



**The QLD, SA & NSW Corner Country
& Mildura Tour
Including the Strzelecki Track**

11 Days / 10 Nights

\$3,895.00 p.p.t.s

Tuesday 22nd July 2025 to Friday 1st August 2025

Inclusions: Pick-ups and drop off at centralised locations en route. Accommodation & Most Meals. Entrance fees to all tourist attractions and tours as per itinerary. Luxury Air Conditioned Coach Travel.

Highlights: Travel the Strzelecki Track, see the Burke and Wills Dig Tree, Cooper Creek Discovery Cruise and Lunch, Innamincka Regional Reserve, Deluxe Farmstay Experience at Toogunna Plains (5th Generation Sheep Property), Charleville Historic House & Secret WW2 Base tour. Cross the Dog Fence, Cameron's Corner—the convergence of NSW, Qld and SA Borders and lunch at the Famous Cameron Corner Store, Sturt National Park, Milparinka Heritage Centre, 2 nights in Mildura, plus all the famed scenery of the Corner Country.

Itinerary for the 11 days Corner Country Tour

Day 1

Sydney to Nyngan

We leave from Sydney early with pick-ups along the way & head for our crossing of the Blue Mountains via Windsor with our first stop at Lithgow for morning tea. We travel further west, stopping at Molong for a BBQ lunch. Another stop in Trangie to stretch our legs.

Our first night is at Nyngan, in the Bogan Shire, where we are reminded of the famous 1990 flood of the Bogan River, when army helicopters were extensively used to rescue the town folk from the Railway Station roof. Our overnight accommodation is the **Nyngan Country Manor Motor Inn**.



Day 2

Nyngan to Charleville

We leave Nyngan at 8.30am or earlier and head north along the Mitchell Highway or The Kidman Way as locals would call it, arriving in Bourke for morning tea on the Darling River.

A photo shot of the North Bourke Bridge & then onto the Bush Tucker Inn in Barringun, located 5 minutes south of the NSW-QLD border for lunch arriving around 12.30pm.

Leaving here we move onto the sheep grazing town of Cunnamulla which lies on the Warrego River. This town was created by Cobb & Co in the late 1800's & it was from here sheep farmers moved into the area.

We'll have a look at the Cunnamulla Man and the "Robber Tree" before arriving at the **Mulga Country Motor Inn in Charleville** around 5.30pm. Dinner is in the Motel bar/restaurant.



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Day 3

Cooladdi / Quilpie / Toogunna Plains Farmstay

After breakfast we'll visit the "Historical House" which was built in 1881 and houses some original memorabilia.



We then have a guided tour of Charleville Airport when the site was handed over to the United States Military as a top secret site during World War II. We learn about a situation where the local township was "sworn to secrecy" in the 1940's. The airfield was a village in its own right with over 3,000 United States Servicemen serving in the area.

We then proceed downtown to Graham Andrew Park to inspect the Steiger Vortex Gun, one of six used in the area during the great drought of the late 1800's. No rain fell and the inventor (Clement Wragge) rapidly left town !

After a picnic lunch, we leave Charleville & travel west to the heart of the Mulga country via the Foxtrap Roadhouse at Cooladdi (claimed as Australia's smallest town by population) and then Quilpie where an interactive museum displays the rugged history of the early pioneers, and the Shire Gallery. The Centre is also adjoining Quilpie's unique Military History and Railway Museum.

Our ultimate destination is **Toogunna Plains Farmstay**, for our 2 nights accommodation. A well earned rest will be enjoyed over sunset drinks around the fire, followed by a beautifully home cooked dinner. All our meals will be served on the farm.



Day 4

Toogunna Plains Tour / Eromanga Dinosaur Museum

After breakfast we start a three hour station tour visiting property landmarks including abandoned homesteads, oil fields, shearing sheds and geological formations. We see sheep and cattle grazing on the 5th generation property. Learn about the pastoral history and day-to-day running of the station. The tour includes a delicious, home-baked morning tea. We complete the morning with a generous buffet lunch, sitting at "the long table" in the Shearing Shed.

