The Ghan Fact Sheet

The Ghan - Adelaide to Darwin Itinerary

3 DAYS / 2 NIGHTS

Day 1: Departing Adelaide

Your journey begins with a gentle lurch as you move away from the platform in Adelaide. What lies ahead is rugged, beautiful and spectacular; through the Red Centre to the tropical north of Australia. Lunch is served soon after boarding as the countryside glides past your window. Before long some of the oldest rock formations in the world, the spectacular Flinders Ranges come into view and as darkness envelopes the rugged outback, it’s time to indulge in more modern Australian cuisine and fine wines.

Day 2: Marla, MacDonnell Ranges & Alice Springs

After a comfortable night’s rest, day two begins with a freshly brewed coffee or juice as you take in the stunning outback sunrise at Marla. All aboard for brunch as you make your way through the MacDonnell Ranges to Alice Springs where a choice of remarkable Off Train Excursions awaits. Following an afternoon of exploration, freshen up for dinner back aboard the train and relax over a drink or two, sharing your experiences, swapping stories and making new friends.
Day 3: Katherine & Darwin

Your final day dawns in the tropical north and another delightful breakfast is served. More extraordinary excursions are on hand at Katherine before enjoying lunch on the train and heading for your final destination of Darwin; arriving as early evening falls.

Darwin to Adelaide Itinerary

If you choose to travel Southbound from Darwin to Adelaide, you will enjoy all of these magical destinations with the exception of Marla. Instead you will stop in Manguri, a remote town 42kms from Coober Pedy. The Manguri Off Train excursion comprises a nightcap served with premium chocolate under the incredible night sky, gazing at the stars as you take in the tranquillity of the outback.

Platinum Service on The Ghan

Platinum Service offers guests the most luxurious transcontinental holiday Australia has to offer. See a virtual 360° tour...

Platinum Service (Twin & Double Share)

Boasting deluxe extras such as Platinum Transfers, in-cabin breakfasts and access to the Platinum Lounge and Restaurant, Platinum Service promises and delivers a journey beyond expectations. The first thing you'll notice about your Platinum cabin is the abundance of space, almost twice the size of a Gold Twin Cabin. By day your cabin is configured as a private lounge with deluxe lounge seating, a table and two ottomans. By night you'll sleep easy as the lounges convert to a comfortable bedroom with either a double bed or twin beds.
Features:
- Full-size en suite equipped with shower, vanity with cupboard space, toilet and complimentary Australian bathroom amenities
- Lockable door, power outlets and in-cabin safe
- All onboard meals are included in the Platinum Service fare and offer freshly prepared regionalised menus cooked by onboard chefs.
- All inclusive refreshments including soft drinks, beers, high-quality standard wines, spirits, tea and coffee throughout your journey
- In-cabin music channels and journey audio commentary available
- Picture windows offering views from both sides of the train
- Platinum Service transfers at the start and end of your journey available for guests within 60km of the terminal
- Freshly prepared continental in-cabin breakfasts served upon request
- Refreshments served in-cabin
- Check in luggage allowance: 90kg check-in luggage allowance per guest (3 x 30kg each)
- Cabin luggage: One piece of hand luggage plus garment bag and/or briefcase per person.

Dining

Feeling peckish? Step out of your spacious cabin and into the Platinum Club Car where an all inclusive menu is prepared by on-board chefs using fresh local fare. Our seasonal menu features mouth-watering dishes such as saltwater barramundi and grilled kangaroo fillet. Platinum and Gold Service fare includes hearty breakfasts, two course lunches and three course dinners. Vegetarian, children's and limited special dietary meals are available when you make your booking. You may also choose to complement your meal with our selection of wines and beverages included in your fare.

Platinum Club (Restaurant & Lounge)

Platinum Club, the newest addition to Australia's great rail journeys. An unforgettable dining experience, Platinum Club offers the premium space and privacy of a first-class lounge with the added benefit of a fully flexible dining area.

Request an afternoon refreshment from the all-inclusive beverage list or simply choose from the self-serve range.

Spacious tabletops provide the perfect spot for a friendly game of cards during the day. In the evening, the area can accommodate for small dinners or larger group celebrations. All regional cuisine available in the Queen Adelaide Restaurant is also served in the Platinum Club.
Tell me about The Ghan's 'Gold Service'
Gold Service on The Ghan

With room to stretch out and all the comforts of home, Gold Service is the most popular level of service aboard The Indian Pacific. [Take a virtual 360° tour...]

Gold Service (Single & Twin Share)

You'll enjoy private cabin accommodation together with all-inclusive dining, beverages and a range of fascinating Off Train Excursions at key stops. Gold Service accommodation is available in both single and twin-share so you can choose to travel with your partner, friends or roll solo. During the day, the compact Twin Berth Sleeper Cabins offer a comfortable three seater lounge, converting to an upper and lower sleeping berth at night. And with top notch service from our hospitality attendant, you'll enjoy fresh sheets, bath towels, pillows, doonas and complimentary toiletries. Twin Berth Sleeper Cabins have private en suite facilities with a hide-away compact toilet, wash basin and shower.

