8 Days Icons of Outback Queensland

Day-by-Day Itinerary

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DURATION	FROM PRICE	TOUR TYPE	TOUR CODE
8 Days	**$4,500**	**Rail Tours**	**FO50**

Overview

Make tracks for Queensland’s central west aboard the Spirit of the Outback, an historic rail journey like no other. Explore Longreach with visits to the Qantas Founders Museum, the Luminescent Longreach show, and the Stockman’s Hall of Fame with a live Stockman’s Show. Cruise the Thomson River at sunset before travelling to Winton to discover the Australian Age of Dinosaurs and the Waltzing Matilda Centre. Stay two nights at Toogunna Plains Farmstay with a Kyra Sandhills sunset and station tour. Visit the Eromanga Natural History Museum, Quilpie, Charleville’s Date Farm, Corones Hotel, Bilby Experience, and finish in Roma. Join your tour host and depart late-afternoon on the Spirit of the Outback for an incredible view of Queensland’s captivating outback. Our journey takes us through the heritage towns of the Central West. 1 Night Stay: Sleeper Cabin aboard the Spirit of the Outback

Itinerary

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Depart Brisbane on Spirit of the Outback

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Barcaldine - Longreach

Stay: Gold Class: Longreach Motor Inn; Diamond Class: Mitchell Grass Retreat **Guests will be standing for the duration of the show • Meals: Full Breakfast, Lunch, Two Course Dinner

Relax today and let the outback come to life as we wind our way through ever changing scenery an drugged terrain. This epic rail journey arrives into Barcaldine mid-afternoon where we are met by our Coach Captain. Visit the Tree of Knowledge, before we continue on to Desert Dreaming Centre. Tonight we experience a truly spectacular dinner and show, Luminescent Longreach, at the Qantas Founders Museum. This 23 minute Light & Sound Show uses the historic aircraft and new roof complex as a canvas telling the incredible history of the airline. 3 Night Stay: Gold Class: Longreach Motor Inn; Diamond Class: Mitchell Grass Retreat **Guests will be standing for the duration of the show..

HIGHLIGHTS

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Longreach Touring

Meals: Full Breakfast, Lunch, Two Course Dinner

Our journey begins with a guided Museum and Airpark tour at the Qantas Founders Museum, a treasure trove of national heritage that immerses you in the inspiring narratives of one of the world’s pioneering airlines. Our next destination is the renowned Australian Stockman’s Hall of Fame, where the rich tapestry of bush history unfolds before your eyes. Stories of bush-rangers, shearers, stockmen, and drovers draw you into the heart of Australia’s frontier spirit. Here, you’ll be treated to a live Outback Stockman’s Show, featuring working dogs, horses, sheep, bulls, and a charming stockman who embodies the outback larrikin spirit. As the day winds down, we enjoy a relaxing sunset cruise along the Thomson River. The evening continues with an outback dinner and show, set beside a crackling campfire under a canopy of twinkling outback stars.

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Winton Touring

Meals: Full Breakfast, Lunch, Two Course Dinner

Travelling to Winton we spend time at the Australian Age of Dinosaurs, the world's largest collection of unique Australian dinosaur fossils and the most productive fossil preparation lab in the southern hemisphere. Enjoy lunch and a guided tour taking in the Fossil Preparation Laboratory and Collection Room and March of the Titanosaurs exhibition at Dinosaur Canyon. Our afternoon takes us to the Waltzing Matilda Centre, where the exhibition space tells the story of WW1, the Art Gallery displays travelling exhibitions, the Qantilda Museum tells the story and history of Winton, and the birth of Qantas.

