Experience Kakadu National Park, Litchfield and Katherine Gorge (Nitmiluk National Park) on this active, yet relaxed 8 day tour. Staying in a range of comfortable accommodation, from motel-style rooms to apartments and cabins, this tour is a wonderful way to explore this remote and spectacular area.

**Level:** *Moderate length walks with some challenging terrain*

A guide will accompany you each day as you discover some of the best walking trails in Kakadu, Nitmiluk and Litchfield. On some of the more challenging walks two guides will accompany the group, to offer more options.

Some of the walks include quite steep and rocky sections; but, with a moderate level of fitness, each walk is enjoyable! We highly recommend that you do some training beforehand, especially walking steps and doing some training on rocky terrain. Some of the walks are circuit walks and some are to waterholes and back.

You are always welcome to take a day off walking. We will try to help you find suitable alternative activities if you desire and possible.

**Distance:** 60km  **Duration:** 8 Days / 7 Nights

2019 DEPARTURE:

4th-11th July

Give us a call if you have any questions!
08 8 6219 5164 or walk@inspirationoutdoors.com.au
Kakadu Guided Walking Tour
Level: Moderate

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Itinerary

The itinerary may alter depending on river crossings, local conditions and weather.

Day 1
Darwin to Jabiru (3km walk)

We depart Darwin after picking you up at your accommodation early this morning.

After a quick visit to the Window on the Wetlands Visitor Centre we make our way to Mamukala Wetlands in the World heritage-listed Kakadu National Park. Here we will have the opportunity to stretch our legs for a short (1.5hrs) walk and spot more wetland birds in this refuge.

From Mamukala we then drive to Jabiru, where we check in to our comfortable cabins, which we will call home for the next few nights. While you unpack, go for a swim or maybe go for a wonder around town, your guides will prepare a 2-course dinner at our accommodation.

Day 2
Ubirr rock art site, Guluyambi Cultural Cruise and discover the East Alligator River (the gateway to Arnhem Land) (1km + 3-4km walk)

Today we explore the Ubirr area of Kakadu National Park. In the morning we head to the Ubirr rock art sites and learn more about the local Aboriginal stories and history. In the afternoon we will head out on a special extended Guluyambi cruise. After a short cruise up the East Alligator River we will be dropped off on the Arnhem land side of the river. With our Aboriginal guide and on foot we will then have the opportunity to visit remote and restricted rock art sites in Arnhem land. After a couple of hours of walking we then return by boat. Reflect on a fantastic day by going for a swim back at the accommodation in Jabiru or relax with a cold beer.

Day 3
Nourlangie rock art site and Barrk Walk
Day 4
Yurmikmik & Gunlom Falls (5km + 1km walk)

Today we drive out to the Nourlangie rock art site, where we will have the opportunity to explore some of the most breathtaking and diverse Aboriginal rock art paintings in the area. After discovering the site we will embark on the Barrk Walk (12km) that takes us around the Nourlangie escarpment.

Today you will have the option to walk only the first 6km of the Barrk walk to the Nanguluwurr rock art site, where the second guide can take you back to the bus (2km) or you may choose to complete the whole walk.

Day 5
Pine Creek to Katherine via Leliyn (Edith Falls area) (8.6km walk)

Leaving Kakadu behind us, we will make our way to Pine Creek where we will stay the night.

*Please note, access to Gunlom may be limited due to river crossings. Alternative program will be provided if affected.
From Pine Creek we are heading to the northern section of Nitmiluk National Park to Leliyn (Edith Falls).

Here we will have the opportunity to spend a full day exploring this beautiful area. Once up top of the escarpment there is a series of pools to discover on our walk today. Our walk takes us along the last section of the Jatbula trail to Sweetwater Pool. On our way back we will detour to the Upper Pools of Leliyn for another swim, before making our way back to the bus.

Once back at the bottom of Leliyn Falls and the carpark we will head to Katherine, where we will then check in at our apartment style accommodation.

**Day 6**
Katherine Gorge and Butterfly Gorge walk in Nitmiluk NP  (12km walk)

A short drive to the southern section of Nitmiluk will take us to Katherine Gorge.

Our walk today will start with a climb up the escarpment where we will be rewarded with the first of many stunning views of the day. The walk will take us as far as Butterfly Gorge, a little haven for the local butterflies in amongst a little pocket of rainforest. From Butterfly Gorge we will make our way along the escarpment towards the Southern Rockhole. We end a wonderful day with a short boat ride up the Katherine River back to Nitmiluk Visitor Centre.

**Day 7**
Katherine to Litchfield National Park (4.3km walk)

Today we make our way up north to Litchfield National Park.

