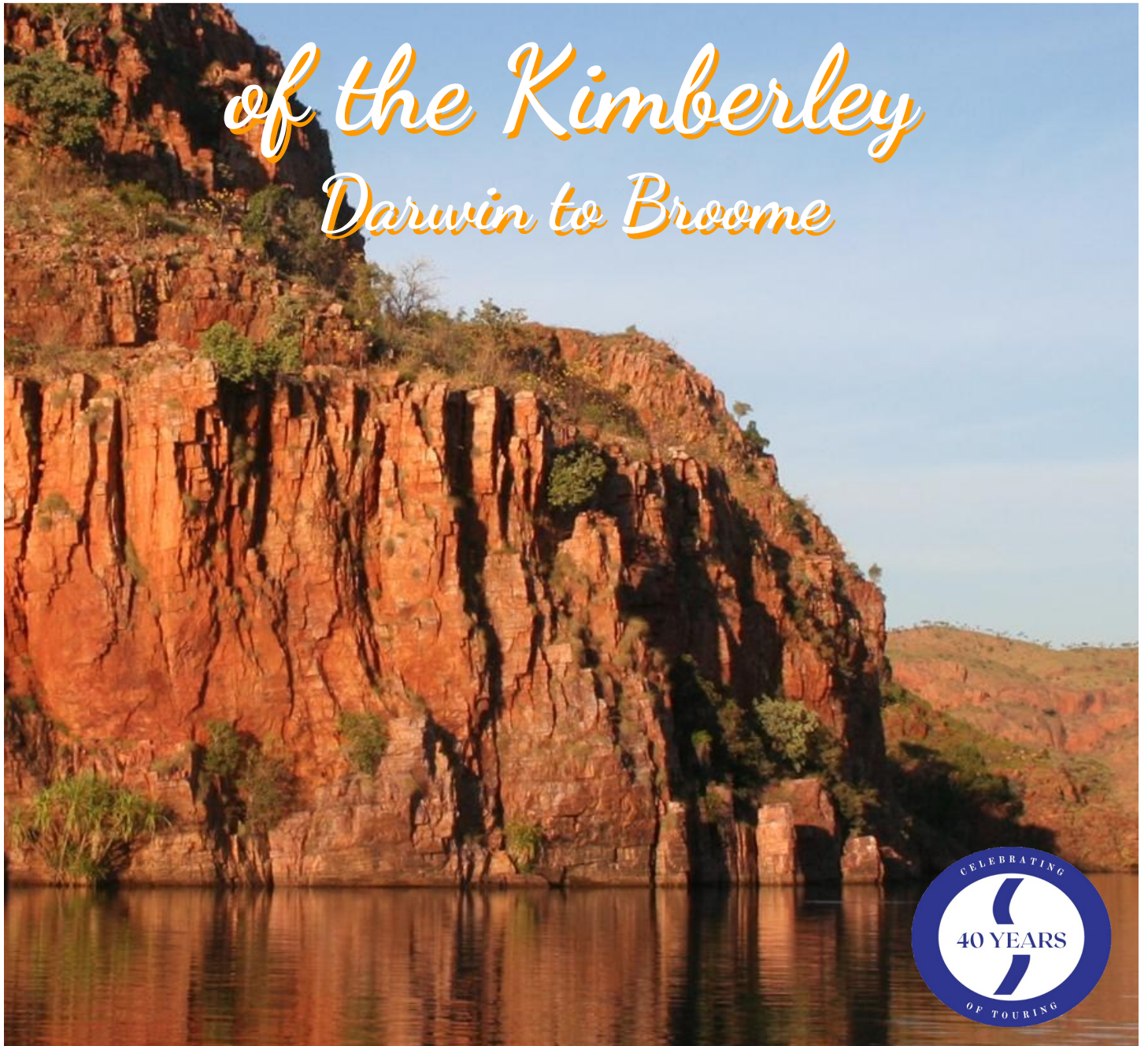




ESSENCE

*of the Kimberley
Darwin to Broome*



15 DAY FULLY INCLUSIVE TOUR

7th August to 21st August, 2026

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FRIDAY 7TH AUGUST TO FRIDAY 21ST AUGUST, 2026

Spread over Australia's entire north-western corner, the Kimberley is one of the world's last wilderness frontiers. There is prolific wildlife, majestic canyons and some fantastic cruises. Even though this is a remote region, there is still great food, luxury accommodations and friendly locals.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Guided Tour of Darwin
- Royal Flying Doctors Service Tourist Facility
- Adelaide River War Cemetery
- Litchfield National Park
- Kakadu National Park
- Katherine - Katherine Gorge
- Kununurra
- Mirima National Park
- Kimberley Ornamental Stonecraft

