



THE GHAN EXPEDITION: DARWIN TO ADELAIDE (TOUR CODE: 12969)

STARTS AND ENDS

Darwin to
Adelaide

TRAVEL PERIODS

Departs Wed & Sat (Mar - Nov)
2026/2027

EXPERIENCE

Cultural
Rail

TRAVEL STYLE

Rail Holiday Packages

A unique and epic experience, explore the wonders of Australia's vast interior with one of the world's most renowned rail journeys – The Ghan Expedition from Darwin to Adelaide.

Highlights

- Off train Experiences in Katherine, Alice Springs, Coober Pedy and Manguri
- A spectacular dinner under the stars at the historic Telegraph Station, Alice Springs
- Explore Nitmiluk Gorge's powerful natural wonders and rich Indigenous culture
- Venture into the underground opal mining town of Coober Pedy

Discover Australia's vast interior aboard The Ghan Expedition, a world-renowned rail journey from Darwin to Adelaide. This four-day, all-inclusive expedition runs March to November, taking you through remote and captivating landscapes. Explore Katherine and Alice Springs in the Northern Territory, enjoy a signature dining experience at The Historic Telegraph Station, then visit Manguri and Coober Pedy in South Australia before arriving in vibrant Adelaide. Experience the true spirit of the Australian outback.



INCLUSIONS

- 3 nights aboard The Ghan Expedition, travelling from Darwin to Adelaide
- All-inclusive meals, fine wines and beverages
- Welcome experience with light refreshments, coffee and sparkling wine
- Transfer to Darwin Rail Terminal
- A regionally inspired menu paired with a selection of local wines
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ITINERARY

Intro Map

The Ghan Expedition - Darwin to Adelaide



Day 1

The Ghan Journey: Darwin Katherine

Celebrate the start of your journey with a welcome drink and canapes and before you board, you'll have the opportunity to take photos with The Ghan's bold red locomotive. Settle into the comforts of The Ghan, relax in your cabin, or mingle with fellow travellers in the Outback Explorer Lounge.

As The Ghan begins to travel south, enjoy a chef-prepared lunch ahead of your Off Train Experience in Katherine. In a region renowned for jaw-dropping natural assets, Katherine boasts one of the Top End's best – the incredible Nitmiluk Gorge and a cruise is on offer to showcase the beauty of this spot. Alternatively, the Katherine Outback Experience lets you into the lives of those who call the outback home, while the Cutta Cutta Cave system is home to a variety of native wildlife and is rich in Indigenous culture and modern European history. Or, take it all in from the air, with an optional upgrade helicopter flight over Nitmiluk.

Overnight stay aboard **The Ghan**.

Lunch, Dinner



NITMILUK NATIONAL PARK

Day **2**

Alice Springs

Wake up in the Australian outback as the train draws closer to the iconic town of Alice Springs. Enjoy a hearty breakfast on board before your arrival into the Alice, ready for a day of Off Train Experiences.

There's an experience to suit everyone, including an off-road e-bike adventure, join the A Town Called Alice tour to uncover the town's major landmarks, or immerse yourself in culture with a guided journey thorough Standley Chasm and Simsons Gap. Here, sheer rock walls blaze red in the sunlight and ancient landscapes hold deep spiritual significance for the Arrernte people. Wildlife lovers can meet desert creatures at Alice Springs Desert Park, whilst those seeking a grander perspective can opt for a scenic flight over Uluru and Kata Tjuta.

In the evening, the hallmark experience of The Ghan Expedition begins. Dine under a blanket of stars at the Alice Springs Telegraph Station, with red earth at your feet and white tablecloths at your fingertips. This will be a night to remember.

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Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



ALICE SPRINGS TELEGRAPH STATION

Coober Pedy

From your morning stop at the remote Manguri, where you'll see the sunrise, you'll venture into the weird and wonderful opal mining township of Coober Pedy, where more than half of the residents live underground. Here, you'll enjoy a day of discovery, and a gourmet lunch in the most unique of locations: underground. Off Train Experiences on offer include exploring the majestic Breakaways, touring the town, learning more about mining history on the Opal Experience, or an optional upgrade with the Painted Hills and Lake Eyre scenic flight.

