



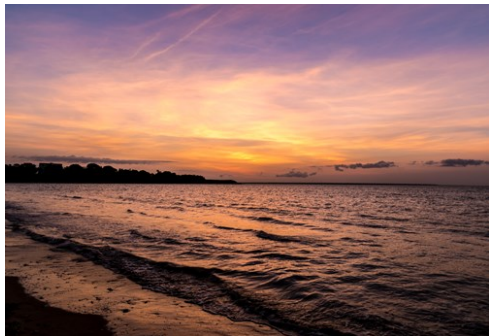
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Darwin is a thriving, prosperous and multicultural city with lively bars and wide-ranging international cuisine. It is lush, tropical, and the gateway to top-end outback adventures through the world heritage Kakadu and Litchfield National Parks. Darwin boasts an eclectic cultural mix: Asian music, food, and languages live side-by-side with aboriginal artistry, Australian beach culture, love of the outdoors, and a profound appreciation of cosmopolitanism.

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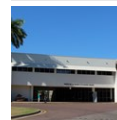
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Darwin, built upon a low bluff overlooking Darwin Harbour, is the administrative capital of the Northern Territory and is called the capital of tropical Australia because it is lush and green, full of tropical plants and the perfume of Frangipanis. The cyclone season is from November to April, when there are stunning electrical storms and predictable afternoon rains. The city had to be virtually rebuilt after being devastated by cyclone Tracy in 1974. Before that, the city had been destroyed more times — yeah, tough luck.

Darwin is also the most multicultural city in Australia, boasting over 75 nationalities, a large indigenous population (25 percent) and a diverse range of immigrants from Asia.

The Stuart Highway — The Track — is the only road out of town and runs 2,800 km south to Adelaide. Since 2004, Darwin has had a rail link to the great southern cities of Adelaide, Melbourne, Perth, and Sydney. The Ghan passenger train service runs twice a week.

DO & SEE



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Darwin is a youthful city with a young and vibrant population, and it is famously packed with young travellers during the dry season. Outdoor living is the norm and outdoor activities and adventures are the main attractions, with breathtaking natural parks in close proximity. Central Darwin is compact and easily explored on foot, although the suburbs are somewhat spread out.

Indo Pacific Marine



Indo Pacific Marine offers educational tours of a manmade exhibit with a living coral ecosystem, which is entirely self-sustaining and requires no feeding, filtration or water changing. The aquarium displays the beauty of different marine environments and wildlife, including living coral, clown fish, seahorses and the lethal box jellyfish.

Photo: David Clode/unsplash.com

Address: 29 Stokes Hill Road, Darwin

Opening hours: Daily 9am-1pm

Phone: +61 8 8981 1294 / +61 4 8182 3132

Kakadu National Park



Covering almost 20,000 square kilometres, Kakadu National Park is Australia's largest terrestrial national park, an awe-inspiring expanse

of rugged natural beauty and fascinating ecological and biological diversity. It is also a place of important cultural heritage, as the Bininj Mungguy people have called this area home for thousands of years.

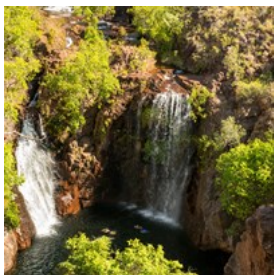
Photo: EcoPrint / Shutterstock.com

Phone: +61 8 8938 1100

Internet: parksaustralia.gov.au/kakadu

Email: kakadunationalpark@awe.gov.au

Litchfield National Park



Litchfield National Park is a stunning expanse of lush woodlands and crystal-clear freshwater creeks, waterfalls and swimming holes, where

many come to escape the oppressive heat of the summer months. Especially impressive are the enormous termite mounds found throughout the park, as well as the Lost City, an area with rock formations of bizarre beauty.

Photo: Tomas Sykora / Shutterstock.com

Phone: +61 8 8976 0282

Internet: www.litchfieldnationalpark.com

More Info: www.nt.gov.au/leisure/parks-reserves/find-a-park-to-visit/litchfield-national-park

Katherine Gorge



World-famous Katherine Gorge is located in Nitmiluk National Park, just to the south of Kakadu. The 12-kilometre length of the gorge,

surrounded by its 70-metre tall cliffs on either side, is an impressive sight, best enjoyed in a rented kayak from water-level.

Photo: Tomas Sykora / Shutterstock.com

Museum & Art Gallery of the Northern Territory



Museum & Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, or MAGNT, is Darwin's premier cultural organisation, showcasing fantastic exhibits and

research programs, including maritime and natural history, aboriginal art and a room where you can experience the power of Hurricane Tracy, as well as regular events and performances.

