

# extreme North to extreme West

Cape York to Steep Point

Starts: Tuesday, 18 June 2024

Ends: Friday, 12 July 2024

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DAYS

YOU ARE STANDING AT  
THE NORTHERNMOST POINT  
OF THE AUSTRALIAN  
CONTINENT

STEEL POINT  
WESTERNMOST POINT OF AUSTRALIA



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## Tour Price

25 Days **\$16,999**pp

twin/double share

### Includes:

Spacious 10 seat 4X4 Touring Coach  
Fully Equipped 4X4 Support Vehicle

### Accommodation

- 22 nights Motel/Hotel/Cabins
- 1 nights in eXpedition10 tents with beds and linen

### Meals

- 24 Breakfasts
- 20 Lunches
- 20 Dinners

All Attractions listed in itinerary (other than those stated optional)

**MAXIMUM GROUP SIZE - 10**

Sunset - Uluru

Imagine embarking on a journey through the heart of Australia designed for you and just nine other people. This tour covers some of the most iconic and spectacular natural landscapes of the country, starting at Cape York, the northernmost tip of Australia and ending at Steep Point, the most western point on the mainland. You will explore the lush rainforests, rugged coastlines, and beautiful beaches of The Cape, the desert landscapes of the Northern Territory and Western Australia, and the crystal clear waters of the Indian Ocean.

Visiting Alice Springs and Uluru, witness stunning sunrises and sunsets of the Red Centre, and learn about the rich Aboriginal culture and history of the area. The tour will be conducted by experienced guides who will provide commentary and insight into the history, culture, and geography of the areas visited. You can expect comfortable, air-conditioned transport and accommodation that is a combination of hotels, lodges, and camping sites.

This immersive tour offers you the opportunity to experience Australia's unique flora and fauna, geological formations, and indigenous culture, providing a memorable and enriching adventure for you and your fellow travellers.

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# expedition10's Itinerary

## PLEASE NOTE

Guests should arrange their transport to arrive in Cairns on or prior to the 17 June.

### Day 1 Tuesday, 18 June 2024

#### Cairns to Cape York

Meals LD

Depart from Cairns and fly to Horn Island, a former World War II military base. Vanessa, owner of 'In Their Steps Tours' will take you on a tour of the abandoned gun emplacements, bunkers, and tunnels that remain on the island. Afterward, you'll take a ferry to Thursday Island, the administrative center of the Torres Strait Islands, where you can enjoy lunch at the most northern hotel in Australia, take a guided tour, explore the local shops and experience the unique culture of the region.

Accommodation - Grand Hotel Thursday Island

### Day 2 Wednesday, 19 June 2024

#### eXploring Cape York

Meals BLD

This morning, take another ferry to Seisia and transfer into our luxury 4x4 tour coach to take a drive to the stunning Mutee Heads on the west coast of The Cape. After enjoying the breathtaking scenery, make a stop at the Bamaga Airport to explore some WWII plane wrecks. Later, head to Bamaga for some shopping and local experiences. From there, continue the journey to Somerset and eventually to the very tip of Cape York, where you can marvel at the stunning panoramic views and witness the stunning sunset over Torres Strait, a perfect way to end a memorable day.

Accommodation Loyalty Beach - Cabins

### Day 3 Thursday, 20 June 2024

#### Cape York to Bramwell Station

Meals BLD

We have an exciting itinerary planned for your journey from Seisia heading south! Crossing the Jardine River by ferry is a unique experience that many travelers enjoy. Elliott Falls is also a popular spot where you can take a refreshing swim in the crystal-clear waters. Continuing south to Bramwell Station, you can look forward to a memorable evening of good food, fun, and entertainment with your fellow travelers. Bramwell Station is a well-known outback cattle station, and it offers a great opportunity to experience the Australian outback lifestyle.

Accommodation Bramwell Station - Cabins



Everyone wants a Picture at Cape York



Plane Wreck near Bamaga



A Cape York Beach



Early Morning at Bramwell Station





Chilli Beach - Lockhart River



Elliot Falls - Cape York



#### Day 4 Friday, 21 June 2024

##### **Bramwell Station to Greenhouse Meals BLD**

South of Bramwell, call in to the old Moreton Telegraph Station - now a popular tourist camping spot beside the Wenlock River. Continue south to the Peninsular Developmental Road then shortly after turn east following Portland Road crossing two major rivers - the Wenlock River and the Pascoe River as well as several rugged creeks before passing through rainforests of the Iron Range to arrive at The Greenhouse where our hosts Mick, Stu and Lynn from the Layton family, will make us feel most welcome for the next two nights.

**Accommodation - Greenhouse**

#### Day 5 Saturday, 22 June 2024

##### **eXplore Portland Road, Chilli Beach Meals BL**

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; Chilli 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.

**Accommodation - Greenhouse**

#### Day 6 Sunday, 23 June 2024

##### **Greenhouse to Fairview or Koolburra Station**

##### **Meals BLD**

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. A visit to the local hotel may have some wondering how it got such an unusual name.... Travelling further south arrive at Fairview or Koolburra Station for the night.