For your final night on board The Ghan, dinner is served on the train, and afterwards enjoy a nightcap with fellow travellers who have now become friends as your journey continues towards Adelaide.

Overnight stay aboard **The Ghan**.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Arrival into Adelaide

This morning, you'll see a dramatic change in landscape as the rich ochre tones of the outback make way for the green fields of South Australia. Enjoy a leisurely brunch as you pass through the Flinders Ranges before arriving into Adelaide, completing one of the world's great rail experiences.

Breakfast

ACCOMMODATION

The Ghan

UPGRADE AVAILABLE

GOLD

Immerse yourself in the world of romance that epitomises rail travel with Gold Service.

Choose between **Gold Twin** or **Single cabins**, both of which provide the perfect place to relax and recharge after a day's journey. Spend hours deep in conversation with new friends in the shared Outback Explorer Lounge, sipping on barista made coffee, or a glass of white wine. Later make your way to the Queen Adelaide Restaurant to dine.

Gold includes hearty breakfasts, two-course lunches and three-course dinners. You may also choose to complement your meal with our selection of premium wines and beverages, all included in your fare.

Gold Twin Cabins

Gold Twin offers a comfortable sleeper cabin featuring private ensuite and upper and lower berths that convert to a three-seater lounge by day.



- Power outlets in cabin
- In-cabin music channels and journey audio commentary available
- All-inclusive dining in the Queen Adelaide Restaurant
- All-inclusive Australian wines, beers, base spirits and non-alcoholic beverages
- All-inclusive Off Train Excursions
- Luggage allowance is 60kg per guest
- Complimentary Shuttle bus transfers available in Darwin to selected hotels in the city centre

Room Upgrades

Gold Single Cabin

Your stylish and ultra-modern cabin cleverly accommodates your belongings with a series of compartments and shelving options incorporated into the compact design. Your comfortable seat with full leg extension bench seat by day converts to a cosy bed by night.

The soulful, reflective and contemplative nature of moving across the continent by train is ideally suited to travelling solo but you can be as quiet or as social as you wish and with your included choice of Off Train Experiences allows you to join fellow guests as you experience the amazing places you visit together.

Inside your cabin, choose from six music and journey commentary channels to add background ambience to your travels, and you have numerous power supply outlets to keep your devices charged. Complimentary shuttle bus transfers are available between Darwin Terminal and the city centre, with a checked luggage allowance of 60 kg per guest (2 pieces at 30 kg each).



Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to [Book Now](#) or [Contact Us](#) for details.

Gold Premium

For travellers who want that little bit more, Gold Premium delivers an enhanced journey experience. Accommodated in newly designed, contemporary cabins, guests have exclusive access to the Gold Premium Lounge and Gold Premium Restaurant for meals and socialising. Enjoy delicious breakfasts, two-course, regionally inspired lunches and delectable four-course dinners in beautiful surrounds, accompanied by a selection of premium beverages.

Gold Premium offers some special touches to make the journey special, like priority check-in and an increased luggage allowance, a private ensuite, LaGaia amenities, tour preferencing and more.

Choose between a **Gold Premium Twin cabin** or **Gold Premium Suite**, which has a little more space. Whichever cabin you choose, Gold Premium offers a step up to a whole new style of train travel.

Gold Premium Twin cabin

A newly designed, contemporary cabin that converts from a lounge by day into sleeping berths at night.

Gold Premium Suite

The Gold Premium Suite has a three-quarter-size double bed plus a fold-down upper berth and a lounge area, with extra room to relax.

