

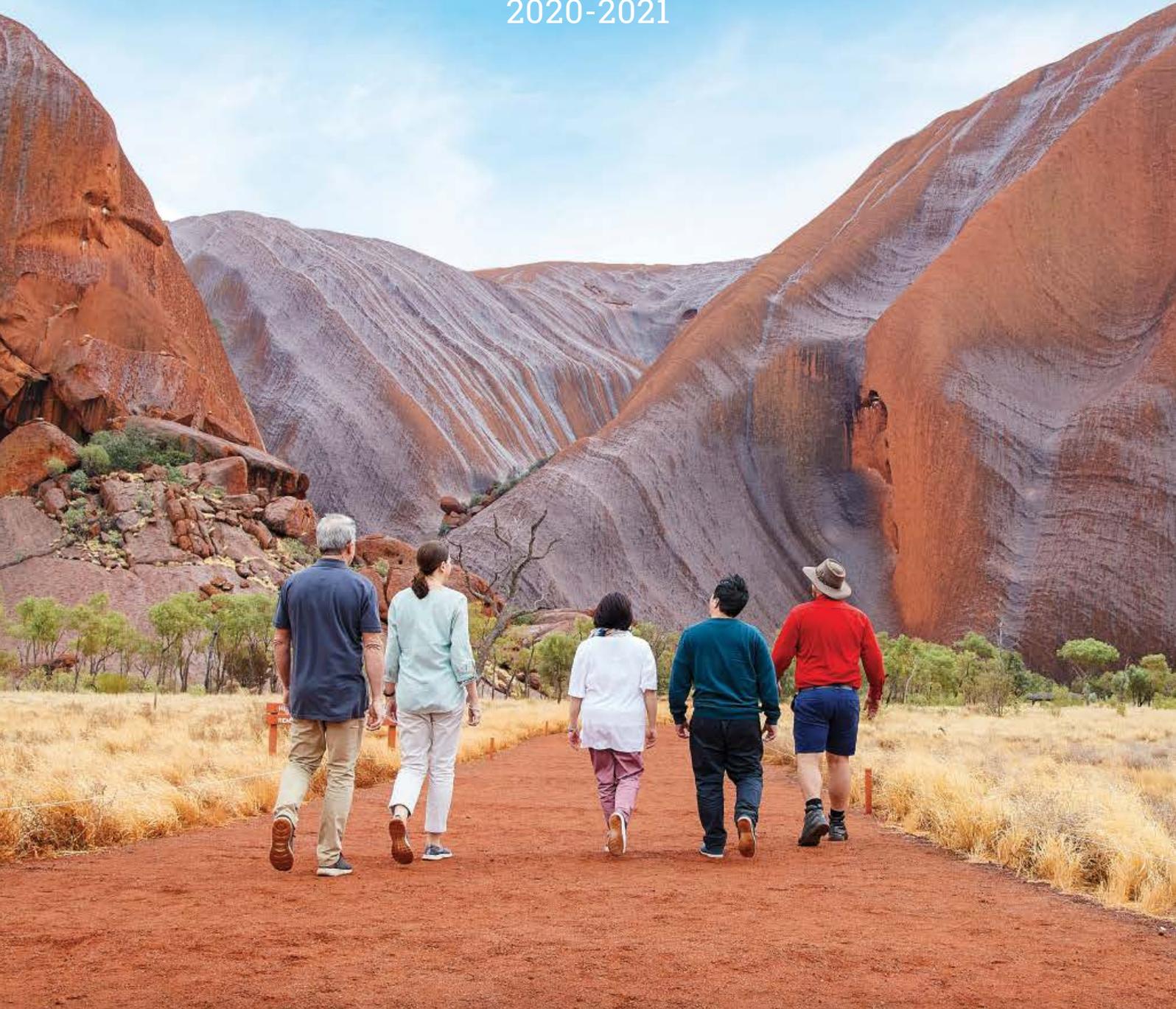
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# Outback Safari

11 DAYS

ULURU → DARWIN

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## HIGHLIGHTS



Visit the School of the Air with a local expert to witness how children living in remote areas are educated.



Local guides take you on a journey through Yellow Water Billabong to spot wildlife, including large crocodiles.



Discover the culture of a real outback remote pub with a visit to Daly Waters Pub. Our shout!



Your stay at Ayers Rock Resort contributes to the Mutitjulu Foundation, funding health and education projects for local Aboriginal communities.



