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LUDWIG LEICHHARDT
Explorer Frederick Ludwig Leichhardt reached Port Essington on 17 December 1845 after an eventful 15-month journey from southern Queensland. In 1846 Leichhardt crossed another gully with the intention of crossing the continent from Morley Bay (Brisbane) to the Swan River (Perth). After remaining about 400 km inland, some water was lost and the fate of the expedition remains a mystery.

WATER BUFFALO
Feral water buffalos, descendants of those introduced from Asia in the 1850s, are a major pest in the wetlands of the Top End. Their numbers have increased since the 1950s and they have become an important asset to the meat and hide industries.

HERN TERRITORY

Dear Sally,
Thank you for
arranging our wonderful
trip to the NT, we
want to go back!
Can't wait till you plan
our next holiday...
Carol and Gareth.

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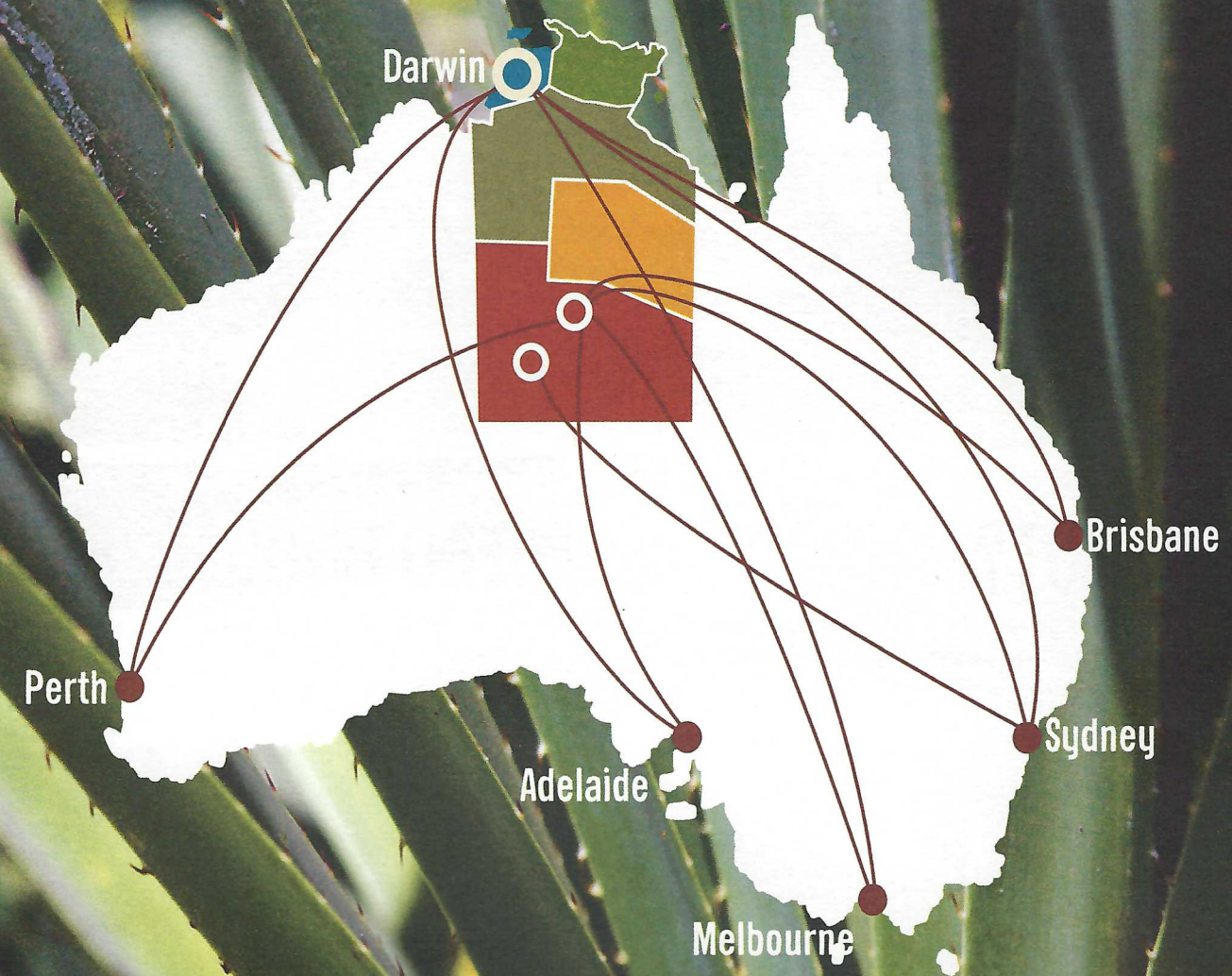
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TOO FAR?

In the Territory the journey is half the adventure. Whether it's on a train, plane, an air-conditioned tour bus or in a hire car, you can arrive fully refreshed and ready to enjoy your choice of amazing activities and sights.

Onboard The Ghan

TOO HOT?

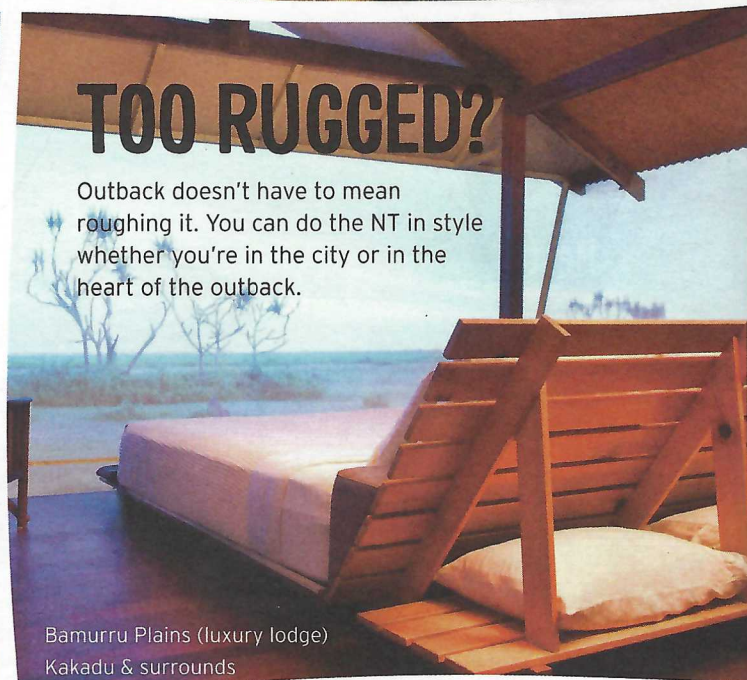
If you need to cool down in the NT you're never too far from natural swimming holes, river and harbour cruises or a relaxing swimming pool.



Wildman Wilderness Lodge
Kakadu & surrounds

TOO RUGGED?

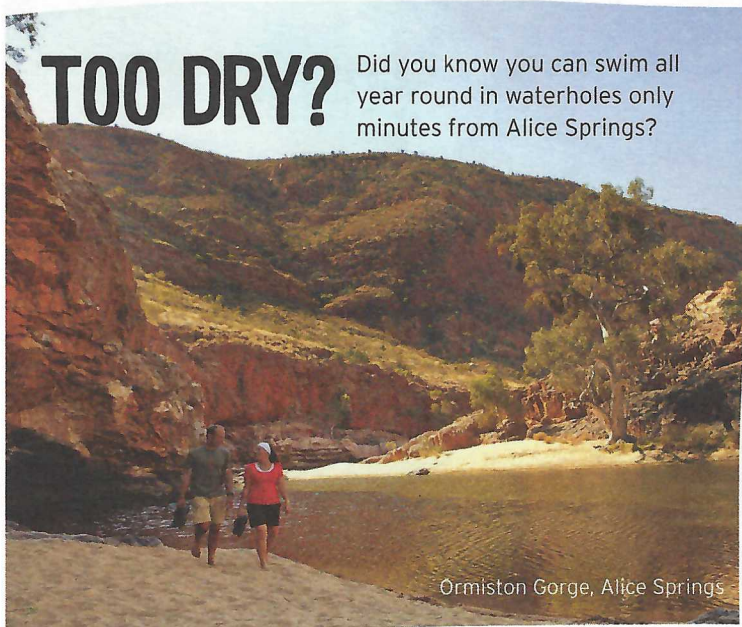
Outback doesn't have to mean roughing it. You can do the NT in style whether you're in the city or in the heart of the outback.



