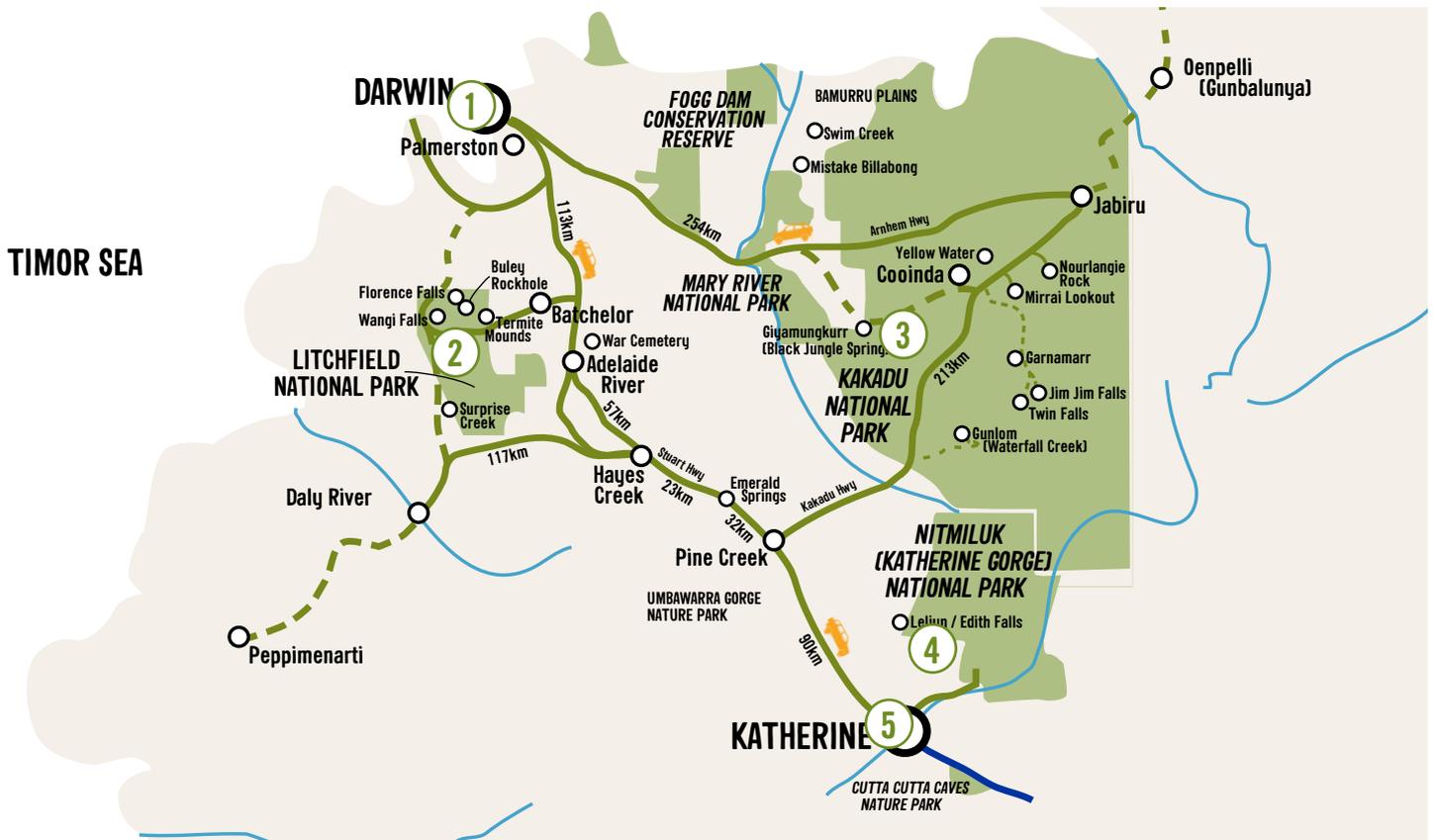


# DO THE TOP END DO NATURES WAY



## DO DARWIN

Do something new in Australia's tropical capital city - Ride the swell at the wave pool, eyeball a croc in the 'cage of death', or do as the locals and enjoy one of Darwin's famous Asian inspired markets.



