Discover the best of Aboriginal tours and experiences in the Northern Territory.
Tourism businesses that have achieved Tourism Accreditation have shown their commitment to ensure the ongoing sustainability and best practice of their business. This logo identifies a minimum standard in business operation and customer service and that they are committed to quality business practices and professionalism. All of the operators featured have achieved this level of accreditation.

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Each region of the Northern Territory has individual tours and experiences showcasing their Traditional country and culture firsthand.

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The Northern Territory offers the traveller an unrivalled, rich and rewarding cultural experience.

From the Red Centre through to the Top End, the Indigenous people of these regions are as diverse as the landscapes that surround them. Each offers a special experience to share their country, culture, traditions and identity with great pride and professionalism.

With at least sixty thousand years experience, Indigenous people have today built a solid and sustainable tourism industry, which provides our original custodians with the economic opportunities that will help preserve their unique way of life.

The Indigenous Tourism Champions Program is a collaborative national program instigated by Tourism Australia and Indigenous Business Australia with support from the NT Department of Business and Tourism NT.

Members of this Program include the Territory operators listed within this publication who meet the stringent membership guidelines of being reputable commercial operators with strong industry knowledge. They are provided with business mentoring support and are also invited to participate in marketing initiatives offered by Tourism Australia.
BATJI Tours
Experience Darwin from the perspective of its traditional owners – the Larrakia.
Join us for a relaxed and insightful two-hour cultural walking tour around the parklands of Darwin’s Esplanade and its hidden treasures at the water’s edge, learning about Darwin and its surrounds. Included in this tour experience is a traditional Welcome to Country, stories and history of the Larrakia people, shared knowledge on bush medicines and tucker of local plants, landmarks around Darwin Harbour of cultural importance, a pocket of rainforest at a secret beach, and animal totems of the Larrakia explained.

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WALKING TOUR
2 hour culturally focussed walking tour on the Esplanade of Darwin City. Tour operates on Wednesday & Friday mornings all year round.

CHARTER TOURS
Batji also provides charter tours that can cater for specialty groups. Available are half day or full day charters. See website for details.
Northern Territory Indigenous Tours

Enjoy authentic, small-group day tours from Darwin to Litchfield National Park with a personable Indigenous guide. Generations of history in the region inform specialised natural and cultural interpretation. Get hands-on experience as our guides demonstrate bush resources in season. Swim in safety at iconic waterfalls. See dramatic stone country and magnificent scenery. Indulge in a delicious, flame-grilled lunch of ocean-caught barramundi, marinated kangaroo and crocodile back fillet at the private, rainforest-lined Woolaning Spring. You will learn the real story of this area from guides with unrivalled knowledge as you venture off the tourist trail, along tracks that few others reach.

www.ntitours.com.au
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INDIGENOUS LITCHFIELD TOUR
This spectacular day tour takes you to the world class natural beauty and cultural symbolism of Litchfield National Park, offering pick up & return from your accommodation.

INDIGENOUS HIGH FLYERS BEST OF TOP END
The best of Darwin tours in a single day, where you get to experience the incredible landscape via luxury 4WD, helicopter and boat.
Pudakul Aboriginal Cultural Tours

Pudakul is the name of the macaranga tree, which was used to make spears by the people of this Adelaide River wetland area. This established family business, which operates from a magnificent billabong, that is steeped in local knowledge and history. It offers a genuine nature-based experience that includes a bush tucker walk and talk that covers natural medicines, didjeridoo and clapstick demonstrations, local plant knowledge and usage, the art of making dilly bags as well as Dreamtime stories including the Rainbow serpent. Finish the tour with Billy Tea and Damper – the perfect tour for anyone wanting to learn Aboriginal culture.

- www.pudakul.com.au
- 08 8984 9282
- pudakulpact@bigpond.com

CULTURAL EXPERIENCE
2 hour Aboriginal guided cultural experience commencing at 10.30am 5 days a week – Thursday to Monday. This soft adventure takes place on country an hour from the heart of Darwin.

SPECIALITY TOURS
Speciality group bookings and school packages available. See website for details.
Kakadu Cultural Tours

Kakadu Cultural Tours offers you exciting experiences in the Kakadu and Arnhem Land areas. Guluyambi Cruise – Aboriginal guides provide you with an insight into their culture, the river’s abundant food chain, traditional uses for many plants and animals as well as bush survival skills. Arnhemlander Tour – professional guides take you through restricted access areas to view spectacular scenery where aspects of indigenous culture are presented. Hawk Dreaming Wilderness Lodge – KCT is the only operator offering travellers access to the remote Hawk Dreaming/Cannon Hill region, in Kakadu National Park. Located near Ubirr, on Aboriginal land, the Lodge offers just twelve tented cabins with full ensuite facilities.

www.kakaduculturaltours.com.au

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GULUYAMBI CULTURAL CRUISE

A unique Aboriginal guided boat tour on Kakadu’s scenically spectacular East Alligator River. Take in the wonderful pristine wilderness as you leisurely cruise upstream.

