

The Greatest Escape!

Air Adventure



14 days

2022

BIRDSVILLE | PILBARA | KIMBERLEY COAST | EL QUESTRO HOMESTEAD | THE DIG TREE | THE PAINTED DESERT

For over 45 years
Air Adventure
has been delivering
truly authentic
outback encounters.



Time to get excited...

CRUISE IN LUXURY TO HIDDEN PLACES

Experience a stunning section of the Kimberley coast on board the luxury MV Great Escape – showing you the places that those in large ships never see and equipped with a full-time on board helicopter.

KARIJINI NATIONAL PARK

Explore the breathtakingly beautiful, iron rich gorges and ranges of the Karijini National Park. One of the most iconic unspoiled nature based destinations in the Pilbara. Famous for its vivid creeks, spectacular gorges and towering sheer sided chasms.

UNIQUE HOMESTEAD STAY EXPERIENCE

Perched on a cliff face, fringed by lush lawns El Questro Homestead - a cattle station - is one of the most talked about jewels in the Kimberley. A virtual oasis with 1 million acres of gorges, hot-springs and escarpment to explore and the finest accommodation.

PAINTED DESERT

Gain access to a truly spectacular Restricted Area on Anna Creek Station in remote South Australia. The Painted Desert is an area of spectacular colourful hills. It's an amazing sight - you'll see rocky outcrops of large and small hills, which emerge suddenly out of a flat desert landscape - a superb example of the forces of nature weathering and eroding the desert landscape.



We focus on flying you
to the little known
and seldom visited
locations.

There is no better way
to visit remote
Australia than by
private aircraft.



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KILOMETRES FLOWN



1hr 30mins
AVG FLIGHT TIME



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GROUP SIZE

Your adventure starts here...



Day 1: Melbourne, Essendon - The Dig Tree, Cooper Creek - Birdsville, Simpson Desert

Board the Outback Jet in Melbourne bound for the outback. We will have you landing beside Cooper Creek and Camp 65 in time for a picnic lunch. This is the most significant camp site from the tragic Burke & Wills Expedition. Learn more about their expedition while walking around the infamous Dig Tree. Continue north after lunch flying across the Coongie Lakes arriving in iconic Birdsville. A local guide will take you out to Big Red - the largest dune in the Simpson Desert for sundowners before returning to the Birdsville Hotel for a dinner.