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Longreach to Toogunna Plains Farmstay

Stay: Toogunna Plains Farmstay • Meals: Full Breakfast, Lunch, Two Course Dinner

We farewell Longreach this morning and plunge deep into the majestic Channel Country, the inspiration for 'Kings in Grass Castles'. Enjoy a smoko stop at picturesque Swanvale Lookout straddling the majestic Johnstone Range. Near Jundah, see The Native Well used for centuries as a valuable water source by Aboriginal people. We'll break for lunch at Windorah's Western Star Hotel, a classic outback pub, before traveling to Toogunna Plains, a 4th generation sheep and cattle property. We'll stay two nights in beautifully presented, ensuite cabins. Late afternoon, celebrate the glorious colours of the Channel Country with sunset drinks and canapés overlooking rolling, red, sandhills. 2 Night Stay: Toogunna Plains Farmstay

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Toogunna Plains Farmstay

Meals: Full Breakfast, Lunch, Two Course Dinner

Wake to blissful splendour on this 130,000-acre property and tuck into a gourmet cooked breakfast. Join our hosts on a station tour today for an insightful look into the unique challenges and joys of living on the land. This afternoon, we visit the Eromanga Natural History Museum, to meet Australia's largest dinosaur from some 95-million years ago. Expert guides demonstrate fossil preparation, and witness these ancient giants come to life in a state-of-the-art multi-media presentation. Enjoy sunset drinks and canapés on the Museum's spectacular outdoor pavilion. Then savour an exclusive 'Taste of the Outback' long-table dinner in their multimillion- dollar Reception Gallery.

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Quilpie, Charleville to Roma

Stay: Roma Explorers Inn • Meals: Full Breakfast, Lunch, Two Course Dinner

Embark on an enriching journey as we explore Quilpie's opal history, delving into its pioneering past, offering a captivating glimpse into the region's heritage. Our adventure continues with a venture to Charleville, where we'll visit the Outback Date Farm. Led by a knowledgeable farmer, we'll tour the lush date plantation, savouring the delectable fruits and enjoying an alfresco lunch amidst the serene surroundings. The day unfolds with a unique encounter with Australia's endangered Bilby, as we gain insights into their crucial role in maintaining ecosystem balance. Our expedition culminates in Roma, renowned for housing Australia's largest cattle saleyards, providing a fitting finale to an immersive Outback experience filled with history, nature, and culture. 1 Night Stay: Roma Explorers Inn

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Roma to Brisbane

Meals: Full Breakfast, Morning Tea, Lunch, Afternoon Tea, Two Course Dinner

Today we make our way back to Brisbane, breaking at Toowoomba for lunch with a view. We arrive back into Brisbane in the late afternoon. B = Full Breakfast MT = Morning Tea L = Lunch AT = Afternoon Tea D = Two Course Dinner

Inclusions

• Overnight rail journey in Sleeper Cabins aboard the Spirit of the Outback • Travel carbon neutral on our 100% offset opulent 'Diamond Class' or luxurious 'Gold Class' coach • Fully escorted by experienced Fun Over 50 Holidays tour host and coach captain • Barcaldine Tree of Knowledge • 3 nights in Longreach • Qantas Founders Museum; Luminescent Longreach show & guided tour • Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame; Outback Stockman's live show • Thomson River Sunset Cruise with dinner under the stars and live show • Australian Age of Dinosaurs • Waltzing Matilda Centre • Traverse the Channel Country through Jundah • 2 night stay at Toogunna Plains Farmstay, 4th generation sheep & cattle station • Enjoy welcome drinks and canapés taking in a spectacular Toogunna Plains Farmstay Kyra Sandhills sunset • Join outback hosts for a station tour learning about life on the land • Discover the opal town of Quilpie • 5 course Tastes of the Outback Dinner and stargazing tour at the Eromanga Natural History Museum • Take a guided tour at Charleville's Outback Date Farm and historic Corones Hotel • Charleville Bilby Experience which supports the bilby breeding program • 1 night Roma • 21 meals • 'Diamond Class' beverages served with dinner **(standard beer, wine, spirits and soft drink capped to a bar tab not unlimited)

Ready to Book?

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