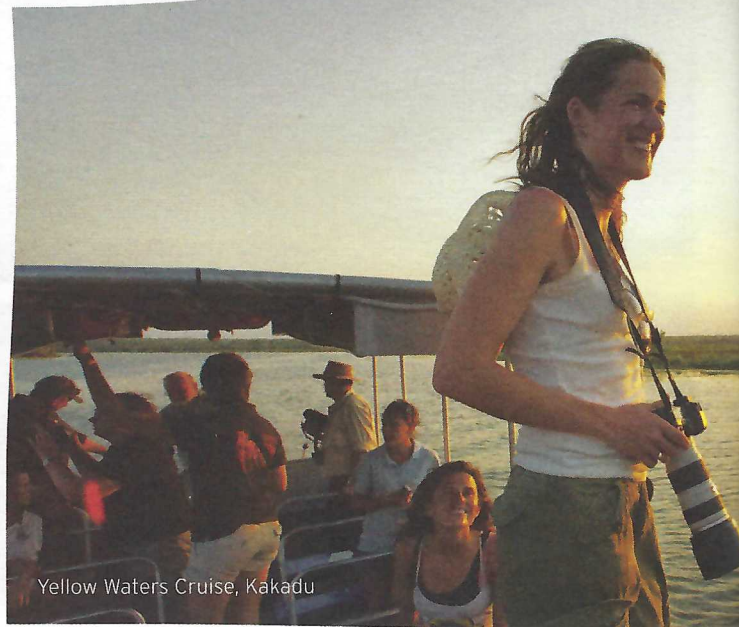
Bamurru Plains (luxury lodge)
Kakadu & surrounds

TOO DRY?

Did you know you can swim all year round in waterholes only minutes from Alice Springs?



Ormiston Gorge, Alice Springs



Yellow Waters Cruise, Kakadu

TOO... DAY!

Having grown up in the Northern Territory, it's easy for me to reel off reasons why you should experience it for yourself, but throughout my travels I am continually amazed at how many people say to me, "I've always wanted to go to the NT; I'll get there one day."

When I ask, "Why not today?" the same excuses come up time and time again. When you delve a little deeper into some of the reasons not to go, most people are actually surprised at how accessible and easy it is to book a flight to Alice Springs, a cruise up Nitmiluk Gorge or a train ride on the Ghan to Darwin.

**“STOP THINKING ONE DAY
& START THINKING TODAY”**

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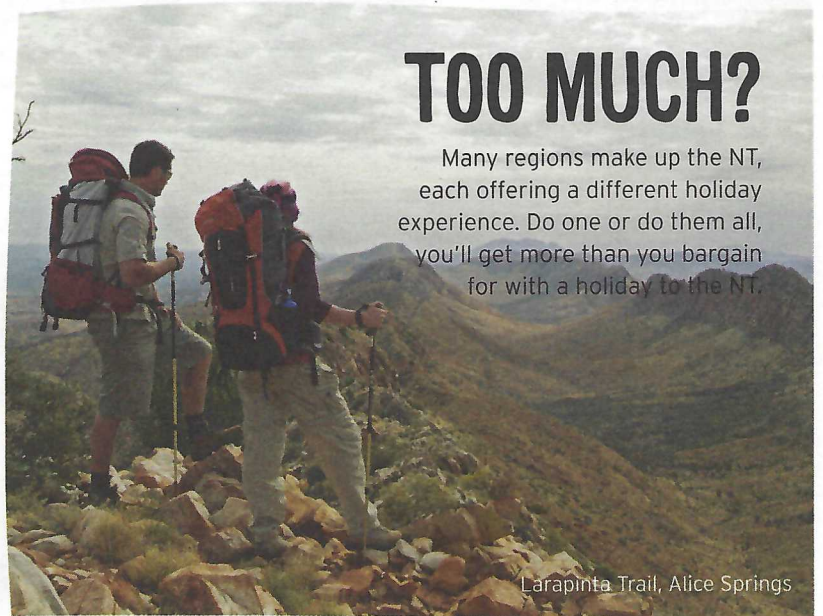
TOO WET?

Afternoon rains of the NT tropical summer bring unique and amazing wildlife, dramatic waterfalls, cooler temperatures and access to places you'll never see if the rivers don't flow.



TOO MUCH?

Many regions make up the NT, each offering a different holiday experience. Do one or do them all, you'll get more than you bargain for with a holiday to the NT.



Larapinta Trail, Alice Springs

DO THE TOP END EXOTIC & TROPIC

There are four distinct regions in the Top End of the Territory that offer amazing holiday experiences in their own right.

Soak up metropolitan **Darwin** by doing the markets at sunset, watching movies under the stars, cruising the harbour or taking a day trip out to **Litchfield National Park**; nature's very own water theme park.

60% of Aussie travellers believe **Kakadu** is one of Australia's best kept travel secrets. Brimming with native wildlife, it's a utopia for any animal lover. And it's just three hours' drive from Darwin.

The outback meets the tropics in **Katherine**. Fish it, camp it, hike it, swim it, canoe it - your choices are endless. If you're after a softer adventure, take in Nitmiluk Gorge aboard a dinner cruise and stay in five-star luxury.

Arnhem Land is one of the world's last unspoiled areas. Spearcatch a fish for lunch, learn Aboriginal sign language, listen to the Yidaki (Didgeridoo) in the lands where it was first invented, and retire for the evening at accommodation to suit all tastes.

Do one region, or do them all. It's up to you.

THE TOP END — SEVEN DAY DRIVE ITINERARY

DAY 1 - DARWIN TO KAKADU (250km)

