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THE KIMBERLEY

ESSENTIAL TOUR INFORMATION

PREPARING FOR YOUR TRIP

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Travel Insurance is not included in your holiday package. We strongly recommend purchasing comprehensive travel insurance that covers, that covers, without limitation, the following: medical expenses, medical evacuation, loss of luggage, cancellation charges, including those resulting from land and air disruptions, natural disasters and industrial actions such as strikes. Please ensure that your insurance covers you for the entire duration of your trip, and check which circumstances and activities are not included in your policy. Please ensure that all pre-existing medical issues are declared to the insurer so that conditions aren't covered are identified in advance. Keep a copy of your insurance policy accessible in case of an emergency.

HEALTH, FITNESS AND MOBILITY

A high level of fitness is required to participate in a Travelmarvel 4WD Kimberley Tour, which includes walks in hot conditions, across uneven terrain, slippery surfaces, and climbing steep steps. All passengers requiring special assistance must travel with a carer. Crew and guides are unable to assist passengers on and off ships/vehicles due to occupational health and safety. During the 4WD Tour, you'll be required to embark and disembark from the vehicle several

times per day. It's important that you're able to do this independently. The 4WD vehicles' steps are up to 290mm in height. For additional support during excursions that involve walking, we recommend bringing your own hiking poles. Walking frames are not suitable for Travelmarvel 4WD tours due to the rugged and uneven terrain of some of the places visited. In preparation for the walks included on your tour, please read the 'Walks on Tour' section on page 2 of this document.

ALLERGIES AND DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

If you have any dietary requirements or allergies that need to be managed while travelling with Travelmarvel, and you have not made these known already, please advise your booking agent as soon as possible, as well as your Tour Director upon arrival. Most suppliers require advance notice to accommodate these requirements and in some cases you may be required to fill out a form or waiver. Every effort will be made to fulfil requests, but these cannot always be guaranteed.

TRAVELMARVEL HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTOCOL

Travelmarvel has created a Health and Safety Protocol that all our Tour Directors, Cruise Directors and Driver-Guides are required to follow. To help reduce the

spread of illness while on tour, you may be asked to take precautionary measures if you're showing symptoms of a cold or virus. These may include wearing a face mask, eating meals in your room/cabin rather than in shared dining areas, or remaining in your cabin/room until symptoms improve. You will also be required to complete an In Case of Emergency form on Day 1 of your tour or cruise. For more information on these protocols, please refer to our website <https://www.travelmarvel.com/en-au/before-you-travel/health-and-wellbeing>

LUGGAGE REQUIREMENTS

Space on board the 4WD is limited due to the vehicle size and custom-designed luggage area. Please pack your essentials into a single small, soft bag or a Travelmarvel duffle bag (no hard-shell suitcases), adhering to the following allowances: 66cm length x 35cm width x 32cm height with a maximum weight of 16kg.

Escorted tours of six days or longer include a complimentary duffle bag, which you'll receive approximately three to four weeks before departure. If you have excess luggage, please arrange storage or forwarding to your tour's final destination before arriving at the start point.

WALKS ON TOUR

Comfortable walking shoes are required. Runners or joggers, walking or hiking boots, or sandals with good support are suitable. Consider bringing enclosed-toe wet shoes and walking poles to assist with balance if needed. Thongs or flip-flops are not appropriate for most walks. Your guide may recommend wearing socks for better traction on slippery rocks.

It is likely most of the walks will be in full sun with limited shaded areas. A good hat, sunscreen and water are required if you decide to participate in any of these tours

Please note: Not all walks mentioned below will be available on every 4WD tour. Please check your itinerary to confirm the walks featured on your selected tour. Walks are not compulsory; however, there may not be

an alternative activity if you choose to not participate in an included walk. This document is to be used as a guide only, as the grading levels may vary depending on the time of year and weather conditions.

LOCATION	LEVEL	DISTANCE	DURATION	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
Windjana Gorge	Easy	2km	Return	1 hour	Gravel path with short steep decline or incline, sand under foot along river bank. Section of slippery rock near river bed.
Zebedee Springs	Easy	750m	Return	15 mins	Easy short walk along a mostly shaded path. Slippery rocks near and around the rock pools. Twenty-metre boardwalk may be slippery.
Manning Creek Waterhole	Easy	50-100m	Return	2 mins	Lunch and swim stop. Easy trail. White sandy river bank.
Cathedral Gorge	Moderate	3km	Return	2 hours	Mostly flat along a sandy path in full sun. Some rocky steps with and without railings. ladder-style type steps approximately four feet high. Hydration very important.
Piccanniny Creek	Moderate	1.8km	Return	1 hour	Mostly flat walk along a sandy path with loose river rocks along creek beds in full sun. Very uneven surface along riverbed section. Hydration very important.
Echidna Chasm	Moderate	2km	Return	1.5 hours	Mostly flat, but along a loose medium-to-large rocky riverbed, some large boulders to climb over. Two 10-step ladders are currently inaccessible.
Galvan's Gorge	Moderate	2km	Return	1 hour	Mostly flat gravel track that at times narrows to a rocky path following a creek with some large, secured flat rocks to step-up or down.
Tunnel Creek	Active	750m	Return	1.5 hours	Difficult-to-access cave but can be done by helping each other. Climb over slippery rocks and big boulders. Once inside, need walk through water with sections of various depths, which at times contain submerged rocks and logs. Good fitness required.
Bell Gorge	Active	2km	Return	1.5 hours	Rough and uneven, steep in parts, some large rocks, creek crossing, slide down slippery areas. Must cross creek with varying water levels. Uphill walk back. Note Lower Falls walk more challenging than Upper Falls. Good fitness required.
Mitchell Falls	Active	4.3km	One-way	3-3.5 hours	Rough, uneven, steep, some steps and large boulders to climb over. Includes three creek/river crossings. Many exposed areas with little or no shade. Good fitness required. A flight at the end of the walk from Mitchell Falls to the car park is required (additional expense). Please note: this walk becomes difficult during the hotter months and increases the level from active to difficult.
Emma Gorge	Difficult	3.2km	Return	2.5 hours	Very rocky for most of the walk. Boulder climbing, creek crossings and a steep uphill climb at the end. Good fitness essential. This hike is optional.

WHAT TO PACK

PACKING FOR YOUR HOLIDAY

What you pack mostly depends on your personal preference; however, we recommend that you consider the time of year you are travelling and bring a variety of warm and cool clothing to suit the climate.

Below is a list of essentials to assist your packing:

- Suitable footwear (hiking boots, comfortable walking shoes and aqua shoes).
- Walking poles for walking over uneven ground.
- Sun hat, sunscreen and sunglasses.
- Small daypack for daily excursions.

- Water bottle – insulated water bottles are recommended.
- Swimsuit and swimming towel. (swimsuits will likely be worn under clothing on walks en route to swimming holes with no changing facilities)
- Torch (a head torch is highly recommended).
- Warm clothing for cooler nights (e.g. long pants, sleepwear, beanie and fleece jumper).

SEAT ROTATION

To ensure each guest has the opportunity to enjoy front and window seats, a daily seat rotation system is implemented.

CLIMATE, SUN EXPOSURE AND DEHYDRATION

Kimberley 4WD Land Tours operate the during dry season (winter). Overnight temperatures can drop to 0°C and days can be very hot (30°C+). Bring layered clothing for warmth and sun protection. May and September are the warmest months, while June and July offer milder temperatures and minimal rainfall. Drinking plenty of water is important to prevent dehydration. A hat and a high-factor sunscreen are vital for preventing sunburn, even on overcast days.



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