

CROCS, WATERFALLS, SPARKLING SUNSET AND A REFRESHING SWIM

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Experience a refreshing swim at Florence Falls.



Experience the Jumping Crocodiles.

You know you're in for a great day when your cheery driver picks you up from your accommodation and makes you smile before you've even had a coffee. But when you meet Pat, a real-live Croc Dundee, at his boat, which is sitting level with the muddy-looking Adelaide River, you're not sure if you're about to be breakfast for the multitude of prehistoric monsters that call this river home.

The Australian saltwater crocodile is the largest and most aggressive of all crocodile species, and Pat's already told us there are more of them in the Northern Territory than anywhere else in the world. As he coaxes the first four-metre male croc alongside the boat our inhibitions subside; we're mesmerised at being this up close and personal. The creature's enormous teeth, jaws and calculating eyes are checking us out too. This is not a jumping croc tour, but a private cruise Pat does with Wallaroo Tours. After several more croc encounters it's time to head to Litchfield National Park and check out the giant cathedral termite mounds on one side of the road and a field of magnetic ones on the other. Magnetic mounds are not magnetic at all, but run north-south with broad, flat sides facing east and west. The day continues with stops at several spectacular waterfalls and we enjoy a plentiful picnic lunch - no one is disappointed. It's been a chilled-out afternoon with abundant wildlife and stunning scenery to match. While other tour companies are heading home, we're heading back to Fannie Bay to catch one of Darwin's infamous sunsets.

With a plate of prawns in one hand and a glass of bubbly in the other, our small group (a maximum of 20) toasts the spectacular setting sun, our fabulous guide and an awesome day of memories and photos. Wallaroo can also arrange customised and personalised packages of the Top End for two or more.

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See magnetic termite mounds.