

6 day

Top End Private Charter

Cobourg | Arnhem Land | Kakadu | Katherine | Litchfield

This 6-Day Family Private Charter begins with an adventure to the remote and spectacular Cobourg Peninsula, offering a truly unique off-the-beaten-track experience. Discover the ancient rock art and rich Aboriginal culture of Arnhem Land, explore the wonders of Kakadu National Park, experience the breathtaking landscapes of Nitmiluk (Katherine Gorge) and enjoy the waterfalls and natural beauty of Litchfield National Park.

**DAY
01**

DARWIN TO COBOURG PENINSULA SCENIC FLIGHT | 4WD COAST ROAD PRIVATE COASTAL CAMP

You will be collected at 7:00am and transferred to the Darwin Charter Terminal, where your **6 Day Top End Safari** begins.

Board your **private scenic charter** flight to the remote Cobourg Peninsula, located in **Garig Gunak Barlu National Park**. The one hour flight offers spectacular aerial views of the Tiwi Islands, the rugged Arnhem Land coastline and the pristine **Cobourg Peninsula**. Upon touching down at the local airstrip, you will be met by your Venture North guide.

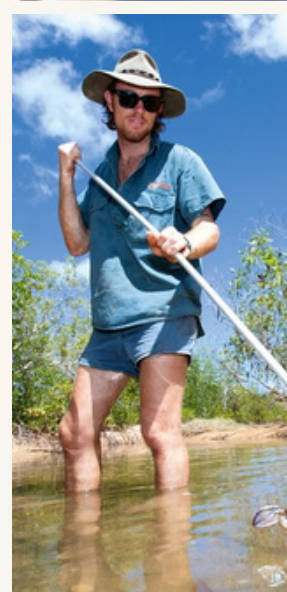
Today we explore the coast road on the eastern side of the Cobourg Peninsula by 4WD, taking in some of the region's lesser-seen landscapes.

Cobourg is home to the first **RAMSAR wetland** (wetlands of international importance) in the world, with freshwater paperbark swamps and billabongs 100m from the coastline.

We travel through this unique environment before reaching **Shell Beach**, often used by nesting turtles and dotted with a wide variety of shells. At low tide, there's time to explore rock pools and exposed coral reefs, home to a mix of marine life.

After lunch, you will have an opportunity to go **hunting for mud crabs** using traditional Aboriginal methods. Learn how to hunt and gather these local delicacies before having a go yourself.

Later in the afternoon, we will visit the Park's Cultural and Information Centre before returning to camp.



Venture North's **Cobourg Coastal Camp** is a unique safari-style camp. Nestled amongst dense bushland and overlooking the bay of Port Essington the camp has most of the home comforts while still allowing guests to feel close to nature. Here you will be met by the camp hosts, and enjoy the sun setting over Port Essington.



Lunch & Dinner



Cobourg Coastal Camp
Permanent Safari Tent



DAY 02

MARINE PARK BY BOAT VICTORIA SETTLEMENT | FISHING

This morning, we set off by boat to explore the spectacular **Cobourg Marine Park**, the Northern Territory's largest. Teeming with life, these pristine waters are home to six of the world's seven marine turtle species, along with manta rays, dolphins, crocodiles, sharks, mud crabs, and an impressive variety of fish.

As we cruise through the Marine Park, we'll make a stop at the historic **Victoria Settlement** – an abandoned British military outpost established before Darwin. Built between 1838 and 1849, the settlement represents the third failed attempt at colonising northern Australia. Today, its weathered stone ruins still line the shores of Port Essington, offering a poignant glimpse into the struggles and resilience of early settlers.

After exploring the ruins, enjoy a relaxed cruise back to camp, with opportunities to spot marine wildlife.

This afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure. Wander the remote beaches, explore the rock pools which are abundant with sea life at low tides, discover the local creek systems, or simply unwind in a hammock overlooking the Arafura Sea.

As the sun sets, gather for a campfire dinner with – an authentic Cobourg experience to remember.

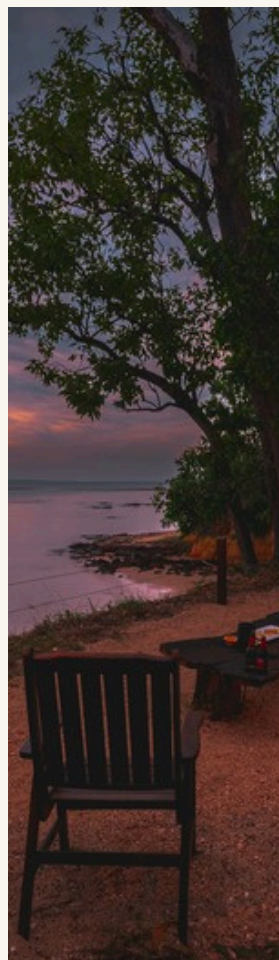
This evening there is an opportunity to go for a night spotlight around camp to look for small mammals which call this area home



Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner



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ARNHEM LAND ROCKART | CAHILLS CROSSING | UBIRR

This morning we depart Cobourg early. Sit back and enjoy the bush scenery of Arnhem Land as we make our way to Gunbalanya Community (also known as Oenpelli). The Gunbalanya area comprises of vast amounts of Aboriginal owned land where many local people still practice their traditional ceremonial ways.

