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UNCOVER THE RED CENTRE

8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS

FROM
\$4,295*
PER PERSON
TWIN SHARE



Kata Tjuta

Tourism NT/Colby Brown

EXCLUSIVE

**FULLY ESCORTED
SMALL GROUP TOUR**



DEPARTURE DATES: 28 APRIL, 23 JUNE, 7 JULY, 18 AUGUST 2022



Camel Tour

Pynham Camel Tracks

See the very best of the Red Centre on our Uncover the Red Centre tour. Visit Alice Springs icons and get up close and personal with the 'ship of the desert' on a private camel ride. Take in spectacular 360 degree views of Kings Canyon on the Rim Walk. Marvel at the changing colours of Uluru from sunrise to sunset. Visit the mystical domes of Kata Tjuta. Wander through the magical Field of Light installation and dine under a canopy of stars at Sounds of Silence.

Travel by 4WD coach from Alice Springs to Kings Canyon to Uluru, with stops at Ormiston Gorge, Glen Helen and Mount Connor. There'll be nothing left uncovered on our eight day, fully escorted small group journey of the remarkable Red Centre.

YOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1 – THURSDAY – WELCOME TO ALICE SPRINGS

Welcome to Alice Springs. You'll be met on arrival at Alice Springs Airport and transferred to your hotel.

The remainder of the day is at leisure before tonight's welcome dinner in Tali Restaurant, where you'll get to meet your fellow travellers.

Overnight: Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters in a Deluxe Room ★★★★★☆

Meals: Dinner

DAY 2 – FRIDAY - A TOWN LIKE ALICE

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast in the hotel restaurant before your introduction to a town like Alice! Visit the School of Air, Royal Flying Doctor Service and the Telegraph Station. To end a fascinating morning, we'll head to the top of Anzac Hill for a panoramic view of Alice Springs.

This afternoon, get set for a true outback experience on an exclusive camel ride against the backdrop of the beautiful MacDonnell Ranges. You will be hosted by local cameleers and have the opportunity to learn about their life and experiences as camel drivers. Enjoy a range of bush tucker inspired canapés while viewing the camel collections.

Overnight: Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters in a Deluxe Room ★★★★★☆

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 3 – SATURDAY - ALICE SPRINGS TO KINGS CANYON

An early start this morning as we begin the journey to Kings Canyon. Our first stop is at Ormiston Gorge, showcasing the spectacular geology and landforms of the MacDonnell Ranges. See the towering red walls of the gorge and pound, and local plants and wildlife or take a dip in the waterhole.

Our tour continues via Glen Helen, where the first thing you will see on arrival is a towering sandstone wall. The landscape around Glen Helen is spectacular. Enjoy a two course lunch at Glen Helen Lodge before heading to our final destination today, Kings Canyon Resort.

Tonight's dinner is at the Outback BBQ grill where you can relax and enjoy live music. After dinner, perhaps head next door to The Thirsty Dingo Bar, an outback institution where friendships are made and stories (large and small) regaled!

Overnight: Kings Canyon Resort in a Standard Room ★★★★★☆

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

DAY 4 - SUNDAY - KINGS CANYON RIM WALK

This morning, after breakfast, we head off for the spectacular Kings Canyon Rim Walk. The rocky climb will be well worth it - the views of Watarrka National Park from the top of the canyon are magnificent, as are the views down into the canyon itself. Follow the rim of the canyon stopping to view the canyon gorge at various lookout points.

Return to the resort in time for lunch (own expense) and a refreshing swim in the pool. Late afternoon, we head to an exclusive location drinks to watch a spectacular sunset from a special viewing platform. Afterwards, enjoy a banquet dinner in Carmichaels Restaurant.

Overnight: Kings Canyon Resort in a Standard Room ★★★★★☆

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner



Kings Canyon Resort Rim Walk

Kings Canyon Resort

DAY 5 – MONDAY - KINGS CANYON TO AYERS ROCK RESORT VIA CURTAIN SPRINGS

This morning, we set off on our outback journey from Kings Canyon to Uluru. We'll stop at Curtain Springs for a guided tour and lunch, with the stunning view of Mt Conner as the backdrop.

We arrive at Sails in the Desert around 2pm. There's time for a swim, a self-guided tour of the Gallery of Central Australia, featuring around 80 works of Indigenous art or listen to the enchanting sounds of the didgeridoo during a complimentary workshop.

