



Outback experiences



El Questro
HOMESTEAD



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Customised Itinerary

Allow us to tailor you a customised itinerary to ensure you sample the best of El Questro and the Kimberley.

El Questro tours and activities form an integral part of every visit to the property. The Homestead offers a wide range of complimentary excursions that provide opportunities to fully immerse yourself in the natural attractions of El Questro, the heart of the Kimberley.

The majority are exclusive to Homestead guests, facilitating engagement between the small group and your guide. El Questro's enthusiastic rangers are adept at personalising your experience to your individual tastes.

Allow us to tailor you a customised itinerary to ensure you sample the best of El Questro and the Kimberley while still leaving time to take in the serenity of the Homestead. Guests are encouraged to pre-book either their full itinerary or individual excursions prior to arrival.

See suggested itineraries in the Activity section of the website or contact The Homestead for further information.

Note charges apply for certain specialty tours and tours that are outside the immediate area or involve helicopters or aeroplanes. Prices are valid from 1st April to 17th October 2020. All tours and activities are subject to availability and may change due to weather or road conditions. All timings are approximate and minimum and maximum numbers may apply.

Boating through El Questro's Gorges

HOMESTEAD Chamberlain Cruise



Easy

Boating through the Chamberlain Gorge is a must. An El Questro ranger will take you on this 3km fresh waterhole in the Homestead's private "dinghy".

Enjoy the diverse flora and fauna; resident Rock Wallabies, Johnston Crocodiles and the always cheeky Archer Fish are familiar inhabitants of the gorge. Relax on the peaceful return journey at dusk when the colours of the Kimberley shine on the towering cliffs.

Duration: From 3pm to 5pm
Price: Complimentary
Min. Guests: No minimum



Explosion Gorge and Branko's Lookout



Easy

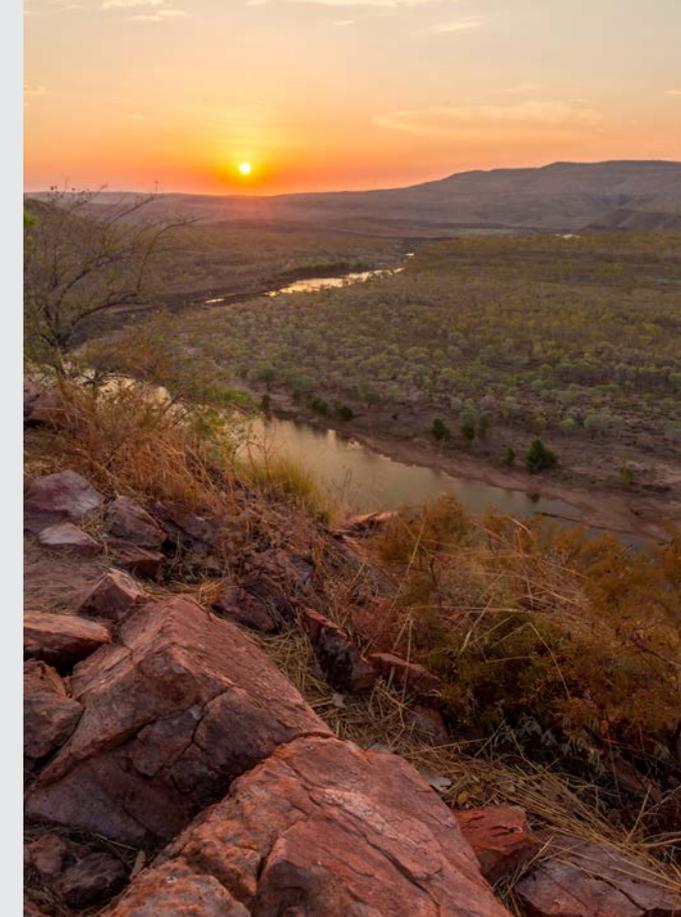
The tour starts with an adventurous 4-wheel drive journey in an open air safari vehicle, a great way to experience true four wheel driving in the outback.

At the end of the track lies Explosion Gorge, an amphitheatre style gorge where a 1 hour cruise will offer opportunities to spot local wildlife. On the return journey, the 4-wheel drive will take you up the steep climb to Branko's Lookout. Enjoy views of The Homestead or the Pentecost River below while watching a truly amazing sunset from one of El Questro's best vantage points.

This tour has seasonal availability, please check with your hosts about track conditions.

Duration: 2.15pm until Sunset
Price: \$149 per guest
Min. Guests: 2 guests required

This is a public tour available to all El Questro guests.



Self-Drive Boats



Easy

In the billabong below the Homestead guests may enjoy use of a motorised dinghy. Explore this small waterway at your leisure or take some fishing rods and try to catch the giant resident Barramundi.

Duration: As requested, subject to availability
Price: Complimentary
Min. Guests: No minimum