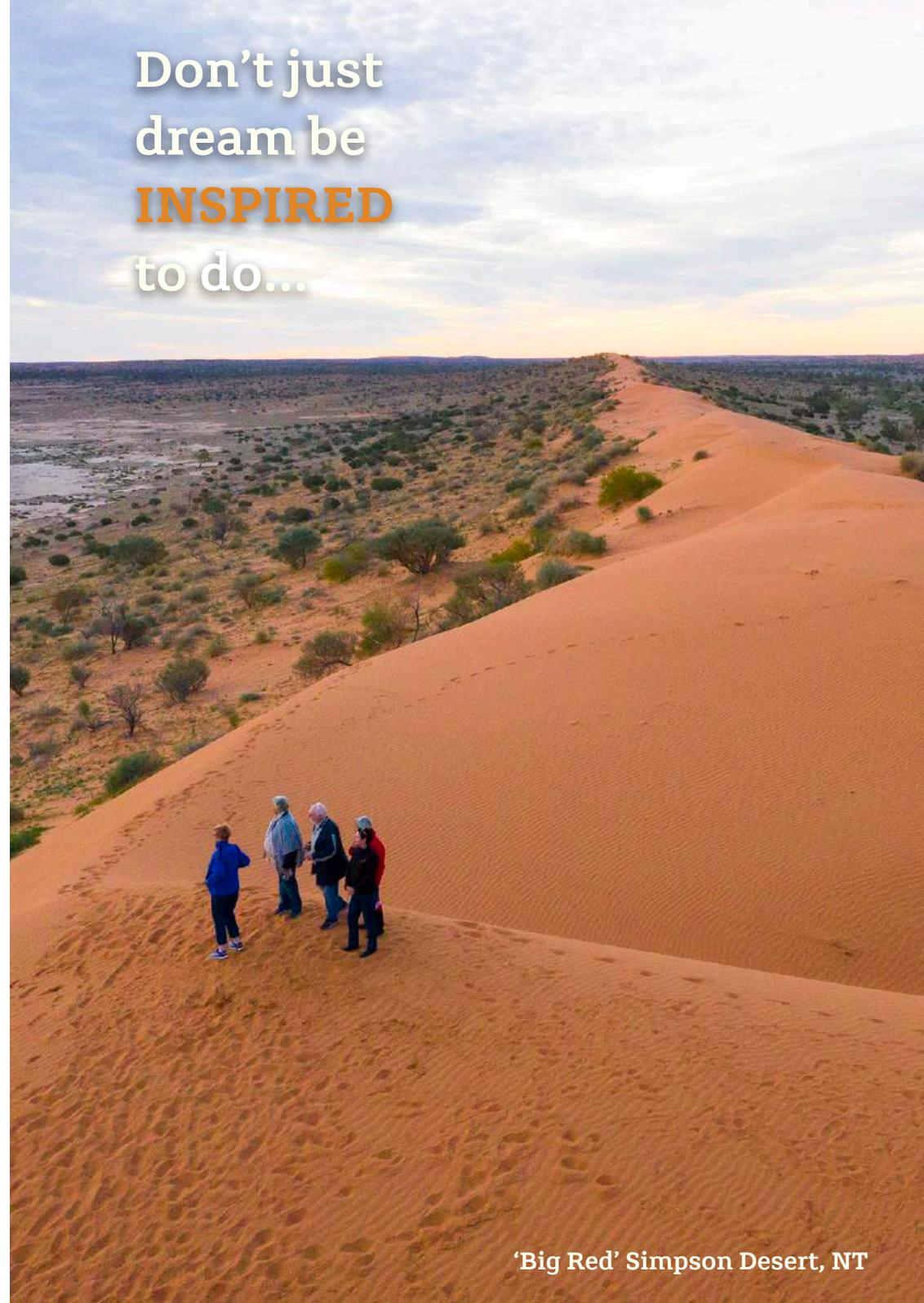


1 night Birdsville Hotel



Flight time 3hrs 20mins total (3 flights)

