



PLATINUM JOURNEYS



PILBARA ADVENTURE

14 Days - Sunday 13th to Saturday 26th September 2020

Travel from Broome to Perth via the red landscape of the Pilbara, Hamersley Ranges and Karijini National Park. We'll also see Ningaloo Reef, Monkey Mia and Kalbarri National Park, plus some more unique stops including The Pinnacles and "Rainbow Jungle".



Day 1: HOME - BROOME Sun 13 Sept (D)

Welcome to our Pilbara Adventure from stunning Broome to Western Australia's contemporary capital, Perth. We depart from Canberra Airport where we board our flight to Broome. We are greeted on arrival by our friendly Platinum Journeys team as we embark on our tour. Tonight, our welcome dinner is in our hotel (lunch at own expense/ dinner in hotel).

Overnight: Oaks Resort Broome (subject to availability)

Day 2: BROOME Mon 14 Sept (BHTD)

Situated on the coast of the Southern Kimberly Region, Broome's rich and colourful history began with the mass migration of Japanese, Filipino and Malay pearl divers seeking their fortune and creating a melting pot of cultures that makes the multicultural town that it is today. A local expert will showcase the best of Broome including Gantheaume Point, Japanese Cemetery & Chinatown. We also visit Pearl Luggers to discover the history of pearling, fascinating memorabilia and then immerse ourselves in the first-hand experiences from divers. We'll also enjoy a delicious high tea. Have your camera ready as late afternoon we'll drive to famous Cable Beach to watch the magical sunset. Dinner follows at the restaurant overlooking the beach at Zanders Cable Beach (breakfast in hotel / high tea included / dinner included).

Overnight: Oaks Resort Broome (subject to availability)

Day 3: BROOME - PORT HEDLAND Tues 15 Sept (BLD)

We have an early start today as we travel through some of the more sparsely populated and remote areas of Australia as we skirt the Great Sandy Desert to the east and Eighty Mile Beach to the west. We'll enjoy our picnic lunches before deviating from the highway to view Eighty Mile Beach near Wallal Downs Station. From here we travel to Pardoo Roadhouse for an afternoon stop before arriving in Port Hedland, a town with a rich shipping and mining culture, for our overnight's accommodation (breakfast & dinner at hotel / packed lunch included).

Overnight: Hospitality Inn Port Hedland (subject to availability)

Day 4: PORT HEDLAND - KARIJINI Wed 16 Sept (BLD)

After breakfast we join the Great Northern Highway taking us to the Auski Roadhouse where we turn and head into the Hamersley Ranges and the Karijini National Park. With massive gorges, crystal clear rock pools and waterfalls, Karijini National Park, is one of Western Australia's most spectacular natural attractions. We travel through Yampire Gorge and onto Fortescue Falls and Dales Gorge for our picnic lunch stop. Our accommodation for the next two nights is at Karijini Eco Retreat, situated right in the park. This is a true eco-experience! (breakfast & dinner in hotel /packed lunch included).

Overnight: Karijini Eco Retreat (subject to availability)

Day 5: KARIJINI NATIONAL PARK Thurs 17 Sept (BD)

Nestled deep in the Hamersley Ranges is the town of Tom Price, home to one of the world's richest Iron Ore deposits. We join Lestok Tours on an informative tour of the massive mining operation. This afternoon sees us exploring the stunning National Park. From the stunning Oxer Lookout, we get uninterrupted views over the junction of Weano, Red, Hancock and Joffre gorges (breakfast & dinner at hotel / lunch at own expense).

Overnight: Karijini Eco Retreat (subject to availability)

Day 6: KARIJINI - EXMOUTH Fri 18 Sept (BLD)

Today's the longest leg of the journey, so read your book, talk to new friends or watch the scenery roll by out the window. We stop for convenience breaks and to enjoy our picnic lunches before arriving in the coastal town Exmouth (breakfast & dinner at hotel / packed lunch included).

Overnight: Potshot Hotel Resort (subject to availability)

Day 7: EXMOUTH - CARNARVON Sat 19 Sept (BD)

We adventure to Coral Bay where we join our coral viewing vessel for a cruise around the Ningaloo Marine Park with its remarkable reef. Although the Ningaloo Reef is not as well-known as the Great Barrier Reef off the Queensland coast, it is just as spectacular. See the unique marine life through the crystal-clear waters and feel the white sand beneath your feet. After cruising we leave the North West Cape and travel to Carnarvon for the night (breakfast & dinner in hotel / lunch at own expense).

Overnight: Best Western Hospitality Inn Carnarvon (subject to availability)

Day 8: CARNARVON - MONKEY MIA Sun 20 Sept (BLD)

At the Carnarvon Space and Technology Museum, we learn about Carnarvon's part it played in the space race. We stop at Hamelin Pool to see a colony of Stromatolites (fossil micro-organisms) that date back to the beginning of life on earth. We enjoy lunch at the Telegraph Station before making our way through Denham and Shell Beach. Surrounded by rusty red dunes, white sandy beaches and water teeming with wildlife is Monkey Mia, our home for the night. We have the remainder of the day at leisure before dinner at the resort (breakfast & dinner at hotel / lunch included).

