

13 Day The Ghan & Territory Complete

Adelaide

Marla,NT

Alice Springs

Uluru

Kings Canyon

Katherine

Darwin

Kakadu

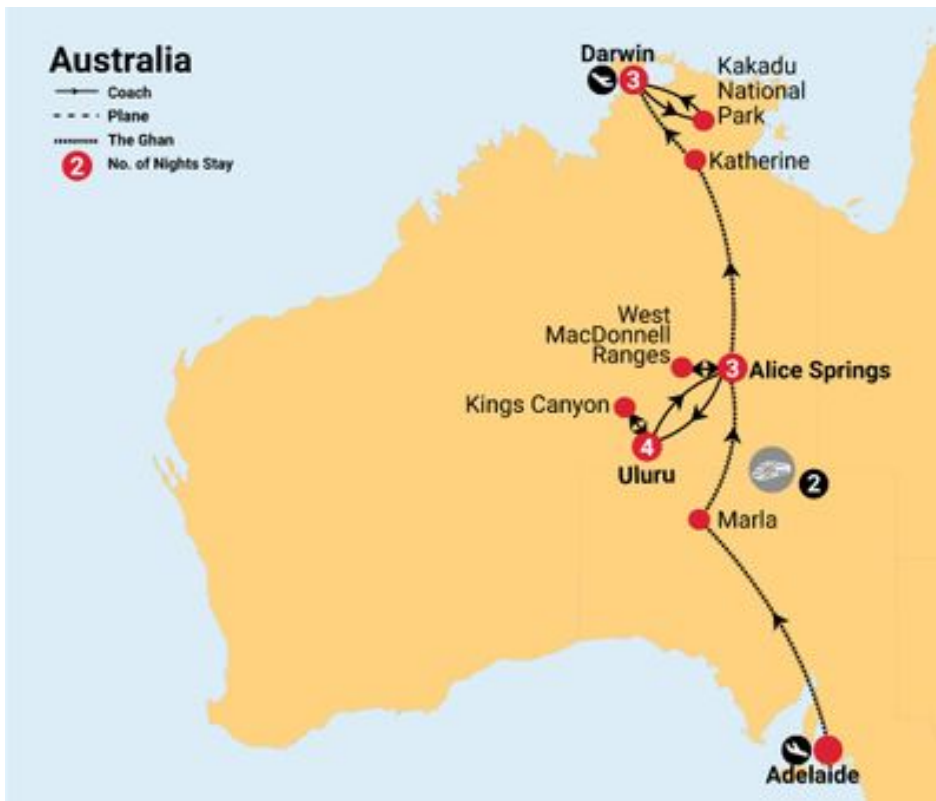
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DAY 1

Destination Adelaide 🚗 Flinders Ranges (viewing) 🚗 Marla

Meals included Lunch, Dinner

Hotel Train: The Ghan, or similar

Your unbelievable journey on the Ghan begins today. Departing Adelaide, what lies ahead is rugged, beautiful and spectacular – through the Red Centre to the tropical north of Australia. Settle into your cabin and watch the rolling pastoral lands of South Australia from your window, or meet your fellow travellers in the lounge car. Before long some of the oldest rock formations in the world, the Flinders Ranges, come into view. As darkness envelops the rugged outback, it's time to indulge in a regionally-inspired dinner and all-inclusive fine wines and beverages.

The train departs from the Adelaide Parklands Terminal on Richmond Road Keswick South Australia, 5035 (also known as Keswick Terminal). Terminal access from Richmond Road or Sir Donald Bradman Drive.

Your train departs at approximately 12:10PM. Check in for your rail journey opens approximately two hours prior to your scheduled departure time. All guests are required to check in at least 60 minutes prior to departure to be welcomed onboard. Please bring your travel itinerary and Photo I.D.

Please note: Off train excursions are booked upon boarding the train

DAY 2

Destination Marla 🚗 Alice Springs

Meals included Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel 4 ★ Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters, or similar

Begin with a freshly brewed coffee or juice as the day dawns at Marla, an outback outpost in the remote reaches of South Australia. It is here, deep inland, that you will enjoy a one of a kind experience, as you watch the desert come to life at sunrise. All aboard for brunch as you make your way through the MacDonnell Ranges to Alice Springs.

