

13 DAY BUCKET LIST TOUR

KIMBERLY DISCOVERY

\$3999

PER
PERSON
TWIN
SHARE

PURNULULU • CATHEDRAL GORGE • WINDJANA GORGE • KUNUNURRA

THE OFFER

The Kimberley is one of Australia's last great frontiers. It's a wild and untamed land of fiery desert sands, towering gorges filled with exotic plant-life, and an ancient living culture which has called this incredible place home for millennia. It's also one of the top points on every Australian bucket list. Isn't it time you experienced the diverse wonders of the Kimberley for yourself?

This 13 day small group adventure ex Broome will showcase the very best of the region, from the 'beehives' of Purnululu (the Bungles) to El Questro Wilderness Park, the Pentecost River and beyond. Swim in cool waterholes fed by cascading falls, drive along the dusty Gibb River Road, explore beautiful Cathedral Gorge and Echidna Chasm, soak in Zebedee thermal hot spring beneath a canopy of palms, and watch in awe as sunsets dance across the horizon. Along the way you'll travel by custom 4WD, embark on nature walks with professional tour guides, stay in remote campsites under the stars, enjoy two nights at quality hotels, and discover what makes this awe-inspiring region tick.

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THE ITINERARY

Day 1 Broome to Windjana Gorge (approx. 350km)

Depart Broome early this morning. Pick up will be from Broome Time Resort or the Broome Visitors Centre between 7.30am and 8am. Head for Windjana Gorge (approx. 4.5 hours), passing Boab trees (including the famous Prison Tree) and vast savannah woodlands interspersed with giant and unusual termite mounds.

On the way, visit the Mowanjum Aboriginal Art and Culture Centre where local artists display work depicting Wandjina and Gwion Gwion figures in an art form based on cave paintings. Arrive at Windjana Gorge in the afternoon where you will set up camp for the next two nights and enjoy dinner under the stars.

All camping equipment is provided, excluding sleeping bags and pillows so please bring your own (sleeping bag hire can be organised directly with the tour operator for \$35 AUD). The tents are spacious four person tents, which will be used for one person or two people if you are coming as a couple. A thick self inflating mattress is provided to sleep on as well as a knee high stretcher bed. If you've never put up a tent before, don't worry, the guides will help you become an expert in no time.

You'll be surprised at just how good the food is despite the remoteness and lack of facilities. Breakfast comprises cereals, fruit and toast, with the occasional cooked breakfast thrown in. Lunch is cold meats and salads as sandwiches, rolls or wraps. Dinner is a simple but yummy two course meal. In addition, morning tea is provided and fresh fruit is available at all times.

Please note: This itinerary is flexible to take advantage of changing weather and road conditions. This itinerary showcases a selection of the key destinations we aim to visit and alternative locations may be visited depending on conditions.

Please note: For customers who want to extend their stay in Broome prior to the start of the tour, additional nights accommodation may be arranged directly through the land operator for this tour post purchase and paid directly to the land operator.

Accommodation: Campsite, Windjana Gorge

Meals included: Lunch;Dinner

Day 2 Windjana Gorge & Tunnel Creek

Today explore the length of Windjana Gorge with a 7km return walk. The high walls of this gorge were once part of an ancient Devonian reef that surrounded the Kimberley. With its varied birdlife, interesting reef walls and its many freshwater crocodiles, Windjana will keep us enthralled for hours.

In the afternoon visit Tunnel Creek, spending time walking through the 750 m long cave system. Tunnel Creek is a significant site for the local Bunuba people. Return to camp in the evening for dinner under and an evening under the stars.

The walks in the Kimberley are not particularly difficult. While some are quite rocky underfoot, none are particularly long, so we can afford to take our time. Most of the walks include an opportunity to swim in a beautiful water hole.

Accommodation: Campsite, Windjana Gorge

Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch;Dinner

Day 3 Windjana Gorge to Mt Barnett Station (approx. 200km)

This morning, we will break camp and head to Bell Creek Gorge with its many rock pools, rapids and a waterfall. This is a spectacular spot for a swim and one of the most photographed waterfalls in the Kimberley.