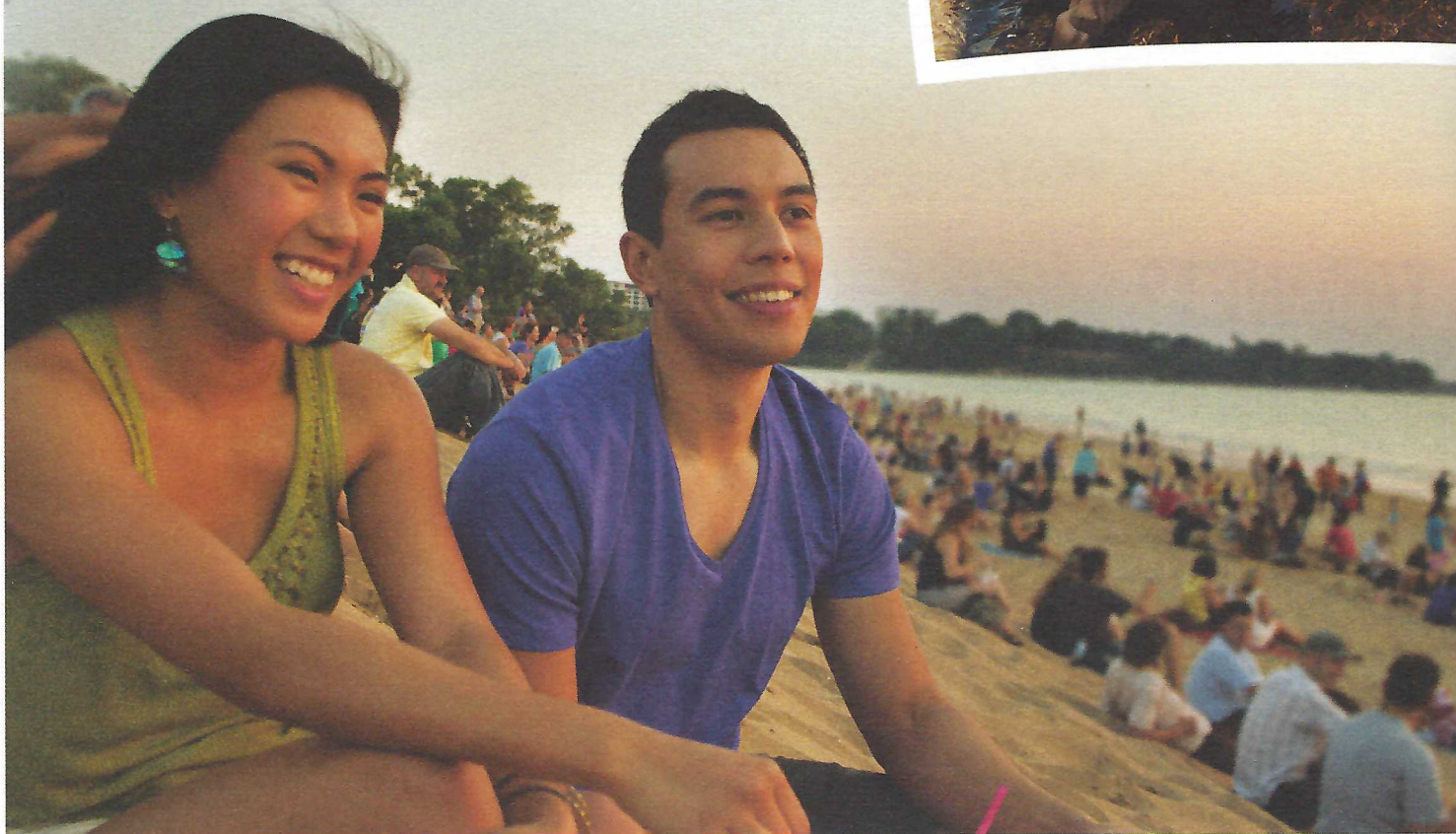
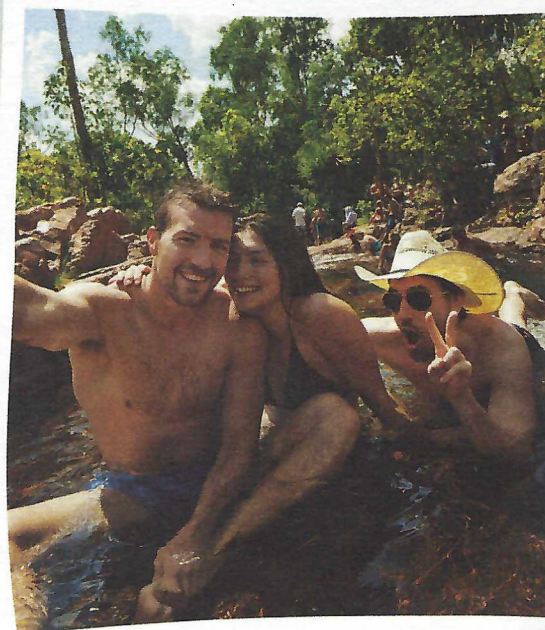
DAY 2 & 3: KAKADU NATIONAL PARK (751km)

DAY 4: KAKADU TO KATHERINE (300km)

DAY 5: DISCOVER NITMILUK NATIONAL PARK

DAY 6: KATHERINE TO LITCHFIELD (345km)

DAY 7: LITCHFIELD TO DARWIN (130km)





Mindil Beach Sunset Markets

DIVE INTO DARWIN & LITCHFIELD

As the Northern Territory's thriving capital, Darwin attracts travellers from all around the globe for its outdoor tropical lifestyle.

With waterfront dining, crocodile adventures, rich historical experiences, and access to the Tiwi Islands all within a few minutes of the city centre, there's enough to do to fill a weekend or a week.

Litchfield National Park is just a short 90-minute drive from Darwin and is a favourite for the locals year-round. It's an easy day trip but with the range of swimming spots and waterfalls, it's well worth staying overnight in one of the nearby accommodation options.

 **DARWIN**



JUMPING CROCS

40 mins fr Darwin

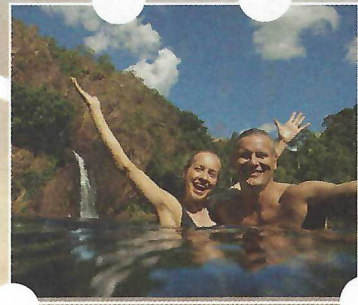
LITCHFIELD NATIONAL PARK

BULEY ROCK HOLE

FLORENCE FALLS

1.5hrs fr Darwin

WANGI FALLS



TOLMER FALLS

MAGNETIC TERMITE MOUNDS

SALES TIP: Incorporate The Ghan, one of the great train journeys of the world travelling to Darwin from Adelaide, or vice versa, twice per week (between May and August) with passengers able to embark and disembark at Alice Springs and Katherine en-route.



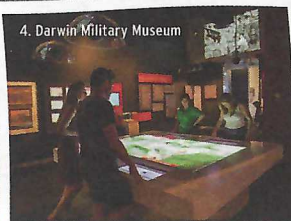
1. CrocoSaurus Cove - Cage of Death



2. Deckchair Cinema



3. SKYCITY Darwin Casino



4. Darwin Military Museum

- 5. Cruise Terminal
- 6. Convention Centre
- 7. Waterfront dining
- 8. Wavepool
- 9. Ferry to Tiwi Islands
- 10. Mindil Beach Markets
- 11. To Crocodylus Park & airport
- 12. Museum & Art Gallery

KAKADU... UNVEILED

Kakadu offers an experience that will make you want to stay longer and see more, with so much to uncover in this spectacular national park.

Kakadu National Park is a natural wonderland; home to hundreds of different bird, animal and plant species.

Discover Australia's ancient indigenous culture with rock art that's around 20,000 years old, or soak up the views of the waterfalls and take a dip in nature's own infinity pool at Gunlom.

To Davidson's
Arnhem Land
Safaris

UBIRR LOOKOUT
JABIRU

2.5hrs fr Darwin



KAKADU CROCODILE HOTEL
OTHER ACCOMMODATION
JABIRU SHOPPING CENTRE

BOWALI KAKADU
VISITOR CENTRE

AURORA RESORT, PARK
PASS & FUEL STOP

WILDMAN
WILDERNESS
LODGE

BAMURRU PLAINS
(LUXURY LODGE)

NOURLANGIE
ROCK ART



JIM JIM FALLS



40 mins
fr Bowali

1.5hrs
fr Yellow
Waters

TWIN
FALLS



YELLOW WATERS CRUISES
GAGUDJU LODGE COOINDA
& CULTURAL CENTRE



1.5hrs
fr Yellow
Waters

MAGUK
WATERHOLE
& FALLS



GUNLOM
PLUNGE POOL
& FALLS

2hrs
fr Yellow
Waters

3.5hrs
fr Darwin



PINE CREEK
ACCOMMODATION &
CAMPING

2.5hrs
fr Darwin

To Katherine &
Nitmiluk Gorge

SALES TIP: While it's only 2.5 hours from Darwin, Kakadu is a lot larger than you think and to get to all the best sites recommend an extra night or two to give your clients the best experience rather than a day tour from Darwin.

