

A photograph of three people smiling against a sunset background. On the left, a man in a red polo shirt and a brown hat. In the center, a woman in a blue patterned top. On the right, a man in a dark polo shirt. The text 'GUIDED TOURS' is overlaid in large white letters on a dark background.

# GUIDED TOURS

With more than 100 years' experience, AAT Kings are highly regarded within the tourism industry, enjoying a reputation for customer service, professionalism, safety and of course, amazing holidays. In 2015 more people chose to travel with AAT Kings than any other guided holiday company in Australia and they are committed to maintaining this high standard and to creating memorable travel experiences for their guests.

## FULLY GUIDED TOURING EXPERIENCES

If you're ready to set off on an unmatched adventure, an AAT Kings Guided Holiday is the best way to discover Australia in all its glory. Their experienced and fun loving Tour Directors and Driver Guides will share their detailed knowledge and local insights to make sure you experience each destination to the fullest and have an incredible time along the way.

AAT offers Guided Holidays through Tasmania, Southern Australia, Queensland, Western Australia and the Kimberley, as well as the Red Centre and the Top End in the Northern Territory. Just a small collection of the many guided tours available are featured in this brochure so please ask us for details and prices for the many more touring options available.

An escorted tour with AAT Kings provides you with the perfect way to share new and fascinating experiences and make life-long friendships.

## TWO HOLIDAY STANDARDS TO CHOOSE FROM

AAT Kings offers two standards of Guided Holiday to suit your budget. Look for these symbols on our Guided Holiday itinerary pages:

### FIRST CHOICE

First Choice holidays offer premium accommodation in central locations, more meals and sightseeing inclusions, plus unique 'Be My Guest' dining experiences.

Best Buys holidays offer great value, comfortable accommodation with easy access to city centres and more free time.

### BEST BUYS

## TRAVEL IN COMFORT

AAT Kings boasts the newest coach fleet in Australia. The fully air-conditioned coaches are equipped with modern features like reclining seats with seat belts and footrests, panoramic windows, on-board restroom, two-door access and state of the art technology including DVD player, GPS & PA systems. Most of their vehicles are also equipped with phone chargers and free WiFi to keep you in touch with the outside world.

## GUARANTEED DEPARTURES

When arranging your holiday well in advance, there is nothing worse than having your plans turned upside down when something is cancelled. AAT have guaranteed many of the tour departures shown in this brochure so you can have confidence in booking your flights and other travel arrangements around your chosen tour. These dates are highlighted in bold but as tours fill, many new dates become guaranteed so have your travel agent check with ANZCRO for more information.

## SOLO TRAVELLERS

Some guests travelling alone do not wish to incur the additional expense of a single room supplement. On First Choice and Best Buys holidays, AAT Kings will accommodate you with a guest of the same gender (non-smoking rooms only), at no extra cost. If they fail to match you, you will be accommodated in a single room at no additional cost. Naturally, if you wish to be guaranteed your own room, then single room supplement costs are shown for each tour.

## SAVE MONEY WITH OUR EARLY BIRD OFFER

Many travellers plan their holiday well in advance and if you would like to book your tour early, then we can help you save money. Book and pay any AAT King Guided Tour up until 31st January 2020 and save 10%. Valid for any travel, 01 April 2020 to 31 March 2021. That's a great saving and means more spending money for you to take on holiday!  
(Note: discount not valid with any other offer).

## COMPLIMENTARY TRANSFERS

Complimentary arrival and departure transfers are provided between designated airports and AAT Kings hotels on scheduled start and end days of Guided Holidays and with pre or post tour accommodation booked through AAT Kings.



# 5 DAY OUTBACK AUSTRALIA THE COLOUR OF RED

5 Day Uluru (Ayers Rock) to Alice Springs (or vice versa)



Kings Canyon, Watarrka National Park, NT

## HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

Small Group Tour - Up to 20 passengers

- » 4 nights hand-picked accommodation
- » Travel by luxury small group vehicle
- » Experienced Driver Guide
- » 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 4 dinners
- » Explore the domes of Kata Tjuta
- » Hike through Walpa Gorge
- » Experience a spectacular Red Centre sunrise
- » Toast an Uluru sunset with gourmet canapés and wine
- » Learn about Uluru's sacred sights
- » Dine 'Under a Desert Moon' at Kings Canyon Resort
- » Hike to the top of Kings Canyon for magnificent views
- » Get off-road on the Mereenie Loop 4WD track
- » Explore fascinating Standley Chasm
- » Wander into Simpsons Gap
- » Visit School of the Air & the Royal Flying Doctor Service

## TOUR ITINERARY:

### Day 1 - Welcome to Uluru (Ayers Rock) (D)

Feel the stirring of something bigger than you as you arrive in Ayers Rock Resort, your launch pad to Australia's fiery heart in the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. This afternoon, join your Journey Director and fellow travellers to explore the foundations of life and society of the local Aboriginal people and their ancestors, before travelling to Kata Tjuta for a walk through Walpa Gorge. As the day fades, the outback sun bids a fiery farewell – the perfect backdrop for a Welcome Reception with sparkling wine while overlooking Uluru.

