

Darwin cruises and tours • Sunset adventures • Turtle journeys • Bombing of Darwin

SEA DARWIN - SEA TIWI

Journeys with purpose



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About SEA DARWIN-SEA TIWI

Sea Darwin began in 2008 with a mission to showcase the Top End's coastal environment in a way that fosters understanding and connection with this remarkable part of Australia. In 2023, Sea Darwin was acquired by Tiwi Enterprises, a 100% Indigenous-owned, not-for-profit business, and now proudly operates as Sea Darwin – Sea Tiwi.

As a Tiwi-owned enterprise, every experience directly contributes to Tiwi economic development and community well-being. When you travel with us, you are supporting the Tiwi people in shaping their own future while sharing their rich history and the breathtaking beauty of their island homelands.

Sea Darwin – Sea Tiwi is committed to sustainable and responsible tourism. Our cruises are eco-certified through EcoTourism Australia, and we actively support conservation through financial contributions to sea turtle research and participation in local community initiatives. We are proud to employ local staff and to give back to the communities that make these experiences possible.

A multi-award-winning company, Sea Darwin – Sea Tiwi has been the recipient of multiple Tourism NT Brolga Awards (2013–2019), a Bronze Australian Tourism Award for Eco-Tourism (2015), and the NT Seafood Council Environment Award (2017). We continue to uphold the best practices that have earned these accolades. We acknowledge the Larrakia and Tiwi people as the custodians of Top End saltwater country and are privileged to share this incredible part of Australia with visitors.



**ALL SEA DARWIN-SEA TIWI
CRUISES DEPART FROM
DOCK 2 STOKES HILL WHARF.**



For more information on all our tours and general terms and conditions please see our website www.seadarwin.com

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Discover the Spirit OF THE TIWI ISLANDS.



2025 marks an incredible new chapter for Sea Darwin – Sea Tiwi as we proudly step forward as a 100% Tiwi-owned business. With the guidance of our Tiwi Directors and Traditional Owners, we are working towards authentic, sustainable, and culturally rich experiences on the Tiwi Islands.

While we continue developing these unique offerings, we invite you to be part of the journey now—immerse yourself in the spirit, culture, and vibrant energy of the Tiwi Islands through exclusive experiences that celebrate this extraordinary place.



Stay up to date on all Tiwi events on our website

TIWI FOOTY GRAND FINAL - 2025!

Experience one of the most iconic sporting events in the Northern Territory! Join us for a thrilling day of footy, culture, and community spirit on Sunday, 20 July 2025.

Depart Darwin at 9:00am from Stokes Hill Wharf and arrive at Wurrumiyanga just in time to experience the electrifying atmosphere of the Tiwi Islands Football Grand Final.

Explore festival stalls, discover Tiwi art, and soak up the rich heritage of the islands before the final siren signals our return trip.

A NIGHT ON TIWI: FESTIVAL & FOOTY ADVENTURE!

Your journey begins on Saturday, 19 July 2025, with a fast boat ride from Darwin to Wurrumiyanga, the heart of Tiwi life.

Upon arrival, enjoy a guided introduction to your accommodation and surroundings before meeting Traditional Owners. Spend the afternoon at the Tiwi Cultural Festival, where art, music, and storytelling come alive. As night falls, immerse yourself in the vibrant celebrations, then retreat to the Mantiyupwi Motel for a restful night before waking up refreshed for the Grand Final on Sunday.

After an unforgettable weekend of culture, sport, and connection, return to Darwin with a Sunday sunset as you reflect on an extraordinary Tiwi experience.



Australia's FRONTLINE: WWII

Journeys through history - honouring resilience
and uncovering untold stories.



HALF DAY TOUR BY LAND AND SEA «

Take a step back in time to 1942 to hear the stories and see the sites of the Bombing of Darwin.

With CBD hotel pick ups and local guides, the complete package includes:

- > The complete story of the Bombing of Darwin as you travel by air-conditioned vehicle
- > A visit to the sites that were hit by the Japanese air raids
- > Charles Darwin National Park to see bunkers and other WWII relics
- > The Defence of Darwin Museum
- > 1 hour Bombing of Darwin Cruise
- > CBD Hotel pick up and drop off.

CBD hotel pickups:

From 7:45am for half day tour
Return from 12:15pm

BOMBING OF DARWIN CRUISE «

Cruise on Darwin Harbour taking in the war sites and stories of the area. Hosted by local guides who provide accurate commentary about 19 February 1942, a day which has gone down in history as the largest single attack ever mounted by a foreign power on Australia.

Your cruise includes:

- > Stokes Hill and Fort Hill Wharves
- > The site of the wrecks of the USS Peary and the SS Neptuna
- > HMAS Coonawarra Navy base
- > Gun emplacements
- > Catalina Flying Boat Base.

