Northern bound to Darwin, Central Australia

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Symbol of Service
THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

The Northern Territory has an area of 523,620 square miles, and to a great extent is still undeveloped. Cattle raising is the principal industry, and cattle, sheep, horses and goats the principal livestock. Although it is possible to grow rice, tobacco, cotton, peanuts and various types of fodder plants and tropical fruits in certain restricted localities, agriculture has made little progress. Peanuts are the only crop grown on a commercial scale, although near DUNMARRA a new project is an experiment with sorghum. A little mining is done, such minerals as gold, tin, wolfram, lead, copper, mica and tantalite occur in various localities. There has been recent discoveries of radio-active minerals. Wild buffaloes and crocodiles, which thrive in the coastal districts, are hunted for their hides, thousands of which are exported each year.

Seasonal tours operate May to September each year.

ALICE SPRINGS (population in 1949, 2,500), the terminus of the Central Australian Railway from Adelaide, is situated in the centre of the continent, approximately 1,000 miles north of Adelaide. The township itself stands 1,900 feet above sea level on a plateau dominated by the Macdonnell Ranges. Alice Springs is the centre for all tourist activities in Central Australia, and there are many tours which can be made to places of scenic attraction.

ANTHILLS

One of the most interesting attractions in the northern part of the Territory are the anthills. These are officially known as termitaria, but not all termitaria are anthills. Some of the hills are flat mounds, some are pointed, and some are conical. All are riddled with tunnels, and the lower part is crawling with dirty-white creatures. Near Pine Creek is an anthill more than 20 feet high, almost 6 feet thick at the base, and is fairly symmetrical, with a conical top.
TOUR No. 1
PALM VALLEY TOUR
WEEKLY from first Thursday in May

THURSDAY . . . . Depart Adelaide at 7.50 a.m.
FRIDAY . . . . En Route.
SATURDAY . . . . Arrive Alice Springs.
SUNDAY . . . . Sightseeing tour of Alice Springs.
MONDAY . . . . Depart Alice Springs.

TUESDAY . . . . At Finke River, visiting Palm Valley, Amphitheatre, Cycad Gorge, and Hermannsburg Mission.
WEDNESDAY . . . .
THURSDAY . . . .

SATURDAY . . . .
SUNDAY . . . . In Alice Springs.
MONDAY . . . . Depart Alice Springs at 2.00 p.m.
TUESDAY . . . . En Route.
WEDNESDAY . . . . Arrive Adelaide at 9.40 p.m. (approx.).

All Inclusive Fare by Rail—14 days—£59

STANLEY CHASM.

Standley Chasm, Simpson’s Gap, Arltunga Mission Station, Palm Valley and Hermannsburg are but a few of the popular places of interest. Palm Valley (100 miles from Alice Springs) is one of the most interesting attractions in this region. Towering red cliffs rise on both sides of a great winding gorge, and the valley is noted for its unusual plant, insect and wild life.
TOUR No. 2

DARWIN TOUR

FORTNIGHTLY from first Thursday in May.

THURSDAY . . . . Depart Adelaide at 7.50 a.m.
FRIDAY . . . . . . En Route.
SATURDAY . . . . Arrive Alice Springs.
SUNDAY . . . . . . Sightseeing Tour of Alice Springs.
MONDAY . . . . Lunch: Barrow Creek. Night: Tennant Creek.
WEDNESDAY . Lunch: Mataranka. Afternoon: Local Tour.
FRIDAY . . . . . Tour of Darwin.
SATURDAY . . . . Harbour Cruise.
SUNDAY . . . . . . Casuarina Beach and Magnetic Anthills Tour.
MONDAY . . . . Depart for Alice Springs.
TUESDAY . . . Lunch: Mataranka. Night: Daly Waters.
FRIDAY . . . . Lunch and Night: Alice Springs.
SATURDAY . . In Alice Springs.
SUNDAY . . . . . . Depart Alice Springs.
MONDAY . . . . En Route.
TUESDAY . . . . Arrive Adelaide at 9.40 p.m. (approx.).

