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## NORTHERN TERRITORY DISCOVERY

12 Day Conducted Tour  
**\$5,795** per person twin share  
Price includes airport taxes & levies

This great price includes all of the following:

- Economy Class airfares with Qantas from Sydney, Brisbane & Melbourne into Darwin and out of Uluru (Ayers Rock).
- A 12 Day coach tour of the Northern Territory, including Darwin, Kakadu National Park, Katherine Gorge, Tennant Creek, Devils Marbles, Alice Springs, Kings Canyon and Uluru.
- Good accommodation, mainly 3 to 4 star hotels with private facilities.
- Many meals, as stated in the itinerary.
- All transfers and transport.
- Entrance fees to many attractions and gratuities to the main tour guide and driver.
- Services of an experienced tour guide and driver.



Experience the Northern Territory's quintessential desert landscapes on a thrilling road-trip from Darwin to Uluru. We travel the Stuart Highway from Darwin and witness the transition from the greens of the tropical north to the desert and rocky escarpments of the Red Centre.



If you don't have anyone to share with but wish to travel at twin share rates, we will try and assign you with another person, but this is not guaranteed. For a single room there is an extra cost of \$1,760.

The tour is limited to a maximum of 25 passengers in a full sized coach.

Please contact our office if you wish to depart from a different city. Additional charges may apply.

**Tour departs 18<sup>th</sup> August and  
returns 29<sup>th</sup> August 2021**

*We try harder to find you the best travel deal*

## **Itinerary for Northern Territory Discovery Tour – August 2021**

Included meals are indicated as B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner

### **18.08.21 Melbourne/Brisbane/Sydney - Darwin**

Depart Melbourne at 6.00am on flight QF 858, arriving in Darwin at 11.10am (this flight goes via Adelaide).

Depart Sydney at 8.25am on flight QF 840, arriving in Darwin at 12.25pm.

Depart Brisbane at 8.30am on flight QF 824, arriving in Darwin at 12.10pm.

Welcome to the Northern Territory! We are transferred to our Darwin hotel for a two night stay. The remainder of the day is at leisure to rest or explore Darwin.

### **19.08.21 Darwin**

**(B)** This morning we have an included city tour of Darwin. On the tour we will visit the Darwin Aviation Museum, which displays a mammoth B52 bomber, the only one of its kind on display in the Southern Hemisphere. We also visit the Art Gallery of the Northern Territory where we can see the Cyclone Tracy exhibition.

We see the Chinese Temple and the lush botanical gardens, as well as historic sites of the city, including the East Point Military Precinct, Stokes Hill Wharf and Mooring Basin. At the conclusion of the tour we are returned to our hotel, with the remainder of the day at leisure. Later this afternoon we have an included welcome drink and pre tour meeting at the hotel.

### **20.08.21 Darwin – Kakadu National Park**

**(B/D)** We say goodbye to Darwin and travel to Kakadu National Park. We visit Nourlangie Rock to see ancient art carvings. Then we participate in a bush foods discovery tour and tasting. This evening we enjoy a dinner featuring local delicacies and bush foods.

### **21.08.21 Kakadu National Park**

**(B)** This morning we visit the Warradjan Cultural Centre to learn more about the local aboriginal people who have lived in the region for up to 50,000 years. Afterwards we cruise the unspoilt waterways of the Yellow Water Billabong. Enjoy incredible scenery with the opportunity to spot water buffalo, crocodiles and an abundance of bird species. The remainder of the day is at leisure. You may want to take an optional helicopter flight to see more of this vast park or just relax with a cool drink at the resort's pool.

### **22.08.21 Kakadu National Park – Nitmiluk National Park – Katherine**

**(B)** We visit Nitmiluk National Park and enjoy a walk to Edith Falls where there is time for a swim in this amazing setting. Following this we continue to Katherine for an overnight stay. This evening is at leisure.

### **23.08.21 Katherine – Mataranaka – Tennant Creek**

**(B/D)** We have an early morning start today to enjoy a dawn cruise through the spectacular Katherine Gorge. See dramatic cliffs, sandy beaches and pristine wilderness. We'll have the chance to see wildlife including cockatoos, eagles and wallabies plus learn

the history and culture of the local indigenous people. Next we visit Mataranka Thermal Springs where you can relax and enjoy this tropical oasis. Later, make a stop for an included cool drink at the historic Daly Waters Pub. Hear stories about the pub's history, meet some of the friendly locals and see the treasures left behind by visitors from around the world. Following an included dinner, the remainder of the evening is at leisure in the Northern Territory's 'Heart of Gold', Tennant Creek.