DO KATHERINE & NITMILUK NATIONAL PARK

Katherine and Nitmiluk National Park will leave you spoilt for choice in the region where the tropics meet the outback.

Nature comes alive at Nitmiluk Gorge as you cruise, canoe or fly above it by helicopter. Take a more challenging route and hike the Jatbula Trail, or soak it up in luxury at Cicada Lodge.

Learn from the land at Tom Curtain's Katherine Outback Experience or get a hands-on perspective of indigenous culture with the Top Didj Aboriginal Cultural Experience; both just minutes from the centre of Katherine.

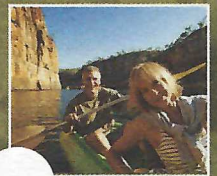
To Darwin & Kakadu Turn Off



EDITH FALLS (LELYNO & WATERHOLE)

3hrs fr Darwin

KATHERINE
ACCOMMODATION, SHOPPING
VISITOR INFORMATION



NITMILUK GORGE & CICADA LUXURY LODGE
30mins fr Katherine



CUTTA CUTTA CAVES

To Nhulunbuy

SALES TIP: Katherine is often factored into drive itineraries, so when arranging a road trip, proximity to Mataranka and Nitmiluk National Park (Katherine Gorge) makes it a convenient overnight stop.

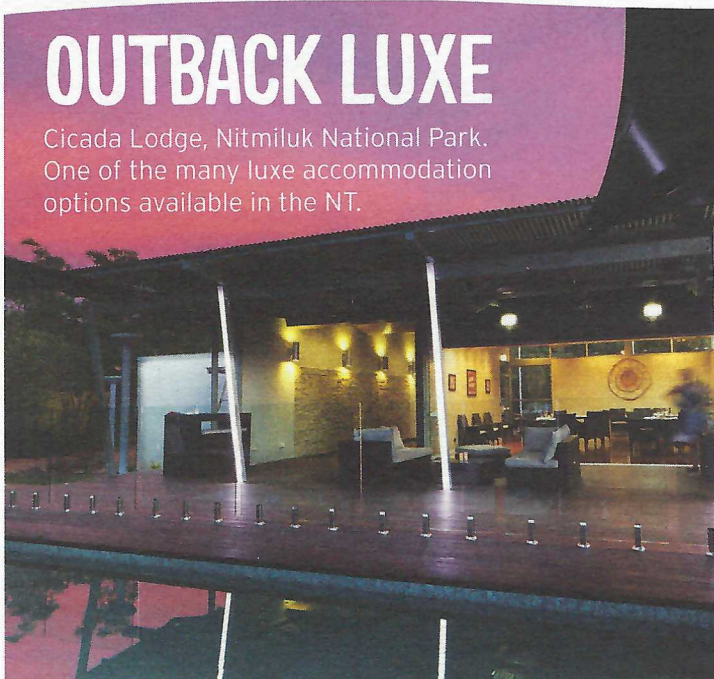


MATARANKA THERMAL POOLS
1hr fr Katherine

To Daly Waters Historic Pub

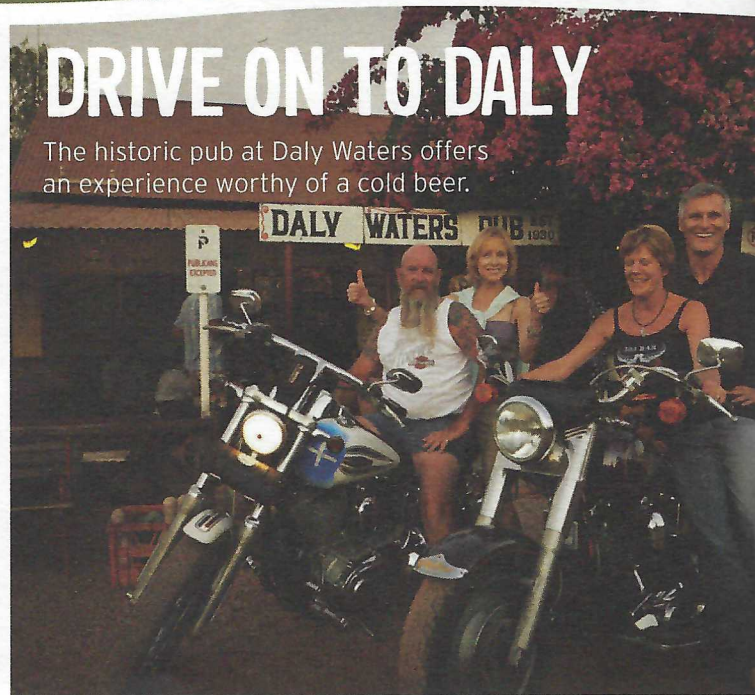
OUTBACK LUXE

Cicada Lodge, Nitmiluk National Park. One of the many luxe accommodation options available in the NT.



DRIVE ON TO DALY

The historic pub at Daly Waters offers an experience worthy of a cold beer.





SEVEN SPIRIT BAY



WILIGI BEACH
CAMPING
OUTSTATION

1hr charter plane or
6hr 4WD access w/
permit fr Darwin



MANINGRIDA
FISHING & CAMPING



BREMER ISLAND / BANU BANU RETREAT
1hr boat fr Nhulunbuy

DAVIDSON'S ARNHEM LAND SAFARIS



To Jabiru
Kakadu

NHULUNBUY
GOVE AIRPORT



YIRRKALA
ARTS
CENTRE

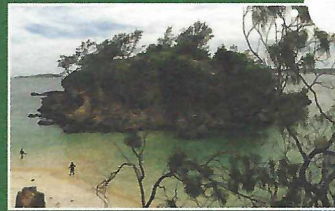


< Katherine 700km Nhulunbuy >
Central Arnhem Highway

DO ARNHEM LAND

Considered one of Australia's last unspoilt areas, Arnhem Land is waiting to be discovered.

Stay at an eco-wilderness island retreat, take a chartered fishing trip, go on a four-wheel drive adventure or just relax on one of the region's white sandy beaches. There's a new experience around every headland, on every beach and down every trail.



BAWAKA
CULTURAL
TOURISM
EXPERIENCE

2hrs Tour Guide
4WD fr Nhulunbuy



GROOTE EYLANDT



RICH CULTURE

Arnhem Land is home to a unique indigenous culture that is perfectly interwoven into the experiences available.

NEW EXPERIENCES

Relaxation, arts, culture, fishing, camping and unique food. Arnhem Land offers more than you expect.



DO THE RED CENTRE A HOLIDAY IN THE HEART

Be honest. A trip to the Red Centre is on your bucket list, but you're still not quite sure when you'll go...

Go now!

It's around three hours to fly from the east and south coast, so you can do it in a weekend or a week, and explore the different regions that make up the heart of Australia.

Every visitor to **Uluru** (Ayers Rock) will attest that pictures just don't do it justice. It's a region full of majesty and other natural wonders, with **Kata Tjuta (the Olgas)** neighbouring Uluru and **Kings Canyon** a few hours' drive away.

Alice Springs epitomises the Australian outback character, with some unexpected surprises. It's your basecamp for adventure, with waterholes, biking and hiking trails, historic and wildlife centres and four-wheel driving all within easy access.

Nature's playground is a half-day drive from Alice Springs at the **Devils Marbles (Karlukarlu)**, just south of Tennant Creek. The town of **Tennant Creek** offers travellers history, arts and outback experiences and is a natural stop as you drive the Explorer's Way.

