

# 8 Days - 7 Nights Cairns - Cape York

Departs: Every Sunday at 7.30am from May to November,  
Price: \$3685.00 per person Adult twin share, \$2600.00 per person Child  
Minimum 4 persons (Code CCY8)

#### Inclusions:

- Luxury 4WD vehicle with experienced driver guide
- All accommodation Twin share
- All breakfasts & dinners (some lunches)
- Morning / Afternoon teas
- All National Park entry fees
- All ferries and barges
- Cruise to Thursday Island
- Flight from Cairns to Bamaga or Bamaga to Cairns (one way only)

#### Day 1

Leaving Cairns we head north along the beautiful coastline to visit Mossman and Port Douglas. Port Douglas is an old port which today is an all year playground for the rich and famous. We then travel on to enjoy the World Heritage listed Daintree Rainforest, Mossman Gorge and Valley of the Palms. We 4WD trek along the Bloomfield Track enjoying many scenic spots including Bloomfield Falls and Cedar Bay National Park before arriving in Cooktown for our overnight stay.

**Overnight: Seaview Motel, COOKTOWN**

#### Day 2

An early start from Cooktown as we head west to Battle Camp and onwards into Lakefield National Park. After visiting "Old Laura" homestead we travel through many fascinating river valleys and numerous giant termite mounds before arriving at Musgrave Station for an afternoon break. We continue our journey to Coen for our overnight stay in guesthouse accommodation.

**Overnight: Mrs Taylors Guesthouse, COEN**

#### Day 3

Travelling along part of the southern leg of the old Telegraph Track we come to the Archer River, one of the Cape's well known obstacles. Then continuing our adventure to one of Australia's most remote area's we head east exploring the Sir William Thompson Range and then crossing the Pascoe River, we head to Iron Range National Park. As we enter the

National Park, we see the spectacular Mount Tozer at the peak of the table range, before descending down to Lockhart River a unique aboriginal community situated on the ocean at Lloyd Bay. Onwards further north, exploring the many wonders of the Iron Range National Park whilst enjoying the dense tropical rainforest being the largest remaining area of lowland rainforest in Australia. We arrive at Portland Road at Cape Weymouth on the beautiful Coral Sea for our overnight stay. Enjoy a pleasant evening at Portland House Cottages.

**Overnight: Portland House, PORTLAND ROAD**

#### Day 4

Leaving the ocean, we head inland through the National Park and onwards to more savannah land, country of the Cape; to Batavia Downs and heading north on the Telegraph Track to the Wenlock River, and continue further along the old Telegraph Track to arrive at Bramwell Station property for our overnight stay.

**Overnight: Bramwell Station, BRAMWELL STATION**

#### Day 5

Heading north along the old Telegraph line track we visit Elliot Falls and after crossing many creeks we arrive at the Cape's most famous river, the Jardine. Here we can enjoy another tranquil lunch site before crossing the crocodile infested stream by ferry, then onwards to Bamaga and Punsand Bay Retreat for our next three nights. We stay in air-conditioned cabins or tent cabins by the sea, in the most exotic setting you can imagine.

**Overnight: Seisa Resort, SEISA**

#### Day 6

A change today from 4WD travelling as we take a boat cruise across the Torres Strait to Thursday Island and enjoy a guided tour around this small island. The island is situated between Cape York and New Guinea. We return later in the afternoon to our little area of paradise at Punsand Bay for our overnight stay.