**24.08.21 Tennant Creek – Devils Marbles – Alice Springs**

**(B)** Today we discover the iconic Devils Marbles, a collection of massive granite boulders which stand 6 metres high and were formed over millions of years. We have a short walk and hear the ancient mythology of how the local aboriginal people believe them to be the fossilised eggs of the Rainbow Serpent. Following this we continue to Alice Springs and make a stop at the Alice Springs Brewing Co to sample some of their locally brewed craft beer. This evening is at leisure. We have a two night stay in Alice Springs.

**25.08.21 Alice Springs**

**(B)** This morning we visit the remarkable Standley Chasm, a geological and cultural icon. We have some time to explore the history of this land and have the chance to walk 'the Gap of Water', a striking geological formation with a local indigenous guide. Please note that the Gap of Water walk is about 2.4km long, over rocky ground and the walk requires a moderate fitness level. Passengers can choose not to take part in this walk if they wish. Afterwards we visit the Royal Flying Doctor Service to learn about the medical care required to service the outback. We then visit the School of the Air to see how educational services are provided in this remote region. This is followed by the Old Telegraph Station to discover how early settlers developed communications in this remote region. In your free time this afternoon you may wish to hire a bicycle to explore more on your own, or browse the local art galleries and shops, or try your luck at the Casino!

**26.08.21 Alice Springs – Kings Canyon**

**(B)** Today we depart Alice Springs and travel to Kings Canyon to be inspired by the soaring sandstone walls within Australia's Red Centre. Lace up your walking boots for the incredible Kings Canyon Creek Walk. Other walks are available as well as optional scenic helicopter and quad bike tours. Tonight, enjoy an included refreshing drink as you watch the sunset.

**27.08.21 Kings Canyon – Uluru**

**(B)** You may wish to rise early to join the Kings Canyon Rim Walk. On the walk you can enjoy amazing views and iconic sites such as the Garden of Eden, Priscilla's Crack and the weathered domes of 'the Lost City'. Afterwards we continue to Uluru and enjoy a locally guided tour at the base of the rock and visit the Mutitjulu waterhole. Discover aboriginal rock paintings and learn their stories and historic significance. This evening, witness the sunset at Uluru with included nibbles and drinks.

**28.08.21 Uluru**

**(B/D)** For those that wish we can rise early and be transferred to the viewing site to watch the sun rise over Uluru with a boxed breakfast. Later we enjoy a walk at Kata Tjuta,

a geological splendour of some 36 brilliant domes. The afternoon is at leisure. You may wish to choose from a number of optional activities, including a scenic helicopter flight, a ride on the back of a Harley-Davidson motorcycle, or take part in a bush food experience.

This evening we have an included farewell dinner to reminisce on our tour of the Northern Territory.

### 29.08.21 **Uluru (Ayers Rock) – Alice Springs - Sydney/Melbourne/Brisbane**

**(B)** After breakfast we are transferred to Ayers Rock Airport for our flights home.

All passengers depart Ayers Rock at 9.05am on flight QF 1851, arriving in Alice Springs at 9.55am.

Brisbane passengers depart Alice Springs at 10.35am on flight QF 787, arriving in Brisbane at 1.45pm.

Sydney passengers depart Alice Springs at 1.00pm on flight QF 791, arriving in Sydney at 4.10pm.

Melbourne passengers depart Alice Springs at 2.40pm on flight QF 797, arriving in Melbourne at 5.45pm.

**Note:** The primary ground operator for this tour is Cosmos. We have arranged for an exclusive sole coach departure for bookings made directly through Macleay Valley Travel. The tour numbers are limited to 25 passengers travelling in a full sized coach.



## Conditions for Macleay Valley Travel's Northern Territory Discovery Tour

**Deposits and Payments:** A non-refundable deposit of \$200 per person is payable within 7 days of booking. This deposit is not refundable should you later cancel. The balance is payable 12 weeks prior to departure. Macleay Valley Travel often has to adhere to strict payment deadlines and your booking on the tour may be cancelled if final payment is not received by the due date, with no refund applicable.

**Refunds and Cancellations:** Due to the current world circumstances with COVID-19, Macleay Valley Travel has arranged more favourable cancellation terms for this tour package. The deposit is non-refundable, however any cancellations made after the final payment date and before the 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021, will result in a refund of the standard tour price, less the \$200 per person deposit payment. Cancellations on or after the 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021 will result in a refund limited to whatever we can recoup from the airline. In most instances, any additional amount paid to Macleay Valley Travel for airfare upgrades, extra accommodation or tour extensions will not be refundable. Airfares arranged for any pre tour extensions cannot be provided through Qantas Groups, and as such these tickets will be non-refundable. Any refund for a cancelled booking will not be paid until the suppliers provide the refund to the Macleay Valley Travel.