Nature & Wildlife Tours

Bush Culture, History and Nature Tour



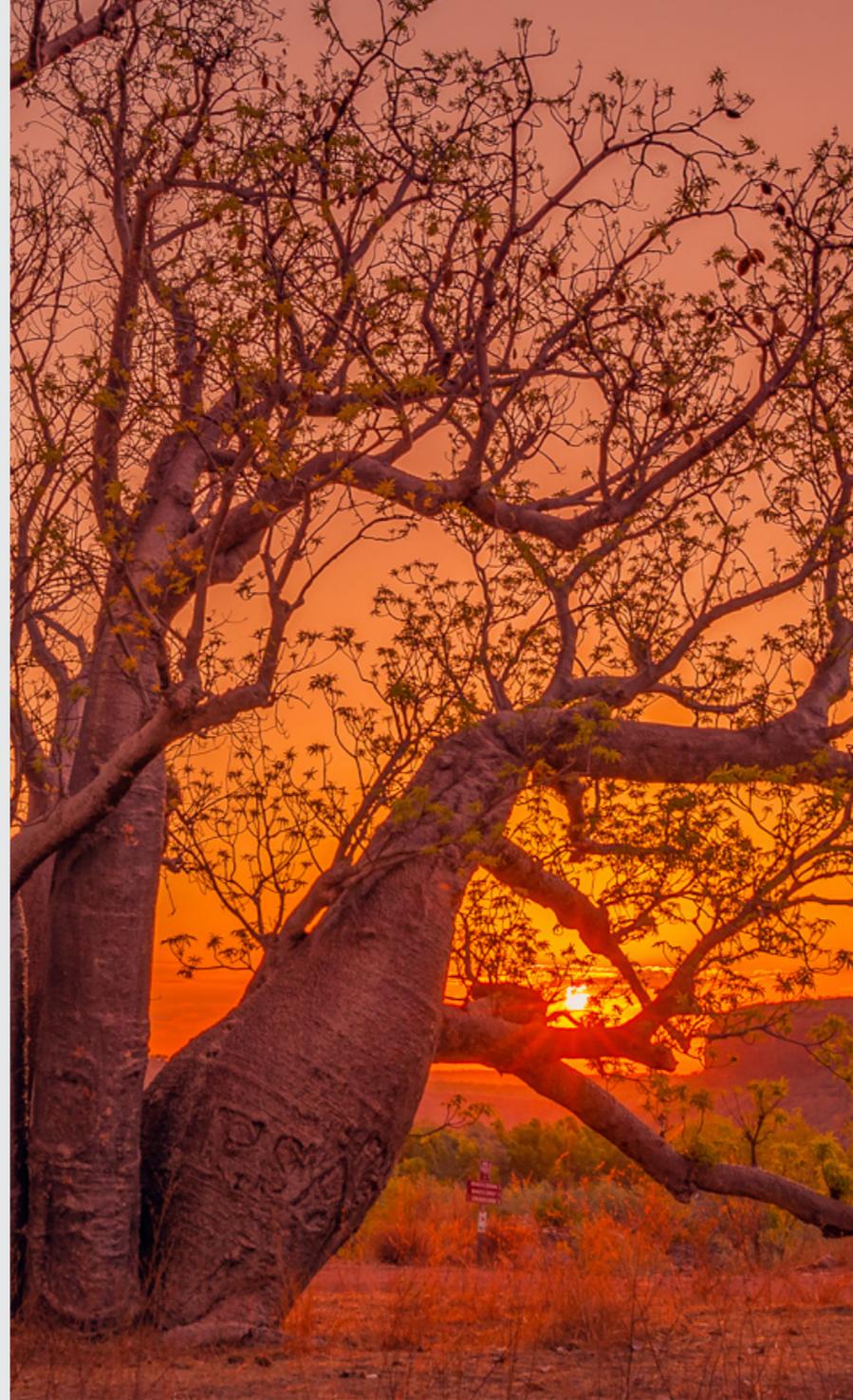
Easy

This tour is designed to give you an insight into the many facets of El Questro. Learn from our own real characters about the pioneers and previous characters of the original cattle Station and the remarkable journey to an acclaimed tourism destination. Take in the views from up high on a look out, visit ancient Boab trees, learn about the Aboriginal peoples' use of the native flora as you identify a number of plant and wildlife species along the way. A light morning tea is served beside a lazy waterhole.

Duration: From 8am to 11.30am

Price: Complimentary

Min. Guests: No minimum



Bird Watching Tour



Easy

Join an El Questro Ranger on an early morning excursion to bird watching sites close to the Homestead. The variety of ecosystems in the park attracts more than 100 different bird species. We regularly sight the resident pair of dancing Brolgas, colourful Rainbow Bee-Eaters, the endangered Gouldian Finch or Sea Eagles feeding their young.

Locations for this trip will vary depending on the season and latest sightings, but the tour will always include a pair of binoculars and a local species list.

Duration: 6am to 8am

Price: Complimentary

Min. Guests: No minimum

El Questro's Big Day Out



Easy

One of the Homestead's most loved experiences; this is a tour as diverse and unique as the Kimberley landscape you will travel through. Circumnavigate the Cockburn Range while taking in the highlights of El Questro's northern boundaries. Designed to provide opportunities for bird and wildlife spotting, we aim to view the Kimberley Big 5; Brolgas, Jabirus, Crocodiles, Bullocks and Wallaroos. Visit the Boab Prison Tree before tackling the challenging Karunjie Track which follows the drover's footsteps and traverses the mud flats - a photographer's delight. Enjoy an unforgettable lunch prepared by Alan, your Homestead chef, and return home along the banks of the mighty Pentecost River where views from the west highlight the late afternoon sun on the "fingers" of the extraordinary Cockburn Range.

Duration: 7.30am to 6pm

Price: \$425 per guest

Min. Guests: 2 guests required

Availability: Seasonal



A Touch of Romance

Miri Miri Waterfall



Moderate

Fly by helicopter to a remote corner of El Questro where you will find Miri Miri, a spring-fed waterfall cascading over a 50m drop. A somewhat steep walk will reward you with your own private swimming hole set in lush bushland.