Stay: *Sails in the Desert Hotel*

### Day 2 - Uluru to Kings Canyon (B,L,D)

Enjoy the mesmerising arrival of another day overlooking Kata Tjuta and Uluru. Skirting the red cliffs of Uluru, hear ancient tales, see rock art and visit Mutitjulu Waterhole. The next stop is Curtin Springs Station, where you'll gain insights into the cattle-rearing heritage of the Severin family and enjoy a BBQ lunch before viewing Atila (Mt. Conner). Travelling to Kings Canyon, stop at Kings Creek Station. This evening, under the canopy of a starry southern hemisphere sky, settle back with sparkling wine – the flickering glow of the fire is the perfect accompaniment to Under A Desert Moon dinner.

Stay: *Kings Canyon Resort*

### Day 3 - Kings Canyon to Alice Springs (B,L,D)

Gaze across the deep chasm of Kings Canyon as you embark on a sunrise 6km rim walk, taking in the domed 'Lost City' and the verdant 'Garden of Eden'. If you'd prefer a more relaxed walk, you can opt for a more gentle walk along the Canyon Creek Bed. Afterwards you're off the beaten track, travelling along the 4WD Mereenie Loop Road past Gosses Bluff and then through the West MacDonnell Ranges to the iconic outback town of Alice Springs.

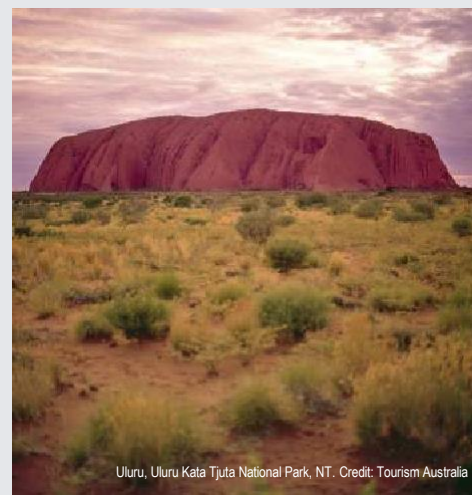
Stay: *Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters, 2 nights*

### Day 4 - West MacDonnell Ranges (B,L,D)

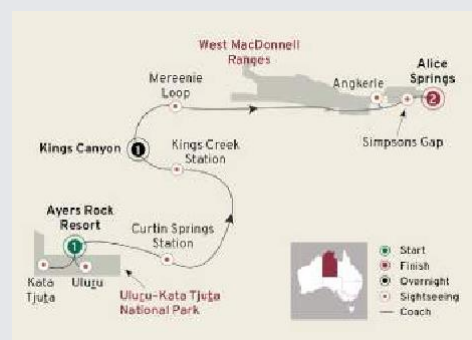
This morning you'll visit the historic Overland Telegraph Station and learn why it was established in Alice Springs. Now the stunning landscapes of the West MacDonnell Ranges take centre stage as you embark on a walk through Simpsons Gap and dramatic Angkerle, which was created over millions of years. The deep red sandstone formation contrasts with the lush green ferns and gum trees on the valley floor. This evening, join your Alice Springs hosts for a Local dining Experience barbecue dinner around a campfire, as the Milky Way lights up the sky.

### Day 5 - Farewell from Alice Springs (B)

This epic adventure is almost at its end, but not before you visit the Royal Flying Doctor Service to see how this facility provides medical assistance to those living in remote outback Australia. You'll also visit the School of the Air to learn how children living in the far reaches of the outback receive an education over the air waves. Your Red Centre Inspiring Journey comes to an end later this morning.



Uluru, Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park, NT. Credit: Tourism Australia



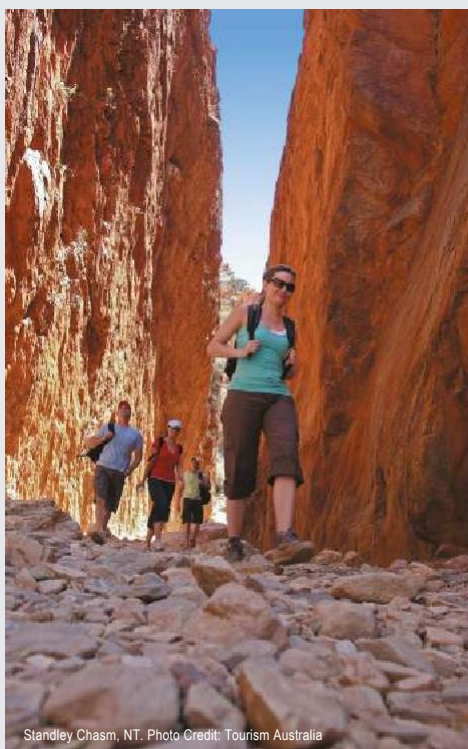
### 2020 - 21 Departure Dates

2020: 14 Apr, 21 Apr, 28 Apr, 12 May, 26 May, 9 Jun, 23 Jun, 7 Jul, 21 Jul, 4 Aug, 18 Aug, 01 Sept, 15 Sept, 29 Sept and 13 Oct

2021: 9 Mar, 16 Mar, 23 Mar

Per Person From   CRAU*	Apr 20 – Mar 21
Twinshare	\$2,556
Single room traveller	\$3,316

\*Flights are not included



Standley Chasm, NT. Photo Credit: Tourism Australia