CRUISES

- Darwin Harbour Dinner Cruise
- Jumping Croc Cruise
- Yellow Water Sunset Cruise
- Nitmiluk (Katherine Gorge) Cruise
- Ord River Cruise
- Willie Creek Pearl Farm Cruise

- The Hoochery Distillery
- Halls Creek
- Fitzroy Crossing
- Mowanjum Aboriginal Art & Cultural Centre
- Boab Prison Tree
- Broome
- Pearl Luggers Museum
- Matso's Brewery
- Willie Creek Pearl Farm
- Cable Beach

FLIGHTS

- Melbourne to Darwin via Brisbane
- Broome to Melbourne

MULTIPLE NIGHT STAYS

- 3 nights in Darwin, Kununurra, Broome
- 2 nights in Katherine



COACH



FLIGHT



BOAT



SMALL GRP

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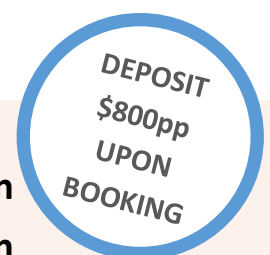


TOUR INCLUSIONS

- **Complimentary Chauffeur Driven Transfers.** Victorian passengers from Greater Melbourne, Bendigo, Torquay, Ballarat, Geelong, the Bellarine and Mornington Peninsulas, Phillip Island and selected areas of Gippsland will be picked up and returned home in a private chauffeured vehicle by one of our professional drivers. For passengers not within this pick up zone, or our interstate passengers, a quote can be provided for home pickup in extended areas.
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- **Return Flights.** Economy flights from Melbourne to Darwin and Broome to Melbourne via Perth.
- **Tour Directors.** Dedicated O'Shannessy's Quality Tours coach crew (tour directors) on board to ensure your travel experience is memorable.
- **Best Available Quality Accommodation.** Ensuite motel accommodation each night.
- **Attractions.** All tours and interest venues as per itinerary.
- **Meals.** All full cooked breakfasts, morning teas and lunches most days, and two course restaurant dinners daily. Five lunches at your own expense as per itinerary.
- **No Hidden Extras.** O'Shannessy's Quality Tours are fully inclusive.

TOUR COSTS

Twin Share Room First Tour:	\$11,995 per person
Twin Share Room Repeat Traveller 2 - 10 Tours:	\$11,895 per person
Twin Share Room Repeat Traveller 11 - 20 Tours:	\$11,845 per person
Twin Share Room Repeat Traveller 21+ Tours:	\$11,795 per person
Single Room Supplement:	\$ 2,250 per person





DAY 1

Friday 7th August, 2026

MELBOURNE TO DARWIN

Welcome to our fabulous 15 day tour of the **Kimberley!** With chauffeured pickup from home, we travel to Melbourne Airport. At the airport we will be greeted by an **O'Shannessy's Quality Tours** representative, who will assist us with check-in and see us onto the plane for our flight to **Darwin**. Arriving at Darwin Airport, we will be welcomed by our O'Shannessy's coach crew who will help us with our luggage before we board the coach for our transfer to the hotel.

Lunch at own expense and arrangement / Refreshments on flight

OVERNIGHT: Double Tree by Hilton Esplanade, DARWIN ★★★★★

DAY 2

Saturday 8th August, 2026

DARWIN SIGHTSEEING

Many people aren't aware of the importance of Darwin during World War II so we look at the city as it is today and also learn from a **local expert** of the involvement and history of the bombings of Darwin. We conclude the tour at **Stokes Hill Wharf** where we can purchase lunch before our visit to the **Royal Flying Doctors Service Tourist Facility**. This unique facility highlights the magnificent service provided to Outback Australia by the RFDS and also showcases the Bombing of Darwin through Virtual Reality headsets – an amazing experience! This evening we transfer back to Stokes Hill Wharf for our fantastic **dinner cruise on Darwin Harbour**. What a wonderful way to start our tour as we see the Darwin skyline at sunset.

Lunch at own expense and arrangement

OVERNIGHT: Double Tree by Hilton Esplanade, DARWIN ★★★★★

LITCHFIELD NATIONAL PARK

This morning, we travel south to the small township of Adelaide River - about 110kms from Darwin. We make a brief stop at **Adelaide River War Cemetery**, where 432 servicemen and 63 civilians, all of whom died as a result of Japanese bombing raids, are buried. From here we enter **Litchfield National Park**. The 65,000-ha National Park with its untouched rainforests, hot springs, magnificent waterfalls and stunning scenery has gained a reputation as the jewel of the Northern Territory's crown. We stop to see the **Magnetic Termite Mounds** and the magnificent **Florence Falls** from the lookout platform. We enjoy lunch and visit nearby **Wangi Falls** where there is time for a refreshing dip - so bring your togs! This evening we watch another sunset as we enjoy dinner at **Cullen Bay**. It won't be a late night as we begin our road journey tomorrow.