RED CENTRE — SIX-DAY SUGGESTED DRIVE ITINERARY

DAY 1: ALICE SPRINGS TO GLEN HELEN (130km)

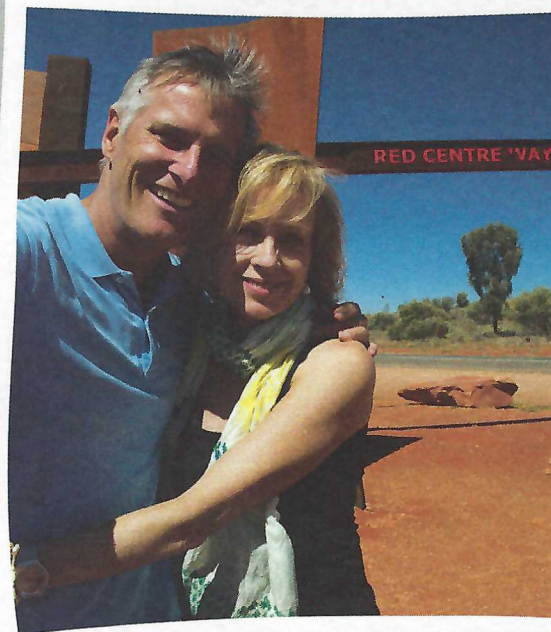
DAY 2: GLEN HELEN TO KINGS CANYON (260km)

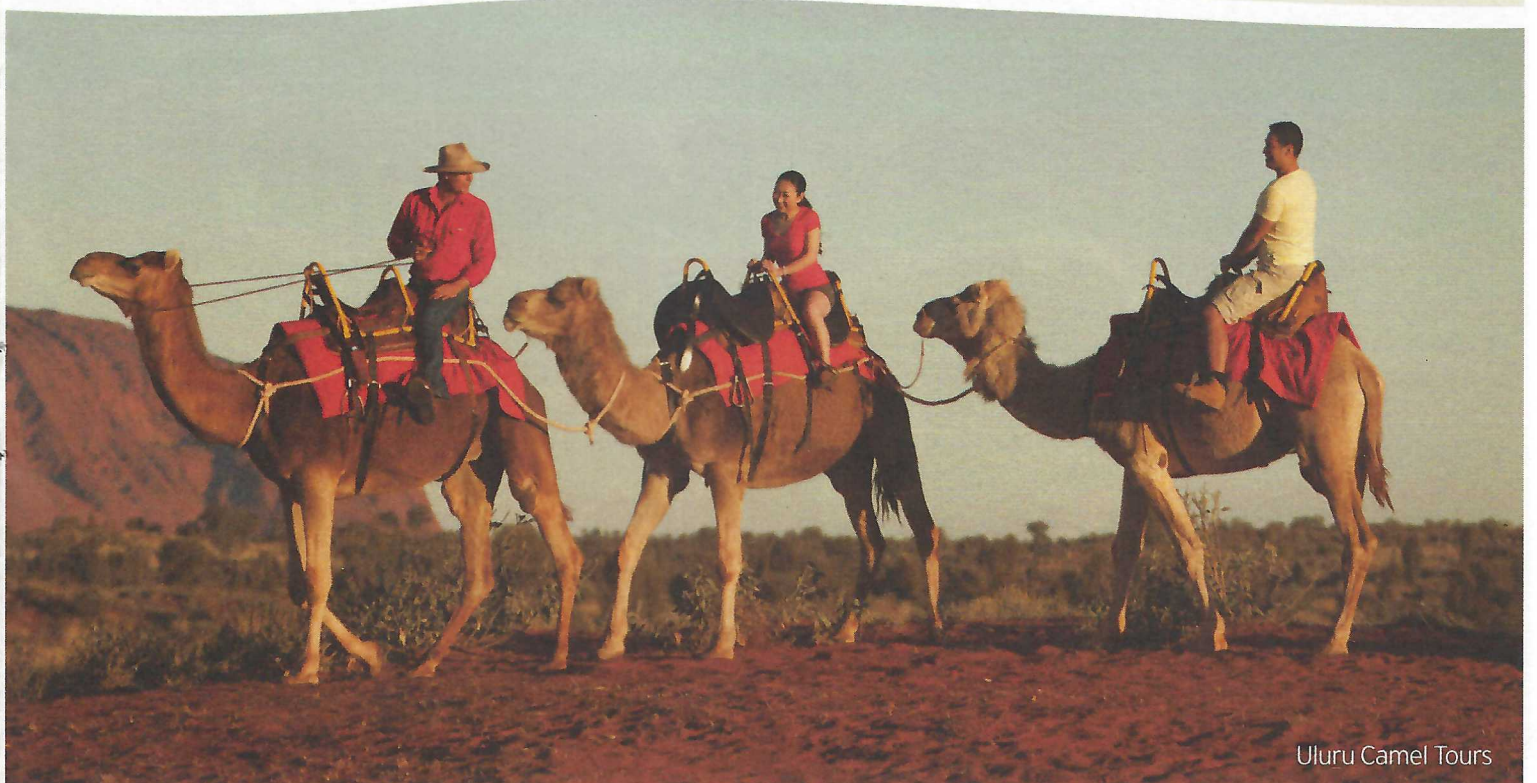
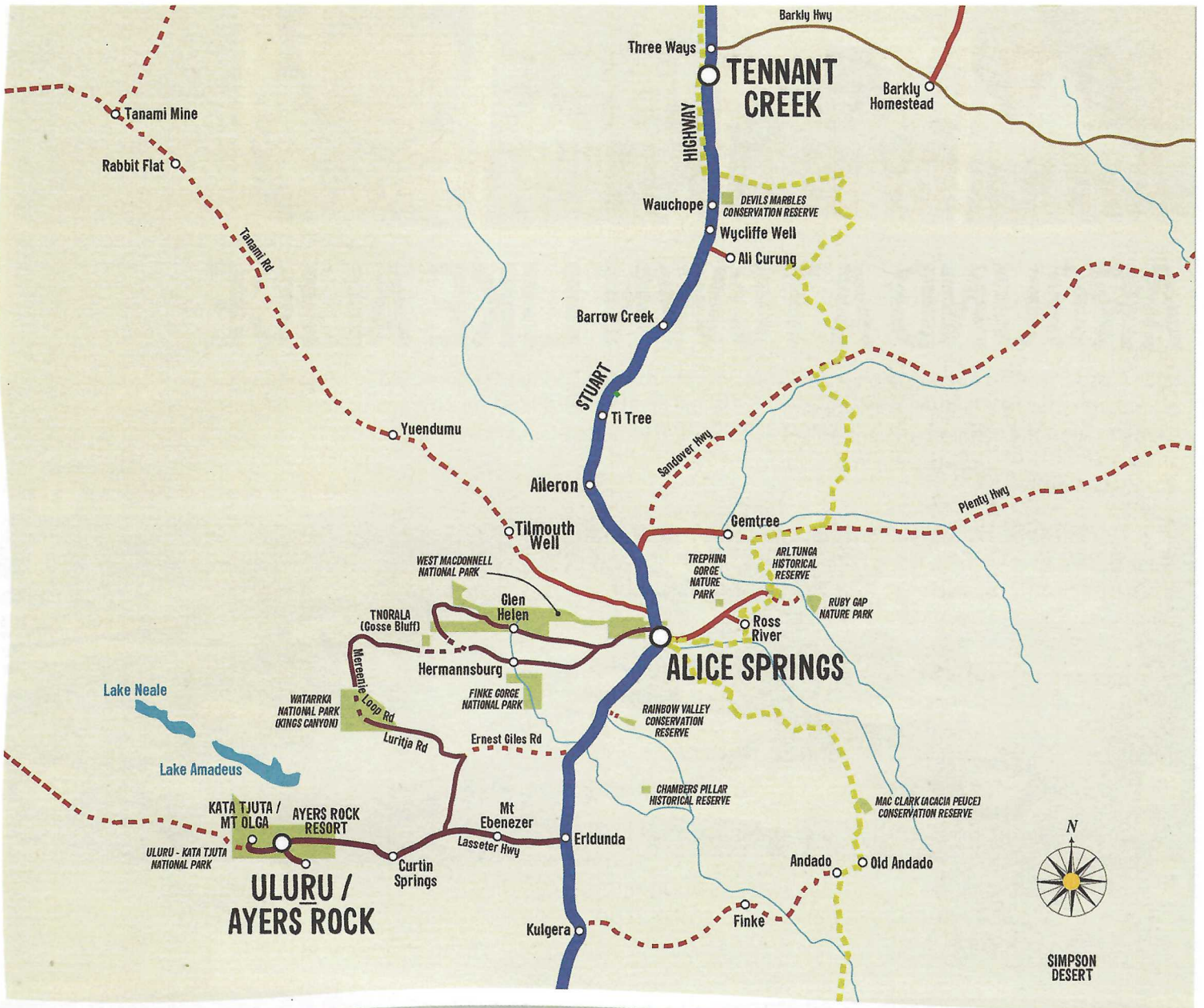
DAY 3: EXPLORE KINGS CANYON