ARNEHMLANDER CULTURAL AND HERITAGE TOUR

An exceptional Aboriginal cultural and heritage day tour into Arnhem Land and Northern Kakadu. Visit places inaccessible to most, including ancient rock art sites.
Banubanu Wilderness Retreat
This rustic beach retreat in remote Arnhem Land only accepts small bookings of up to fourteen visitors at a time, ensuring total privacy and exclusivity on the spectacular Bremer Island hideaway (15 minute flight north of Nhulunbuy). Tours include fishing in the some of the world’s most picturesque fishing grounds, world-class bird and turtle watching and the opportunity to experience Yolgnu Culture with members from the local Indigenous community. Accommodation options include twin share tents or the ‘Hideaway Cabin’ set in a lush tropical setting. Island packages include transfers from Gove, all meals and accommodation.

www.banubanu.com
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Fishing & Wildlife Charters
Exclusive fishing and marine & wildlife viewing charters available. See website for details.
Lirrwi Tourism
The Yolngu people of East Arnhem Land offer authentic cultural experiences on their remote homelands. The diversity of things to see and do is as vast as the land. From meeting traditional owners, learning language and dance, basket-weaving to spearfishing, from visiting Indigenous art galleries, four-wheel driving, food gathering activities, to learning didgeridoo from a Yidaki master, there is nothing quite like East Arnhem Land with its white sandy beaches. This experience offers a variety of operators, tours, arts and culture and is completely authentic supporting local Aboriginal-owned business and communities.

www.lirrwitourism.com.au
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TAILORED CHARTERS
Individual Yolngu guided charters. Itinerates created to tailor to client’s desires. Learn language, traditional dance, basket weaving and visit rock art galleries.

CULTURAL WORKSHOPS
Cross Culture workshops developed and delivered to meet client’s requirements. See website for details.
Nitmiluk Tours

The spectacular Nitmiluk Gorge is made up of 13 separate gorges carved from ancient sandstone by the Katherine River. It features raging waterfalls (in season), a myriad of wildlife and simply breathtaking views of the Jawoyn country. 100% Indigenous owned, Nitmiluk Tours is the exclusive tour operator within Nitmiluk National Park. Nitmiluk Tours offer a variety of tours that allow you to immerse yourself in the history, rugged beauty and culture of this majestic region. Gorge cruises, dinner cruises, self-guided canoeing, bush walking, helicopter touring, swimming and cultural interaction programs position Nitmiluk Gorge as a must do of the Northern Territory.

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KATHERINE
RT Tours Australia

Experience the signature ‘Mbantua Sunset & Starlight Bush Dinner tour’, which departs from Alice Springs and includes a visit to the historic Telegraph Reserve and majestic Simpsons Gap. Take in the tranquil allure of the outback sunset, which changes the colour of its surrounds. Dinner is set amongst a scenic bush setting under the starlight with a three-course meal, cooked over an open mulga fire complemented with tasty bush food delicacies. Learn Aboriginal cooking styles to the sounds of the desert, you might even spot some wildlife! This tour operates daily and also as a lunch tour – Many other tour options also available.

www.rttoursaustralia.com.au
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SUNSET TOUR & DINNER
Sunset three course dinner in majestic bush setting under the stars including historic tour of Telegraph Station and Simpsons Gap. Departs 4pm local time.

OPTIONAL TOURS & CHARTERS
Many optional tours and extended charters available. See website for details.
Rainbow Valley Tours
Travel 97km south from Alice Springs to Rainbow Valley to meet your Traditional Custodian host, a descendant of southern Arrernte/Luritja people on lands famous for their rocky sandstone and droving stock route. You will visit Rainbow Valley’s amazing art site of to experience rock art, engravings and occupation sites that have seldom been seen before. The sandstone ridges and bluffs provide sensational photography opportunities. Later in the afternoon, your Aboriginal guide will share the ancient landscape and history of Rainbow Valley explaining its cultural significance before the magnificent desert sunset with its breathtaking changing colours.

www.rainbowvalleyculturaltours.com
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WALKING TOUR
Afternoon Cultural Walking Tour set amongst the ancient landscape - Starts Rainbow Valley Car Park departs Monday, Wednesday & Friday.

CULTURAL WORKSHOP
Ricky Orr offers a Cultural Introduction Workshop to facilitate a greater understanding of Aboriginal Culture & Society past and present.
Maruku @ Uluru

Owned and operated by Anangu (the Ngaanyatjarra, Pitjantjatjara & Yankuytjara people of Central Australia), this cooperative of 800 artist members specialises in traditional wood carving, known as Punu and painting on canvas. Located at the Cultural Centre inside Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park and our market stall in Yulara, we invite you to experience Indigenous art making first hand. Our 90-minute workshops will introduce you to the art of telling stories from the Tjukurpa (Dreamtime) in an enjoyable and interactive format through the traditional symbols and designs used in authentic desert art. All art purchased here returns the funds to the Anangu people.

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