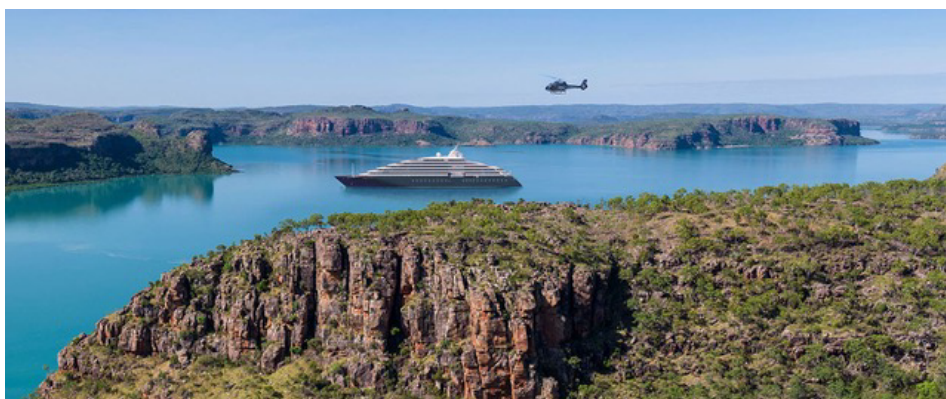


THE KIMBERLEY AND WEST AUSTRALIAN COAST

Scenic Eclipse II

Darwin – Broome and/or Broome - Fremantle

10 August – 3 September 2025



ITINERARY

The itinerary for the tour, with an overview of activities, is below. All meals are included aboard Scenic Eclipse II.

Australia's Kimberley Coast is one of the world's most rugged, remote, and untouched wilderness regions, a vast and ancient land dotted with fat boabs, tropical oases and thundering waterfalls. Mesmerising paprika-coloured shores set against the azure Indian Ocean are intensified during vivid sunsets, which you'll enjoy in 6-star ultra-luxury on board Scenic Eclipse II.

Natural phenomena from coral atolls and gorges as tall as skyscrapers await. Become acquainted with the world's oldest living culture in unique and rare Aboriginal experiences. On board a Zodiac, sightings of saltwater crocodiles, endangered green sea turtles and bird life are possible. Led by the expert Discovery Team, journey into the Northern Territory's Top End and the remote Kimberley region to feel the magic exude from the earth. It's a place where your mind will quieten, and your senses heighten. Your soul replenished, return onboard to satiate your appetite in one of ten dining experiences.

Scenic Eclipse II from Darwin to Broome – the ship, itinerary and your stateroom

The Scenic Eclipse II, has taken ocean cruising to a whole new level – marrying 6-star luxury, discovery and safety, and giving guests the opportunity to explore above and beyond what was previously imaginable.

Scenic Eclipse II accommodates only 228 guests for an exclusive small-ship experience, featuring spacious all-verandah 6-star luxury suite accommodation; butler service for every guest and an almost 1:1 crew-to-guest ratio; up to 10 dining experiences from casual to fine dining; the finest selection of included premium branded beverages, all day, every day; indulgent 550m² Senses Spa, gym, yoga and Pilates studio; engaging lectures and education programme with on board experts; personalised and exclusive excursion experiences



Your Deluxe Verandah Stateroom features:

- A private verandah or terrace, with in-suite binoculars for optimal viewing
- Luxury king size Scenic Slumber Bed
- Separate sleep zone and lounge area
- Ambient lighting options
- En-suite bathroom with shower and vanity
- Personalised butler service
- In-suite beverage and dining service
- A full complimentary mini-bar stocked with wines and spirits personalised to your preference, including illy coffee and specialty teas re-stocked daily
- HDTV entertainment system and Bose® speakers
- Advanced Heating, Ventilation and Air-Conditioning system (HVAC) provides 100% fresh air
- The highest sound insulation as per the marine class society Bureau Veritas

Discover the Kimberley Coastline: An Ancient Wilderness

Sunday 10 August 2025 (D) – Scenic Eclipse II from Darwin to Broome

Welcome aboard. Settle into your spacious ultra-luxury verandah suite on board Scenic Eclipse II. Butler service will assist with unpacking and guide you through the pillow menu. Take some time to familiarise yourself with the unsurpassed amenities that include nine bars and lounges, up to 10 dining experiences from casual to fine dining, the expansive Senses Spa and the state-of-the-art theatre, just to name a few. Explore the length of Scenic Eclipse II. The open-bridge policy means your Captain will welcome you in the operational centre anytime during your voyage. Toast the beginning of your journey with a glass of French champagne at Lumière or a cocktail at the open-air Sky Bar.