OVERNIGHT: Double Tree by Hilton Esplanade, DARWIN ★★☆☆☆

DARWIN TO KAKADU

With an early start, we say welcome to our accredited **Aboriginal Cultural Guide** who will join us for the next three days as we delve into **World Heritage Listed Kakadu National Park** and **Nitmiluk National Park**. Our first stop on our way to Kakadu is the **Jumping Croc Cruise** - don't forget to bring your camera! Continuing our journey, we enter the wonderland of Kakadu National Park. This afternoon we visit the **Warradjan Aboriginal Cultural Centre** before joining our magical **2-hour Yellow Water Sunset Cruise**. Nowhere else will you see such a concentration of so many species of diverse wildlife than here, including Brolgas, Egrets, Jabiru, and hopefully some crocs! After the cruise, we return to our accommodation for dinner.

OVERNIGHT: Coinda Lodge Kakadu, KAKADU ★★☆☆☆





DAY 5

Tuesday 11th August, 2026

KAKADU TO KATHERINE

We have a leisurely morning but for anyone wishing to take an optional scenic flight over the stunning wetlands of Kakadu National Park, here is your opportunity. *(These flights can be booked with your Tour Director who will have further details. Optional flights are subject to availability and at your own expense.)* Mid morning, we visit **Nourlangie Rock** and its ancient Aboriginal rock art. After lunch, we leave the National Park and travel to **Pine Creek** before our journey south to **Katherine**.

OVERNIGHT: Knotts Crossing Resort, KATHERINE ★★☆☆☆

DAY 6

Wednesday 12th August, 2026

KATHERINE GORGE

A visit to Katherine would not be complete without a cruise through **Katherine Gorge**. This morning, we take the two-hour, two gorge **cruise** through the southern edge of **Nitmiluk National Park**. Sheer walls of sandstone dotted with ancient Aboriginal rock art surround the crystal waters of the Katherine River where freshwater crocodiles can be seen along the banks. After our cruise, we stop at the **Visitors Centre** where we have time to look at their displays. Back in Katherine, there's time to purchase lunch and take a look at the township. This afternoon we have a choice - relax at the resort or come with us to unwind in the therapeutic crystal clear waters of the **Katherine Hot Springs** (32°C). The main pool has wheelchair access and stainless-steel rails, the walls have been formed out of rock. We farewell our guide this evening as we are heading to WA tomorrow.

Lunch own expense and arrangement

OVERNIGHT: Knotts Crossing Resort, KATHERINE ★★☆☆☆

KATHERINE TO KUNUNURRA

Today we travel west calling at **Victoria River** and **Timber Creek**, crossing into **Western Australia** to arrive at **Kununurra**. The town was established as the residential and administrative centre of the Ord River Scheme - a huge irrigation scheme that was developed in the 1970s. We take a look at the town centre, the **Diversion Dam** and **Ivanhoe Crossing**. We then check into our next three night's accommodation.

OVERNIGHT: Kimberley Grande Resort, KUNUNURRA ★★★★★

ORD RIVER CRUISE

We make our way to **Lake Argyle**, the largest man-made lake in the Southern Hemisphere. We stop at the historic **Argyle Homestead Museum**, constructed as a replica of the original family homestead including the original stone. We then continue to Lake Argyle Resort for lunch before one of the highlights of the region – a **cruise** from **Lake Argyle to Kununurra**. Marvel at the spectacular scenery and abundance of Australian native wildlife in their natural habitat. Take in the untamed landscape of the lesser-known but equally incredible Carr Boyd Ranges before enjoying an East Kimberley sunset as we arrive back in Kununurra.

OVERNIGHT: Kimberley Grande Resort, KUNUNURRA ★★★★★

“...Created by the Ord River Dam, it's classified as an inland sea and at its peak in the green season, Lake Argyle holds a staggering 32 million cubic metres of water. That's more than 20 times the size of Sydney Harbour...”

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DAY 9

Saturday 15th August, 2026

EXPLORING KUNUNURRA

For those of us who have booked an optional flight over the Purnululu National Park (the Bungle Bungles), we will be collected early morning. For those of us not wanting to fly, this is the perfect opportunity for a sleep-in! After a slightly later breakfast, we take a tour of Kununurra. Our morning includes a visit to **Kimberley Ornamental Stonecraft**, it's here we can see stone art and jewellery skilfully handcrafted from gemstones and unique Kimberley rock including the fine banded Zebra stone. We'll have plenty of time to look through the gallery before lunch. This afternoon, we visit **The Hoochery Distillery**, Western Australia's oldest continually operating legal still. Discover the secrets behind how the rum is made, hear stories collected over the years, and enjoy a slice of their famous Ord River Rum Cake. What a perfect way to end our day.

