

OUTBACK QUEENSLAND STATIONS TOUR 9-NIGHT ACCOMMODATED 4WD TAG ALONG TOUR 31 JULY – 9 AUGUST 2022

SUNDAY 31 JULY (dinner)

6pm – Meet in reception at our motel for pre-dinner drinks & nibbles before dinner. Accommodation: Best Western Bungil Creek Motel, Roma x 2 nights

MONDAY 1 AUGUST (breakfast, lunch & dinner)

This morning we'll travel to Mount Hope property and meet the Price family to hear how they have embraced coal seam gas and work closely with Santos on their property. Return to Roma after lunch via Mount Saltbush Road, and an interesting look at the gas industry. You will have some free time back in Roma to do your own exploring - <u>https://romarevealed.com.au/discover-the-region/towns/roma-qld/</u> 6.30/7pm – meet for dinner in BC's Restaurant at the motel.

TUESDAY 2 AUGUST (breakfast, lunch & dinner)

Arrive at the Roma Saleyards for a tour of the largest cattle selling centre in Australia, with over 400,000 cattle passing through each year. Enjoy some time in the new state-of-the-art interpretive centre telling the story of the cattle industry. As you enter the Interpretive Centre, you could be forgiven for thinking you'd joined a cattle drive on the long paddock. We'll have a cuppa in the café before heading to the small rural town of Surat for lunch. Continuing along the Carnarvon Highway, we will arrive in St. George this afternoon and enjoy sunset drinks & nibbles at Riversands Winery on the edge of the Balonne River.

Accommodation: Riverland Motor Inn, St George x 2 nights

Dinner at motel in River's Restaurant at the motel.

WEDNESDAY 3 AUGUST (breakfast, lunch & dinner)

This morning we'll drive south to Dirranbandi where we will join Nikki & Scott for their Cubbie Station Tour - the largest irrigation property in the southern hemisphere!

Following your tour, we will stop in town for lunch and then return to St. George for some free time. A suggestion is to visit "The Unique Egg", where Steve Margaritis has been hand carving emu eggs for more than 60 years. <u>https://www.stgeorgeregion.com.au/explore/st-george/</u>

Dinner at motel in River's Restaurant at the motel.

THURSDAY 4 AUGUST (breakfast, lunch & dinner)

Departing St. George we'll travel west to Cunnamulla via Charlotte's Plains, a family-owned and operated sheep station. We'll have a tour and hear about some of the amazing history of this property established in the 1860's.

Continue onto Cunnamulla this afternoon and a look around before checking into our accommodation.

4pm – head to Cunnamulla Railway Station for the Cunnamulla "All Aboard" 3D Sound & Light Spectacular! Sit back and relax in the modern theatre as the holographic host, Station Master (Steven Tandy), whisks you back in time on a memorable journey to the "end of the line".

Return to our accommodation for dinner.

Accommodation: Warrego Hotel/Motel, Cunnamulla x 1 night

FRIDAY 5 AUGUST (breakfast, lunch & dinner)

This morning we continue west, firstly to the little town of Eulo for smoko and then through to Alroy Station, a working sheep & cattle station for lunch and a look around. Our final stop today is our next property where we stay for 2 nights - historic Moble Station. The garden is fantastic and surrounding buildings are full of old treasures.

Accommodation: Moble Station – new ensuite shearers quarters x 2 nights

Dinner this evening over at the Homestead with the Rutledge family – Brian, Kylie & Meg

SATURDAY 6 AUGUST (breakfast, lunch & dinner)

Following breakfast, we'll head out the back way to Eromanga, famous on several counts, firstly for being the furthest town from the sea in Australia and secondly for the significant palaeontological discoveries of Australia's largest dinosaurs on a property near Eromanga.

The Eromanga region also has the claim to fame of being the largest oil producing area in mainland Australia. The township plays host to a mini refinery that has been continuously refining 1250 barrels per day of crude oils into automotive distillates, jet fuel and specialty chemicals. The Old Royal Hotel, built in 1885, is one of the original buildings and was once a Cobb & Co Staging Post.

The Eromanga Natural History Museum will be a highlight today where we will do a guided tour followed by lunch before returning to 'Moble'. Some time to relax before Cavehill Sundowners and dinner at the Homestead.

SUNDAY 7 AUGUST (breakfast, lunch & dinner)

After a memorable stay on Moble, we head off across to visit Thylungra Station – Australia's largest sheep station in its heyday in the 1950's. The property was initially established as a cattle station by pioneer Patrick Durack in 1868. After lunch we'll head further west over mighty Cooper Creek and into Windorah for the night and sunset out at "Sando's" sandhill. **Accommodation: Western Star Hotel/Motel x 1 night** Dinner at the 'pub'.

MONDAY 8 AUGUST (breakfast, lunch & dinner)

Head north via Jundah and Stonehenge before arriving at Noonbah Station, owned and run by the 4th generation Emmett family. Enjoy lunch with grazier and ecologist Angus Emmett and his wife Karen. Angus will then share his story as you do a tour of part of the property. We then continue on to Longreach for the final night of this tour.

Accommodation: The Staging Post - Stables x 1 night

Dinner this evening at the Welcome Home Restaurant.

TUESDAY 9 AUGUST (breakfast)

Enjoy a hearty breakfast at the Welcome Home Café before we say our farewells!

<u>COST</u>: \$3400.00 per person twin share

(Single Room Supplement \$580.00)

WHATS INCLUDED

Experienced guiding by Graham & Deb 9 nights' ensuite accommodation All meals & smoko's Beer, wine & soft drinks at Moble Station Property Station Tours as per itinerary Roma Saleyards Tour Sunset drinks & nibbles at Riversands Winery, St George Cunnamulla "All Aboard Show" Eromanga Natural History Museum guided tour

WHATS NOT INCLUDED

Fuel and car expenses Drinks (except Moble Station) Items of a personal nature

BOOKING CONDITIONS APPLY ~~ NON-SMOKERS ONLY