On arrival join your hotel transfer and be transferred to your hotel.



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DAY 3

Destination	Alice Springs
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	4 ★ Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters, or similar

Today you will be picked up from your hotel to join a tour of the West Macdonnell Ranges at approximately 7:00AM. The panoramic landscapes of the West Macdonnell Ranges are extraordinary for their immensity and array of sunburnt oranges, maroons and purples. View spectacular outback scenery and take photos as we travel along through magnificent Outback Country, stopping at the many historic locations. As we depart town, we will stop at the historical Flynn's Grave Memorial. Enjoy beautiful walks at both Simpsons Gap and Standley Chasm. The tour concludes back at your hotel at approximately 12:00PM where the rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 4

Destination	Alice Springs 🚗 Uluru
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	4 ★ Desert Gardens Hotel, or similar

Today you will be collected from your hotel at approximately 7:00am and transferred to Uluru.

Learn the natural and geological history of the region (commentary only), as well as the unique Australian desert flora and fauna, and hear about the traditional customs and beliefs of the local Aboriginals. View flat-topped Atila (Mt Conner) in the distance, before exploring the amazing World Heritage-listed Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park.

On arrival in Uluru you will be dropped at your hotel at around 1:00PM where the rest of the day is at leisure.

OPTIONAL TOUR - ULURU SUNSET

Sit back and relax as you travel into the amazing Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. Your Driver Guide will provide expert commentary while you enjoy the amazing surroundings and the sight of Uluru in the distance. This fascinating icon stands 348 metres high, however, most of its mass is below ground level. You'll be overwhelmed by its incredible size, presence and inherent spirituality.

Please note: Starts 60 minutes before sunset and concludes approximately 30 minutes after sunset, includes hotel pick up/drop off.



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DAY 5

Destination	Uluru 🚗 Sacred Sights with Sunset 🚗 Uluru
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	4 ★ Desert Gardens Hotel, or similar

This afternoon, you'll be collected from your hotel. Travel in the comfort of your coach around the base of Uluru with your Driver Guide who will provide details on its incredible history. You'll be fascinated by the Aboriginal stories that go back many thousands of years. Learn the significance of ancient Aboriginal rock art, about the area's flora and fauna, and culture of its traditional owners, the Anangu. Your day concludes with a spectacular sunset at Uluru.

DAY 6

Destination	Uluru
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	4 ★ Desert Gardens Hotel, or similar

Today is a free day to relax and enjoy your resort and its surroundings.

OPTIONAL TOUR - ULURU SUNRISE VISIT AND KATA TJUTA

The early rise is well worth it as you experience the two major landmarks in Uluru–Kata Tjuta National Park. Start with an amazing sunrise at Talinguru Nyakunytaku, the Uluru (Ayers Rock) sunrise viewing area. Afterwards, on the 45 kms drive to Kata Tjuta (the Olgas) your Driver Guide will provide you with an historical overview of the National Park. The walk through the sheer walls of Walpa Gorge won't disappoint as you're led into a world of rare plant species and lush evergreen shrubs.

Please note: Starts 90 minutes before sunrise and concludes approximately 11:30AM, includes hotel pick up/drop off.

DAY 7

Destination	Uluru 🚗 Kings Canyon 🚗 Uluru
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	4 ★ Desert Gardens Hotel, or similar



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Today is an early start. At approximately 4:30am you will be collected from your hotel to begin the journey to Kings Canyon. You'll get a sense of the remoteness of outback Australia as you travel to Kings Canyon. Located in the heart of Watarrka National Park, it lies in an ancient Australian landscape that is sacred ground for the Ulpanyali and Lilla people. The Rim Walk is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. The climb up a 100-metre cliff face reveals views of sandstone walls, grottos, chasms and cliffs. Or, for something more relaxing, set off on a two-kilometre stroll along the creek bed that leads to impressive views of the canyon rim.

Today concludes back at your hotel at approximately 5:30pm.

