

# SUGGESTED ITINERARIES

With so much to explore we've done the hard work for you and created some suggested itineries. Simply choose the one that best suits you and start your El Questro adventure.



# SUGGESTED ITINERARY FIVE NIGHTS: SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

# DAY ONE:

# 4.00pm-6.00pm: Buddy's Point Lookout at Sunset

This two-hour guided tour begins with a 4WD drive adventure over classic Kimberley landscapes and finishes with cheese and bubbles at this private 360 degree lookout, where you'll bask in the beauty of a Kimberley expanse and sunset. Buddy's Point was named in honour of El Questro legend Buddy Tyson, a former rodeo champion, cattle drover and El Questro tour guide who was renowned for his ability to spin a good yarn.

# DAY TWO:

# 8.00am-5.00pm: Full Day Emma Gorge Tour

This tour offers some of the highlights of the Kimberley and gives an informative overview of El Questro. The tour starts with a guided walk up Emma Gorge, a soak in Zebedee Springs, 'Beef or Barra' lunch at The Steakhouse followed by an afternoon Chamberlain Gorge Cruise.

# DAY THREE:

# 6.00am-11.00am: Heli-Fishing

The early bird catches the...fish! Choose from either a remote or local destination and be flown to one of these pristine fishing spots not accessible by road.

# 2.30pm-5.00pm: Horse Riding

Horse treks are a great way to sneak up on all types of Kimberley wildlife and see the country from a new vantage point. Small groups are guided on a two hour afternoon trek along a trail that follows the trail part way up Saddleback Ridge. Enjoy the views and changing colours on the landscape accompanied by light refreshments.

# DAY FOUR:

# 7.30am-5.00pm: Cockburn Circuit 4WD Drive Tour

This is a full day experience as diverse and unique as the Kimberley landscape you'll 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. Enjoy a gourmet lunch prepared by our chefs before making your way home along the Karunjie Track.

# DAY FIVE:

# 8am-11.00am El Questro Gorge Walk

Take a walk along this narrow spring-fed creek through palm and fern clad escarpments to a small, crystal clear swimming hole, where you can relax and drink in the beauty of the rainforest. From this half way point the more adventurous can continue on a path, which increases in difficulty, for another 1.5 hours to reach the top where another crystal clear pool and waterfall await you.

# 2.30pm-6pm Explosion Gorge and Branco's Lookout

Hop aboard one of our open safari vehicles and experience El Questro in an afternoon. You'll be driven along a unique 4WD track which extends along the Chamberlain Gorge to a waiting boat where you'll take a cruise to experience the spectacular gorge system from the water. Jump back on board the vehicle where you'll make your way to the top of Branco's Lookout in time for a Kimberley sunset. Sip a glass of sparkling wine or an ice cold beer as the sun sets on this ancient land.

# DAY SIX:

# An Early Morning Excursion before Departure

# 6am-8am: Bird Watching

Join an El Questro Ranger and make the most of your last day at El Quetsro by heading out early to local bird watching sites. There are over 100 different bird species on El Questro, thanks to the different ecosystems, including pheasant coucals, dancing Brolgas and even the once endangered Gouldian finch. Take part in some friendly competition and see who can spot the most birds from the list.



# SUGGESTED ITINERARY FOUR NIGHTS: FOR PHOTOGRAPHY ENTHUSIASTS

# DAY ONE

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# 2.30–4.30pm: Bungle Bungles and Lake Argyle Scenic Flight

A two hour flight from El Questro takes you over Lake Argyle and the Carboyd Range before orbiting over Purnululu National Park, home to the Bungle Bungle Range. The World Heritage listed Bungle Bungle sandstone formation dates back 350 million years and is an iconic landmark of the East Kimberley. Fly over the Argyle Diamond Mine on the return leg to El Questro.

# DAY THREE

# 8am-11.30am: History, Nature and Bush Culture Tour

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 acclaimed tourism destination. Take in the views from up high on a lookout, visit ancient Boab trees, learn about the Aboriginal peoples' use of the native flora and count the types of wildlife and plants you spot along the way. A light morning tea is served beside a lazy waterhole.

# 3:30pm-5:30pm: Cockburn Sunset Flight

Landing on top of the Cockburn Ranges at sunset is an experience for the privileged few and we truly believe it is like nowhere else in the world. Your scenic flight will take you along the sheer cliffs of the Cockburn Range before landing on top with stunning views of the Pentecost River, El Questro Station and the sprawling 700,000 acres of wilderness which El Questro covers. As you sip your wine and enjoy our cheese plate selections, you will witness this amazing view in so many different lights as the sun sets on another perfect Kimberley day.

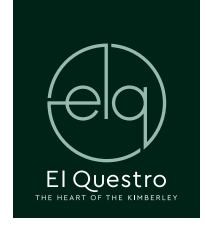
# DAY FOUR

# 4.30am-7.00am: Early morning drive to Pigeon Lookout for sunrise-Self 4WD.

Rise early and you will be rewarded with some of the most scenic images of the day. Watch the sun come up and cast it's red hues across the landscape.

