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11 DAYS LONGREACH & SPIRIT OF THE OUTBACK Wednesday 11 - Saturday 19 June 2027



Step back in time and experience the true spirit of Queensland's legendary Outback on this unforgettable 11-day adventure. Journey to the iconic town of Longreach, where Australia's pioneering history, warm country hospitality, and vast open landscapes come to life. Discover fascinating attractions before boarding the renowned Spirit of the Outback, travelling in comfort as the ever-changing scenery unfolds from the rugged heart of Queensland to the beautiful coastline.

Includes

- Home pick up and return service Metropolitan area & Mornington Peninsula
- Return Virgin Flights
- Breakfasts, evening meals, lunches as per itinerary
- Entrance fees and guided tours

Cost: TBA

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Day 1: (D) HOME TO BRISBANE**Wednesday, 09 June 2027**

Welcome to our **Longreach & Spirit of the Outback** tour. Our flight departs **Melbourne** and arrives in **Brisbane**, where a local **coach operator** will be waiting to meet us. From Brisbane airport we take a short **sightseeing drive** around Brisbane, then check into our accommodation. Enjoy some free time to take a look around before we meet again over dinner tonight.

Royal on the Park Brisbane | 1 night (07) 3221 3411

Day 2: (BLD) BRISBANE TO ROMA**Thursday, 10 June 2027**

Today we begin our outback adventure! This morning, we visit the highest vantage point in the city at **Mount Coot -The Lookout**, to take in the stunning views before travelling through the **Lockyer Valley** to our early **lunch** stop at **Urth Café** in **Toowoomba**. This afternoon, watch the scenery roll by, and get to know your fellow travellers as we express through to **Roma**. Roma, located in the centre of the Maranoa Shire, is home to the largest store cattle market in Australia and is an important piece of the oil and gas industry.

Best Western Bungil Creek Motel, Roma | 1 night (07) 4624 2200

Day 3: (BLD) ROMA TO CHARLEVILLE**Friday, 11 June 2027**

This morning, we visit the heritage listed **Mt Abundance Homestead**. We'll be greeted warmly by the owners before being led on an interesting tour. Discover the first post office in the Roma district and visit the underground cellar lined with locally handmade bricks before a pleasant **morning tea** on the veranda. Arriving in **Mitchell** we have a **local guide** step on board the coach for a **town tour**, followed by **lunch** and some **free time** at the **Visitor Centre**. The option is available for anyone to take a soak in the **Artesian Spa** located within the complex. This afternoon we hit the road and head to **Charleville** for the next two nights of the tour.

Hotel Corones, Charleville | 2 nights (07) 4654 1022

Day 4: (BD) CHARLEVILLE**Saturday, 12 June 2027**

At the **Bilby Experience**, our guide will reveal Australia's native animal extinction crisis and inform us about the breeding program. Next, we visit **Hotel Corones for the History and Stories tour**. The man who built the hotel, Harry 'Poppa' Corones, was an amazing early Charleville entrepreneur who went on to make Australian history more than once and to this day still holds an Australian record. He was also quite the character, so much of his comical antics make for brilliant and entertaining stories, all forming part of the tour. After time in town to **purchase lunch**, we visit **WWII Secret Base** - an interactive exhibition

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centre outlining Charleville's role during 1942-1946.

Day 5: (BLD) CHARLEVILLE TO LONGREACH Sunday, 13 June 2027

We say goodbye to Charleville and continue north today. Stopping in **Tambo**, step into a world of whimsy and heartwarming takes when we visit **Tambo Teddies**. Stitched with love, we uncover the story of these beloved teddy bears, originally crafted by three local women determined to overcome the challenges of low wool prices and the unforgiving drought. This afternoon we make our way through **Barcaldine** and **Ilfracombe** where, time permitting, we can "wet the whistle" at the famous Wellshot Hotel or take a wander along the Folk Transport Museum. From here we head to our destination, **Longreach**.
Longreach Motor Inn | 4 nights

Day 6: (BD) LONGREACH Monday, 14 June 2027

Today's adventure starts at the **QANTAS Founders Outback Museum**. The historic photographs, memorabilia and multimedia design displays bring the inspirational stories of one of the worlds pioneering airlines to life. Then, we uncover iconic **Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame** where the centre showcases the people of the bush, revealing the incredible and sometime unknown stories of the everyday people who lived and worked on the stock routes. Here, the story is brought to life at the **Outback Stockman's Show**. Experience all the action of a live muster and witness the bond between man and animal working together. Hear songs from the outback that tell the story of a day in the life of a stockman encompassing the modern-day aspects while incorporating tales of the past. From here we head back to our accommodation and relax before dinner. Tonight we are in for a treat where we dine at the **QANTAS Founders Museum** including the nightly Luminescent Longreach Tour, a spectacular light and sound experience where the story of Qantas is projected onto the mighty Boeing 747.