DAY 8

Destination	Uluru 🚗 Alice Springs
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	4 ★ Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters, or similar

At around 12:30pm you will be collected from your hotel to journey back to Alice Springs. Travel through desert scenery from Ayers Rock Resort. Enjoy comprehensive commentary of your surroundings as you pass through the rugged outback. View majestic Atila (Mt. Conner) along the way. Stop at Eriklunda Roadhouse where there is the opportunity to purchase afternoon tea (own expense). Travel North along the Stuart Highway before arriving at Alice Springs. On arrival in Alice Springs at approximately 7:00pm you will be dropped at your hotel.

DAY 9

Destination	Alice Springs 🚗 Katherine
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Hotel	Train: The Ghan, or similar

Enjoy a free day in Alice Springs. We have included late check-out so you can use your room until 6pm.

At the appropriate time you will be collected from your hotel and transferred to the train station to reboard The Ghan! An early evening departure around 6:15pm from Alice Springs Terminal and it is time to enjoy modern Australian cuisine for dinner. And of course, there is time to socialise with your fellow travellers.



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DAY 10

Destination	Katherine 🚗 Nitmiluk Gorge (Katherine Gorge) 🚗 Darwin
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch
Hotel	4 ★ Rydges Hotel Darwin, or similar

Your day dawns in the tropical north. The pristine wilderness of Katherine is stirring and powerful, and you'll have the chance to explore it from the water or land with your choice of off train experiences. Cruise the jaw-dropping Nitmiluk Gorge, learn more about its ancient Indigenous rock paintings and gain insight into the culture of the traditional owners of Nitmiluk, the Jawoyn people, or discover authentic outback life on a cattle station. As evening falls, arrive in Darwin to complete your epic train journey.

On arrival in Darwin, you will be met and transferred to your central Darwin hotel.

DAY 11

Destination	Darwin
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	4 ★ Rydges Hotel Darwin, or similar

Today is a full day at leisure to enjoy the tropical surrounds of Darwin.



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OPTIONAL TOUR - LITCHFIELD NATIONAL PARK

You will be collected from your hotel to travel to Litchfield National Park. Litchfield National Park contains several types of typical Top End habitats including lush monsoon forests, termite mounds, unusual rock formations, waterfalls and cascades. The park encloses much of the spectacular Tabletop Range, which is a wide sandstone plateau mostly surrounded by cliffs. During the green season four major waterfalls thunder from the cliffs to tropical rock pools many metres below. During the dry season, the waterfalls flow more gently, making the waterholes the perfect spot for a cool dip. The Park's traditional owners are the Wagait Aboriginal people, many of whom live in the area. We follow the Stuart Highway via the township of Batchelor to Litchfield National Park where we will visit the main falls. First stop is Florence Falls, where you have the opportunity for a scenic and interpretive bush and monsoon vine forest walk. There is also the chance for a swim by making your way down the stairs to the plunge pool below. Travel on to Tolmer Falls for a magnificent view of the water cascading down to the deep waterhole at the base of the falls. Finally we visit Wangi Falls, with its large crystal clear pool, another relaxing spot for a swim. On the way back to Darwin we make a stop in at Howard Spring Nature Park, where you will have the chance to feed the Barramundi & Turtles.

Please note: Starts 7:00am and concludes approximately 6:00pm, includes hotel pick up/drop off and lunch.

DAY 12

Destination	Darwin 🚗 Kakadu National Park 🚗 Nourlangie Rock 🚗 Yellow Water Billabong 🚗 Darwin
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch
Hotel	4 ★ Rydges Hotel Darwin, or similar

This morning you'll be collected from your hotel. Travel across the Adelaide River and Marrakai Plains and deep into Kakadu National Park. Visit the Warradjan Cultural Centre and view the informative displays depicting the traditions of the Aboriginal people in Kakadu; we join our local guide for a cruise on the famous Yellow Water Billabong. Search for saltwater crocodiles and the colourful range of birdlife for which this region is renowned. After a lunch stop at Nourlangie Rock, your guide will lead a walk to view ancient Aboriginal rock art, before returning to Darwin this evening.

