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DEPARTS Tues 1 June 2010

COST  
incl GST  
**\$4795**

### TOUR INCLUDES

Return  flights  
to Sydney or Melbourne  
All accommodation (with three 2 night stays)  
All luxury coach travel  
All meals & all entries  
as per itinerary...



## KIMBERLEY MAGIC I TOUR

### HIGHLIGHTS

Sydney or Melbourne departure flying Qantas to Broome, swim and enjoy champagne at sunset on Cable Beach. Two nights in Broome, town, Cable Beach and Pearling Cemetery tours, shop till you drop. Travel to Derby for optional seaplane flights over the Buccaneer Archipelago to land at the Horizontal Waterfall followed by jet boat rides through the falls. Optional tour to travel the Gibb River Road to explore Tunnel Creek and beautiful Windjana Gorge which is part of the Devonian NP in the King Leopold Ranges. Travel to Fitzroy Crossing for a cruise on beautiful Geikie Gorge. Explore Halls Creek and its gold mining history. Enjoy an exclusive tour of Argyle Diamond Mine. Visit Wyndham's Five Rivers Lookout then on to Kununurra. Explore all aspects of Kununurra. Optional flight over the Ord River Irrigation Scheme, Lake Argyle, Bungle Bungles and Argyle Diamond Mine. Ord River farm tours, sunset cruise on Lake Argyle. Travel east visiting Timber Creek and Victoria River to Katherine. Travel to Adelaide River War Cemetery and on to Darwin for our Qantas day flight home to Sydney.

#### DAY 1 | Tues 1 June 2010 | Broome ... the magic of Broome!

You will be met at Sydney Airport by your Tour Director, who will accompany you on your direct Qantas flight to Broome. Upon arrival we tour Broome – Australia's North West Mecca and explore aspects of the vibrant history of this special place visiting the Japanese Cemetery, Gantheaume Point and the old Jap Town. We book into our luxury hotel, the 5 star Mangrove Hotel Resort, right on the waterfront overlooking the turquoise waters of Roebuck Bay – luxury plus! (L,D)

#### DAY 2 | Wed 2 June 2010 | Broome ... pearls, diamonds and history!

Today we do the tourist bit with free time to wander through Chinatown, the original commercial centre of Broome - once a bustling hub of pearl sheds, billiard saloons, entertainment houses and Chinese eateries. It is now the home to some of the world's finest Pearl Showrooms. Explore the Courthouse and the Courthouse markets, Tourist Centre, and the Shell House of Guy Street, which will captivate you with its myriad of different shells and fine jewellery on display. Your hotel is just a short walk to the hub of Broome so shop till you drop or just enjoy the warmth and ambiance that is Broome. Later, we visit Cable Beach (22 kms of white sand and clear tropical water) - the perfect spot to relax, swim and to enjoy champagne and Australia's best sunset. Tonight we enjoy a special dinner at Matso's Brewery and Restaurant. (B,D)

#### DAY 3 | Thurs 3 June 2010 | Derby ... a thousand islands!

We rise early and depart for Derby for special seaplane flights (optional) to land at the Horizontal Waterfall in the Buccaneer Archipelago. Here we transfer to a Sharkcat jetboat to speed through the falls once or twice! Wow! Adrenalin Plus! Our flights are limited to 10 at a time, so as we wait for our flight we can explore Derby, a unique place with its giant Boab trees (believed to be 500-1000 years old) and fascinating Jetty that hosts the highest tides in the Southern Hemisphere (with king tides rising as high as 12 metres). Visit Wharfingers House Museum, or just relax. What a great day it'll be! This afternoon we enjoy the great pool and facilities at the King Sound Resort and then down to the wharf for another champagne sunset. (B,D)

#### DAY 4 | Fri 4 June 2010 | Tunnel Creek ... down the Gibb River Road!

Today we transfer to a special 4WD bus for our exclusive tour in which we explore the Devonian National Park in the King Leopold Ranges. On past limestone ridges, remnants of ancient coral reefs of unmatched grandeur, to spectacular Windjana Gorge with its limestone cliffs rising to 100 metres. These massive ancient coral reef structures were formed 600 million years ago and rise majestically from the flat plains. Then we travel to Tunnel Creek, where we have the chance to explore and, for the adventurous, either walk or swim through Tunnel Creek, a tunnel carved by erosion through the Napier Range. We travel back to the King Sound Resort for our overnight stay. (B,L,D)

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DAY 5 | Sat 5 June 2010 | Halls Creek ... a Geike Gorge Cruise!