**Airline Tickets** - Please note that any changes made to airline tickets once they have been issued will likely incur high cancellation and/or reissue fees. These fees are typically set by the airline and are outside of our control.

**Insurance:** Adequate travel insurance is essential.

**Identification** – A valid form of government issued photographic identification is required or a current passport with at least 6 months left on it at the end of the tour. Non-Australian passport holders require a re-entry visa for Australia. Australian citizens do not require a visa for this tour.

**Basic Tour Price and Taxes:** Air taxes and fuel levies are included in the basic tour price if the tour is paid in full on or before the due date on the final invoice. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to charge for any increase in air taxes and fuel levies if the tour is not paid in full by the due date.

**Not Included in the Cost:** All items of a personal nature such as telephone calls, drinks, excess baggage, tips, meals, (except those specified in the itinerary), etc. Also travel insurance and optional tours. Similarly, credit card payments (Visa / MasterCard) can only be accepted if 1.2% is added to the price to help defray the heavy merchant fees charged to us by the credit card companies. There is a 2% surcharge for American Express. Specific seating cannot usually be provided free of charge for group flights with Qantas. As such Macleay Valley Travel cannot guarantee seating requests. Charges apply for specific seating assignments, subject to availability. Seats typically cost \$25 per person, per sector.

**Breakaway Fee** - All fully inclusive prices are based on group travel and any deviation from the set itinerary will incur a breakaway fee. The breakaway fee for most deviations including a post-tour extension on this tour is \$55 per person, plus any increase in airfare. Please inquire with our office for prices on any pre-tour extensions, as group flights cannot usually be arranged.

**Accreditation** - Macleay Valley Travel is a fully accredited travel agency under the AFTA (Australian Federation of Travel Agents) ATAS - AFTA Travel Accreditation Scheme. As such, you are assured of a consumer focused and quality assured business, ensuring professional conduct and ethical business practices. We are happy for any prospective traveller with us to check us out with your local Consumer Affairs (Fair Trading) department.

**Disclosure of fees or commissions received from third parties** - Macleay Valley Travel Pty Ltd may receive fees, commissions, gifts or financial incentives from third parties under this contract.

**Accommodation** – Hotel ratings for this tour are mainly rated 3 - 4 star with private facilities. Hotels will be advised at a later date.

**Twin Share Bookings** – If you do not have a travel partner, but wish to travel at twin share rates, we will try and assign you with another traveller but this is not guaranteed. We assign passengers by their gender, on a first come, first served basis and do not assign twin share passengers according to their age, profession, interests etc. There are risks with sharing a room with a person you do not know, and Macleay Valley Travel accepts no responsibility if you are incompatible with your assigned room mate. Additionally, if you are assigned a travelling companion to share with and they cancel off the tour prior to making the final payment, then you will either be required to pay the single room supplement or we will try our best to assign you with another twin share passenger, if one is available.

**Health and Fitness** - Macleay Valley Travel recommends that the passenger is reasonably healthy and/or fit to participate in this tour. Persons with a disability requiring special assistance must be accompanied by a companion. Macleay Valley Travel and their representatives cannot provide this service. The Health & Fitness Questionnaire located on the last page of this itinerary needs to be completed in full by each passenger and accompany your booking form. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to accept/decline or terminate a passenger's participation in the tour under certain circumstances. Macleay Valley Travel is not permitted to provide medical advice as to vaccinations/injections which you may require for this tour and advise you to consult your local medical practitioner for specific medical advice. There are no compulsory injections required for this tour.

**Limitation of Liability** - As Macleay Valley Travel acts only as agent for the airlines, hotels, coach companies etc., providing accommodation, transportation and other services, Macleay Valley Travel shall not be liable or responsible for death or injury to any person or loss or damage to any property including baggage arising out of or connection with any transportation, accommodation or other services, or resulting directly or indirectly from acts of God, fire, breakdown in machinery or equipment, acts of Government or other authorities, de jure or defacto wars, whether declared or not, hostilities, civil disturbances, strikes, riots, thefts, epidemics, quarantines, medical or customs regulations, delays or cancellations caused by changes in schedules or itinerary, or over bookings or defaults or for any causes beyond Macleay Valley Travel's control or any loss or damage resulting from improper or insufficient passports, visas or other documents and neither Macleay Valley Travel, and its servants or employees shall be or become liable or responsible for any additional expenses or liability sustained or incurred by the tour member as a result of the foregoing causes. Additionally you must meet the entry requirements for each country you visit. Macleay Valley Travel will not be liable if you are denied entry to a country for any reason, including a past criminal history. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to decline bookings made for any group tour. Any tour booking confirmation is conditional, contingent on our view of the ability of a person to be able to participate in a tour without the likelihood of conflict between members of a tour whether perceived or actual. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to modify the itinerary or the accommodation if circumstances make this necessary, provided that the amended itinerary is of equal value or greater value than that of the original program.