Photo: MorePix / Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)

Address: Conacher Street, Darwin

Public Transport: Bus 6

Opening hours: Daily 10am-4pm

Phone: +61 8 8999 8264

Internet: www.magnt.net.au

Email: info@magnt.net.au

More Info: Bullocky Point, Fannie Bay

Mindil Beach Sunset Market



Epitomising outdoor living, this is a very popular rendezvous for families. There are usually 200 stalls selling aboriginal arts and crafts

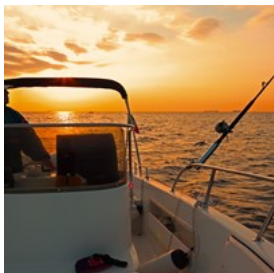
along with musicians and entertainers. It is also a great place to sample a wide range of food from 60 different food stalls including Thai, Malay, Indonesian, Chinese, Indian, and Greek.

Other markets can be found at Parap (Saturday morning), Rapid Creek (Sunday) and Nightcliff (Sunday).

THURS: 4PM - 9PM, SUN: 4PM - 9PM
29 April 21 - 28 Oct 21

Photo: Gngarra / Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)
Address: Mindil Beach, Darwin
Opening hours: April-October: Sun & Thu 4pm-9pm
Phone: +61 8 8981 3454
Internet: www.mindil.com.au
Email: admin@mindil.com.au

Fish The Top End



For some rugged outdoor adventure, try fishing for Barramundi, Australia's most popular game fish. There are countless companies offering diverse types of fishing trips, Fish the Top End being one of the best. This agency offers a wide selection of river and ocean charter fishing.

Photo: Federico Rostagno / Shutterstock.com
Address: Casuarina, Darwin
Phone: +61 8 8945 7686
Internet: www.fishthetopend.com
Email: mike@fishthetopend.com

Crocodylus Park



Crocodylus Park offers a close-up look at one of the world's most feared predators, boasting five croc species, including the Philippine Corocodile, the rarest in the world. Croc feeding demonstrations take place daily, and there is also small zoo displaying some Australian animals, like kangaroos and dingos, as well as lions, tigers, monkeys, and more.

Photo: Audrey Snider-Bell / Shutterstock.com
Address: 815 McMillans Road, Berrimah, Darwin
Opening hours: Daily 9am-3pm
Phone: +61 8 8922 4500
Internet: www.crocodyluspark.com.au
Email: crocpark@wmi.com.au
More Info: Be sure to check the website for feeding and handling schedule

Deckchair Cinema



Loved equally by visitors and locals, Deckchair Cinema screens a wide range of films in its lovely outdoor location, right by the waterfront. Movies range from arthouse and independent to family-friendly films. Most years the cinema stays open April to November.

Photo: Michael Coghlan / Flickr(image cropped)
Address: Jervois Road, Darwin
Phone: +61 8 8981 0700
Internet: www.deckchaircinema.com
Email: info@deckchaircinema.com
More Info: Off Kitchener Drive, Darwin Waterfront

Aquascene



Every day at high tide for the past 60 years a unique occurrence has taken place: hundreds of fish gather at the shallows by Doctors Gully

Road in search of a meal, including milkfish, bream catfish and the barramundi. Aquascene gives visitors the chance to get up close and personal with the fish, splash around with them and hand-feed them.

Photo: Pasko Maksim / Shutterstock.com

Address: 28 Doctors Gully Road, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8981 7837

Internet: www.aquascene.com.au

Email: aquascene@bigpond.com

More Info: By the Esplanade

The Didgeridoo Hut



This aboriginal-owned and run shop, workshop and art gallery is about half an hour by car down the Arnhem Highway from Darwin. Exquisite

examples of this fascinating handmade aboriginal instrument are for sale, and can be seen in the production process. There is also authentic aboriginal artwork on display, making great souvenirs and gifts.

Photo: Fernan Archilla / Shutterstock.com

Address: 1 Arnhem Highway, Humpty Doo

Phone: +61 8 8988 4457

Internet: www.didgeridoohut.com.au

Email: info@didgeridoohut.com.au

Outback and Aboriginal Culture Tours

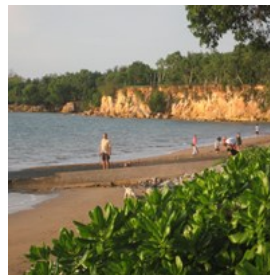


Take part in an extraordinary cultural adventure where you can view unique termite mounds and explore fascinating waterfalls, learn about traditional ways of land management and aboriginal culture. Find a tour that speaks best to your particular interests and supports small businesses in the local community.

Photo: Marc Witte / Shutterstock.com

Internet: northernterritory.com/tours/aboriginal-culture

Fannie Bay



A mere 5 minutes from the city centre, Fannie Bay is a suburb of Darwin with a ton of activities to offer. There is a small but lovely beach with

barbecue facilities and playgrounds, an artificial lake safe for swimming all year, bike trails and a walking path through the mangrove, and the interesting Fannie Bay Gaol Museum.