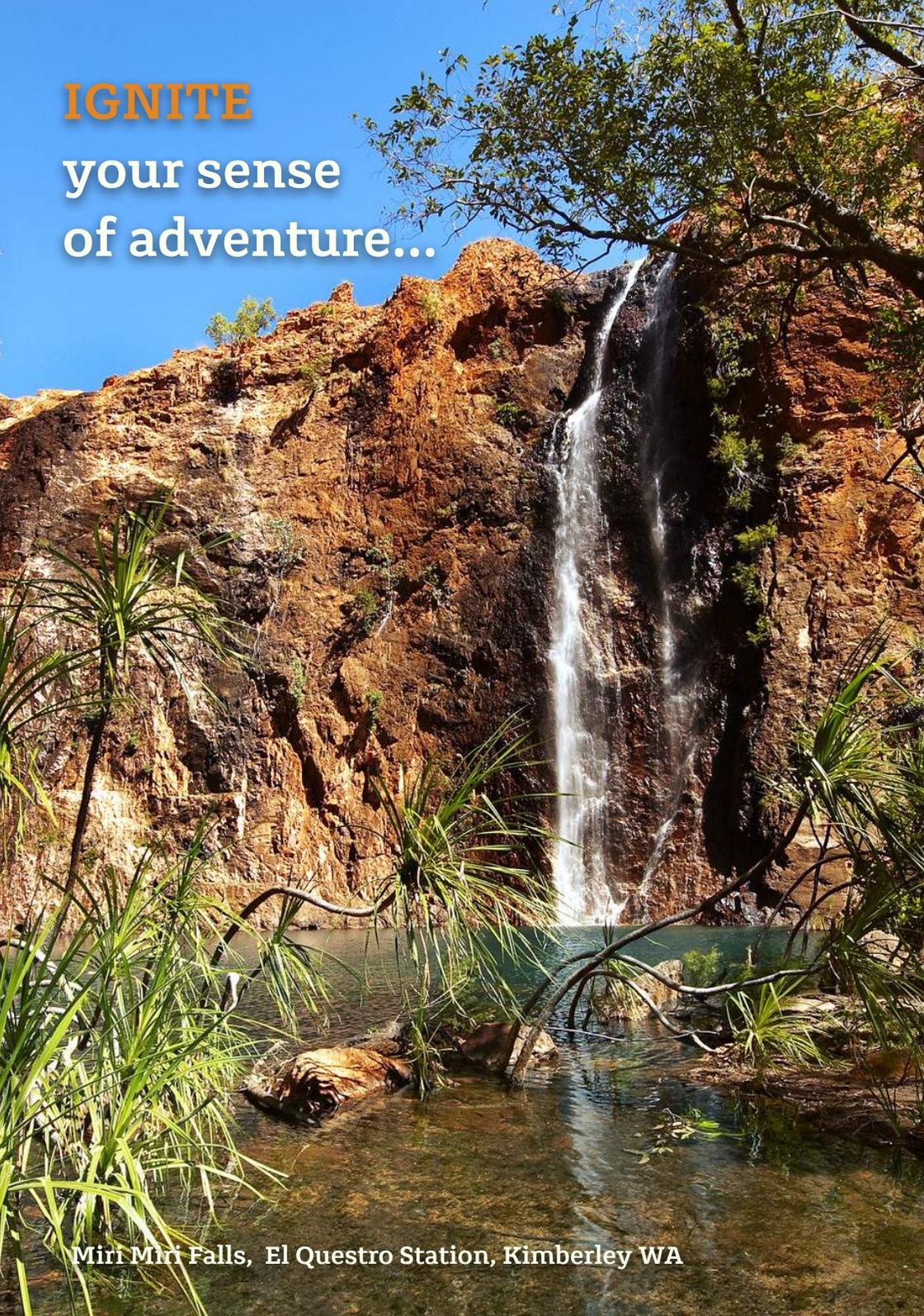
Don't just
dream be
INSPIRED
to do...



'Big Red' Simpson Desert, NT

IGNITE

your sense of adventure...



Miri Miri Falls, El Questro Station, Kimberley WA

Day 2: Birdsville, Simpson Desert - Yuendumu, Tanami Desert - El Questro Station, Kimberley

Today we will fly you across some of the most remote country in Australia stopping in at the remote community of Yuendumu. The Warlukurlangu Artists have a global reputation for producing sought after desert art, or 'dot paintings'. Here is a great opportunity to visit the workshop, potentially meet artists and purchase direct. From here continue your flight across the border into the Kimberley. With the time change, you will touch down on El Questro's private runway mid-afternoon to be whisked away to the luxurious Homestead, to commence exploring this rugged wilderness.



2 nights El Questro Homestead
Homestead and Chamberlain Gorge Rooms - upgrade to Cliff Side
Retreats or The Chamberlain Suite subject to availability.



Flight time 4hrs total (3 flights)

Day 3: El Questro Station, Kimberley

El Questro Homestead is just about the finest accommodation in the entire Kimberley region, perched on the cliffs overlooking spectacular vistas. With our former station 'Ellenbrae' a nearby neighbour, we are very familiar with the area. Today the Wilderness Park is yours to explore. Those lucky guests that stay in the Homestead get to experience the highlights such as Chamberlain Gorge, Zebedee Springs and at times when it is closed to the general public.

No flight today.

Day 4: El Questro Station, Kimberley - The Great Escape, Southern Kimberley Coastline

Following breakfast, it is time to commence your Kimberley Coastal cruising adventure! Fly in your luxury aircraft to the Mitchell Plateau, board a helicopter and land on the ships helipad. Your crew will welcome you aboard and provide a light brunch before we set off for the Hunter River, an incredibly scenic waterway rich with fat barramundi, succulent mud crabs and castaway island beaches. We can either stay here and have a fire on the beach for sunset drinks or cruise over to historic Careening Bay. The Air Adventure crew farewell guests here and will rejoin them in Broome. While on the Great Escape you are looked after by the specialist onboard crew (skipper, guides, chef and stewardess).



