

10 DAY JOURNEY OF THE GULF SAVANNAH

The Gulflander

An unforgettable adventure; legendary rail experiences, breathtaking landscapes, sunsets & ancient geological wonders.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame Entry and Live Stockman's Show
- Qantas Founders Museum entry
- Silver-Tails Rail Sunset including Smithy's Outback Dinner & Show
- Walkabout Creek Hotel
- John Flynn Place RFDS Museum
- Normanton's Purple Pub
- Barramundi Discovery Centre
- Cruise the Gulf of Carpentaria
- Gulflander and Savannahlander
- Cobbold Gorge Tour & Cruise
- Talaroo Hot Springs
- Undara Lava Tubes
- Woodleigh Station lunch
- Lake Barrine



Day 1: WEDNESDAY | LONGREACH

You will be met by your Savannah Guides Operator driver and host at the Longreach Airport or Train Station and transferred to your accommodation.

2 nights Longreach Motor Inn, Longreach

Day 2: THURSDAY | LONGREACH

This morning, start the day with a leisurely breakfast cruise aboard the M.V Longreach Explorer. Discover the sacred Scar Trees and the magic of being on the water in the middle of the Outback.

Explore the fascinating themed galleries at the Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame and take your seat at the exciting Stockman's Live Show to see amazing horsemanship in action. Enjoy lunch before exploring the Qantas Founders Museum to learn about the founding behind our national airline. Late afternoon, join the Silver-Tails Rail Sunset experience where you watch the sunset over the floodplains, whilst savouring signature canapés, enjoying a drink, and quality Outback hospitality on our heritage rail motor. After we disembark, we connect you with our incredible Smithy's Outback Dinner and Show. (B) (L) (D)

Normanton Croc





Cobbold Gorge

Day 3: FRIDAY | CONCLURRY

Start the day with a relaxed breakfast at Harry's Restaurant, located at your accommodation. We follow the Matilda Way to Kynuna and the Blue Heeler Hotel for a slice of Australian folklore. It was here that Banjo Patterson 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. Enjoy lunch at the Walkabout Creek Hotel made famous in the movie blockbuster Crocodile Dundee. Late afternoon in Cloncurry you'll see one of Australia's most comprehensive gem and mineral collections at the Cloncurry Unearthed Visitor Information Centre. Then, 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. After checking in to your accommodation, we will meet for a relaxed drink, followed by dinner at the onsite Gidgee Inn restaurant. (B) (L) (D)

Overnight Gidgee Inn, Cloncurry.

Day 4: SATURDAY | KARUMBA

We drive north this morning along the Burke Developmental Road to the Burke & Wills Roadhouse where we stop for morning tea. You will be travelling through mostly cattle country along this road. See the contrasting colours of this rugged landscape, the black trunks of the Gidgee scrub, golden Mitchell grass, and enormous rust red termite mounds. Arriving into Normanton, take time to wander the streets and take a selfie with Kry's, the life-size statue of the largest saltwater crocodile ever caught, before enjoying lunch at the iconic Purple Pub. We arrive in Karumba to enjoy a relaxing dinner at your accommodation. (B) (L) (D)

2 Nights End of the Road Motel, Karumba.

Day 5: SUNDAY | 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. Top off the morning with a mouth-watering lunch of fresh fish and chips, then the afternoon is yours. Choose to explore the town or simply relax at your accommodation. This afternoon, cruise the Gulf of Carpentaria to a remote sand island where we'll toast the sunset and feast on fresh seafood as spectacular twilight hues colour the skies. (B) (L) (D)

Day 6: MONDAY | COBBOLD GORGE

This morning, enjoy a nostalgic rail journey on the famous Gulflander, affectionately called the 'Tin Hare', from Normanton to Critters Camp, which was originally built to connect the once bustling river port of Normanton to the gold fields of Croydon. Lunch will be served at the historic Croydon Club Hotel. Built in 1887, it's the last remaining hotel from an original 37! Next stop is another gold mining township – Georgetown. Here we'll see the impressive mineral collection display at the TerrEstial Centre. After a big day, we'll arrive at the hidden outback oasis Cobbold Gorge in time for a sunset drink overlooking the tranquil infinity pool. Dinner tonight will be at the Cobbold Gorge Resort Restaurant. (B) (L) (D)

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2 nights Cobbold Gorge Village, Forsyth



Cobbold Gorge Infinity Pool

Day 7: TUESDAY | COBBOLD GORGE

This morning enjoy a cruise of the magnificent sandstone gorge on this privately owned cattle station. The gorge is stocked with a variety of native fish and freshwater crocodiles.

You'll glide silently between towering cliffs in a specially designed battery powered punt. Join an optional guided walk to the top of the escarpment for impressive views from the remarkable Glass Bridge. After lunch the afternoon is yours to enjoy at your leisure. Choose to relax by the impressive infinity pool, join an optional scenic helicopter flight, or follow one of the marked bushwalking trails to spot local wildlife and birds. Dinner tonight is at the Cobbold Gorge Resort Restaurant. (B) (L) (D)

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Karumba Point Sunset



The Savannahlander

Day 8: WEDNESDAY | MT SURPRISE

This morning, we visit one of Queensland's most extraordinary geological wonders, Talaroo Hot Springs. Take a guided tour on the elevated boardwalk and enjoy a delicious morning tea. Leaving Talaroo Hot Springs, we take a scenic drive to Mount Surprise before heading on to the Undara Experience for lunch and check in. 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 environmental, geological and historical features pointed out and explained by your Savannah Guide. Dine tonight amongst the unique setting of antique railway carriages at the Fettle's Iron Pot Bistro. (B) (L) (D)

Overnight Undara Experience, Mount Surprise



Lake Barrine Atherton Tablelands



Undara Lava Tubes

Day 9: THURSDAY | CAIRNS

This morning we board the famous Savannahlander on an adventurous journey from Spring Creek to Mount Surprise. Travel through contrasting landscapes and Forty Mile Scrub National Park to Woodleigh Station. Relax with lunch in view of the 100-year-old bougainvillea. Take a stroll around the expansive gardens. Continue to Atherton Tablelands for a short stop at Lake Barrine, an enchanting natural lake hidden in World Heritage Rainforest. Late afternoon, we arrive into Cairns, where we enjoy a farewell dinner at your accommodation. (B) (L) (D)

Overnight Rydges Esplanade, Cairns.

Day 10: FRIDAY | HOMEWARD BOUND

Your tour concludes after breakfast at Rydges Esplanade Resort. Please make your own arrangements for your connecting flight or rail home. Alternatively, you may like to extend your stay in Cairns. Please contact us for further information. (B)

Ask us for a flight, rail, or extra accommodation quote!

INCLUSIONS

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

2026 Departures

22 April, 1 & 8 July, 12 August, 16 September & 7 October

	Twin share	Single
10 Day Longreach to Cairns from:	\$7,799	\$9,199
11 Day Brisbane to Cairns from:	\$8,183*	\$9,583*

*Includes One-way Sleeper rail on the Spirit of the Outback. Prices to be confirmed pending availability.