



Arnhem Land. Credit: Tourism NT/James Fisher

# 7 DAY KAKADU, ARNHEM LAND & COBOURG VENTURE



Kakadu National Park. Credit: Tourism NT/Backyard Bandits

## INCLUSIONS

- » 2 nights' accommodation, Darwin including breakfast
- » 5 day Kakadu, Arnhem Land & Cobourg guided tour including 4WD vehicle with driver guide, 4 nights' accommodation, Corroboree Billabong cruise, Arnhem Land and Cobourg Peninsula permits and entry fees, Arnhem Land royalties, Cobourg Peninsula boat tour, Victoria Settlement permit fee and select meals

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### DAY 1: Arrive Darwin

Welcome to Darwin. Your gateway to some of Australia's stunning national parks; from local markets, Asian-inspired cuisine, World War II history, botanic gardens and all-round outdoor lifestyle. After you have checked into your harbour front accommodation you are free to explore the city.

### DAY 2: Darwin to Kakadu National Park

Today you set out to the World Heritage-listed Kakadu National Park. Enroute you will join a scenic cruise on the picturesque Corroboree Billabong. Here you will have the opportunity to spot a large variety of birdlife and the salty crocodiles in their natural environment. Continuing via the Old Jim Jim Road you will arrive at Maguk (Barramundi Gorge). Enjoy a scenic 1km walk

along the edge of Barramundi Creek before arriving at the base of Barramundi Falls where you have the chance to swim in a natural plunge pool. For sunset you will take a seat up on the sloping sandstone for a panoramic view of the sun setting across Anbangbang Billabong, Nourlangie Rock and the Arnhem Land Escarpment.

### DAY 3: Kakadu National Park to Cobourg

Crossing the East Alligator river you will enter Arnhem Land and arrive at the Gunbalanya Aboriginal community to visit the Injalak Arts and Craft Centre. Here you can meet and watch traditional local artists in action. Your Aboriginal guide will show around the Injalak Hill art sites which houses some of the best Aboriginal rock art in Australia. Upon arrival at Venture North's camp at the Cobourg Coastal camp you will be greeted with nibbles on the cliff top whilst you relax as the sun sets over Port Essington.

### DAY 4: At Cobourg

This morning will be spent exploring the Northern Territory's largest marine park by boat. Cobourg is abundant in some amazing marine life including six species of marine turtle, dolphins, sharks, crocodiles, stingrays, mud crabs and plenty of fish. A stop will be made to visit the Victoria Settlement ruins; a third failed military outpost by the British in 1838 lasting only 11 years before it was abandoned. After you have returned to camp you can explore the nearby beaches and creek systems, try your luck at fishing or simply enjoy the solitude while reading a book from a hammock overlooking the ocean.

### DAY 5: At Cobourg

Time for some 4WD adventures as you explore the eastern side of the Cobourg. This area is home to the first RAMSAR wetland (wetlands of international importance) with freshwater paperbark swamps and billabongs 100m from the coastline. 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.

### DAY 6: Cobourg to Darwin

Departing early you will sit back and enjoy the bush scenery of Arnhem Land pass by as you make the journey back to Darwin. With numerous stops along the way you will view some of Kakadu's best Aboriginal rock art at Ubirr Rock and the Mamukala wetlands, which at times is a haven for thousands of Magpie Geese as well as many other species of native birds and reptiles.

### DAY 7: Depart Darwin

After a leisurely breakfast with the amazing harbour views why not complete the fantastic top end journey with a captivating scenic flight over the city with Kakadu Air before heading home.

Pricing from **\$3,956** per person twin share

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