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Day 1: Tuesday 1 August 2023 D

Dubbo ~ Sydney ~ Cairns

Departing Dubbo this morning, we fly to Sydney and then straight onto Cairns where we will spend the evening together.

Day 2: Wednesday 2 August 2023 BLD

Cairns ~ Horn Island ~ Thursday Island

Flights have been arranged to take you from Cairns to Cape York this morning. Upon arrival at Horn Island an eXpedition10 crew member will meet you at the airport to escort you on your Cape York adventure. Board the islands bus for a very informative heritage tour of Horn Island - including lunch, visiting many of the sites occupied by Australian and USA troops during WWII. A short ferry ride will take you to Thursday Island to your accommodation.

Day 3: Thursday 3 August 2023 BD

Thursday Island ~ Loyalty Beach

A tour of Thursday Island will point sights such as Battery Point Fort and the cemetery where many pearl divers from around Asia are laid to rest. Visit local artist, Rosie Ware's studio. Rosie has works on display at the National Gallery and National Museum of Australia. While on Thursday Island don't miss the opportunity to have a beer or lunch at the most northern pub in Australia. There will be time to visit the Thursday Island Cultural Centre prior to boarding the ferry for a one-hour trip to the mainland. Loyalty Beach lays on the western shore of Cape York and is known for its excellent sunset views and our home for two nights.

Day 4: Friday 4 August 2023 BLD

eXploring Cape York

Many northern areas of Australia were subject to bombing raids during WWII and there are still several relics lying in the area. Today's adventure will visit some plane wrecks and an old radar station before heading closer to the most northern point on mainland Australia. Call in to the Croc Tent owned by Terry and Davida - a famous souvenir shop which 'appeared' in 1984, then to Somerset where, tides permitting we will take you for a drive on the eastern Cape beaches and finally, the moment you have been waiting for, a visit to The Tip. Upon returning to the bus, enjoy a beach-side bbq dinner while watching the sun set at Cape York.

Day 5: Saturday 5 August 2023 BLD

Loyalty Beach ~ Eliot Falls

South of Loyalty Beach is the Jardine River, a once formidable barrier for visitors to Cape York. Crossing the river has destroyed many vehicles however, in more recent times a vehicular ferry has been introduced making the crossing very easy. While camp is being prepared for tonight, enjoy a refreshing swim in the waters of Eliot Falls. Tonight, we will be camping at Eliot Falls - eXpedition10 style in roomy tents with comfy beds complete with linen and doonas.

Day 6: Sunday 6 August 2023 BLD

Eliot Falls ~ Bramwell Station

The 'best' route from Cape York for many 4X4 enthusiasts, is not the original road. The original track was built to install and service

the old overland telegraph line. This track is known as the Old Telegraph Track. Many still use this old road which has some very difficult creek crossings. A lot of 4X4's make it through to the end of the journey but some don't! Today, road conditions favourable, we will take you to a portion of the Old Telegraph Track to see challenging creek crossings. Before travelling to Bramwell Station for the night.

You may notice that the termite mounds have grown quite tall in this region. Tonight, during dinner, enjoy the entertainment and company of other travellers to Cape York.

Day 7: Monday 7 August 2023 BD

Bramwell Station ~ Weipa ~ Pennefather

From Bramwell Station, travel through Batavia Downs to the West coast to the bauxite mining centre of Weipa. There will be time for some shopping and lunch in town prior to continuing to Pennefather Beach, about a one-hour drive north of Weipa. Your camp site tonight will have magnificent views of the beach and sun setting over the ocean. The beach here is known for its turtle nesting so it is quite possible you may spot a turtle during this visit.

