



OUTBACK BY AIR

THE OUTBACK LOOP

SYDNEY - BROKEN HILL - WILLIAM CREEK - BIRDSVILLE -
LONGREACH & WINTON - TRILBY STATION

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If you haven't experienced Australia's unique Outback, this flying adventure is for you. Enjoy true Outback hospitality at the iconic remote towns of Birdsville and William Creek, on the doorstep of the wondrous Kati Thanda-Lake Eyre. Visit Longreach, home to so much of our pioneering history and spend the night on a 320,000 acre working sheep station and be amazed by star-filled skies.

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Outback By Air's COVID Safe Policy - ensuring you can relax on your holiday in 2021.



DAY 1

SYDNEY - BROKEN HILL

Our Outback journey begins in the morning in Sydney as we board our private aircraft and set course towards the West. Take in the views from a completely different perspective. Our Cessna Grand Caravan's high wings and oversized windows are perfect for 'flight seeing'. Keep an eye out as we pass over the Southern Highlands and head towards the 'Food Bowl of Australia' - Griffith.

Our first stop is Griffith Airport for a quick morning tea and a breath of fresh country air. We then board our private aircraft to head into the Outback; flying to Broken Hill, Australia's oldest mining town, dating back to the 1880's with a rich history in silver mining. Enjoy lunch in the Silver City and a visit to the interactive Royal Flying Doctors (RFDS) Museum. The RFDS provides a vital air service to remote Outback towns and communities.

After lunch we explore Broken Hill for the afternoon, and then visit the 12 sandstone sculptures created by a group of artists from all over the world. We have drinks as the sun goes down, before heading back into town for dinner and our overnight stay.

Schedule:

7:00 Bankstown to Griffith Flight Time: 1:56.

9:00 Morning tea and stretch of the legs at Griffith.

10:00 Griffith to Broken Hill Flight Time: 1:59.

12:00 RFDS Tour (*Times in Local - Broken Hill operates on SA time, which is half an hour behind Sydney*)

1:30 PM Lunch in Broken Hill

3:00 PM Sculptures in the Desert

7:00 PM Dinner

Destinations: Griffith, Broken Hill

Accommodation: The Royal Exchange Hotel

Inclusions: Morning Tea, Lunch, Dinner, Tours





DAY 2

BROKEN HILL - WILLIAM CREEK

Enjoy dress circle views overhead as we fly into South Australia and pass famous landmarks including Lake Frome, The Flinders Ranges and the 'Marree Man,' a remarkable 4.2 kilometre long, line drawing of an aboriginal hunter. We then fly past Kati Thanda-Lake Eyre as we make our approach into the remote town of William Creek (population 10) on the famous Oodnadatta Track. William Creek (also fondly known as Bill Rivers) neighbours the world's largest cattle station - Anna Creek Station, home to the stunning Painted Hills.



This evening we dine at the authentic bush pub, The William Creek Hotel. This pub is loved by travellers from all around the world, with a front bar decorated by hundreds of notes, memorabilia and mementos.

Schedule: *(Times in Local - SA is half an hour behind Sydney)*

10:00 Broken Hill to William Creek Flight Time: 2:24.

3:00 PM Tour of William Creek

6:30 PM Dinner and Drinks at the William Creek Hotel

Destinations: William Creek

Accommodation: William Creek Hotel

Inclusions: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Tours



DAY 3

WILLIAM CREEK - BIRDSVILLE

Spend the morning exploring the natural beauty surrounding William Creek. After an early lunch we board our aircraft for a scenic flight over Lake Eyre, as we make our way towards the historic town of Birdsville. Take in the the spectacular views of Kati Thanda-Lake Eyre National Park, home to Australia's largest salt lake - 144km long and 77km wide and also the lowest natural point in Australia at approximately 15 m (50ft) below sea level.

When the lake is full (The lake fills approximately 4 times every century) it is home to an abundance of wildlife and birds, it is truly a magnificent show that mother nature puts on and a rare sight to see.

Take in the infinite skies and aerial views as we continue on our way towards Birdsville, flying over the Simpson Desert, home to over 1,140 parallel sand dunes. Upon landing, our plane will taxi us right up to the front door of the famous Birdsville Hotel! Where else in the world can you do this!

Enjoy a beer and the view from the verandah while we wait for our four wheel drive to take us to "Big Red" - the Simpson Desert's largest sand dune, with the second largest dune beside it making them the world's longest parallel dunes. Share the experience of a stunning golden sunset amongst the dunes, with drinks and snacks. This evening we enjoy traditional Outback hospitality back at the pub.

Schedule:

8:00 Breakfast

9:30 Explore the surrounds of William Creek

11:15 Lunch

12:30 PM Flight from William Creek to Birdsville via Lake Eyre approx flight time 2:00.

