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 Duration

Northern Territory
 Destination

Level 3 - Moderate to
 Challenging
 Activity

Exploring Alice Springs and Uluru-Kata Tjuta National park by Motorbike

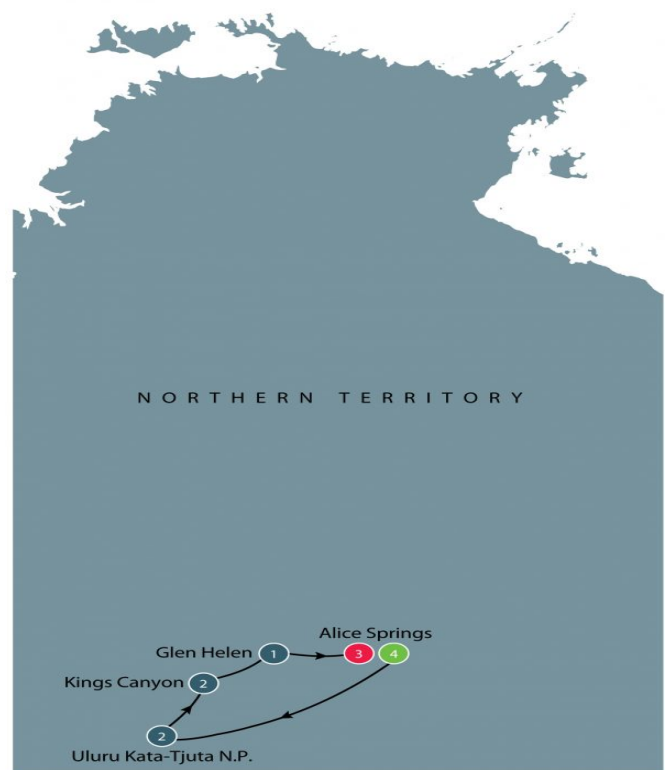
Mar 12 2023 to Mar 25 2023

Exploring Alice Springs and Uluru-Kata Tjuta National park by Motorbike.

Discover World Heritage values of the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park on your own motorbike, with or without your pillion passenger or allow Odyssey to provide you with a BMW Adventure series bike to enjoy for

Exploring Alice Springs and Uluru-Kata Tjuta National park by Motorbike

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12 days. We can also arrange transportation of your bike from within Australia to and from Alice Springs at your cost.

This safari includes spectacular desert scenery and explores the Outback's precious and resilient nature at the continent's heart. Discover the rich cultural (especially Aboriginal) heritage, while exploring some stunning parts of this red landscape. Approximately half (1/2) of the distance travelled on this small group motorcycle tour is on good unsealed roads in the Northern Territory. For reasons of safety and comfort, the touring season is from mid April to early October each year. The group is limited to 8 riders plus the leader.

The tour is a blend of Aboriginal history including tours to understand art in the landscape of central Australia. As well as the desert and colonial history of Stuart in searching for an eventual route for the telegraph line. But not only is the Telegraph station important we as a group visit Hermannsburg and understand the history and struggles of getting the Ghan railway through and the role of camels in this dry environment.

The price of the bike including transport costs to and from Alice Springs is from AUD\$8,000 per bike, including panniers, riding gear and safety equipment such as body airbag and GPS communicator excluding boots, helmet and gloves.

This tour links to the regular Uluru-Kata Tjuta small group tour. Commencing typically three days before the regular tour.

Tour Notes

- The order of visits may change due to individual venue opening hours and Covid-19 restrictions.

Highlights

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1. Ride around Uluru-Kata at sunset, learn about the importance of place and trading for the Aboriginal society.
2. Visit Hermmansburg mission .
3. Learn about contemporary Aboriginal art of the desert including Papunya.
4. Visit and learn about Kings Canyon.
5. Visit the Henbury meteorite site.

Itinerary

Day 1

Locations: Alice Springs

Overview:

This small group tour begins with a welcome reception and dinner in Alice Springs. The afternoon will include a safety and road awareness briefing. Packing up and general preparations ready for the ride that commences on day 3.

Accommodation:

Alice Springs; Double tree or Equivalent

Day 2

Locations: Alice Springs

Overview:

We have a walking tour of historic Alice Springs including a talk at the Central Desert regional council offices. In the afternoon we have a talk about the contemporary Aboriginal art movement to complement the

visit earlier today.

This afternoon there will be depending on participant numbers unto 3 hour in the field tuition on managing your bike when riding on gravel.

Accommodation:

Alice Springs; Double tree or Equivalent

Day 3

Locations: Alice Springs

Overview:

This is a day to discover the secrets of the Australian deserts, the plants and animals, and their traditional use by Aboriginal people. These are all impressively presented at the Alice Springs Desert Park. We also plan to visit the Old Telegraph Station next to the springs which gave the town its name. This is a short ride today.