Photo: Fannie Bay / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Fannie Bay, Darwin

Opening hours: Wed-Sun 10am-2pm (the museum)

Internet: www.magnt.net.au/fannie-bay-gaol

Cullen Bay



Cullen Bay is the home of Darwin's first Marina and is surrounded by trendy restaurants and cafes. It is the place to go to catch a harbour cruise,

book fishing charters or dive tours in search of marine life and wrecks. Superb sunsets, great fish and chips and a beautiful lawn to sit on. Pet

friendly as well.

Photo: Ken Hodge / Flickr(image cropped)
Address: Cullen Bay, Darwin
Internet: www.cullenbaymarina.com.au

Brown's Mart Theatre



Brown's Mart is a beloved and iconic theatre and performance space, committed to providing opportunities for local artists to show their craft.

Regular performances are held in a building which dates back to 1885 and has since filled many roles until becoming the cultural centre it is today.

Photo: Fer Gregory / Shutterstock.com
Address: 12 Smith St, Darwin
Phone: +61 8 8981 5522
Internet: www.brownsmart.com.au
Email: admin@brownsmart.com.au

Bicentennial Park



The beautiful Bicentennial Park runs along Darwin's central business district between the Esplanade and the waterfront, providing a much appreciated green space in the heart of the city. It is home to several memorials commemorating those deceased in war, it plays host to several festivals each year, and it is a popular location for weddings and events.

Photo: [kenhodge13 / Wikimedia Commons](#)(image cropped)
Address: Bicentennial Park, Darwin

Charles Darwin National Park

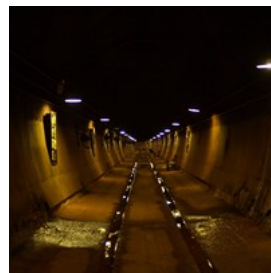


If you don't have the time to visit the larger (but much farther) Litchfield or Kakadu National Parks, Charles Darwin is a convenient alternative.

Located a short distance from the city centre (just south of the airport), the area is one of the country's most important wetlands, showcasing 36 mangrove species, as well as holding great aboriginal and historical significance.

Photo: Ken Hodge / Flickr(image cropped)
Address: Tiger Brennan Dr, Charles Darwin
Opening hours: Daily 8am-7pm
Phone: +61 8 8947 2305
Internet: nt.gov.au/leisure/parks-reserves/find-a-park-to-visit/charles-darwin-national-park

WWII Oil Storage Tunnels



These fascinating tunnels were originally built during World War II in order to protect oil supplies from the Japanese bombings, though they were never used for that purpose. Today, two of the tunnels have been opened to the public and feature a collection of interesting photographs depicting life in Darwin during the war.

Daily May-September 9am-4pm; October-April 9am-1pm

Photo: [Alex Healing / Wikimedia Commons](#)(image cropped)
Address: Darwin Waterfront, Kitchener Dr, Darwin
Opening hours: Daily May-September 9am-4pm; October-April 9am-1pm
Phone: +61 8 8985 6322
Internet: www.ww2tunnelsdarwin.com.au
Email: info@wwitunnelsdarwin.com.au

Darwin Entertainment Centre



Darwin Entertainment Centre was recently renovated and is now better poised than ever to host world-class performances. The

Darwin Symphony Orchestra appears there regularly, and the centre also hosts major international artists and theatre performances.

Photo: eGuide Travel / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: 93 Mitchell St, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8980 3333

Internet: www.yourcentre.com.au

Email: communications@yourcentre.com.au

The Ghan (Train Ride via Alice Springs to Adelaide)



The entire trip of 2000 miles (3220 km) starts in the tropics of the Northern Territory, in Darwin and leads you through the red desert

and Alice Springs, all the way to the green and plentiful province of South Australia and its capital Adelaide. The trains are comfortable and equipped with a dining car; many off-train experiences at stopovers are included in ticket prices.

Photo: Mandy Creighton/Shutterstock.com

Address: Salloo Street, East Arm, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 813 4401

Internet: www.journeybeyondrail.com.au/journeys/the-ghan/

Email: sales.enquiries@gsr.com.au

Tiwi Islands



The 'Island of Smiles' — Bathurst and Melville, which lie across the water 80 kilometres north of Darwin — proudly offers you thriving

Aboriginal arts culture, fishing lodges and tours, pristine coastal views with breathtaking sunsets. Take a day trip from Darwin or stay overnight to enjoy island life just a bit longer.

The people on Tiwi Islands are famous for maintaining traditional lifestyle, producing stunning artworks, vibrant fabrics and textiles.