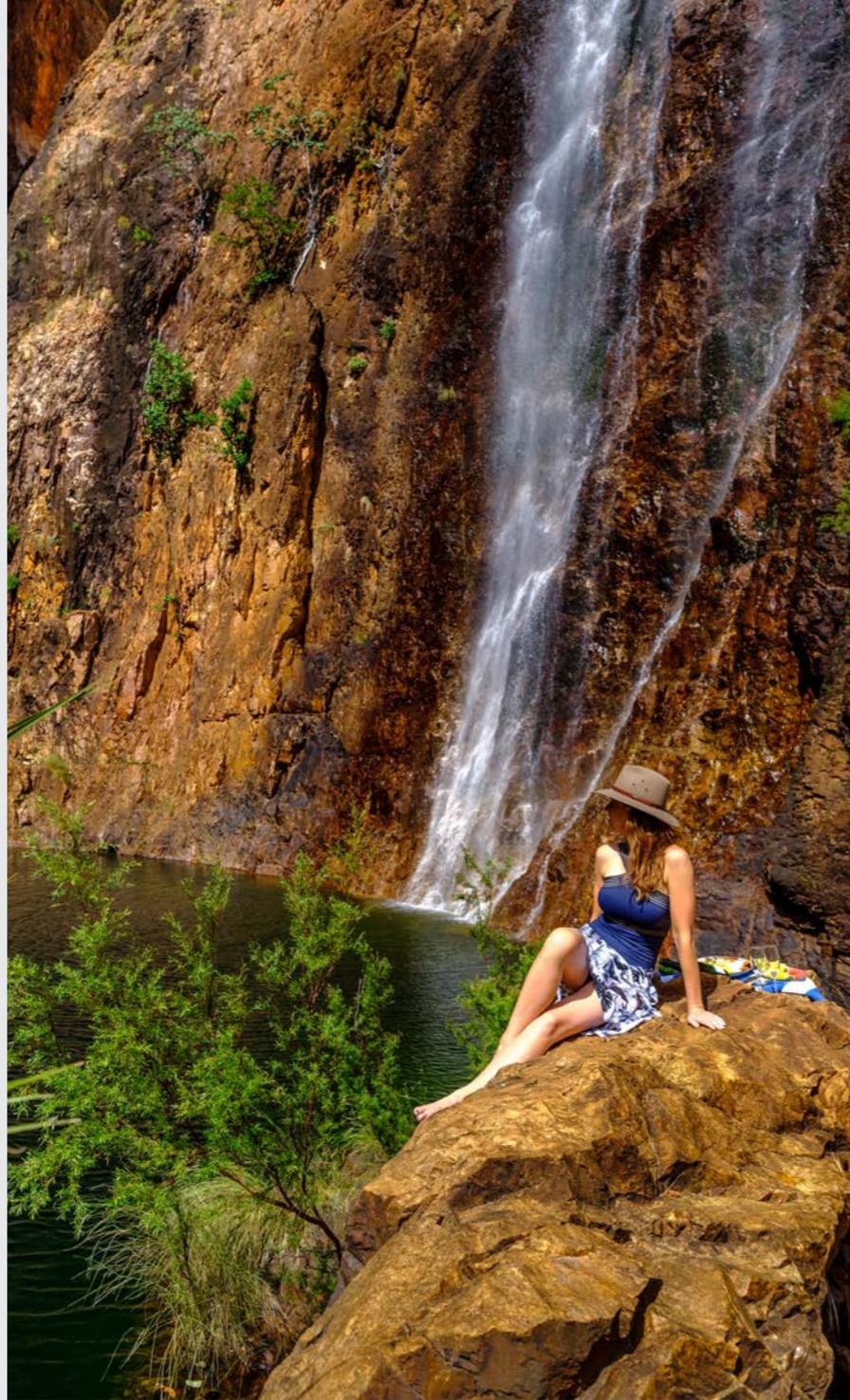
Unreachable by road or by walking, Miri Miri offers an unparalleled romantic excursion that is only enjoyed by a select few. Choose to go either in the morning or afternoon, or our favourite time at midday when Chef will pack you a gourmet picnic hamper.

Duration: 3 hours

Price: \$795 per guest

Min. Guests: 2 guests required

POA* for 3 or more guests



*POA – Price on Application

Zebedee Thermal Springs



Easy

Exclusive use of Zebedee Springs is offered to Homestead guests every afternoon, giving you the privacy to enjoy this most beautiful, and romantic, of hideaways. A short walk through dense, tropical vegetation reveals a series of thermal pools and small waterfalls. Set amongst a backdrop of sheer cliffs and Livistona palms, Zebedee Springs is an oasis in which to relax and rejuvenate after a busy day.

Duration: 2.30pm to 5pm

Price: Complimentary

Min. Guests: No minimum

Champagne Breakfast at Champagne Springs by Helicopter



Easy

The perfect way to greet the Kimberley dawn is with a spectacular morning helicopter flight to Champagne springs. Enjoy a refreshing swim to wake up as you dive into the cool cascading waters. Marvel at the colours as the sunlight first paints the escarpment walls along the top of the ridge all whilst enjoying a Champagne continental breakfast. Our pilot will then take on a scenic flight back to The Homestead and you can see the difference in the colouring of the landscape from when you first took flight. This is a fantastic time of day for photography.

Duration: 2 hours

Price: \$550 per guest

Min. Guests: 2 guests required



El Questro from Above

Helicopter Scenic Flights



Easy

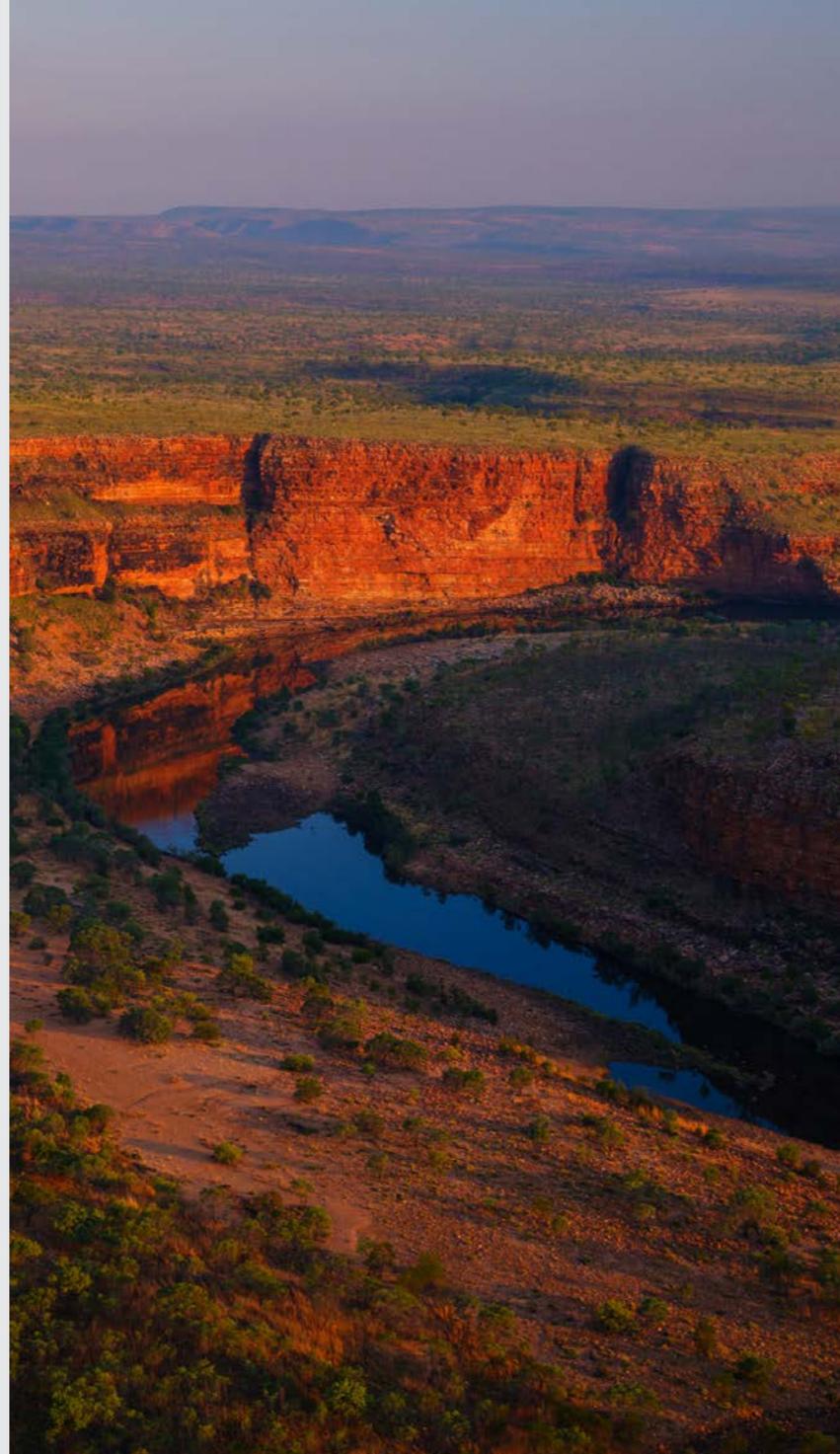
Perhaps the only way to appreciate the sheer size and diversity of El Questro is from a scenic flight. An open-door helicopter ride over the Cockburn Range, through the Pentecost and Chamberlain Gorges, past waterfalls and even The Homestead offers a distinctively breathtaking view of the property. It is an exhilarating way to experience the vastness of El Questro.

