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AUSTRALIA

2023-2024 GUIDED HOLIDAYS



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Outback Explorer: Uluru to Adelaide

6 Included Experiences

Departure Dates

2023	
Jun	10, 17
Jul	08, 15
Aug	05, 12

See available prices and departure dates from 01 April 2024 at aatkings.com. Or contact your local travel agent.

A limited number of single rooms are available. Ask your travel agent at time of booking.

Dining

3 Full breakfasts B 3 Dinners D

Flight Information

Day Prior – flights to arrive anytime into Ayers Rock Airport

Day 4 – flights to depart anytime from Adelaide Airport

Flights are not included in the holiday price.

Highlights

🏠 Iconic Sites

Things get deep in Cooper Pedy, that Aussie town that lies largely underground. Visit some iconic buildings all marbled with opals.

🕒 Time For You

Uluru is one of those places you could spend a lot of time at. Arrive early to soak up the spirituality.

🌿 Sustainable Travel

Sleep soundly knowing that wherever you wander with AAT Kings, you're contributing to the protection of the destinations you visit.

🌍 Natural Wonders

Salt lakes and South Australia go hand in hand. Prepare for your white-out at Lake Hart, a vast pearly plain made all the more dramatic by the pindan soil that surrounds.

Cooper Pedy

As this holiday departs at 7.30am from Ayers Rock Resort, accommodation will need to be pre-booked for the previous night.

1 Uluru – Cooper Pedy

There's something starkly beautiful about the Australian outback. The pindan soil, silvery gums, horizon-busting eucalypts, vast swathes of sun-baked nothingness. This is your backdrop as you cross from the Northern Territory into South Australia, ready to get deep at your destination. Cooper Pedy, known as 'the opal capital of the world', is all lunar landscapes at the surface, and psychedelic colours underground. Loose not only in the rainbow-hued opals in a vast network of subterranean tunnels, but also live here, go to church here and send their kids to school here. You'll get to bed down in an underground hotel as well. Nature's air-conditioning. Hotel: Desert Care. D

2 Cooper Pedy – Port Augusta

It's hard to imagine landscapes more dramatic than those you've experienced so far. But nature up the ante at Lake Hart, a vast saltpan that sparked a community in the 1980s. Today, it's all but deserted, adding to the ethereal atmosphere. The vastness of the South Australian outback was no doubt one of the reasons why it was chosen to become the world's largest military land base. Believe it or not, Woomera has been a testing base for atomic bombs, ballistic missiles

and satellite boosters. Mull over that en route to SA's natural harbour of Port Augusta. Hotel: Majestic Ocean Apartments. B D

3 Port Augusta – Adelaide

The Yorlupa Outback Centre was created to decode some of the countryside you've been traversing over the past two days. Come face-to-face with giant ripper lizards, journey back in time to when dinosaurs roamed this land, and meet some of the people who first owned, explored and settled the region – as well as some of those who live here today. There are fossils and more opals, and interactive exhibits; have you ever tried Morse code? All this outback is thirsty work. Thankfully the Clare Valley is on the horizon. Gather in the ooler door at historic Krappeltin Wines to find out just why their feeling takes home so many awards. Their other drops are pretty tasty, too. Hotel: Crown Plaza. B D

4 Farewell from Adelaide

While your AAT Kings journey comes to an end, we seriously hope you have plans to linger in (and around) the South Australian capital. From the wineries to its epic Central Market, there's a reason why this part of the state attracts some of Australia's most innovative bakers, makers, growers, producers and vintners. Dig in! B