This morning, after a sumptuous breakfast, we set off to Fitzroy Crossing for our fabulous cruise back into history on Geikie Gorge. The walls of the Gorge are embedded with fossils (part of a 350 million year old Devonian Reef) and the water life includes sharks, stingrays, crocodiles and swordfish that have adapted to the fresh water. Cruise the Gorge that inspires photographers and artists from all over the world. Then on to Halls Creek for our overnight stay and the Halls Creek Best Western Motel. (B,L,D)

DAY 6 | Sun 6 June 2010 | Wyndham ... diamonds - a girl's best friend!

Today, we travel through Turkey Creek to begin our exclusive tour of the giant Argyle Diamond Mine. You'll be amazed at the scale of the operation, and will have an opportunity to buy some 'stones' if you so desire before enjoying a fabulous lunch. Then we travel north to Wyndham, visit the Five Rivers Lookout before heading to Kununurra for our two night stay at the Lakeside Resort. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 | Mon 7 June 2010 | Kununurra ... the mighty Ord River!

Kununurra is a modern town and the centre for the mighty Ord River Irrigation Scheme. We explore the town and environs including the view from Kelly's Knob. We have optional flights over the Argyle Dam, the Ord River on to the Bungle Bungles and returning via the Argyle Diamond Mines. The flights take approximately two and a half hours and will afford you one of the best views of the magnificent Kimberley you'll ever have. Alternately you may like a shorter flight (35 mins) over the Ord Scheme (the Packsaddle and Ivanhoe Plains Irrigation Areas), the Carr Boyd Ranges, the Argyle Dam wall and Lake Argyle. With so many options available, this will be a free lunch day, after which we will meet again to be taken on a tour of the Ord River Scheme visiting tropical agricultural farms producing such a variety of products such as sugar, melons and special flower crops. To finalise our visit we will be taken on a fabulous Sunset Cruise of Lake Argyle to see the diverse wildlife that inhabits the shores at dusk. Hand feed fish and freshwater crocodiles (if you're game) and meet a family of Euros who have lived on a small island since Lake Argyle was filled in 1974. We enjoy champagne, drinks and nibbles as a beautiful sunset unfolds. What a day! You'll sleep well tonight. (B,D)

DAY 8 | Tues 8 June 2010 | Kununurra ... the El Questro experience!

Join our exclusive tour to Wyndham and explore this historic town with its rich links with the Australian pearling industry; enjoy the panorama from the Five Rivers Lookout and examine the biggest crocodile you'll ever see before making our way onto the Gibb River Road en route to the famous El Questro Station. We enjoy a sumptuous morning tea in the beautiful Emma Gorge Resort before travelling to Zebedee Thermal Springs for an exclusive swim in this tropical oasis. After which, we travel into the El Questro Township ready for a sumptuous lunch in the Steakhouse Restaurant followed by an afternoon champagne cruise on fabulous Chamberlain Gorge. Then it's back to Kununurra for our final night. (B,L,D)

DAY 9 | Wed 9 June 2010 | Katherine ... the strength in us all!

This morning we travel east along the Victoria Highway into the Northern Territory to Timber Creek. We pass the turnoff to Bullo River Station, the home of Sara Henderson, the well-known author of "From Strength to Strength". We follow the mighty Victoria River for a number of kilometres to Gregory's Tree, in Gregory National Park. The park was named after Augustus Charles Gregory, a West Australian Surveyor who explored the Victoria River and environs during 1855-56. Through Victoria River Crossing to Katherine for our stay at the Knott's Crossing Resort. (B,L,D)

DAY 10 | Thurs 10 June 2010 ... fly away home; back to the cold!

We travel north along the Stuart Highway to Adelaide River for morning tea and time to reflect at the War Cemetery for victims of the Japanese bombing of Darwin. Then on to Darwin for our afternoon Qantas flight home to Sydney and back to winter, longing for some more Kimberley Magic (B,L,D)

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