Monday 11 August 2025 (B/L/D) – King George River (B/L/D)

Scenic Eclipse II sails from the Timor Sea to north of the King George River. The only way to access the 100-metre-wide King George Falls, the highest twin waterfalls in Western Australia, is on water or by air. With her sleek, yacht-shaped design, Scenic Eclipse II was custom-built to access such remote locations. Binoculars are provided in every suite to take with you on your Discovery excursions, so you can get a closer look at the amazing wildlife. **Discovery:** Take a roundtrip on a Zodiac for a breathtaking close-up of the falls, weaving past spectacular 80-metre-high sandstone cliffs and mangroves where you might spot a sunning crocodile or birdlife such as ospreys, falcons, egrets, and kingfishers. With two helicopters (at extra expense) available, you may have the option for a scenic flight for an aerial appreciation of one of Western Australia's most astounding spectacles

Tuesday 12 August 2025 (B/L/D) – Vansittart Bay (B/L/D)

After an overnight journey on board your luxurious Discovery Yacht, you'll stop at the sheltered and secluded Vansittart Bay, a place of significant indigenous cultural history. Fitted with state-of-the-art GPS Dynamic Positioning system, Scenic Eclipse II will be held in position close to Jar Island in the bay's southwest pocket, negating the need to drop anchor on ecologically sensitive sea beds. Board a Zodiac for a transfer to a small sandy beach to explore the area with the expert Discovery Team. **Discovery:** The Discovery Team will accompany you on a hike to see what's regarded as the oldest art gallery on earth, dating back more than 20,000 years to the last ice age. The ancient and mysterious Gwion is the oldest rock art known to man and one of two primary art forms found in the Kimberley. 'Tattooed' into the rock rather than painted, the art depicts detailed, symmetrical, and mystical figures adorned with tassels, delicate jewellery, and elaborate headdresses.

Wednesday 13 August 2025 (B/L/D) – Ashmore Reef (B/L/D)

The morning is yours. Book a Senses Spa treatment a Yoga or Pilates session, plunge into the vitality pools, or simply relax and enjoy 6-star ultra-luxury on board Scenic Eclipse II. The afternoon is for exploring one of Australia's most remote marine parks, Ashmore Reef. The three islands of the reef are uninhabited yet home to an abundance of bird and sea life. Internationally recognised, each year around 100,000 seabirds from 40 different species flock to the reef to breed. Underwater, find hard and soft corals, giant clams, sea sponges, green turtles, dugongs, crabs and about 500 species of fish in the reef. After the day's exploration, settle in at one of the nine bars and lounges to enjoy a beverage of choice. Relish France's finest at Lumière Champagne Bar or indulge in over 100 varieties of aged whiskey at the Scenic Lounge Bar. **Discovery:** The wealth of sea life coupled with underwater visibility make for wonderful snorkelling and swimming. Take a Zodiac cruise with the Discovery Team around the reef or talk to the expert team about a possible scenic helicopter flight.

Thursday 14 August 2025 (B/L/D) – Hunter River (B/L/D)

Today, Scenic Eclipse II glides through York Sound to the mouth of the Hunter River, the staging point for an unforgettable helicopter excursion to Mitchell Falls. The thrilling flight is a true wilderness ride with jaw-dropping panoramas of wild escarpments, tropical rainforests and the thundering four-tiered Mitchell Falls carved out over millennia. Look out for ospreys and saltwater crocodiles as you soar over the prehistoric landscape akin to Jurassic Park. You have time to explore the area on foot, and, if you wish, take a refreshing swim in one of the fresh waterpools formed by the falls. Back onboard, watch Mother Nature's magnificent show as the sun sets, cocktail in hand. The sky awash with pastel colours blending shades of apricot, pink and dusty blue until finally dark, then linger longer underneath a blanket of a trillion sparkling stars. **Discovery:** Tides permitting, the Zodiacs can take you past towering sandstone cliffs, pristine mangrove forests and iconic landscapes such as Prince Frederick Sound, Porosus Creek and Hunter and Row Rivers. While Scenic Eclipse II sails to Montgomery Reef, you may spot humpback whales and other wildlife in Camden Sound from your private verandah or on deck.