**Overnight: Seisa Resort, SEISA**

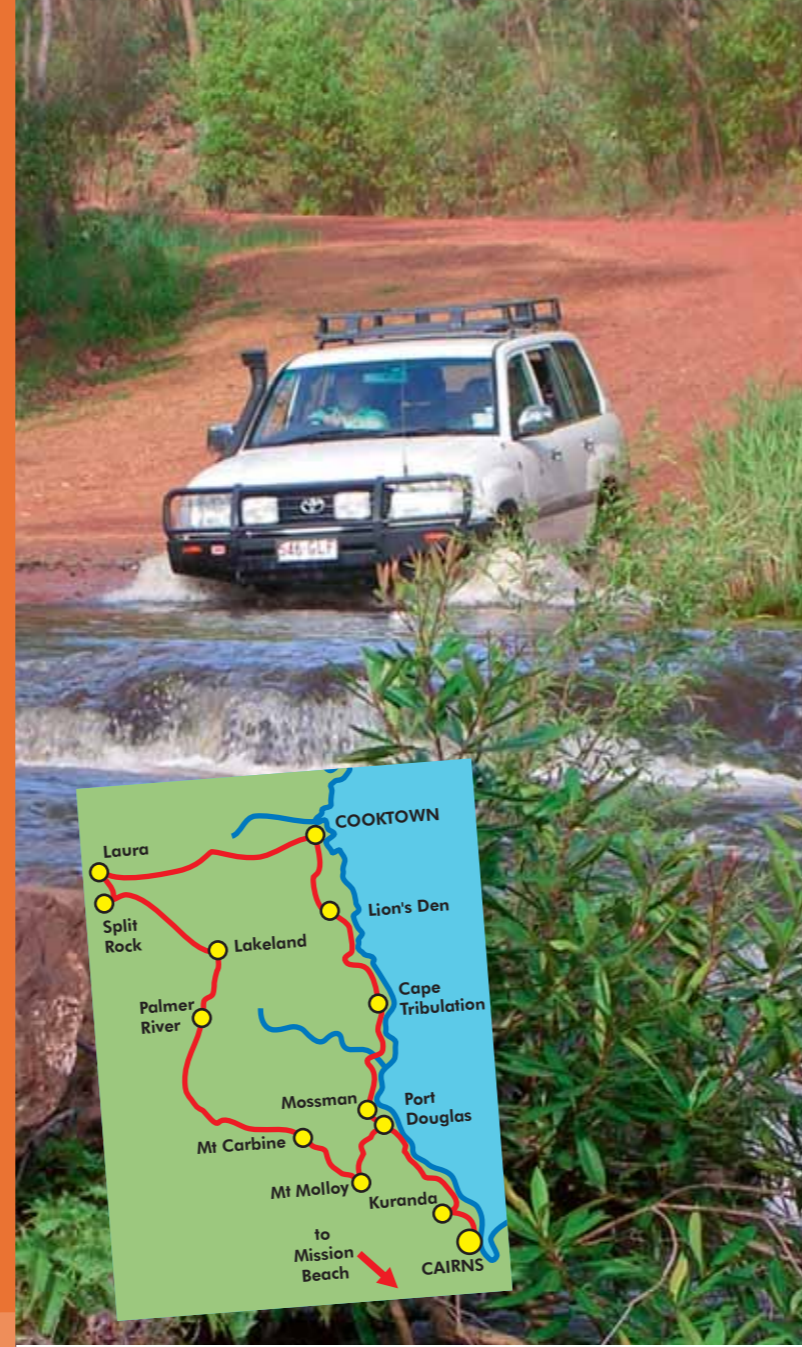
#### Day 7

The most northerly tip of the Australian continent, Cape York, is our destination. We celebrate with champagne before visiting the remains of Somerset, which was established by the Jardines as the government outpost for the Torres Strait. We spend some time at some secluded beaches, where we have previously sighted dugongs and sea turtles. This is a particularly scenic part of the Cape, with lots to see and do. Later in the afternoon, we return to Punsand Bay for our overnight stay.

**Overnight: Seisa Resort, SEISA**

#### Day 8

This morning your driver will take you to Bamaga to join your flight to Cairns.



# 3 Day Daintree - Cooktown Heritage Experience

Departs: Monday & Friday Cairns - 7.00am,  
Nth Beaches - 7.30am, Port Douglas - 8.30am  
Price: \$885 per person twin share, \$43.00 per child,  
Minimum 4 persons (Code DCHE3)

#### Day 1 Cairns & Port Douglas to Cooktown (inclusions M,T,L,AT,D)

- Small Personalised Groups
- Enjoy a coastal scenic drive to Rex Lookout
- Travel to the Atherton Tablelands, Mt Carbine
- Bob's Lookout, Picnic lunch by the Laura River
- Explore ancient Quinkan art at Split Rock Art site
- Visit Indigenous Cultural Centre Laura, old Laura Station, Normanby River and Isabella Falls - Battlecamp Track
- Travel to Cooktown for overnight accom. (Seaview Motel)

#### Day 2 Cooktown to Cape Tribulation (Inclusions: B,MT,L,AT,D)

- Cooktown, Great Barrier Reef views from Grassy Hill Lookout
- Visit Cooktown Cemetery, Captain Cook Museum
- Journey to the mysterious Black Mountain
- Lunch/Drink at Lions Den Pub - classic Aussie character
- Traverse the Bloomfield Track through Cedar Bay National Park
- Overnight Accom- Beach House Resort