Departure: Dock 2 Stokes Hill Wharf

Tour Times: 9:30am* or 11:00am.

Disembark Cullen Bay at 12:00noon or return to Stokes Hill by 12:15pm.

*June to August only

BOMBING OF DARWIN DOUBLE «

From story telling to story living, this double combines Darwin's only Bombing of Darwin cruise with a visit to Darwin's premier virtual reality experience.

Spend the morning at Stokes Hill Wharf, taking in the Royal Flying Doctor Service Darwin Tourist Facility Bombing of Darwin virtual reality exhibition and then jump on board for your 11am Bombing of Darwin cruise.

Alternatively, cruise first and return to Stokes Hill Wharf at 12:15pm for your Bombing of Darwin virtual reality experience.

This great-value package offers discounted product rates, combining two experiences for the ultimate insight into Darwin's WWII history.



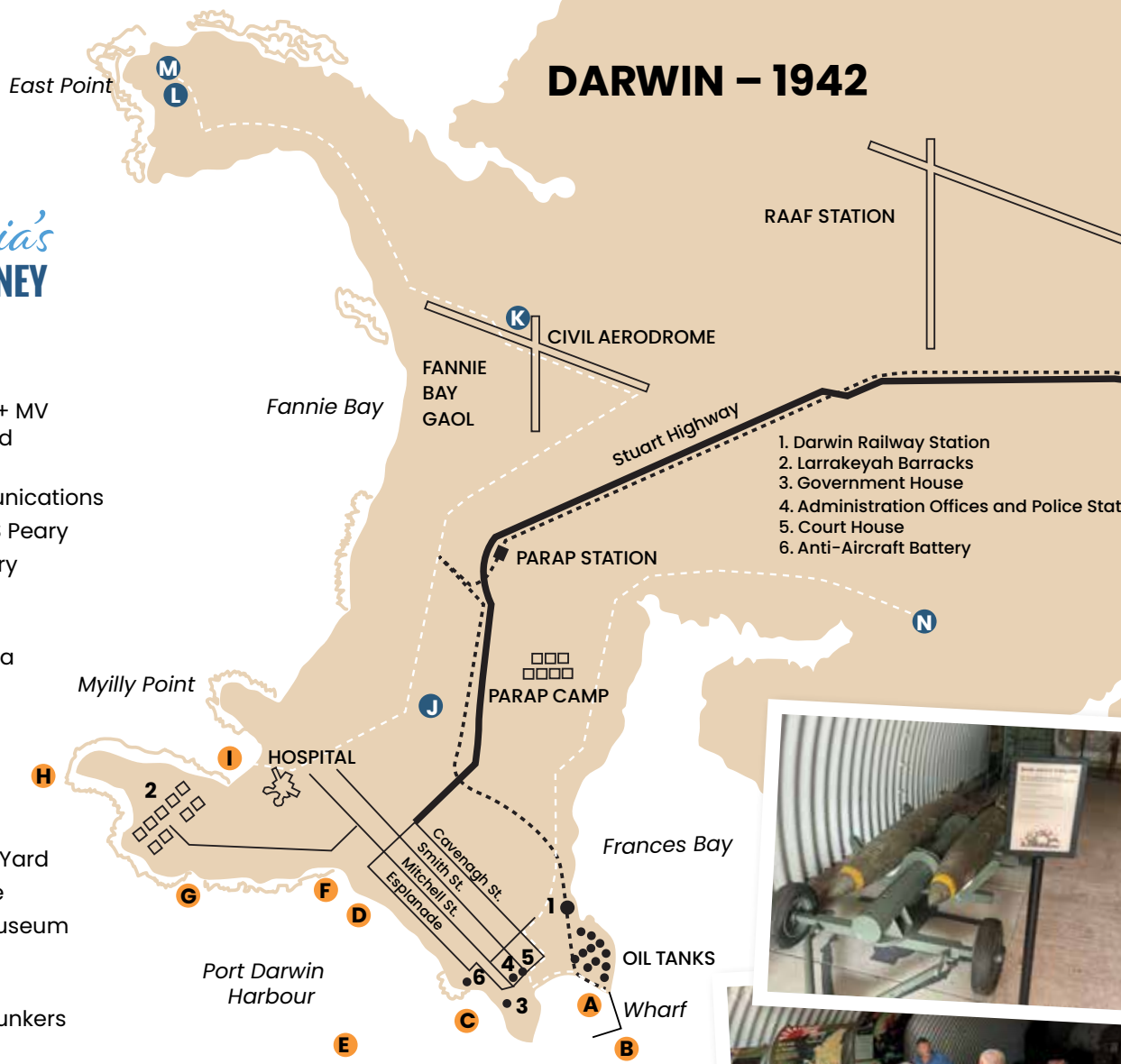
YOUR Australia's FRONTLINE JOURNEY

SEA TOUR

- A** Pearl Luggers
- B** Stokes Hill Wharf + MV Neptuna + Air Raid Interpretation
- C** War time Communications
- D** Monument of USS Peary
- E** Wreck of USS Peary
- F** Doctors Gully Flying Boat base
- G** HMAS Coonawarra
- H** Cliff Top Gun Emplacements
- I** Cullen Bay