Friday 15 August 2025 (B/L/D) – Bigge Island and Low Rocks

After a leisurely overnight cruise, wake-up slowly. Scenic Eclipse II sails toward Bigge Island, the second largest island in the Bonaparte Archipelago, just 6km from the mainland. Being devoid of feral animals, it has allowed native wildlife to flourish. You may see a Monjonrock wallaby, the smallest of the kangaroo group, the northern quoll, sea turtles and crocodiles. **Discovery:** Take a hike along rocky and scenic paths and visit caves to see well-preserved rock art by the Wunambal people depicting first contact with Europeans. Tides and timings permitting, a stop at Careening Bay in the Prince Regent National Park is where you may view the famous Mermaid Tree, an enormous boab on which the ship's crew of the HMC Mermaid carved the words of the ship and year, 1820. There are saltwater and freshwater crocodiles in the Kimberley area, so please exercise caution and heed all advice and warning signs from the expert Discovery Team and local guides.

Saturday 16 August 2025 (B/L/D) – Montgomery Reef and Raft Point

Wake to completely new vista at Montgomery Reef, the world's largest inshore reef that boasts some of the earth's biggest tidal changes reaching up to 14 metres (46 feet). As the tides rise or fall, both soft and hard coral are exposed, falling below sea level to create a remarkable spectacle you'll explore by Zodiac. If the timing is perfect, discover thousands of small waterfalls cascading down the reef and see incredible marine life including sea turtles, octopi, sharks, rays, dolphins and more. In the evening, share stories of croc-spotting with new friends over an aperitif or meal in one of Scenic Eclipse II's 10 truly all-inclusive dining experiences. **Discovery:** Join the Discovery Team on a Zodiac cruise to Montgomery Reef. Conditions permitting, the Zodiac will transfer you to a sand bank for a swim just off the reef. Scenic Eclipse II then sails into the calm waters of Doubtful Sound for mangrove forest exploration in search of saltwater crocodiles. An alternate stop is the scenic Raft Point where you'll see two majestic bluffs, boab trees, and after a 45-minute uphill hike, some of the Wandjina Aboriginal rock art gallery.



Sunday 17 August 2025 (B/L/D) – Talbot Bay

Talbot Bay's spectacular Horizontal Waterfalls is a natural wonder. This phenomenon is caused by a unique combination of geology and massive tidal surges. **Discovery:** If time and tides permit, you may have the opportunity to go through the falls and around the narrow waterways of Talbot Bay in a zodiac.

Monday 18 August 2025 (B/L/D) – Buccaneer Archipelago

Cruise overnight to the mouth of King Sound and into the spectacular maze of the Buccaneer Archipelago. About 1,000 tiny islands make up this jaw-dropping paradise that's a kaleidoscope of vivid colours from iron-rich red rock to verdant pockets of lush rainforest, bright turquoise tropical sea, and alabaster beaches. One highlight during this full day is the exploration of Whirlpool Passage; 8-metre tides (26-feet) swirl as they are pushed through a narrow channel between two islands, adding a thrill to your transit. Rest assured, the state-of-the-art Scenic Eclipse II is fitted with custom-built oversized zero speed stabilisers that are 50% larger than those of other ships, providing greater stability as it navigates through the roughest waters. **Discovery:** Surrounding creeks and inlets offer additional opportunities for Zodiac expeditions, including a possible visit to Koolan Island, the site of an open pit mine that produces some of the highest-grade iron ore in Australia, best viewed overhead on a potential helicopter[^] flight. Within Yampi Sound, past the multi-coloured sandstone folding, beautiful beaches beckon for a refreshing dip. The entire region is teeming with marine and bird life.