After lunch it's a short drive along the Cooper Development Road to Eromanga, Australia's "furthest town from the sea". This small town is surrounded by large pastoral properties. It is also home to the Eromanga Oil & Gas Basin which produces over half million barrels of oil each year.



We will visit the Eromanga Natural History Museum for a guided tour. The Museum is home to Australia's largest dinosaur discovery - fondly named locally as "Cooper", after the nearby Cooper Creek. Cooper is in the top ten of the largest dinosaurs in the world.

We learn about the significant dinosaur fossils found nearby the town, and how they are meticulously "brought to life". The museum is still finding new discoveries in the area where they have previously never been found.

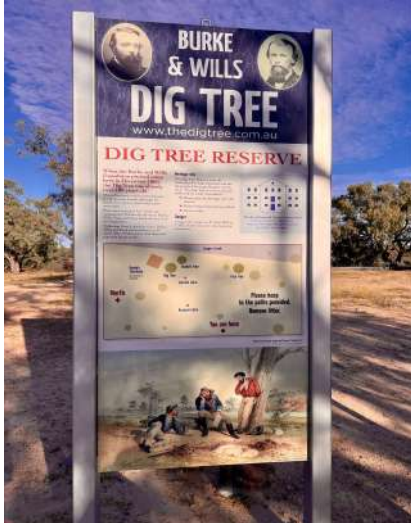


We complete the big day back at our farmstay for a well earned rest, before a yarn sharing experiences with pre dinner drinks around the fire, ahead of dinner that night.

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Day 5

Innamincka



We journey further west to Innamincka along Adventure Way through remote Bulloo Shire and the channel country. Cross the Grey Range and pass Nockatunga Station and Australia's largest onshore facility, The Jackson Oil Field.

We enjoy a BBQ lunch adjacent to the heritage listed Noccundra Hotel before we arrive at the most famous coolibah tree in Australia, the Burke and Wills Dig Tree in the afternoon. The word "Dig" is no longer legible but the figures "BLXV", denoting the 65th camp, are still visible.

We cross the all-weather Burke and Wills Bridge spanning Cooper Creek and over the South Australian border to Innamincka.

Our accommodation tonight will be in the refurbished **Innamincka Hotel/Motel** where breakfast and dinner is served.

Day 6

Innamincka

We have the whole day to discover the fascination of this remote tourist outpost so closely associated with the tragic Burke and Wills expedition the one survivor, John King, was found near the Innamincka waterhole. The town generates its own power, and the telephone service is solar powered; mail arrives once a week by air! The Australian Inland Mission built a hostel in town in the 1890s and it became a link in John Flynn's Flying Doctor Service. The whole town closed in 1951 and Innamincka was abandoned with many of the buildings being washed away in the huge flood of 1956. The discovery of vast underground gas fields and the fledgling tourist industry have revitalised the place and new facilities were built in 1974 to cater for the increasing flow of people seeking an outback adventure.

Enjoy the tranquillity of this tiny settlement, stroll the banks of Cooper Creek, or browse the book stand at the trading post.



The National Park Headquarters, now housed in the Inland Mission building, have informative panels and photographs of the town's early years. Subject to availability of the road, we will also take a scenic cruise along Cooper Creek, rich with bird life. Our guide will fill in all the details of flora and fauna, history, and life as it is today in Innamincka.

Ahead of dinner tonight, we will enjoy sunset drinks overlooking the Innamincka Regional Reserve.



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Day 7

Innamincka / Cameron Corner / Tibooburra



Today we follow the Strzelecki Track, a stock route pioneered in 1870 by the notorious cattle duffer, Captain Starlight, who stole an entire herd and drove it south all the way to the Adelaide markets.

We stop for morning tea overlooking the Moomba Gas Fields to the west, which pipes gas as far as Adelaide, before leaving the Track and heading east. Enjoy the spectacular colour contrasts of dunes and sky as we travel to Cameron Corner, where the state lines of New South Wales,



Queensland and South Australia converge.