This evening will be a magical experience. We take the short transfer from the resort to a remote desert location with majestic views of Uluru. As the sun sets, savour a selection of outback canapés with sparkling wine or beer on an exclusive dune top, as our host provides insight into the light installation that awaits. As darkness falls, 50,000 glass spheres gently come to life. Covered under a sky brilliant with stars, Field of Light beckons you to explore and lose yourself momentarily in the rhythms of coloured light.

Overnight: Sails in the Desert in a Superior Room ★★★★★

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch

DAY 6 – TUESDAY – ULURU SUNRISE AND KATA TJUṬA

An early start this morning, to witness a spectacular Uluru sunrise. Enjoy a boxed breakfast as we travel to the sunrise viewing area, Talinguru Nyakunyjaku, and watch the first rays of sunlight creep across the desert plains. You'll welcome a cup of hot tea or coffee as the morning sun slowly changes the colour of Uluru. We then head for the 36 mystical domes known as Kata Tjuṭa to marvel at the panoramic views of the southern side before arriving at the base of Walpa Gorge. Spend time exploring the gorge and the unusual conglomerate rock formations. The walking trail through Walpa Gorge follows the natural creek between two of the tallest domes of Kata Tjuṭa.

This afternoon you'll have spare time to enjoy the complimentary activities available at Ayers Rock Resort. Learn about Australian and local bush tucker and how, for many centuries, local Indigenous groups would hunt, gather and prepare these bush foods with the Bush Food Experience. You might like to take a scenic helicopter flight and experience Uluru and Kata Tjuṭa from the air – a once in a lifetime experience (own expense and must be pre-booked).

Late this afternoon, we head out to see the inspiring red-hued sedimentary rock domes of Kata Tjuṭa at sunset. They are thought to have originally been one huge piece of rock, much like Uluru, that has weathered over millions of years to become an intriguing series of individual formations. As evening approaches, each passing minute brings something new as the domes continue to change colour with the setting sun. Sip on sparkling wine while enjoying deluxe canapés as the sun slowly sinks on the horizon. Return to the resort for an evening at leisure.

Overnight: Sails in the Desert in a Superior Room ★★★★★

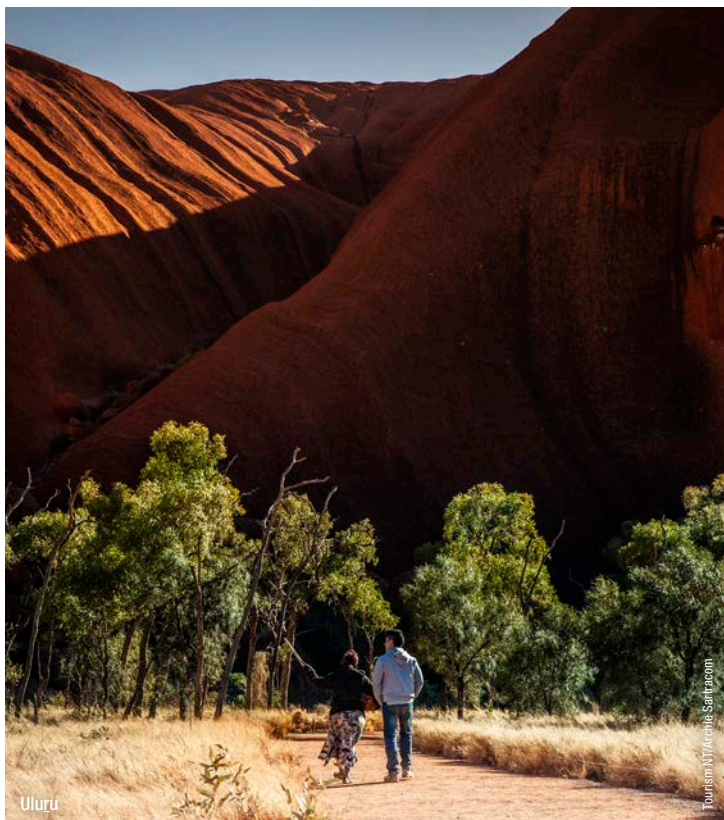
Meals: Boxed Breakfast



Field of Light



Sounds of Silence Dinner



Uluru

Tourism Victoria - The Safaricom

DAY 7 – WEDNESDAY – ULURU YOUR OWN WAY AND SOUNDS OF SILENCE

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast this morning and a free day to experience Uluru at your own pace. Enjoy one of the complimentary activities on offer at the resort or perhaps travel to the Uluru-Kata Tjuṭa Cultural Centre for a dot painting class (own expense).