Duration: 30 minute or 60 minutes, as requested

Price: 30 minute scenic tours of the southern half of the property
\$405 per guest (2 persons)
\$325 per guest (3 persons)
60 minute flights including the Cockburn Range to the north
\$810 per guest (2 persons)
\$650 per guest (3 persons)

Min. Guests: 2 guests required

*Our helicopters have a maximum weight restriction of 110–125 kg for each seat as well as a combined allowance. All guests are required to be weighed to ensure accuracy.



Sunset at Buddy's Point



Easy

Buddy Tyson was the essence of El Questro and an icon of the property. This trip to Buddy's Point lookout offers a steep 4WD adventure in El Questro's famous open air Safari vehicles. The views from the top take in the heart of the Chamberlain Gorge which is not viewed in this manner from any other look out. The Homestead is seen nestled amongst its grand mahogany and Frangipani trees. From this vantage point you can see why El Questro was where Buddy hung his cowboy hat for 20 years.

Duration: 4pm to 6pm (alternate days) – Seasonal availability

Price: Complimentary

Min. Guests: No minimum

*Subject to look out availability and access. Alternate lookouts may be substituted as required.

Cockburn Sunset Flight



Easy

A truly unique sunset experience. A helicopter flight provides the perfect perspective of just how vast this beautiful Kimberley area is as you make your way along the Pentecost River. You will come to land atop a plateaued peak, specifically chosen for its incredible views over El Questro, and the awe inspiring Cockburn Ranges. From this vantage point you can observe the colours of the Kimberley as the sun begins to set over El Questro and the Cockburn Ranges, all whilst enjoying a glass of your desired beverage and tasting various gourmet cheeses from your platter.

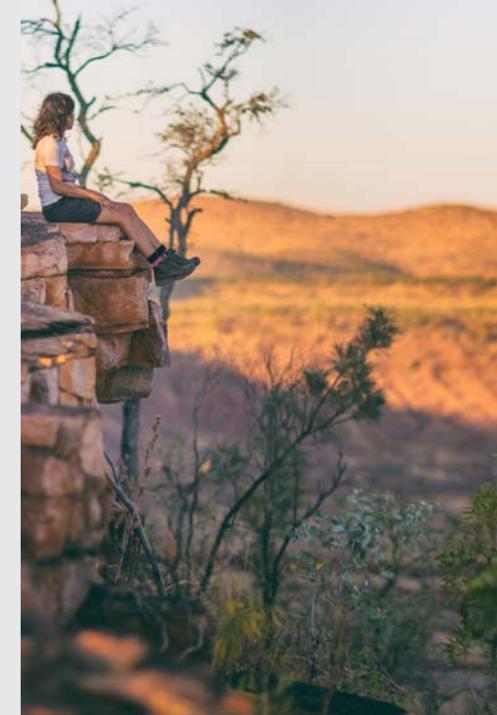
We also have an option to extend this incredible experience even longer by adding an additional scenic helicopter flight that will get you up close and personal to the Cockburn Ranges, also exploring the many gorges and waterways we have on our property.