## MACLEAY VALLEY TRAVEL - BOOKING FORM

PLEASE PRINT DETAILS CLEARLY IN BLOCK LETTERS AND ALSO

**A PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR PASSPORT OR PHOTO ID MUST BE SENT WITH BOOKING FORM**

Name of Tour : \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Passenger 1** (as written in passport) \_\_\_\_\_

Title: **Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss. Dr.** \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**Passenger 2** (as written in passport) \_\_\_\_\_

Title: **Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss. Dr.** \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**Postal Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **PostCode** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone / Fax Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Mobile** \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Single room / Twin beds / Double bed:** (Room type is subject to availability)

Circle which airport you wish to depart from: SYDNEY / MELBOURNE / BRISBANE / OTHER

Special Dietary Requests – Passenger 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Passenger 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Optional Extensions: \_\_\_\_\_

Any existing medical conditions – Passenger 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Any existing medical conditions – Passenger 2: \_\_\_\_\_

In case of emergency, please notify :

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form with your non-refundable deposit of \$200 per person & the health & fitness form.

**DECLARATION. I have read and understand fully the booking conditions and I accept them.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**A copy of your passport or government issued photographic identification is required to verify the spelling of your name. If this is not provided and the information we have for the airline is incorrect and the airline tickets are issued, then the airline will charge a reissue fee, at your expense.**

**HEALTH & FITNESS QUESTIONNAIRE**

Macleay Valley Travel strives to make our tours enjoyable experiences for all passengers, however some countries and tour services lack the standards that you can typically expect in Australia.

To help ensure your personal safety and enjoyment on tour, please answer the following questions. The information you provide will be treated confidentially and will be used to check that the transportation, accommodation and facilities on tour are suitable for you:

1. Do you have any allergies? Yes / No  
If yes, please provide details and severity: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Can you walk 500 metres to 1km in distance comfortably and unaided? Yes / No
3. Can you negotiate uneven, undulating and sometimes challenging terrain? Yes / No  
If no, please provide details about these limitations: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Do you use a mobility aid? Yes / No  
If yes, please provide details: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Are you travelling with a companion or carer who is able to provide all the assistance you need to enter buildings, disembark and embark ships, aircraft, coaches, small boats and assist you on excursions? Yes / No  
If yes, please provide the name of your carer/companion and your relationship to them: \_\_\_\_\_
6. Are you taking any medical equipment to assist you? Yes / No  
If yes, please provide details: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Do you suffer from any condition which may cause you to experience memory loss or become disoriented? Yes / No  
If yes, please provide details: \_\_\_\_\_
8. Are you asthmatic or do you have other breathing difficulties? Yes / No  
If yes, please provide details (travelling to high altitudes is not recommended): \_\_\_\_\_
9. Do you require supplementary oxygen? Yes / No
10. Are you currently taking medication? Yes / No  
If yes, are you able to administer your own medication? Yes / No
11. If you have any other medical information that is not covered in the previous questions, please provide a description here: \_\_\_\_\_

The information you supply us will be passed onto relevant travel suppliers who will do their best accommodate you. However, it is very important to remember that meeting your needs cannot be guaranteed, especially when travelling to third world countries.

**DISCLAIMER**

I confirm that the information provided on this questionnaire is both true and correct and I understand that there is no guarantee that all these needs will or can be met. I agree that Macleay Valley Travel may offer a recommendation with regard to fitness to travel, based on the information I have provided. I also understand that this information may be passed onto those responsible for supplying the land arrangements for my travel, and that my information will not be communicated to any party which is not directly responsible or otherwise associated with my travel arrangements. I further confirm and agree that should I choose not to disclose information which subsequently requires me to return or be returned home from a tour or cruise, Macleay Valley Travel is not responsible for any costs associated with cancellation penalties, airfares, land transportation or any other related hardship. Please note that a refund for lost touring cannot be claimed. I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to update the information I provided to Macleay Valley Travel immediately should my circumstances change.

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