- START
- END
- ① Number of night stays
- Sightseeing stops



Karlu Karlu (Devil's Marbles)

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## CHOOSE THIS TRIP IF YOU'D LOVE TO:

- Uncover outback locations, Devils Marbles & Wycliff Wells
- Witness a magnificent Uluru sunset, sipping sparkling wine
- Walk the path of adventure on Kings Canyon Rim
- Cruise Katherine Gorge, learn about the culture of the Jawoyn

### 1 Welcome to Uluru

On arrival at Ayers Rock Resort you'll meet your Travel Director and travelling companions. Drive the short distance to dual World Heritage listed Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park, where sparkling wine is served at a Welcome Reception as you watch the sun set over Australia's renowned natural landmark. Witness the phenomenon of the changing colours on the massive sandstone monolith before returning to the comfort of your hotel for the night. **Hotel: Desert Gardens, Ayers Rock Resort, 2 nights.**

### 2 Uluru Sunrise – Kata Tjuta

Rise early to experience a majestic Uluru sunrise while sipping a warming cup of tea or coffee. After a tour of the base of Uluru, you may like to take either a self-guided walk around its 11km perimeter, or a shorter guided walk to the Mutitjulu Waterhole. Your Travel Director will explain the significance of the ancient Aboriginal rock paintings you'll encounter and the culture of the traditional owners, the Anangu people. This afternoon's journey takes you to superb Kata Tjuta, a series of 36 magnificent domes of orange-hued sedimentary rock, where you can toast the magnificent sunset with a glass of sparkling wine. **B**

### 3 Uluru – Kings Canyon

Awe-inspiring Kings Canyon is your destination today. Stop for a lunch break at Kings Creek Station, the largest exporter of wild camels in Australia, and hear the intriguing story of owners Ian and Lynn Conway and their dedication to Aboriginal children in the region's remote communities. Continue to Kings Canyon, a spectacular natural formation whose sheer sandstone walls soar to a height of over 100 metres. A 6km 'rim walk' around the canyon will reward you with marvellous views of Watarrka National Park. An easier walk along the canyon's boulder strewn creek bed is another option. **Hotel: Kings Canyon Resort. B DW**

### 4 Kings Canyon – Alice Springs

Travelling past vast cattle properties today, you'll develop a true appreciation of the enormous magnitude of the Australian outback. On arrival in Alice Springs, visit the historic Telegraph Station established in 1872, and drive to Anzac Hill for panoramic views over 'The Alice'. **Hotel: Mercure Alice Springs Resort, 2 nights. B**

### 5 Alice Springs

After breakfast this morning, join an Aboriginal guide at the Alice Springs Desert Park to gain an insight into the culture and traditions of the local Arrernte people. Later, at the headquarters of the Royal Flying Doctor Service, you'll learn how this iconic facility provides emergency medical assistance in the outback. This evening, join the Falzon family for a Be My Guest home-cooked barbecue dinner at Earth Sanctuary World Nature Centre, and later listen as they speak of their passion for local ecology, astronomy and culture. **B BG**

### 6 Alice Springs – Tennant Creek

Before leaving Alice Springs, visit the School of the Air to witness a classroom lesson broadcast to children living in remote locations. Then travel north, stopping to view Karlu Karlu, an intriguing group of precariously-balanced granite boulders. Your destination is the former gold-mining town of Tennant Creek. **Hotel: Bluestone Motor Inn. B DW**

### 7 Tennant Creek – Katherine

Travel further north, visiting the quirky Daly Waters Pub before continuing to Mataranka, where a swim in the warm, crystal-clear waters of the thermal springs is a must-do. Tonight is spent in Katherine. **Hotel: Paraway Motel. B DW**

### 8 Katherine – Kakadu National Park

Travel to Nitmiluk National Park, where a tranquil cruise along the spectacular Katherine Gorge will allow you to sense the spirituality of the land. Catch glimpses of the resident freshwater crocodiles and learn about the history and culture of the local traditional owners, the Jawoyn people. Then, travel deep into Kakadu for a cruise on the famous Yellow Water Billabong, famed for its stunning variety of birdlife. You'll also see estuarine crocodiles basking on the sandy banks. **Hotel: Mercure Kakadu Crocodile, Jabiru. B DW**

### 9 Kakadu – Darwin Included Choice

Visit fascinating Ubirr with its superb Aboriginal rock art dating over 20,000 years. Then, climb to the top of the rocky outcrop for majestic views over the floodplains and escarpment country. This afternoon in Darwin, choose an Included Choice sightseeing experience. Visit the colourful Mindil Beach Sunset Market where we'll treat you to dinner or Crocosaurus Cove to explore at your leisure. **Hotel: Mantra on the Esplanade, 2 nights. B**

### 10 Litchfield National Park

Travel to Litchfield National Park, pausing to examine the amazing termite mounds that dot the landscape. Then continue to Florence Falls, a double plunge waterfall leading to a popular swimming hole. Venture on to Wangi Falls for a swim in the large waterhole before heading back to Darwin. Join your Travel Director for a Darwin Harbour Farewell Dinner Cruise. **B FD**

### 11 Farewell from Darwin

Say farewell to your fellow travellers when your holiday comes to an end after breakfast. **B**



Uluru



Kings Canyon



Alice Springs



Darwin

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