Duration: 3.30pm to 5.30pm

Price: \$540 per guest + additional scenic flight \$250 per guest

Min. Guests: 2 guests required, POA* for 3 or more

*POA – Price on Application



For the Adventurous

Spectacular Guided Gorge Walks



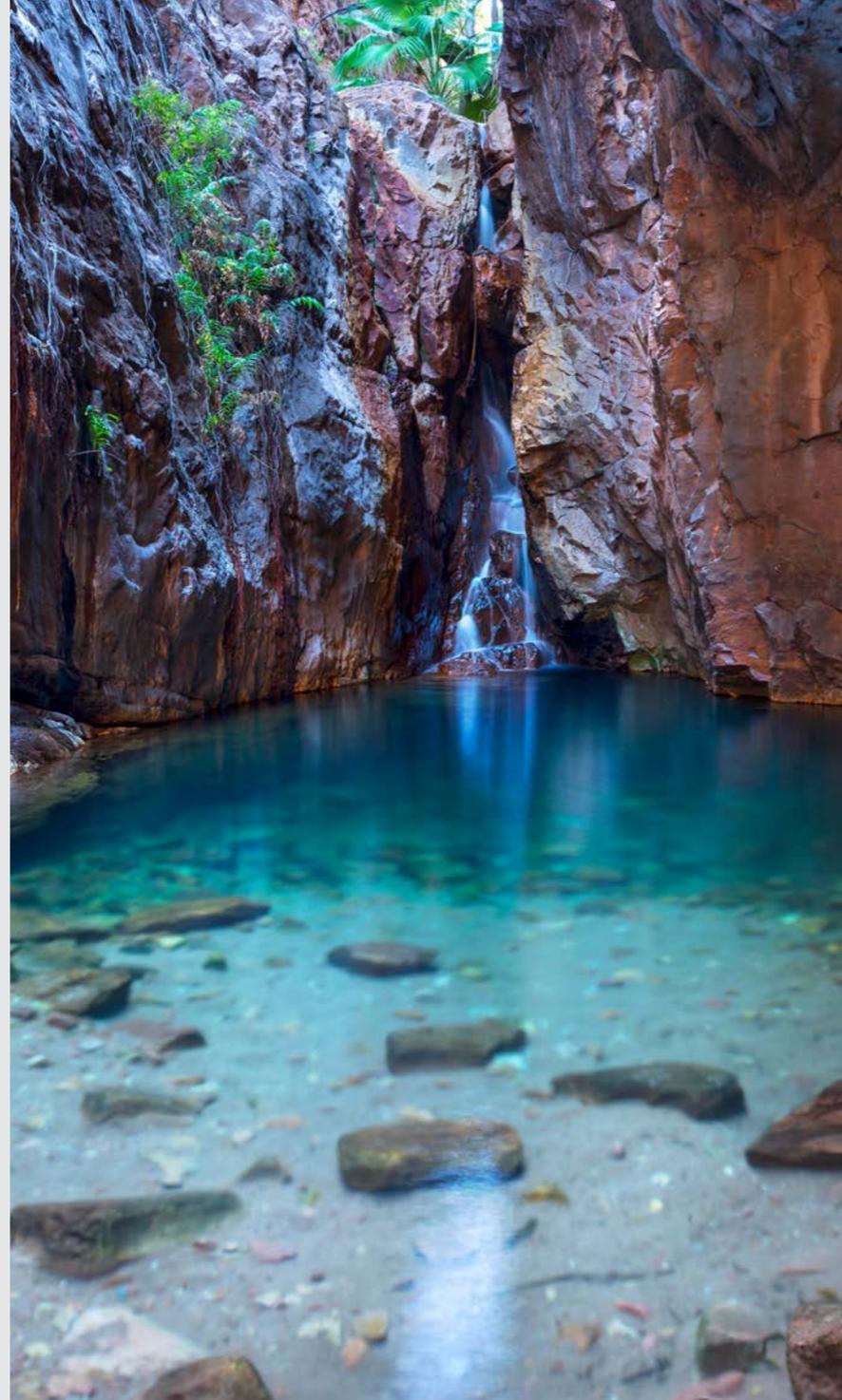
Moderate +

El Questro is proud to be home to some of the best known gorges in the Kimberley. Each walk offers a different style of gorge, from shady and tropical to more open and valley-like. All walks are at a minimum an arduous task, with most requiring good balance and a higher level of fitness. What all of the walks and gorges have in common is the reward at the end of the journey; crystal clear water holes for a refreshing swim before the return walk back to the vehicle. Each day a ranger will lead Homestead guests on a different guided walk. Enquire the day before as to which walk is on for the next morning.

Duration: From 8am to 11am

Price: Complimentary

Min. Guests: No minimum



Horse Riding (13 years and older)



Moderate +

Horse treks are a great way to sneak up on all types of Kimberley wildlife and see the countryside from a new vantage point. Small groups are guided on a 2 hour trail ride that follows the base of Saddleback Ridge and the flow of Moonshine Creek. Previous experience is recommended however a small number of beginners can be catered for on each tour (13 years and older).

Duration: 7am to 9am
or 2.30pm to 5pm

Price: \$130 per guest (morning ride)
\$140 per guest (afternoon ride)

Min. Guests: Minimum of 2 guests required

This is a public tour available to all El Questro guests.

Amaroo Falls by Helicopter



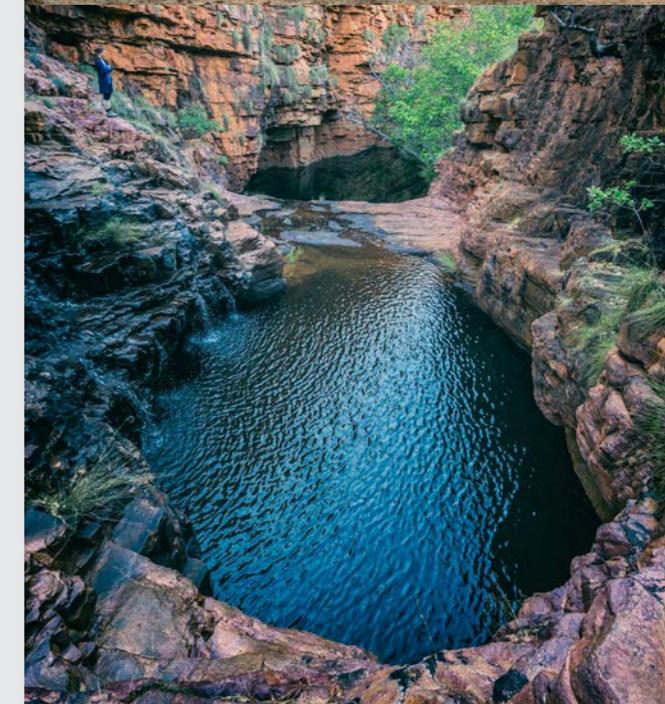
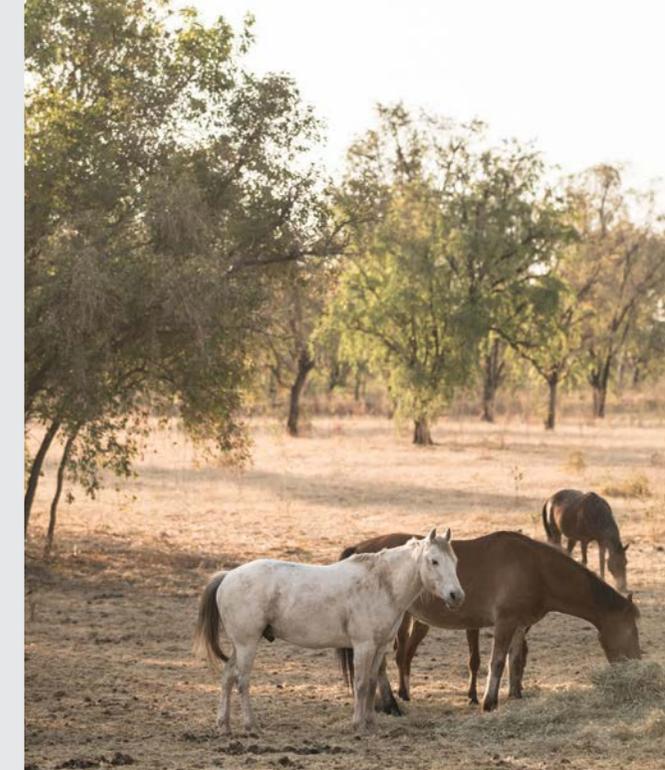
Moderate/Hard

Discovered in the south east of the property in April 2010, Amaroo Falls is the newest jewel in El Questro's crown. Only accessible by helicopter, the majestic setting at the top of one of our highest waterfalls offers an enthralling guided walk. Venturing through a series of smaller falls and pristine water holes, partially shaded by the cliff's rugged outcrops, you can enjoy swimming, a picnic or photography while taking in the isolated beauty. The edge of Amaroo waterfall provides a window to breathtaking views across an endless El Questro landscape and the return flight takes you over Explosion and Chamberlain Gorge.