#### Day 3 Cape Tribulation to Cairns (Inclusions: B,MT,L,AT)

- Explore Cape Tribulation- Kulki Lookout
- Ancient Rainforest - Mardja Boardwalk
- Daintree Discovery Centre
- Alexandra Lookout's sea views
- Cross the Daintree River Ferry
- Lunch at Daintree Tea House with tropical fruit presentation
- Looking for Croc's aboard The Daintree River Cruise
- Optional visit to Mossman Gorge or Tropical Fruit Plantations
- Personalised service back to your hotel
- Private charter by arrangement!

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Isabelle Falls



Cape Tribulation



# 10 Days – 9 Nights Brisbane to Cairns The East Coast Explorer

This tour departs Brisbane: 8.00am 1st & 3rd Wednesday of every month

Tour departs: 7:30am Cairns 2nd & 4th Sunday of every month

Price: 10 days Brisbane to Cairns: AUD\$1875 (Code EAST10 BBC)

Minimum 4 persons

Inclusions:

- 4WD air-conditioned Deluxe Transport
- All twin share accommodation some with private facilities
- All National Park entries
- Ferry crossings to Fraser Island and Daintree
- Experienced driver guide

This tour also operates in reverse

## Day 1

This morning we depart Queensland capital city of Brisbane. Then onwards to the Glass House Mountains in the sunshine coast region to arrive at one of Australia's best seaside playgrounds at Noosa Heads. Crossing the Noosa River by ferry, we join the coloured sands of Cooloolo Beach then travel many kilometers along the beach to the "Cherry Venture" wreck. We cross Double Island Point to the Coloured Sands, a wonderful beach and cliff area, then further along the beach to Inskip Point joining the barge to cross to Fraser Island World Heritage area.

**Overnight: Eurong Beach Resort, FRASER ISLAND**

## Day 2

Today is a panoramic day, filled with the many beautiful sights of Fraser Island. This is the only island in the world where rainforest grows on pure sand and it is also renowned for its fresh water lakes - Lake Boomagin, Birrabeen and McKenzie. We will take walks along rainforest trails, travel along picturesque 4WD tracks, view the golden sand beaches and visit the old Maheno wreck and Eli Creek.

**Overnight: Eurong Beach Resort, FRASER ISLAND**

## Day 3

Starting the day travelling across from east to west on Fraser Island, we notice an incredible contrast in nature's past on the surrounding environment. Joining the barge to cross to Hervey Bay, we often view whales during the months of August to October, and then travel onwards to Bundaberg. During the afternoon, we take many backtracks through farming areas to Gladstone, arriving in Rockhampton, a major rural city on the Fitzroy River of the central coast of Queensland.

**Overnight: The Criterion Hotel Motel, ROCKHAMPTON**

## Day 4

The first part of our journey today takes us through the heart of Queensland's coastal cattle country to Clairview on the Coral Sea before travelling into the rich sugar cane region of Sarina. We then travel through the scenic countryside around Mt Charleston and Eungella National Park, visiting Prosperine, Airlie Beach and Shute Harbour.

**Overnight: Whitsunday Gardens Cabins, AIRLIE BEACH**

## Day 5

Today we enjoy the many wonders of the beautiful Whitsunday Islands, taking a Fantasea cruise to enjoy Daydream Island, Hamilton Island and spectacular Whitehaven Beach on Whitsunday Island. During our cruise, we have plenty of time to take part in some optional activities, such as jet-skiing, windsurfing, snorkelling, etc. returning to Shute Harbour by late afternoon.

**Overnight: Whitsunday Gardens Cabins, AIRLIE BEACH**

## Day 6

Leaving the tropical rainforests and islands of the Whitsundays, we head inland to a historic gold mining village of Ravenswood. Here we can enjoy lunch in the fabulous old Imperial hotel and then try fossicking in the past and present diggings of the area. Onwards to Mt Elliot National Park and Townsville for sightseeing before proceeding to Crystal Creek National Park where a swim in a pool of this cascading creek will make the day a cooler experience. Paluma is the next destination and stop for the night.