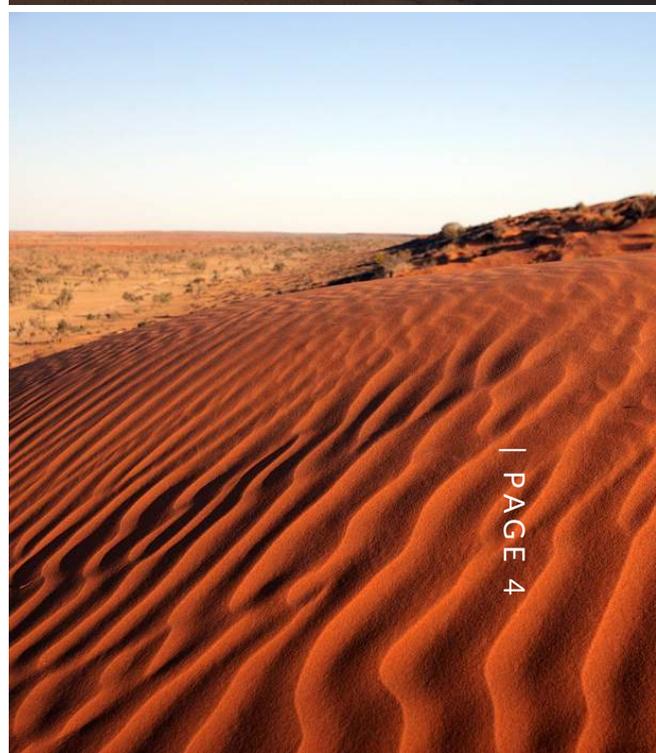
4:00 PM Tour of Town, Big Red and Sunset Drinks

7:00 PM Dinner

Destinations: Birdsville, Lake Eyre

Accommodation: The Birdsville Hotel

Inclusions: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Tours





AERIAL VIEWS OVER LAKE EYRE



DAY 4

BIRDSVILLE - LONGREACH

Today we cruise to the pioneering town of Longreach, the heart of Outback Queensland. The town's main industries are cattle, sheep and aviation history. Known as the birthplace of Qantas (previously known as Queensland and Northern Territory Air Services), this town is home to many legendary aviation tales as well as aircraft.

On arrival our local tour guide will show us through the fascinating Qantas Founders Museum, followed by lunch within a private room at the Museum, surrounded by aviation history.

We then will make our way to the Stockman's Hall of Fame, a unique museum dedicated to sharing the unique history of this region and The Outback. Before exploring the museum, witness the legendary tales, skills and character of the Stockman firsthand. Enjoy a live show displaying the action experienced on an Outback station, witness a live muster and the stories and the songs of the Outback. Explore the museums galleries which proudly display the history behind some of Australia's greatest and bravest explorers, stock workers, pastoralists and Indigenous people.

Later in the afternoon we will take a sunset river cruise on The Thomson River. There are endless photo opportunities before we go ashore for a traditional Stockman's campfire dinner and live entertainment under the stars.

Schedule:

7:00 Breakfast

8:00 Birdsville to Longreach Flight Time: 2:16

11:00 Qantas Founders Museum, followed by Lunch

2:00PM Stockman's Hall of Fame

4:30 PM Drover Sunset Cruise and dinner

Destinations: Longreach

Accommodation: The Staging Post – This rustic-luxe accommodation takes its inspiration from the stables where the Cobb & Co horse teams were changed after their overland journeys.

Inclusions: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Tours



DAY 5

LONGREACH - WINTON

Today we swap our wings for wheels and set off in our private bus for a day of exploring. Enjoy Outback big sky scenery as we head to the Age of Dinosaurs experience, painting a picture of what this area looked like 90 million years ago. Lunch will be enjoyed in the town of Winton known as the 'Dinosaur Capital of Australia' and is also home to the legendary song 'Waltzing Matilda'.

After visiting the Waltzing Matilda Museum we board our bus and make our way back to Longreach for a relaxing evening enjoying the serenity at our glamping retreat.

Schedule:

6:45 Breakfast

7:15 Bus trip to Winton (approx 1:45 travel time)