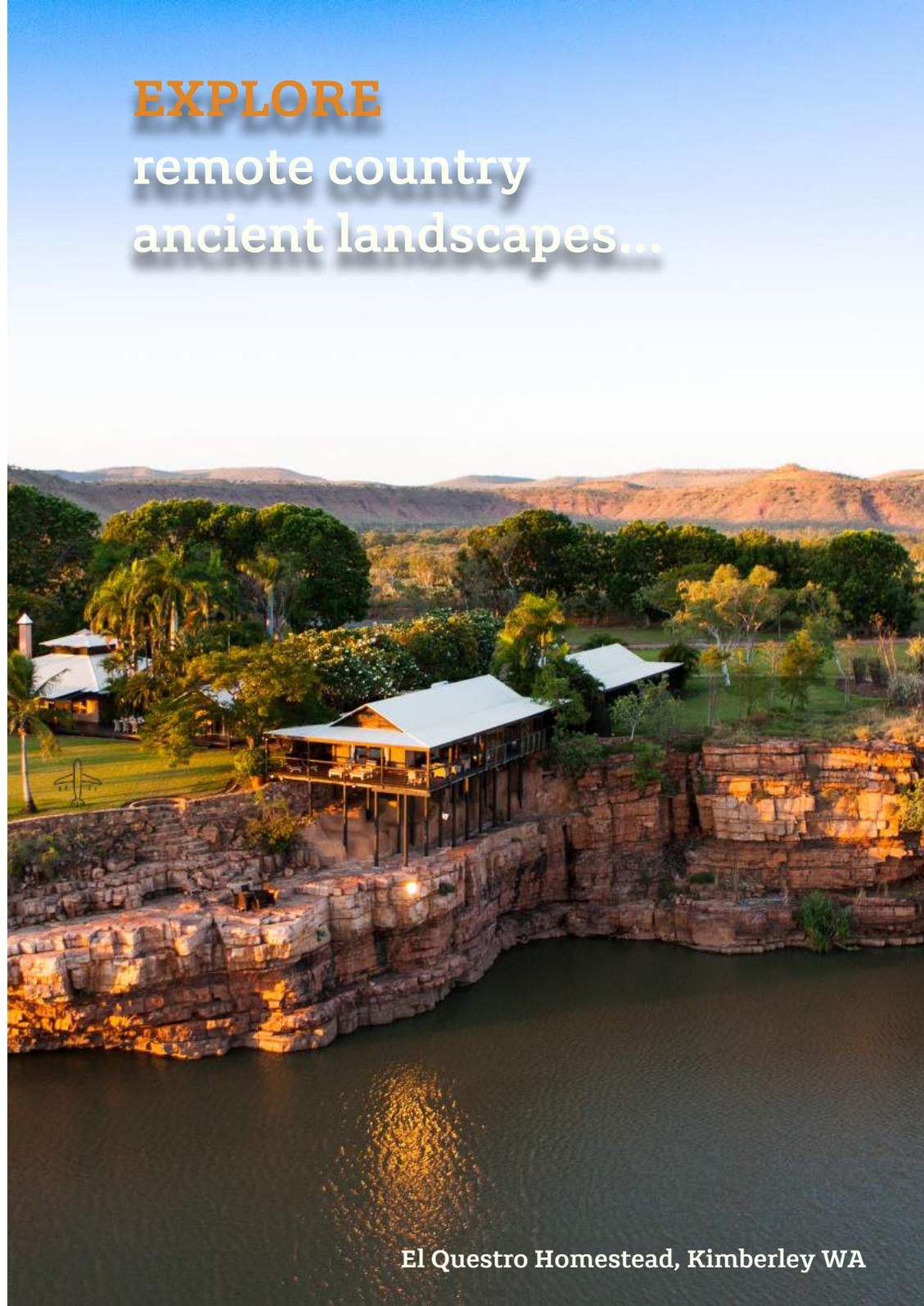
7 nights on board the MV Great Escape, Horizon View Room
Upgrade to Panoramic View subject to availability



Flight time 45mins

The Kimberley has some of the largest tidal movement on the planet. This itinerary is very much guided by the tides and weather conditions, so may vary.

