

SMALL GROUP ADVENTURES OF THE OUTBACK UNRIVALLED CONTENT



Adventures of natural wonder and timeless pasts

Far North Queensland Expedition

9th to 21st June 2022 13 days/12 nights

1st to 13th September 2022 2 Departures

Depart from Cairns north to Cooya Beach where you will learn traditional aboriginal practices and knowledge on a Kuku Yalanji cultural habitat tour. Walk the World Heritage listed Daintree Rainforest, the earth's oldest at 180 million years old. Cruise the Daintree River observing crocodiles, pythons, and birdlife amongst the mangroves. Traverse the iconic 4WD Bloomfield Track to Cooktown. Learn of this frontier land's history and about the main players in the many layers of Australia's past. From Cooktown fly up the Cape York Peninsula and along the Great Barrier Reef viewing all it's glory on the "World's Longest Scenic Flight". Land on the idyllic islands of the Torres Strait for a land tour with locals and view Australia's northern most point. Explore rarely seen Aboriginal rock art galleries with a renowned traditional owner interpreting songlines and learn about traditional bush tucker and medicine. The Atherton Tablelands host ancient crater lakes, gigantic trees, wonderous waterfalls and an abundance of birdlife and unique wildlife including platypus, tree kangaroos and cassowarries. Visit the historic towns of Herberton and Irvinebank and the art deco drenched architecture of Innisfail. View the rainforest canopy from the Mamu Skywalk. Ramble around the enchanting Paronella Park and the picturesque Dunk and Beddara Islands and snorkel and scuba dive the outer Great barrier Reef. Walk the rainforests of laid back Mission Beach. Ride on the Savannahlander train and at Chillagoe explore all things subterranean in Australia's prettiest limestone caves and the dark skys from the observatory at night. Enjoy unsurpassed views of the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area from the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway and Kuranda Scenic Railway and a guided tour of the best exhibition of tropical plants in Australia at the Cairns Botanical Gardens. Chill out in Cairns most luxurious Hotel and finest restaurant to reflect on your Adventure!

This adventurous tour departs from and ends in Cairns. More than 60 activities and destinations Price includes <u>all</u> meals, accommodation, guides and entry fees to all activities. <u>All</u> land, river and sea transport including the worlds longest scenic flight from Cooktown and return across the Cape York Peninsula, The Great Barrier Reef and the Torres Strait Islands, lunching on Horn Island.

AUD \$9,960 p.p.inc. gst twin share. Single supp \$1,250

Ultimate Queensland Odyssey *Outback *Highlands *Coastal

20th May to 5th June 2022 17 days/16 nights

The vast expanses of Western Outback Queensland reveal the remains of long extinct dinosaurs and megafauna for you to marvel over. The terrain attracted the hardiest of early settlers and explorers who while battling adversity and the tyranny of distance developed successful cattle and mining industries along with the iconic Qantas airline. Learn of their celebrated exploits and stories of bushlife, the birthplaces of Banjo Paterson's Waltzing Matilda, political movements and the impact of white European settlement on the First Nations Peoples. The natural landscape is big and dramatic across the Mitchell Grass Plains with the large mesa formations in the Diamantina River National Park. See the Simpson Desert with its extensive red dunes around Birdsville as they spill into the Channel Country to iconic Cooper Creek at Innamincka. Travel in the footsteps of Burke and Wills, meet a cute bilby and many other unique creatures. Learn about opal mining, about a World War 2 top secret destination and indulge in a high tea in the middle of nowhere. Walk the fascinating cavernous Carnarvon Gorge and the Roof of Queensland at Mt Moffatt admiring the Aboriginal rock art and towering sandstone cliffs. Meander through picturesque farmland, quaint villages and a rum distillery as you travel east to the Queensland coast before flying to the outer Great Barrier Reef. Discover Lady Elliot Island, home to manta rays, turtles and other marine life in the coral cay that is regarded as one of the world's best for snorkelling. Enjoy the longest beach drive in the world through the Cooloola Coastal Wilderness and the Great Sandy National Park. Ramble around the Sunshine Coast Hinterland rainforests relaxing in an eco-lodge at days end. Ascend Mt. Coolum, an ecological diverse wonderland and enjoy a zany Japanese restaurant dinner. At tours end enjoy the best of Australia's beaches to quietly reflect on what will have been the adventure of a lifetime in landscapes most will never see!

Tour departs Brisbane and ends on the Sunshine Coast More than 60 activities & destinations
Price includes <u>all</u> meals, accommodation, guides and entry fees to all activities. <u>All</u> land, river, sea and transport plus return flight to Lady Elliot Island.