Gold Premium (Twin & Suite) service includes:

- Private en suite with LaGaia amenities, luxuriously soft linen and satin eye masks
- Exclusive access to the Gold Premium Lounge and Gold Premium Dining carriage
- Two-course, regionally inspired lunches and four-course dinners
- All-inclusive premium Australian wines, beers, spirits and non-alcoholic beverages
- All-inclusive Off Train Experiences and preferences on tour selections
- 75kg checked luggage allowance per guest (3 x 25 kg each)
- Priority luggage check-in
- Power outlets in cabin
- In-cabin music channels and journey audio commentary
- Complimentary shuttle bus transfers available in Darwin and Brisbane to selected hotels in the city centre



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Platinum

Tailored for the discerning traveller, Platinum sets a refined and elegant tone throughout your journey. Stylishly appointed and spacious cabins provide comfort after a day's exploring, while the Platinum Club carriage offers a sophisticated setting for meals, relaxation and socialising. As you'd expect, the food and wine is of the highest standard. Enjoy hearty breakfasts, two-course lunches and five-course dinners, all regionally inspired and paired with champagne and premium wines.

And it all begins before you've even stepped aboard. Platinum guests receive private transfers before and after your journey, beginning the adventure in style. Platinum cabins offer luxe extras, such as a full-size ensuite, expansive window views from the train. Add to that the luxurious linen, Champagne Bollinger, premium Jurlique amenities, Bracegirdle's chocolates, a nightcap at turndown and more, and you're in for an exceptional experience.

Platinum service includes:

- Spacious Double or Twin cabin almost twice the size of a Gold Premium Twin or Gold Twin cabin
- All-inclusive dining, beverages and Off Train Experiences
- By day, cabins are set up lounge-style with a moveable table and two ottomans
- By night, lounges are converted to double or twin beds
- Luxuriously soft linen and satin eye masks
- Ensuite equipped with separate shower, vanity with cupboard space, and toilet
- Premium Jurlique amenities
- Power outlets and in-cabin safe
- In-cabin music channels and journey audio commentary
- Panoramic windows offering views from both sides of the train
- Access to the exclusive Platinum Club for dining and socialising
- Freshly prepared continental breakfasts served upon request in-cabin
- Refreshments served in-cabin
- Transfers at the start and end of your journey available for guests within 60 km of the terminal (Platinum transfers in Alice Springs, Darwin and Brisbane are provided in shared vehicles)
- 90 kg checked luggage allowance per guest (3 x 30 kg each)
- Priority luggage check-in



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Aurora Suite

The **Aurora & Australis Suite**, the first of their kind in Australia, a moving luxury stay like no other, inspired by the residential qualities of contemporary architectural movements. A rich and layered design is expressed through bespoke detailing, decorative timber accents, stone masonry, iron filigree, and coved ceilings that reference traditional cornices. There is no finer way to see, taste and experience Australia.

Sophisticated Australian hospitality leads the way with a dedicated butler offering personalised service. In-Suite you'll enjoy an exclusive unpacking service, pillow menu, a private bar curated according to your preferences and in room dining. When off train, you'll be immersed in exclusive and intimate experiences connecting you to a sense of place, and when you return to the train, you'll be greeted with a chilled flute of Champagne Bollinger La Grande Année.

The **Aurora Suite** is double the size of a Platinum cabin and features a fixed queen-sized bed, lounge set and ensuite with premium Jurlique amenities. You'll also have a wardrobe and plenty of room to move throughout the Suite allowing for a luxurious stay. Additional features include:

- Champagne Bollinger La Grande Année
- Premium Australian wine selection
- Personalised in-suite bar
- In-room dining available
- Butler service
- Luxurious bed linen and pillow menu
- A range of exclusive Off Train Experiences
- Platinum Club lounge and dining carriage access
- Private chauffeur for your arrival and departure of the train
- Unlimited luggage allowance



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Australis Suite

The **Australis Suite** is the most luxurious suite in Australian train travel. At three times the size of a Platinum cabin it features a separate bedroom with a fixed queen-sized bed, full lounge set, personal bar and ensuite with double vanity and premium Jurlique amenities. This Suite also has a writing desk as well as a wardrobe and ample room to stretch your legs or host friends and family in-suite. Additional features include:

- Champagne Bollinger La Grande Année
- Premium Australian wine selection
- Personalised in-suite bar
- In-room dining available
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.)
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package