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SWAGMAN TOURS
EXPERIENCE DISCOVER EXPLORE

KIMBERLEY SOJOURN

13 Days

Departing 06 June 2018



DAY 1: Wed 06 Jun ARRIVE DARWIN (-)

Arrive into Darwin today, and be met on arrival at the airport by your Swagman Tours driver/guide then transfer to the accommodation to settle in. This afternoon is at leisure to enjoy this tropical city before transferring to Stokes Wharf for dinner (own expense) to relax amongst the panoramic views and spectacular sunset. **Overnight: Darwin Central Hotel**

DAY 2: Thu 07 Jun DARWIN SIGHTSEEING (B)

After breakfast enjoy an orientation tour of Darwin city including WWII and Cyclone Tracy sights plus visit the Darwin Museum and Gallery to see the rich history and artefacts of the area. Continue to Doctors Gully to witness the unique phenomenon amongst high tide where hundreds of wild fish flock to the shoreline in search of fresh food, with the opportunity to hand feed the fish. After lunch (own expense) travel 50km south to Berry Springs and visit the Territory Wildlife Park in time to see the Birds of Prey presentation. This expansive park has three main areas; the Wetlands with its aquarium, lagoons and billabongs housing tropical fish, turtles, and both species of crocodile. A Monsoon Vine Forest which hosts a 1km boardwalk gently lifting toward the canopy of natural bushland to view the array of birdlife and finally a Woodland area that includes a Nocturnal house, where you have the opportunity to see animals rarely seen in the wild. Return to Darwin this afternoon with time to freshen up at the hotel before transferring to the renowned Mindil Beach Sunset Markets for dinner (own expense) to stroll around this popular market place of over 300 stalls offering various arts and crafts and multicultural food experiences. **Overnight: As Above**

DAY 3: Fri 08 Jun DARWIN – KATHERINE GORGE CRUISE (BLD)

After an early breakfast head south along the Stuart Highway stopping at the solemn but beautiful Adelaide River War Cemetery in its serene surroundings to see the military graves honouring those killed in the bombing of Darwin. Continue along the Stuart Highway and visit Edith Falls, a series of cascading waterfalls and pools on the Edith River before arriving at Katherine in time for an afternoon gorge cruise along one of the most majestic waterways in Australia to see the abundant wildlife including crocodiles sunning themselves on the banks of the river.

Overnight: Cicada Lodge, Katherine

DAY 4: Sat 09 Jun KATHERINE – EL QUESTRO STATION (BD)

After an early breakfast begin the journey to renowned El Questro Station, a wilderness park and working cattle station situated on 700,000 acres and boasting thermal springs, rainforest, spectacular mountain ranges and waterfalls – a truly delightful spot. Cross the border into Western Australia and join the Gibb River Road, arriving at Emma Gorge late afternoon to check in and have dinner. **Overnight: Emma Gorge Resort (permanent tents)**

DAY 5: Sun 10 Jun EMMA GORGE AND EL QUESTRO STATION (BD)

This morning spend time climbing into rugged Emma Gorge itself with its spectacular waterfall and pools and variety of flora and fauna. The remainder of the day is at leisure to relax, or alternatively take part in one of the many optional activities available at El Questro Station, including barramundi fishing, a Chamberlain Gorge cruise, guided walks, scenic flights or a sunset tour (all own expense). **Overnight: As Above**

DAY 6: Mon 11 Jun EMMA GORGE – KUNUNURRA (BD)

After breakfast traverse to El Questro station for the final time to enjoy a stroll and swim in picturesque Zebedee Springs with its circular gorge wall and crystal clear thermal rock pool. Afterwards travel to the northernmost town of Wyndham and marvel at the view of the Kimberley, it's rivers and Cambridge Gulf from the Five Rivers Lookout. Continue to Kununurra, our stay for the next two nights. **Overnight: Kununurra Country Club**



DAY 7: Tue 12 Jun KUNUNURRA SIGHTSEEING (B)

After breakfast prepare for your two hour scenic flight over the magnificent Bungle Bungles ranges, the Ord River Irrigation Area, Lake Argyle, Ivanhoe Crossing and the Argyle Diamond Mine before landing in Kununurra then transferring back to the accommodation. After lunch travel out to see the relocated homestead of the pioneering Durack family, then board your cruise boat for the 55km cruise along the Ord River from the dam wall at Lake Argyle back into Kununurra township, enjoying a spectacular Kimberley sunset, with dinner at own expense this evening.

Overnight: As Above

DAY 8: Wed 13 Jun KUNUNURRA – PURNULULU NATIONAL PARK (BLD)

This morning a local guide joins us for a tour of the town itself, the Ord River irrigation scheme farms, Ivanhoe Crossing and Diversion Dam. Afterwards continue into Purnululu National Park and arrive at the permanent tented accommodation mid-afternoon to check in before heading out to explore this world famous area with its unique beehive shaped domes and this afternoon and tomorrow morning will include visits to Piccaninny Creek, Cathedral Gorge, Echidna Chasm and Mini Palms Gorge.