Photo: NASA/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)

Internet: northernterritory.com/darwin-and-surrounds/destinations/tiwi-islands

DINING



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Australian dining is almost always an easy-going and casual experience, even in smart restaurants. Darwin restaurants have a fabulous range of fresh seafood, primarily the superb local Barramundi fish. Local wildlife such as kangaroo, crocodile, buffalo, emu and camel can also be found on many menus. International cuisine is also on offer including Mediterranean, Thai, Malay and Chinese. Pubs have voluminous menus and are a popular alternative.

Pee Wee's at The Point



Pee Wee's is considered one of Darwin's best restaurants and offers fine dining beside the ocean with views of Fannie Bay and the

Darwin skyline. They serve mainly modern Australian cuisine with buffet, table d'hôte and à la carte menu.

Photo: Africa Studio / Shutterstock.com

Address: Alec Fong Lim Drive, East Point Reserve, Darwin

Opening hours: Tue-Sat 4pm-11pm, Dinner from 5:30pm

Phone: +61 8 8981 6868

Internet: www.peeweess.com.au

Email: info@peeweess.com.au

More Info: 4 km from city centre

Hanuman



This attractive restaurant has a great local reputation for authentic Thai, Indian, and Malaysian food. The chef only uses freshly sourced

ingredients and the restaurant has an excellent wine list. Enjoy your evening in a casual, open-plan dining room with high ceilings and wood carvings.

Photo: Aneta_Gu / Shutterstock.com

Address: 93 Mitchell Street, Darwin

Opening hours: Lunch: Wed-Fri noon-2:30pm; Dinner: Daily 6pm-10pm

Phone: +61 8 8941 3500

Internet: www.hanuman.com.au

Email: darwin@hanuman.com.au

More Info: Next to Darwin Entertainment Centre

Lizards Sports Bar



Lizards Sports Bar is a huge venue with dining and bar areas, as well as sports events on large screens. The menu includes a great mix of pub food and modern dishes, ranging from salads and light snacks to heartier options like steak, pizza, and many more.

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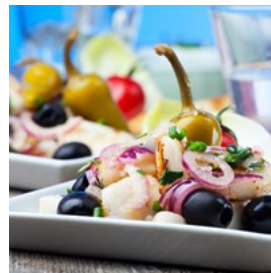
Address: 105 Mitchell Street, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8946 3000

Internet: www.lizardsbar.com.au

Email: info@lizardsbar.com.au

Yots Greek Taverna



Yots is a popular place with dining on the boardwalk overlooking the Cullen Bay marina. It has an excellent range of modern and traditional Greek and Mediterranean cuisine, with loads of vegetarian options and fresh seafood.

Photo: Bernd Juergens / Shutterstock.com

Address: 4/54 Marine Boulevard, Cullen Bay, Darwin

Opening hours: Dinner: Tue-Sun from 6pm; Lunch: Fri & Sun from 12pm

Phone: +61 8 8981 4433

Internet: www.yots.com.au

Email: yots@yots.com.au

Stokes Hill Wharf



Watch the sunset and look for dolphins at one of Darwin's most popular eating venues with more than a dozen independent restaurants (take-away style) sharing common seating on a jetty in

Darwin harbour. Food choices include Thai, Chinese, local seafood, crocodile, and simple fish and chips. There is also a bottle shop that sells beer and wine.

Photo: Ken Hodge / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Stokes Hill Wharf, Darwin

Internet: www.waterfront.nt.gov.au/stoke-hill-wharf

Salvatores Cafe



This is a small cafe with a big Italian menu — pizza, pasta, salad, quiche and burgers — and its own pastry chef creates a wonderful selection of

cakes, tarts and pastries. Buffalo wings are wildly popular and come highly recommended.

Photo: Joshua Resnick / Shutterstock.com

Address: 800/21 Smith Street, Darwin

Opening hours: Daily 7am-9pm

Phone: +61 8 8941 9823

Internet: www.salvatorescafe.com

Email: salvatores@salvatorescafe.com

More Info: Special gluten free Friday menu

The Cav



The Cav is a poolside bar, restaurant and cafe located at the Cavenagh Hotel, which caters largely to backpackers. It serves mostly

Mediterranean style food and casual snacks such as bowls of nachos, often accompanied by live music at night.

Photo: wavebreakmedia / Shutterstock.com

Address: 12 Cavenagh Street, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8941 6383

Internet: www.thecavenagh.com

Darwin Sailing Club



This is not an up-market sailing club, but it is one of the best places to sip drink and watch the sun set over the Indian Ocean. The lovely

waterfront bistro is also a popular al fresco dining option.

Photo: Stephen Michael Barnett / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: 8 Atkins Drive, Fannie Bay, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8981 1700

Internet: www.dwnsail.com.au

Email: admin@dwnsail.com.au

Hingston Chinese Restaurant



This busy eatery serves fresh and tasty Chinese food. It is praised as one of the best Chinese restaurants in Darwin, receiving a Certificate of

Excellence from TripAdvisor. The menu has a wide selection of dishes such as beef with black bean sauce, Mongolian lamb on a hot plate and Peking duck.