Day 8: Tuesday 8 August 2023 BLD

Pennefather ~ Weipa

Enjoy your time on the beach this morning, maybe a spot of fishing or beachcombing would be to your liking. Following lunch, return to Weipa and check into your motel with time to freshen up, take a dip in the pool or catch up on some washing in the motel's laundry. Later in the evening, board the boat for a wildlife sunset cruise. Cruise the tranquil waters of the Embley River into the golden glow of a sunset, whilst enjoying a cold drink and canapes, your informative guide will point out crocodiles and birds along the way. *****Single travellers required to share at this accommodation**

Day 9: Wednesday 9 August 2023 BLD

Weipa ~ Portland Road ~ The Temple

Pretty much directly east of Weipa on the eastern side of Cape York is the Lockhart River Region - today's destination. The start of the journey will travel through bauxite mines then cattle stations before meeting up with the main road from Cairns to Seisia. From here into Lockhart River the road conditions can deteriorate a bit, but the destination will make the journey well worthwhile. Accommodation tonight is nestled atop the hill above Portland Road at "The Temple" converted WWII bunkers converted into luxury accommodation. Keep an eye out in the surrounding ocean for stingray and dugong and in the forest for Palm Cockatoo, commonly sighted in the Lockhart area. *****Single travellers required to share at this accommodation**





TOUR PRICE

\$11,900 Per Person Twin share

\$13,900 Single Traveller ***

Deposit: \$1500 per person required on booking*

Final Payment: Wednesday 3rd May 2023

***Single travellers will be required to share a room with another single traveller for 2 nights on tour.

Day 10: Thursday 10 August 2023 B The Temple ~ Lockhart River

Some of today's sightseeing includes; Lockhart River, a small indigenous town famous for artwork created by the Lockhart River Art Gang; Portland Roads, a quiet township comprised of a few houses which was once a vital base in the Battle of the Coral Sea; Chillii Beach, renowned for its palm-fringed beaches and clear blue water. You also have the chance to enjoy an optional helicopter flight (own cost) along the coastline with possible sightings of crocodiles, sharks, turtles and dugongs.

Day 11: Friday 11 August 2023 BLD The Temple ~ Coen

The journey today will take you back to the Peninsula Developmental Road (PDR) and on to Archer River. At the Archer River Roadhouse make sure to look out for the memorial built to honour Toots Holzheimer. "Toots" was one of Australia's best-known truckies. Toots and her truck were a lifeline for communities the length of Cape York. A little further south is the old gold mining town, Coen. Coen is also home tonight. A visit to the local hotel may have some wondering how it got such an unusual name....

Day 12: Saturday 12 August 2023 BLD Coen ~ Cannibal Creek

Detouring from the PDR today will take this journey onto Palmerville Station, a working cattle property. Visit the state-of-the-art cattle yards and enjoy a warm welcome and the friendly hospitality of the hard working station workers. Palmerville is well known for its golden history. Call in to what remains of the old gold town of Maytown then continue on to Cannibal Creek Goldfields. Sitting around the fire tonight join in the conversation with some of the many prospectors using this place as a base to find their fortune. Rest up tonight as tomorrow it will be your turn to join them.

Day 13: Sunday 13 August 2023 BLD Cannibal Creek Goldfields

We have arranged for expert gold prospectors today to take you to the best places to discover gold. It is not guaranteed that everyone will find gold but, in this location, and with our expert guides you will have the best possible chance. Be warned, gold prospecting is highly addictive and may leave those who participate longing to purchase high quality gold detectors (Smiley Face)
PLEASE NOTE: Prospecting is done through unprepared natural country which has no pathways and could cover some quite rugged country, therefore it is mandatory that you wear long pants, preferably jeans, a wide brimmed hat and closed in shoes.

Day 14: Monday 14 August 2023 BLD Cannibal Creek Goldfields ~ Cooktown

It is a quite beautiful drive through rolling hills and crossing many creeks on the return to the main road from Cannibal Creek Goldfields. Call in to Lakeland to an eXpedition10 eXclusive property for a guided tour by the owner Peter. Peter has lived on and owned cattle properties throughout the Cape York region for

many years. His property in Lakeland lies on some incredible country ranging from grassy paddocks to mountainous bushland. The 'crown jewel' is a massive dam he recently completed to supply water for his stock and irrigation to local banana plantations. Continuing on, take a short drive to Cooktown arriving around lunch time. Following a look around town, check in to your motel for the night.

