



## Accompany Outdoors Central Australia International Student Tours

Accompany Outdoors offers Outdoor Adventure Experiences which give overseas visitors a better understanding of Australian culture and our unique Australian bush and coastline. Participants also get to know each other in a friendly social context.

We are experienced in working with overseas study tour groups of all ages from school students to mature adults. Our clients include groups from all over the world both English speaking and those with other first languages. These students are from many different organisations including English language study tours, semester abroad students and overseas school groups.

Our staff in most cases have an education background and all have the appropriate certifications and qualifications for the activities they are taking. They are enthusiastic and sociable and have a love of the places they take our visitors.

We tailor our tours to suit the needs of our clients. All of our tours are fun adventures, which also have the ability to focus on specific educational outcomes, team building or simply on exploring Australia's natural wonderlands.

### **Accompany Outdoor's Vision**

Accompany Outdoors works in partnership with clients to provide quality, enjoyable tours for incoming overseas groups. We aim to turn people on to natural world experiences in Australia's semi wilderness areas.

We explore beautiful and awe inspiring places while enhancing our client's knowledge of the ecological and social environments. We have a commitment to include local Indigenous cultural perspectives, past, present, and future. We encourage our groups to become fully immersed in the places we visit and to experience solitude and reflection by taking time to explore and enjoy.

Our staff are knowledgeable, competent and enthusiastic and pride themselves on their attention to detail. They are sensitive to the special needs of people of all ages and cultures.

### **About Accompany Outdoors**

Accompany Outdoors was established in 1993. The Managing Director, Bill Coutts has over 30 years of experience in developing and facilitating outdoor programs. For 13 years he was the Director of an internationally recognised field centre of an Adelaide independent school, and has since worked with all ages in many different situations.

Accompany Outdoors staff are trained Outdoor Educators, carefully selected for their interpersonal skills and trained to meet stringent technical skill standards.

### **About Accompany Outdoors Tours**

At Accompany Outdoors we tailor our tours to meet the needs and aims of our clients.

Our clientele currently includes short and long term international school and university students on exchange in Australia. The Programs we offer these groups are an orientation into Australian culture and lifestyle. They also offer the students an opportunity to experience Australia's natural environments,

famous icons and exciting adventure based activities. Such activities include kayaking, caving, mountain biking, snorkelling, hiking and sailing.

**Accompany Outdoors Study Tours complement English Language Programs through:**

- Offering uniquely Australian cultural opportunities for students
- Offering a unique experience in Australia's natural environment, increasing appreciation, understanding and respect for our natural world
- Incorporating direct and specific links with school or university curriculum. For example history, science, biology and ecology
- Facilitating an opportunity for students to develop, by experiencing Australia's unique natural environment with associated activities such as camping, bushwalking and exploring.

**Accompany Outdoors has worked with many international school and university groups.** Some of our past and present clients include:

- Butler University - Institute For Study Abroad (USA)
- IES (International Education Service) Chicago. Adelaide University (USA)
- Centre for Applied Linguistics. University of South Australia
- Flinders University (South Australia)
- University of Western Australia and Murdoch University (WA)
- University of Tasmania
- Singapore Methodist Girls School (Singapore)
- Kobe Shoin, Kansai, Kobe Gakuin, Naruto (Japan)
- Waseda Sports College, Chukyo University (Japan)

# Education Queensland

## 6 Day Central Australia Field Trip

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### Day One

Students arrive in Alice Springs from Brisbane. We will be staying at the Red Centre Resort for the next two nights. We'll have a quick lunch after setting up our campsite. Students will have the option of sleeping in tents or swags. After lunch we will depart for the Alice Springs School of the Air where students will learn about schooling in outback Australia. We will then head out to Stanley Chasm and Simpson's Gap for the afternoon. We will all enjoy an Australian BBQ out by the pool at the Red Centre Resort before an evening of Aussie Rules Footy at Traeger Park!

### Day Two

Today we will make our way to into the West MacDonnell Ranges to the Aboriginal community Hermannsburg. Students will learn about the Mission and the history behind the settlement. We will also enjoy some scenic walks in Palm Valley. Dinner will be at the Alice Springs Memorial Club before heading back to the Red Centre Resort.

### Day Three

This morning we will visit the Desert Park. This sanctuary captures the living essence of Australia's arid interior. This is a great introduction to life in the Australian Desert. After an early lunch we will depart for Kings Creek Station. Dinner this evening will be cooked in camp ovens, after which we will enjoy an evening of didgeridoo playing and songs around the campfire. Students may also be involved in an Indigenous play.



### Day Four

After breakfast we will make our way to Kings Canyon which is located in Watarrka National Park. We will make the energetic guided climb to the Canyon rim and be rewarded with magnificent views of Watarrka National Park. We will then return to Kings Creek Station for lunch, and then enjoy an afternoon playing cricket and football, or swimming in the pool. After dinner will to turn up the music and enjoy an Australian Bush Dance!

### Day Five

An early start this morning as we head towards Yulara, stopping at Mt Conner en route. After arriving at the Ayers Rock campground we'll have lunch, before driving out to the much anticipated Kata Tjuta National Park. We will visit the Cultural Centre, and students will learn about the ancient Anangu (local Aboriginal) culture. We will watch spear throwing, and observe the making of kiti - the worlds oldest bush



glue. We will also hear ancient creation stories associated with Uluru which date back thousands of years. We will walk into the base of Uluru, to the Mutitjulu Waterhole.

We'll watch a spectacular sunset as we indulge in a BBQ dinner at the sunset viewing area before departing for the campground for some star gazing.

#### Day Six

Another early start this morning. We will wake up and get packed up before driving to Kata Tjuta to walk through the Valley of the Winds. Students will then be transported to the airport, ready to be flown to Brisbane. An Accompany Outdoors staff member will escort them back to Queensland.

### Costing For 6 Day Central Australia Field Trip

Dates	Jun25th - 30th. (Students will need to miss the last day of term)
Duration	6 days, 5 nights
Accommodation	Tent/swag camping. Sleeping bags, tents and swags provided
Transport	Outback adapted coach and camper trailer
Catering	Fully catered, including morning and afternoon teas
A.O. Staff	2 Accompany Outdoors Staff members (depending on final student numbers) 1 Accompany Outdoors staff member to accompany students from Brisbane to Alice Springs, and Yulara to Brisbane
Inclusive Of:	Admission to Venues: Desert Park, Alice Springs Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park Stanley Chasm Hermannsburg Mission Palm Valley Day Tour

The cost of this Trip per student is \$1,290 incl GST

NB. The above cost is based on a minimum of 30 paying students.

Please note that student airfares are NOT included in this quote.

Variations can be made to the Itinerary, excluding some activities, or including more, if desired. This ultimately affects the overall cost per student.

Final costing subject to confirmation.

#### **Further Information and Bookings:**

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