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Destination	Darwin
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A



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Today your Red Centre and Top End discovery comes to an end. At the appropriate time, make your way to Darwin airport. Your hotel is located approximately 10km from Darwin Airport and a taxi ride will cost you between \$25 and \$35.



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Inclusions

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- Departing from Adelaide, travel coast to coast through the fiery red centre, experiencing Australia at its dramatic best on board The Ghan
- Make stops at Marla, Alice Springs and Nitmiluk Gorge as your train traverses North from Adelaide to Darwin
- Enjoy staying in the heart of Australia at Alice Springs and explore the West MacDonnell ranges
- Witness the spiritual power of Uluru and enjoy a day and sunset visit
- Travel to the grandeur of Kings Canyon
- Continue north to the tropical city of Darwin
- Visit Kakadu National Park and cruise Yellow Water Billabong

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Incredible sightseeing, travel on The Ghan from Adelaide to Darwin through the fiery red centre, experience the majesty of Uluru, tour Kings Canyon and witness crocodiles in Kakadu
- 2 nights on board The Ghan in a Gold Twin cabin (upgrades available). All-inclusive meals, fine wines, and beverages. A regionally-inspired menu paired with a selection of local wines
- 10 nights' accommodation in 3-4 star hotels
- 18 meals throughout
- Day tours to experience West MacDonnell Ranges, Uluru, Kings Canyon and Kakadu
- Transportation included as per the itinerary
- In depth sightseeing as per itinerary



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GHAN CABINS & UPGRADES

Gold Service (Included)

- Gold Twin, a comfortable sleeper cabin featuring private en suite and upper and lower berths that convert to a three-seater lounge by day
- Gold Single, a compact sleeper cabin featuring a bed that converts to a seat by day and shared shower/toilet facilities located at the end of the carriage
- Luggage allowance is 60kg per guest
- Power outlets in cabin

Platinum Service - From \$2,860 per person additional

Platinum Service promises and delivers a journey beyond expectations, it includes deluxe extras such as Platinum Transfers, access to the Platinum Club plus a superior food and wine offering.

- 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
- 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
- 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)

Platinum cabins are almost twice the size of Gold Twin Cabins in both your room and private en suite. By day your cabin is configured as a private lounge with deluxe lounge seating, a table and two ottomans, by night the lounges convert into two comfortable twin beds.

From an additional \$2,860 per person and is subject to availability upon booking. Please note, there are no single rooms in the Platinum category



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GHAN OFF TRAIN EXPERIENCES

The Ghan offers a range of included off train experiences which can be viewed by [CLICKING HERE](#)

Off Train Experiences are included in your fare and can be booked on boarding the train (no pre-booking available).

Optional tours offered are paid. These optional activities are paid directly to The Ghan on board (no pre-booking available)

Fine Print

\$750 BONUS OFFER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Over \$750 Bonus Value per couple

- \$250 per couple Future Travel Credit with Inspiring Vacations to use in 2021 - Book today and use your credit to secure your next holiday
- \$125 per couple Future Travel Credit with Travel Spree - Book now and lock in your next domestic holiday with Travelspree.com.au, for use in 2021
- \$250 per couple Future Travel Credit with Inspiring Vacations to use in 2022 - Book today and use your credit to secure your 2022 adventure
- \$125 per couple Future Travel Credit with Travel Spree - Book now and lock in your 2022 domestic holiday with Travelspree.com.au

Note: The single traveller bonus value amount is \$450 per person.

How to add the bonus value offer to your booking

- Follow the 'book now' prompts
- After selecting your departure date and room type, add the Special Offer to your order by clicking 'add to booking'.

Terms and Conditions

- Offer valid until 11:59PM 19th May 2021, or until sold out.
Bonus value is based on 2 people, single/solo booking value will be based on the 1 person equivalent.
- Inspiring Vacations reserves the right to finish the offer prior to the finishing date at



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its discretion.