Overnight: Monkey Mia Dolphin Resort (subject to availability)

Day 9: MONKEY MIA - KALBARRI Mon 21 Sept (BLD)

With any luck, today we'll experience Monkey Mia's famous wild dolphin encounter. The friendly pod of bottlenose dolphins regularly swim to the shallows and interact with humans for a wonderful wildlife experience. From here we enjoy lunch at the Overlander Roadhouse before travelling to Kalbarri for free time this afternoon (breakfast & dinner in hotel / lunch included).

Overnight: The Edge Resort Kalbarri (subject to availability)

Day 10: KALBARRI NATIONAL PARK Tues 22 Sept (BLD)

We stop at Hawks Head for fantastic views of the Murchison River and one of the gorges. Have your camera ready as we see Nature's Window, a natural rock arch which frames the river view perfectly. Next is Z-Bend, where we see spectacular river gorge views from an overhanging rock formation. We visit Rainbow Jungle - considered to be Australia's most beautiful parrot habitat. It contains the largest parrot free flight aviary in the country. Our final stop is 'The Bluff' lookout for views of the treacherous coastline and over the Kalbarri Township (breakfast & dinner at hotel / lunch included).

Overnight: The Edge Resort Kalbarri (subject to availability)

Day 11: KALBARRI - CERVANTES Wed 23 Sept (BLD)

Our journey today takes us through to Geraldton where we take in the local sights including the port area, St. Francis Xavier Cathedral and the HMAS Sydney Memorial before stopping for an early lunch break. We continue south to the town of Cervantes. This spectacular seaside town is the access point to the truly remarkable Nambung National Park, where the famous Pinnacles, rise out of the yellow sand dunes. The limestone pillars, standing two metres tall, are one of the state's foremost natural wonders and attract visitors from around the world. While discovering this phenomenon, look out for the gardens and bushlands filled with colour from the spring wildflowers. This will be one of the highlights of our tour! (breakfast & dinner at hotel / lunch included).

Overnight: Cervantes Pinnacles Motel (subject to availability)

Day 12: CERVANTES - PERTH Thu 24 Sept (BLD)

We make our way to the interesting town of New Norcia, on arrival we enjoy a tour of the town and a visit to the amazing Museum & Art Gallery. We also enjoy lunch at New Norcia Hotel, which began its life in 1927 as a guest house for parents visiting their children in the schools nearby. We continue to Western Australia's capital city, Perth, our home for the next two nights (breakfast & dinner in hotel / lunch included).

Overnight: Pan Pacific Perth (subject to availability)

Day 13: PERTH Fri 25 Sept (BD)

We embark on a sightseeing tour of Perth, the city with wonderful weather, beautiful beaches and an easy-going character. Our local expert will guide us through the unusual combination of skyscrapers and colonial architecture, among them, Parliament House, St Mary's Cathedral and Government House. We are treated to spectacular views over the city and river from Kings Park. Wander through Federation Walkway where we get a glimpse at the wildflowers dotted throughout the park. We travel to the historic port of Fremantle for free time. Fremantle is full of well-preserved heritage, including the convict-built colonial era buildings, the old jetty and the prison. We join Captain Cook Cruises from a cruise down the Swan River with full commentary and a premium wine tasting to top off a fantastic day of exploring. We are transferred to our hotel for our farewell dinner. (breakfast & dinner in hotel / lunch at own expense).

Overnight: Pan Pacific Perth (subject to availability)

Day 14: PERTH - HOME Sat 26 Sept (B)

We say goodbye to Western Australia as we board our flight to Canberra. We arrive home from our Western Australian adventure feeling elated and privileged to have travelled to one of the most diverse and beautiful regions in the world (breakfast in hotel / lunch at own expense).



Broome

Karajarri
Indigenous
Protected Area

Port Hedland

Nyangumarta
Warrarn Indigenous
Protected Area

Karratha

Exmouth

Gascoyne Multiple
Use Zone

Karijini National Park

Carnarvon

Monkey Mia

WESTERN
AUSTRALIA

Gibson

Kalbarri

Geraldton

Cervantes

Kalgoorlie

Perth



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Tour cost Twin Share/Double per person \$5950.00
Solo Traveller \$7275.00

Tour cost based on a minimum of 14 passengers.

.(B) Breakfast. (L) Lunch. (D) Dinner. Alterations to the itinerary may occur – a final confirmed itinerary will be provided with your travel documentation approximately 3 weeks prior to departure.

TOUR COST INCLUDES

Air-conditioned, restroom equipped vehicle with experienced driver/guide & hostess.

Twin share accommodation.

All entry fees to sightseeing activities as listed in the itinerary.

TOUR COST DOES NOT INCLUDE

Airfares from Canberra to Broome and from Perth to Canberra.

Travel insurance – Travel Makers strongly advise taking out travel insurance.

Items of personal nature eg laundry/phone and any optional extras/trips listed in the itinerary.

All beverages and meals not indicated in the itinerary.

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CONDITIONS OF BOOKING

All bookings must be accompanied by a deposit of \$600.00 per person
The balance and final payment must be received 60 days prior to departure.

CANCELLATION POLICY

More than 60 days notice : full refund less \$600.00 deposit

14 days to 60 days before tour : 50% refund

Within 14 days of tour : no refund

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take out travel insurance in case of illness or accident**