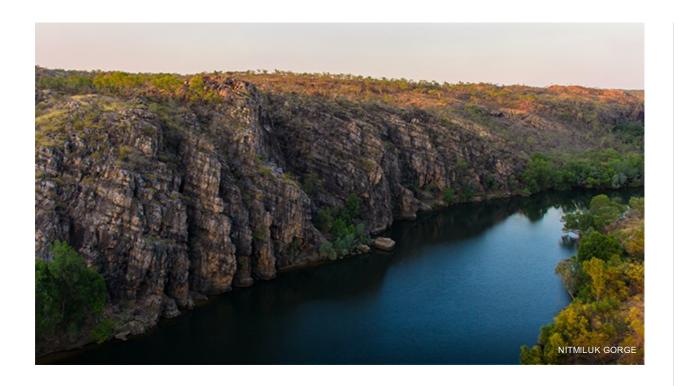


## Board The Ghan Expedition in Darwin

Settle into the comforts of The Ghan, relaxing in your cabin or mingling with fellow travellers in the Outback Explorer Lounge. Enjoy lunch ahead of your Off Train Experience in Katherine. In a region renowned for jaw-dropping natural assets, Katherine boasts one of the Top End's best – the incredible Nitmiluk Gorge.

Overnight stay aboard The Ghan Expedition.

Lunch, Dinner



# Arrive into Alice Spring

After breakfast you'll arrive into Alice Springs, where a day of fascinating Off Train Experiences awaits. Once your experience is complete, you will be transferred to your hotel to enjoy the evening.

Overnight stay in Alice Spring at **DoubleTree by Hilton Alice Springs**.

Breakfast



# 3 Alice Spring

Today your 5-night Red Centre adventure with Outback Spirit Tours starts. Early afternoon, you will be met by your professional crew and enjoy a brief afternoon tour of Alice Springs, including Anzac Hill. You'll learn what makes this unique outback town tick before dinner at the hotel.

Overnight stay in Alice Spring at  ${\bf DoubleTree}\ {\bf by\ Hilton\ Alice\ Springs.}$ 

Breakfast. Dinner



# <sup>2</sup>4 Alice Springs to Kings Canyon

Today, depart Alice Springs and travel the Mereenie Loop through the Western MacDonnell Ranges. Visit Standley Chasm and Ormiston Gorge before arriving at Kings Canyon.

Overnight stay in Kings Canyon at Kings Canyon Resort.

Breakfast, Lunch



# § 5 Kings Canyon, Watarrka National Park

Experience the wonders of majestic Kings Canyon with your choice of walk, including the 6km rim walk, featuring breathtaking views of the Watarrka National Park, or a less arduous 2.6km walk along the canyon floor. After returning to the resort in the afternoon, there is the opportunity to take a 15-minute helicopter flight over Kings Canyon and the Watarrka National Park.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

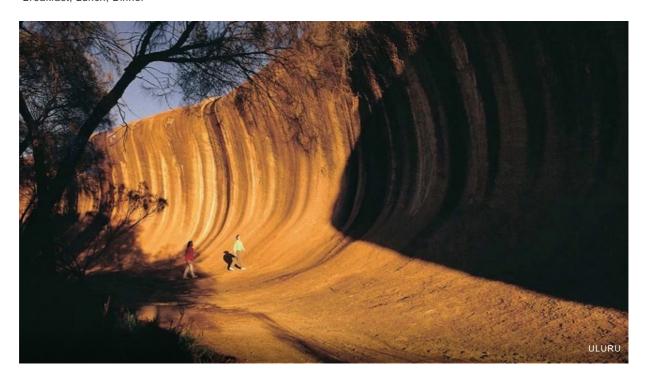


# § 6 Kings Canyon to Uluru

Pass through Kings Creek Station and enjoy an informative paper talk and lunch at Curtin Springs, before arriving at Uluru. This evening's unique 'Sounds of Silence' dining experience under the stars is a highlight. Beginning with canapes and chilled sparkling wine, listen to the atmospheric sound of the didgeridoo. The resident star talker will decode the southern night sky while you enjoy a premium bush tucker-inspired meal.

Overnight stay in Uluru at Sails in the Desert Hotel.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Early risers will experience the sun rising over Uluru and the colours of dawn spreading across the landscape. After breakfast, visit Kata Tjuta (the Olgas) and admire the stunning rock formations on a guided walk into Walpa Gorge. Learn about traditional Anangu culture on a guided tour around the base of Uluru.

