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The Red Center Northern Territory - Australia

Touring Dates 2011:

12 June, 1 July, 14 August, 11 September

From... au\$1650 per person

Touring Dates 2012 to be announced soon...

Book by 31 July 2011

Receive a complimentary copy of

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A Complete Guide to Finding the Birds of Australia

Day 1



It's up with the birds as we depart your accommodation and suburbia in search of everything feathered. This is the beginning of an outback experience of immense variety as we travel northwest along the famous Tanami Track against the northern verge of the West MacDonnell Ranges to Tilmouth Well. A short rest break, coffee, a bite to eat and we travel on towards Newhaven. An early lunch before preparing our camp and getting ourselves organized for

our experiences around Newhaven with rock escarpments, red sand-hill Spinifex country and the Lake Bennett Salt Lake system.

The variety of vegetation will promote endless stops and leisure time to observe our feathered entertainers. As daylight draws to an end, we'll find a location to capture the imagination to observe a classic desert sunset. Back to camp for dinner cooked over the campfire as the outback stirs to life.

Included: Lunch and Dinner

Day 2

Our morning reveille will be the birds as they break the chill and silence of the outback morning. A hearty breakfast before spending the day travelling this enormous parcel of tranquil land in search of anything rare, unique, varied and beautiful that has wings. This will be a day of group consensus, visiting places and doing things that you want to. The day's end will be twilight full of activity with another typical outback sunset before a stunning evening meal and, no doubt, a few stories starting to flow.

Included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 3

After another early rise and breakfast we will break camp and, dependent upon weather and track conditions, travel south via permitted Aboriginal Lands including Papunya and Haasts Bluff Communities and then via the Namatjira to Gosse Bluff (Tnorala) before arriving at the oldest Lutheran based Aboriginal Community in Australia – Hermannsburg (Ntaria). Enjoy an introduction to Hermannsburg's history, a stop at the local store for refreshments and an early lunch before continuing our journey along the Ellery River system. This passes through stunning gorge and ravine country towards the location of one of the Territories first remote Police Stations – Boggy Hole. This will be our location for the next two evenings. After preparing camp you can take a wander and make yourself known to this wonderful location.



Included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Special Note: Should conditions or permission not be available to access the south track, our journey will require a return via our earlier route, travelling the Larapinta Road to Hermannsburg with a late afternoon arrival at Boggy Hole.

Day 4

At your leisure you can stroll your way around this amazing wilderness location. Sit by the water's edge and be amazed at the resident bird life as the parrots chirp and flit from tree to tree. The Whistling Kites glide the face of the rock escarpment while Red Tailed Cockatoos leave their nightly perch in hunt of seeds in other locations. The clowning antics of the Babblers and the activities of a myriad of species will dominate a day of pure solitude which is truly rare in today's pace driven lifestyle. Our last night under the stars of the Southern Milky Way, an open fire and discussions dominated by the day's experiences



Included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 5

We break camp early, meandering our way through the creek bed system towards Running Waters, a smaller watering system along Ellery Creek. We emerge from the National Park where we join the Ernest Giles track at the junction of the Palmer River. We travel through open mallee and gibber country, home to the raptor and the larger ground birds – Emu and Bustard. Lunch will be at a secluded and remote location for the last time. We continue to travel east and join the Stuart Highway approx 130km south of Alice Springs. Our next stop will be Stuarts Well Roadhouse, a small stopover before our last 90km leg into Alice Springs and return to your accommodation.



Included: Breakfast, Lunch

Itinerary may change due to cultural reasons, seasonal changes, operational logistics and accessibility.

Price includes cash/check discount.

Payment by credit card is accepted for an additional 3% charge

Please ensure payments are made by due dates to avoid cancellation and/or additional fees
Price is subject to change including fluctuations in the US\$ until paid in full

Itineraries are priced for payment by cash or check. Online rates do not always include the additional costs for making payment by credit card or the additional charges for international currency exchanges.

Included: - Land

Australia: 5 day/4 night camping tour including all camping equipment including swags, pillows, sheets and sleeping bags. All meals as indicated in the itinerary.

Additional:

Any items not specifically mentioned in “Included”.

