



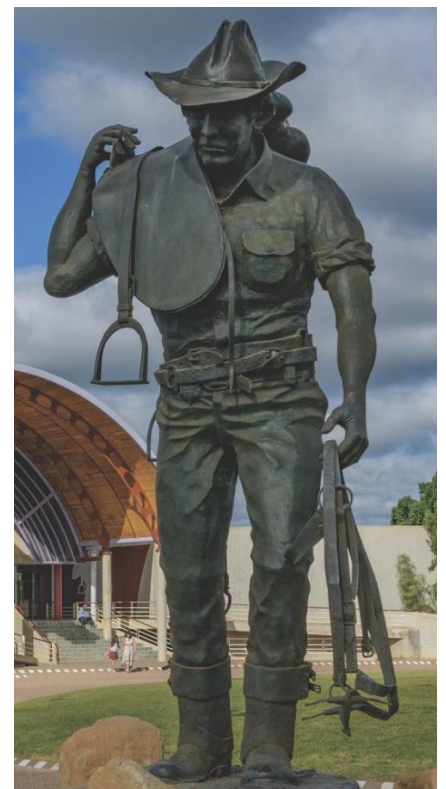
QUEENSLAND - OUTBACK CALLING
5 Nights / 6 Days OR 6 Nights / 7 Days
Featuring 'SPIRIT OF THE OUTBACK' TRAIN JOURNEY



Leave the Queensland coast behind and venture beyond to experience a side of Australia few ever truly see. Where the reef and rainforest end, a deeper adventure begins—in the timeless expanse of the West Queensland Outback. This is a land of towering ghost gums, and skies that stretch forever. Here, the true spirit of the Australian bush comes alive through the people who call it home.

Ride across sweeping cattle and sheep stations. Feel the deep connection between the locals and the red dirt beneath their boots. Shake hands with fifth-generation station owners. Hear raw, unfiltered stories passed down through families who tamed a harsh and beautiful land. Stand at the birthplace of Qantas in Longreach. Walk the historic ground in Winton where Banjo Paterson first penned *Waltzing Matilda*.

Taste the silence as you dine on hearty bush cuisine under a magnificent canopy of southern stars. Feel the profound, peaceful magic of being miles from anywhere. This is a journey into the soul of Australia.



HIGHLIGHTS:

- Rosebank Station Tour & Smoko
- Qantas Founders Museum & Guided Airpark Tour
- Camden Park Station Sunset Tour
- Great Darr River Rail Run
- Darr River Downs Station Tour
- Winton Royal Theatre
- Waltzing Matilda Centre
- Australian Age of Dinosaurs, Gondwana Experience & Deluxe Sunset Barbecue
- Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame & Stockman's Live Show
- Drover's Sunset Cruise Including Smithy's Outback Dinner & Show

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DAY 1 - TUESDAY BRISBANE TO LONGREACH

Arrive Brisbane and board 'Spirit Of The Outback' train at 6.10 pm for the 1325 km journey that will take you north along the coast to Rockhampton where you head inland away from the ocean and balmy tropics to the rugged, sunburnt heart of the Outback.

Heading west with the sun rising you're travelling through the Central Highlands of Queensland passing country towns like Emerald with its' Federation-style historic station. Short stops are made enroute for refuelling and disembarking passengers so you can get off and stretch your legs.

Climbing the Drummond Range the train travels through tight curves allowing you to see the front and back of the train. Hannam's Gap at 524m is the top of the Range. The hills give way to scrubland with termite mounds as it follows the flat Capricorn Highway. Cattle country and small outback towns appear along the route as you approach Longreach arriving there at 6.00 pm.

A first-class cabin, although small, provides an armchair during the day and single sleeper at night. Shower and toilet facilities are shared. Excellent meals are included and there is a good selection of beverages and Queensland wine.