9:15 Age of Dinosaurs Tour

12:30 Lunch

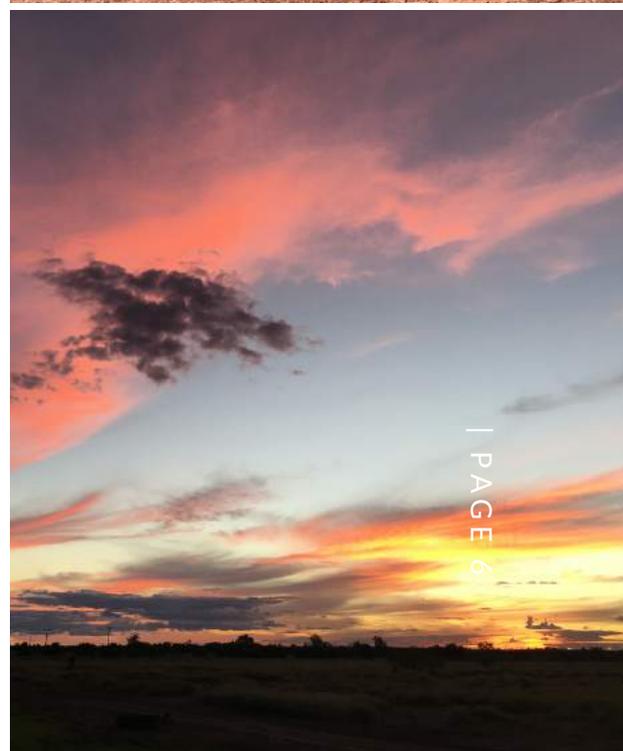
3:30 PM Bus trip back to Longreach

7:30 Dinner

Destinations: Longreach, Winton

Accommodation: The Staging Post – This rustic-luxe accommodation takes its inspiration from the stables where the Cobb & Co horse teams were changed after their overland journeys.

Inclusions: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Tours





DAY 6

LONGREACH - CUNNAMULLA - LOUTH

After breakfast we are back in the air flying South through Queensland's Channel Country, with endless horizons filled with deep red sand hills and orange escarpments. For lunch we will be stopping at the QLD Outback town of Cunnamulla. The town, that features in the Slim Dusty song 'Cunnamulla Fella', is renowned for its welcoming nature and friendly Outback hospitality. Enjoy lunch and a coffee before we begin our journey further South towards Louth.

Louth is a small town with a population of 43, and sits along the Darling river. The town comes to life every year with the annual Louth Races where over 5,000 people attend the legendary Outback Race. We land at Louth in the late afternoon and meet our hosts for our stay at Trilby Station. We then take the Outback dirt track to the 320,000 acre working sheep property. We will be hosted by the owners of Trilby, Liz and Gary Murray, gaining insight into life on a remote sheep station. This overnight stop focuses on offering the true Australian Outback station experience. Immerse yourself in the landscape, appreciating an Outback sunset with drinks before relaxing by a camp fire enjoying a home cooked dinner, under a starlit sky.

Schedule:

8:00 Breakfast

9:30 Longreach to Cunnamulla Flight Time: 2:06

12:00 Lunch in Cunnamulla

2:30 PM Cunnamulla to Louth Flight time: 1:07

3:45 PM Drive from Louth to Trilby Station

5:00 PM Sunset drinks and nibbles and campfire on the Station

6:30 PM Home cooked Dinner

Destinations: Cunnamulla, Louth , Trilby Station

Accommodation: Trilby Station – the renovated Shearers' Quarters or Station Cottages with shared bathroom facilities

Inclusions: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Tours

DAY 7

LOUTH - SYDNEY

Enjoy a peaceful Outback sunrise on our last day of our Outback Loop journey. If you enjoy a morning walk, immerse yourself in nature and the peaceful surroundings by taking advantage of Trilby's 10kms of walking tracks along the banks of The Darling River.

After breakfast, Liz will take us on a walking tour encompassing the state of the art shearing shed and aircraft hanger to see the working machines of the bush. Guests will have an opportunity to ask questions about station life and witness how the station is run.

We farewell our hosts at Trilby Station and make our way back to the town of Louth. We will enjoy our farewell lunch at Shindy's Inn overlooking the Darling as our Outback adventure comes to a close.

Back in the air after lunch and heading home, we will stop briefly in Cobar on our journey back to Sydney. Sit back, relax and enjoy the scenery from this vantage point as the sun sets behind us. Three States, six iconic Outback locations and more than 4000 kms have been covered in just six days. We trust you have enjoyed your Outback experience and hope to welcome you back for another wilderness adventure soon.

Schedule:

7:00 Breakfast

8:30 Walking tour, see the shearing shed, walk along the river, visit the chook house, workshop, garden and the onsite aircraft hangar.

