Itinerary 2013/14



4 Day Red Centre Safari

Tour Code:	AY4C (English speaking guide) AY4CG (German speaking guide) AY4CF (French speaking guide)		
Tour Departs:	Alice Springs select accommodation from 5:45am Default pick up: Haven Backpacker Resort at 06:10am <i>or</i> Ayers Rock Resort 1:45pm** from Desert Gardens Hotel, for tours departing before October 6 th . Please see notes below for pick ups for departures on or after October 6 th .		
	AY4C AY4CG AY4CF	All year: All year: All year:	Mon Tue Thu Sat Sun Thu Sat
Tour Finishes:	Alice Springs accommodation early evening day 4		
Tour Style:	Safari		
Max People:	23*		

Our SAFARI product is designed for those wanting a comfortable but adventurous experience. Whilst not a luxury tour (passengers have to walk to shared shower and toilet facilities), SAFARI is considerably more comfortable than our Explorer and Unleashed tour styles in terms of service and facilities offered. SAFARI accommodation features twin share beds in spacious permanent tents with interior lights and fans. Linen, including a pillow and a bath towel, are provided. Our menu features quality produce and in addition to the guide, a host will be on board (*minimum of 8 passengers) to enable a higher level of service and a greater variety of quality meals.

ITINERARY:

Day 1 – Alice Springs to Ulu<u>r</u>u DEFAULT PICK UP (begin Alice Springs): Haven Backpacker Resort, 06:10am DEFAULT PICK UP (begin Ayers Rock): Desert Gardens Hotel, 1:45pm**

Flanked by rugged hills and ridges, Alice Springs is the gateway to Central Australia and the Outback. Spectacular Ulu<u>r</u>u awaits with its amazing colours. Explore its vast base and discover ancient Indigenous art and learn about the waterholes that bring life to the surrounding desert. Learn about one of the oldest cultures in the world with a visit to the Ulu<u>r</u>u and Kata Tju<u>t</u>a cultural centre. In the evening, enjoy a breathtaking sunset over Ulu<u>r</u>u with a glass of sparkling wine. (LD)

Day 2 – Kata Tju<u>t</u>a to Kings Canyon Region

View a spectacular sunrise over the Red Centre at Kata Tju<u>t</u>a. Hike through winding gorges and past sandstone domes in the magical Valley of the Winds. Tonight, enjoy a traditional bush dinner cooked in the coals of the campfire. (BLD)

Day 3 – Kings Canyon to Wallace Rockhole

Hike between sheer cliffs and diverse plant species at Kings Canyon, then explore the Garden of Eden rock pool. Make tracks to Hermannsburg - a mission famous for its Aboriginal art and crafts - to learn about the life of renowned Indigenous artist Albert Namatjira. Drive through the sands of the Red Centre to Wallace Rockhole Aboriginal Community. (BLD)

Day 4 – Western MacDonnell Range to Alice Springs

Visit Wallace Rockhole's ancient paintings with a local guide before continuing on to the Western MacDonnell Ranges. Explore the earthy beauty of Standley Chasm and perhaps take a hike to spot local rock wallabies. (BL)

BRING:

Sturdy walking shoes, hat and sunscreen, toiletries, warm clothing in winter, water bottle, torch, insect repellent and camera.

INCLUDED:

Twin share safari accommodation (including proper beds, linen, pillow, bath towel and a fan), national park entry, experienced tour guide and host*, meals as indicated and accommodation transfers.

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. See terms and conditions for full details.



- Travel Insurance is compulsory for all travellers on all tours and details must be presented to tour guide before departure.
- Tour is operated by our touring partner Intrepid Connections.
- Tours must be reconfirmed 48hrs prior to departure by phoning 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.
- Tour may commence in either Alice Springs or Ulu<u>r</u>u, however, must finish in Alice Springs.
- *A host will accompany the guide with a minimum of 8 passengers.
- B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner.

