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# Travel Highlights

## Adelaide to Darwin

and the

## Red Centre



### Distance

3500 km

### Best Time to Travel

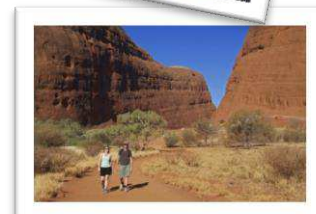
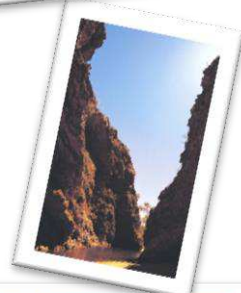
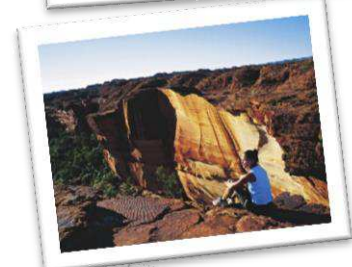
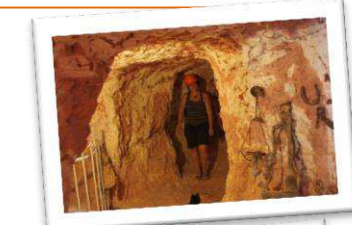
May to September

### Suggest Time Frame for Travel

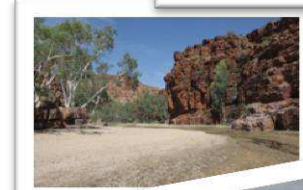
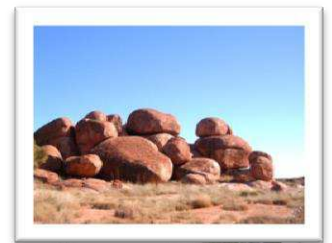
14 days minimum (travel either direction)

### Highlights

- Start in **Adelaide** to enjoy wineries, gourmet food, and beautiful scenery
- Heading north up the **Stuart Highway** experience **Coober Pedy**.
  - Known for its opal mines and famous for underground housing. We recommend the **Old Timers Mine Tour** – gives you a good taste of living underground as well as the mining aspect.
- Allow at least a week around the **Red Centre** as there is a lot to see.
  - The turnoff to **Uluru** is about 300 km south of **Alice Springs**, with a further 230km to see **Uluru**. Nearby you have **Kata Tjuta**, which is also accessible by a sealed road. There is an AU\$25 entrance fee into the National Park to see both of these.
  - Make sure you visit **Kings Canyon** – get up early and enjoy the Rim Walk. Very rewarding and picturesque.
  - Visit both the **West and East MacDonnell Ranges**. There's a number of National Park camping and walks to see stunning land formations including gorges, canyons and gaps, plus places to swim. Some of the ranges are only accessible by 4WD camper, but plenty to see with a 2WD vehicle
    - Enjoy the culture around **Alice Springs** – this also is a good place to pick up some Aboriginal Art.



- Heading north, you can stretch your legs at the **Devil's Marbles**
- For a fun night, stop at the popular outback pub at **Daly Waters** which has an adjacent campground
- Relax in the thermal springs at **Mataranka** – there's two separate springs, make sure you enjoy both (no cost)
- Spend time in **Katherine** - a great place to stock up with provisions, before exploring the nearby stunning **Katherine Gorge** in the **Nitmiluk National Park**
- For those looking to spend a night at a working cattle station, there is camping available at **Mt Bundy Station** at the **Adelaide River**
- Meet up with the lush **Top End** to explore the beautiful wetlands
  - **World Heritage Kakadu National Park** is tropical and lush in some places and red and rocky in others - a great opportunity to learn more about the Aboriginal Culture (*AU\$25 entrance fee to enter the park*)
  - beautiful **Litchfield National Park** has diverse scenery and places to swim in the dry season
    - we recommend doing both as they are quite different and will both be highlights on your Top End adventure
    - some 4WD tracks in these parks, however plenty is accessible via 2WD
- Finish up in the multi-cultural city of **Darwin** where you can see remnants from World War II. Visit the **Mindil Beach Sunset Markets** on a Thursday night (smaller on a Sunday Night).



### What Else?

- See plenty of **wildlife** along this route also like Crocodiles (top third of Australia); Emus, Kangaroos, Wallabies, vast range of Birdlife and maybe even a Camel
- Learn about **Aboriginal Culture**, particularly in some well set up centres both around Uluru and Kakadu National Parks
- Explore the **wetlands in the Top End**
- Enjoy a thousand star accommodation – you'll see a number of commercial camps, low cost camps and free rest areas that allow **overnight camping**
- Best travelled in the **Dry Season** (May to September)
- Minimum time frame of 14 days; many of our retired clients take 28 days or longer