Photo: Anna_Pustynnikova / Shutterstock.com

Address: 1 Yanyula Drive, Darwin

Opening hours: Wed-Mon 11:30-2pm / 4:30pm-10pm

Phone: +61 8 8927 8088

Internet: www.hingstonnt.com

More Info: Anula Shopping Centre

Moorish Cafe



Moorish Cafe was established in 2002 and quickly became known as a food lover's haven. The menu is inspired by the flavours of Spain, the

Mediterranean and Northern Africa, with

starters like tapas and main dishes like Portuguese seafood and roasted duck leg.

Photo: Timolina / Shutterstock.com
Address: 37 Knuckey Street, Darwin
Phone: +61 8 8981 0010
Internet: www.moorishcafe.com.au
Email: gertrude@moorishcafe.com.au

Char Restaurant



The luxurious Char delivers a unique dining experience by serving innovative cuisine made with fresh local produce in perhaps the most charming setting in the city, with outdoor dining under the cover of large trees and hanging lights. In addition there are both international and local wines to enjoy.

Photo: Golubovy / Shutterstock.com
Address: 70 Esplanade, Darwin
Opening hours: Tue-Sat 5:30pm-11pm, Fri 11:30a-11pm
Phone: +61 8 8981 4544
Internet: www.chardarwin.com.au
Email: manager@chardarwin.com.au

Saffron

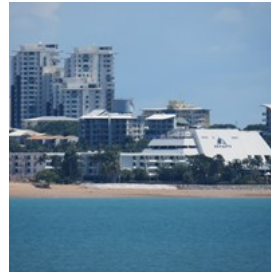


The menu features delights from north and south India as well as delicacies from a tandoori oven. They are deeply committed to conservationist efforts, and thus use only sustainable seafood, seasonal ingredients and plenty of locally-grown spices and herbs.

Photo: julie deshaies / Shutterstock.com
Address: 14/34 Parap Road, Darwin
Opening hours: Dinner: Tue-Sun 5:30pm-9pm; Lunch: Tue-Fri 11am-2pm
Phone: +61 8 8981 2383

Internet: www.saffron.com
Email: alawa@saffron.com

Il Piatto



Contemporary Italian-inspired food is served at il Piatto, a restaurant located at the Mindil Beach Casino Resort. The à la carte menu has mouth-watering options like stuffed chicken breast, grilled jumbo prawns and fresh tortelli. It has a beautiful location overlooking the Arafura Sea and the restaurant has an outside terrace where you can gaze at the sunset.

Photo: Ken Hodge / Flickr(image cropped)
Address: Gilruth Avenue, Darwin
Opening hours: Lunch: Fri, Sat & Sun noon-2pm; Dinner: Wed-Sun 5pm-10pm
Internet: www.mindilbeachcasinoresort.com.au

Hot Tamale



Hot Tamale is a Mexican restaurant that bursts with bold and complex flavours. The restaurant has a fresh, intense and vibrant ambiance, and offers authentic Mexican specialities and beverages, including imported beers and tequila.

Photo: Olga Nayashkova / Shutterstock.com
Address: F2/19 Kitchener Drive, Darwin
Opening hours: Daily 11:30am-9pm
Phone: +61 8 8981 5471
Internet: www.hottamale.net.au
Email: ht.darwin@bigpond.com

Monsoons



Monsoons aka Monnies has a perfect location on the vibrant Mitchell Street. It used to be a cinema but has been renovated into a dining

and drinking venue with a cool and relaxed style. The menu has a wide selection of dishes such as pizza, burgers, wraps, pasta and steak.

Photo: Pressmaster / Shutterstock.com
Address: 46 Mitchell Street, Darwin
Opening hours: Mon-Sun 10am-4am
Phone: +61 8 8941 7171
Internet: monsoonsdarwin.com.au

CAFES



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Australia has long been a country of tea-drinkers, but coffee has taken over in recent times. Darwin has plenty of local roasters and specialist baristas, now boasting lots of cosy cafes, patisseries and seaside eateries to choose from. So whether you fancy a long and relaxing brunch, a quick coffee or an afternoon drink, you'll find exactly what you're looking for in garden cafes of specialist bakeries.

Roma Bar



This cafe opened its doors in 1973 and has managed to stay relevant with a funky and modern style. Roma Bar is popular for its great Aussie brekkies and genuine espresso coffee.

