



The Ghan Expedition – Off-Train Excursions

Darwin - Adelaide 4 Day - 3 Night

During your journey, you'll have the opportunity to choose one excursion in each destination – Alice Springs, Katherine, and Coober Pedy. Some experiences may incur a surcharge, as noted in the

Alice Springs Excursions:



A TOWN CALLED ALICE (CITY TOUR)

Begin at the Alice Springs School of the Air, explore the Royal Flying Doctor Service – a lifeline for Australia's most isolated communities – and visit the Alice Springs Reptile Centre.

Recommended Fitness Level: Low



DESERT PARK

Nestled at the foot of the West MacDonnell Ranges, the Alice Springs Desert Park offers an immersive experience of Central Australia's distinctive landscapes and rich cultural heritage.

Recommended Fitness Level: Moderate – 4km walk over gravel and sandy pathways broken into short distances.



WEST VENTURES

Discover the stunning landscapes and cultural heritage of Standley Chasm, an 80-metre-high gorge in the West MacDonnell Ranges, then continue to Simpsons Gap, home to rare plant species.

Recommended Fitness Level: Moderate – 2.5km walking over uneven and rocky terrain.



ALICE BY E-BIKE (SURCHARGE APPLIES)

Discover Alice Springs' landscapes and history on an e-bike tour that follows the historic Ghan railway line, passing Heavitree Gap and the MacDonnell Ranges.

Recommended Fitness Level: High – need to be confident and capable cyclists with approximately 20km.



GHAN MUSEUM & TRANSPORT HALL OF FAME

Discover Australia's transport history at the Old Ghan Heritage Railway near Alice Springs, featuring a restored 1930s station, historic carriages and museum. Continue to the National Road Transport Museum to explore iconic vehicles and the legacy of Australian-built Kenworth trucks.

Recommended Fitness Level: Low



ULTIMATE ULURU EXPERIENCE (SURCHARGE APPLIES)

Experience Central Australia's beauty and cultural significance on a scenic flight over the outback, passing the Defence Space Research Facility before continuing to Uluru-Kata Tjuta for a guided exploration of Uluru.

Recommended Fitness Level: Moderate – must be able to board and disembark the aircraft unassisted; weight restrictions apply.

Katherine Excursions:



NITMILUK GORGE CRUISE

Cruise along the Katherine River through Nitmiluk (Katherine Gorge) as your expert guide shares fascinating insights into the region's history, ecology, and vibrant ecosystems.

Recommended Fitness Level: Moderate - Approx. 2 km of walking over rocky paths.



NITMILUK GORGE HELICOPTER FLIGHT (SURCHARGE APPLIES)

Soar above Nitmiluk Gorge on a 20 minute helicopter flight and take in the Top End's spectacular sandstone landscapes as you glide over all 13 gorges of Nitmiluk National Park.

Recommended Fitness Level: Moderate - must be able to board and disembark the aircraft unassisted; weight restrictions apply.

Coober Pedy Excursions:



EXPLORE COOBER PEDY

Embark on a journey through Coober Pedy's underground world, visit the Serbian Orthodox Church, and explore the town's opal mining legacy at the Umoona Opal Mine and Museum.

Recommended Fitness Level: Moderate - you will need to navigate stairs, steep inclines, short walks and underground tunnels.



DISCOVER THE MAJESTIC BREAKAWAYS

Visit underground dugout homes and tunnels highlighting Coober Pedy's opal mining legacy, discover the stunning Breakaways Reserve, and visit the Umoona Opal Mine and Museum.

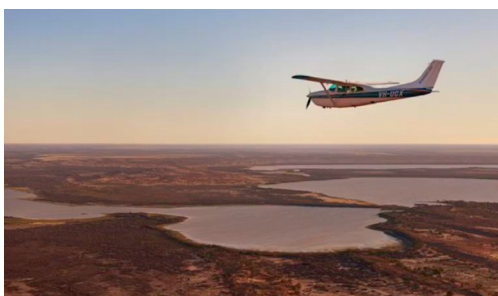
Recommended Fitness Level: Moderate - Approx. 500m of walking, will need to navigate stairs, steep inclines, short walks and underground tunnels.



OPAL EXPERIENCE

Experience Coober Pedy's unique charm on this engaging shorter tour showcasing its opal mining history and underground lifestyle.

Recommended Fitness Level: Moderate - will need to navigate stairs, steep inclines, short walks and underground tunnels.



PAINTED HILLS & LAKE EYRE SCENIC FLIGHT (SURCHARGE APPLIES)

Soar above the stunning Anna Creek Painted Hills before landing for a guided tour, then continue to Lake Eyre, Australia's lowest point, with its vast shimmering salt flats.

Recommended Fitness Level: Moderate - guests must be able to board and disembark the aircraft unassisted; weight restrictions apply.

Whilst we will do our utmost to have your preferred off-train excursion confirmed, these are subject to availability and will not be confirmed until the day of train departure.