Features:
- For Gold Twin, a comfortable sleeper cabin featuring private en suite and upper and lower berths that convert to a three-seater lounge by day
- For Gold Single, a compact sleeper cabin featuring a bed that converts to a seat by day and shared shower/toilet facilities located at the end of the carriage
- Power outlets in cabin
- In-cabin music channels and journey audio commentary available
- All-inclusive dining in the Queen Adelaide Restaurant
All-inclusive Australian wines, beers, base spirits and non-alcoholic beverages
All-inclusive Off Train Excursions and Short Stops
Checked in luggage allowance: 60kg per guest (2 x 30kg each)
Cabin luggage (Gold Twin): One piece of hand luggage plus garment bag and/or briefcase per person.
Cabin luggage (Gold Single): One piece of hand luggage plus garment bag, cabin bag (105cm/41 inches linear measurement) or briefcase.
Hotel/airport <> train station transfers in Darwin (Northbound & Southbound journeys) and Adelaide (Southbound journeys)

Gold Service - Superior Cabin

Gold Superior cabins are spacious, double the size of a Gold Twin cabin, with a lounge area and 3/4 sized double bed. Gold Superior cabins are limited, only 1 or 2 per train.

Features:
- Gold Superior cabins feature a 3/4 size double bed plus an additional fold down upper berth, lounge area, TV and DVD player, mini-bar and en suite.
- Power outlets in cabin
- In-cabin music channels and journey audio commentary available
- All-inclusive dining in the Queen Adelaide Restaurant
- All-inclusive Australian wines, beers, base spirits and non-alcoholic beverages
- All-inclusive Off Train Excursions and Short Stops
- Luggage allowance is 60kg per guest
- Hotel/airport <> train station transfers in Darwin (Northbound & Southbound journeys) and Adelaide (Southbound journeys)

Dining
Feeling peckish? Step out of your spacious cabin and into the exclusive, classically styled Queen Adelaide Restaurant Car where an all inclusive menu is prepared by on-board chefs using fresh local fare. Our seasonal menu features mouth-watering dishes such as saltwater barramundi and grilled kangaroo fillet. Platinum and Gold Service fare includes hearty breakfasts, two course lunches and three course dinners. Vegetarian, children's and limited special dietary meals are available when you make your booking. You may also choose to complement your meal with our selection of wines and beverages included in your fare.
You never know who you'll meet or where the conversation will lead in the Outback Explorer Lounge - the perfect place for travellers to come together and share stories, all while enjoying a wide range of all-inclusive refreshments.

And as you find yourself deep in conversation, spare a thought for the intrepid explorers to whom the lounge carriage owes its name - brave adventurers who never experienced this level of comfort and style as they ventured beyond the known into the vast Outback wilderness. All day and often late into the night, the Outback Explorer Lounge is the train's centre of activity where long hours can be spent socialising, snacking and catching glimpses of passing wildlife through wide picture windows.

Terms & Conditions

General Conditions

- **Rail Only**: These conditions are for rail only bookings. Bookings for Holiday Packages are subject to different terms & conditions.
- **Seasons**: High, Shoulder and Low Seasons apply.
- **Rail Sectors**: One rail sector is defined as: The Ghan - Adelaide to Alice Springs (or vice versa), Alice Springs to Darwin (or vice versa), Indian Pacific: Sydney to Adelaide (or vice versa), Adelaide to Perth (or vice versa). As an example, Sydney to Perth counts as two rail sectors. The Ghan Expedition counts as 2 sectors - Darwin to Alice Springs to Adelaide.
- **Travel Insurance**: We recommend that you take out suitable travel insurance to cover (as a minimum) the costs incurred if you cancel your trip.

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Everyday or Everyday Saver Fare (Rail Only)
- The Ghan
- The Ghan Expedition
- Indian Pacific

Platinum and Gold Service

- **Deposit (2020-21 season):** A deposit is required within 7 days of receiving a confirmation invoice:
  - *Gold Service* - $600 per person, per rail journey.
  - *Platinum Service* - $1100 per person, per rail journey. If the deposit is not received, Rail Europe holds the right to cancel the booking.

- **Balance:** The remainder of the booking balance is due by 50 days prior to the train's departure.

- **Late bookings:** Bookings made within 50 days of the train's departure require full payment at the time of booking.

- **Amendments:** Amendments are allowed up to 21 days before the train's departure.

- **Amendment fees:** Amendment fees may apply, please contact us for more information.

- **Cancellation fees:** If the deposit has been received, the following cancellation fees apply:
  - Cancel 99 days or more prior to the train's departure: $100 per person, per rail sector cancellation fee
  - Cancel 98-51 days prior to the train's departure: Loss of deposit
  - Cancel 50 days or less prior to the train's departure: 100% cancellation applies.
  - Refunds will incur GST.

Advance Purchase (Rail Only)

- **Amendments cannot be made less than 21 days prior to the train's**
Advance Purchase fares must be booked at least 6 months prior to the train’s departure date and are subject to limited availability per departure.

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Gold Service

- Full payment is required 7 days after receiving a confirmation invoice.

- Non-refundable (100% cancellation fee)

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