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From Bell Gorge, we will drive on to Mt Barnett Station, and set up camp by the banks of Manning Creek under a giant Boab.

Accommodation: Campsite, Manning Creek, Mt Barnett Station

Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch;Dinner

Day 4 Manning Creek

Leaving early from the campsite, follow a beautiful, open walking trail to Manning Gorge and Falls. Swim, relax and soak in the atmosphere while you enjoy a home-made morning tea, carried in by your guides.

In the afternoon, you can choose to jump in the bus to visit the nearby Galvan's gorge, or stay in camp and enjoy a swim in the magnificent oasis of nearby Manning Creek.

Accommodation: Campsite, Manning Creek, Mt Barnett Station

Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch;Dinner

Day 5 Manning Creek to El Questro Station (approx. 330km)

Enjoy the scenery and a true blue 'Gibb River Road massage' today on this mostly driving day. The typical Kimberley scenery includes the Pentecost River Lookout, which overlooks the river floodplain and the tabletop Cockburn Ranges beyond. Cross the Durack River and pass the site of the old Durack River Homestead, destroyed by flood in 2002. Arrive at El Questro Station this evening to set up camp for the next 3 nights.

Amid the vast and ancient landscape of Western Australia's East Kimberley region sits the untamed natural beauty of El Questro. El Questro is a destination unlike any other and offers the freedom to explore one of Australia's last true frontiers. From deep gorges and majestic mountains to

thermal springs, mud and salt-flats, rainforests and cascading waterfalls everything the Kimberley has to offer is located across the property's 700,000 acres and is why it's often said that El Questro is the heart of the Kimberley.

Accommodation: Campsite, El Questro Station

Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch;Dinner

Day 6 El Questro

During the next two days there are plenty of walking and swimming options that can be undertaken at El Questro. These include Amalia Gorge, Emma Gorge and El Questro Gorge walks. Plus, enjoy a luxuriant soak in Zebedee Thermal Springs. There is an optional cruise (not included) on Chamberlain Gorge if anyone wants an easy afternoon.

Accommodation: Campsite, El Questro Station

Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch;Dinner

Day 7 El Questro

Enjoy another day of guided activities around El Questro.

Accommodation: Campsite, El Questro Station

Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch;Dinner

Day 8 El Questro to Kununurra (approx. 120km)