All Inclusive Fare by Rail—21 days—£89

DEVIL’S MARBLES

North of Wauchope the Davenport Range lies across the main road. Three hundred to 400 feet above the surrounding plain, the range is a granite core overlain by sandstone. The interesting part of the range is the enormous rocks—huge rounded chunks of granite, scattered for miles on either side of the road. They weigh many tons, although giving the appearance of being easy to push over.
**TOUR No. 3**

**DARWIN TOUR ex Alice Springs**

FORTNIGHTLY from first Sunday in May.

**SUNDAY**
Sightseeing Tour of Alice Springs.
Depart for Darwin after lunch.
Night: Aileron.

**MONDAY**
Lunch: Barrow Creek.
Night: Tennant Creek.

**TUESDAY**
Lunch: Renner Springs.
Night: Daly Waters.

**WEDNESDAY**
Lunch: Mataranka.
Afternoon: Local Tour.
Night: Mataranka.

**THURSDAY**
Lunch: Adelaide River.
Night: Darwin.

**FRIDAY**
Tour of Darwin.

**SATURDAY**
Casuarina Beach and Magnetic Anthills Tour.
Tour of Darwin.
Harbour Cruise.

**SUNDAY**
Casuarina Beach and Magnetic Anthills Tour.
Depart for Alice Springs.

**MONDAY**
Lunch: Berry Springs.
Night: Pine Creek.

**TUESDAY**
Lunch: Mataranka.
Night: Daly Waters.

**WEDNESDAY**
Picnic Lunch.
Night: Tennant Creek.

**THURSDAY**
Lunch: Barrow Creek.
Night: Aileron.

**FRIDAY**
Alice Springs.

This tour does not include accommodation in Alice Springs.

**All Inclusive Fare—13 days—£55**

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**DARWIN**

Darwin is the seat of Government for the Territory, and was first settled in 1869. It is designed to become one of the most important waterfront cities in the Commonwealth, and the gateway to Australia, but its early history was one of unhappy beginnings, with many plans going astray. When the Overland Telegraph line was built and connected with overseas cable, Darwin's future seemed assured, but many years were to pass before this came about. In February, 1942, Darwin was bombed by the Japanese, the first armed attack against the Australian mainland...there are still signs of the damage caused by the numerous raids.
**Palm Valley Hermannsburg Tour**

**Tour Itinerary**

The journey from Adelaide to Alice Springs is made by rail. A sightseeing tour of Alice Springs is arranged, visiting Heavitree Gap, Aerodrome, town water supply, inspection of road train, new residential area and racecourse. Departing from Alice Springs, our undulating route through the MacDonnell Ranges and across numerous river beds blanketed in the shade of magnificent gum trees, takes us to the renowned Hermannsburg Mission Station. Crossing the Finke River, we make our way, calling at the Amphitheatre, noted for its echoing walls and sphinx-like rock formations. In the remarkable stillness of the valley, crystal-clear rock pools, teeming with tiny fish, are sheltered from the winter sun by the waving foliage of the giant palms. Forbidding caves open into the cliff walls, and the enchanting nooks and pleasant walks make Palm Valley an ever-happy memory.

Leaving the Valley, our route lies across the Missionary Plain, and over the River Hugh, where John McDouall Stuart made a crossing in his many attempts to cross the continent. Standley Chasm is visited—only 15 feet wide at the base, its rugged sides tower 200 feet above in perpendicular grandeur. Leaving behind us the unique beauty of Palm Valley and the towering heights of the Chasm, we visit Jay Creek Aboriginal Reserve and Simpson's Gap before returning to Alice Springs.

There are two free days in Alice Springs, during which time other sightseeing tours can be arranged.

Return to Adelaide is by rail as on the forward journey. A special quote can be given for clients who may desire to travel by air between Adelaide and Alice Springs.