We will leave the big crowds behind as we make our way to the Cascades. From the carpark we make our way up onto the Tabletop. Along the way we will enjoy several vantage points with sweeping views of the lowlands below. Depending on the wet season, we will be able to do a loop walk via the lower pools or we will return the same way.

After our walk we will make our way back to Batchelor to settle in at our cabin style accommodation for our last night.
Day 8
Litchfield National Park and Return to Darwin
(8km walk)

Today we have lots of options for various short walks to different waterfalls and billabongs around Litchfield National Park. Before we start our first walk and on our way in to the park we will stop at the Magnetic Termite Mounds.

Some of the waterfalls today will include the famous Florence and Tolmer Falls, and Buley Rockhole. In the afternoon our walk at Greenant will take us through monsoon forest along the creek heading upstream. We climb steeply to Tjaetaba Falls and then further on to a usually fairly un-crowded small pool. Here we will have time to enjoy a leisurely dip.

Darwin is a short drive from Litchfield National Park where we anticipate dropping you back at your hotel around 6/6:30pm (we can also drop you at the airport along the way if you wish).

*Please note, access to The Cascades may be limited due to river crossings. Alternative program will be provided if affected.
The Fine Details

Cost: $3,720 per person
($4,325 single supplement)

What’s included:

- All transport in an air-conditioned 4WD tour coach to and from Darwin, including a hotel pickup up from any accommodation in central Kakadu.
- Professional guiding and support each day
- Emergency support: guides carry satellite phones and a full first aid kit
- Ferry tickets, Guluyambi and Arnhem land experience, and National Park entrance fees
- 7 night’s comfortable accommodation
- 7 healthy breakfasts – cereal, fruit, yogurt, toast
- 8 morning teas, carried by your guide
- 8 lunches
- Pre-dinner nibbles each night
- 7 delicious two course dinners
- Excellent itinerary and planning drawn from 14 yrs experience

Where do we start from?

The tour starts and finishes in Darwin. We pick up our guests from their hotels, pick-ups may be between 7:30 - 8am and guests will be advised of their pick-up times closer to the departure.

As we are walking on the first day of the tour, it is not advisable to fly into Darwin on the morning of the tour departure. We recommend staying one night in Darwin before the tour and one night at the end as we usually don’t get back into Darwin until 6pm/6:30pm.

We recommend to our guests the following accommodation.

- Palms City Resort
- H on Mitchell Apartment Hotel
- Travelodge Mirambeena Resort Darwin
- Darwin City Hotel

Average Temperature (degrees):

Kakadu is situated in a tropical climate so the weather can be hot and humid but our tours run at the most comfortable time of the year.

July 18 min - 32 max
Where do we stay?

We will be staying at a variety of different accommodations on our Kakadu, Nitmiluk and Litchfield walking tour.

- Anbinik Kakadu Resort, 3 nights
- Pine Creek, 1 night
- St Andrews Serviced Apartments Katherine, 2 nights
- Batchelor Holiday Park, 1 night

Dietary requirements?

From vegetarians to pescatarians to meat loving carnivores with an aversion to cucumbers, we cater for all dietary requirements and will make sure you are well fed and looked after on tour.

What’s the average age of walkers?

The average age of our guests are between 55-75 years young but we welcome any adult on our tours.

Ready to book?

Your next adventure is two steps away…

• Jump onto our website www.inspirationoutdoors.com.au, find your tour in the menu and click on the orange button in the top right hand corner that states, ‘CheckAvailability/Book Now’
  alternatively call us on 08 6219 5164 (international calls dial +618 62195164) or email us at walk@InspirationOutdoors.com.au.

• Pay a $350pp deposit to secure your booking (full payment is required six weeks prior to departure or at time of booking if booking within six weeks).

Just in case…

All our tours are guaranteed departures.

We hope that you do not need to cancel your booking. However, if you do, our cancellation fee, based on the notice given prior to the departure date, is:

• More than 12 weeks: $50 administration fee
• 6 to 12 weeks: loss of deposit
• 4 to 6 weeks: 25% of full tour cost
• 2 to 4 weeks: 50% of full tour cost
• less than 2 weeks: 100% of full tour cost, no refund

If you have any concerns about cancelling, please take out travel insurance covering this contingency. This policy will be adhered to despite the most compelling and compassionate circumstances.

Is it safe to swim in Kakadu?

While there are swimming opportunities on this tour, crocodiles do reside in Kakadu National Park. All guests swim at their own risk. We mitigate the risk by only conducting tours in the dry season and by only swimming in the park’s crocodile management zones. If you would like to know more about the crocodiles and the crocodile management zones click here.
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