Once reaching Gunbalanya our first stop is the **Injalak Arts and Crafts Centre** where you have the opportunity to meet and see traditional local artists in action. This art centre has a reputation for producing fine quality Aboriginal works with many displayed in galleries around Australia and even overseas. 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.

Next, we will be joined by a local Aboriginal guide to be shown around the **Injalak Hill rock art sites**. A short hike takes us up into one of the most spectacular Aboriginal rock art sites in Australia. It's here where we spend several hours exploring the many rock shelters which are covered in x-ray and dynamic art dating back over 20,000 years. Relax under the shelters as your guide shares and interprets the stories of their ancestors and helps you to understand the meaning behind their ancient tradition.

After lunch we will say goodbye to our hosts and continue on into **Kakadu National Park**. Covering almost 20,000 square km of exceptional natural beauty and unique biodiversity, Kakadu is one of very few places World Heritage listed for both its cultural and its natural values. Kakadu is home to the Bininj and Mungguy Aboriginal people who have inhabited this area for thousands of years.

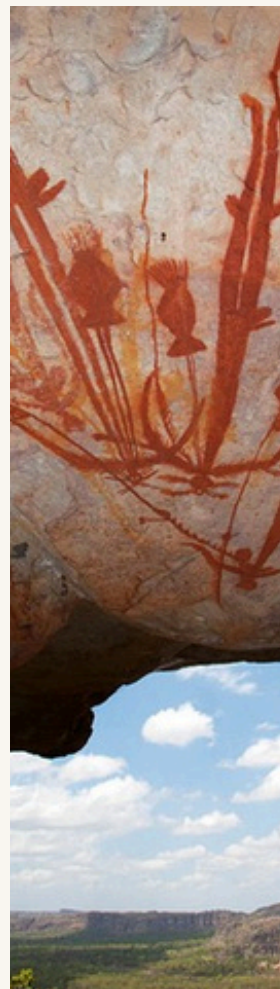
Finally today we visit the iconic **Ubirr Rock**, home to some of Kakadu's most renowned Aboriginal rock art. Take time to explore the ancient galleries, then follow the short walk to the top for expansive views of the sun setting over the Nadab floodplain and surrounding stone country.



Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner



Cooinda Lodge
Outback Retreat Plus



DAY 04

YELLOW WATER BILLABONG | WARRADJAN CULTURAL CENTRE | MAGUK

First up this morning, we will join a **2hr sunrise cruise** on the famous **Yellow Water Billabong**. On this picturesque waterway, you will have the opportunity to view a large variety of birdlife and saltwater crocodiles in their natural environment. Learn more about the wildlife on the Billabong from your knowledgeable guides, who will make the cruise both fascinating and informative.

After breakfast we visit the **Warradjan Cultural Centre** which name and building represent the native Pig-Nose Turtle. This excellent cultural centre contains interesting displays and information about Aboriginal Culture in the Park. Explore contemporary displays that illustrate the stories of the traditional owners. The gallery shop sells a range of arts and crafts, local artwork and books.

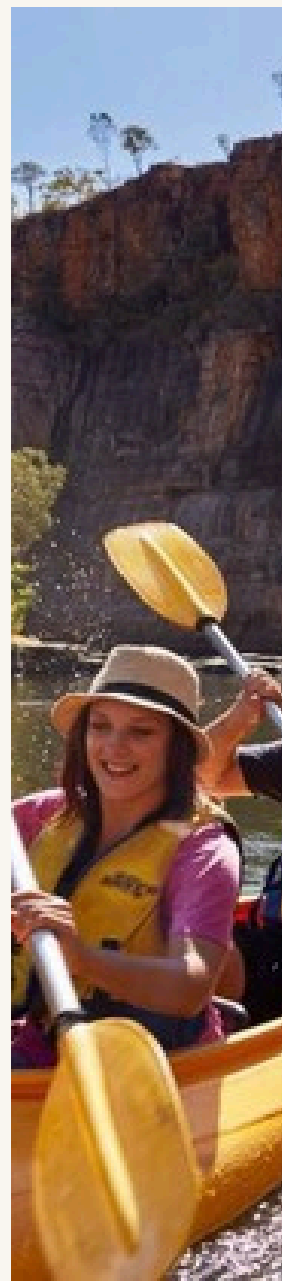
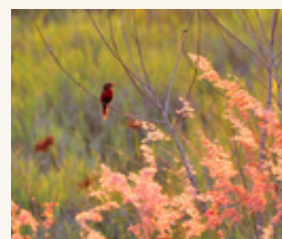
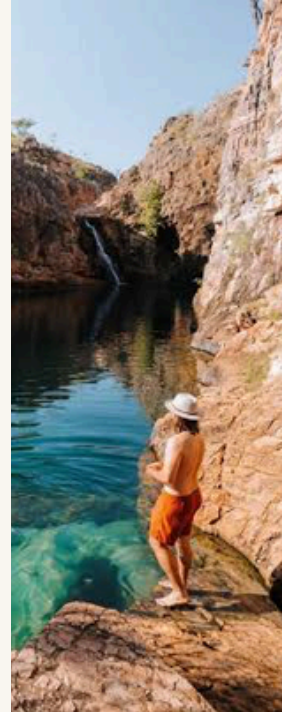
This afternoon we make our way to Maguk (Barramundi Gorge). Enjoy a scenic 1km walk along the edge of Barramundi Creek before arriving at the base of Barramundi Falls. Here you have the opportunity to swim or snorkel in the large plunge pool below the falls and discover an array of aquatic life



Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner



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DAY 05

MOLINE ROCKHOLE | KATHERINE GORGE CANOEING

Today we continue our journey through **Kakadu National Park**, uncovering a hidden waterfall before making our way towards Katherine.

We first visit the secluded **Moline Rockhole**, a special-permit area accessible only to a select few operators—ensuring a peaceful and uncrowded experience. Tucked away in the bush, this small waterfall and shaded plunge pool is the perfect place to cool off. Your guide will provide snorkels so you can explore the crystal-clear waters, home to freshwater fish, turtles, and other aquatic life.

We continue our journey South towards Nitmiluk National Park, home to Katherine Gorge and on the lands of the Jawoyn people. This afternoon we explore **Katherine Gorge** by canoe. This self-guided canoe adventure lets you explore the Gorge System at your own pace. Begin with a scenic journey through **Nitmiluk's first gorge**, before paddling your own canoe into the second gorge and beyond. Ideal for families seeking a little extra adventure, you can stop for a picnic along the shaded riverbanks or enjoy a **refreshing swim** in the clear waters of the second or third gorge.



Breakfast Lunch & Dinner



Nitmiluk Cabins
Two Bedroom Cabin

DAY 06

LITCHFIELD NATIONAL PARK BULEY ROCKHOLE & FLORENCE FALLS | TERMITE MOUNDS

Today we journey north from Katherine to **Litchfield National Park**, a scenic two-hour drive en route to Darwin. Known for its stunning waterfalls, clear swimming holes, and sandstone landscapes, Litchfield is a fitting finale to your Top End adventure.

We first visit the fascinating **Magnetic Termite Mounds**, towering structures perfectly aligned north to south to regulate temperature. These tombstone-like formations give the area an otherworldly, almost eerie feel.

After lunch we cool off at two of Litchfield's most iconic swimming spots; **Buley Rockhole and Florence Falls**. Enjoy a swim in the crystal-clear plunge pool beneath Florence Falls and unwind in the series of cascading pools at Buley.

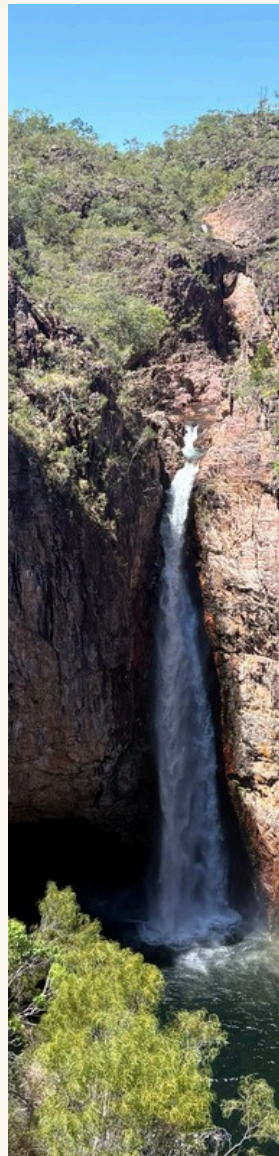
Our final stop is **Wangi Falls**, a popular swimming area surrounded by lush monsoon forest.

We then return to Darwin, arriving at your accommodation at approximately 7:00pm.

Here ends your Venture North journey!



Breakfast & Lunch



INCLUSIONS



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- Expert tour guide/driver
- Luxury Toyota Landcruiser 4WD (fully air-conditioned)
- Private Air Charter (Darwin to Cobourg)
- All entry permits & National Park fees
- Arnhem Land royalties
- Welcome Pack including Re-Usable Water Bottle
- All attractions & activities listed
- 5 nights accommodation
- All food & beverage including adult alcoholic drinks

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- For detailed information on the difficulty and grading of the tour walks, click [here](#)
- For detailed information about our vehicles, click [here](#)

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