LAND TOUR

- J** Naval Victualling Yard
- K** Parap Aerodrome
- L** Darwin Military Museum
- M** East Point Gun Emplacements
- N** Charles Darwin Bunkers



1. Darwin Railway Station
2. Larrakeyah Barracks
3. Government House
4. Administration Offices and Police Station
5. Court House
6. Anti-Aircraft Battery



THE USS PEARY

The USS Peary, which was the most significant US warship to be sunk in the Bombing of Darwin, was preparing to take on fuel when attacked. A total of four bombs crippled the ship, with one bomb exploding the forward magazine. Eighty eight men including the captain were killed or confirmed missing.

EXPERIENCES FROM
\$65.00

Senior and child rates available

OPERATION OF TOUR & CRUISE:

April to October:

Most days

November to March:

Wednesdays and Saturdays

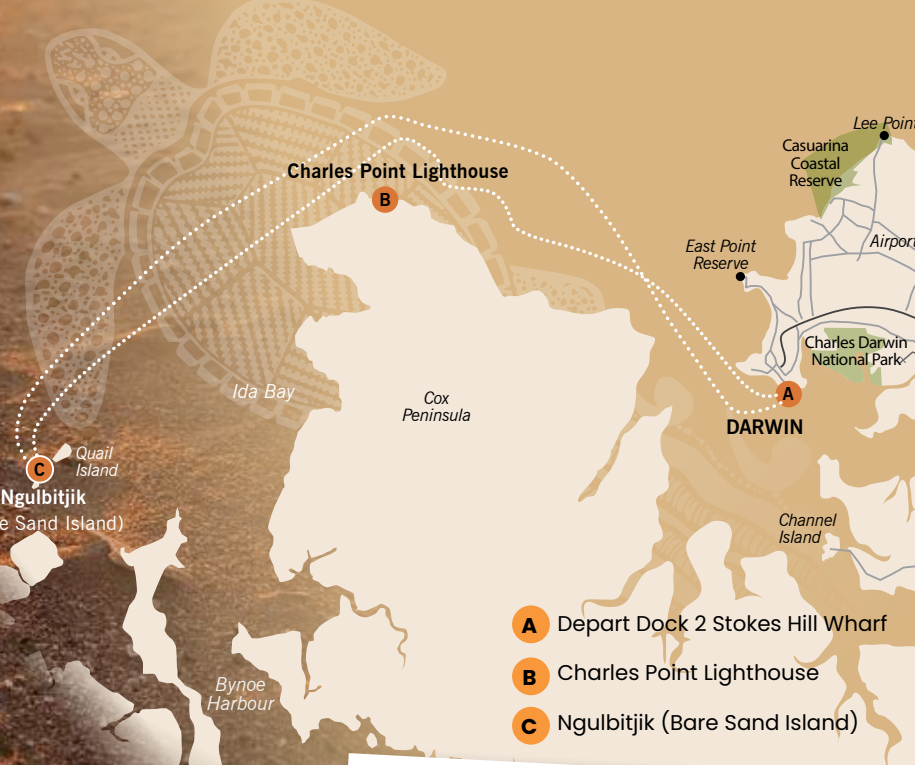
DEPARTURE:

Dock 2 Stokes Hill Wharf



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TURTLE Tracks



- A** Depart Dock 2 Stokes Hill Wharf
- B** Charles Point Lighthouse
- C** Ngulbitjik (Bare Sand Island)



Nature on its own terms. Our award-winning Turtle Tour is an experience like no other, taking you to a beautiful, remote island to witness an incredible sight.

With the permission of the Kenbi Traditional Owners, we take to the water – in the late afternoon – in one of our purpose-built vessels for an exhilarating ride to Ngulbitjik (Bare Sand Island), a nesting ground for Flatback and Olive Ridley turtles.

ON THIS ECO-CERTIFIED ADVENTURE WE:

- > Travel past historic Charles Point Lighthouse into Bynoe Harbour
- > Arrive at Ngulbitjik (Bare Sand Island) in time for an incredible tropical sunset
- > Enjoy a delicious meal on board
- > Explore the island’s interesting history and habitat with Team Turtle.

Under the cover of darkness, with red lights charged, Team Turtle takes you on a guided walk to witness the turtles egg laying ritual. For those who take the adventure late in the season, you may experience the sight of a hatchling taking its first steps – an awesome sight indeed.