Tuesday 19 August 2025 (B/L/D) – Lacepede Islands Nature Reserve

A special visit awaits you today on this chain of four flat coral islands, home to tens of thousands of seabirds with over 50 bird species including red-chested frigate birds, crested terns, pelicans, and speckled ruddy turnstones. Having eradicated the rats in 1986, these treeless islands are once again a wildlife haven. It's a significant nesting site for an estimated 18,000 pairs of brown footed boobies, possibly the largest colony in the world, and 20,000 roseate terns have been recorded on the A-class Nature Reserve. Further, it's Western Australia's most important breeding habitat for green turtles and where thousands of humpback whales come to calve. Frequent sightings are possible between July and September when an estimated 40,000 humpback whales migrate between Antarctica and Western Australia. **Discovery:** The Discovery Team will transfer you on Zodiac ashore for a snorkel, swim or a beach walk following the trail of these crabs.



Wednesday 20 August 2025 (B) – morning arrival in Broome

Your unforgettable voyage concludes today. Enjoy your final morning in the ultra-luxury of Scenic Eclipse II, and take the chance to reflect on the rare and incredible experiences and the remarkable places you've visited, some of which very few have been before. Take comfort knowing you've created a bank of memories which will last a lifetime. Bid farewell to your friendly crew and new friends as you disembark in Broome.

We can assist with onward arrangements, or remain on board and cruise south to Fremantle along the Western Australian coastline. If making your own onward arrangements, please book your flight to depart out of Broome after 10:00 AM.

The itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons. As such Scenic cannot guarantee the voyage will operate unaltered from the itinerary stated above. Please refer to their terms and conditions for further information.

Western Australia & The Abrolhos Islands

Wednesday 20 August to Wednesday 3 September 2025

Cruise along the West Australian Coastline from Broome to Bunbury and then to Fremantle (Perth)



Email sjr@digitor.com.au for full daily itinerary and details.

CAPACITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TOUR

Fitness and mobility is necessary for participation in all aspects of the tour. Tour passengers must be able to manage their own luggage, and to carry/wheel it on and off trains, from stations and coaches to hotels, and if necessary, up or down a flight of stairs. The tour involves exploration of locations by walking. By payment of your deposit and tour fare you confirm that you are of a suitable level of mobility and fitness to participate in the tour, and are aware of the nature of the tour.

FARES AND BOOKING PROCEDURES

Bookings will be confirmed in order of receipt of a deposit of advised when cooking is confirmed.

10 to 20 August 2025

11 Day Discover the Kimberley Coastline - an ancient wilderness Deluxe Verandah Stateroom

From \$17,795 per person on a twin / double basis
From \$27,780 for sole use of the stateroom

20 August to 3 September 2025

15 Day Australian Odyssey: West Australia & the Abrolhos Islands Deluxe Verandah Stateroom

From \$23,995 per person on a twin / double basis
From \$44,690 for sole use of the stateroom

There may also be options for superior staterooms, or a few less expensive staterooms, slightly smaller and on lower decks.

The deposit should be forwarded by cheque, payable to St James Rail, along with the booking form, to: SJR, PO Box N400, GROSVENOR PLACE, 1220. You can also pay by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT):

Bank:	Westpac
Account Name:	Scenic Journeys by Rail
BSB:	033 364
Account Number:	612826
Reference:	Your name and 'Broome'

If paying by EFT, please email to sjr@digitor.com.au to advise you have done so. Please forward the booking form to the address above, or scan and email it. You can also pay by credit card – please call to provide details.