- Future Travel Credits can not be used for existing bookings or used as a future payment method for any booking made in conjunction with this offer.
- Travel credit vouchers must be used within 12 months of issue date or are forfeited
- All credit or voucher amounts will be issued within 14 days of the conclusion of the campaign or after your 1st installment payment has been made (which ever is greater).
- Amounts are not refundable for cash or transferable or combinable with any other offers or competition.
- Inspiring Vacations reserves the right to cancel the value offer in the instance of a force majeure event as described in the Inspiring Vacations terms & conditions.
- In such instances, no deferral, rebooking or compensation will be available.
- All other Inspiring Vacations terms & conditions along with specific package fine print continue to apply
- Only applicable to select packages

BOOK WITH CONFIDENCE

Inspiring Vacations has been globally recognised and awarded for its handling of COVID-19 during the pandemic. The safety and wellbeing of our guests is our highest concern during this time of uncertainty, and we are continuously monitoring the evolving COVID-19 situation.

We have adopted the advice of the WHO to ensure all customers can travel with the knowledge of how to travel safely and with confidence.

Australian owned and operated with 100% Australian Customer Service support

We are proudly 100% Australian owned and operated, with our head office located in Melbourne, Victoria. When you make your booking, you will receive dedicated and ongoing support from our team of travel professionals throughout your booking, up until you are due to depart.

Flexible Date Change Option

INCLUDED - Date change may be requested prior to 65 days* before your original selected departure date ONLY IF due to government imposed restrictions only ie. Border closures.

*some packages may have a varied period in which you can request a date change due to limitations with the third-party provider.



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The Flexible Date Change option does not cover cost incurred for components not fulfilled by Inspiring Vacations or in the event extra services have been booked with Inspiring Vacations outside of the standard package, including but not limited to airfares, pre/post accommodation or insurance.

Airfare Inclusive packages - The Flexible Date Change option applies to the tour portion of your package. Airfare flexibility will be subject to the airline's fare rules and a change fee plus any fare difference may be applicable.

Cooling off period

If you change your mind within 7 days of making your booking online, you can request a refund of your initial deposit payment as part of our cooling off period.

Once your purchase date falls outside of the 7 day period, our standard terms and conditions will apply. Please ensure that any request to cancel your booking is received via email to support@inspiringvacations.com, including the reason for cancellation.



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HOW TO BOOK & PAYMENTS

Deposit & Payments

- Book now and secure your package with a \$99 deposit per person.
- Pay a 2nd instalment of \$3,200 per person within 7 days. This is a requirement of The Chan to secure your cabin.
- You will then be invoiced for final payment 90 days prior to departure.

Booking Process

- 'Sign Up' first by entering your email and creating a password
- Then select the red 'Book now' tab of the tour you have selected
- Select your Departure Date, Number of Passengers, Room Configuration, any Upgrade Options, and enter any Special Requests
- Click the red 'Proceed to Secure Checkout' tab
- Enter your credit card or PayPal details to secure your deposit/payment. You may also pay via BPAY (not available within 70 days of departure)
- Once your order is complete, you will be prompted to complete a Booking Form so that we can fulfil your booking
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- Your booking is on request and will be confirmed by Inspiring Vacations once all components of your package have been secured with our partners, please see below for further information

Booking On Request

- Your Inspiring Vacations package is made up of multiple components and travel partners. Once your booking is made and passenger details form submitted, we will begin to confirm all of your arrangements. Please note, this process can take several business days to complete.
- Once all elements have been confirmed we will send you an email confirmation, if we are unable to confirm we will provide you with alternative dates or offer a full refund of your deposit or re-credit your account if a travel credit was used.
- Please DO NOT book any additional services, such as flights, until we have confirmed your Inspiring Vacations package in writing. Inspiring Vacations will not be liable for any fees or charges incurred to change or cancel components not booked by Inspiring Vacations should your selected package be unavailable.