# 11.30am-5pm Half day tour Zebedee and Chamberlain Cruise

We start with exclusive access to the oasis of the thermal Zebedee Springs and finish with our iconic Chamberlain River Cruise. The Zebedee thermal springs are the perfect place to relax and restore in a series of warm pools, all set within sheer cliffs and amongst local vegetation and soaring Livistonia palms. Once you're fully rested you'll hop on board a boat and head off on the Chamberlain River to cruise along, taking in the beauty of this region's flora and fauna and one of the longest gorge systems in the Kimberley.



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# **FOUR NIGHTS:**

# WATERFALLS, GORGES AND LOOKOUTS

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# DAY THREE:

# 11.30am-2:30pm: Gourmet Picnic at Miri Miri Falls by Helicopter

Hidden in a remote corner of the Wilderness Park is Miri Miri Falls where spring-fed water cascades over a 50 metre fall from the plateau into a deep pool, which then opens up into a dense valley of Livistonia palms and paperbarks. Take a dip in the refreshing pool overlooked by nature then enjoy a gourmet picnic lunch, all while revelling in one of El Questro's most secluded attractions.

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# DAY FOUR

# 8.00am-5.00pm: Full Day El Questro Gorge Tour

A highlights tour of The Kimberley and El Questro is what you can expect on this full day adventure. Starting with a guided hike to the halfway pool of El Questro Gorge you'll then be taken to relax and soak in thermal Zebedee Springs. After enjoying a lunch of 'beef or barra' at El Questro Station Steakhouse restaurant you'll spend the afternoon on a boat cruising down the river through the Chamberlain Gorge. There's nothing for you to do but sit back, relax and let your Guide lead the way.



# SUGGESTED ITINERARY THREE NIGHTS: FOR THE VERY ACTIVE

# DAY ONE

# 2.30pm-4.30pm: Chamberlain Gorge Cruise

Boating along the Chamberlain Gorge is a must do while visiting El Questro. Only accessible by boat, this 3km fresh waterhole is surrounded by the Kimberley's diverse flora and fauna and eclipsed by towering escarpments. While taking in the breathtaking scenery you'll enjoy sparkling wine and fresh fruit from the local Ord valley. While you're out on the water, ask your Ranger about the cheeky, spitting Archer fish and large, swirling Barramundi who'll be sure to swim near the boat.

# DAY TWO

# 8.00am-11.00am: Amalia Gorge Walk- Self Drive

Amalia Gorge is best seen just after the wet season when a mass of waterfalls flow from one pool to the next. In the dry season it's a fairly easy walk with some rock scrambling and ledge hopping involved. The trail leads to a waterfall and a beautiful pool half way and yet another pool at the top.

# 2.30pm-6pm: Explosion Gorge and Branco's Lookout

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# DAY THREE

# 4.45am-10am: 4-wheel Drive Fishing Tour to the Pentecost River

An early start ensures you're on the magnificent Pentecost River as the fish are warming up. The Cockburn Range provides the back drop to this historic fishing spot known as 'The Killing Tree'. You'll fish from small dinghies, which gives you the opportunity to cover a number of different sections of the river.

# 11.30am-2pm: Gourmet Picnic Lunch at Amaroo Falls by Helicopter

Only accessible by helicopter this extraordinary setting, at the top of one of our tallest waterfalls, offers an incredibly scenic guided walk. Venture through a series of smaller falls and pristine water holes, shaded by the cliff's rugged outcrops you can enjoy swimming and a picnic while basking in the isolated beauty.

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# DAY FOUR: BEFORE DEPARTURE

### 6:30am-9:30 am: Zebedee Thermal Springs, self-drive

Rise early to be the first at Zebedee Springs when it opens at 7.00 am. This natural oasis is a short walk along a trail, which leads you through dense livistonia palms to a series of rocky thermal pools. Set at the base of sheer cliffs these thermal springs are the perfect place to relax and restore amongst the region's local vegetation. It's worth noting that Zebedee Springs is closed in the afternoon so plan your morning around a visit to the Springs so you don't miss out on this most popular of attractions.



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# DAY TWO

# 8am-11am: Guided Gorge Walk

6.30am-11.00am: El Questro Gorge Walk and Zebedee Springs-Self Drive

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Walk along this narrow spring-fed creek through palm and fern clad escarpments to a small, crystal clear swimming hole, where you can relax and drink in the beauty of the rainforest.

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One of Australia's natural wonders, the World Heritage Listed Bungle Bungle Range is a unique sandstone formation dating back 350 million years. This two hour airplane flight from El Questro's airstrip takes you over

Lake Argyle and the Carboyd Range, orbiting the 240,000 ha Purnululu National Park, you will discover the awe inspiring bee hive domes, Cathedral Gorge and Piccaninny Creek. Return to El Questro via the Argyle Diamond Mine.

# DAY FOUR: AN EARLY MORNING EXCURSION BEFORE DEPARTURE

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