AUSTRALIA BY RAIL





The Ghan has taken travellers on the ultimate adventure across Australia since 1929. This epic four-day journey sees you travel through some of the most captivating and remote places in Australia, in great style and in comfort.

Platinum Service



This is the highest level of service. Cabins are configured by day as a private lounge with panoramic windows, comfortable seating, a table and ottomans. By night this converts to double or twin beds. You also have a full-size ensuite shower room. Continental breakfast can be enjoyed in your cabin as well as refreshments. The Platinum Club is where the included hearty breakfasts, 2-course lunches and 3-course evening meals, are served along with a complimentary range of beverages.

Gold Service



Gold service cabins are configured with a 3-seater lounge by day, which converts to upper and lower berths by night. Cabins have a private ensuite and the all-inclusive meals are served in the Queen Adelaide Restaurant. Australian wines, beers, a selection of spirts and non-alcoholic beverages are also included. Gold Superior cabins are available which have a little more space and give the option of a three-quarter size double bed plus a fold-down berth.

What's Included?

3 nights of accommodation on board in your chosen cabin grade

All meals as described, with selected wine & beverages

A choice of off-train excursions (upgrade options are also available)

On Departure from Darwin:

Shared transfers from Darwin hotels (Gold and Gold Superior Cabins) Private transfers from Darwin Hotels (Platinum Cabins)

On Arrival in Adelaide:

Shared transfers to Adelaide hotels (Gold and Gold Superior Cabins) Private transfers to Adelaide Hotels (Platinum Cabins)

Departures

March to October

Departs Darwin: Wednesday Arrives Adelaide: Saturday



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Day 1 Darwin

Board *The Ghan* in Darwin for the start of an incredible journey, through the magnificent outback landscapes of Australia. Settle in to your private cabin and then make your way to the Queen Adelaide Restaurant, where lunch will be served. After lunch the train pulls into Katherine for the first of the included off-train excursions. Take a cruise on the Katherine River or gain an insight into the traditional owners of Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge, the Jawoyn people, with a tailor-made, cultural experience. Upgraded experiences are also available including scenic helicopter flights. Back on board dinner is served as the sun sets. When you head back to your cabin you'll find it ready for a restful sleep as *The Ghan* continues south towards Alice Springs.

Meal(s) Included: Lunch & Dinner



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Day 2 Alice Springs

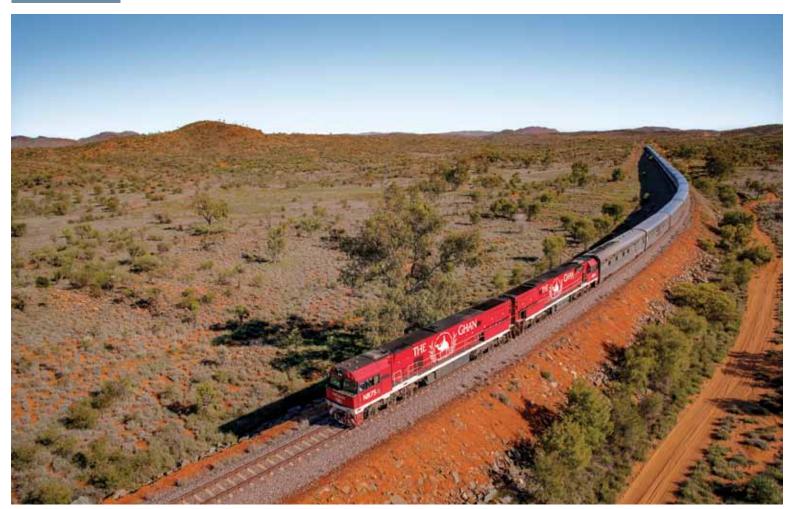
Wake to a new view outside your window. This heartland oasis gives you a glimpse into outback living of yesteryear but also the unique lifestyle of today. Included off-train excursions include a visit to the Alice Springs Desert Park, a vivid portrayal of Australia's desert environment blending the plants, animals and people of the region. Here you'll join an experienced guide for an exclusive walking tour through the park. Also included is an exploration of Alice Springs which includes the Royal Flying Doctor Service Base, the National Pioneer Women's Hall of Fame or, if you want to get up close and personal to the local reptiles, then visit the Reptile Centre instead. The group then visits the historical precinct of the Alice Springs Telegraph Station, where you'll learn more about the first European Settlement in Alice Springs and the hugely important role the station played in bridging the isolation and communication gap between Australia's remotest settlements. Alternatively, upgrade your off-train experience with a scenic fixed-wing flight to Uluru (Ayers Rock) for lunch, and enjoy spectacular outback views of Uluru and Kata Tjuta (the Olgas). This evening you will dine beneath the brilliant canopy of night stars at an authentic outback BBQ; afterwards ponder life and the universe with an informative astronomical talk through the galaxy.

Meal(s) Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner



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Day 3 Coober Pedy

After breakfast this morning *The Ghan* pulls into Manguri, which is quite literally in-the-middle-of-nowhere. From here you will be whisked away to the sun-scorched opal fields of Coober Pedy, where more than half the population live beneath ground. You'll venture into the tunnels and caves of this underground town, mine for riches and visit the other-worldly underground Serbian Orthodox church. Lunch is enjoyed beneath the earth's surface before heading for the lunar-like Breakaways, a striking landscape of flat-topped mesas.

Meal(s) Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Day 4 Adelaide

This morning the landscape has changed from the rich red of the outback to the gentle green fields of South Australia. *The Ghan* arrives into Adelaide after breakfast. You could extend your stay in the city, or perhaps head to the wine region of the Barossa Valley or the wildlife-rich delights of Kangaroo Island.

Meal(s) Included: Breakfast

Please Note: Details are correct at the time of producing this document but may be subject to change without notice.