Day 15: Tuesday 15 August 2023 BLD Cooktown ~ Daintree

Following some sightseeing in Cooktown this morning our route follows closely to the coastline. Not far south of Cooktown, near Black Mountain, call into the Lions Den Hotel for a lunch break. The Lions Den Hotel was established in 1875 and is still going strong today and is a popular stopping point for travellers on the Bloomfield Track. Near Bloomfield, a short drive will take you into Wujal Wujal Falls, a beautiful place with great cultural significance to the Yalanji people. The track from Wujal Wujal becomes more challenging with steep climbs and descents, many creek crossings and thick rainforests and leads to Cape Tribulation. There will be time in Cape Tribulation to wander along the beach and maybe even have a close encounter with one of the local cassowaries. Continue to Thornton Beach and your last nights accommodation on this tour in the heart of a pristine world heritage rainforest.

Day 16: Wednesday 16 August 2023 BLD Daintree Rainforest ~ Cairns

This morning, a guided rainforest walk has been arranged with local guide. Keep watch for the ever elusive cassowary. Our walk is followed by a wildlife discovery cruise. These two tours are certainly the best way to appreciate this remarkable rainforest and showcase unique biological diversity and exceptional rainforest integrity. This afternoon, continuing south, pass through Mossman and Port Douglas following closely to the coast-line. Finally, following 15 days of incredible sights your tour will finish in Cairns. Thank you for travelling on this 'Standing On Top Of Australia' tour to Cape York with eXpedition10.

Day 17: Thursday 17 August 2023 B Cairns ~ Dubbo

Departing Cairns this morning, we return to Dubbo via Sydney.



INFORMATION, TERMS & CONDITIONS

The terms and conditions and limitation of liability under which all tours that are organised and/or operated by Langley's Coaches in conjunction with Orana Coaches Pty Ltd hereinafter called "the Company" are detailed hereunder and the payment of the tour deposit or tour price represents acceptance by the purchaser of the following:

Your Coach

Experience the superb luxury and the safety of our Denning & Scania coaches which have the following features: rest room, air-conditioning, reclining fabric seats, large panoramic windows, DVD & CD, air Suspension

Luggage Limits and Clothing

Only one medium suitcase 65cm (26 inch) long x 45cm (18 inch) wide x 25cm (10 inch) deep and 15 kgs (33 lbs) in weight per person with a small bag to take on the coach. Luggage limit for some tours is available on request, phone Langley's. **EXCESS LUGGAGE CANNOT BE CARRIED** Our coaches are fitted with overhead racks for your personal effects. Clothing should be casual, with lighter clothing necessary for the tropics and warmer clothes for the southern areas, especially for some nights. Bring swimmers, towel, hat, sunglasses, insect repellent, sensible walking shoes, warm jacket and an extra supply of all camera needs.

Motels

Your comfort is important so we select the best motels available and all** the rooms have private facilities. Most motels are licensed, centrally located with swimming pools and laundries. **Facilities in remote areas may be less elaborate and may not have private facilities.

Meals

Every morning we start with a full Australian breakfast of fruit juice, cereal or fruit, a cooked dish, toast and coffee and tea. Except for special occasions, lunch is not included as individual preferences vary so much. Dinner is two or three course, some evenings free for dinner of own choice.

Smoking and Alcohol

Government regulations forbid smoking and alcohol consumption in and on tourist coaches, however frequent stops provide the opportunity for those who desire to smoke.

Fares

All coach tour fares in this brochure are guaranteed and not subject to increase, other than any new Government Taxes, air, sea or rail services, over which we have no control! Fares can be found in the fare box for each tour and include accommodation on a twin/double share basis, breakfast and most dinners and all sightseeing, cruises and inspection fees as per itinerary. Overseas departure taxes are included unless stated otherwise but may be subject to change.