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**Darwin Tour**

**Itinerary**

The journey from Adelaide to Alice Springs is made by rail (first-class sleeper and dining car meals). After arriving in Alice Springs on Saturday, we are taken for a tour of Alice Springs on Sunday morning, which includes Heavitree Gap, Aerodrome, Mt. Blatherskite, new residential area, town water supply, racecourse and an inspection of the road train when available. Luncheon over, we proceed along the 934-mile bitumen Stuart Highway to Aileron. Our journey continues on through Ti-Tree Well, passing Central Mount Stuart (the geographical centre of Australia), Barrow Creek (tin and copper mining), Wauchope Well (wolfram and scheelite), and on to the goldfield town of Tennant Creek. Onward we travel through Banka Banka, Elliott (proposed new capital), Newcastle Waters and Darwin, reaching Daly Waters. The flora from this point onwards becomes more tropical and the route continues through Larrimah (where the road meets the rail from Darwin), and Mataranka. At Mataranka we visit Elsey Cemetery, where many of the characters of "We of the Never-Never" have their last resting place. A visit is also made to a thermal pool and the Waterhouse River. Continuing onward, we pass through Katherine, Pine Creek (the ghost town of the Territory), Adelaide River (with its war grave cemetery), past Manton Dam (Darwin’s water supply), and so on to Darwin, where we stay at the world-renowned Hotel Darwin. After sightseeing in Darwin we return down the Stuart Highway, calling at other places of interest not visited on the forward journey.

There are two free days in Alice Springs, during which time other sightseeing tours can be arranged.

Return to Adelaide is by rail as on the forward journey. A special quote can be given for clients who may desire to travel by air between Adelaide and Alice Springs.
TOUR No. 4
PALM VALLEY TOUR
WEEKLY from first Monday in May.

While camping out on this tour, no effort is spared to provide every available amenity, and the meals, although alfresco, are prepared by an excellent chef.

MONDAY . . . . Depart Alice Springs.

TUESDAY . . . . At Finke River, visiting Palm Valley, Amphitheatre, Cycad Gorge, and Hermannsburg Mission.

WEDNESDAY . . Lunch: Standley Chasm (visiting Simpson’s Gap).

All Inclusive Fare—5 days—£20
This tour does not include accommodation in Alice Springs.

TOUR No. 5
ALICE SPRINGS-DARWIN TOUR
FORTNIGHTLY from first Sunday in May.

SUNDAY . . . . Depart for Darwin after lunch.
Night: Aileron.

MONDAY . . . . Lunch: Barrow Creek. Night: Tennant Creek.


WEDNESDAY . . Lunch: Mataranka. Afternoon: Local Tour.
Night: Mataranka.

THURSDAY . . . . Lunch: Adelaide River.

All Inclusive Fare—5 days—£22/10/-
This tour does not include accommodation in Alice Springs or Darwin.

TOUR No. 6
DARWIN-ALICE SPRINGS TOUR
FORTNIGHTLY from second Monday in May.

MONDAY . . . . Depart for Alice Springs.

TUESDAY . . . . Lunch: Mataranka. Night: Daly Waters.


THURSDAY . . . . Lunch: Barrow Creek.

FRIDAY . . . . Alice Springs.

All Inclusive Fare—5 days—£22/10/-
This tour does not include accommodation in Darwin or Alice Springs.
TOUR No. 7

COMBINED DARWIN AND PALM VALLEY TOUR

THURSDAY . . . . Depart Adelaide by rail 7.50 a.m.
FRIDAY . . . . . . En route to Alice Springs.
SATURDAY . . . . Arrive Alice Springs.
SUNDAY . . . . . . Sightseeing tour of Alice Springs.

Night: Aileron.

MONDAY . . . . Lunch: Barrow Creek. Night: Tennant Creek.
WEDNESDAY . . Lunch: Mataranka. Afternoon: Local Tour.

Night: Mataranka.

FRIDAY . . . . . . Tour of Darwin.
SATURDAY . . . . Harbour Cruise.
SUNDAY . . . . . . Casuarina Beach and Magnetic Anthills Tour.
MONDAY . . . . Depart for Alice Springs.

TUESDAY . . . . Lunch: Mataranka. Night: Daly Waters.
FRIDAY . . . . . . Lunch and Night: Alice Springs.
SATURDAY . . . . In Alice Springs.
SUNDAY . . . . . .
MONDAY . . . . Depart Alice Springs.
WEDNESDAY . . At Finke River, visiting Palm Valley, Amphitheatre, Cycad Gorge, and Hermannsburg Mission.
THURSDAY . . . .


Night: Alice Springs.
SATURDAY . . . . In Alice Springs.
SUNDAY . . . . . .
MONDAY . . . . Depart Alice Springs by rail.
TUESDAY . . . . En route to Adelaide.
WEDNESDAY . . Arrive Adelaide approximately 9.40 p.m.