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PRE & POST HOTEL INFORMATION

You can enhance your holiday by arriving early or staying longer upon conclusion of the tour. On this tour you can choose from the following options:

Pre and post tour accommodation

- Pre-tour accommodation in Adelaide: \$296 per room per night for double/twin/single including breakfast
- Post-tour accommodation in Darwin: \$282 per room per night for double/twin/single including breakfast

OPTIONAL TOURS

To enhance your journey, we are offering guests a choice of the following optional activities (prices are per person):

- Uluru (Day 4) - Uluru Sunset - \$86 per person
- Uluru (Day 6) - Uluru Sunrise Visit and Kata Tjuta - \$202 per person
- Darwin (Day 11) - Litchfield National Park - \$203

Optional tours can be selected once you have finalised your tour purchase and paid your deposit. When completing your Passenger Booking Form, you will be asked if you would like to add Optional Tours, where any applicable cost will be added to your final balance. If you choose not to select them at this time, you can choose to add them later by logging in to your Account online or speaking with your Dedicated Support Agent for assistance.

Please note that you must select your Optional Tours no later than 65 days before departure, after which you will be required to purchase them on tour. Please keep in mind that anything purchased on-tour is subject to availability. We appreciate your understanding.



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EXCLUSIONS

- International or domestic airfares not mentioned on the itinerary
- Airport transfers
- Visas (if applicable)
- Travel insurance (compulsory)
- Tipping
- Anything not mentioned in the itinerary
- Optional activities
- Personal expenses

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

COVID-19

Due to COVID there may be disruptions to standard operating schedules of particular components of this itinerary. Should a component be effected a substitute will be confirmed prior to departure.

Fitness Requirements

While the itinerary should give you some guidance and overview to the expected requirements, to determine if this tour is right for you we categorise each of our tours in terms of their intensity. These guidelines are to ensure that each tour group is conducted as expected and to ensure the overall satisfaction of all Inspiring Vacations customers.

As a general rule, portage is not included, therefore at all times you are expected to handle your own luggage where help may not be available.

This particular tour is categorised as a "3".

3 – Moderate Tour: A good level of fitness and mobility is required, as this tour includes a moderate level of physical activity and is considered a medium-fast paced tour. You should be able to walk up and down stairs and able to walk reasonable distances of approximately 2 kilometres per day or more with ease. Any physical ailments you may have must be disclosed at the time of booking to determine your suitability. If you have any form of walking aids, other than a walking stick or hiking poles, then this tour is not suitable.

Tour Type - Independent

On these packages you will travel from city to city on your own, exploring at your own pace. We have arranged transportation in most cases and day tours for you to see the destination. Enjoy the time and flexibility to linger longer or pick up the pace and see as much as possible. The choice is yours.



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Accommodation

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences, however any changes are beyond our control.

Please note:

Gold Service - Available in twin configuration only. If selecting double upon check out, this configuration will only apply to your hotel accommodation.

Platinum Service - Available in double or twin configuration

Covid Itinerary Changes

Due to COVID there may be disruptions to standard operating schedules of particular components of this itinerary. Should a component be effected a substitute will be confirmed prior to departure

Single Supplement on the Ghan

There is no single supplement for the Ghan if utilising a Single Room. Single Rooms on the Ghan are very limited and pricing is subject to availability. If the single cabins are not available at the time of booking, you will need to pay for a twin cabin at an additional cost of approx \$3,900 for a Gold Twin in addition to the package price. This price is subject to change and as such, cannot be confirmed until after a booking has been made. If you are not happy with the price of the single supplement provided, you can request to cancel and receive a refund of your deposit. If the single supplement cost is suitable, this will be added to your invoice and part of the final balance payable. For an indicative cost prior to purchase, you are welcome to contact our Customer Service team.

Please note: Single rooms have shared bathroom facilities. There are no single Platinum Rooms available on board the Ghan

Single Supplement for the hotels

The single supplement for this portion of the trip is \$1,790. Please see above regarding The Ghan.

Triple Share

Not available.



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Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is required to protect yourself against the unexpected.

We have partnered with nib to offer our customers competitive rates for their travel insurance. You can book comprehensive or budget cover simply by clicking [HERE](#) to arrange your policy.

Tour Documentation

Final documentation including, e-tickets and hotel details, will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

Children

Children must be 5 years old or above and share a room with parents at all times. Children are charged the same price as adults.

Tour Length

The total length of the tour in days includes time spent inflight and is subject to change, depending on the flight schedule. Please refer to the day-by-day itinerary for the time spent in your destination(s).