

Outback Spectacular: Legends of Longreach, Winton & the Dinosaur Stampede (MODERATE PACE)

| 5 Days Tour Only | \$3199 |
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| Single room | \$600 |

7 Days with return Rail Fare

| QLD Pension Economy Seat <i>add</i> | \$50 |
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| QLD Pension Railbed <i>add</i> | \$480 |
| Senior Railbed <i>add</i> | \$720 |
| Adult Railbed <i>add</i> | \$850 |

2026 Departure Dates

16th June 25th August

Tour Highlights: Nogo Station, Great Darr River Train Experience, Qantas Museum & 747 Tour, Stockman's Hall of Fame & Show, Sunset Thomson River Cruise & Campfire Dinner, Longreach & Camden Park Station, Australian Age of Dinosaurs Museum & Tour, Historical Winton Town Tour, Accommodation & meals as per itinerary, Coach touring & commentary, fully hosted by our friendly staff.

Day 1: Depart Brisbane on the Spirit of the Outback train for your overnight journey towards Longreach. Travel in an Economy Seat or upgrade to a Railbed with all meals included. Sit back and relax as you take in the changing scenery, from coastal farming landscapes to the rugged mountain ranges before heading inland into the heart of the Queensland Outback.

Spirit of Outback Train (All meals for Sleeper passengers)

Day 2: Upon waking this morning on the train, the green hills of the coast have given way to the colour of rustic reds and sunburnt plains. We pass through historical towns of the Outback on our way into Longreach arriving late afternoon when we will transfer to our motel with time to freshen up for our group Welcome Dinner.

Accommodation: Longreach Motor Inn Included Meals: All meals for railbed passengers. Dining cart available for economy seat passengers at your own expense

Day 3: After breakfast, we begin our day at the **Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame**, an inspiring tribute to the pioneers of Outback Australia. We journey through *The Long Paddock* exhibit, guided by our virtual stockman "Hugh," as we follow the stories of the resilient men and women who helped shape the nation. Next, we take our seats for *A Stockman's Life*—a thrilling live show in the Outback Stockman Arena, featuring horsemanship, working dogs, a live sheep muster, and the stars of the outback, both human and four-legged.

Our journey continues to the iconic **Qantas Founders Museum**, where we enjoy a relaxed lunch before stepping aboard the historic Boeing 747. The tales of aviation, innovation, and daring come alive as we explore the original hangar and rich displays of Australia's flying legacy.

As the day softens into golden hour, we set sail on a **sunset cruise along the Thomson River**. With warm breezes, glowing skies, and reflections dancing on the water, it's a moment to pause and soak in the serenity of the outback. The evening concludes by the riverside under a starlit sky, where a **campfire dinner** awaits, flames flickering, stories shared, and the magic of the outback gently unfolding.

Accommodation: Longreach Motor Inn Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Day 4: Today, immerse yourself in the timeless charm of outback life with a visit to Nogo Station, a working sheep and cattle station that offers a rare glimpse into the spirit and resilience of country Australia. Journey across the red-dirt plains aboard an open-air safari-style vehicle, learn about sheep shearing and station life, and discover the deep connection between the land and its people. Later, an Optional Extra is to step back in time with a nostalgic ride on the Cobb & Co Stagecoach, thundering along the original mail route in a truly unforgettable experience that brings history to life. (Cost \$120pp paid locally).

After time to freshen up, we'll head out to experience the spectacular Luminescent Longreach—a 20-minute night-time light and sound show set amongst iconic aircraft. With world-class projection mapping and 360-degree immersive sound, the show brings to life the 100-year story of Qantas, using the mighty Boeing 747 as a dramatic canvas. This unforgettable experience captures the daring spirit of early aviation, iconic aircraft, wartime history, and outback innovation.

Afterwards we gather for a unique **Stonegrill Dinner**, where your meal is cooked to perfection on a sizzling volcanic stone at your table, an interactive and flavoursome way to end a day filled with stories, dust, and true outback hospitality.

Accommodation: Longreach Motor Inn Included Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Day 5: Today we journey to the legendary town of Winton, home of Waltzing Matilda and a treasure trove of quirky outback charm. We explore the Waltzing Matilda Centre, a fascinating tribute to Australia's most iconic ballad, and take in local landmarks including Arno's Wall, the whimsical Musical Fence, and Banjo Paterson's Music Wall, each offering a glimpse into Winton's creative and colourful spirit.

Our adventure continues with the **Ultimate Dinosaur Tour** at the **Australian Age of Dinosaurs Museum**, where we step into prehistory among the world's largest collection of Australian dinosaur fossils. We enjoy a guided tour of the *Collection Room* and *Fossil Preparation Laboratory*, visit the incredible *March of the Titanosaurs* exhibition, and take a self-guided walk through *Dinosaur Canyon*, surrounded by dramatic outback landscapes.

As the sun dips low over the savannah plains, we gather for a truly unforgettable **Deluxe BBQ on the Jump Up!** A magical outback dining experience among the ancient giants. With panoramic views, golden light, and the stillness of the land around us, it's a perfect end to a remarkable day in the heart of dinosaur country.

Accommodation: Boulder Opal Hotel, Winton

Included Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Day 6: After breakfast, we set off into the heart of Outback Queensland to visit The 3 Sisters, an extraordinary series of ancient rock formations located on a private station just outside of Winton. With exclusive access granted to Great Value Holidays, you'll have the rare opportunity to explore these natural wonders in a peaceful, untouched setting.

We then continue to the world-renowned Lark Quarry Conservation Park, where the past comes vividly to life. Here, you'll witness the aweinspiring Dinosaur Stampede—a 95-million-year-old fossilised snapshot of prehistoric chaos, preserved in stone. As you stand before thousands of fossilised footprints, you can almost hear the thunder of ancient creatures fleeing in panic across the mudflats. After exploring the site, we enjoy a bush lunch surrounded by the raw beauty of the outback.

This evening we enjoy our **Farewell Dinner** together, sharing stories and memories under the outback stars.

Accommodation: Boulder Opal Hotel, Winton Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Day 7: Following breakfast this morning, we transfer back to Longreach to board the Spirit of the Outback for our journey home. Settle in and relax as the train winds its way through sunburnt plains, wide open spaces and historic outback towns, offering one final chance to soak in the spirit and scenery of this remarkable region.

Accommodation: Spirit of Outback train

Meals: All meals included for Sleeper Cabin guests, dining cart available for economy seat passengers at your own expense.

Health and Fitness

This is a Moderate Paced Tour- Medium level of fitness required.

Travelers must be able to meet the below fitness level requirements or have a carer who is available to assist. GVH Staff are not able to assist with those who have reduced mobility or other health problems. It is Your responsibility to arrange for such a carer if so required:

- Participate in guided walking tours with time to rest every 20 minutes
- Participate in walking tours on uneven ground, including bush tracks and sand
- Get on and off multiple transport types unaided including train, coach and boat
- Manage you own luggage or with the help of your own carer
- Not suitable for quests needing wheelie walkers or wheelchairs

GVH reserves the right at its discretion to exclude from a tour or to terminate the travel arrangements during the course of the tour without refund, of anyone who is unable to cope with the requirements of the tour, including using coach steps for embarking and disembarking or needing services or facilities that are not available. We will not be held liable for any termination of your travel arrangements or additional expenses incurred. Please be aware that some outback locations may experience high temperatures.