This evening, head to an exclusive dune-top location with majestic views of Uluru. Enjoy drinks and canapes as artist Bruce Munro's global phenomenon 'Field of Light' comes to life, before exploring the stunning display via dedicated pathways.

Overnight stay in Uluru at Sails in the Desert Hotel.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



## 8 Uluru to Alice Springs

After a leisurely breakfast, set your sights on Alice Springs. Pause at Mount Conner, known as the third desert giant, before arriving at your hotel in Alice Springs in the afternoon.

Overnight stay in Alice Spring at DoubleTree by Hilton Alice Springs.

Breakfast, Lunch



# The Ghan Expedition, Alice Springs

Checking out after breakfast, the day is yours to explore Alice Springs. Return to your hotel to join a scheduled transfer to the Alice Springs Rail Station to re-join the Ghan Expedition. This evening, enjoy a unique dining experience. Tuck into a mouth-watering meal as you sip on a cold beer or a glass of fine wine under a chandelier of stars at the Alice Springs Telegraph Station.

Overnight stay aboard The Ghan Expedition.

Breakfast, Dinner



# ₹ 10 The Ghan Expedition, Coober Pedy

From your morning stop at Manguri, you'll venture into the weird and wonderful opal mining township of Coober Pedy, where more than half of the residents live underground. Here, you'll enjoy a day of discovery and lunch in the most unique of locations: underground.

Dinner is served back on the train, where you can enjoy a nightcap as your journey continues.

Overnight stay aboard The Ghan Expedition.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



### § 11 Arrive into Adelaide

This morning, you'll see a dramatic change in landscape as the rich ochre tones of the outback make way for the green fields of South Australia. Enjoy a leisurely brunch as you pass through the majestic Flinders Ranges before your arrival into Adelaide, completing one of the world's great rail journeys.

Breakfast

## **ACCOMMODATION**

The Ghan UPGRADE AVAILABLE

The Ghan offers more than transit between Adelaide to Darwin and vice versa. Onboard you will find sumptuous dining, elegant private cabins, attentive service, and the camaraderie of your fellow travellers and when the train stops, the adventures begin. Choose from a huge range of included off-train experiences to create your own rich and rewarding personal journey through Australia's outback and beyond.

## **GOLD SERVICE**

Immerse yourself in the world of romance that epitomises rail travel with our Gold Service offering. Our most popular service option has everything you'll need to feel at home for the duration of your journey.

Choose between Gold Twin or Single cabins, both of which provide the perfect place to relax and recharge after a day's journey.

And after a day of off-train activities, your cabin provides the perfect place to relax and recharge before heading for the lounge or dining carriage. With room to stretch out and all the comforts of home, Gold Service is the most popular level of service aboard The Ghan. You'll enjoy private cabin accommodation together with all-inclusive dining, beverages and a range of fascinating Off Train Excursions at key stops.

Gold includes hearty breakfasts, two-course lunches and three-course dinners. You may also choose to complement your meal with our selection of premium wines and beverages, all included in your fare.

#### **Gold Twin Cabins**

Gold Twin offers a comfortable sleeper cabin featuring private en suite and upper and lower berths that convert to a three-seater lounge by day

#### Features include

- · Power outlets in cabin
- In-cabin music channels and journey audio commentary available
- · All-inclusive dining in the Queen Adelaide Restaurant
- · All-inclusive Australian wines, beers, base spirits and non-alcoholic beverages
- All-inclusive Off Train Excursions and Short Stops
- Luggage allowance is 60kg per guest
- · Complimentary Shuttle bus transfers available in Darwin to selected hotels in the city centre

Single cabins available - or upgrade to the highest level of service onboard, Platinum Service.



## **Room Upgrades**

### **Gold Single Cabin**

A compact sleeper cabin featuring a bed that converts to a seat by day, private vanity, with shared shower/toilet facilities located at the end of the carriage.

Australia's iconic rail journeys offer purpose-built carriages to do it in superb style. Our Gold Service Single is a comfortable sleeper cabin option that offers all the luxurious inclusions of the Gold Service Twin such as fully inclusive dining with three gourmet meals per day, all-inclusive Australian wines, beers, base spirits and non-alcoholic beverages, and your choice of Off Train Experiences as you travel.



Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to Book Now or Contact Us for details.

#### **Gold Premium**

Gold Premium is a new style of travel for 2024 – For travellers who want that little bit more. Accommodated in newly designed, contemporary cabins, guests have exclusive access to the Gold Premium Lounge and Gold Premium Dining carriage for meals and socialising.

The Gold Premium Lounge is your social hub. Think luxe leather banquettes and swivel chairs made for sinking into, and mood lighting creating an elegant ambiance that references the romance inherent in train travel.

Gold Premium Dining is a feast in multiple ways, with a contemporary design that respects Art Deco as the setting for carefully curated meals, from hearty breakfasts to two-course regionally inspired lunches and delectable four-course dinners, featuring the finest ingredients from local suppliers, farmers and providores. Naturally, this is accompanied by a selection of premium Australian wines.

#### **Gold Premium Twin**

A newly designed, contemporary cabin that converts from a lounge by day into sleeping berths at night.

#### Gold Premium Suite

The Gold Premium Suite has a three-quarter-size double bed plus a fold-down upper berth and a lounge area, with extra room to relax.

#### Gold Premium (Twin & Suite) service includes:

- · Premium amenities, luxuriously soft linen and silk eye masks
- Exclusive access to the Gold Premium Lounge and Gold Premium Dining carriage
- · Two-course, regionally inspired lunches and four-course dinners
- · All-inclusive premium Australian wines, beers, spirits and non-alcoholic beverages
- · All-inclusive Off Train Experiences and preferences on tour selections
- 75kg checked luggage allowance per guest (3 x 25 kg each)
- · Priority luggage check-in
- Power outlets in cabin
- · In-cabin music channels and journey audio commentary
- Complimentary shuttle bus transfers available in Darwin and Brisbane to selected hotels in the city centre.



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#### **Platinum**

Nothing enhances the romance of rail travel quite like Platinum Service. Tailored for the discerning traveller, our Platinum Service adds a new level of sophistication to your journey. Stylishly appointed and spacious cabins are complemented by discreet, personalised service and access to the exclusive Platinum Club carriage for meals, relaxation and socialising. As you'd expect, the food and wine are of the highest standard. Enjoy hearty breakfasts, two-course lunches and four-course dinners, all regionally inspired and paired with champagne and premium wines.

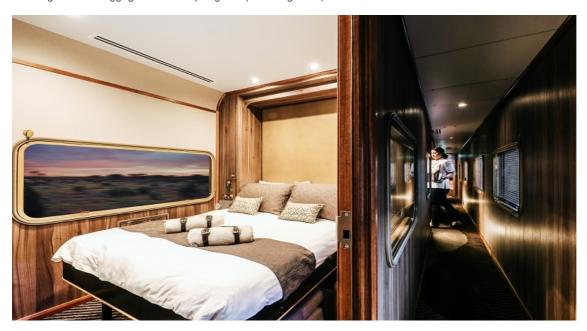
And it all begins before you've even stepped aboard. Platinum guests receive private transfers before and after your journey, beginning the

adventure in style.

Platinum cabins offer premium extras, like a full-size en suite, expansive window views from the train, and exclusive use of the Platinum Club carriage. Add to that the luxurious linen, French Champagne, Bracegirdle's chocolates, a nightcap at turndown and more, and you're in for an exceptional experience.

#### Platinum service includes:

- · All-inclusive dining, beverages, and Off Train Experiences
- Spacious Double or Twin cabin almost twice the size of a Gold Service Twin cabin
- By day, cabins are set up lounge-style with a moveable table and two ottomans
- By night, lounges are converted to double or twin beds
- · En suite equipped with separate shower, vanity with cupboard space, toilet and Australian bathroom amenities
- · Power outlets and in-cabin safe
- · In-cabin music channels and journey audio commentary
- Panoramic windows offering views from both sides of the train
- · Access to the exclusive Platinum Club for dining and socialising
- Freshly prepared continental breakfasts served upon request in-cabin
- · Refreshments served in-cabin
- · Transfers at the start and end of your journey available for guests within 60 km of the terminal
- 90 kg checked luggage allowance per guest (3 x 30 kg each).



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# Kings Canyon Resort

#### Kings Canyon

Wonderful setting where you can fully discover and immerse yourself in the wild nature with all your senses. Here an unforgettable outback adventure unfolds.

