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15 Day Kimberley Camping Tour Darwin to Broome

Itinerary

Day 1 Darwin

You can arrive in Darwin at any time today. In the evening, perhaps get to know some of your fellow travellers with a Welcome Drink, while we prepare for the adventure that lies ahead. (No meals)

Day 2 Nitmiluk Gorge & Katherine

Departing Darwin at approximately 7am we travel south to the natural spring of Edith Falls. After a break and a refreshing dip, we head for the remote outback town of Katherine, home to the spectacular Nitmiluk Gorge. This inspiring natural wonder comprises 13 different gorges, carved over a millennia by the Katherine River. On an afternoon Nitmit Dreaming Cultural Cruise, we explore two of these gorges and discover the customs of the traditional land owners, the Jawoyn people. (LD)

Day 3 Lake Argyle

We continue west along the Victoria Highway and cross the border into Western Australia as we travel to expansive Lake Argyle, the heart of the Ord River Irrigation System which has transformed this dry region into a lush agricultural oasis. Visit the historic Durack Homestead Museum or take on one of the many bush trails to explore the area. A sunset cruise on the lake is a stunning way to end the day. (BL)

Days 4-5 Purnululu National Park: Bungle Bungles

Head south down the Great Northern Highway to Purnululu National Park, home of the magnificent Bungle Bungles. Two nights here allows a full day to explore the highlights of this extraordinary National Park, the most famous of which, are the Bungle Bungle domes. Rivers created this landscape of unique orange and black striped 'beehive' geological formations over a period of 20 million years. Unbelievably, only the locals knew it existed until the early 1980's; once discovered by others, the area was made a national park in 1987. We explore Echidna Chasm (2km), known for its towering Livistonia Palm trees, and take a short walk (2-3km) into stunning Cathedral Gorge, where towering rocks create a natural amphitheatre. There is time in the afternoon to take an optional scenic flight and enjoy a birds-eye view of the beehive domes (approx \$400pp, own expense) to put it all into perspective. (BLD/BLD)

Days 6-7 El Questro Wilderness Park

Two nights here allows free time join one or more of the many activities on offer. This could include a refreshing dip in the Zebedee Springs, a cruise on Chamberlain Gorge, a bush tucker walk or a bird watching tour. Or simply explore this beautiful wilderness park at your own leisure. (BLD/BL)

Day 8 Drysdale Station

Drysdale River Station is an oasis in the outback. This million acre, family owned and operated cattle station, runs approximately 10,000 head of cattle and lies in the North Kimberley on the Gibb River Road. Hanging out in the true blue Australian outback means you have all the magical scenery and feeling of isolation you could ask for. On arrival you may wish to explore the nearby surroundings or sit back and enjoy a cold drink in the beer garden, warm yourself around the log fire in the cool night air. (BL)



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Days 9-10 Mitchell Plateau

Our two day diversion to the majestic Mitchell Plateau is a highlight of the trip. Enter real 4WD country as we travel the rugged Kalumburu Road then turn off onto the Mitchell Plateau Track. After crossing rivers and passing through ancient Livistonia palm forests, we emerge from the savannah and onto the Mitchell Plateau. With two nights camping in the National Park, we trek to Little and Big Merten Falls, take a dip in pristine plunge pools and view Bradshaw rock art. There is an optional helicopter flight for a bird's eye view of this extraordinary landscape. (BLD/BLD)

Day 11 Mt Elizabeth Station

Descending from the plateau we travel to the Mt Elizabeth Station Homestead, where you will be able to enjoy the scenery and see what Kimberley cattle station life is really like. Surrounded by water spots, rocky rises and grasslands, you will be sure to take a great photo, enjoy bush walks and settle in for a lovely evening in the Kimberley outback. (BLD)

Day 12 Silent Grove

Discover lily-laden Galvans Gorge, and the tranquil retreat of Adcock Gorge, pausing for a refreshing swim on our way to Silent Grove. The afternoon is devoted to exploring Bell Gorge, a hidden highlight of the West Kimberley. This idyllic retreat, considered amongst the most beautiful in the area, boasts cascading waterfalls and crystal clear pools formed over millions of years – an easy place to while away a few hours! (BLD)

Day 13 Windjana Gorge

Once a Devonian reef, these mountains are over 350 million years old and home to a diverse array of animals and plants. The perfect place to experience the stunning natural beauty of an outback oasis is the 3.5km geological wonder of Windjana Gorge. Beneath gorge walls rising 90m, we search for freshwater crocodiles, local birdlife and Indigenous bush tucker before setting up camp. (BLD)

Day 14 Tunnel Creek

The morning is spent exploring Tunnel Creek, a 750-metre cave system carved through the Napier Range, in which we discover stalactites, secret caves and a large variety of wildlife. It is here we also learn the legend of Jandamarra, an Aboriginal freedom fighter who used the tunnel as a hide-out in the late 1800's. A refreshing swim in an idyllic waterhole is a highlight of the day. After lunch, we return to the Gibb River Road and visit the Derby 'Boab Prison Tree' before completing our journey to Broome. (BLD)

Day 15 Broome

You are free to depart Broome at any time today. If you have more time we recommend you consider a Broome Sight town tour to discover the secrets of this fabulous outback town, or take a trip up to Cape Leveque for a day. (B)



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Fitness: Advanced

Duration: 15 Days / 14 Nights

Tour Style: Kimberley Expedition

Maximum Passengers: 20 (Minimum 2)

Meals: 13x breakfasts, 13 lunches, 10x dinners

Luggage: Max 15kgs in soft bag/backpack & day bag (no suitcases)

This tour is operated by another operator in similar custom built vehicle.