Day 7: (BLD) LONGREACH Tuesday, 15 June 2027

This morning is a special experience as we get an insight into the area through the eyes of local graziers and pioneer families. We meet the owners of a local property called **Camden Park Station** and learn about their operations and the challenges of working on the land. We then head back into town and visit **Kinnon & Co** in the main street. Their Station Store has an amazing range of traditionally made leatherwear and a treasure trove of historic nostalgia. While



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we are here, we enjoy the wonderful **"Harry Redford Old Time Tent Show"**. Based on the traditional outback travelling shows, this is Aussie outback humour and ingenuity at its best! It's a hilarious hour of entertainment featuring animals, stockmen and improvised live theatre with a laugh a minute and includes a packed **Billy Can lunch**. There will be some free time this afternoon for shopping and to explore the township. This evening, we take a **cruise down the majestic Thompson River**. As sunset fades into starlight we enjoy **Smithy's Outback Dinner and Show** for a great night of food and live entertainment under the stars.

Day 8: (BLD) WINTON Wednesday, 16 June 2027

Today we see some dramatic and ever-changing scenery as we make our way to **Winton**. The area was once home to dinosaurs and is full of groundbreaking scientific discoveries and archaeological digs. Today we'll have the opportunity to learn about this prehistoric phenomenon at the **Australian Age of Dinosaurs**. The centre hosts the largest collection of Australian dinosaur fossils and the largest fossil perpetration laboratory in the Southern Hemisphere. It was here in Winton that Banjo Paterson wrote his famous poem about the swagman and jolly jumbuck and 'Waltzing Matilda' was heard for the first time in the North Gregory Hotel. We visit the **Waltzing Matilda Centre**, the only museum in the world dedicated to a song, before travelling back to Longreach. Tonight, we dine at **The Welcome Home's Country Classics Dining Experience**, which takes traditional from homestead kitchens and Country Women's Association favourites.

Day 9: (BLD) SPIRIT OF THE OUTBACK Thursday, 17 June 2027

We have an early breakfast and make our way to the **Longreach Railway Station** where we depart on the **Spirit of the Outback train**. From the comfort of our seat, watch as the scenery morphs into rugged terrain as the train takes us on the **1,300 km journey from Longreach to Brisbane**. The train offers a unique insight into the history and culture of early Australia, combined with interesting commentary, a social atmosphere and an authentic dining experience. The daylight journey will allow us to enjoy the magical colours and landscape of Outback Queensland as the train snakes its way across the top of the **Drummond Range** to then arrive into Rockhampton whilst darkness falls.

Spirit of the Outback Train | 1 night - *waitlisted booking window opens approx. August 2026* **Departs Longreach 10am**

**Day 10: (BLD) BRISBANE
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Waking to the clickety clack of our train travelling along the coast, we enjoy breakfast onboard the train before arriving in **Brisbane** late morning, where a local **coach operator** will be waiting for us. Our **lunch** location will be at the famous **Breakfast Creek Hotel**. With a history that stretches back to 1889 the hotel was one of the first hotels to offer beer gardens style dining and the first to open a drive through bottle shop in the 1960s. We check into our hotel with time at leisure this afternoon. Tonight we meet again for our **farewell dinner** at the hotel's onsite restaurant.

Breakfast included on the train | Lunch at Breakfast Creek Hotel | Dinner at the hotel

Royal on the Park Brisbane | 1 night (07) 3221 3411

Arrives Brisbane 11.50am

Day 11: (B) BRISBANE TO HOME

Saturday, 19 June 2027

Sadly, our great Longreach & Spirit of the Outback tour has come to an end. Following breakfast, we transfer to the **Brisbane Airport** for our flight back home to Melbourne.

All itineraries are subject to change due to occasional restrictions in opening times/days of some attractions. We cannot be held responsible for any changes due to closures, inclement weather etc.



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