12:00 PM Lunch in Louth at Shindy's Inn

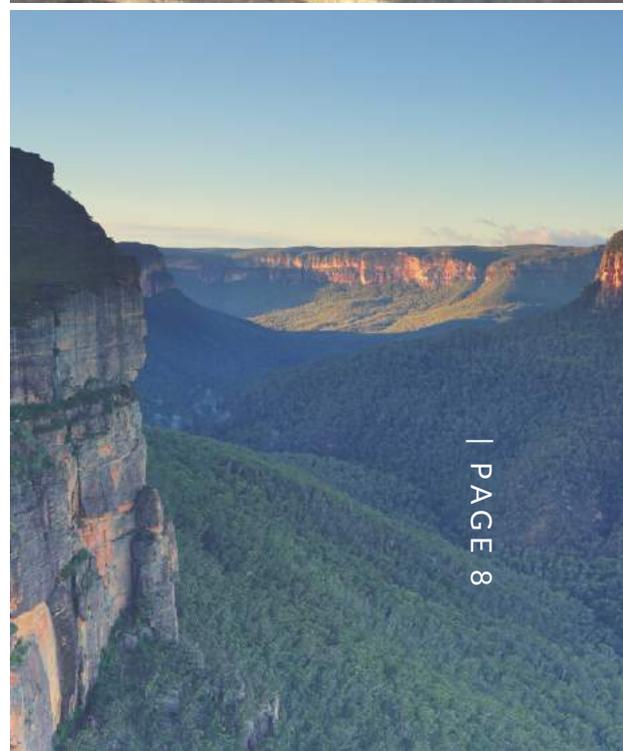
1:30 PM Louth to Cobar Flight Time: 00:30

2:45 PM Cobar to Bankstown Flight Time: 2:17

Destinations: Cobar, Sydney (Bankstown)

Accommodation: Home

Inclusions: Breakfast, Lunch, Tours



TRIP CHECKLIST

- Camera
- Hat, Sunglasses and Sunscreen
- Walking Shoes
- Water Bottle
- Warm Jacket/Wind Jacket
- Closed comfortable shoes for the flights
- Face Mask (if you would like to BYO)
- Insect repellent/Fly net

TRAVELLING SAFELY

The world is a book and those who do not travel read only one page.

Well if this quote is true - most of us have a lot of 'reading' to catch up on! That's why at Outback By Air, we are thrilled to be able to provide tours that allow you to explore your very own backyard, the Australian Outback. A place like no other - filled with endless possibilities, rich in natural beauty and history, with modern influences and hidden treasures.

To ensure you are able to travel safely during these times we have developed a COVID-19 Policy. This ensures that you can sit back and relax and enjoy the experience knowing that your safety is always our number one priority.

The Outback By Air COVID Safe Policy

- Crew are instructed to limit contact with others - no shaking hands or touching objects unless necessary.
- All passengers are provided with individual alcohol-based hand sanitiser, face masks and individual waste bags.
- Passengers will complete a verbal screening questionnaire before embarking on the tour
- Passengers will have their temperature tested each time they board the aircraft.
- Both staff and passengers are encouraged to practice good hand hygiene and good sneeze/cough hygiene by washing hands often with soap and water or with hand sanitiser (provided by OBA) before and after eating and after using the bathroom. They are encouraged to cover nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing, disposing of tissues and immediately washing hands. They are encouraged to avoid touching their mouth, eyes and nose. This health advice is provided in the seat pocket of every passenger seat.
- Passengers will be advised that while wearing a mask in NSW is not mandatory, NSW Health strongly recommends people wear a mask when unable to physically distance.
- Passengers will be instructed to stay in their assigned seats for each flight.
- Seats, tables and door handles will be wiped with disinfectant after each flight by a member of staff.
- Where possible, OBA will seat groups together.
- If a member of staff or a passenger reports symptoms of Covid, OBA will immediately contact the National Coronavirus hotline (1800 020 080) and follow all instructions.
- OBA will keep up to date and follow public health and WHS advice

OUR TOURS

SYDNEY TO MUDGEE VINEYARD WEEKEND 5 MARCH 2021

CLASSIC OUTBACK PUB CRAWL 25 MARCH 2021

JOURNEY INTO THE OUTBACK 11 APRIL 2021 10 DAYS

OUTBACK LOOP 28 APRIL 2021 6 DAYS

OUTBACK LOOP 10 MAY 2021 6 DAYS

THE ICONIC EXPLORER 19 MAY 2021 14 DAYS

THE ULTIMATE OUTBACK CRUSADE 03 JUNE 2021 14 DAYS

CLASSIC OUTBACK PUB CRAWL 17 JUNE 2021

THE OUTBACK DISCOVERY 24 JUNE 2021 7 DAYS

THE RED CENTRE INDULGENCE 18 JULY 2021 8 DAYS

CLASSIC OUTBACK PUB CRAWL 31 JULY 2021

THE OUTBACK CLASSIC 15 AUGUST 2021

CLASSIC OUTBACK PUB CRAWL 28 AUGUST 2021

THE BIRDSVILLE RACES 3 SEPTEMBER 2021

OUTBACK LOOP 9 SEPTEMBER 2021 6 DAYS

CLASSIC OUTBACK PUB CRAWL 17 SEPTEMBER 2021

CLASSIC OUTBACK PUB CRAWL 7 OCTOBER 2021

CLASSIC OUTBACK PUB CRAWL 14 OCTOBER 2021

CLASSIC OUTBACK PUB CRAWL 21 OCTOBER 2021

CLASSIC OUTBACK PUB CRAWL 28 OCTOBER 2021



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