More than just a tour, this is a journey with purpose—one that supports conservation, honours cultural heritage, and leaves you with a deeper appreciation of the fragile beauty of the natural world.

TOUR NOTES:

- Nesting turtles or hatchlings cannot be guaranteed on any Turtle Tracks cruise.
- Turtle Tracks is not suited to children under the age of 8 years, and those under the age of 15 years are to be accompanied by an adult.
- Turtle Tracks is not suited to those who are pregnant or those with existing back or neck injuries.
- A portion of all ticket sales is donated to Austurtle Inc.
- Sea Darwin-Sea Tiwi Turtle Guides are permitted by NT Parks and Wildlife.
- Sea Darwin-Sea Tiwi has a licence agreement with Kenbi Aboriginal Land Trust to access to Ngulbitjik (Bare Sand Island)

TOUR FROM
\$369.00

This tour is not suited to children 8 years and under.

OPERATION OF CRUISE:
May to September inclusive.

Cruise dates depend on tide and moon phase. Please see our website for current schedules.

DEPARTURE:
Boarding Dock 2 Stokes Hill Wharf at 3:45pm for a 4:00pm departure. Please note nature dictates your experience and return time, however you can expect to be back in Darwin before midnight.



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Darwin Distilled

LAND, SEA AND STORY.



DISCOVER DARWIN HARBOUR CRUISE

This unique one-hour voyage allows the tide and the season to steer the adventure, ensuring that no two journeys are the same. Whether it's navigating through mangrove waterways to check on a crocodile trap or making a spontaneous visit to a sandbar, the cruise promises surprise or adventure at every turn.

On this one hour after cruise, we:

- > **Explore** Darwin Harbour's history, culture, and coastal scenery.
- > **Discover** shipwrecks, wharfs, and cultural significance.
- > **Encounter** thriving mangrove ecosystems and tropical marine life.
- > **Unwind** with commentary from local guides.

CRUISE FROM **\$65.00**

Departure: Dock 2 Stokes Hill Wharf
Tour Time: 1:00pm-2:00pm

DARWIN DISTILLED LAND, SEA AND STORY

Embark on a captivating journey that distills the very essence of Darwin—its rich Indigenous heritage, historical resilience, lush tropical beauty, and modern-day charm—topped off with a tasting of the finest local gin. It's Darwin like you've never seen before—distinct, bold, and unforgettable.

On this afternoon tour, we:

- > **Cruise** Darwin Harbour on the one hour Discover Darwin Harbour Cruise
- > **Explore** the Museum and Art Gallery of the NT, home to iconic exhibits
- > **Reflect** at the Cyclone Tracy Memorial at East Point, a tribute to Darwin's resilience
- > **Indulge** in a gin-tasting paddle at a premier local distillery.

TOUR FROM **\$149.00**

CBD hotel transfers included*
Tour Time: 12:30pm-5:00pm

OPERATION OF CRUISE

April to October:

Thursday – Sunday

November to March:

Thursday and Saturday.

Senior and child rates available

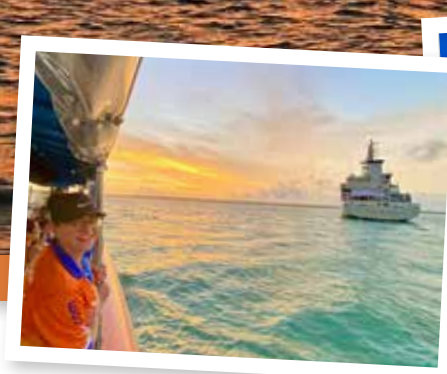
*Can drop off at Mindil Beach Markets

These journeys connect past and present, land and sea, and culture with contemporary flair—honouring history, celebrating place, and inspiring a deeper connection to Darwin's heart and soul.



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SUNSET, *Fish n' Chips*



This award winning sunset adventure includes:

- > A 1.5 hour cruise around Darwin Harbour
- > A delicious meal of fresh, wild caught NT fish (with chips)
- > A complimentary glass of bubbly, wine, beer or soft drink, and
- > A fun, souvenir stubby cooler or wine glass*
- > Cruise most days April to Oct. Nov to March Wednesday and Saturday
- > **Boarding time 5:30pm** for a 5:45pm departure.

Celebrate local, wild-caught seafood and support sustainable fishing.



CRUISE FROM

\$109.00

Senior and child rates available

TOUR NOTES:

Sunset Fish'n Chips is not suited to children under the age of 3 years. *adult/senior fare only. Souvenir is one only and aligns with complimentary drink choice – stubby cooler for beer, Go Vino for wine or sparkling.



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Private Charters:

Sea Darwin–Sea Tiwi vessels are available for private charter, offering an exclusive escape for friends, corporate gatherings, or memorable occasions. Choose one of our products or put together your own itinerary to create an unforgettable memory against the stunning backdrop of the open sea.

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