

A Big Week Outback

In Longreach & Winton

7 Days / 6 Nights

Tour Departs: Saturday 3 August - Friday 9 August 2019

Tour Cost: \$3,199.00 per person Twin Share (Single Supplement \$350.00)

Minimum 20 Passengers

The tour prices valid for travel in August 2019 but is subject to change until confirmed. Please note the itinerary is subject to change without notice.



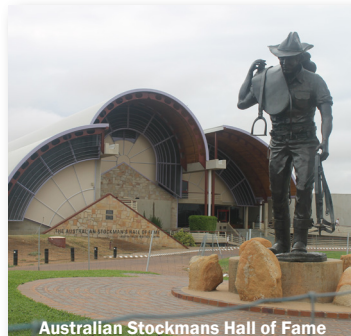
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Outback Pioneers - Gallop thru the scrub



Outback Pioneers - Thomson Belle Cruise



Australian Stockmans Hall of Fame



Outback Pioneers - Station Store

Day 1. Sat 3 Aug: Brisbane - Spirit of the Outback Rail

Dinner

Today we depart Brisbane Roma Street Rail Station on the iconic **Spirit of the Outback Rail**. The Spirit of the Outback Rail heads west into the heartland of Queensland's outback. With blue summer skies and rich golden soil to be seen into the horizon, this expedition is the perfect beginning to our Big Week Outback. This evening we enjoy a hearty outback inspired dinner in the **Tuckerbox Restaurant**, then we have exclusive access to the **Shearers Rest Lounge** to relax and mingle with fellow travellers or just watch the scenery pass by.

Overnight: Spirit of the Outback Train - First Class Sleeper

Day 2. Sun 4 Aug: Longreach

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Today we continue west further into Queensland's outback, passing through heritage towns of Blackwater, Emerald and Barcaldine. We enjoy lunch on-board before arriving into **Longreach** where we greet our local coach captain and transfer to our accommodation for check in. Tonight we enjoy some fantastic outback hospitality at the **Cattleman's Bar and Grill** with a country style dinner while watching the **Outback Stockman's Show**. The Show tells the story of real life stockmen and women who work on the land and features Lachie, a third generation stockman and horse breaker with his very entertaining sidekicks.

Overnight: Longreach Motor Inn

Day 3. Mon 5 Aug: Winton

Breakfast, M/Tea, Lunch & Dinner

It's an early start this morning for a full-day **Winton Discovery Experience**. We visit the award-winning **Australian Age of Dinosaurs museum** including the exciting new Dinosaur Canyon and the Collection Room. Next we enjoy lunch at the **historic North Gregory Hotel**. It was at the North Gregory Hotel where Australia's unofficial national anthem, **Waltzing Matilda** was performed in public for the very first time on the 6 April 1895. After lunch we visit the brand new **Waltzing Matilda Centre**, rebuilt better than ever after a fire in 2015. We're all excited to see how this attraction has evolved. Later we have the opportunity to explore the town a little further, we can take a short walk to **Arno's Wall**. A modern wonder of art and architecture, Arno Grotjahn's wall contains almost every household item you can imagine and more. Later in the afternoon we travel back to Longreach before dinner at one of the local restaurants.

Overnight: Longreach Motor Inn

Day 4. Tue 6 Aug: Longreach

Breakfast, M/Tea & Dinner

This morning we are in for a real outback treat enjoying a **guided historical town tour of Longreach**, then travel 15kms to **Nogo Station** to experience a **working cattle and sheep property** owned by the Kinnon family. We are treated to great country hospitality and morning tea whilst hearing the life stories of growing up on the land. This afternoon is free to relax back at the hotel or transfer into town for some free time to browse the shops. Tonight we transfer to Kinnon & Co's beautifully renovated **Welcome Home venue** for a **Stonegrill Dinner**.