- FF #'s:
- Special Meals:
- Passport info for Australian entry visa's:

Air:

Notes:

(OA) = own arrangements

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Traveler name (First and Last) on passport **must match** the name on tickets. Name variations will require re-ticketing and penalties can be significant, please confirm correct name with your agent **BEFORE** ticketing

Seating preferences are subject to change on airport check-in. Some domestic flights within New Zealand, Australia, Fiji and Tahiti may have a lower luggage allowance than your international flights permit and may result in additional excess luggage fees on check in.

- Link to [Qantas Airways baggage](#)
- Link to [Air New Zealand baggage](#)

We strongly advise Travel Insurance

Note: Most travel insurance options include additional benefits when purchasing within 7days of deposit.

Please note: Reservations are on a reconfirmation basis and have NOT been requested. Good faith price quote is subject to change pending confirmation of reservations and until full payment is received in this office. Requests can begin once the deposit has been received.

Valid passport required for International Travel.

Australian Entry Visas required for non Australian or New Zealand passport holders.

Departure taxes are subject to change at any time

Significant penalties will be incurred for changes made once ticketed.

Passengers are advised to [log on to flight itineraries](#) to confirm flight times prior to travel.

Thank you for traveling with

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We look forward to working with you again in the future.

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RESERVATIONS AGREEMENT

Please read carefully

WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND TRAVEL INSURANCE

Deposit/Acceptance

A **non-refundable deposit** of **\$200 per person** is required to begin requesting and holding bookings. Payment of the deposit constitutes acceptance of all terms listed in this agreement.

Please read carefully.

Consultation Fee - DATE

A consultation fee of **\$50** per person is charged for assistance with itinerary planning. This gives travelers **direct access to expert knowledge** and information of Discover Downunder staff. This fee may be applied towards the final payment.

Final Payment

Full payment is due **no later than 45** days prior to departure. Some products may require earlier payment; you will be advised of this. **Prices are subject to change until full payment has been received by Discover Downunder.** If payment has not been received 45 days prior to departure, booking is subject to late fees and will delay delivery of documents. All arrangements will be checked and Final travel documents are scheduled to be electronically delivered 14 days prior to departure. A **\$75** fee will be charged for returned checks. Personal checks will not be accepted for payment within **16** days of departure.

Rush Bookings

We are pleased to make client bookings at any time. However, a **\$30** levy will apply to bookings received **15** days or less prior to departure, additional fees may apply. Please note, due to time constraints, a higher level of flexibility will be required as initial choices may be unavailable.

Amendments

An amendment is any change, addition or cancellation. After confirmation has been received, a **\$15** per item amendment fee applies each time an itinerary is amended. After documents have been prepared, and for amendments made within 30 days prior to departure, a minimum \$30 per item amendment fee applies.

Insurance

All passengers are **strongly urged** to take out adequate [insurance](#) coverage to protect themselves against cancellation/changes for whatever reason prior to or during travel. Please refer to the section: Cancellation.

Cancellation

A minimum \$200 charge per person **plus** any charges levied by airlines and suppliers, will be incurred if there is a cancellation after bookings have begun. Certain airfares and properties and operators have higher cancellation penalties; these will be assessed at the time of cancellation. Cancellations within **30 days of travel** through departure will incur a 100% cancellation fee. Cancellations after departure date, will incur a 100% cancellation fee. *Please refer to the section: Insurance, to avoid further disappointment.*

Pricing

Unless noted, all pricing is listed in US\$. Prices are contracted for in advance and are subject to currency fluctuations, changes in local taxes and increases by suppliers. While every effort is made to keep prices highly competitive; we have no control over local specials and in-country discounts that may be available for limited periods of time. We are **unable to reimburse for any price differences as a result. Itemization of costs cannot be given.**

Refund Policy

Notification of refunds, if relevant, must be received in this office within 1 month of returning to the USA. Request for refunds received after 1 month of returning to the USA will be considered invalid. Requests must be made in writing and be submitted with unused vouchers. A **\$30 per person** handling fee will apply **in addition** to any cancellation fees plus penalties charged by the individual operators. There are no refunds for package tours. Please allow 4-6 weeks for refunds after **correct** documentation has been received by this office.

Please check documents carefully upon receiving them. Any changes or corrections, if necessary, should be made prior to departure.