EXPLORE
remote country
ancient landscapes...



El Questro Homestead, Kimberley WA

DISCOVER

cascading waterfalls
secluded swimming
spots...



Eagle falls, Kimberley Coast WA

Day 5: MV Great Escape: Kings Cascade

After visiting the Mermaid Tree, we'll cruise through Saint George's Basin to the mouth of the Prince Regent River and the infamous Kings Cascade. This cruise passes Mount Trafalgar and Mount Waterloo. With luck, the tide will allow us the chance to drop a line for a spot of fishing. If not, we'll cruise straight up to Kings Cascade to explore the amazing natural gardens, freshwater pools and falls. Your vessel will then depart for Camp Creek.



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Day 6: MV Great Escape: Camp Creek

We'll spend the morning fishing, or croc-spotting and generally exploring. After lunch, we'll head down Camp Creek for a trek to a beautiful waterfall and swimming hole. Upon returning to the boat, we'll cruise towards Camden Harbour to anchor up for the evening.



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Day 7: MV Great Escape: Camden Harbour

Camden Harbour is steeped in history as the first attempted European settlement in the Kimberley. We'll delve into that history as we explore the old settlement. Tide permitting, we'll gather a sumptuous feast of Kimberley rock oysters and then cruise through Kuri Bay – the Kimberley's first pearling settlement. We can then try our hand hunting for reef fish before cruising down the coast to Langii, an Aboriginal Dreaming site.

Here we'll see the mystical 'Petrified Warriors' and spend time relaxing on the silicon beach, while the evening will be spent cruising to Doubtful Bay.



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Days 8 & 9: MV Great Escape: Montgomery Reef

A true wonder of the Kimberley with a rich cultural history as well as an abundance of marine life. We'll spend the next two days exploring waterfalls and fishing with one evening spent under the magnificent Raft Point. Raising the anchor early, we'll cruise to Montgomery Reef that creates spectacular cascading waterfalls in the middle of the ocean. This reef has all kinds of aquatic life including turtles and dugongs, which we'll search for in the dinghies. The late afternoon will be spent cruising into Dugong Bay to anchor for the evening.



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Day 10: MV Great Escape: Buccaneer Archipelago

We'll start the morning with a scenic walk through a rainforest canopy to a stunning hidden rock pool for a refreshing dip. Here you'll also have the opportunity to see the Horizontal Falls from the air or via tender if the tides are right. Back on the boat, we'll cruise toward the Buccaneer Archipelago where we can stop over at Crocodile Creek for a swim and a BBQ lunch. In the afternoon we'll cruise past Cape Leveque on our way back to Broome.



MV Great Escape

VENTURE
beyond
ordinary...



A once in a
LIFETIME
experience...



Monitor Falls, Kimberley Coast WA

Day 11: MV Great Escape: Karijini National Park, Pilbara

This morning say goodbye to MV Great Escape as you re-board the Outback Jet to one of the Australia's most isolated National Parks, Karijini. Landing direct within the park, you will have all afternoon to enjoy your first glimpse of the region.



2 nights is at the Karijini Eco Retreat (en suite luxury tents)



Flight time 1hr 30mins

Day 12: Karijini National Park, Pilbara

Enjoy a full day with a guided exploration through the truly spectacular gorges within Karijini including the Joffre Falls, a picnic lunch and an opportunity to swim at Fern Pool. Make sure you have plenty of memory on your camera, you will need it here!

No flight today.

Day 13: Karijini, Pilbara - Newman - Warburton - William Creek, Lake Eyre

Today you will fly over some of the most remote country in Australia. Stop in for fuel at Newman and Warburton with an opportunity to visit the local art gallery, home to some of the Pintubi artworks.

Continue from here direct to the tiny outpost of William Creek (pop. circa 6 people!), landing 50m from the hotel.



