

AUSTRALIA'S TROPICAL CAPITAL CITY HAS A LEISURELY PACE OF LIFE, BALMY NIGHTS AND SOME OF THE FRIENDLIEST LOCALS YOU'LL MEET.

WALK THE CITY

Darwin's waterfront is rich in history; it was home to the Larrakia people, the site of the early Malay and Chinese settlements, and was bombed during World War II. Follow the HERITAGE AND CULTURAL TRAIL that weaves along the promenade to learn more about the area's historical significance.

GETTING AROUND

Darwin is small enough to navigate on foot, with a dedicated walkway linking the waterfront to the city center. Visitors can also take the public bus Route 4, which stops at popular attractions in the city including CROCOSAURUS COVE, the MINDIL BEACH SUNSET MARKETS and FANNIE BAY GAOL, and further afield.

WHERE TO EAT



CHAR RESTAURANT:

Located in the heritagelisted Admiralty House, Char is renowned for being the best steak house in the city. admiraltyhouse. com.au/char-restaurant LITTLE MISS KOREA: A celebrated Korean BBQ restaurant with an edgy, industrial vibe headed up by celebrity chef Chung
Jae Lee. *littlemisskorea.com*PEE WEE'S AT THE POINT:
Darwin institution Pee
Wee's offers relaxed
fine dining and local
produce – think saltwater
barramundi, tiger prawns
and tropical fruit – with
views across Fannie Bay.
peewees.com.au



THREE STAYS

Vibe Hotel

This modern hotel is just steps from the public lagoon, and some of the city's best dining and shopping. vibehotels.com

Oaks Elan

Located in the heart of the city, each room at Oaks Elan comes with uninterrupted views of Darwin Harbour and Frances Bay.

oakshotels.com

Mindil Beach Casino Resort

Set among 29 acres of
lush tropical gardens,
this is Darwin's only
beachfront resort. It has
eight restaurants and
bars and an onsite spa.

mindilbeachcasinoresort.com.au



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DECKCHAIRCINEMA.COM



BEYOND THE CITY

Just 1.2 miles north of Darwin, GEORGE BROWN DARWIN BOTANIC GARDENS are spread over 103 acres and home to a magnificent display of tropical, primitive and native plant species, as well as a lovely cafe (botanicgardenscafe.com. au). Travel a little further (three hours) to explore the rugged and remote beauty and ancient Aboriginal rock art sites of Kakadu National Park. parksaustralia. gov.au/kakadu

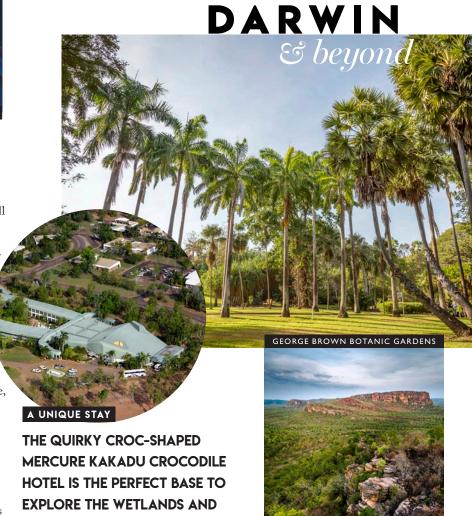
ULTIMATE ENTERTAINMENT OPTION

The arts and cultural bonanza that is **DARWIN FESTIVAL** brings an action-packed 18-day program of theater, dance, visual arts, outdoor concerts and more to this tropical city. Staged annually in August. *darwinfestival.org.au*

ANOTHER GOOD WALK

Darwin's annual **STREET ART FESTIVAL**, held in September, brings artists from all over Australia to paint the city's walls in color. If you can't make the event itself, download the walking map to see multistory murals from previous years. *darwinstreetartfestival.com.au*





FAMILY FUN

CROCOSAURUS COVE:

WILDLIFE OF KAKADU NATIONAL

PARK, JUST THREE HOURS OUT

OF DARWIN. ALL.ACCOR.COM

Home to huge saltwater crocodiles, this city enclosure is the ultimate urban wildlife experience. If you're feeling brave, take a dip with a real croc in the Cage of Death! crocosauruscove.com

WAVE LAGOON: This huge, lifeguard-supervised lagoon, with its own swell simulator, is the perfect way to keep cool in Darwin. Boogie boards and inflatable tubes are available for use. waterfront.nt.gov.au

cruise: Take in Darwin's famous harbor and learn about its history on a one-hour interactive cruise with Sea Darwin. You might spot a dolphin and

SEA DARWIN HARBOR

other marine life if you're lucky! seadarwin.com