Overnight: Bungle Bungles Wilderness Lodge (permanent tents) – To Be Confirmed

DAY 9: Thu 14 Jun BUNGLES – HALLS CREEK – FITZROY CROSSING (BLD)

Enjoy some further sightseeing this morning in this magnificent location before an early lunch at the tented accommodation area then travelling to the old gold township of Halls Creek to see remnants from the gold rush era and a visit the China Wall escarpment. Later on travel through the vast open savannah grasslands of the cattle stations heading for Fitzroy Crossing, arriving at our accommodation situated on the banks of the mighty Fitzroy River and set on 50 acres. Relax under a shady tree in the landscaped garden surrounds before dinner at the Lodge.

Overnight: Fitzroy River Lodge – Motel Rooms

DAY 10: Fri 15 Jun GEIKIE GORGE CRUISE – BROOME (B)

After breakfast travel out to Geikie Gorge, an ancient limestone barrier carved by the Fitzroy River with sheer soaring white and grey walls, in time for an early morning cruise to take in the abundant birdlife and see the freshwater crocodiles sunning themselves on the bank of the river. Continue westwards to the cosmopolitan pearling township of Broome and our accommodation located on beautiful Cable Beach in time for sundowners with a spectacular sunset.

Overnight: Cable Beach Club – Garden Studio Room

DAY 11: Sat 16 Jun BROOME SIGHTSEEING (B)

Today visit the highlights of Broome including Chinatown, the Sun Outdoor Theatre, the Japanese Pearl Divers Cemetery, Anastasia's Pool, Gantheaume Point and Dinosaur's Footprints along with a guided tour of the Pearl Luggers Museum to learn the history of the pearl industry. This afternoon transfer to renowned Cable Beach to enjoy a spectacular sunset with optional camel rides. **Overnight: As Above**

DAY 12: Sun 17 Jun BROOME – FREE DAY OR HORIZONTAL FALLS OPTION (BD)

A day at leisure to explore Broome further, rest or perhaps embark on an optional tour to the unique Horizontal Falls, see the below details;

HORIZONTAL FALLS OPTIONAL TOUR

Fly from Broome to the Horizontal Falls on board a Seaplane and enjoy a spectacular landing on the calm waters of Talbot Bay. Transfer to fast boat and enjoy the experience the incredible tidal power of this natural phenomenon as you are taken through the falls. Enjoy breakfast or lunch on the houseboat. View Paspaley pearl farms in Talbot Bay as we take off for our return flight. Fly at 200m over hundreds of islands of the Buccaneer Archipelago and Cape Leveque before heading south along the coast of the Dampier Peninsula over Lombadina, Beagle Bay, Carnot Bay, Willie Creek & Cable Beach prior to landing in Broome. **Tour Cost - TBA.**

Alternatively a full day Horizontal Falls tour is available travelling by 4WD along the Dampier Peninsula to see the Beagle Bay church, Cape Leveque and One Arm Point where you board the seaplane to view the falls as per above. **Tour Cost - TBA.** Tours must be booked and paid in full prior to departure. **Please note: There are strictly limited vacancies and they fill very quickly. If you wish to confirm a seat please advise Travelmakers immediately.**

This evening enjoy a final farewell group dinner to reminisce about the events and happenings of the past twelve days at Sunset Bar & Grill located at Cable Beach Club. **Overnight: As Above**

DAY 13: Mon 18 Jun BROOME – FLY HOME (B)

A leisurely breakfast before transferring to Broome airport to fly home, so ending a truly memorable trip through the spectacular Kimberley region.

Cost: \$8,835.00 per person, twin share

Non-refundable deposit required: \$750.00 per person

Single Supplement for sole use of room: \$2,295.00

CANCELLATION: In the event of cancellation, levies will apply, please see booking conditions for details.

MULTIPLE NIGHT STAYS:

Darwin	* 2 Nights	Emma Gorge	* 2 Nights	Kununurra	* 2 Nights
Broome	* 3 Nights				

HIGHLIGHTS:

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| * Darwin sightseeing & Territory Wildlife Park | * 55km Ord River cruise – Kununurra |
| * Adelaide River War Cemetery & Edith Falls | * Kununurra guided town tour |
| * Katherine Gorge cruise | * Bungle Bungle Ranges touring |
| * Emma Gorge & Zebedee Springs at El Questro Station | * Geikie Gorge cruise, Fitzroy Crossing |
| * Five Rivers Lookout, Wyndham | * Broome sightseeing & 3 night stay |
| * Bungle Bungles 2 hour scenic flight | |

Tour Cost Includes:

- Air conditioned 18 seat vehicle travel with experienced driver/guide.
- Twin share accommodation with ensuite facilities throughout.
- Meals as per itinerary: B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner.
- All entry fees to sightseeing activities as listed in the itinerary.

Tour cost does not include:

- Airfares to Darwin or from Broome.
- Travel insurance – *for a quote or to purchase a policy please contact Travelmakers.*
- Items of personal nature eg laundry/phone and any optional extras/trips listed in the itinerary.
- All beverages and meals not indicated in the itinerary.

Alterations to this itinerary may occur – a final confirmed itinerary will be provided with your travel documentation approximately 3 weeks prior to departure.

This trip will be operated by a Swagman Tours driver/guide who has been working for many years in this role and throughout this area and is highly experienced in all aspects of group travel.

Travelmakers will have an escort travelling with the group for the duration of the tour

**MEALS: Breakfasts daily and included dinners will be served at the hotels.
Included lunches will be picnic style, eg meat & salad rolls.**



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