OVERNIGHT: Kimberley Grande Resort, KUNUNURRA ★★☆☆☆

DAY 10

Sunday 16th August, 2026

KUNUNURRA TO HALLS CREEK

Before leaving Kununurra this morning, we visit **Mirima National Park**, often called **Hidden Valley**. The sandstone formations here resemble the domes of the famous Bungle Bungles (Purnululu National Park), which is why they are sometimes called Mini Bungle Bungles – it's a perfect opportunity to get an "on-ground" experience! We're on the road again now as we travel to **Halls Creek**, on the edge of the Great Sandy Desert. The town is full of stories and relics as it was the site of Western Australia's first gold rush. One of the more famous stories is of Russian Jack, a man who carried his injured mate in a wheelbarrow for over 300 kilometres to get medical attention. A statue is dedicated to his amazing feat here in town.

OVERNIGHT: Kimberley Hotel, HALLS CREEK ★★☆☆☆

HALLS CREEK TO DERBY

Just outside of Halls Creek is the **China Wall**. The amazing natural white stone formations rise high out of the ground and then disappear back into the earth again, making it look like a miniature Great Wall of China. We make a brief stop here before continuing through dramatic landscapes of boab trees, red earth and open plains, heading to our lunch venue at **Fitzroy Crossing**. This afternoon, we travel through remote cattle country and pause at the historic **Prison Boab Tree** near Derby. Said to be 1500 years old, it has an entrance about one metre wide and two metres high and apparently used as an overnight lock up for prisoners. We will have to make up our own minds however, if this is true or not! Derby is the main base for the Royal Flying Doctor Service in the Kimberley and from her long **wharf** Australia's highest tides, up to 12 metres, can be visualised.

OVERNIGHT: Spinifex Lodge, DERBY ★★★★★

DERBY TO BROOME

This morning, we begin with a visit to the **Mowanjum Aboriginal Art & Cultural Centre**, where the traditions of the Worrorra, Ngarinyin, and Wunambal peoples come to life through vibrant art and storytelling. We stop for an early lunch break at **Willare Bridge** before continuing our journey west. Excitement builds as we near the coast and catch our first glimpse of the Indian Ocean. Arriving in **Broome**, a coastal town at the southern edge of the Kimberley, we're greeted by sweeping beaches, turquoise waters and warm sunshine. Once a booming pearling centre, Broome's unique charm still captivates. We check into our accommodation for the next three nights.

Lunch own expense and arrangement

OVERNIGHT: Oaks Broome Hotel, BROOME ★★★★★





DAY 13

Wednesday 19th August, 2026

BROOME SIGHTSEEING

We visit the **Pearl Luggers Museum** this morning where we learn the history of pearl diving dating back 140 years, followed by a tour of this fascinating town. We'll see historic **Gantheume Point**, the **Broome Wharf**, and of course **China Town**. After an interesting morning, we stop off at **Matso's Brewery**, the Kimberley's award-winning microbrewery, and a true Broome treasure. After lunch, we have some time to relax, swim or venture out before making our way to **Cable Beach** to watch the sun set over the Indian Ocean. For anyone wishing to ride a camel, this will be your opportunity (own expense). Enjoy the sunset and a unique photo opportunity before returning to the hotel for dinner.

OVERNIGHT: Oaks Broome Hotel, BROOME ★★☆☆☆

DAY 14

Thursday 20th August, 2026

WILLIE CREEK PEARL FARM

We're off to visit the **Willie Creek Pearl Farm** to learn about pearling techniques and view the pearl panels suspended in the creek. We can gain a comprehensive insight into how the world's finest pearls are produced with the process of cultured pearling, including the seeding of a live oyster shell. Lunch is included and we also enjoy a **cruise** aboard the **Willie Wanderer**. There'll be more time to relax back at the hotel before dinner inhouse this evening.

OVERNIGHT: Oaks Broome Hotel, BROOME ★★☆☆☆

DAY 15

Friday 21st August, 2026

BROOME TO MELBOURNE

Completing our memorable tour of the naturally beautiful **Kimberley**, we are transferred to Broome Airport for our return flight to **Melbourne** via Perth. Upon arrival, our chauffeurs will be waiting to transport us safely home with many interesting stories to tell of our **Kimberley Adventure**.

Lunch at own expense and arrangement / Refreshments on flight

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No Refund

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No Refund

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