Itinerary 2013/14



3 Day Uluru Explorer

Tour Code: AR3

Tour Departs: Select Alice Springs accommodation from 5:40am

Default pick up: Haven Backpacker Resort at 06:10am

or

Ayers Rock Resort 1:45pm** (after lunch) from Desert Gardens Hotel, for tours departing before October 6th. Please see notes below for pick

ups for departures on or after October 6th.

Year round: Daily

Tour Finishes: Alice Springs accommodation early evening day 3

Tour Style: Explorer

Max People: 24

ITINERARY:

Day 1 – Alice Springs to Kata Tjuta and Uluru

<u>DEFAULT PICK UP (begin Alice Springs): Haven Backpacker Resort, 06:10am</u>

<u>DEFAULT PICK UP (begin Ayers Rock): Desert Gardens Hotel, 1:45pm**</u>

Kick off your adventure on top of a camel! Our first stop is an authentic outback camel farm where you can choose to ride atop one of these desert giants (at own expense). From here it is off to Uluru (Ayers Rock) for lunch. The 36 domes of Kata Tjuta will fascinate you, as you get up close to the majestic features of this ancient geological formation during a Valley of the Winds hike. You will be mesmerised as the desert sun sets over Uluru. Tonight you can sleep in a permanent tent or curl up in a swag (Aussie bedroll) and enjoy a night under the stars. (LD)

Day 2 – Uluru to Kings Canyon

An early start is rewarded with a glorious Uluru sunrise. While the morning's fresh (and your legs are too!) enjoy an unguided walk around the base of Uluru. You will then deepen your understanding of the land and the Mala people as you embark on a cultural interpretive walk with an Aboriginal guide (and interpreter).* It is a unique opportunity to share experiences, connect with and learn about the oldest culture on earth. Afterwards, you will have the opportunity to purchase Aboriginal arts and crafts at the Cultural Centre before we travel to our exclusive campsite within the Watarrka National Park (Kings Canyon) where we sleep for the night. (BLD)

Day 3 – Kings Canyon to Alice Springs

Get your hiking shoes on today as we head out to explore the impressive formations and towering rock faces of Kings Canyon. You will be left breathless by the sheer size and beauty of the canyon as we trek through the Amphitheatre, discover the Lost City, the lush and ancient Garden of Eden and the North and South Walls. Enjoy a well deserved lunch before we make our way back to Alice Springs. (BL)

BRING:

Sturdy walking shoes, hat and sunscreen, towel and toiletries, warm clothing in winter, water bottle, torch, insect repellent, camera, pillow, sleeping bag (can be purchased for \$30).

INCLUDED:

Experienced guide, national park entry, meals as indicated, accommodation transfers, 2 nights' camping including fees and equipment and Aboriginal cultural interpretive walk*

NOTES:

** Pick ups from Ayers Rock:

Tours departing before October 6th:

The Yulara Airport Shuttle (free) is available to catch from the airport to the Desert Gardens Hotel. No bookings are required, just look for the shuttle out the front of the airport once luggage has been collected. Lunch is not included on Day 1.

Qantas QF1851, 0955am – pick up from Desert Gardens Hotel at 1345 (catch airport shuttle) Virgin VA1627, 1305pm – pick up from Desert Gardens at 1345 (catch airport shuttle) Jetstar JQ660, 1335pm – pick up is from Ayers Rock Airport at 1415 (do not catch shuttle) Qantas QF1941, 1450pm – no pick up available.

Tours departing on and after October 6th:

There will be no 1345 Desert Gardens Hotel pick up from 6th October onwards. Lunch will be included on Day 1 for all passengers.

Qantas QF1851, 0950am – pick up from Desert Gardens Hotel at 1310 (catch airport shuttle). This 1310 pick up will not be available for any other flight, and so may not operate all days. Virgin VA1627, 1145am – pick up is from Ayers Rock Airport at 1300 (do not catch shuttle) Jetstar JQ660, 1235pm – pick up is from Ayers Rock Airport at 1300 (do not catch shuttle) Qantas QF1941, 1450pm – no pick up available.

- Itineraries may vary and/or attractions be substituted for any cause including seasonal conditions, weather extremes, traditional owner and national park requirements. Please see terms and conditions of travel for full details.
- *Where Aboriginal guide is unavailable an Adventure Tours guide will lead the interpretive cultural walk.
- Travel Insurance is compulsory for all travellers on all tours and details must be presented to tour guide before departure.
- Tour must be reconfirmed 48hrs prior to departure by phone on 1300 654 604 (within Australia).
- It is you or your clients' responsibility to contact Adventure Tours with your preferred accommodation pick up point. Please contact our inside sales teams for information on other available pick up points. If we do not hear from you, we will assume you will make your way to our default pick up point as listed on this document. We will not be



responsible for missed pick-ups (and a missed tour) if we do not receive notification from you or your travel agent, and if you are not at the default pick up point at the appropriate time.

- A STRICT luggage limit of 15kg applies. Excess baggage should remain at your Alice Springs accommodation.
- B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner.

