



THE TOP END LOOP (5 DAYS)

Wildlife & Wetlands Region, Kakadu National Park (Permit Required), Katherine Region and Litchfield Region

Day 1 - Wildlife & Wetlands/Kakadu

Learn the culture of Aboriginal people with spear throwing and basket weaving. Overlook the region from the viewing platform at Window on the Wetlands. Experience a jumping crocodile cruise, a relaxing wildlife and wetland cruise or take an airboat ride. Stop to see the abundance of native birdlife at Mamukala Wetlands. Visit the Ubirr Aboriginal Art Site in the dual World Heritage Listed Kakadu National Park.

Day 2 - Kakadu

Start the morning with a scenic flight over the wetlands and escarpments. Drop into Bowali Visitor Centre and see the interpretive displays and art gallery. Stop in at the ancient Aboriginal rock shelter at Nourlangie Rock and art sites. Climb to view magnificent escarpment views from Nawurlandja lookout. See the sunset with a Yellow Water Cruise to a place forgotten by time where nature is raw.

Day 3 - Katherine Region

Head 3 hours south to Edith Falls plunge pools. Travel to Katherine, an extra 30 mins further south, wander through the many art galleries and meet the artists or join in an Aboriginal Art cultural tour. Take a short drive to Nitmiluk Gorge Visitor Centre and see the interpretative displays. While at the gorge, take a gorge cruise or canoe and swim in the gorge, weather permitting. Enjoy an outback experience with real horse training and working dog demonstrations, entwined with live music and humorous bush tales.

Day 4 - Pine Creek/Adelaide River/Batchelor/Litchfield

Drive 1 hour north to the old gold rush mining town of Pine Creek. Here you can visit the historic railway heritage museum and take in the stunning views from the lookout. Continue along the Stuart Highway to the Adelaide River township where you can wander through the War Memorial Cemetery. Before arriving in Litchfield National Park you will pass through the township of Batchelor. There you will find a butterfly farm, museum and plenty of places to grab lunch.

Day 5 - Litchfield/The Peninsula Way/Darwin

While driving into Litchfield National Park, stop at the termite mounds; take a refreshing dip in one of the many cascading waterfalls and plunge pools in the park or take a walk through nature. Stop in to Wangi Falls or one of the other fabulous waterfalls. On your way back into Darwin check out the famous Birds of Prey show and Ooloo Sandbar at the internationally renowned Territory Wildlife Park. Stop into the Berry Springs Nature Reserve to cool off in the natural springs.