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## DO NITMILUK

Take a drive just outside of Katherine to the vast Nitmiluk National Park (Katherine Gorge) and explore its staggering network of gorges, carved through ancient sandstone by the Katherine River. Enjoy the magnificent views from above, via helicopter, from the water or on foot.



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## DO LITCHFIELD

Only an hour from Darwin, the Top End's beloved Litchfield National Park has something for everyone. Enjoy a dip in one of its many swimming spots, take a short or overnight hike, or discover the hundreds of species of fauna and flora that thrive in the area.



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## DO KATHERINE

Where the outback meets the tropics - discover a region full of gorges and misty waterfalls, thermal springs and ancient cultures. The mighty Katherine Gorge is also a must do, and the Nitmiluk National Park it sits in has dozens of spots to enjoy a dip in the water.



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## DO KAKADU

Less than 3 hours from Darwin, Kakadu is Australia's largest National Park with Aboriginal cultural rock art sites and exotic landscapes teeming with wildlife. Explore on foot, join a cruise or guided tour, spot crocs and birdlife, or make a splash in the waterfalls.



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LITCHFIELD NATIONAL PARK

# DO NATURE'S WAY

## 7 DAY SUGGESTED ITINERARY

Take the scenic route – drive from Darwin to Katherine via Kakadu National Park along Nature's Way. The 550-km drive can be done as a one-way trip or a longer loop back to the capital. Nature's Way journey is recommended to be done over a minimum 7 days, here is a suggested way you could enjoy the journey. For more information visit [travelnt.com](http://travelnt.com).

### DAY 1 - 250km DARWIN TO KAKADU

The rare and unspoiled beauty of Kakadu National Park and Arnhem Land is only a 3-hour drive from Darwin. On your way to the park, along the Arnhem Highway, there are several opportunities to see wildlife in its natural environment. Stop at the Adelaide River and board a cruise to see huge saltwater crocs jump for food from the safety of the riverboat.

### DAY 2 & 3 - 751km KAKADU NATIONAL PARK

Kakadu is a World Heritage listed site and Australia's largest national park, explore and cruise its waterways to see crocs and birdlife, walk through ancient Aboriginal rock art galleries, or join a guided tour.

### DAY 4 - 300km KAKADU TO KATHERINE via Pine Creek

Head south along Stuart Highway to Pine Creek, a small town that experienced a rush for gold in 1871. A further 90km down the road, Katherine is a great place to base yourself and explore the Victoria River region. It is the gateway to six national parks and over 10 nature parks, reserves and conservation areas, including Katherine Gorge (Nitmiluk National Park). Take a refreshing dip in the Katherine Hot Springs – a series of clear pools fed by a natural thermal spring located on the banks of the Katherine River.



KATHERINE GORGE



AIRBOAT, KAKADU NATIONAL PARK



MINDIL BEACH, DARWIN



INDIGENOUS ROCK PAINTING, KAKADU

### DAY 5 NITMILUK NATIONAL PARK

Nitmiluk National Park is only a short 30km drive from Katherine. There are many options to explore the park – via the air on board a helicopter flight, from the water on a guided cruise, or by foot with well-marked paths.

### DAY 6 - 345km KATHERINE TO LITCHFIELD

Why not make a stop on your journey into Edith Falls, a fringed plunge pool to enjoy a swim before arriving at Litchfield National Park. The Park is renowned for its accessible, unspoiled wilderness of monsoon rainforests and waterfalls that flow year-round. Further cool off with a swim in the plunge pool below the permanent spring-fed Florence Falls or wade through the rocky pools at Buley Rockhole.

### DAY 7 - 130km LITCHFIELD TO DARWIN

Head back to Darwin via the Territory Wildlife Park. Wander through treetop aviaries, around a natural lagoon and walk through the aquarium to see animals, including the saltwater croc, in their natural habitats. Before you enter Darwin, stop at Berry Springs Nature Park. A recreation camp for armed forces personnel during the war, today it is a popular spot for a barbecue and a dip in the freshwater pools.