**Accommodation - Fairview or Koolburra Station**



Boulders on the Beach - Lockhart River



## Day 7 Monday, 24 June 2024

### Fairview/Koolburra Station to Chillagoe Meals BLD

Detouring from the PDR today will take this journey onto Palmerville Station, a working cattle property located right next to the Palmerville River and goldfields. Enjoy a warm welcome and the friendly hospitality of the hard working station workers then continue to Chillagoe where a guided tour awaits through on of the magnificent limestone caves.

**Accommodation - Chillagoe**

## Day 8 Tuesday, 25 June 2024

### Chillagoe to Karumba

**Meals BLD**

The road from Chillagoe to Normanton is a mainly unsealed road along the Burke Developmental Road linking Queensland's east and west coasts through vast cattle stations, open savannah plains and woodlands and about four million corrugations. The end of the road today will be the fishing mecca village - Karumba for a relaxing two night stay.

**Accommodation - Ash's Guesthouse**

## Day 9 Wednesday, 26 June 2024

### Karumba Touring

**Meals B**

Today, discover Karumba's charm and create memories to last a lifetime. Embark on a wildlife cruise, encountering varied birdlife and maybe even crocodiles. Tour Les Wilson Barramundi Centre to witness captivating fish feeding sessions. As the sun sets, indulge in dinner at the Sunset Tavern, with breathtaking views of the Gulf of Carpentaria. Whether you're a fishing enthusiast, wildlife lover, or seeking a tranquil sunset experience, this coastal paradise has it all.

**Accommodation - Ash's Guesthouse**

## Day 10 Thursday, 27 June 2024

### Karumba to Burketown

**Meals BLD**

From Karumba to Burketown, take the scenic route exploring along the way. Travel through Normanton, home to Krys the Croc, the famous Purple Pub and historic railway station. Discover the rich history of Burke & Wills Camp 119, where the explorers once camped. Finally, immerse yourself in the natural rugged beauty of Leichhardt Falls. In Burketown, take a tour with the Traditional Owners with exclusive access to Australia's largest salt pans. Learn about the traditional uses of native plant species and hear local knowledge on seasonal indicators and what they mean for the coming season.

**Accommodation - Savannah Lodge**

## Day 11 Friday, 28 June 2024

### Burketown to Camooweal

**Meals BLD**

From Burketown, travel south to Gregory Downs calling in to the famous Gregory Down Pub. To the west is one of Queensland's popular destinations, Lawn Hill. We will take a break at the Lawn Hill Gorge giving the more adventurous time to take a dip in the cool deep waters of the gorge. Continuing south, pause at the Riversleigh Fossil site then further south to Camooweal near the NT border for an overnight stay.

**Accommodation - Camooweal Roadhouse**

## Day 12 Saturday, 29 June 2024

### Camooweal to Sandover (Camp)

**Meals BLD**

For the next two days our eXpedition will follow the legendary Sandover Highway, built to provide access to the few large stations along the route through some of the more remote country in Australia. The road passes through arid country for its full length, with variations between grassland, open mulga woodland, and spinifex desert. At the halfway mark, we will set up camp for an overnight stay beneath the starry skies of the real outback.

**Accommodation - Sandover - eXpedition10 Luxury Tent**



Camel Tracks and Corrugation - Gibson Desert



### Day 13 Sunday, 30 June 2024

#### Sandover to Alice Springs

Meals BLD

As our eXpedition approaches the centre of Australia the surrounding landscape becomes redder leaving no doubt as to why this region is known as the Red Centre. The 'capital' of the Red Centre is Alice Springs, affectionately know to locals and visitors as The Alice. We will be spending three nights in The Alice - enough time to catch a breath and freshen up for the second part of this eXtreme eXpedition across the continent.

Accommodation - The Mercure Hotel

### Day 14 Monday, 1 July 2024

#### Alice Springs free day

Meals B

You will have all day today to eXplore The Alice, or catch up on laundry or just sleep in. The day is yours, Do with it as you wish.

Accommodation - The Mercure Hotel

### Day 15 Tuesday, 2 July 2024

#### Alice Springs

Meals BD

This morning we will visit some of the attractions of The Alice including Flynn's Grave, Simpsons Gap and Anzac Hill Lookout.

Accommodation - The Mercure Hotel

### Day 16 Wednesday, 3 July 2024

#### Alice Springs to Curtin Springs

Meals BL

We have planned an adventure today hoping travelling tracks not many people get to traverse. The plan is to travel through the Finke Gorge to Curtin Springs, however, every plan has a Plan B. Should we deem the adventure too harsh, plan B will come into effect taking an alternative route to our destination.