Duration: 3 hours as requested

Price: \$835 per guest

Min. Guests: 2 guests required, POA* for 3 or more guests



Bungle Bungles & East Kimberley Helicopter Safari



Moderate +

Depart El Questro Station and fly over the Saw Ranges, Dunham River, O'Donnell Range, Bow River and Osmand Range until arriving at Purnululu, home of the Bungle Bungles Range.

Land at Bellburn airstrip where you will be collected by a guide for a private 4WD journey through the park, taking in the famous Beehive Domes. Choose from 2 different walks, either Cathedral Gorge or Echidna Chasm, enjoy a prepared picnic lunch along the journey.

After lunch return to the airstrip to start the trip home, taking in the sights of the Argyle Diamond Mine and the Ragged Range. Stop at "Helicopter Falls", a secret location coveted by the pilots in the area. Enjoy a refreshing swim before tracking back to El Questro Station.

Duration: 7-8 hours

Price: \$6,950 for 1-3 guests



The Lost City Cave Tour by Helicopter



Moderate/Hard

At the top of El Questro Gorge, adventure awaits at The Lost City. Your guide will lead you through the intricate rock formations and cave systems carved out through time. Finish with a scenic flight through Explosion and Chamberlain Gorges. A reasonable level of fitness is required as the tour requires scaling around crevices, crawling through openings and manoeuvring through the darkness of the caves. A truly unique experience.

Duration: From 6.45am to 9am

Price: \$610 per guest

Incorporate a landing at Miri Miri waterfall
\$1,025 per guest for both tours

Min. Guests: 2 guests required, POA* for 3 or more guests

Ask about our challenging walk to or from the Lost City

Champagne Springs Walk Returning by Helicopter



Moderate/Hard

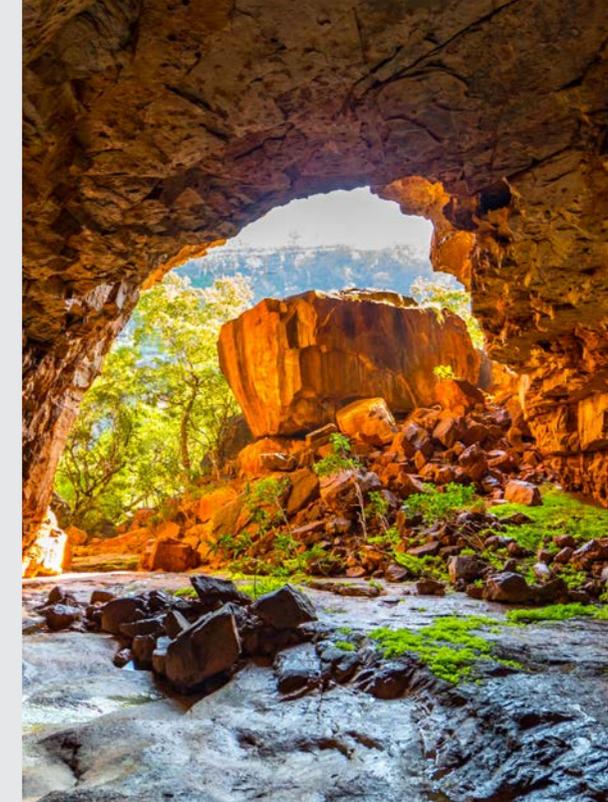
Champagne Springs is named for the crystal clear springs that bubble from deep inside the earth's interior and surface near the end of this walk through a lush, tropical, hidden valley. To the halfway point, the trail is sandy and rocky but mainly in the shade. The track then opens up into rugged terrain until you reach the top and the waterhole with its cascading falls. A helicopter waits to then carry you off on a scenic flight along the Pentecost and Chamberlain Gorges, landing you back at The Homestead.

Duration: 7am to 11am

Price: \$550 per guest

Min. Guests: 2 guests required, POA* for 3 or more guests

*Our helicopters have a maximum weight restriction of 110-125kg for each seat as well as a combined allowance. All guests are required to be weighed to ensure accuracy.



Catch an Elusive Barramundi

Heli-fishing Tours



Moderate/Hard

Choose from either local or remote area destinations, some outside of El Questro's 700,000 acres. Not accessible by road, these pristine waters rarely get fished providing anglers the best option for catching Barramundi. Flying over the vast countryside provides a thrill that is overshadowed only by bagging your own Barramundi. *Subject to seasonal conditions.

Duration: From 5.45am to 11am

Price: \$775 per guest freshwater
\$1,125 per guest remote area

Min. Guests: 2 guests required
POA* for 3 or more guests

4WD Fishing Tour to the Pentecost River



Moderate/Hard

An early start ensures you are on the magnificent Pentecost River as the fish are beginning to bite. The Cockburn range provides the back drop for this historic fishing spot known as "The Killing Tree". Fishing from small dinghies gives you the opportunity to cover various sections of the river. In addition to the great fishing, it is a natural paradise. *Subject to seasonal and tidal conditions, alternate locations may be used.

Duration: From 4.45am to 10am

Price: \$339 per guest

Min. Guests: 2 guests required, Maximum of 4 guests

This is a public tour available to all El Questro guests



Kimberley Air Tours

El Questro is home to a fixed wing Cessna 210 from late April to the end of September. For larger groups or a more luxurious option, charters are available. Note that the air tours on the following pages are public tours available to all El Questro resort guests. Private touring is available for a surcharge.

