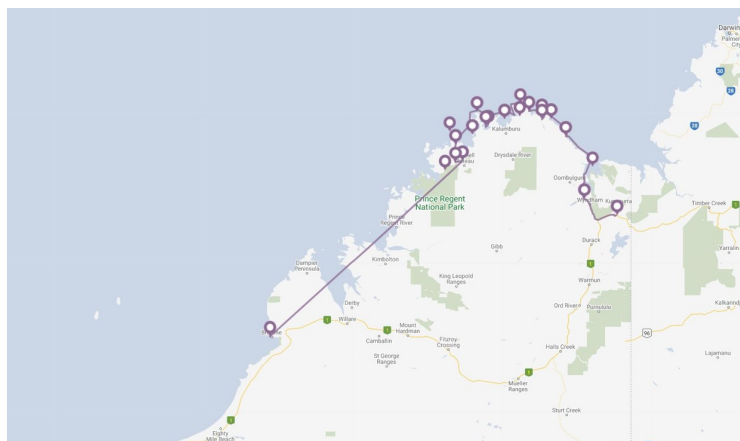




NORTHERN QUEST

Renowned for its massive gorges and river systems, extensive waterfalls, World War II relics and incredible Bradshaw rock art sites, the northern Kimberley is an experience not to be missed. Exploring between Wyndham and the Mitchell River, this cruise will visit Kimberley icons such as the King George Falls, Berkeley River and the Drysdale River and many more. Enjoy refreshing swims in fresh water holes, explore historical Aboriginal art sites, fish for the elusive barramundi plus many other fish specials and view majestic gorges. This 8 day northern Kimberley cruise operates just after the wet season when the waterfalls are spectacular! This quest also includes a helicopter flight over the Mitchell Falls.



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DAY 1: KUNUNURRA, WYNDHAM PORT

Your Northern Quest begins when a courtesy vehicle picks you up from Kununurra at approximately 3.30pm and transfers you to the Kimberley Quest II in Wyndham port; here you will be welcomed on board by your captain and crew. Begin your cruise with a relaxing drink as you cruise out of the Cambridge Gulf with the sun setting over the horizon.

DAY 2: BERKELEY RIVER

Early morning we cruise up the Berkeley River, taking in the numerous waterfalls and ancient sandstone escarpments. Experience your first taste of fishing for Barramundi or take a tender excursion with our knowledgeable guides to go crocodile-spotting and bird watching. Marvel at the Amphitheatre Falls and then cool off in beautiful freshwater pools. Late afternoon we take a tender excursion up to the back of the Berkeley River, where the salt water meets the fresh



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water. Fish off the flat rocks for Barra which are lurking in the rapids, or alternatively walk to a freshwater pool to enjoy a relaxing dip. Tonight we savour the surroundings, anchoring nearby a secluded waterfall.

DAY 3: KING GEORGE RIVER

At high tide, we cross the sandbars of the King George River for a breathtaking cruise along this majestic cathedral-like gorge. This incredible scenery unfolds as we approach the King George Falls, a dual waterfall that has an uninterrupted vertical drop of over 80m, making it one of the tallest waterfalls in Western Australia. The Kimberley Quest II is able to cruise to the base of the twin falls for a refreshing 'shower,' Kimberley style! For those intrepid adventurers, you may climb to the top for a breathtaking vista of the river below a truly humbling experience as you appreciate the immensity of this untamed landscape, followed by a refreshing dip. Overnight we anchor just metres away from the falls, with tranquil sounds and an extraordinary view from the bow.

DAY 4: KOOLAMA BAY, PANGALI COVE, GLYCOSMIS FALLS

Visit Koolama Bay, where the vessel Koolama was beached in February 1942, following an attack by the Japanese in World War II. The passengers were taken ashore by order of the ship's master and many had to walk overland on an epic cross-country trek. After visiting the survivors' camp at Pangali Cove, enjoy a freshwater dip beneath a waterfall. In the afternoon we visit Glycosmis Falls to view another unbelievable Kimberley waterfall and then cruise around Cape Londonderry, the most northerly point of Western Australia.

DAY 5: DRYSDALE RIVER

Today we encounter one of the longest rivers in the Kimberley (432km), the Drysdale. Spend the day exploring the spectacular palm-studded landscape and the rapids of the Drysdale area. Join our guides on a scenic tender excursion to witness crocodiles, flying foxes and many species of bird life, which thrive in these delta islands. Then enjoy a swim in secluded rock pools. Late afternoon walk on a deserted beach or try to catch a Barramundi, with many great 'snags' to fish around.

