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DAY ONE

Home to Adelaide

Students will gather at their school for an early morning departure.

Our journey will take us through the scenic Western Highway, passing through South Australia until we reach our destination of Adelaide, where we will find accommodation for the evening.

DAY TWO

Adelaide to Coober Pedy

We begin our day with an early departure as we make our way towards the captivating destination of Coober Pedy. Along the way, we will take a refreshing break in Port Augusta before continuing our expedition on the iconic Stuart Highway, where the true essence of the Australian outback reveals itself.

Once we arrive and settle into our comfortable accommodation at Umooona, an exciting town tour awaits us. During this tour, we will have the privilege of witnessing an impressive opal cutting display.

DAY THREE

Coober Pedy to Alice Springs

Today, we kick off with an early start as we embark on our journey to the captivating destination of Alice Springs. Along the way, we will make a special stop at the NT Border for a wonderful group photo opportunity, capturing memories that will last a lifetime.

Continuing our path, we will venture further towards Alice Springs, where we will have the exciting opportunity to set up our tents for the first time, immersing ourselves in the true spirit of adventure.

As the evening approaches and before dinner, we will be treated to a breathtaking sunset experience from the iconic Anzac Hill. Renowned as the most visited landmark in Alice Springs, Anzac Hill offers a perfect vantage point to take in the town's panoramic beauty, surrounded by the majestic East and West MacDonnell Ranges. Originally dedicated to those who made the ultimate sacrifice during World War I, the Anzac Hill Memorial stands as a tribute to all who have served their country in defense, spanning across all wars in which Australia has participated. A truly significant and awe-inspiring sight to behold.

DAY FOUR

Alice Springs

This morning we embark on an adventure with Pyndan Camels, where students will have the opportunity to ride their very own camel. It's an experience that promises both fun and an appreciation for these incredible animals.

Next, we head to the Royal Flying Doctor Museum, where students will learn about the history of the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS). After lunch our journey continues as we visit the School of the Air. This institution, known as a correspondence school, plays a crucial role in educating children in remote and outback regions of Australia. Students will have the opportunity to learn about the pioneering use of radio, telephone, and internet technologies in delivering education to these isolated communities.

DAY FIVE

Alice Springs

Today, our journey takes us to the West Macdonnell Ranges. Prepare for an immersive day visiting Flynn's Grave, Simpsons Gap, Standley Chasm and Ormiston Gorge.

As the evening sets in and we gather for dinner, and afterwards we will be entertained by Rex, a reptile expert from Alice Springs Reptile Centre. Students will have the option to handle the lizards and a huge olive python if they wish.

DAY SIX

Alice Springs to Kings Canyon

This morning after packing up, we make our way to the Alice Springs Desert Park which allows us to discover the unique plants, animals and landscapes of Australia's deserts. See free flying birds of prey, rare and endangered animals in the world's most spectacular Desert Nocturnal House, and a cinematic journey into four and a half billion years of desert evolution.

Continuing our journey south, we venture through the remote desert terrain towards Eridunda. As we press on, the stunning Kings Canyon awaits us in the serene Watarrka National Park. Arriving in the mid-afternoon, we'll set up camp at the inviting Kings Canyon Resort, ready to embrace the natural wonders that await us.

DAY SEVEN

Kings Canyon

This morning, students will embark on an unforgettable adventure - the opportunity to climb to the pinnacle of Kings Canyon rim, offering breathtaking panoramic views. As one of Australia's natural treasures, Kings Canyon boasts majestic cliffs towering over 300 meters high, overlooking the enchanting "Garden of Eden" and Kings Creek below. It's a place of immense beauty and cultural significance, with sacred Aboriginal sites scattered throughout the gorge.

There are two renowned hikes at Kings Canyon: the 6km Kings Canyon Rim Walk and the 2.6 km Kings Creek Walk along the gorge's base. The Rim Walk begins with a thrilling ascent of 500 steps, rewarding every effort with awe-inspiring vistas of Watarrka National Park and the canyon itself. Descend into the lush oasis of the "Garden of Eden," where nature's wonders unfold before your eyes.

After this experience, we continue our journey to Yulara, a three-hour drive away. En route, we'll pause at the stunning Mt Conner lookout, where a magnificent mesa rises 300 meters from the desert plain. In the distance, you'll catch sight of Lake Amadeus, a vast salt lake that stretches as far as the eye can see. Arriving at Ayers Rock Campground, we'll set up camp before students have a chance to explore the charming Yulara Township and perhaps pick up some souvenirs.

Before dinner, we'll witness the sunset, as the colours of Uluru and Kata Tjuta transform before our eyes. Sunsets at Uluru can be particularly breathtaking when the sun sinks through beautiful formations of clouds. These captivating colour changes are a result of the earth's atmosphere influencing the sun's rays. Ash, dust particles, and water vapor in the atmosphere act as a filter, absorbing bluer light and allowing the redder light to dominate at different times of day. It's a natural phenomenon that adds to the wonder and allure of this iconic destination.

DAY EIGHT

Uluru

Today, we begin our journey by visiting the Uluru - Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre, where we will immerse ourselves in the rich aspects of Anangu life. Here, students can choose to walk partially around the awe-inspiring monolith, which stands at an impressive height of 348 meters. Our guide will join us, sharing captivating stories about the Anangu people and their ancient culture, providing insights into why Uluru holds such immense significance for them.

The Anangu, as the traditional owners, have been custodians of the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park for countless generations. Uluru has become an iconic symbol of Australia, representing both its natural beauty and cultural heritage. The park's exceptional value has been acknowledged through its inscription on the World Heritage List, honoring the profound belief systems of the Anangu - one of the world's oldest human societies.

In the afternoon, we will explore the magnificent Kata Tjuta, embarking on one of the many available walks before enjoying some well-deserved free time to relax and absorb the breathtaking surroundings.

DAY NINE

Uluru to Home via Tullamarine

After enjoying a delicious breakfast and preparing for our departure, students will have some leisure time to explore the vibrant township of Yulara. It's a perfect opportunity to soak in the last moments of this incredible journey.

In the afternoon we take a direct flight from Uluru to Melbourne Airport, where students will be transferred back to their school via a comfortable coach. It's a convenient and hassle-free way to conclude our adventure, ensuring a safe and comfortable journey back to familiar surroundings.

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