BOOKING, CANCELLATION AND TRAVEL CONDITIONS

Bookings will be accepted on the attached form. Cancellation fees apply as follows: the initial deposit is non-refundable. After further payment towards the final tour cost, costs for tickets, accommodation, sightseeing etc made on your behalf, cancellation will incur charges equal to the cancellation charges incurred to us, imposed by suppliers/operators, plus a fee to cover administrative costs – more than six months prior to departure, \$2,000 per person; between six and three months, \$3,000 per person. No refund will be made after three months prior to departure. All cancellation or administration charges imposed by the suppliers/operators of components of this tour must be borne by you, the passenger. Responsibility - St James' Rail acts as the organiser of the tour. Some transportation, accommodation and other tour arrangements are made by licensed travel agent, Sarah Manche, MTA Travel. On acceptance of tickets and travel documents for this tour, which may be evidenced in writing by a ticket, voucher, letter, or other document, you accept that neither St James' Rail nor representatives from any other firm supplying services in conjunction with this tour programme, shall be liable in contract or in tort (actionable wrong) for any injury, loss, damage, accident, sickness, delay or additional expense to you or your possessions arising directly or indirectly by force majeure or other events which are beyond our control, or which are not preventable by reasonable diligence on our part, including, but not limited to, civil disturbance, fire, floods, acts of God, acts of Governments or other authorities, changes in itinerary, weather, strikes, war, transportation disruption, failure of machinery or equipment, industrial action, quarantine or any other cause. Where travel is by scheduled carrier, or charter service, that carrier's responsibility is limited in accordance with their conditions of carriage. Similarly, all luggage is your responsibility, and we cannot be held liable for any loss or delay however caused. The care of your travel documents are your own responsibility. All expenses incurred by loss must be borne by you. Airline regulations and conditions are written on the airline tickets and are issued to passengers subject to their acceptance of these conditions. Changes in exchange rates, taxes and any land arrangements costs may alter the price of the tour, and St James' Rail reserves the right to change, amend or cancel this tour and/or itinerary if necessary. We reserve the right to amend the itinerary en route to account for unforeseen changes or conditions, or to improve the tour experience for the majority, as determined by the tour leader. Passports and visas – a valid passport with six months validity from the end of the tour is required. St James' Rail cannot accept responsibility for any losses or expenses incurred as a result of a passenger not holding valid and necessary passport or visa documents. Full details of terms and conditions: if you would like a copy of the full terms and conditions applicable to all SJR tours please contact us and we will forward a copy to you. Note that in the event the tour cannot proceed due to Government directive or issues relating to border restrictions as a result of COVID, refunds and future travel credits will be in accordance with the terms and conditions of the various providers of the services that form this package tour.

INSURANCE AND FURTHER INFORMATION

It is strongly recommended that you have a comprehensive travel insurance policy to protect yourself against cancellation fees, health and other travel risks. An insurance policy can be forwarded from our travel agent Sarah Manche at MTA Travel. Obtaining insurance cover is your responsibility. Please contact us on (02) 9326 9660 or 0418 585 838, or email to sjr@digitor.com.au for any further information.

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BOOKING FORM

YOUR CONTACT DETAILS

Name:
Address: Suburb: Postcode:
Home tel: Work tel: Mobile:
Email:

BOOKING DETAILS (Full passenger names EXACTLY as shown in your passport:)

Passenger 1 Name:
Date of Birth:
Frequent Flyer No: Airline No:
Passenger 2 Name:
Date of Birth:
Frequent Flyer No: Airline No:

PAYMENT

I enclose \$ deposit will be advised for the above. Cheques payable to St James Rail to PO Box N400, GROSVENOR PLACE, 1220. Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) details below. A letter acknowledging receipt will be forwarded.

Bank: Westpac
Account name: Scenic Journeys by Rail (trading as St James Rail)
BSB: 033 364
Account: 612826
Reference: Broome (and your surname)

Debit/credit card payment is available, with merchant fees of 1.00% for Visa/MasterCard. Please call us to make payment by debit/credit card.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Single rooms: Double rooms: Twin (two bedded) rooms: Triple bedded room

DIETARY REQUESTS (we will do our best to accommodate and advise accordingly)

Please indicate any dietary request :
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INSURANCE

..... Please send an insurance policy from Sarah Manche, MTA Travel.

YOUR SIGNATURE

I have read the reservation conditions outlined above and accept them on behalf of myself and my party by whom I am authorised to make this agreement.

Signature of person making reservation: Date:

Cancellation charges will apply as advised in this itinerary. An insurance policy can be forwarded from our travel agent at Jones and Turner, Travel Associates, Paddington.

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