



KIMBERLEY SOJOURN

Saturday 18th July to Friday 31tst July 2020

Travel from Darwin to Broome and experience Katherine Gorge, Kununurra, The Bungle Bungles and more!



DAY 1: Sat 18 Jul FLY TO DARWIN (-)

Depart your home port and fly to Darwin, capital city of the Northern Territory situated on the Timor Sea (own expense). Upon arrival meet your Platinum Journeys crew where you will transfer to your hotel for overnight.

Overnight: Darwin

DAY 2: Sun 19 Jul DARWIN - KATHERINE (BLD)

After an early breakfast head south along the Stuart Highway stopping at the solemn but beautiful Adelaide River War Cemetery 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: Katherine

DAY 3: Mon 20 Jul KATHERINE - KUNUNURRA (BLD)

Travel to Kununurra, a relatively new town established in 1961 as a service centre for the huge Ord River Irrigation scheme, our home for the next two nights.

Overnight: Kununurra

DAY 4: Tue 21 Jul KUNUNURRA SIGHTSEEING (B)

This morning our local guide joins us for a tour of the town itself, the Ord River irrigation scheme farms, Ivanhoe Crossing, Diversion Dam, Indian sandalwood plantations, hybrid seed production plus chia, melon and pumpkin crops. After an early lunch (own expense), travel out to the relocated original homestead (time permitting) of the pioneering Durack family from Argyle Downs and cross the Lake Argyle dam wall that holds the water for the gravity fed Ord irrigation scheme. Board your cruise boat for the Ord River cruise into Kununurra, enjoying a spectacular Kimberley sunset over the Carr Boyd Ranges and Lake Kununurra.

Overnight: Kununurra

DAY 5: Wed 22 Jul KUNUNURRA - EMMA GORGE (BLD)

Time at leisure in Kununurra this morning before heading to Wyndham, situated on Cambridge Gulf and is Western Australia's most northerly town. See the large port area which still services the cattle export industry along with the mining and tourism industries. Continue to 5 Rivers Lookout on top of Bastion Range and enjoy a bush lunch overlooking where the five mighty Kimberley Rivers meet and flow into the ocean. Continue on to Emma Gorge located in El Questro Wilderness Park set amongst the rocky red Cockburn Ranges, our home for the next two nights.

Overnight: Emma Gorge - safari style tented cabin with ensuite

DAY 6: Thu 23 Jul EL QUESTRO & EMMA GORGE (BD)

After breakfast travel to renowned Zebedee Springs with time to see the pools amongst the palm trees with its unique circular backdrop gorge wall and crystal clear rock pools. Afterwards visit El Questro Homestead before heading back to Emma Gorge for lunch (own expense). This afternoon have the opportunity to walk into Emma Gorge itself and be rewarded with the view of a spectacular waterfall and pools. Return to the accommodation late in the afternoon.

Overnight: As Above

DAY 7: Fri 24 Jul EMMA GORGE - BUNGLE BUNGLES (BLD)

After breakfast travel to Purnululu National Park, home of the World Heritage listed Bungle Bungles ranges which are striking geological formations of unique beehive shaped domes. Arrive at our accommodation in the national park itself in time for dinner.

Overnight: Bungle Bungles

DAY 8: Sat 25 Jul BUNGLE BUNGLES NATIONAL PARK (BLD)

A day to explore this wonderful area. Travel to Cathedral Gorge, an amazing natural amphitheatre of red rock formation with fantastic acoustics. Afterwards travel to Echidna Chasm to walk amongst the steep-sided gorge walls and enjoy a bush lunch along with a visit to the Rangers Station.

Overnight: Bungle Bungles

DAY 9: Sun 26 Jul BUNGLE BUNGLES - FITZROY CROSSING (BLD)

Sadly depart this magnificent spot and re-join the highway, passing through the historic gold township of Halls Gap before arriving at our destination of Fitzroy Crossing, situated on the banks of the mighty Fitzroy River, this afternoon. Time to relax before dinner at the hotel.

Overnight: Fitzroy Crossing

DAY 10: Mon 27 Jul TUNNEL CREEK & WINDJANA GORGE - DERBY (BLD)

After an early breakfast travel to Danggu Gorge National Park to enjoy a leisurely cruise on Geikie Gorge to see the abundant wildlife and crocodiles sunning themselves on the banks of the river. Afterwards visit Tunnel Creek – an underground stream located in the King Leopold Ranges to walk through the creek and marvel at this unique stream in its arid environment (please bring a torch and wet weather shoes). Continue to magnificent Windjana Gorge with its walls soaring 80 metres above the riverbed and enjoy time to walk into the gorge. Arrive into Derby late this afternoon.

Overnight: Derby

DAY 11: Tue 28 Jul DERBY SIGHTSEEING - BROOME (B)

This morning travel out to see the unique circular wharf overlooking King Sound, visit the Boab Prison Tree and see the Myall Stock Trough. Head south crossing the mighty Fitzroy River – the largest watercourse in the western Kimberley – before arriving at the cosmopolitan pealing township of Broome, our home for the next 3 nights.

Overnight: Broome

DAY 12: Wed 29 Jul BROOME SIGHTSEEING (B)

This morning see the highlights of Broome including Chinatown, the Sun outdoor theatre, the Japanese Pearl Divers Cemetery, Gantheaume Point and the Dinosaur's footprints. Enjoy a guided tour of the Pearl Lugger's Museum to learn about the history of the pearl industry. Afterwards some time at leisure before transferring to Cable Beach to enjoy a spectacular sunset and optional camel ride. Dinner is at own expense this evening.

Overnight: Broome

DAY 13: Thu 30 Jul FREE DAY - HORIZONTAL FALLS OPTIONAL TOUR (BD))

A full free day for private sightseeing or see the below optional tour:

HORIZONTAL FALLS OPTIONAL TOUR

Fly from Broome to 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 per person.

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 per person. 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 Platinum Journeys immediately.

THIS TOUR IS SUBJECT TO NEAP TIDES AND DOES NOT OPERATE SOME DAYS.

This evening walk the short distance to Matso's Brewery Restaurant for a special farewell dinner.

Overnight: Broome

DAY 14: Fri 31 Jul BROOME - FLY HOME (B)

Have the opportunity for last minute shopping to buy mementos or take a final stroll or swim along Cable Beach before making your way to Broome airport for your flight home, so ending a memorable trip to the Kimberley region.





Tour Cost Twin Share \$7495 Solo Traveller \$9495

Tour cost based on a minimum of 14 passengers.

(B) Breakfast. (L) Lunch. (D) Dinner. Alterations to the itinerary may occur – a final confirmed itinerary will be provided with your travel documentation approximately 3 weeks prior to departure.

TOUR COST INCLUDES

Air-conditioned, restroom equipped vehicle with experienced driver/guide & hostess.

Meals as indicated in the itinerary.

All entry fees to sightseeing activities as listed in the itinerary.

TOUR COST DOES NOT INCLUDE

Travel insurance - Travel Makers strongly advise taking out travel insurance.

Airfares to Darwin at the beginning and from Broome at the end of the tour.

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.

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CONDITIONS OF BOOKING

All bookings must be accompanied by a deposit of \$600.00 per person. The balance and final payment must be received 60 days prior to departure.

CANCELLATION POLICY

More than 60 days notice: full refund less \$600.00 deposit
14 days to 60 days before tour: 50% refund
Within 14 days of tour: no refund

Travel Makers and Platinum Journeys strongly recommend all passengers take out travel insurance in case of illness or accident