**Overnight: Hidden Valley Cabins, PALUMA**

## Day 7

We take a short drive alongside the Running River to explore the many wilderness trails, then on to Mt Fox and to view the spectacular Stone River Valley from the Ingham Range. We travel past Hinchinbrook Island National Park and onto Cardwell, taking a lunch break at Mission Beach overlooking Dunk Island. Travelling through Palmerstone National Park, we view the rugged Johnstone River Valley from Crawfords Lookout and then move onto the spectacular Mungalli Falls, Elinjoa Falls and Zillie Falls. Experiencing the Atherton Tablelands, we visit many highlights including the Curtin Fig, Lakes Eacham and Barrine before arriving at our overnight destination on the Atherton Tablelands.

**Overnight: Yungaburra Hotel, YUNGABURRA**

## Day 8

We see more of the Atherton Tablelands with its panoramic views this morning, driving along the Baron River to Mossman before entering another spectacular World Heritage area, the Daintree Rainforest. Once again in our 4WD vehicles, we take you into many hidden corners of this amazing, tranquil area, before ferrying across the Daintree River and along the mountainous coastline to Cape Tribulation.

**Overnight: Beach House, CAPE TRIBULATION**

## Day 9

Today becomes another lifetime wonder for you to enjoy, viewing the panoramic World Heritage tropical rainforest merging with the Coral Sea. As we 4WD along the infamous Bloomfield Track we take advantage of various isolated lookouts, virgin stands of tropical rainforest, waterfalls and swim in mountain streams, returning to Cape Tribulation for another night in paradise.

**Overnight: Beach House, CAPE TRIBULATION**

## Day 10

As we travel through the world's oldest tropical rainforest, we visit the Valley of the Palms, ferrying across the Daintree River, and visiting Port Douglas, Palm Cove and Hartley's Creek Crocodile Farm. Later in the afternoon we enjoy the Kuranda Rainforest area, where as an option, you can travel down the mountain on the famous Kuranda Train or take the Skyrail across the top. Our specialist driver guide will meet you at the bottom to take you into Cairns to conclude your Australian Wilderness Tour experience.



Rex Lookout, Coral Coast



Kings Canyon

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# 7 Days – 6 Nights Cairns to the Top End Tropical Gulf Explorer

This tour operates BY REQUEST

Price: \$2825.00 per person - Superior Deluxe all Inclusive, \$1395.00

per person - Budget - Transport, Accommodation & Breakfasts

Minimum 2 persons (Code DGUC7)

Inclusions:

- 4WD air-conditioned deluxe transport
- All breakfasts, 10 dinners & Morning/afternoon teas
- All accommodation twin share private facilities except Lawn Hill
- All entries to National Parks
- Experienced driver guide

This tour also operates in reverse

## Day 1

Pick up from your accommodation.

Departing Cairns we head up the Gillies Range stopping at the Cathedral fig, Gillies lookout and arriving on the Atherton Tablelands. After Lake Eacham for morning tea we pass through Historic Yungaburra & Malanda, before arriving at the famous Millaa Millaa Falls. Driving now through the scenic dairy country to Ravenshoe we stop for lunch at the Millstream falls and head west through Mt Garnett and onto Undarra for a Spectacular guided tour through these awe inspiring lava tubes.

**Overnight: Undarra Lava Lodge, Undarra.**

## Day 2

Today we travel across the outback past Mount Surprise and into Georgetown for morning tea. After the chance to view the interesting mineral museum we keep heading west to Corydon and enjoy lunch out at Lake Belmore. Croydon is the destination for the Historic Gulflander Rail Motor which runs between here and Normanton, our next destination. We take an afternoon tour out to Karumba on the Gulf of Carpentaria, famous for its fishing and industry ports for cattle and zinc mining. Back to Normanton saying hello to Kris the 28 foot long crocodile and into the Purple pub for maybe a beer or two.

**Overnight: Purple Pub Hotel, Normanton.**

## Day 3

After a morning look around the old Train station, we keep heading west through the huge cattle stations of the Gulf & cross the Leichardt River into

Burketown. See this tiny battlers town and take a drive out onto the vast emptiness of the salt flats. We detour now off the main Savannah Way down into Gregory downs for lunch by the river before turning past the Century zinc mine and arrive at Adels Grove. We relax by the lily covered river for the afternoon and spend the next 2 nights at this friendly oasis.