Accommodation - Curtin Springs Station

### Day 17 Thursday, 4 July 2024

#### Curtin Springs to Yulara

Meals BLD

The heart of the Red Centre lays just to the west of Curtin Springs near the village of Yulara. Uluru is a massive red rock rising to 863 metres above the surrounding desert landscape. Our journey pauses in Yulara for the night with Uluru ever present in the background. Watching the sunset on The Rock is an eXperience we will not miss.

Accommodation - Yulara Cabins



Domes of Kata-Tjuta



Camels on the Great Central Road - WA



John Flynn's Grave - Alice Springs



Simpsons Gap near Alice Springs

### Day 18 Friday, 5 July 2024

#### Yulara to Giles (Warakurna Roadhouse) Meals BLD

As the sun rises over Uluru the colours can be as incredible. Rise early this morning. This is a sight no one should miss. Today's adventure will take us through the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park as we travel toward the Western Australian border. The huge domes of Kata Tjuta will loom closer as we travel west. Standing beneath Kata Tjuta you will eXperience just how massive these domes are. Call in to view Lasseters Cave and Docker River before arriving in Warakurna

Accommodation - Warakurna Roadhouse

### Day 19 Saturday, 6 July 2024

#### Giles (Warakurna) to Tjukayirla

Meals BLD

This morning, join the Bureau of Meteorology's observers for the daily release of the observation balloon and a fascinating tour of the Giles Weather Station, the only staffed station within 2.5 million square kilometres. Named in honour of pioneering European explorer Ernest Giles, the station was established in 1956 to provide weather data for weapons and rocket testing programs. Continuing south-west along the Great Central Road the Gibson Desert lies to the north of us and the Great Victoria Desert to the south. Quite often camels can be seen while travelling this road through to Warburton and Tjukayirla - the most isolated roadhouse in Australia.

Accommodation - Tjukayirla Roadhouse

### Day 20 Sunday, 7 July 2024

#### Tjukayirla to Leonora

Meals BLD

This is our final day travelling the Great Central Road passing through the Aboriginal community of Cosmo Newbery and Laverton before arriving in Leonora on the Goldfields Highway. In 1895, gold was discovered in the Leonora area by a prospector known as "Doodah" Sullivan making Leonora the mining town it is today.

Accommodation - Leonora Caravan Park



## Day 21 Monday, 8 July 2024

### Leonora to Cue

### Meals BLD

During today's travel there will be plenty of evidence of both current and past gold mining along with natural attractions. Visit the Old Agnew Gold Mine and Old Sandstone Brewery and London Bridge. Call in to Mount Magnet, one of the region's original gold mining towns, and the longest surviving gold mining settlement in the state. It is also known for its dazzling wildflower displays during spring. A little further north is the village of Cue. As you make your way into town you will be struck by the heritage of this gold rush town in every building lining the main street.

**Accommodation - Queen of the Murchison Guesthouse**

## Day 22 Tuesday, 9 July 2024

### Cue to Hamlin Pool

### Meals BLD

Not far from Cue is the Ghost Town of Big Bell, once a hive of activity when the Big Bell Mine was in operation in the early 1900s. The Big Bell Hotel ruins, which still looks impressive from the outside is said to have had the longest bar in Australia in its day. Further west, pass through South Murchison and Murchison before arriving at Hamelin Pool. We've reached the west coast!!

**Accommodation - Hamlin Pool caravan park**

## Day 23 Wednesday, 10 July 2024

### Hamelin Pool to Steep Point to Denham Meals BLD

This is the day we will reach the most westerly point on mainland Australia. It's been three weeks to the day since we stood on Cape



'Living Fossils' Stromatolites - Hamelin Bay WA



Heritage Buildings - Cue WA



Steep Point from the Ocean

York. Getting to Steep Point is an adventure of its own travelling through soft sand dunes and low saltbush but the reward is standing on the western tip of Australia. Following a bit of time admire the views and to take 100 photos we'll return to Denham for a two night stay.

**Accommodation - Heritage Shark Bay**

## Day 24 Thursday, 11 July 2024

### Denham - Day Cruise

### Meals BD

Denham on the shores of Shark Bay is one of the most historic sites in Western Australia - the site of the first landing by Europeans on the Western Australia mainland. Located on the Coral Coast, Denham is famed for its clear blue waters and white smooth beaches. Today we will enjoy a cruise to see Steep Point from the ocean and visit Dirk Hartog Island. Tonight will be our final night of this incredible tour from North to West. Enjoy a farewell dinner and reminisce the amazing sights we've seen and memories shared with our fellow eXplorers.

**Accommodation - Heritage Shark Bay**

## Day 25 Friday, 12 July 2024

### Denham, Monkey Mia to Home

### Meals B

Following breakfast, we will drive to the eastern side of the peninsula to visit Monkey Mia, famed for its friendly dolphins. Finally, the time has come to return to our homes. Transfers will be available to the Shark Bay Airport for flights. This has been such an epic eXpedition across Australia. Time to go home now and sort all your photos of the great sights and times we have shared at eXpedition10.



Great Central Road - Australia's Longest Shortcut



Weather Balloon Release - Giles Weather Station WA



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