Mitchell Falls and Kimberley Coast (May-Sept)

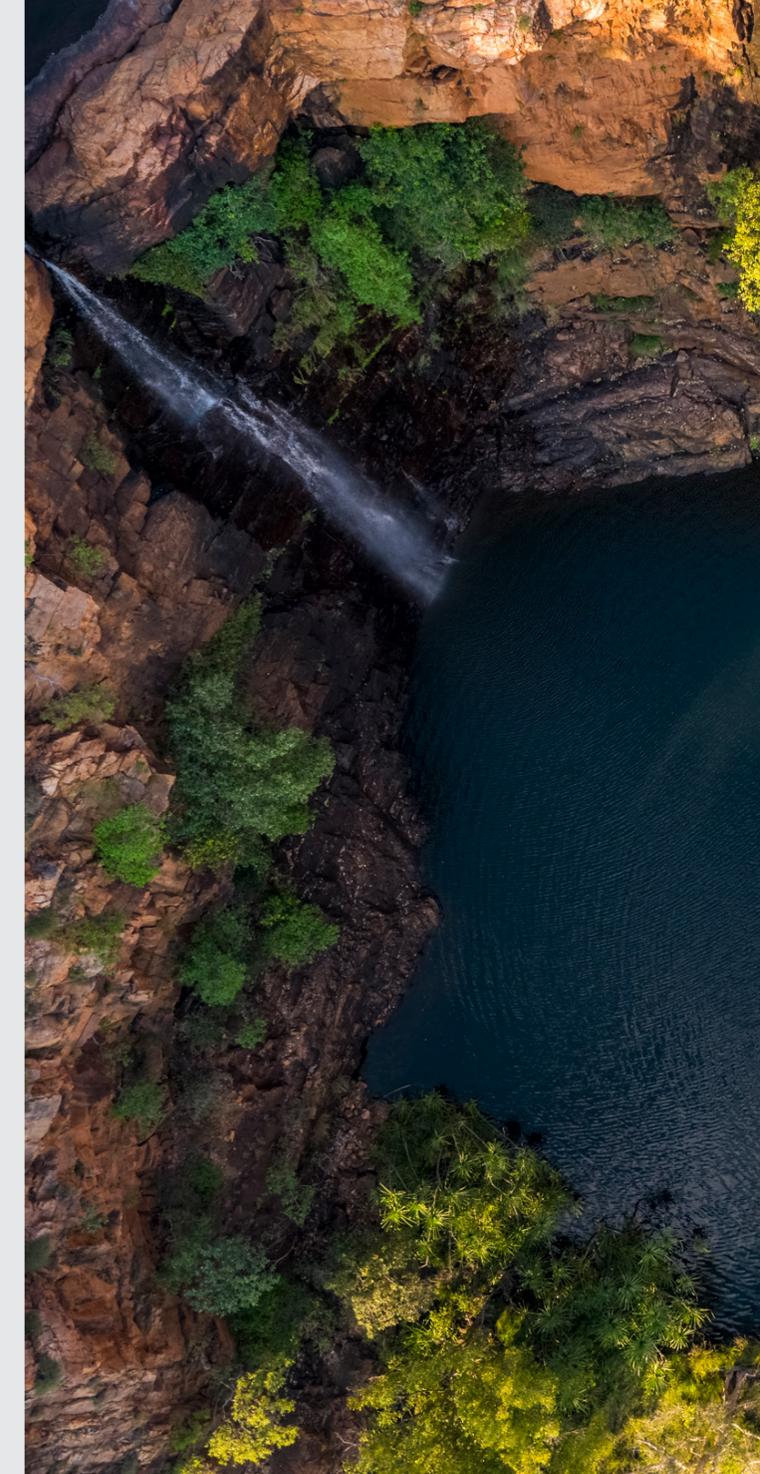


Easy

Depart El Questro tracking northwest over ancient Kimberley landscapes towards Mitchell Falls where you will orbit the spectacular falls before landing at the airstrip to stretch your legs. Back on board head out over the north coast of Western Australia flying over Kimberley Coastal Camp, Kalumburu Aboriginal Mission, the famous double waterfalls of King George Falls and the mouth of the Berkeley River. See the exclusive lodge perched on sand dunes and follow the gorge upstream before tracking east towards the historic town of Wyndham and taking in the Cockburn Range before landing back to El Questro. Departure times vary, please check with us for this week's schedule.

Duration: 3 hours, 20 minutes

Price: 2 guests - \$1,475 per guest
3 guests - \$995 per guest
4 guests - \$799 per guest



Bungle Bungle and Lake Argyle Scenic Flight (Apr-Oct)



Easy

One of Australia's natural wonders, the World Heritage Listed Bungle Bungles Range is a unique sandstone formation dating back 350 million years. This two hour airplane flight from El Questro's airstrip takes you first over Lake Argyle and the Carboyd Range. Before entering the 240,000 ha Purnululu National Park, the Bungle Bungle massif rises 300m out of the desert to meet you. For the next 20 minutes you will discover the awe inspiring striped beehive domes and gorges of this 350 million year old icon. Orbiting the range, take a photo or two of the Gibb Face and see the famous Cathedral Gorge and Piccaninny Gorge, the longest and deepest in the massif. On the return journey to El Questro, pass over the Argyle Diamond Mine, the largest producer of pink and coloured diamonds in the world. A once in a lifetime experience.

