



FAR NORTH WEST SPLENDOUR WITH BILL PEACH JOURNEYS

Aircruising Wonders of the Kimberley

9 Days | 13 - 21 Jun 2023 | AUD\$14,995pp twin share | Single Supplement AUD\$1,500

EXCLUSIVE HIGHLIGHTS

- ✦ Experience spectacular aerial sightseeing of the rugged East Kimberley in the remote North West
- ✦ Spend 2 nights at the remarkable El Questro Station - Emma Gorge at the foot of the Cockburn Range
- ✦ Enjoy 3 nights at the stylish and contemporary Mantra Pandanas overlooking Frances Bay, Darwin
- ✦ Be awed by the spectacle of Purnululu (Bungle Bungle Range) as we 'flightsee' above and explore on foot its magnificent bee-hive shaped domes
- ✦ Marvel at the towering escarpment as we cruise through the ancient Chamberlain Gorge
- ✦ Relax in the soothing waters of Emma Gorge and Zebedee Thermal Springs at El Questro
- ✦ Explore Darwin including the Royal Flying Doctor Service and the Military Museum
- ✦ Enjoy a sunset cruise on Darwin Harbour
- ✦ All touring, transfers and meals included
- ✦ Escorted throughout by a dedicated Journey Director

"Each day there was another highlight. Visiting remote places made possible via small aircraft access. The remoteness of the Kimberley.... delightful."

Margaret Haggarty, NSW

Allow us to reveal the visual splendour that awaits in the magnificent Kimberley located in Western Australia's remote Far North West. For 40 years, Bill Peach Journeys has showcased this remarkable and vast region from the air and through insightful touring. Not only will we view the incredible Purnululu (Bungle Bungle Range) from above, we will also walk amongst its awe-inspiring domes for an up close exploration of this most incredible natural formation.

We begin our adventure in Darwin where we learn about the city's fascinating military past and the invaluable service provided by the Royal Flying Doctors. In rugged Kununurra, we cruise the Ord River. One of Australia's most stunning river systems, it is scenically beautiful and rich in wildlife and flora. In the untamed natural beauty of El Questro Wilderness Park, cruise Chamberlain Gorge, view sweeping landscapes and relax in the soothing waters of Emma Gorge and Zebedee Thermal Springs. From the rich red vistas of El Questro, we fly back to Darwin having experienced one of Australia's last true frontiers, the heart of the Kimberley; an outback discovery that is wondrous in every way!





THE WONDROUS NORTH WEST BY PRIVATE AIRCRAFT

DAY 1 | ARRIVE DARWIN

Upon arrival in Darwin, the capital of Australia's Northern Territory and a former frontier outpost, your private transfer will take you to the Mantra Pandanas. The balance of the day is at leisure to relax in your hotel offering water views or perhaps explore tropical Darwin; Smith Street Mall is only a few minutes walk away from the hotel. From ancient Aboriginal Dreamtime stories and the pioneering spirit of the early settlers, to survival stories of WWII, the bombing of Darwin and Cyclone Tracy, Darwin's history and heritage is vast, diverse and captivating in every way. This evening, join our Journey Director and fellow travellers at a welcome dinner.

Overnight: Mantra Pandanas or similar

DAY 2 | DARWIN

Following breakfast, we visit the Royal Flying Doctor Service to enjoy heroic tales and learn the history of the RFDS. Tour the Darwin Military Museum and discover the city's historical and turbulent past. Learn about the first and largest foreign attack ever mounted on Australia when more than 188 Japanese aircraft attacked Darwin's harbour and airfield.

This evening we will take a sunset dinner cruise on Darwin Harbour enjoying delicious food, magnificent views and interesting commentary.

Overnight: Mantra Pandanas or similar

DAY 3 | DARWIN - KUNUNURRA

Following breakfast, we board our private aircraft for a flight along the East Kimberley coastline. Below us passes a land of breathtaking contrasts covering billions of years in history. Comprising in total over one million square kilometres,

Australia's North West is one of the last true wilderness areas on Earth. Known for sweeping landscapes defined by rugged ranges, dramatic gorges, semi-arid savanna and a largely isolated and spectacular coastline, the Kimberley is a sight to behold.

Upon arrival in Kununurra, visit the Waringarri Art Gallery, a living, growing art centre celebrating the uniqueness of Miriwoong cultural identity before enjoying lunch and a tour at the Hoochery Distillery famed for its distinctive rum, liquers and assorted spirits. Dinner this evening will be at a local restaurant. Overnight: Kimberley Grande Resort or similar

DAY 4 | PURNULULU (BUNGLE BUNGLE RANGE)

Depart Kununurra on a scenic flight to the World Heritage listed Purnululu National Park today. Soar over the full expanse of Lake Argyle, the Ord Top Dam Wall, Lake Kununurra, and the Ord Irrigation Area. Be enthralled by the magic of the East Kimberley landscape and witness spectacular aerial views of the Bungle Bungle Range.