We have lunch here and check out the famous corner store for burgers and fries.. We pass through the world's longest fence, the Wild Dog Fence. A total distance of 5614 kilometres from Jimbour in Queensland to the Great Australian Bight. Originally built to keep out the rabbits out of South Australia, the fence is now maintained to prevent dingoes entering sheep grazing areas.



We travel through the semi-desert of the Sturt National Park and pass Fort Grey entering the “jump-up” country, where the flat topped mesa rises up to 150 metres above the surrounding plains.

We reach Tibooburra which derives its name from an aboriginal word meaning “heaps of boulders”!. It was known to the early gold miners as “The Granites”. On arrival we will visit Tibooburra Pioneer Park and see the full size 27 foot whaleboat (a sculpture by Anthony Hamilton) perched on top of some poles.

This is a replica of the whaleboat Charles Stuart hauled across inland Australia on a Wagon with the intention of using it to row around the continent's “inland sea”.

We will then settle in our overnight accommodation at **The Granites Motel in Tibooburra.**

Day 8

Tibooburra to Mildura



We leave after breakfast & follow the Silver City Highway to Broken Hill. We will drive by Milparinka which was once the centre of a historic mining district; today, it's a living heritage site in a dramatic desert setting. Morning tea at the infamous Packsaddle Roadhouse before leaving for Broken Hill arriving for lunch.

After lunch we travel further south to Mildura & then onto our accommodation at the **Quality Hotel Mildura** for the next 2 nights.

Dinner and breakfast will be served nearby.

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Day 9

Mildura

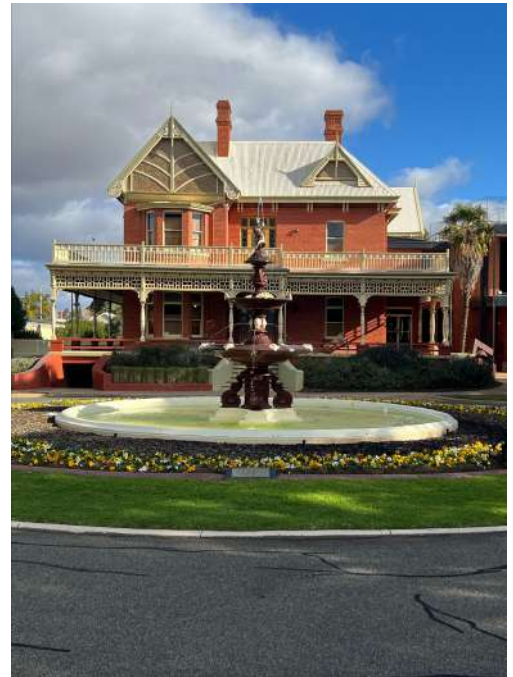
After breakfast we leave for a tour of Wentworth to visit the old Gaol and where the Murray and Darling Rivers meet.

We then leave here for Mildura Wharf for our informative Murray River Paddle Steamer cruise. This boat takes you back to the days of wood fired engines and gives you a first- hand experience of navigating the river. Morning tea can be purchased on the vessel.

A BBQ lunch will be served on the riverbank of the Murray on return to the wharf.

After lunch there is time for shopping for souvenirs in Mildura or visiting Mildura's historic Rio Vista House, built back in 1890. It was once home to Mildura's first Mayor, W.B Chaffey.

We return to our motel for a well-earned rest . Dinner tonight will be at a restaurant nearby.



Day 10

Mildura to Wagga

We depart our motel at 8.30am before serving morning tea at Balranald. We journey via the Hay Plains, (renowned as being the flattest place in the Southern Hemisphere.) for lunch at the Local Bakery in Hay.

There will be an opportunity to get a photo of the Art on the water tanks in Hay, that depicts the significant contribution the township made during the two World Wars.

We'll arrive in Wagga mid afternoon for a town tour before arriving at our overnight accommodation, **Wagga RSL Motel**. Dinner and breakfast will be next door in the RSL restaurant.



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Day 11

Wagga to Sydney

Depart our motel at 8.30am. Morning tea will be served at Jugiong. On to Goulburn Workers Club for lunch.

We'll stretch our legs again and then straight through to Sydney late afternoon, to make the various drop off locations.