Photo: CW43 / Shutterstock.com
Address: 9 Cavenagh Street, Darwin
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7am-3pm, Sat-Sun 8am-1pm
Phone: +61 8 8981 6729
Internet: www.romabar.com.au
Email: romabar@romabar.com.au

Salvatores Cafe



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Photo: Joshua Resnick / Shutterstock.com
Address: 21 Knuckey Street, Darwin
Opening hours: Daily 7am-9pm
Phone: +61 8 8941 9823
Internet: www.salvatorescafe.com
Email: salvatores@salvatorescafe.com

The Cav



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Photo: wavebreakmedia / Shutterstock.com

Address: 12 Cavenaugh Street, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8941 6383

Internet: www.thecavenagh.com

Email: marketing@thecavenagh.com

Cafe 21 Smith



Cafe 21 has a central Darwin location for al fresco dining away from traffic. It is a popular morning coffee and lunchtime venue, with great breakfasts and snack foods. The displays are lined with hot and cold food, including fresh sandwiches, wraps, and baguettes, as well as large salads, cakes, and gluten free sweets.

Photo: Oliveshadow / Shutterstock.com

Address: 109 Smith Street, Darwin

Opening hours: Daily 6am-2pm

Phone: +61 8 7917 8703

Internet: www.cafe21.com.au

Email: cafe21@bji.com.au

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Address: 37 Knuckey Street, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8981 0010

Internet: www.moorishcafe.com.au

Email: gertrude@moorishcafe.com.au

Four Birds



It's hard to think of a better setting for breakfast than the quaint courtyard at Four Birds, under cover of frangipani trees. Sandwiches, bagels, panini, smashed avocado on sourdough bread, as well as sweets like muffins, make lazy late afternoon brunches the house speciality.

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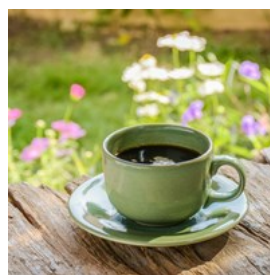
Address: 2/32 Smith Street, Darwin

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7am-2pm, Sat 8am-1pm

Phone: +61 451 821 807

Email: diana@fourbirds.com.au

Eva's Cafe at the Botanical Gardens



Boasting a location like no other in the city, in the Wesleyan Church at the Darwin Botanical Gardens, Eva's Cafe offers a truly unique cafe experience, with fantastic coffee (expertly prepared by great baristas), full breakfasts and a complete lunch menu.

Photo: pondpony / Shutterstock.com

Address: George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens, Gardens Road, Darwin

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-3pm, Sat-Sun 7am-3pm

Phone: +61 447 474 776

Internet: www.botanicgardenscafe.com.au

Email: info@botanicgardenscafe.com.au

More Info: Great place for high tea

Karma Cafe and Fitness



Karma Cafe is all about healthy living, catering to fitness enthusiasts and anyone who likes to take care of themselves.

Healthy and tasty meals are served, along with fresh fruit juices and smoothies, salads and raw cakes, all of them made fresh with the best ingredients.

Photo: Anna Shepulova / Shutterstock.com

Address: 119/12 Salonika Street, Parap

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7am-2pm, Sat-Sun 7:30am-2pm

Phone: +61 449 073 902

Internet: www.karmacafe.net.au

Email: karmacafeandfitness@gmail.com

Laneway Specialty Coffee



Laneway is a sleek, modern, open-concept cafe that focuses on specialty coffee, simple fresh food and family friendly service. They

offer vegetarian and gluten-free options, as well as organic sourdough and fresh sweets, pastries and desserts baked daily.

7:00 TO 3:00 WEEKDAYS

7:30 TO 3:00 SATURDAY

8:00 TO 2:30 SUNDAY & PUB HOLIDAYS

Photo: baranq / Shutterstock.com

Address: 4/1 Vickers Street, Parap, Darwin

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7am-3pm, Sat 7:30-3pm, Sun 8am-2:30pm

Phone: +61 8 8941 4511

Internet: www.lanewaycoffee.com.au

Email: eat@lanewaycoffee.com.au

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Darwin has always had a reputation for playing hard, and now young travellers keep up the tradition, especially on the weekends. The city has also become very cosmopolitan and varied, with fabulous multicultural markets, shopping centres, casinos, nightclubs, a smorgasbord of restaurants and, of course, pubs galore.

Lizards Sports Bar



Lizards Sports Bar is a huge venue with dining and bar areas, as well as sports events on large screens. The menu

includes a great mix of pub food and modern dishes, ranging from salads and light snacks to heartier options like steak, pizza, and many more.

Photo: Africa Studio / Shutterstock.com

Address: 105 Mitchell Street, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8946 3000

Internet: www.lizardsbar.com.au

Email: info@lizardsbar.com.au

The Cav



The Cav is a poolside bar, restaurant and cafe located at the Cavenagh Hotel, which caters largely to backpackers. It serves mostly

Mediterranean style food and casual snacks such as bowls of nachos, often accompanied by live music at night.