Tonight, a very special evening awaits. Entered into the Australian Tourism Hall of Fame, Sounds of Silence offers the best of the Red Centre distilled into four breathtaking hours. Your evening begins with canapés and chilled sparkling wine upon a dune top overlooking the Uluru-Kata Tjuṭa National Park. As the sun sets and darkness falls, listen to the haunting sound of a didgeridoo and join your fellow travellers for an unforgettable dining experience. Enjoy a selection of Australian wine and beer while the first course is served to your table. As the night sky twinkles to life, you will be welcomed to an interactive chef's station to choose from a bush tucker inspired menu incorporating native bush ingredients.

Settle back and listen to the resident star talker decode the southern night sky. Locate the Southern Cross, the signs of the zodiac, the Milky Way, as well as planets and galaxies that are visible due to the exceptional clarity of the atmosphere.

Return to your hotel and reflect on a truly magical evening that you will remember for years to come.

Overnight: Sails in the Desert in a Superior Room ★★★★★

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

DAY 8 – THURSDAY – FAREWELL RED CENTRE

Sadly, all good things must come to an end. After breakfast, farewell new-found friends and transfer to Ayers Rock Airport for your onward journey.

Meals: Breakfast

FULLY ESCORTED GROUP TOUR



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YOUR 8 DAY/7 NIGHT TOUR INCLUDES:

- 2 nights at Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters in a Deluxe Room ★★★★★☆
- 2 nights at Kings Canyon Resort in a Standard Room ★★★★★☆
- 3 nights at Sails in the Desert in a Superior Room ★★★★★
- Full breakfast on 6 days and 1 boxed breakfast
- 2 lunches and 4 dinners
- Welcome dinner and drinks at Crowne Plaza Alice Springs
- Private sightseeing tour of Alice Springs including the Royal Flying Doctor Service, School of Air and the Telegraph Station
- Private camel ride and bush tucker inspired canapés
- Visit Ormiston Gorge and Glen Helen
- Private guided Kings Canyon Rim Walk
- Sunset drinks at Kings Canyon
- Guided tour of Curtain Springs
- Field of Light Star Pass including outback-style canapés, Australian Sparkling wine, beer and non-alcoholic beverages
- Private guided Uluru Sunrise tour and Kata Tjuta Walpa Gorge Walk
- Exclusive Kata Tjuta Sunset experience with premium wines and canapés
- Sounds of Silence dinner including outback-style canapés, three course bush tucker inspired buffet, a selection of Australian wine and beer, Digeridoo performance and a guided tour of the night sky.
- 4WD coach transfers between Alice Springs, Kings Canyon and Uluru
- Private transfer from Alice Springs Airport to Crowne Plaza Alice Springs
- Group coach transfer from Sails in the Desert to Ayers Rock Airport
- Complimentary resort activities and Wi-Fi at Sails in the Desert
- Services of a tour leader and expert guides/drivers
- Small group travel – maximum 18 guests

PRICE PER PERSON

DEPARTURES IN 2022	TWIN SHARE	SOLE USE
28 April	\$4,295*	\$7,475*
23 Jun, 7 Jul, 18 Aug	\$4,939*	\$8,485*

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Listen to the yarns of the local cameleers on a private guided camel ride
- Visit Alice Springs institutions – Royal Flying Doctor Service, School of the Air and the Telegraph Station
- Admire the towering red walls and waterhole at Ormiston Gorge
- Take in the spectacular beauty of Kings Canyon on a private Rim Walk
- See the changing colours of Uluru at sunrise and sunset
- Visit the mystical domes of Kata Tjuta and walk through Walpa Gorge
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IMPORTANT BOOKING CONDITIONS

*Prices are in New Zealand Dollars and correct as at 23 September 21 but may fluctuate due to surcharges, fees, taxes, or currency exchange. All arrangements are subject to availability, cancellation, or modification due to inclement weather, late running of services or other unforeseen circumstances. A minimum non-refundable deposit equivalent to 20% of the tour cost is payable within 7 days of confirmation of your booking and cancellation prior to final payment will result in your deposit being forfeited. Final payment of your holiday cost is required at least 100 days prior to departure, there will be no refund for bookings cancelled less than 91 days prior to travel. The travel services provided by these suppliers are subject to the conditions imposed by the suppliers and their liability may be limited by their tariffs, conditions of carriage, and agreements. Information required at time of booking - full name, including title, initial and surname as per ID, any information relating to dietary/mobility/medical requirements and mobile contact number. Ratings provide a general indication of the standard of accommodation. These are our own views and not related to any other rating system. 4 star (★) indicate superior standard. A half star (☆) indicates an additional half rating. Images supplied courtesy of Tourism NT. For full terms and conditions and cancellation fees please contact your local travel agent for more information. Trade enquiries via GO Holidays..

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