1 night at the quaint William Creek Hotel (basic but modern and comfortable en suite cabins)



Flight time 4hrs 45mins total

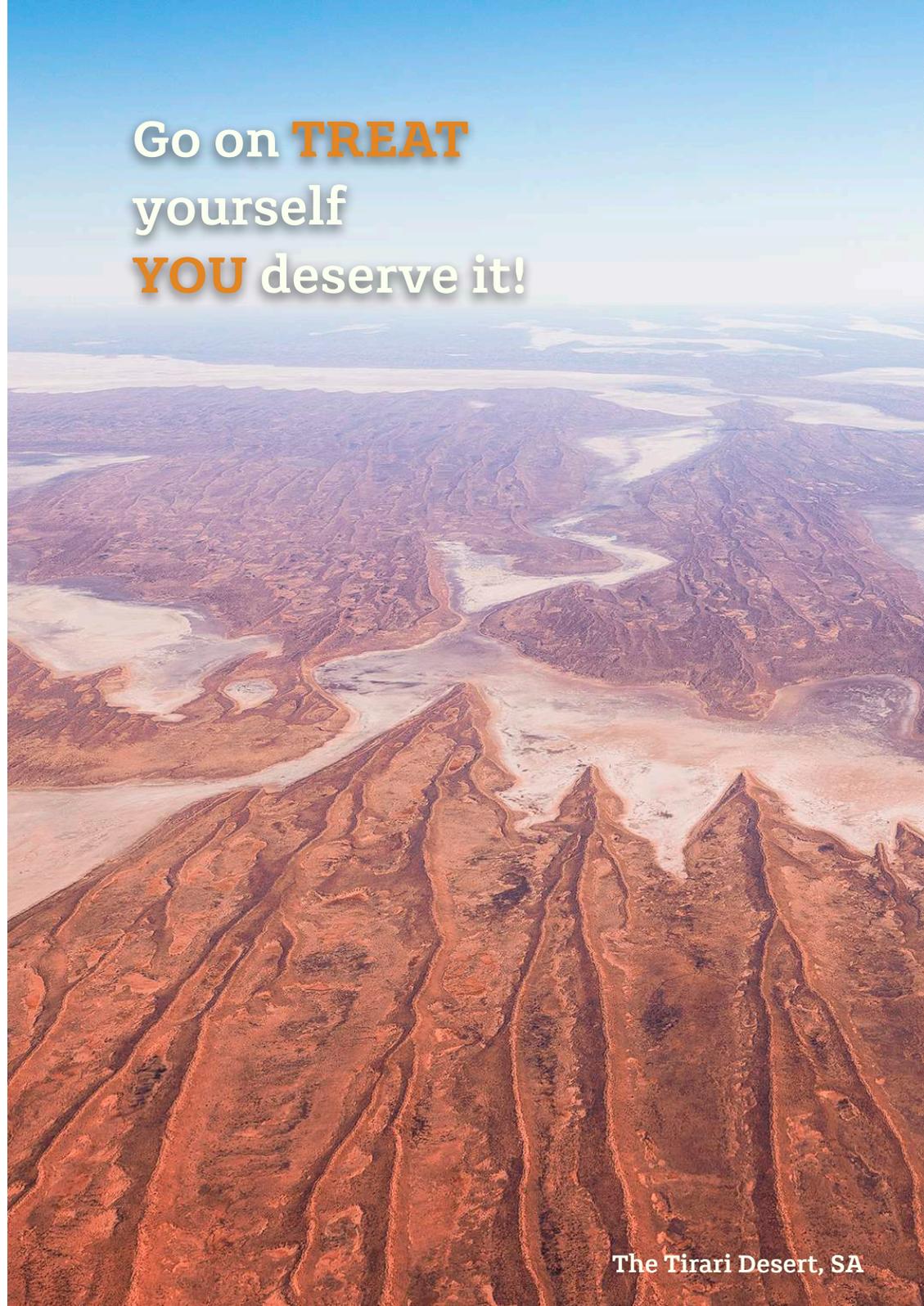
Day 14: William Creek, Lake Eyre - The Painted Desert - Lake Eyre - Melbourne, Essendon

This morning board a light aircraft for the flight within Anna Creek Station and touch down at the seldom visited Painted Desert for a guided walk and picnic lunch. Continue on to a recently restored mustering strip right on the shores of Lake Eyre North and be one of the few to ever set foot here. This afternoon your pilot will set course southward for home.