**Overnight: Adels Grove, Lawn Hill**

## Day 4

After a late breakfast today we drive 5 minutes to Lawn Hill National Park and have the option of either hiring a canoe to paddle up past the cliffs of Lawn Hill George to Indarri falls, bush-walking one of the many tracks around the National park, or a mixture of both. In your own time we return to Adels Grove for lunch and once again relax by the shaded river with maybe a drink or book in hand. There is also a morning option of a guided tour to the World Heritage Riversleigh fossil fields. (own expense)

**Overnight: Adels grove, Lawn Hill**

## Day 5

Leaving Adels Grove we proceed north up through the gates and rivers of Lawn Hill station. Back onto the Main Savannah way route, we Bypass Domadgee and cross through Hells gate. This eerie rock formation used to be furthest accompanied point for travellers heading to the wild territory. Not far on we leave QLD and into the Northern Territory we go. Appreciate the vast outback as we stop for lunch somewhere in the unknown and head for our overnight stay in the small mining and fishing township of Borroloola.

**Overnight: Borroloola Hotel, Borroloola**

## Day 6

Enjoy 10 minutes of sealed road before leaving the bitumen again and entering Limmen National Park. Here we visit the phenomenal rock formations of the Southern Lost City. Cross the Limmen Bite, Cox and Towns rivers and other numerous wet and dry riverbeds before coming up along the Roper with its temporary fishing campsites. Continue through to the old Roper Bar police station and lock up and look at the Roper River with maybe a drink or book in hand. Once again we turn back west and follow the narrow road until we finally reach the famous Stuart Highway and Eley National Park. Look around the "We Of The Never Never" Eley homestead and rejuvenate yourself at the thermal rock-pools of Mataranka. This is where we spend our final evening.

**Overnight: Mataranka Homestead, Mataranka**

## Day 7

Our final day consists of heading into the warmer tropical region of the Territory as we pass through Katherine and veer into Edith falls for a quick swim and look around this giant plunge-pool. On we go into Pine creek with a view over the old gold mine, original tin shed bakery and the troubled North South railway. Again up the Stuart highway we pass Adelaide River and its war cemetery before continuing past Palmerston and into Darwin to conclude our memorable journey.

# 4 Days – 3 Nights Darwin – Kakadu – Darwin The Top End Explorer Complete

This tour can be added to the Cairns to Darwin tour

Departs: Every Monday all year

Price: \$1795.00 per person Adult (twin share), \$1550.00 per

person Child (sharing with adult)

Minimum 12 persons (Code DKKD4)

Inclusions:

- 4WD air-conditioned deluxe transport
- All dinners & continental breakfasts, morning and afternoon teas
- All accommodation twin share private facilities
- All entries to National Parks
- All cruises charges
- Experienced driver guide

## Day 1

Departing Darwin, capital of the Top End, we head south along the famous Stuart Highway, turning off to beautiful Berry Springs Nature Park for our first stop. We then continue into the unique tropical oasis of Litchfield Park, enjoying the first of our picnic lunches. We visit Wangi Falls with the chance to swim in the crystal clear waters below the falls and then view the Tolmer Falls and Buley Rockholes. We have another chance to swim when we reach Florence Falls, then we travel on to spend a relaxing evening at Lake Benett.

**Overnight: Lake Benett Resort, Lake Benett**

## Day 2

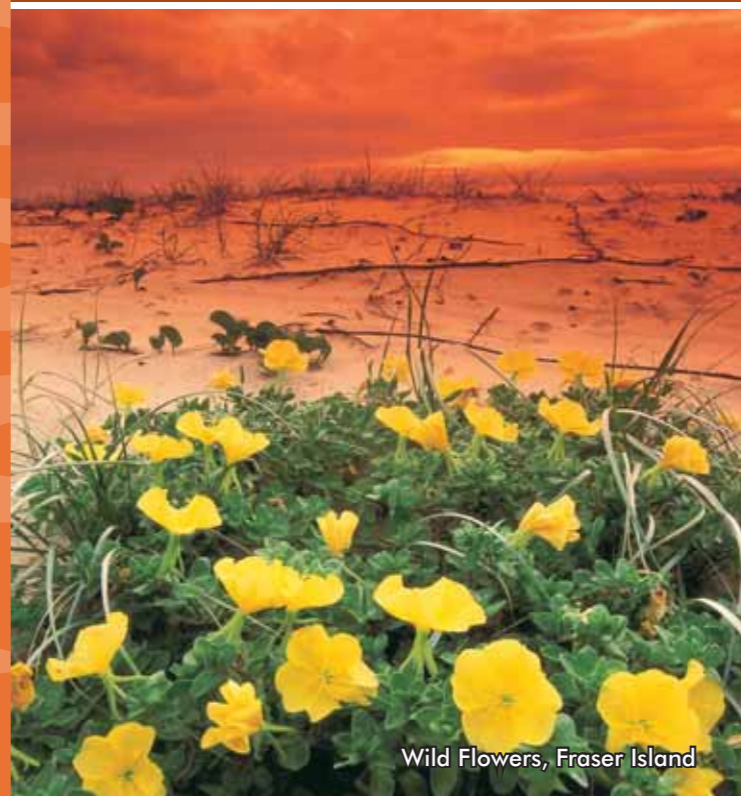
Today we travel north for a short time and venture along the Arnhem Highway to Kakadu National Park where we visit Jabiru and travel on to Ubir Rock. From the top of the rock we can view magnificent plains and an area steeped in Aboriginal history and traditions. We travel to Nourlangie Rock where we can view some more aboriginal rock paintings and on to our overnight stay at Cooinda within the Kakadu National Park.