Once landed in Purnululu National Park, enjoy a guided walk through the eye-catching black and orange banded domes. Marvel at the stunning panoramic views of the region including the western escarpment of the Bungle Bungle Range from Kungkalanayi Lookout. Return flight to Kununurra this afternoon.

Overnight: Kimberley Grande Resort or similar

DAY 5 | KUNUNURRA

Embark on a private cruise of the Ord River, marvelling at the spectacular scenery, wildlife, flora and fauna of the Kimberley region before visiting the Durack's Argyle Homestead.

Overnight: Kimberley Grande Resort or similar





DAY 6 | KUNUNURRA - EL QUESTRO

Following the short flight from Kununurra, we land at El Questro Wilderness Park; totaling one million acres, the Park offers outstanding diversity - from rugged sandstone ranges and broad tidal flats to rainforest pockets, gorges and permanent waterfalls.

Overnight: El Questro Station - Emma Gorge or similar

DAY 7 | EL QUESTRO

Amid the vast and ancient landscape of Western Australia's East Kimberley region sits the untamed natural beauty of El Questro. A destination unlike any other, El Questro offers the freedom to explore one of Australia's last true frontiers. From deep gorges and majestic mountains to thermal springs, mud and salt-flats, rainforests and cascading waterfalls; everything the Kimberley has to offer is located across the property. We begin with a visit to Zebedee Springs, a serene oasis of thermal pools and waterfalls set in the prehistoric forest of Livistona and Pandanus palms. Unwind in the inviting surroundings and for those interested, an opportunity to enjoy a soothing soak. This afternoon, we embark on a cruise through the impressive Chamberlain Gorge. During the cruise, we discover the diverse flora and fauna, resident rock wallabies, Johnston crocodiles and the always cheeky Archer fish, which are all familiar inhabitants of the gorge. Relax on the peaceful return journey admiring the colours of the Kimberley in the towering cliffs.

Overnight: El Questro Station - Emma Gorge or similar

DAY 8 | EL QUESTRO - DARWIN

For those who are fit and capable walkers, there is an opportunity to walk the trail to Emma Gorge where you will be awed by the stunning turquoise waterhole at the base of a towering 65 metre chasm graced by a droplet waterfall. Bidding adieu to the Kimberley, we board our private aircraft for a flight to Darwin. On the way, we will enjoy incredible 'flightseeing' over an ancient land of sweeping vistas and rugged natural wonders, a frontier of deep gorges and majestic mountains. Departing the breathtaking Kimberley coast, you will fly over the glimmering emerald Timor Sea then cross over the Northern Territory coast. We check-in to our Darwin hotel once again to prepare for our Farewell Dinner at one of Darwin's most renowned restaurants.

Overnight: Mantra Pandanas or similar

DAY 9 | DEPART DARWIN

After breakfast, we transfer to Darwin Airport where you will board your flight home. Say a fond farewell to new friends and take away memories of a wondrous Kimberley adventure.

"I think the whole tour was fantastic. Everything was excellent and the crew were so pleasant, helpful and obliging. In all a wonderful holiday. I am sure I will only travel in future on a Bill Peach holiday. As I am on my own I feel well looked after, fellow companions are very pleasant and easy to get on with."

Patricia Barton, Vermont, VIC





ABOUT AIRCRUISING

An Air Tour with Bill Peach Journeys is the perfect way to explore these hard to reach destinations in the style, speed and comfort of your own private aircraft. Travelling by private aircraft means that we can land directly in each location ensuring time on the ground is spent discovering each region. The style of aircraft is chosen to provide the best possible access into remote locations.

When you travel on an Air Tour everything is included. This means not only does your holiday include accommodation, dining and all excursions but every one of these elements is the finest in its class. Throughout the journey you will have a Journey Director on hand to look after each detail.

FITNESS LEVEL - MODERATE

“The tour deserves special applause, it was a piece of art, flawless and exquisitely executed with first class care for the travellers... The Journey directors were superb, calm, totally in control, cheerful and knowledgeable.”

Kai Woehler, California, USA

WHY BILL PEACH JOURNEYS?

- ✦ A name to trust with 40 years of experience in the luxury travel industry, we are Australian owned and operated
- ✦ Fully inclusive journeys, all meals, accommodation, touring, entrance fees, portage taxes and luggage
- ✦ Travel throughout the outback requires expert planning and organisation. Our Journey Planners ensure you enjoy an intimate exploration of the places visited in comfort and style
- ✦ A dedicated Journey Director that ensures you are looked after every step of the way
- ✦ Local professional guides at every location
- ✦ 70% of our travellers return to travel with us again within the first year of their initial journey
- ✦ No credit card fees on direct bookings



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