DAY 4: KINGS CANYON TO ULURU (300km)

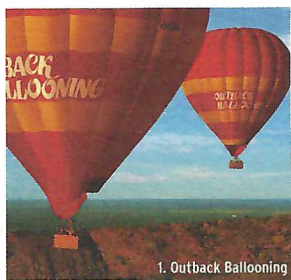
DAY 5: DO ULURU & KATA TJUTA

DAY 6: ULURU TO ALICE (445km)

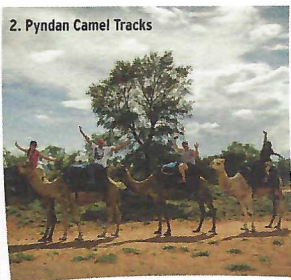




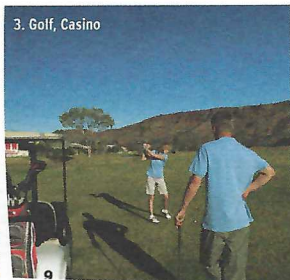
Uluru Camel Tours



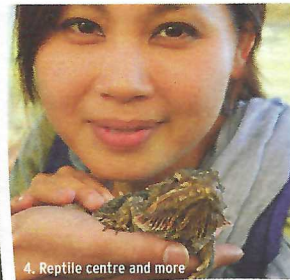
1. Outback Ballooning



2. Pyndan Camel Tracks



3. Golf, Casino

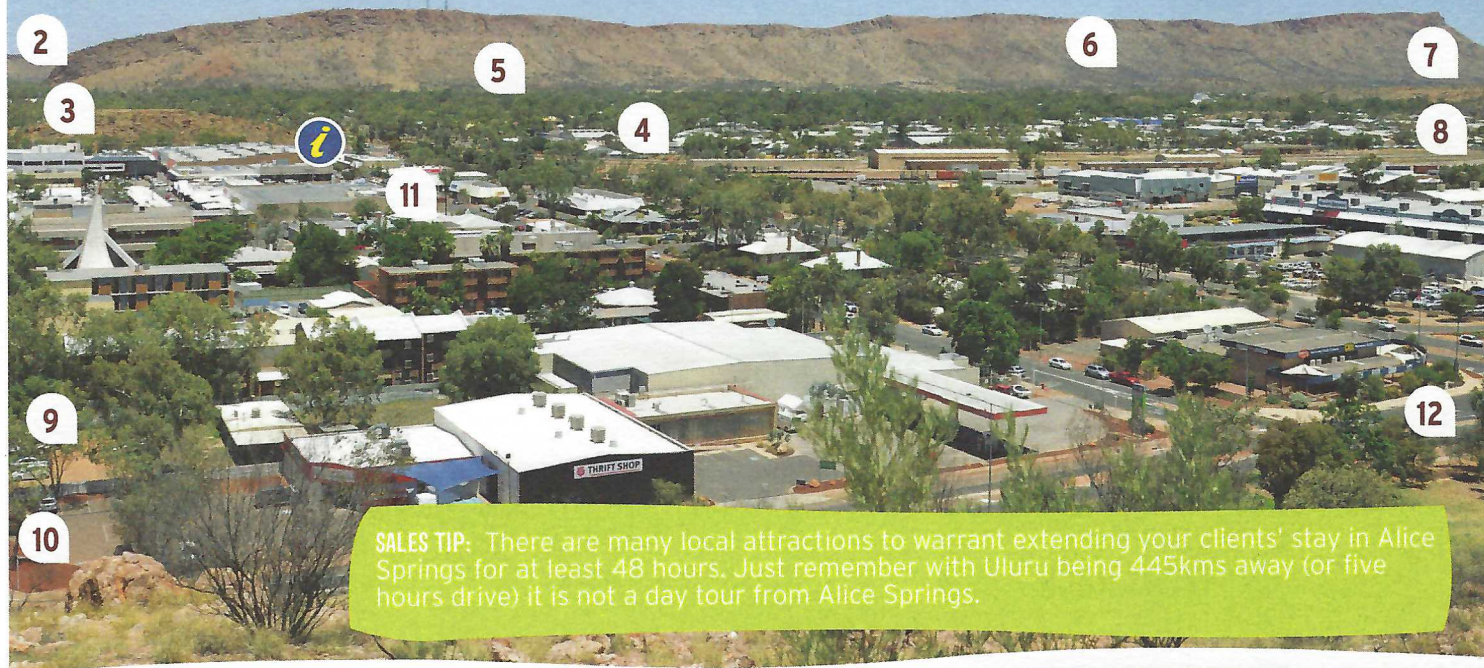


4. Reptile centre and more

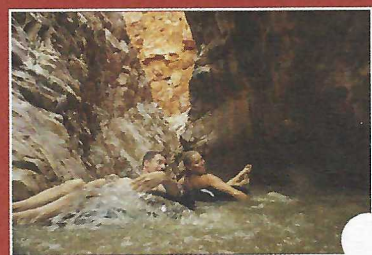
- 5. Flying Doctors
- 6. Araluen Arts Precinct
- 7. To mountain biking
- 8. Visit the Desert Park
- 9. Indigenous art stores
- 10. To Outback Quads
- 11. Todd Mall cafes, bars
- 12. To Telegraph Station

AROUND A TOWN LIKE ALICE

Known as Australia's outback pioneering town, visitors to Alice Springs are surprised to discover its underground cafe culture, contemporary art scene and laid-back lifestyle - though there's still plenty to keep the history buffs enthralled and satisfy the outdoor adventure enthusiasts.

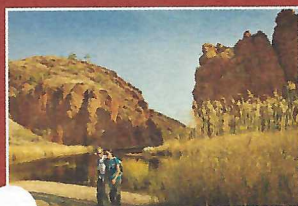


SALES TIP: There are many local attractions to warrant extending your clients' stay in Alice Springs for at least 48 hours. Just remember with Uluru being 445kms away (or five hours drive) it is not a day tour from Alice Springs.



