

DO THE NORTHERN TERRITORY DO ARNHEM WAY



Considered one of Australia's last unspoilt areas, Arnhem Land is just waiting to be discovered. The Central Arnhem Road starts 50km south of Katherine and finishes in Nhulunbuy on the Gove Peninsula and will take you on an adventure through open savannah woodlands as you cross creeks and spot a variety of wildlife. Please note that when travelling to Arnhem Land you will require a permit from the Northern Land Council. These permits are necessary to preserve the beauty of Arnhem Land.



DO CULTURE

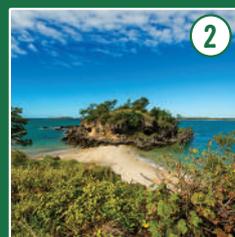
Arnhem Land has a unique indigenous culture that is perfectly interwoven into the experiences available. The small population is mainly Aboriginal people who live a traditional life. Take a cultural tour or visit the local art and craft galleries to experience authentic Aboriginal culture. This is the land where the didgeridoo originated, so make sure you visit the local art and craft galleries to secure your authentic souvenir.

DO ADVENTURE

This coastline is home to some of Australia's most beautiful pristine beaches just waiting to be explored by you. Join a fishing charter and spend the day fishing, explore various bushwalking and hiking trails through unique wetland setting, where you can spot native wildlife and rare birds. Pitch a tent and camp the night with a local Aboriginal guide and finish the day with a sunset you will never forget.

DO FISHING

You'll find some of the best sports fishing in the world, in Arnhem Land. Here you can catch Red Emperor, Spanish Mackerel and Coral Trout. Make sure you jump on a bluewater fishing experience with one of the many charter tours available based in Nhulunbuy/ Gove. For the more adventurous why not try and catch your lunch by spearfishing in the shallow waters.



TOP 10 MUST DO'S

1. Visit Buku-Larrnggay Mulka Art Centre at Yirrkala for local arts and crafts
2. Take the self-guided interpretive walk on the trail around Gayngaru (Town Lagoon)
3. Visit the local beaches, East Woody, Middle Car Park, Cape Wirrawuy or Town Beach for some stunning coastal views
4. Visit the Roy (Malpi) Marika Lookout for a view of Nhulunbuy
5. Explore Dhimurru Recreational Areas by four-wheel drive. Permits are required from Dhimurru Aboriginal Corporation
6. Take a cultural tour with Lirwi Yolngu Tourism
7. Stay at Banubanu Eco Wilderness Retreat on Bremer Island
8. Have a blue water fishing experience with one of the charter tours available based in Nhulunbuy/Gove
9. Make time for a sunset drink at the Gove Boat Club at Melville Bay
10. Experience picturesque camping at isolated beaches along the East Arnhem Land coast

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6 DAY SUGGESTED ITINERARY



DAY 1 - 250km KATHERINE TO MAINORU STORE

Begin your journey in Katherine, where the outback meets the tropics. Make sure to visit Nitmiluk Gorge, where you can take a refreshing dip in waterfalls or kayak through the gorge, before you start your journey to Nhulunbuy (Gove). Consider breaking up your journey with stop offs at either the friendly community of Barunga (home of the Barunga Festival) or

Beswick where you can browse local arts and crafts at Ghunmarn Culture Centre. Both also offer a great stop for light refreshment and to refuel. After a four hour drive, you reach the Mainoru Store where you can stop overnight.

DAY 4 - 10km NHULUNBUY TO BREMER ISLAND

Make your way to Bremer Island via a leisurely 1 hour boat ride, or a 10 minute charter flight. Arrive at Banu Banu Eco Wilderness Resort on Bremer Island, which is known as paradise in the Northern Territory. Take this opportunity to relax, recharge the batteries and live the island lifestyle for a few days. Take part in guided walks, spearfishing, turtle watching or just chill out on the pristine white beaches.



DAY 2 - 480km MAINORU STORE TO NHULUNBUY (GOVE)

Continue along the Central Arnhem Road on your way to Nhulunbuy (Gove). Stop off at Yirrkala to visit the Buku-Larrnggay Mulka Art Centre (15 minute drive off the Central Arnhem Road). This art centre is worth the detour; here you can view authentic pieces of art and craft created by local indigenous artists. When you arrive into Nhulunbuy reward yourself with a sunset drink at the Gove Boat Club and take in a famous Top End sunset.

DAY 5 - 10km BREMER ISLAND TO NHULUNBUY

With so much to see and do why not stay for an extra day and have a bluewater fishing experience with one of the charters available. If fishing isn't your thing then charter a scenic flight to witness this amazing part of the world from the sky.



DAY 3 - up to 65km NHULUNBUY TO DHIMURRU RECREATION AREAS

With Nhulunbuy as your base camp set out and uncover iconic landscapes at one of the Dhimurru Recreation Areas. Choose from a wide range of settings from sandy white beaches and rugged coastlines to open forests and shaded inland waterways, all located just 1-2 hours from Nhulunbuy. Why not pack a picnic and head out for the perfect day trip exploring Arnhem Land. Visit dhimurru.com.au for more information.

DAY 6 - 730km NHULUNBUY TO KATHERINE

Head back to Katherine via the Central Arnhem Road, enjoying spectacular natural landscapes as your drive. Stop in at Giddy River along the way, which is a beautiful spot to have a picnic near the mini gorges and rock pools. Once you arrive back to Katherine why not take a dip in the Katherine Hot Springs, located only 5 minutes from town, the perfect ending to a long road trip.

PERMITS

Arnhem Land is Aboriginal Land Trust and permits are required for visiting beaches, parks, waterways and also accessing Aboriginal homelands. Permits are available through Katherine or Nhulunbuy NLC offices or on www.nlc.org.au See www.eastarnhemland.com.au or www.lirrwitourism.com.au for more information.