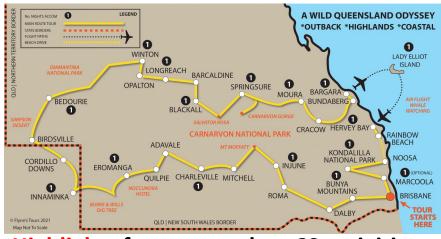
AUD \$9,490 p.p. inc gst twin share -Single Supp \$1,500 Deduct AUD \$215 p.p. T/S if you choose only a 16 day tour

Combine these two tours into a 33 Day Adventure and receive



The <u>Sunshine Coast</u> to <u>Cairns</u> air flight or tour bus transfer plus three nights of accommodation Free





Highlights from more than 60 activities to visit on each of these Outback tours.

See the listings of just some of the activities below

FAR NORTH QUEENSLAND EXPEDITION— 2 Departures in 2022

- Traditional coastal Aboriginal hunt for bush tucker and medicines experience.
- Daintree Rainforest plus river cruise
- Cape Tribulation rainforest night walks
- Bloomfield Track and Lion's Den Hotel
- World's longest scenic flight Cooktown to Torres Strait Islands and the northernmost tip of Australia.
- Quinkan's ancient Aboriginal rock art
- Aboriginal elder cultural exchange

- James Cook Museum
- Atherton Tablelands
- Lake Barrine cruise
- Milaa Milaa Falls
- Mamu Tropical Rainforest Canopy Walk
- Paronella Park
- Etty Bay cassowaries
- Dunk and Beddara Islands
- Skyrail Cableway & Kuranda

Snorkel and dive the Great Barrier Reef

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- The Art Deco architecture of Innisfail
- Spectacular birdwatching opportunities
- Discover ancient secrets in Chillagoe
- Historic Towns and the Wheelbarrow Way
- Savannahlander train journey
- Royal Arch and Donna limestone caves
- Barron River National Park

WORLD'S LONGEST SCENIC FLIGHT

- Jacques Coffee & Nerada Tea plantations
- Bat Hospital and Visitor Centre

The ULTIMATE QUEENSLAND ODYSSEY— One Departure in 2022

- Cobb & Co Stage Coach bush ride
- Aboriginal Rock Art & Burial Tombs
- A working historical Wool Scour
- Birdlife and the big River Basins
- Waltzing Matilda Museum
- Lark Quarry Dinosaur Stampede
- Explore Opalton with opal miners
- Eromanga Megafauna/ Dinosaurs

- Diamantina National Park
- Simpson & Sturt Stony Desert
- Birdsville & Noccundra Hotels
- Cordillo Downs shearing shed
- Big Red sand dune
- Bourke and Wills Dig Tree
- Innamincka in Sth Australia
- Historic Winton & Bedourie

- Meet a cute Bilby and plenty of Wildlife
- Gorgeous Carnarvon Gorge & Minerva NP
- Stockmans Hall of Fame & Bushlife Ordeals
- Bundy Rum distillery & Macedamia farm
- Lady Elliot Island snorkel the GBR to view manta rays, corals, fish and turtles
- Sunshine Coast Hinterland rainforest walks
- 4wd beach drive Coolcoola Wilderness
- Great Sandy National NP, Sunshine Coast



Nugal-warra elder Willie Gordon will walk you through a dramatic landscape to six rock art sites including an ancestral birth cave where Willie's grandfather was born. He will share stories behind the art and explain how the paintings speak of the essence of life and the lore of his people. Along the way you'll learn some of the survival techniques of the Nugal-warra people and maybe taste a green ant or two!

"One of Australia's ultimate must do experiences" American Express & ATS Pacific Flynn's Tours founder and tour leader Johnny Gannan believes Queensland to be the most desirable state or territory in Australia. Its enormity provides for the most diverse range of land-scapes and Johnny's nomadic mobility enables him to bask in the

best climatic conditions across the seasons. Queensland is home to the most exotic birds, animals, reptiles and marine creatures, all accessible and some quite friendly. Johnny has conducted small group tours extensively in Papua New Guinea since 2007 and also to Japan and New Zealand. His familiarity with the outback and coastal Queensland for more than 40 years and his relationships with its service providers makes him well



placed to ensure you will enjoy the adventure of a lifetime!

THE FLYNN'S TOURS EXPERIENCE— "My desire is to design and conduct safe and informative tours of adventure and excitement which cater for a range of ages and interests; respect local communities; promote the value of nature, culture and history and make possible special memories."