Flight time 3hrs total

Go on **TREAT**
yourself
YOU deserve it!



The Tirari Desert, SA



We can't wait to
WELCOME YOU
onboard...

Air Adventure

Our story...

In the early 1960s the north of Western Australia was still considered by many to be the end of the world. Then along came **Rod Dyer (1925-2008)-Pioneering Pastoralist and Bush Pilot** - with a vision.

Air Adventure Australia was founded by Rod having clocked up over 10,000 hours as a bush pilot he pioneered 'Ellenbrae' cattle station in the Kimberley back in the 60s.

It was the combination of **Rod's knowledge, love of the outback and flying** that led him to launch Air Adventure. Since 1977, thousands of travellers have chosen to fly with Air Adventure to the Australia less-travelled.

Today, the company is guided by Rod's son, John Dyer who is also a pilot and very passionate about creating high quality travel experiences spanning the entirety of the Australian continent.

His team at Air Adventure, including his wife Alyson, share his enthusiasm and **dedication to create unforgettable travel** for their guests.

Don't just take it from us... here's what our previous travellers say:

"What a great time - wonderful sights, people, experiences and tastes. A true indulgence that should be experienced by all. Great organisation, and even better tour leader and pilot, congratulations!"

- Alex, North Sydney, NSW

"Had a fantastic time! Being a single guest I found the companionship and help from Diana and Rowan beyond reproach. We will never forget this trip."

- Pam Valentine, NSW

No devil in this detail...

Your aircraft:

Travel is in the privately chartered Air Adventure Outback Jet, Pilatus PC-12. This prop-jet aircraft is a fast, reliable outback machine capable of landing on gravel and remote airfields where others in larger aircraft can't. The Outback Jet is operated by Armada Aviation, which holds an Air Operators Certificate issued by CASA. All pilots are highly experienced and carry a Commercial Pilots License. It's equipped with state-of-the-art avionics and is all weather rated with impressive safety features. The interior is spacious with custom leather seating, climate control and clear windows (every seat is the window seat) making in flight viewing a joy.

Tour departs:

Essendon Airport, Melbourne on 10 August, 2022

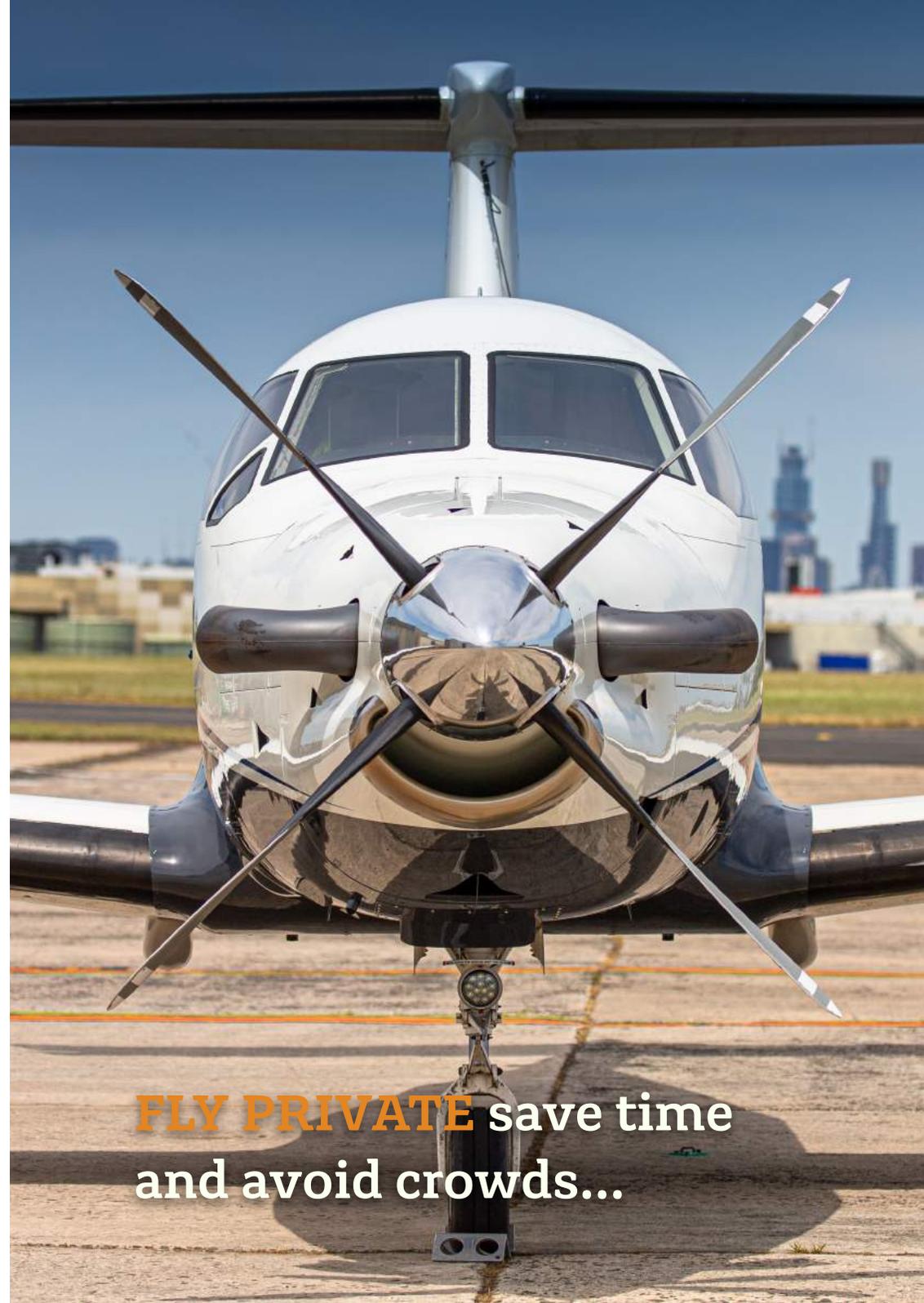
Cost:

AUD \$29,639 per person, double or twin share, truly all inclusive (Horizon View room on Great Escape). *Room upgrade (Panoramic View room) AUD \$3,768 per room.

*Room upgrades available at El Questro and onboard MV Great Escape, subject to availability.

Price all inclusive of:

- All private charter flights crewed by a highly experienced Commercial Captain
- All accommodation
- All meals (except breakfast day one & dinner on final day.
- Morning tea on most occasions
- All drinks (bottled water through to alcohol with dinner)



FLY PRIVATE save time
and avoid crowds...

...we promise.



Sit back **RELAX** you're in
safe hands...

Price all inclusive of continued:

- All entries, permits, admissions, gratuities/tipping
- All trips, tours, transfers and excursions as outlined in itinerary
- Air safari escorted by experienced Air Adventure tour leader
- Qualified local and indigenous guides along the way

Not included:

- Items of a personal nature eg. pre-dinner drinks, phone calls, internet, travel insurance

20% deposit is required to confirm your reservation.

Balance is due 60 days prior to departure date.

Places are limited.

Note:

- The itinerary outlined for this tour is a typical itinerary, but, it is all dependent on tides and weather, so, may vary slightly.
- There are no fixed departure times for flights conducted on any day of this tour. Departure times will be determined on a day by day basis by discussion between the pilot, tour guide and participants.

All Aboard!

Need More Info? Get In Touch:

We're a friendly bunch here at Air Adventure and we know how important it is to be able to have your questions answered by a 'real' person. You can contact John Dyer direct by email john@airadventure.com.au and he will be happy to give you a call.

Ready To Pack Your Bags?

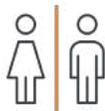
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