All Inclusive Fare by Rail—28 days—£114

NOTE: This tour is available weekly for first Monday in May, but on alternate weeks the Palm Valley section of the tour is taken before the Darwin section.
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33 Days All-inclusive Travel — £165

Note: By arrangement, clients can join this tour in Sydney or Melbourne.
ALICE SPRINGS-DARWIN

Depart Alice Springs, Sunday & Tuesday ...... 9.00 a.m.  
Arrive Tennant Creek, Sunday & Tuesday 6.15 p.m.  
Depart Tennant Creek, Mon. & Wednesday 9.00 a.m.  
Arrive Daly Waters, Monday & Wednesday 6.00 p.m.  
Depart Daly Waters, Tuesday & Thursday 6.00 a.m.  
Arrive Darwin, Tuesday & Thursday ...... 6.00 p.m.  

Inclusive Fare  
£14/10/-

DARWIN-ALICE SPRINGS

Depart Darwin, Monday & Thursday ...... 9.00 a.m.  
Arrive Mataranka, Monday & Thursday 5.50 p.m.  
Depart Mataranka, Tuesday & Friday 6.30 a.m.  
Arrive Tennant Creek, Tuesday & Friday 6.00 p.m.  
Depart Tennant Creek, Wed. & Saturday 9.00 a.m.  
Arrive Alice Springs, Wed. & Saturday ...... 6.20 p.m.  

Inclusive Fare  
£14/10/-

TENNANT CREEK-MT. ISA

Depart Tennant Creek, Wed. & Sunday ...... 6.00 a.m.  
Arrive Mt. Isa (Qld.), Wed. & Sunday 6.45 p.m.  

Inclusive Fare  
£7/-/-

MT. ISA-TENNANT CREEK

Depart Mt. Isa (Qld.), Tuesday & Friday ...... 6.00 a.m.  
Arrive Tennant Creek, Tuesday & Friday 6.45 p.m.  

Inclusive Fare  
£7/-/-

The above-mentioned Passenger Services are operated by Alice Springs-Darwin Motor Services Ltd., Alice Springs. Telegraphic Address "Aldarmount, Alice Springs." Bookings are available throughout the year.

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## Travel and Accommodation Information

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There is no road service between Adelaide and Alice Springs.

### Alice Springs Accommodation

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### CENTRAL AUSTRALIA TOURS (from Alice Springs)

- **Palm Valley, Hermannsburg—5 days**  £20 0 0
- **Standley Chasm Day Tour (including luncheon)**  £2 0 0
- **Bitter Springs Gorge Day Tour (including luncheon)**  £2 0 0
- **Emily Gap—half day**  £0 15 0
- **Simpson’s Gap—half day**  £0 15 0

- **Special Itineraries ex Alice Springs—on application.**

### ALICE SPRINGS to DARWIN

| Service Tour—3-day single journey every Sunday and Tuesday | £14 10 0 |
| Escorted Tour, 5 days, including sightseeing en route, one-way tour | £22 10 0 |

### Darwin Accommodation

| Hotel Darwin—per day | 2 5 0 |

### DARWIN TOURS (from Darwin)

- **Tour of Darwin—half day**  £0 15 0
- **Nightcliff—half day**  £0 15 0
- **Casuarina Beach and Magnetic Anthills—half day**  £0 15 0
- **Harbour Cruise**  £1 10 0

### DARWIN to ALICE SPRINGS

| Service Tour—3-day single journey every Monday and Thursday | £14 10 0 |
| Escorted Tour, 5 days, including sightseeing en route, one-way tour | £22 10 0 |

### BOOKINGS

- **ADELAIDE:** Grosvenor Buildings, 125 North Terrace. 'Phone: LA 4263-4264-4265.
- **MELBOURNE:** 138 Elizabeth Street. 'Phone: Cent. 5704.
- **SYDNEY:** Air Reservations Bureau, 169 Phillip Street. 'Phone: BW 8341.
- **MT. GAMBIER:** Bay Road. 'Phone 523.
- **ALICE SPRINGS:** Todd Street. 'Phone 159.
- **DARWIN:** Darwin Hotel Buildings. 'Phone 439.

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