DAY 6: NAPIER BROOME BAY

Relax on board as we cruise across Napier Broome Bay. Midmorning there is an opportunity for a beach walk to a historic Indonesian Trepang site for an insight into the lives of the early Macassan fishermen. This site stems back to the first early contact between Aboriginal tribes and the Indonesian fishermen. Late afternoon we fish the inlets and estuaries for Barra and Mangrove Jack and we try our luck at mud crabbing.

DAY 7: VANSITTART BAY, WWII DC3 CRASH SITE

Today we explore various coves within Vansittart Bay, visiting sites rich in the fascinating Bradshaw or Gwion Gwion art, named after Joseph Bradshaw, who in 1891 became the first European to record these amazing paintings. Some Bradshaw art, which is unique to the Kimberley, has been dated at over 17,000 years old. There is also the opportunity to walk to the crash site of the DC3 aircraft – which crashed during World War II – located on the eastern side of Vansittart Bay. Later we cruise around the coastline of the Bougainville Peninsula, where dramatic black basalt cliffs contrast with lush green rainforests.

DAY 8: MITCHELL RIVER, BROOME

This morning explore the estuary and gorge of the lower Mitchell River. Marvel at crocodiles, bird life, rock art and take in the



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flora and fauna for the last time. Depart the Kimberley Quest II by helicopter where you will enjoy a scenic flight over the Mitchell Falls. At the Mitchell Plateau airstrip you will board a light aircraft and discover the immensity of the Kimberley. Return to Broome by sunset, where our team will transfer you to your accommodation.

Please Note:

Whilst the published itinerary can be used as a guide, due to weather, tidal movements and the nature of cruising in the Kimberley itineraries may be subject to change. Each evening on-board your cruise the Captain will discuss the coming days planned activities and experiences and you will have the opportunity to discuss the activities and ask questions.

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YOUR SHIP: KIMBERLEY QUEST II

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VESSEL TYPE:	Luxury Expedition
LENGTH:	24 metres
PASSENGER CAPACITY:	18
BUILT/REFURBISHED:	2005

The Kimberley Quest II has been designed for relaxing and exploring the Kimberley coastline in complete comfort and style. This custom-built vessel is fully air-conditioned, equipped with a helipad, spa, large en-suited cabins and offers indoor and outdoor alfresco areas so there will always be plenty of room to take in the panoramic scenery and breathtaking sunsets. Whilst on board take advantage of the extensive library, including a fantastic array of Kimberley reference books and general interest novels, otherwise sit with the Captain in the wheelhouse and learn more about the Kimberley outback. Accommodating just 18 passengers and 6 crew, your holiday of a lifetime can be enjoyed with fellow travelers in luxurious and intimate surrounds. You have the choice of 9 cabins from deluxe twin, double, superior and the exclusive flybridge. All cabins feature private ensuites, individual air-conditioning, viewing windows, mini-refrigerators and are serviced daily by your hostess. Carrying three excursion tenders, days are filled with a myriad of activities both on and off land, exploring the spectacular region with your very own local guide who has extensive knowledge of the Kimberley coastline. During your cruise you are free to do as much or as little as you wish and can be sure that your

Kimberley Cruise with us will exceed your



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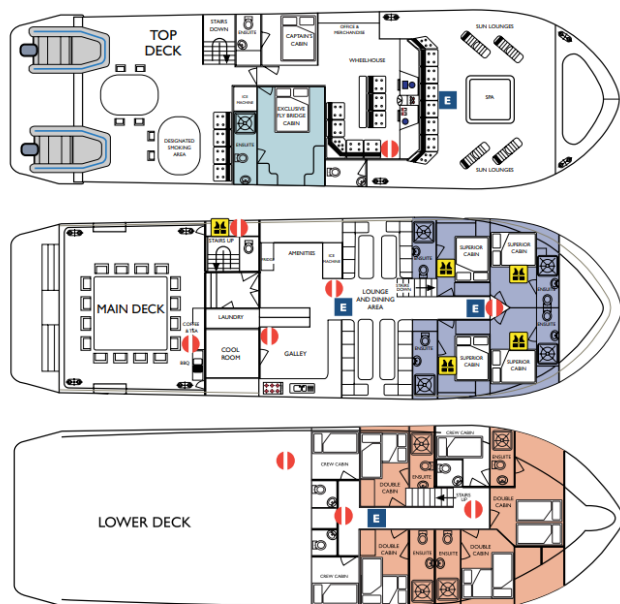
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