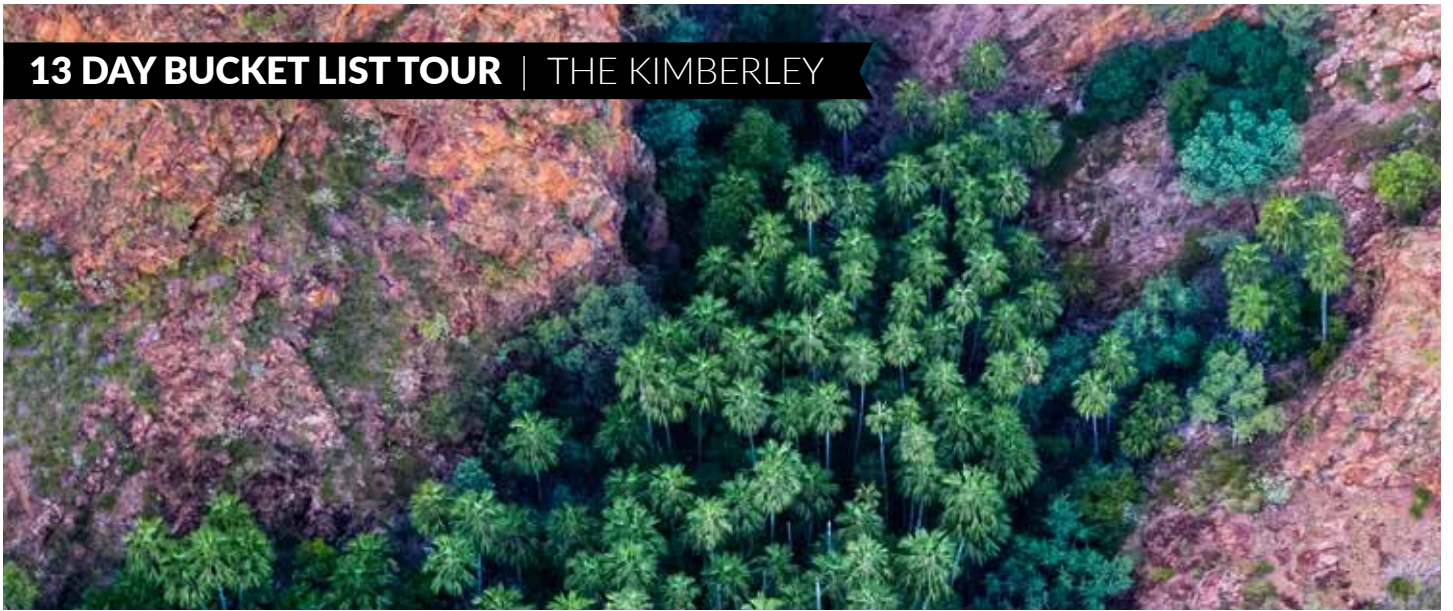
This morning head for Kununurra, visiting the Ramsar Wetlands Parry Lagoons on the way – a wonderful spot to view masses of waterbirds. There will be time in the afternoon to catch up on washing, postcards or just to relax.

Dinner is not included for the next 2 nights, to give you the opportunity to taste some local delights.

Accommodation: Hotel Ibis Styles, Kununurra

Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch

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Day 9 Kununurra

Today is a free day in Kununurra. For those interested, there is a great (optional - not included) boat cruise up the Ord River to Lake Argyle. Take the full day or half day option.

For those wanting to keep their feet on Terra firma, Mirima National Park is walking distance from town, and well worth checking. The locals call it the "Mini Bungle Bungles".

The crew will be organising the fresh food for the next section of the trip.

Accommodation: Hotel Ibis Styles, Kununurra

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 10 Kununurra to Purnululu (Bungle Bungle) (approx. 300km)

This morning leave Kununurra and head for Purnululu National Park – one of only three natural World Heritage sites in Western Australia. The 53-kilometre 4WD road into the park is our reintroduction to outback tracks with creek crossings, wash aways and rough slow sections. After setting up camp, we can go for a stroll and watch the sunset against the red rock of the Bungle Bungle Range – bring a drink if you like!

Accommodation: Campsite, Purnululu

Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch;Dinner

Day 11 Purnululu (Bungle Bungle) National Park

Spend the next two days exploring the natural wonders of the park including Echidna Chasm, Mini Palms Gorge, the spectacular orange and black 'beehive' domes, Piccaninny Creek and Cathedral Gorge.

There is time during the stay for an optional helicopter flight (not included) over the Bungle Bungle Range – a fantastic way to see and appreciate this completely unique and beautiful

landscape.

Accommodation: Campsite, Purnululu

Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch;Dinner

Day 12 Purnululu (Bungle Bungle) National Park

Enjoy another day of guided activities in Purnululu (Bungle Bungle) National Park.

Accommodation: Campsite, Purnululu

Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch;Dinner

Day 13 Purnululu (Bungle Bungle) to Broome (approx. 835km)

This morning leave Purnululu and make the return journey to Broome. It is a long drive, so we will only stop briefly in Halls Creek and Fitzroy Crossing, arriving early evening in Broome. This wonderful outback experience will end on arrival back in Broome where you will be dropped off in Broome CBD. Additional nights accommodation in Broome may be purchased directly with the tour operator after purchase.

Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch

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TOUR INCLUSIONS

HIGHLIGHTS

An unforgettable small group tour of northern WA

Journey through wild, remote and untouched landscapes in the Kimberley

Immerse yourself in the region on guided nature walks

Drive through vast savannah woodlands interspersed with giant and unusual termite mounds

Marvel at the rugged beauty and ancient geological formations of Purnululu (Bungle Bungles)

Swim in remote waterholes fed by waterfalls and surrounded by red cliffs

Visit the Mowanjumb Aboriginal Art and Culture Centre where local artists are on display

Explore Windjana Gorge, with its varied bird life and many freshwater crocodiles

Visit Tunnel Creek, spending time within the 750m long cave system

Enjoy a swim in Bell Creek Gorge, with its waterfall and rock pools

Drive past outback cattle stations on the famed Gibb River Road

Enjoy a short walk and a swim at picture-perfect Galvans Gorge

Relax under a giant boab tree or enjoy a swim in the magnificent oasis Manning Creek

Admire stunning scenery from Pentecost River Lookout, overlooking the Cockburn Ranges

Explore El Questro Gorge in the El Questro Wilderness Park

Visit Amalia Gorge, Emma Gorge and Zebedee Thermal Springs

Enjoy a well-earned soak in the inviting thermal pools

Visit the Parry Lagoons Nature Reserve, a great spot for viewing waterbirds

Explore Purnululu National Park, one of just three natural World Heritage sites in WA

Watch the sun set against the red rock of the Bungle Bungle Range

Explore Echidna Chasm, Mini Palms Gorge, Piccaninny Creek and Cathedral Gorge

ACCOMMODATION

2 nights quality hotel accommodation in Kununurra

10 nights in remote campsites under the stars

High quality camping equipment provided (excluding sleeping bags and pillows)

DINING

Enjoy 33 meals including daily breakfast

TOUR ESSENTIALS

National park fees

Professional guides and outback driver

TRANSPORT

Transport is by custom-built 4WD tour coach with A/C, designed for comfort in outback conditions

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Please note: All information provided in this brochure is subject to both change and availability. Prior to purchase please check the current deal for up-to-date information. If you have already purchased this deal, the terms and conditions on your Purchase Confirmation apply and take precedence over the information in this brochure.*

BOOKING INFORMATION

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation email. The booking is subject to final confirmation from the tour provider. To receive this confirmation, you will need to complete a smart waiver, to be returned within 3 days of purchase. A link will be provided in the Purchase Confirmation email. Once the smart waiver has been completed, you will receive a final booking confirmation from the tour operator by email and/or phone within 3 business days.

On purchasing this Travel Offer you are bound by the General Terms and Conditions, in addition to the specific terms and conditions outlined in this Important Information.

***Book With Confidence**

If your holiday is affected by Government travel restrictions as a result of COVID-19, a one off date change will be permitted free of charge. For any changes not associated with COVID-19, please refer to the Schedule of Fees.

- Please note: Date change requests need to be made at least 14 days prior to the original date of travel. Date changes within 14 days are subject to availability, and not guaranteed.

Please note: all additional charges are payable direct to your Travel Consultant in AUD (unless otherwise stated).

OFFER ESSENTIALS

Travel offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 21st of August 2022.

This travel offer is priced for one person based on twin share.

Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement of \$220 applies.

Departure Dates (2022)

Please see the TripADeal website for current departure dates.

Departure City

Broome

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation Used

4 star (self rated)

- Kununurra: Hotel Ibis Styles or similar

Camping Accommodation (no star rating)

- Windjana Gorge

- Mt Barnett Station

- El Questro Station

- Purnululu (Bungle Bungle)

Please note:

- All camping equipment is provided, excluding sleeping bags and pillows so please bring your own. The tents are spacious four-person tents, which will be used for one person or two people if you are coming as a couple. A thick self-inflating mattress is provided to sleep on as well as a knee-high stretcher bed. If you've never put up a tent before, don't worry, we'll help you become an expert in no time

Extra Nights

- Broome (Pre/Post Tour): Starting from \$249 per room including breakfast

Please note: extra nights are requested and booked directly through the tour operator after purchase

Maximum Room Capacity

2 people.