Day 4

Locations: Alice Springs

Overview:

Today is a leisure day before we leave Alice Springs early the following day.

Accommodation:

Alice Springs; Double tree or Equivalent

Day 5

Locations: Uluru

Overview:

We head south along the Stuart Highway with a diversion to visit the Henbury Meteorite Reserve. The small craters result from the impact of meteorites from outer space. We then follow the Lasseter Highway west to Uluru – Kata Tjuta National Park, where we settle into the resort

before setting off to watch the sunset over Uluru.

Accommodation:

Uluru resort

Day 6

Locations: Uluru

Overview:

The only way to truly experience Uluru (Ayers Rock) is to visit it. No picture can show the magnificence of the size and colours of the rock (348 m high). Like the Olgas, Uluru is set within the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park, and the same pass that you use for the Olgas covers Ayers Rock. Take a wonderful day walking around “The Rock” inside this World Heritage National Park without climbing it out of respect for the traditional owners.

In the afternoon we will also explore the interesting and sculptured Kata Tjuta (the Olgas), a mass of smaller nearby monoliths, full of legends. Enjoy the spectacular scenery and watch the sun set there.

Accommodation:

Uluru resort

Day 7

Locations: Kings Canyon

Overview:

Travel to Watarrka National Park (Kings Canyon), a wonderful area for walking through a colourful and sculptured landscape. This is an area of grand scenic vistas. Breathtaking, 300 m, sheer cliff faces, a geological “lost city” of sandstone domes, and a cycad-fringed waterhole are among the special highlights and are a spectacular climax to the day accompanied by a local guide.

Accommodation:

Kings Canyon or equivalent

Day 8

Locations: Kathleen Gorge

Overview:

Explore around Kathleen Gorge within the Watarrka National Park. This is one of the most spectacular spots in Central Australia. Discover something about the Aboriginal life and traditions of this region.

Accommodation:

Kings Canyon or equivalent

Day 9

Locations: Finke Gorge

Overview:

Make an excursion to the Finke Gorge National Park, where tall cabbage palms and other rare plants grow along the several water-courses which cut through this park's dry stony hills. The remarkable scenery includes the picturesque Palm Valley. We travel round to Glen Helen.

Accommodation:

Glen Helen or equivalent

Day 10

Locations: Hermannsberg

Overview:

Travel via the Mereenie Loop Road to visit Tnorala (Gosse Bluff), where a comet crashed to earth 142 million years ago forming a mammoth crater surrounded by tall rock hills. This area is now a conservation reserve. Travel from here on to Hermannsberg, the site of an old Lutheran Mission, and once the home of great Aboriginal artist Albert Namatjira. We have a guide with us for the day, in the afternoon

we return to Alice Springs.

Accommodation:

Double tree Alice Springs

Day 11**Locations:** West MacDonnell Ranges**Overview:**

This small group travels today to explore and learn about the West MacDonnell Ranges. This is Namatjira country and true to the famous artist's colours. Visit many features along this dazzling drive, including Simpson's Gap, Standley Chasm, the ochre pits and Glen Ormiston.

The West MacDonnells landscapes are internationally famous.

Accommodation:

Double tree Alice Springs

Day 12**Locations:** East MacDonnell ranges**Overview:**

Today this small group tour explores the best features of the East MacDonnell Ranges which, although less famous than the West MacDonnells, are equally as impressive. Excursions include the old gold town of Arltunga, as well as Trepina Gorge and Emily and Jessie Gaps, along with significant relics of Aboriginal heritage.

Accommodation:

Double tree Alice Springs

Day 13**Locations:** Alice Springs**Overview:**

Tour concludes after breakfast.

Inclusions / Exclusions

What's included in our Tour

- 12 nights in cabin and hotel accommodation,
- 12 breakfasts, 6 lunches, and 9 dinners.
- Lectures and handouts as indicated.
- Services of a program leader and guides.
- Suitcase storage for duration of tour.

What's not included in our Tour

- Transport to and from Alice Springs
- Comprehensive travel insurance including Motorbike insurance.
- Items of a personal nature, such as telephone calls and laundry
- BMW Motorcycle rental, GPS, BMW or equivalent rider jacket and pants, helmet, gloves, airbag inner jacket, & roadside assist. Panniers X 2 plus top box.
- Roadside assistance.

Level 3 - Moderate to Challenging

Participants must be in excellent health, extremely mobile and live an active lifestyle. Program activities may include up to 6 hours of continuous strenuous, moderate to fast paced activity per day over varied terrain.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any requests for further information about this tour or any others offered by Odyssey Travel.