Photo: wavebreakmedia / Shutterstock.com

Address: 12 Cavenagh Street, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8941 6383

Internet: www.thecavenagh.com

Email: marketing@thecavenagh.com

Shenannigans



This is a classic Irish theme pub serving Guinness and Kilkenny on tap with an air-conditioned interior and a large street-side

veranda. Shenannigans serves a filling Irish stew from their award-winning restaurant and features regular live music, karaoke nights and quizzes.

Photo: Brent Hofacker / Shutterstock.com

Address: 1/69 Mitchell Street, Darwin

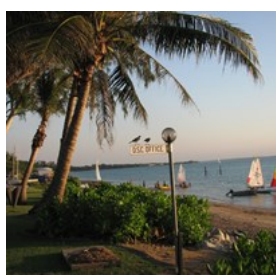
Opening hours: Daily 10am–2am

Phone: +61 8 8981 2100

Internet: www.shenannigans.com.au

Email: info@shenannigans.com.au

Darwin Sailing Club



This is not an up-market sailing club, but it is one of the best places to sip drink and watch the sun set over the Indian Ocean. The lovely

waterfront bistro is also a popular al fresco dining option.

Photo: Stephen Michael Barnett / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: 8 Atkins Drive, Fannie Bay, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8981 1700

Internet: www.dwnsail.com.au

Email: admin@dwnsail.com.au

Jabiru Bar



Located in the Novotel Darwin Hotel, Jabiru Bar is a tropical cocktail bar set among palm trees, flowers, and flowing water. It is a good

alternative from the Mitchell Street pubs for a quiet and more sophisticated evening drink, especially during the daily happy hour from 5:30pm–6:30pm.

Photo: Jose Ignacio Soto / Shutterstock.com

Address: 100 Esplanade, Darwin

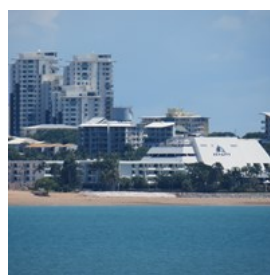
Opening hours: Open 24 hours

Phone: +61 8 8941 0755

Internet: www.novotel.com/gb/hotel-1748-novotel-darwin-cbd/index.shtml

More Info: Located at the Novotel Darwin atrium

Mindil Beach Casino Resort



This hotel/resort has a beautiful beachside location with several restaurants and bars, ranging from fine dining to more affordable eating

options, and it has the only full casino in the Northern Territory.

Photo: Ken Hodge / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Gilruth Avenue, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8943 8888

Tickets: www.mindilbeachcasinoresort.com.au

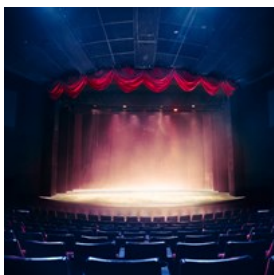
Monsoons



Monsoons aka Monnies has a perfect location on the vibrant Mitchell Street. It used to be a cinema but has been renovated into a dining and drinking venue with a cool and relaxed style. The menu has a wide selection of dishes such as pizza, burgers, wraps, pasta and steak.

Photo: Pressmaster / Shutterstock.com
Address: 46 Mitchell Street, Darwin
Opening hours: Mon-Sun 10am-4am
Phone: +61 8 8989 2171
Internet: monsoonsdarwin.com.au

Brown's Mart Theatre



Brown's Mart is a beloved and iconic theatre and performance space, committed to providing opportunities for local artists to show their craft.

Regular performances are held in a building which dates back to 1885 and has since filled many roles until becoming the cultural centre it is today.

Photo: Fer Gregory / Shutterstock.com
Address: 12 Smith Street, Darwin
Phone: +61 8 8981 5522
Internet: www.brownsmart.com.au
Email: admin@brownsmart.com.au

Darwin Entertainment Centre



Darwin Entertainment Centre was recently renovated and is now better poised than ever to host world-class performances. The Darwin Symphony Orchestra appears there

regularly, and the centre also hosts major international artists and theatre performances.

Photo: eGuide Travel / Flickr(image cropped)
Address: 93 Mitchell Street, Darwin
Phone: +61 8 8980 3333
Internet: www.yourcentre.com.au
Email: communications@yourcentre.com.au

The Deck Bar



The Deck Bar calls itself Darwin's premier outdoor party and dining venue, and that's not just hyperbole. The lovely open-air space features live music every night and offers popular brunch menus, as well as over eighty varieties of beer and a full list of cocktails.

Photo: oneinchpunch / Shutterstock.com
Address: 22 Mitchell Street, Darwin
Opening hours: Daily from 11:30am
Phone: +61 8 8942 3001
Internet: www.thedeckbar.com.au
Email: info@thedeckbar.com.au

SHOPPING



Kamil Macniak / Shutterstock.com

Darwin is no great shakes as a designer shopping venue, except in terms of outback necessities, aboriginal artefacts and surf gear. The main shopping areas are Mitchell Street and the parallel pedestrian precinct of Smith Street.