Child Policy

- No child discounts. Full price applies for all children travelling with their parents.

- Valid for Children 12 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors allowed.

Triple Share

Not available

Bedding Configuration

2 x Single Beds

GENERAL TOUR INFORMATION

Minimum group size 8, maximum group size 15 per vehicle.

EXCLUSIONS

- Flights / airport transfers
- Meals/beverages not stated in the itinerary
- Optional gratuities/tipping
- Optional activities/tours
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance (Strongly recommended)

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

Tour Guide

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction in which he or she is guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves the group at the end of the tour, they do not travel with the group.

Tour Leader

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides in each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village, and offer information on the place visited on the bus, however they are not required to have specific knowledge on art, architecture, or history. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when particularly required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Kimberley

There are three seasons in the Kimberley region, with the dry season the best time to visit. It generally goes from April/May to September, a period which is followed by the so-called 'build-up', where high humidity and temperatures prevail before the ensuing 'wet'.

- The Kimberley dry season is the tourist season, when hotels are fuller and booking ahead is recommended. It has the ideal climate for the most part, with several months of generally rain-free, blue skies and pleasant temperatures at night even—bearing in mind that this is effectively the Aussie autumn and winter when the Northern Hemisphere is taken in context.

- Along with the nicer weather, the region opens up to visitors during the dry season in the Kimberley, where roads become passable again and the rivers and waterfalls have less water to enable swimming. Just after the end of the wet season is one of the best times to visit, with fewer tourists and generally greener scenery and buzzing wildlife.

- The dry season in the Kimberley is also the best time to go snorkelling on the coast, with clearer waters and even humpback whales making an appearance sometime between July and October, especially during August.

- Visiting in April can be a bit of a gamble, while May has less rainfall and high level waterfalls, though some sections of the Gibb River Road will still be flooded. June to July is peak time in the Kimberley dry season, but you get the very best weather and full access. Note: for impressive waterfalls and cooler nights, visit in May or June rather than July or August

- August sees the mercury rising again, though there is less water in the rivers and billabongs. The build-up comes in October and November, where you can expect high temperatures and big storms. Like April, this is a tricky time to visit and is a bit of a gamble. The wet season hits well and truly in December.

ADVENTURE TOUR

Transport

Transport is by an air-conditioned custom built four wheel drive (4WD) tour coach, designed for comfort in outback conditions. Vehicles are modern, comfortable and

regularly serviced to ensure their safety and reliability. They are also fitted with long-range high frequency radios and recovery gear in case of emergency.

In the case of breakdown or other unforeseen circumstances affecting the vehicle or guide, the operator reserves the right to substitute vehicles and guides other than those specified, to ensure the operation of a tour.

Seat Allocation: Seats on tour vehicles are not pre allocated. To ensure all participants get to enjoy window seats we encourage a daily seat rotation system.

Meals

- You will be surprised at just how good the food is despite our remoteness and lack of facilities. Breakfast comprises cereals, fruit and toast, with the occasional cooked breakfast thrown in. Lunch is cold meats and salads as sandwiches, rolls or wraps. Dinner is a simple but yummy two course meal.

- In addition, morning tea is provided and fresh fruit is available at all times. We are not allowed to have campfires in either of the national parks; food is cooked on gas stoves. All eating utensils are provided.

- You may bring a small amount of alcohol with you, either in casks or cans – we can't take glass. There is very limited capacity for cooling drinks.

WHAT TO BRING

All camping equipment is provided, excluding sleeping bags and pillows so please bring your own. The tents are spacious four person tents, which will be used for one person or two people if you are coming as a couple. A thick self inflating mattress is provided to sleep on as well as a knee high stretcher bed. If you've never put up a tent before, don't worry, we'll help you become an expert in no time

Luggage

Due to health and safety requirements, please limit your luggage to one small-medium sized, soft sided bag per person – it has to be loaded and unloaded many times. 12 kg should be sufficient. If you're travelling as a couple, please pack two smaller bags rather than one large one. Sleeping bag, pillow, day pack and walking poles can be additional to your main luggage bag.