REDBANK GORGE

1.5hrs fr Alice

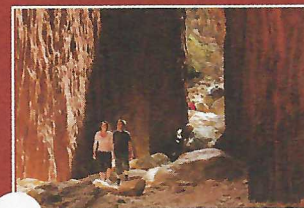


ELLERY CREEK WATER HOLE

GLEN HELEN RESORT



STANDLEY CHASM



30mins fr Alice

ALICE SPRINGS DESERT PARK



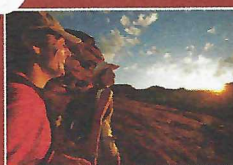
HERMANSBURG HISTORICAL MUSEUM

2hrs fr Alice

ALICE SPRINGS

4WD Track to Kings Canyon

PALM VALLEY



To Uluru 4.5hrs fr Alice



ACCOMMODATION

TENNANT CREEK & DEVILS MARBLES

To Daly Waters Historic Pub
5hrs fr Tennant

KELLY'S RANCH



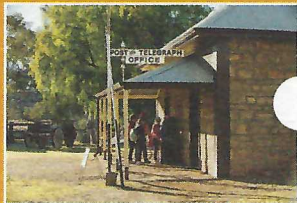
TENNANT CREEK TOWN ACCOMMODATION

4hrs fr Alice



DEVILS MARBLES KARLU KARLU
3hrs fr Alice

WYCLIFFE WELL UFO CENTRE



BARROW CREEK HISTORIC TELEGRAPH STATION

The historic town of Tennant Creek is an essential stopover as you drive the Explorer's Way.

Its range of accommodation options make it the perfect base for exploring the nearby Devils Marbles (Karlukarlu), Davenport Ranges National Park or the many experiences within the town centre.

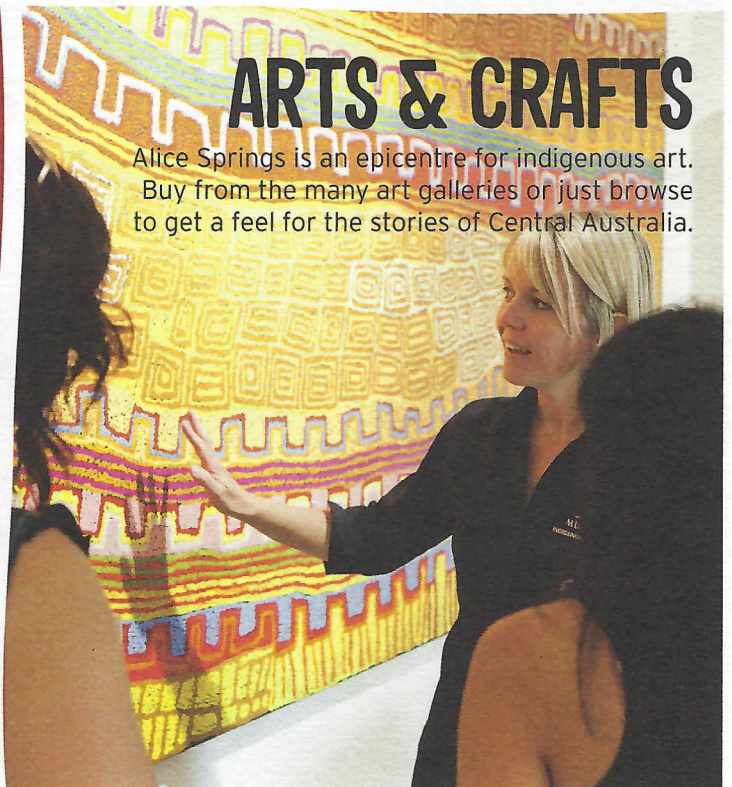
DEVILS BY NIGHT

Visit the Devils Marbles at twilight for a five million star experience.



ARTS & CRAFTS

Alice Springs is an epicentre for indigenous art. Buy from the many art galleries or just browse to get a feel for the stories of Central Australia.



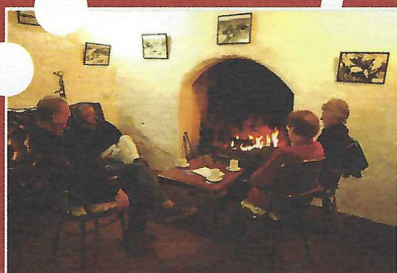
GEM TREE FOSSICKING
1 3/4 hrs fr Alice

EMILY & JESSIE GAPS ROCKART

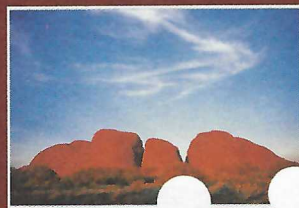
TREPHERINA GEORGE

OLD AMBALINDUM HOMESTEAD

ROSS RIVER RESORT
1 1/4 hrs fr Alice



DO ULURU, KATA TJUTA & KINGS CANYON



VALLEY OF THE WINDS WALK

KATA TJUTA
30 mins
fr Uluru

**WALPA
GORGE WALK**

AIRPORT
15 mins
fr resort

**AYERS
ROCK
RESORT**

ULURU

**KINGS CANYON
ACCOMMODATION**

**KINGS
CANYON
RIM WALK**

KINGS CREEK STATION

**SALT LAKES
LOOKOUT**

**MT CONNER
LOOKOUT**



LONGITUDE 131

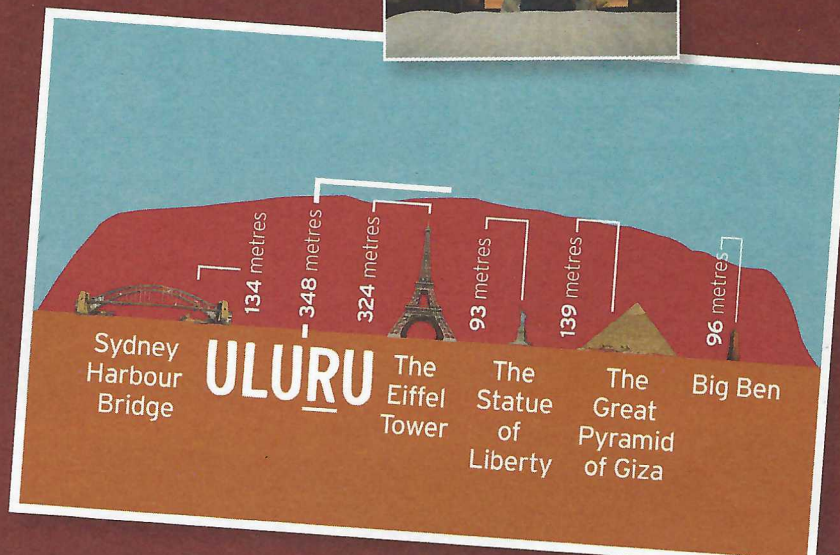
To Alice Springs

To Alice Springs
4.5hrs
fr Uluru

The Uluru region is like the land of the giants, with the sheer size of its natural attractions guaranteed to leave you speechless.

As the spiritual heart of Australia, Uluru and Kata Tjuta (the Olgas) have a strong cultural history ingrained in each experience. Fill your days cycling around the base, exploring it on foot with an indigenous guide and learning traditional dot painting, then unwind at your accommodation with views of the magnificent Uluru.

A worthy detour in the region is Kings Canyon, the highlight of Watarrka National Park. Challenge yourself on the Rim Walk to take in the views or enjoy quad-biking or camel riding at the nearby Kings Creek Station.



UNFORGETTABLE

Dine under the stars with Uluru as your backdrop



LIVE LIKE KINGS Up close and in comfort at Kings Canyon Resort

DO MORE, DO ULURU



SALES TIP: Most touring in the region takes place at sunrise or sunset to view the stunning colours of Uluru and Kata Tjuta. Visiting at dawn and dusk is also more comfortable during the hotter months. Factor in at least two nights at Uluru to maximise your clients' experience.



