

12 – 14 DAYS

JOURNEY OF THE GULF SAVANNAH

VISIT SPECTACULAR BOODJAMULLA (LAWN HILL) NATIONAL PARK, EXPERIENCE THE GULFLANDER AND SAVANNAHLANDER SCENIC RAIL JOURNEYS, DISCOVER COBBOLD GORGE AND MUCH MORE.



Medium level of fitness required

Boodjamulla (Lawn Hill) National Park



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame Entry
- Qantas Founders Museum Entry
- Drover's Sunset Cruise including Smithy's Outback Dinner & Show
- Crocodile Dundee's Walkabout Creek Hotel
- Cloncurry Unearthed & John Flynn Place Museum – Royal Flying Doctor Service
- Guided Interpretive Tour of Boodjamulla National Park
- Lawn Hill Gorge Cruise
- Burketown touring
- Leichhardt Falls
- Normanton's Purple Pub
- Barramundi Discovery Centre
- Gulf of Carpentaria Sunset Cruise
- Gulflander and Savannahlander Scenic Rail
- Cobbold Gorge Tour and Cruise
- Einasleigh Pub & Copperfield Gorge
- Undara Lava Tubes
- Woodleigh Station Morning Tea

Day 2 | THURSDAY | LONGREACH

Explore the fascinating themed galleries at the Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame and discover inspiring stories of our pioneering heroes. Enjoy an orientation tour of Longreach and some free time downtown to meet the locals and wander the shops. Visit the world-class Qantas Founders Museum, eloquently telling the story of the founding of Qantas. View interpretive displays, interactive exhibits, original and replica aircraft, and an impressive collection of genuine artefacts. Late afternoon, unwind on the Drover's Sunset Cruise with tasty onboard nibbles, then take your seat at Smithy's Outback Dinner & Show. Relax under the stars savouring a table service two-course camp oven themed dinner, as our talented outback entertainer performs live on the river stage. (B) (L) (D)

Day 3 | FRIDAY | CLONCURRY

We follow the Matilda Way via Winton to Kynuna and the Blue Heeler Hotel for a slice of Australian folklore. It was here that Banjo Paterson brokered a truce with the shearers who had burnt down the Dagworth woolshed and 143 jumbucks. Rather than shoot each other, they sang *Waltzing Matilda* and both 'swagman' and 'squatters' sank their last drinks at the bar. Next stop will be the Walkabout Creek Hotel made famous in the movie blockbuster *Crocodile Dundee*. Late afternoon in Cloncurry we discover the great Australian story of our Royal Flying Doctor Service at John Flynn Place; one of the largest and most comprehensive aeromedical organisations in the world. **Overnight Gidgee Inn, Cloncurry** (B) (L) (D)

Day 4 | SATURDAY | ADELS GROVE

Journey around 180km north of Cloncurry on a sealed road to the Burke & Wills Roadhouse before travelling on to the beautiful Gregory River for a relaxed picnic lunch. The river is spring fed and the water is crystal clear. We'll then travel a largely

Day 1 | WEDNESDAY | LONGREACH

Arrive in Longreach, the heartland of Queensland's Outback. You will be met by your Savannah Guides Operator driver and host at either Longreach Railway Station or Longreach Airport and transferred to your central accommodation for the next two nights. Meet fellow travellers at our Welcome Supper and hear about the adventures ahead with a comprehensive tour briefing by your driver and host.

2 nights Longreach Motor Inn, Longreach (D)



Gulf Sunset, Karumba



Normanton Station



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Cobbold Gorge



Undara Lava Tubes



Karumba Gulf Sunset

INCLUSIONS

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



Gulflander

unsealed section of road around 90km to Adels Grove, an oasis in the outback and just 10km from the spectacular Lawn Hill Gorge, Boodjamulla National Park. The park features breathtaking gorge country, sandstone ranges and World Heritage fossils. On arrival at Adels Grove, your accommodation for the next two nights, enjoy some free time to explore your surrounds before dinner.

2 nights Adels Grove (B)(L)(D)

Day 5 | SUNDAY | ADELS GROVE
 After breakfast, you'll board a solar powered pontoon boat for an hour long guided cruise along tranquil Lawn Hill Creek and the breathtaking Lawn Hill Gorge. Have your camera ready to capture the gorge's vivid orange sandstone cliffs towering above emerald green waters. Join a guided interpretive tour on one of the many walks the Park has to offer featuring natural and cultural sites. The afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure in this stunning location. Tonight we'll watch the beautiful sunset from Harry's Hill.

