

# Exclusive Escorted Group Rail Tour

2012 Hosted Group Tour

Departs from Melbourne Friday 14 September 2012

Connections available from all capital cities



Experience the train holiday of a lifetime and forge new friendships along the way, with this Fully Escorted, rail tour from Melbourne. Enjoy one of Australia's Great Train Journeys, The Ghan travelling between Adelaide and Darwin through the heart of Australia.

Our experienced tour leader takes care of your travel arrangements to ensure a hassle free and enjoyable holiday. Experience for yourself the Legendary Ghan, combined with highlights of Adelaide, Alice Springs and Katherine before arriving in Darwin. Spend 4 nights in Darwin including a Darwin City Sights tour and a visit to the breathtaking Litchfield National Park.





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**The Overland, Adelaide City Sights Tour, Alice Springs, Katherine, Darwin, Chinese Temple, Botanical Gardens, Museum and Art Gallery of Northern Territory and Litchfield National Park.**

### Friday 14 September Melbourne

Arrive in Melbourne. Check-in to your overnight accommodation, Vibe Savoy Melbourne.

### Saturday 15 September Melbourne to Adelaide (B)

After breakfast, check out of the hotel and make our way to the Southern Cross Station – Spencer Street. Depart Melbourne aboard The Overland bound for Adelaide. Cross the Murray River at Murray Bridge and then enjoy the scenery as you wind down the Adelaide Hills. Upon arrival at Adelaide Parklands Terminal you will be transferred to your accommodation for the evening.

### Sunday 16 September Depart Adelaide aboard The Legendary Ghan (B,L,D)

After breakfast you will be embarking on a short city sights tour of Adelaide including Glenelg Beach before being transferred to the Adelaide Parklands Terminal. It's all aboard as The Legendary Ghan departs for Alice Springs. After boarding, your first day on The Ghan begins with a light lunch in the Restaurant Car as you travel north towards Spencer Gulf and Port Augusta. Settle into your Gold Service Sleeper Cabin or enjoy a drink with new found friends in the Outback Explorer Lounge.

### Monday 17 September Alice Springs (B,L,D)

After lunch The Ghan arrives in Alice Springs. You will have time to look around town or enjoy a Whistle Stop Tour (additional cost – reservations may be made on board the train). Re-board the train and enjoy the desert scenery as you continue your journey north overnight.

### Tuesday 18 September Katherine and Darwin (B,L)

In the morning stopover in Katherine where several Whistle Stop Tours are available including a boat cruise on the famous Katherine Gorge, a coach tour of the town and surrounds or even a spectacular helicopter flight (additional cost applies). Whistle Stop Tours are booked and paid for on the train. At 1.00pm hop back on board The Ghan for your journey north through the lush, Top End countryside before arriving in Darwin. You will be transferred via coach to The Holiday Inn Esplanade Darwin, your overnight accommodation for the next four nights.

### Wednesday 19 September Darwin (B)

After breakfast, depart the hotel for a city sights tour, the perfect introduction to Darwin. See the Chinese Temple and the lush Botanic Gardens. Tour the historic sites of the city including the East Point Military Precinct, see the Stokes Hill Wharf area and the Mooring Basin. There is also time available to explore the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory. The afternoon and evening are to spend at your leisure.

### Thursday 20 September Litchfield National Park (B,L)

Depart your hotel after breakfast for a full day Litchfield National Park tour including a BBQ buffet lunch. View Florence Falls from a high vantage point before making your way down the stairs to the plunge pool below for a swim. Visit Tolmer Falls for a magnificent view to the water cascading down the deep waterhole below. Continue to Wangi Falls for another opportunity to swim in the large crystal clear pool. Optional steady climb through the rainforest to the top of the falls. View the amazing stand of Termite Mounds before returning to Darwin at approximately 6.00pm.

### Friday 21 September Free Day – Darwin (B)

Today is yours to explore Darwin as you wish.

### Saturday 22 September Darwin – Home (B)

Enjoy a final breakfast at the hotel before being transferred to the Darwin Airport.

#### INCLUDES:

- Overnight Accommodation Melbourne
- Red Standard Service on The Overland from Melbourne to Adelaide
- Gold Service on The Ghan from Adelaide to Darwin
- Accommodation in Adelaide and Darwin
- Adelaide City Sights Tour
- Darwin City Sights Tour
- Litchfield National Park
- Meals as specified in your itinerary (B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner

#### PRICE

**\$3650\***

\*COSTS ARE BASED ON PER PERSON, TWIN SHARE SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$885.00. SEE YOUR LOCAL TRAVEL AGENT FOR CONNECTIONS TO MELBOURNE. DOES NOT INCLUDE FLIGHTS TO MELBOURNE OR FLIGHTS FROM DARWIN.

**Please see your local Travel Agent for all enquires**



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