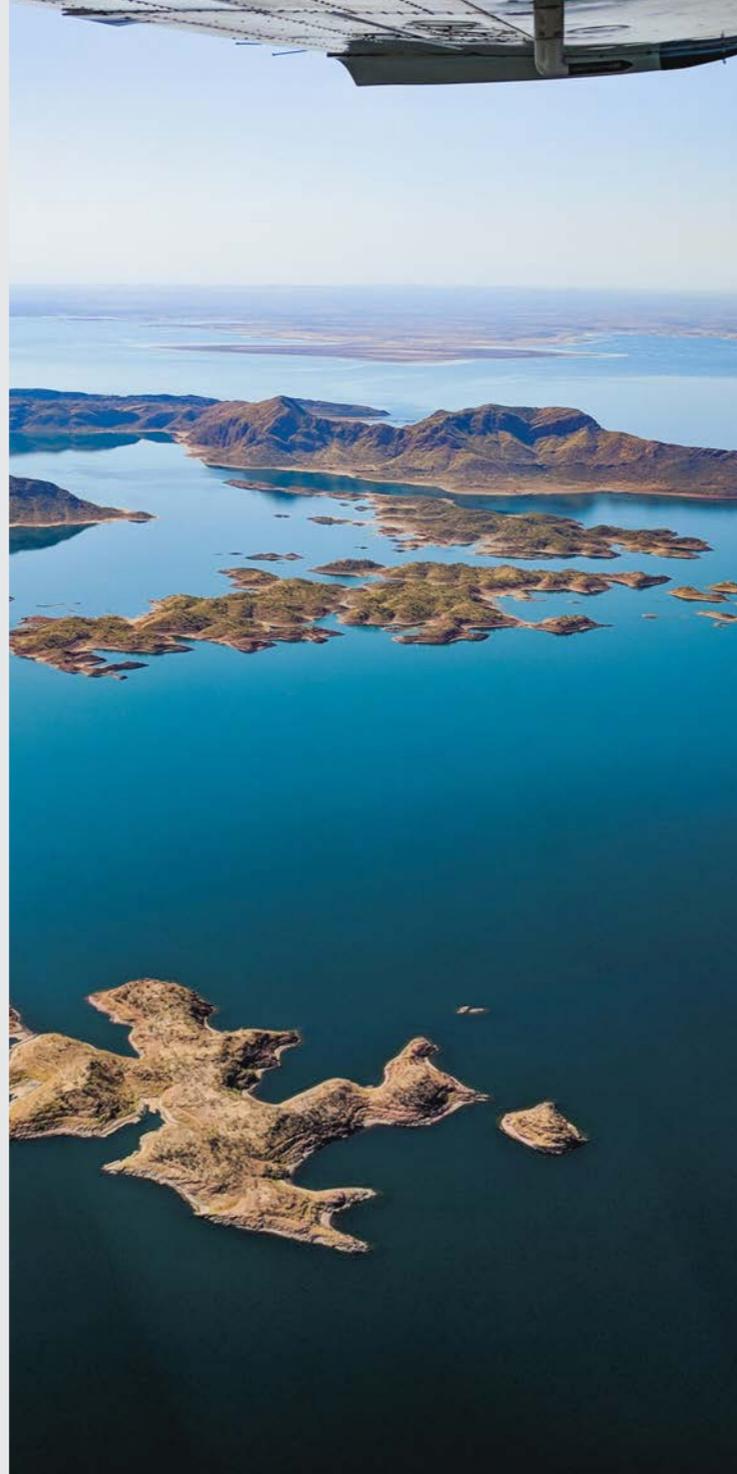
The same 2 hour flight may conclude at Kununurra Airport to meet your commercial flight (luggage may be required to be transferred by road at 7:45am)

Duration: 2 hours, as requested

Price: \$549 per guest, minimum 2 guests
(May - Sept)
\$769 per guest, minimum 2 guests
(Apr & Oct - Departure times are set by operator TBA)
Stop at Purnululu and add on a scenic helicopter flight from \$299 per guest

Departing or Commencing from Kununurra:

Price: 2 guests - \$1,050 per guest
3 guests - \$745 per guest
4 guests - \$625 per guest



Bungle Bungles Scenic Flight and Ground Tour (departs May - Sept)



Easy

Departing El Questro in our Cessna 210 you will take in views of the Carboyd Range and Lake Argyle before landing at Purnululu National Park, home to the Bungle Bungle Range. Here, you transfer to a comfortable 4-wheel drive for a tour of the spectacular beehive domes and a walk into Cathedral Gorge and Piccaninny Creek. Enjoy a picnic lunch in the gorge and afternoon tea at the bush camp before returning to El Questro. On the way back you will fly over the Argyle Diamond Mine, the largest producer in the world of pink and coloured diamonds!

Extend your experience - Scenic helicopter flights are also available once you land at the Bungle Bungles. This is a simply amazing way to view the sandstone domes and the mouth of Cathedral Gorge from a lower level. Helicopter Flights must be booked in advance, and are subject to availability.

Duration: 8.30am to 4.30pm

Price: 2 guests - \$1,520 per guest
3 guests - \$1,125 per guest
4 guests - \$995 per guest

Add On: Add a scenic helicopter flight from \$299 per guest

For Private Plane and Ground Touring:
1-2 guests - \$3,990 total
3-4 guests - \$4,990 total



King George Falls and Kimberley Coast Flight (May-Sept)



Easy

Depart El Questro tracking north over ancient Kimberley landscapes for the famous King George Falls where you will orbit for 10 minutes taking in the 80 metre double waterfalls. Continue on, taking in the exclusive Berkley River Lodge and the unique Kimberley Coast keeping an eye out for dugongs, manta rays, sea turtles and whales. Pass over Cape Dussejour before heading south over the Cambridge Gulf, the historic town of Wyndham and the Cockburn Range before landing back at El Questro.

Duration: 2 hours, 10 minutes

Price: 2 guests – \$1,049 per guest
3 guests – \$770 per guest
4 guests – \$575 per guest

Horizontal Falls and Kimberley Coast via Kuri Bay



Easy

Fly to the Horizontal Falls in the West Kimberley where you will experience this most unusual phenomena from above. Orbit over the top of the falls for 10 minutes before flying north over Montgomery Reef and Kuri Bay (Paspaley Pearl Farm) which form part of one of Australia's most amazing coastlines.

After viewing the Mitchell Falls, enjoy morning/afternoon tea whilst the pilot refuels. The return journey to El Questro takes you over Kimberley cattle country.

Duration: 5-6 hours

Price: 2 guests – \$1,945 per guest
3 guests – \$1,295 per guest
4 guests – \$1,025 per guest



Photo courtesy of Tourism Western Australia

Getting to El Questro Homestead

Scheduled Airlines

Regular flights are available from all major Australian cities to Kununurra via Perth, Darwin or Broome with Qantas, Airnorth and Virgin.

Air Charters

Airplane charters are available directly to the El Questro airstrip from Kununurra, Darwin, Broome, Uluru and Alice Springs.

Private VIP jet service is also available from Sydney, Melbourne and Perth direct to Kununurra. Helicopter charters and scenic aeroplane flights over the Bungle Bungles are available from Kununurra finishing at the Homestead.

El Questro Airstrips

El Questro has two airstrips, the smaller strip at Emma Gorge Resort, the other close to The Station and Homestead facilities.

Road

El Questro is situated in the East Kimberley 100 kilometres west of Kununurra by road – 84 km on the Great Northern Highway and the newly sealed Gibb River Road, the remainder on the gravel El Questro driveway. High clearance 4WD vehicle is recommended. Up-to-date road conditions and information are available 24 hours a day on 1800 013 314.

Co-ordinates

Homestead helicopter Coordinates
S 15° 58 361, E 127° 55 988

Station Aeroplane Coordinates
S 16° 00 30S, E 127° 58 30 E

Please note

El Questro Homestead is open from 1st April to 17th October 2020



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