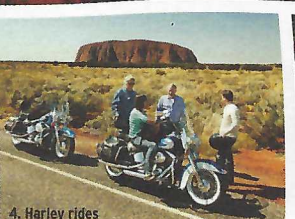
1. Camel tours



2. Indigenous dance show



3. Free Indigenous activities



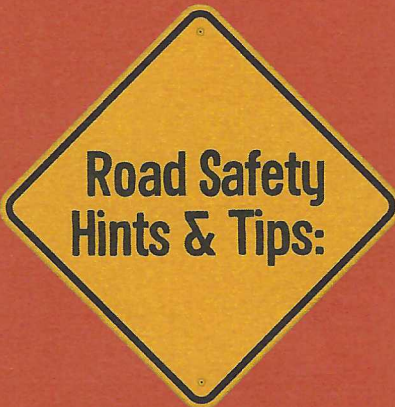
4. Harley rides



5. Sounds of silence dinner
6. Bars & restaurants
7. Sunrise & sunset viewing
8. Uluru base walks & cycling
9. To Kata Tjuta
10. Astronomy

DO EXPLORERS WAY

Self driving is a popular option for those wanting to discover the NT at their own pace. Visitors can experience the best of the territory by hitting the road in Darwin and motoring their way to Alice Springs and Uluru, all the way down to Adelaide. Check out our best driving tips below.



- It can be hundreds of kilometres between service stations, so road trippers should always carry extra water and petrol. Taking regular rest breaks is also essential.
- Road trains are large trucks that can measure up to 50 metres in length. Always give them plenty of room and allow 1km of open road when overtaking.
- Suggest checking road conditions before departing. Driving surfaces can vary from sealed roads to gravel and dirt tracks, and can be affected by weather. See www.ntlis.nt.gov.au/roadreport
- Lost or broken down? Always stay with your vehicle! A missing vehicle is easier to locate than missing people.
- Be wary of stock and wildlife straying onto the road, especially at dawn, dusk, and at night time. Check your car hire insurance terms to make sure you are covered at all times.
- Be sure to look both ways, listen and give way to approaching trains when at railway crossings.

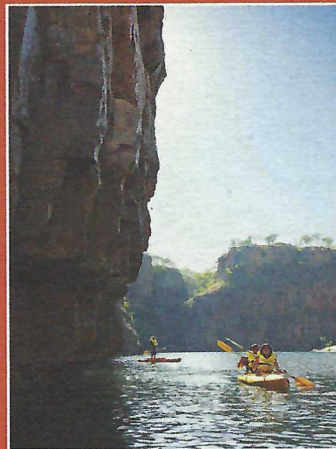
DARWIN

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KATHERINE

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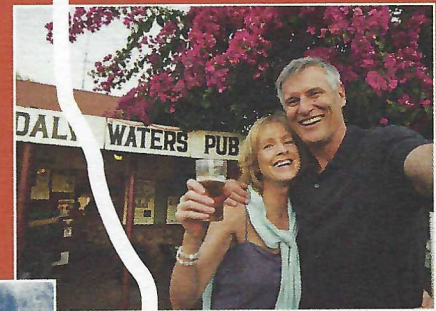
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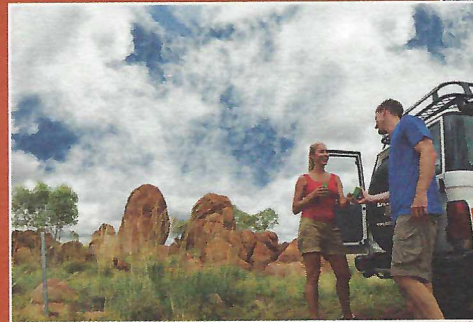
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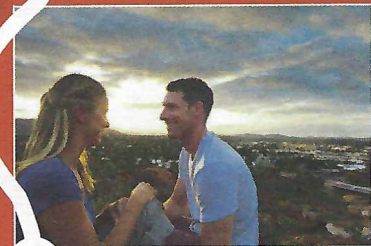
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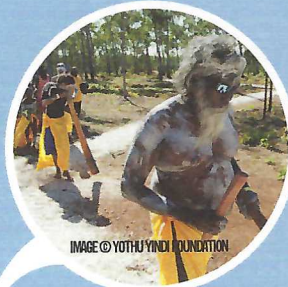
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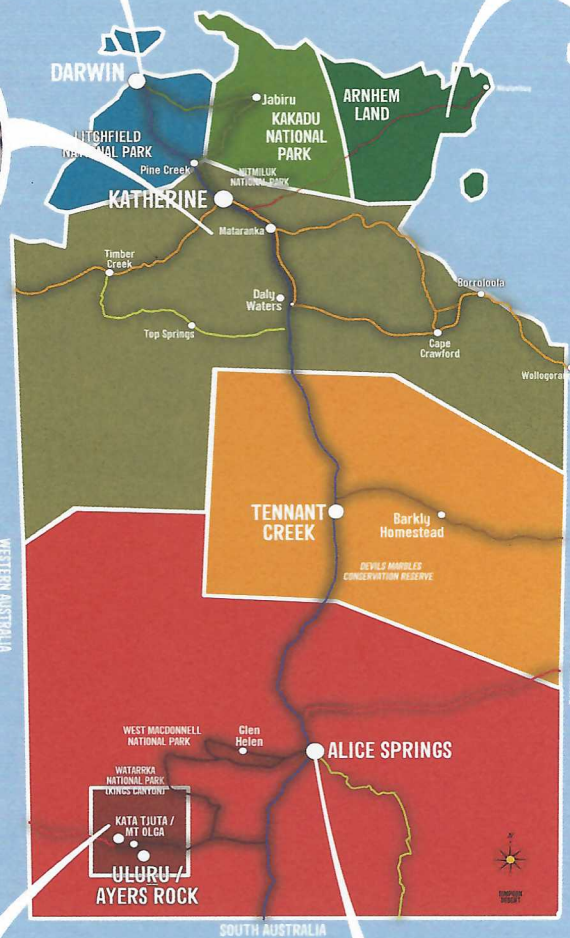
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GARMA FESTIVAL



BARUNGA
FESTIVAL



OUTBACK FEST



HENLEY ON TODD
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MARCH 2014

- King Ash Bay Fishing Classic
- Top End Barra Series at Shady Camp
- Tiwi Islands Football Final Art Sale
- Airlnorth Ladies Fishing Classic

APRIL 2014

- Easter MTB Muster
- Tjungu Festival
- Alice Springs Cup Carnival
- Elliot Mardi Gras
- Mindil Beach Sunset Market begins

MAY 2014

- Outback Fest
- Ingkerreke Commercial MTB Enduro
- Bangtail Muster
- Two Cup Race Day
- Daly Waters Rodeo & Campdraft
- Merrepen Arts Festival
- Barra Nationals
- Asia Pacific Outgames

JUNE 2014

- Finke Desert Race
- Alice Springs Beanie Festival
- Brunette Races - ABC Amateur Race Club
- Barunga Festival
- Katherine Country Music Muster
- Greek Glenti
- V8 Supercars Championship Series
- Nightcliff Seabreeze Festival
- Darwin Lions Beercan Regatta

JULY 2014

- Territory Day Fireworks displays
- Australian Outback Marathon
- Lasseters Camel Cup
- Alice Springs Show
- Walking with Spirits
- Katherine & District Show
- Royal Darwin Show
- Darwin Cup Carnival

AUGUST 2014

- Astronomy Weekend
- Henley on Todd Regatta
- National Road Transport Hall of Fame
- Desert Harmony Festival
- Katherine Country Music Muster
- Garma Festival
- Darwin Festival
- Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair

SEPTEMBER 2014

- Alice Desert Festival
- Desert Song Festival
- Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Award

OCTOBER 2014

- Alice Springs Masters Games
- Barkly Gold Rush Camp Draft
- Corroboree Park Challenge
- Saltwater Fly Fishing Challenge

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