Suggested items to pack for your tour

- Pillow, sleeping bag and sleeping sheet (in a sturdy plastic bag if they don't fit in your luggage)
- Day-pack – one with a waist strap is best to help take some weight off your shoulders
- Shorts or trousers and shirts for walking – lightweight and quick-dry material are best
- Casual clothing for evenings and rest days
- Warm clothing in case of cold evenings and mornings – jumper, tracksuit pants, beanie
- Waterproof jacket
- Walking socks
- Comfortable, sturdy walking shoes or boots (ankle support is recommended as many surfaces are rocky and uneven)
- Reef sandals or shoes for walking in water. Make sure they have good grip even when they're wet
- Ankle gaiters/sock protectors suitable for hot weather (not plastic)
- Sun protection – hat, sunglasses, sunscreen (and consider your clothing)
- Bathers and small swimming towel (lightweight so you can easily carry them)
- Bath towel
- Toiletries, hand sanitiser and personal medication
- Reliable headlamp with spare batteries (much better than a torch because you can use both hands when wearing a headlamp)
- Any preferred first aid supplies such as blister treatment (your guides will carry a first-aid kit)
- Water bottle/s – 2 to 3 litre capacity
- Fly net (to go over hat)
- Insect Repellent
- Camera and charger/batteries (You can use your battery charger on the bus while we are driving). A waterproof camera is great for the many swimming holes
- Walking poles if you use them
- A lunch container so your sandwich doesn't get squashed
- Snacks for the walks if desired

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Toilets/Showers

There are:

- Drop toilets at Windjana / Purnululu
- Flushing toilets at El Questro / Mt Barnett Station (Manning Gorge) / Kununurra
- Solar showers are available at all locations except for the Purnululu where the team rig up a rudimentary (cold water) shower tent.

OTHER

Fitness Level Required / Mobility

- Our vehicles are not equipped with wheelchair access, so unfortunately our tours are currently not suitable for wheelchair users and those less mobile.
- You do not have to be superfit to enjoy this tour, but you will need a good level of agility and balance. The walks in the Kimberley are not particularly difficult or long. Some are quite rocky underfoot however none are particularly long, so we can afford to take our time. Most of the walks include an opportunity to swim in a beautiful water hole. If you have any concerns about your own fitness for this tour, please contact TripADeal prior to purchase for further information.

Gratuities / Tipping

Gratuities (tips) are not included in the tour price for services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. Tipping is optional and at the customers discretion.

Sightseeing

Please note: In the event entrance to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary where possible, will be adjusted or an similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).

INSURANCE

We are proud to offer a range of travel insurance products - please ask your Travel Consultant for more information.

SCHEDULE OF FEES

Voluntary Changes

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring an airline ticket, date/ accommodation changes or a Purchase

Confirmation reissue.

- Changes - \$100.00 per booking + any additional charges applied by the airline/ accommodation/other travel provider.

Supplier Fees

In the event the Travel Offer you have purchased is unable to proceed, and/ or a travel Supplier is unable to fulfil the Travel Offer due to external circumstances (Limitation of Liability e.g. a Force Majeure event), there may be a fee or amount of money that is withheld by our Suppliers and is unrecoverable. This may be due to non-refundable airline tickets, cancellation penalties with cruise cabins or unrecoverable payments with our land/accommodation partners. TripADeal has committed to these costs as your Agent and will endeavour to recover all funds committed and/or paid for your Travel Offer, but this may not be possible in all circumstances. If refunds are not available from Suppliers, we will endeavour to obtain a travel credit on the best terms available and communicate these outcomes to you. In the event, TripADeal is unable to obtain a refund or travel service credit, or part thereof, this cost is passed on to the customer as a Supplier Fee. This fee is not revenue-raising and is paid to or withheld by our suppliers when recovering payments.