Fares Do Not Include

Lunch, morning and afternoon teas and occasional dinners (except where indicated as included on itinerary) and all items of a personal nature such as laundry, telephone calls, drinks and items of an emergency nature.

Single Supplement

A limited number of these are available on most tours.

Travelling Alone

Where a single passenger is willing to share accommodation with a fellow single passenger the company will endeavor to find another of the same gender, however if no suitable companion can be arranged, single supplement must be paid. The Company otherwise accepts no responsibility of the rooming partner and it is a condition of travel that the single passengers willing to share accommodation, accept the rooming partners allocated by the Company. If a passenger at any time during the tour considers the rooming partner to be unsuitable the Company will, subject to availability and at additional cost to the passenger, arrange single accommodation.

Booking Procedure

A deposit is required as indicated on booking. Final payment due one month prior to departure unless indicated on individual itineraries. Please contact us or your travel agent. Travel agents can forward deposits and other payments on your behalf, but are not the Company's agent purpose of receipt of monies. Receipt of deposit and/or payment by the travel agent does not constitute receipt by the Company and the Company is not liable in respect of monies paid to your travel agent, until monies are received by the Company. It is a condition of carriage that a passenger has paid all tour monies prior to the departure date. The Company will not be bound by any representation reported to have been made on their behalf, unless the representation is confirmed by the Company.

Itinerary

The Company reserves the right to alter or change the accommodation, carriers or coaches at any time for any reason. It also has the right to cancel/alter the itinerary and/or tour without notice as may be found necessary for any reason whatsoever including, but not limited to road, weather or traffic conditions, non performance of suppliers, industrial action, operational conditions and requirements. All additional expenses incurred as a result of any delays, cancellations or alterations will be the sole responsibility of the passenger. Whilst the Company will take all reasonable steps to provide an enjoyable tour, the Company accepts no liability for any loss of enjoyment whatsoever and howsoever experience by the passengers.

Minimum Numbers Policy

All tours are subject to minimum numbers for tour to operate.

Coach Seat Rotation

For the enjoyment of all travelers the Company operates a daily seat rotation system which all travelers must participate in as a condition of booking. (On selected tours)

Cancellation Policy

We strongly recommend you to take out travel insurance to protect your tour fare. Cancellation fees will be charged if you have to cancel your booking with us. The following fees below will apply, in addition to any monies already paid on your behalf to our suppliers.

Domestic Tours

60 days and over \$100 administration fee
44 to 31 days 15% of total fare
30 to 15 days 25% of total fare
14 to 1 day no refund

If a tour has commenced, no refund of fare or unused portion of the tour will be refunded
Special Cancellation Fees*

International Tours

European River Cruises, Evergreen Tours*

91 days and over Loss of deposit plus any applicable airline cancellation fees
90 or less 100% of tour price

Norfolk Island*

65 days and over Loss of Deposit
65 days or less 100% of tour price.

New Zealand*

65 days and over Loss of deposit plus any applicable airline cancellation fees.
65 days or less 100% of tour price.

Passengers Requirements and Conditions

No passenger will be permitted to embark or continue on the tour while their mental or physical condition is, in the opinion of any representative of the Company, such as to render them incapable, objectionable to other passengers, or they become a hazard to themselves or other passengers. The Company will not be responsible for expenses resulting in such persons being precluded from completing the tour for any reason.

COVID-19

If you test positive for Covid while on board or become a close contact while on board our tour, you will need to leave the tour and enter a 7-day isolation period. You are required to travel home in a private vehicle, and will be responsible for the payment of any additional expenses incurred outside of our planned itinerary. We will of course do everything in our power to help organise these arrangements for you, but Langley's Coaches will not be held responsible for any fees incurred outside of our planned itinerary. You may need to forfeit any money paid for the remainder of the coach tour.

***Travel Insurance is not included but is HIGHLY recommended.**



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