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OPAL CAPITAL OF THE WORLD COOBER PEDY



> Desert Cave Hotel, Coober Pedy



Coober Pedy 2 Day Tour (ex Alice Springs)

Tour Code: CP1

Departures: ON APPLICATION

Inclusions: Return flights, all admission fees, airport transfers, Desert Cave Day Tour including Umoona Opal Mine & Museum, one nights accommodation at the Desert Cave Hotel (Below Ground Room, share twin basis), all meals including daily lunch, dinner and breakfast, New Crown station tour.

Description:

After taking off from Alice Springs marvel at the vastness of the Australian outback and try to spot in the distance the moon type landscape of Coober Pedy dotted with shafts and mullock heaps from underground opal mines.

Recognised as the largest producer of opals in the world and with a population of around 3,500 Coober Pedy is one of the most ethnically diverse communities in Australia with over 45 nationalities represented.

On arrival at Coober Pedy you are transferred to the award winning Desert Cave Hotel, the world's only underground international hotel, where you have the choice of staying in an underground or above ground room, both offering 4 star comfort. Relax over lunch in the underground Crystal Café before embarking on your Desert Cave Tour of Coober Pedy. Visit the famous Umoona Opal Mine & Museum which features an original opal mine and underground house, an Aboriginal interpretive centre and various displays depicting the history of opal mining and the Coober Pedy area. Quality opals are available at local prices.



From here visit the underground Serbian Church, underground potteries and the unique Coober Pedy Golf Course before returning to the hotel. A relaxing two course dinner at Umberto's restaurant is included and is the perfect way to end the day.

Next morning, after breakfast, continue your tour to the Outback and the Opal Fields, Moon Plain and the Dog Fence (the longest fence in the world, longer than the Great Wall of China) before visiting the magnificent Breakaways.

From Coober Pedy we fly to New Crown Station* a working cattle station with over 7000 head of cattle 450 kms south-east of Alice Springs. The station is approximately 2.2 MILLION ACRES (3,500 sq miles) or the size of a small European Country and is home to some of the most rugged and outstanding territory in Central Australia. Here we have an genuine Aussie Bar-B-Que lunch at the historic station homestead before embarking on a tour of the station operations.

Return to your hotel for a leisurely lunch before transferring to the airport for the return flight to Alice Springs.

Schedule: DAY 1

- 1000** Depart Alice Springs for Coober Pedy
- 1200** Arrive at Coober Pedy Airport – Transfer to the Desert Cave Hotel
- 1330 – 1430** Lunch at the Crystal Café at the hotel
- 1500 – 1800** Desert Cave Tour of Coober Pedy township, Umoona Opal Mine & Museum, the underground Serbian church, underground potteries and Coober Pedy Golf Course.
- 1900** Dinner at leisure

Schedule: DAY 2

- 0800 – 0830** Breakfast
- 0830 – 1030** Outback tour to the Opal fields, the Moon Plain, The Breakaways and the Dog Fence
- 1100** Transfer to airport.
- 1200** Depart Coober Pedy
- 1230** Arrive at New Crown Station*
- 1315** BBQ Lunch and tour of New Crown Station
- 1530** Depart New Crown Station for return flight to Alice Springs
- 1700** Arrive at Alice Springs.

