

HEARTLAND VOYAGER (JUN TO AUG)

THE GHAN

DEPARTURE SATURDAY

See the best of the Australian outback and immerse yourself in the heart of it with hands-on experiences. It doesn't come any better than travelling on The Ghan, exploring Uluru and Kata Tjuta, cruising Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge and touring Darwin, all in one sensational journey through the nation's heartland.

INCLUSIONS

- 1 nights accommodation in Adelaide including breakfast
- 2 days/1 night aboard The Ghan, Adelaide to Alice Springs, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Experience in Marla
- 2 nights accommodation in Alice Springs including breakfast daily
- 2 days/1 night Uluru and Kata Tjuta including accommodation and guided touring
- 2 days/1 night aboard The Ghan, Alice Springs to Darwin, including all meals, beverages and Off Train Excursion in Katherine
- Transfer from Darwin Rail Terminal to Hotel
- 2 nights accommodation in Darwin including breakfast daily
- 24 hour Darwin City Explorer Hop On Hop Off Big Bus pass
- 7 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners

HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore the amazing World Heritage Listed Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park
- Witness Uluru at sunset and sunrise
- See the beautiful Mutitjulu Waterhole
- Visit the mystical domes of Kata Tjuta
- Discover the rock formations of Walpa Gorge
- See Darwin with top-deck views
- Access Darwin's best landmarks and attractions

DAY 1 ARRIVE ADELAIDE

Welcome to Adelaide. Explore the food and wine capital at your leisure after checking in to your accommodation.

OVERNIGHT: Hilton Adelaide

DAY 2 BOARD THE GHAN IN ADELAIDE

Enjoy a stroll through the city streets of Adelaide this morning before boarding The Ghan, heading for the Flinders Ranges and beyond.

OVERNIGHT: The Ghan (B,L,D)

DAY 3 THE GHAN, ALICE SPRINGS

Wake to an unforgettable outback sunrise at Marla before making your way to Alice Springs. On arrival, check in to your accommodation, head out and explore this outback town at your own pace.

OVERNIGHT: Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters (B,L)

DAY 4 ALICE SPRINGS TO ULURU

Prepare for one of life's ultimate travel experiences when you begin your journey to Uluru. Depart Alice Springs through rugged desert landscape, passing the beautiful MacDonnell Ranges. Along the way, you'll visit a camel farm and see majestic Attila (Mount Conner). This afternoon travel around the base of Uluru, visit Kuniya Walk and the beautiful Mutitjulu Waterhole. Later visit the Uluru – Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre. In the late afternoon, you will travel to the Uluru sunset viewing area. Witness the striking colour changes of Uluru at sunset while enjoying nibbles and sparkling wine. OVERNIGHT: Voyages Sails in the Desert (B)

DAY 5 ULURU, KATA TJU<u>T</u>A AND ALICE SPRINGS

It's an early start to experience the full grandeur of Uluru from the sunrise viewing area before your short journey to the 36 mystical domes of Kata Tjuta. Spend some time exploring the gorge and unusual conglomerate rock formations. The trail follows the natural creek between two of the tallest domes of Kata Tjuta. This afternoon travel along the Stuart Highway through desert scenery on your way to Alice Springs.

OVERNIGHT: Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters

DAY 6 BOARD THE GHAN IN ALICE SPRINGS

Enjoy watching the beautiful scenery pass by your window as you relax aboard The Ghan.

OVERNIGHT: The Ghan (B,D)

DAY 7 THE GHAN, KATHERINE AND DARWIN

The landscapes continue to transform as you head towards Katherine and your Off Train Excursion before continuing to

OVERNIGHT: 2 nights DoubleTree by Hilton Esplanade Darwin (B,L)

DAY 8 DARWIN CITY

Explore Darwin at your own pace today. Join the Hop On – Hop Off bus to discover the best of Darwin's landmarks and attractions. Spend as little or as long as you want. Visit Mindil Beach, the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, the George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens or even Crocosaurus Cove – the choice is yours. (B)

DAY 9 FAREWELL

Today completes your journey through the heart of Australia. (B)