Overnight: Longreach Motor Inn



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Day 5. Wed 7 Aug: Longreach

Breakfast & Dinner

This morning after breakfast we meet **Scotty** at the Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame for his **'Stories of the Past'** tour of the Pioneering Sculpture walk. After an informative tour we enter the **Stockman's Hall of Fame and Outback Heritage Centre**. Inside, the Centre's five themed galleries proudly display the history behind some of Australia's greatest and bravest explorers, stock workers, pastoralists, and Aborigines. The exhibits are comprised of an eclectic mix of objects, images, touch screens, audio visual presentations and open displays, allowing visitors to interpret the outback story in their own unique way. Our next stop is the **Qantas Founders Outback Museum** where we take a step back in time on the **747 and 707 secrets tour**. We discover national treasures such as the original hangar and the amazing artefacts and hear how this internationally recognised company became a leader in the field of world aviation and its contribution to the people living in isolated communities of the outback. This afternoon we head back to our accommodation for a chance to freshen up before meeting the Walker family at **Camden Park Station**. We are guided through the cattle yards before arriving at their Artesian Spring and Bore for sunset nibbles & drinks. We then return to the historic homestead for a hearty dinner under the outback stars followed by a tour of the family's historical homestead.

Overnight: Longreach Motor Inn

Day 6. Thu 8 Aug: Longreach

Breakfast, M/Tea, Lunch & Dinner

Today we enjoy an **exciting day** starting off with a themed breakfast in the Welcome Home Cafe. We then board the **Cobb & Co Stagecoach** for a **'Gallop Thru the Scrub' Tour**. Enjoying a thrilling gallop through the Australian bush in a replica Cobb & Co Coach drawn by a team of magnificent horses. We see first-hand the preparation of the horse team and take in the native bush and wildlife as we experience our ride. Next we are treated to a 'real bush smoko', an 'old time movie and some live theatre, with **the Harry Redford Old Time Tent Show**. Lunch is served before we re-join the coach and travel to our next stop, the **Longreach School of Distance Education**. Here we learn about the challenges of teaching over the airwaves and see some of the students work. We return to our accommodation to relax and freshen up before heading out to the **Thomson River** to join the **multi award winning Thomson River Sunset Cruise** on the west's only paddle wheeler, the **"Thomson Belle"**. Listen to informative commentary and take in the stunning outback scenery before enjoying a **Stockman's Dinner** and the **Starlight's Spectacular Sound & Light Show**. After a wonderful day with Kinnon & Co we travel back to our accommodation for a good nights rest.

Overnight: Longreach Motor Inn

Day 7. Fri 9 Aug: Longreach - Brisbane

Breakfast

We enjoy this morning at leisure before making our way to the **Longreach Airport** for our onward flight to **Brisbane**. We arrive back into Brisbane early afternoon after a wonderful tour of Outback Queensland with Trade Travel.

Highlights: Longreach Cattleman's Bar & Grill; The Famous North Gregory Hotel; Australian Age of Dinosaurs Exhibition; Corfield & Fitzmaurice Building; The Story of Nogo Cattle & Sheep Station with Morning Tea; Outback Settlers Dinner at the Welcome Home Venue; Cobb & Co Stagecoach 'Gallop Thru the Scrub' Tour & "Harry Redford Old Time Tent Show"; Longreach School of Distance Education; multi award winning Thompson River Cruise & Stockmans Dinner & "Starlight's Spectacular Sound & Light Show"; Stockman's Hall of Fame & Outback Heritage Centre; Qantas Founders Outback Museum; Camden Park Station Homestead Tour & Dinner plus more!

Tour Includes:

- Spirit of the Outback First Class Sleeper - Brisbane to Longreach
- Economy flight Longreach - Brisbane
- Luxury coach travel - Longreach
- 5 Nights quality accommodation
- Breakfast, lunch & dinner as per itinerary (15 Meals)
- All touring, attractions & guides as per itinerary

PAYMENT DETAILS

DEPOSIT \$250.00 per person along with your booking forms are due upon booking to confirm your place on the tour.

FINAL PAYMENT is due on or before Friday 3 May 2019

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