

CORNER COUNTRY EXPLORER

14 – 15 DAYS

EXPLORE MAJESTIC DESERT LANDSCAPES AND REMOTE OUTBACK TOWNS WITH LEGENDARY OUTBACK CHARACTERS.



Innamincka Sandhills



Channel Country Birdlife

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Mount Hope Station Tour & Camp Oven Dinner
- Roma Saleyards Tour
- Cosmos Centre Big Sky Twilight Session
- Historic Corones Hotel Tour
- Meet the Bilby Experience
- Cunnamulla Fella Centre
- Eulo Artesian Springs
- Exclusive Thargomindah Sunset Drinks & Dinner under the stars
- Historic Noccundra Hotel
- Cameron Corner & Strzelecki Desert
- Cooper Creek Cruise
- Burke & Wills Dig Tree
- Birdsville Hotel and Big Red Sunset
- Inland Hospital and Royal Hotel Ruins
- Birdsville Racetrack and Birdsville Billabong
- Betoota Ghost Town and Deon's Lookout
- Windorah Sandhills at Sunset
- Stonehenge private property Tour and Pub Lunch
- Longreach Town Tour
- Qantas Founders Museum & Airpark Tour
- Luminescent Longreach Sound & Light Show & Exclusive Qantas Founders Museum Dinner
- Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame Entry & Stockman's Live Show
- Ilfracombe Tour & Historic Wellshot Hotel
- Drover's Sunset Cruise including Smithy's Outback Dinner and Show



Day 1 | TUESDAY | BRISBANE

Arrive in Brisbane and check-in to your accommodation early afternoon. At the Welcome Dinner tonight, meet fellow travellers. Hear all about the adventures ahead with a comprehensive tour orientation by your Savannah Guides Operator driver and host.

Overnight Royal on the Park, Brisbane (B) (L) (D)

Day 2 | WEDNESDAY | ROMA

We will travel north-west from Brisbane to the Garden City of Toowoomba for a picturesque morning tea at Picnic Point Cafe. Continue along the Adventure Way to Chinchilla, home of the Chinchilla Melon Festival and Miles, a vibrant rural township. Arrive in Roma, the heart of beef country. Late afternoon, join a tour of Mount Hope, a working cattle station. This property is home to Droughtmaster cattle, coal seam gas and three generations of the Price family. Enjoy sunset nibbles and drinks followed by a delicious two-course camp oven dinner.

Overnight Roma Explorers Inn, Roma (B) (L) (D)

Day 3 | THURSDAY | CHARLEVILLE

Visit Roma Saleyards, the largest cattle selling facility in Australia. On your guided tour you'll learn the day-to-day processes of the saleyards and have the opportunity to watch the cattle sales in action. Travel to Charleville for a fascinating tour of the historic Corones Hotel. This afternoon we meet the rare and endangered Bilby at the Bilby Experience. Learn more about this native marsupial and the long-running captive breeding and conservation program. Discover the wonders of the magical outback night sky at the mesmerising Cosmos Centre Big Sky Twilight Session.

Overnight Mulga Country Motor Inn, Charleville (B) (L) (D)

Day 4 | FRIDAY | THARGOMINDAH

Follow the Warrego River to Cunnamulla, which came into being as a Cobb & Co coach stop. Visit the Cunnamulla Fella Centre, home to the art gallery and

Artesian Time Tunnel. Discover the quaint township of Eulo, hear tales of Isabel 'The Eulo Queen' and learn the story of the Eulo Artesian Mud Baths. Travel to Thargomindah and tour the historic Old Thargomindah Hospital to learn some fascinating tales from the 1800s. Discover the story behind Thargomindah's electrical street lighting story. Enjoy exclusive sunset drinks at the historic bore followed by a delicious hot pot dinner under the stars.

Overnight Oasis Motel or Explorers Caravan Park Cabins, Thargomindah (B) (L) (D)

Day 5 | SATURDAY | TIBOOBURRA

Travel south-west across the Dingo Barrier Fence to historic Noccundra Hotel; then cross the border at Warri Gate into Outback New South Wales. View the eastern sections of the Sturt National Park. Traverse gibber plains and spectacular 'jump up' country to Tibooburra. The striking granite boulders around Tibooburra are said to be remnants of a mass underground granite dome dating back around 410 million years. Explore the National Park Interpretive Centre and Court House Museum.

Overnight Granites Motel, Tibooburra (B) (L) (D)

Day 6 | SUNDAY | INNAMINCKA

Travel through Sturt National Park to Cameron Corner where the boundary lines of the states of Queensland, South Australia and New South Wales meet. See the Strzelecki Desert, characterised by extensive red dune fields and home of the endangered Dusky Hopping Mouse. Pass by large cattle stations then travel through the heart of the oil and gas fields to Innamincka, on the banks of Cooper Creek. Learn the important role played by the Australian Inland Mission in providing essential medical services to remote towns.

