



THE ULTIMATE GREEN SEASON EXPERIENCE
2 DAY KAKADU & ARNHEM LAND SAFARI (WITH SCENIC FLIGHTS)



DAY 1 (L, D)

08:00 Depart Darwin for a 2 day tour of Kakadu National Park and Arnhem Land. Travel via Fogg Dam and the Adelaide River Wetlands, the wetland and floodplains of the region are home to many species of birds, mammals and reptiles.

Continue on along the Arnhem Highway past giant termite mounds before a comfort stop at the historical Bark Hut Inn.

Next we will journey into the world heritage listed Kakadu National Park – Kakadu is one of the few places in the world listed for both its cultural and natural values. After crossing the South Alligator River, a huge tidal river system we will stop at the Bowali Visitor and Information Centre. Bowali provides visitors with a wealth of information and displays on the Park and its habitats.

Depart Bowali and enjoy a picnic lunch before exploring Nourlangie Rock.

Nourlangie is an ancient Aboriginal rock art and occupation site. Aboriginal people have inhabited this area for thousands of years, sheltering under Nourlangie Rock and utilising the natural resources around them. The results of this occupation can still clearly be seen and understood today with the various rock paintings of animals, people and spirits. Your guide will give detailed explanations of the stories behind the rock art and the surrounding area.

A short drive from Nourlangie takes us to the Nawalandja Lookout. From here you get a spectacular view throughout Kakadu and over into the Arnhem Land escarpment country.

Enjoy the changing colours on Nourlangie and the escarpment in the background with the possibility of experiencing one of nature's greatest light shows known by the locals as

'Lightning Dreaming' before making our way into Jabiru. Tonight's accommodation is at the Lakeview Bush Bungalows.

Overnight: Lakeview Bush Bungalows, Jabiru.

DAY 2 (B, L)

This morning after breakfast we will depart Jabiru for a truly memorable and unique day. From the Jabiru airport we join a spectacular scenic flight across the Arnhem Land escarpment and East Alligator region into Arnhem Land and the Aboriginal community of Gunbalanya.

Upon arrival at Gunbalanya we will be met by a local Aboriginal guide who will welcome us before giving us a special tour throughout the community and its surrounds.

Gunbalanya is steeped in history from ancient Aboriginal culture, dreaming and rock art to the more recent history of buffalo shooters and early missionaries.

This morning we will visit one of the community's important rock art sites where you will learn the story of 'Dog Dreaming'. Relax as your guide shares and interprets the stories of his ancestors and helps you to understand the meaning behind this ancient tradition.

Next we will visit the renowned Injalak Arts and Craft Centre where you will have the opportunity to meet with traditional artists from the community. Artists produce paintings on both bark and paper in a style renowned to western Arnhem Land. Weavings of the highest quality are also produced along with didgeridoos and carvings which you have the opportunity to purchase.

After lunch we will say goodbye to our hosts and reboard a plane for the scenic flight back to Jabiru.

From Jabiru we will begin making our way back towards Darwin along the Arnhem Highway making various stops along the way, including a visit to the Mamukala Wetlands.

Return to Darwin approximately 18:30pm

End of Venture North service.

Includes:

Professional guide/driver
Luxury Landcruiser Sahara vehicle (or similar)
Accommodation (Twin share)
Meals as stated (B-breakfast, L-lunch, D-dinner)
Kakadu and Arnhem Land scenic flights
Arnhem Land permit fees
Aboriginal guide fee
Injalak Art Centre visit
Kakadu National Park Entrance Fee
Kakadu activities

Excludes:

Alcohol
Pre/post tour accommodation