(B)(L)(D)

Day 6 | MONDAY | KARUMBA
 Leaving Adels Grove today we'll head east on the Gregory-Lawn Hill Road then travel north to Burketown along State Route 84. Enjoy a short break in Burketown for morning tea and local stories then relax with a picnic lunch at Leichhardt Falls. In Normanton, take a selfie with Kry's the life-size statue of the largest saltwater

crocodile ever caught. See the Purple Pub and Queensland's earliest surviving and heritage-listed Burns Philp store. Arrive in Karumba in time to capture your first memorable Gulf sunset.

2 nights End of the Road Motel, Karumba (B)(L)(D)

Day 7 | TUESDAY | KARUMBA
 Discover the amazing secrets of the mighty barramundi at The Barramundi Discovery Centre, the only hatchery in the world to breed the Southern Gulf strain of this iconic fish. Your tour of this state-of-the-art Interpretive Centre includes the opportunity to feed a barramundi. Enjoy free time after lunch to explore the town or to simply relax and take in this beautiful location. Late afternoon, we'll board a flat bottom boat for a magical cruise on the Gulf of Carpentaria. Toast a magnificent Karumba sunset and feast on fresh seafood as spectacular twilight hues colour the skies. (B)(L)(D)

Day 8 | WEDNESDAY | COBBOLD GORGE

Travel to Normanton for a nostalgic rail journey on the famous Gulflander, affectionately called the 'Tin Hare'. Visit the historic gold mining townships of Crocydon and Georgetown. See the impressive mineral collection display at the TerrEstrial Centre. Arrive at the hidden outback oasis Cobbold Gorge in time for sunset drinks overlooking the stunning infinity pool!

2 nights Cobbold Gorge Resort (B)(L)(D)

Day 9 | THURSDAY | COBBOLD GORGE

Enjoy a tour of the magnificent sandstone gorge on this privately owned cattle station. The gorge is stocked with a variety of native fish and freshwater crocodiles. On a guided cruise, you'll glide silently between towering cliffs in a specially designed, battery powered punt. Join an optional walk to the top of the escarpment for awesome views of the gorge below from the glass bridge!

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Day 10 | FRIDAY | MOUNT SURPRISE

Enjoy a light lunch at the Einasleigh pub with its quirky miniature furniture collection and see the impressive rock formations of Copperfield Gorge. We take a scenic drive to Mount Surprise before heading on to the Undara Experience. This afternoon we join a guided tour of the incredible Undara Lava Tubes, part of the world's longest lava flows from a single volcanic crater. Enjoy learning about the geological and historical features pointed out and explained by your Savannah Tour Guide.

1 night Undara Experience, Mount Surprise (B)(L)(D)

Day 11 | SATURDAY | CAIRNS

Travel through contrasting landscapes and Forty Mile Scrub National Park to Woodleigh Station. Take a tour through the original homestead built in 1876 and

learn how hard life was for Queensland's early settlers. See the cattle yards and hear the story of the cattle's journey from paddock to plate. Relax with morning tea in view of their giant 100-year-old bougainvillea and take a stroll around their expansive gardens. Travel the Kennedy Highway to the lush Atherton Tablelands and Dimbulah. We'll pass through Ravenshoe, the highest town in Queensland at 920m above sea level and the bustling township of Atherton. Next we board the Savannahlander in Dimbulah for a unique outback rail experience on this classic 1960s 'silver-bullet' railmotor. Enjoy Happy Hour and spectacular views on the descent into Cairns.

Overnight Rydges Esplanade, Cairns (B)(L)(D)

Day 12 | SUNDAY
 Your tour concludes after breakfast. Own transfers to your homeward bound connections. (B)

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2022 DEPARTURES
 20 April; 04 May;
 01, 15, 29 June; 24 August;
 07, 28 September 2022

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JOURNEY OF THE GULF SAVANNAH	2022 TOURS	
	Twin Share	Single
12 Day Longreach – Cairns	\$7119 ^{PP}	\$8419 ^{PP}
14 Day Brisbane – Brisbane* with return overnight rail	\$7815* ^{PP}	\$9115* ^{PP}

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