2 nights Innamincka Hotel, Innamincka (B) (L) (D)



Medium level of fitness required

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Cooper Creek



The Dig Tree



Cooper Creek Cruise

INCLUSIONS

- All en suite accommodation
- Travel by luxury 4WD coach Brisbane to Longreach
- Savannah Guides Operator driver & host
- All meals
- All entries/activities as per itinerary
- Longreach accommodation departure transfer to Longreach Airport or Railway Station



Tarpot's Cottage, Windorah

Day 7 | MONDAY | INNAMINCKA
Retrace the last days of Burke & Wills and learn the story of Innamincka, dubbed 'the town with two lives'. Visit the historic Burke & Wills Dig Tree then take your seat aboard the Eco-certified sunset cruise on the Cooper Creek. Take in the stunning birdlife and spot the occasional inquisitive animal on the banks. (B L D)

Day 8 | TUESDAY | BIRDSVILLE
Follow the Strzelecki Desert through flood plains, sand dunes and gibber country. See the historic woolshed on Cordillo Downs Station, once one of the largest pastoral properties in the country. Further north we'll pass the crumbling ruins of Cadelga Outstation as we travel to Birdsville through some of Australia's richest cattle country. Tonight have a yarn with the locals and enjoy a dinner at the famous Birdsville Hotel.

2 nights Birdsville Hotel, Birdsville
(B L D)

Day 9 | WEDNESDAY | BIRDSVILLE
This morning visit the Wirrarri Centre to view work by local Indigenous artists. Next take a stroll to the Birdsville Billabong where birdlife, fish and yabbies abound. Stand on the well known Birdsville Racetrack and explore the Inland Hospital and Royal Hotel ruins; poignant reminders of a pre-federation metropolis. Tonight we'll toast the glorious outback sunset from Big Red, a 40-metre-high sand dune on the edge of the Simpson Desert.
(B L D)

Day 10 | THURSDAY | WINDORAH
Travel on to the ghost town of Betoota, once a Cobb & Co change station. Stand atop Deon's Lookout with its amazing

view of the Diamantina Shire. We arrive in Windorah on the Cooper Creek where the Thomson and Barcoo Rivers merge. Explore Windorah in the heart of the Channel Country with its majestic red sand dune landscapes. Late afternoon, we'll drive out to Windorah's red sandhills for a spectacular sunset.

Overnight Western Star Hotel, Windorah
(B L D)

Day 11 | FRIDAY | LONGREACH
Follow the Cooper Creek floodplain to Jundah on the banks of the Thomson River. At the picturesque Swanvale Lookout we'll be joined by a local station owner for a personal tour through his property followed by lunch at the Stonehenge Hotel. See the unusual Address Book at Stonehenge where visitors sign their town names in stone! Late afternoon, we will arrive into Longreach, heart of the central west. Check in and enjoy a relaxed evening at your accommodation.

3 nights Longreach Motor Inn, Longreach
(B L D)

Day 12 | SATURDAY | LONGREACH
Enjoy an introductory town tour of Longreach and some free time downtown. Wander the interactive displays of the Qantas Founders Museum to discover the real Qantas story. Hear the inspiring human stories of our national airline's early years. Step inside the Boeing 747, 707 and Super Constellation on an interpretive tour of the impressive Airpark. Late afternoon we return to Qantas Founders Museum for an exclusive dinner surrounded by aviation history, followed by the entertaining and informative

Luminescent Longreach Sound & Light Show, which brings the 100-year story of Qantas to life. (B L D)

Day 13 | SUNDAY | LONGREACH
This morning, explore the fascinating themed galleries at the Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame and discover inspiring stories of our pioneering heroes. Take your seat at the exciting Stockman's Live Show to see amazing horsemanship, experience the action of a live muster, and witness the traditional Australian Stockman skills that are still used today. Take a short drive to Ilfracombe, founded in 1891 as a transport hub for Wellshot Station, which at the time held the largest number of sheep on any station



Birdsville Hotel

in the world. We'll cap off the tour with an authentic pub lunch at the historic Wellshot Hotel. Late afternoon join the Drover's Sunset Cruise on the beautiful Thomson River. Unwind with on-board nibbles as you gaze out to a magnificent outback sunset. Enjoy live entertainment and a two-course camp oven themed dinner under the stars at Smithy's Outback Dinner & Show. (B L D)

Day 14 | MONDAY
Your Outback Queensland adventure comes to an end after breakfast with a complimentary transfer to your homeward bound connections. The journey may have ended, but the memories will last a lifetime. (B)



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16 August 2022

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2022 TOURS

	Twin Share	Single
14 Day Brisbane – Longreach	\$7449 ^{PP}	\$8599 ^{PP}
15 Day Brisbane – Brisbane* one way overnight rail	\$7808* ^{PP}	\$8958* ^{PP}

*Price includes one way First Class overnight rail on the Spirit of the Outback based on Aust. Govt. Senior Card holder fares. Please ask for other fare types and flight packages. Subject to availability.