Comfortable sleeper cabins





Quaint Queensland country towns

Dining car

DAY 2 - WEDNESDAY ARRIVE LONGREACH

Arrive Longreach If travelling by air. A transfer is provided to your accommodation.

Arrive Longreach Station from **'Spirit Of The Outback'** at 6.00 pm and make your own way to your hotel.

DAY 3 - THURSDAY LONGREACH

Enjoy a warm Outback welcome at the historic Rosebank Station. Join a guided station tour, followed by morning tea and stories of yesteryear. In 1959, Rosebank welcomed Princess Alexandra and Princess Alice, who stayed in a specially built wing, fittingly named the 'Princess Wing'.

Discover the story behind Australia's national airline at the Qantas Founders Museum, followed by a guided Airpark Tour.

Later this afternoon, experience the hospitality of local graziers at Camden Park Station, a historic working cattle and sheep property of 18,500 acres. It is run by fifth-generation Dan Walker and his family. After an engaging station tour, enjoy sunset drinks and nibbles followed by an exclusive dinner.



DAY 4 - FRIDAY WINTON

Board a heritage rail motor in Longreach for a one-way journey on the Great Darr River Rail Run before continuing by coach to Darr River Downs Station.

Discover the rich history and development of the pastoral industry during a private tour and lunch hosted by the owners of this heritage-listed homestead.

This afternoon, take in the ever-changing Outback landscapes as we travel to Winton. Following dinner at the iconic North Gregory Hotel, stroll next door to the historic Royal Open-Air Theatre (est. 1937) to enjoy a film beneath the stars.

Day 5 - SATURDAY WINTON

Today, discover how Australia's transport pioneers helped shape the nation's road network at the Heritage Truck and Machinery Museum. We then visit the Waltzing Matilda Centre, dedicated to the story behind "Waltzing Matilda", Australia's unofficial national anthem. It is so steeped in Australiana telling the history of the Qantas origins, Aboriginal cultural history, opal mining and events such as the Shearers' Strike, WWI and the dinosaur trail.

Mid-afternoon, enjoy a short drive out of town to the Australian Age of Dinosaurs Museum, dramatically situated atop a spectacular mesa.



Here, join a guided interpretive tour through the Laboratory and Collection Room. As the day draws to a close, soak up the atmosphere at a special sunset barbecue overlooking the vast plains once roamed by dinosaurs, before concluding with the immersive Gondwana Observatory night experience.

DAY 6 - SUNDAY LONGREACH

Return to Longreach this morning to explore the fascinating galleries of the Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame. Discover inspiring stories of Australia's pioneering heroes and enjoy the exciting Stockman's Live Show.



Later this afternoon, unwind on the Drover's Sunset Cruise with onboard nibbles, followed by a two-course table-service dinner at Smithy's Outback Dinner & Show.

Enjoy an evening under the stars while being entertained by our talented outback performer with their songs and stories.

A two-course table service dinner is served featuring our camp oven themed modern cuisine.



DAY 7 - MONDAY TOUR ENDS IN LONGREACH

Arrangements end after breakfast with a transfer to the airport or rail terminal.

SCHEDULE 2027: ex Longreach

21 & 28 April, 19 & 26 May, 9 & 23 June, 7, 14, 21 & 28 July, 4 & 11 August, 1, 15, 22 & 29 September, 6 October

COST 2027: per person share twin/double in AUST\$

6 day tour Longreach / Longreach

Share twin AU\$4177 Single room supplement AU\$822

7 day tour Brisbane / Longreach

Share twin AU\$4582 Single room supplement AU\$822

***Includes One-way Sleeper Rail on the 'Spirit of the Outback' with meals included. Pricing confirmed pending availability.**

COST INCLUDES:

- 5 nights ensuite accommodation – 3 nights boutique themed hotel, 2 nights motel
- Touring with experienced guides, operator driver and host
- MEALS: 5 breakfasts, 4 lunches & 4 dinners
- All entries/activities as per itinerary
- Longreach accommodation arrival/departure transfers

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