**Overnight: Gaguudju Lodge, Cooinda**

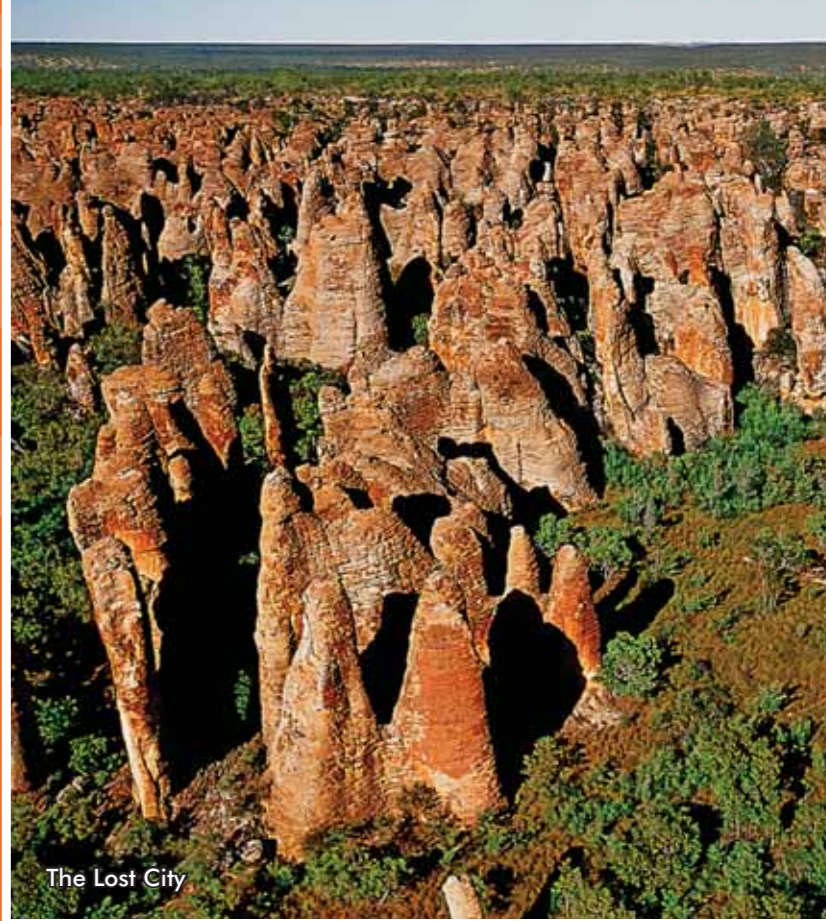
## Day 3

An early start to enjoy a Yellow Waters cruise to view the abundant wildlife including crocodiles and jabirus, returning to Cooinda resort for breakfast.

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Wild Flowers, Fraser Island



The Lost City

We then take the 4WD trails to some enjoyable waterfalls in Kakadu National Park before heading to Edith falls for relaxation and a another chance to swim. Later in the afternoon we head to Katherine for our overnight stay.

**Overnight: Pine Tree Motel, Katherine**

## Day 4

This morning we take a morning drive to Nitmiluk National Park, arriving at the beautiful Katherine Gorge for a river cruise along the Katherine Gorge and River. We return to the visitor's center by lunch time and during the afternoon we head northwards to the Adelaide River to the Historic War Cemetery. Returning to Darwin late afternoon, arriving at approximately 5pm.



Kings Canyon



Fraser Island



Brisbane