

TRADE FACT SHEET :

KATHERINE



Discover the beauty of the Katherine region - a vast region that extends from the Gulf of Carpentaria to the West Australian border. Four hours from Darwin, Katherine is the Northern Territory's fourth largest town and a great base for exploring Nitmiluk Gorge National Park. Discover gorges, waterholes, waterfalls and thermal springs. A perfect holiday destination for travellers with a thirst for adventure.



Getting There

Katherine is an easy four hour drive south of the gateway city, Darwin and three to four hours south of Kakadu.

For an alternative experience the Ghan train journey travels between Adelaide & Darwin and stops in Katherine for a chance to experience the region.



Getting Around

Getting around Katherine is very easy to do by car. A 4WD is not necessary, as almost all roads are sealed, however if travelling further afield, 2WDs may not be suitable in more remote areas.

Alternatively, coach tours and small group tours depart from Darwin and Alice Springs and range from a few days to two weeks.



Must Do

- Experience traditional Aboriginal culture
- Watch the sun rise over Katherine Gorge (Nitmiluk)
- Explore beautiful waterfalls and swimming holes, such as Mataranka Thermal Springs, only one hour from Katherine.



FAQs

Q: Can I fly into Katherine?

A: Unfortunately the only commercial air access is via Darwin or Alice Springs.

Q: What kind of accommodation can I find in Katherine?

A: In Katherine you can choose from central hotels, backpackers or resorts with accommodation ranging from camping facilities to executive suites.



Travel Tips for Clients

- Make sure to carry plenty of water to drink
- Always pay attention to signage before you swim!
- Take a few moments to explore the Nitmiluk Visitor Centre at Katherine Gorge (Nitmiluk) – you can hire your canoes from here too!



Weather

The weather in the Top End of the NT is often described as the wet and the dry.

The year starts and ends with tropical rains that bring the landscape to life. Towards mid-year, the humidity levels drop and the days are warm and sunny and the nights cool and dry.

DISTANCES & TIMES (APPROXIMATE ONLY)

Katherine to Darwin
314km / 4 hrs

Katherine Town to Katherine Gorge (Nitmiluk)
15km / 15 mins

Katherine to Cooina (Kakadu)
300km / 3 hrs

Katherine to Alice Springs
1181km / 11 hrs

Katherine to Mataranka
106km / 1 hr