Mitchell Street offers mainly tour agencies, cafes, bars, Internet cafes, aboriginal art and a few other miscellaneous shops. The Smith Street pedestrian precinct is a more relaxing retail environment with fountains, outdoor cafes, bookshops, shoe shops and tourist stores.

Smith Street



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Photo: Bidgee / Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)
Address: Smith Street, Darwin

The Didgeridoo Hut



This aboriginal-owned and run shop, workshop and art gallery is about half an hour by car down the Arnhem Highway from Darwin. Exquisite examples of this fascinating handmade aboriginal instrument are for sale, and can be seen in the production process. There is also authentic aboriginal artwork on display, making great souvenirs and gifts.

Photo: Fernan Archilla / Shutterstock.com
Address: 1 Arnhem Highway, Humpty Doo
Phone: +61 8 8988 4457
Internet: www.didgeridoohut.com.au
Email: info@didgeridoohut.com.au

Casuarina Square



If you want to go shopping in Darwin, the Casuarina Shopping Mall is a safe bet as the largest shopping centre in the Northern Territory, with over 180 businesses, supermarkets, department stores and a cinema. It is a major weekend gathering point for shopping and eating.

Photo: Monkey Business Images / Shutterstock.com
Address: 247 Trower Road, Casuarina
Phone: +61 8 8920 2345
Internet: www.casuarinasquare.com.au

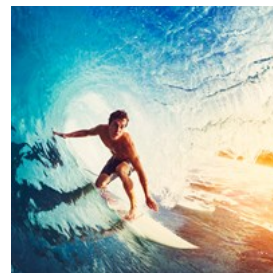
Mitchell Street



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Photo: Ken Hodge / Flickr(image cropped)
Address: Mitchell Street, Darwin

Rip Curl



Located in the Casuarina Square shopping centre, this famous surf brand is a must if you ever visit this wonderful part of the country. Come to Rip Curl to buy a new surfing board and gear and take to the waves, or get that effortless and cool beach look.

Photo: EpicStockMedia / Shutterstock.com
Address: Casuarina Dr, Casuarina, Darwin
Phone: +61 8 8927 9511
Internet: www.ripcurl.com.au

Sportsgirl



Sportsgirl is a young, trendy store that can be found throughout the whole country. To all fashionistas, this is the place to go for clothes, accessories, shoes and much more. Their location in Darwin can be found at Casuarina Square.

Photo: View Apart / Shutterstock.com
Address: 247 Trower Road, Casuarina
Phone: +61 8 8945 0125
Internet: www.sportsgirl.com.au

Cotton On



This fashion chain is, like Sportsgirl, another well-known brand in Australia. Cotton On was born in 1991 and offers a wide range of cool fashion clothing and accessories for women, men and children.

Photo: Olga Pink / Shutterstock.com
Address: 247 Trower Road, Casuarina
Phone: +61 8 8927 4838
Internet: www.cottonon.com

The N.T. General Store



A few minutes' walk from Smith Street is The N.T. General Store on Cavenagh Street. This huge store is the best place to buy all your

camping, hiking and other outdoor necessities for exploring the harsh Australian outback.

Photo: S_Photo / Shutterstock.com
Address: 42 Cavenagh Street, Darwin
Phone: +61 8 8981 8242
Internet: www.thentgeneralstore.com.au

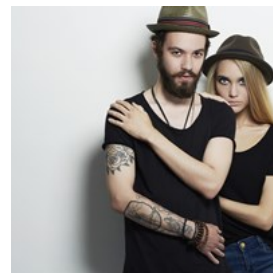
Mitchell Centre



The centrally located Mitchell Centre mall offers a good range of shopping options, including shops for health and beauty items, fashion and accessories, electronics and gifts, and more. It also houses numerous restaurants, cafes and ice cream parlours.

Photo: Ken Hodge / Flickr(image cropped)
Address: 55/59 Mitchell St, Darwin
Phone: +61 8 8981 5688
Internet: www.mitchellcentre.com.au

Off Ya Tree



Off Ya Tree is an alternative fashion store, full of unique items, accessories and beauty products that push the boundaries and look like nothing else out there on the market. They also carry jewellery, do body piercings and have a tattoo studio in the store.

Mon - Fri: 9am - 6pm

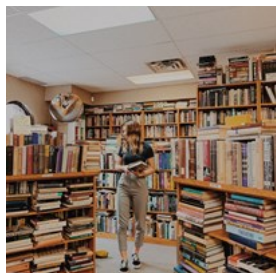
Sat: 9am - 5pm

Sun: 9am - 3pm

Photo: Eugene Partyzan / Shutterstock.com
Address: Shop 16, Anthonys Plaza, 38 Smith St, Darwin
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-6pm, Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 9am-pm
Phone: +61 8 8942 3539

Internet: www.offyatree.com.au

The Bookshop Darwin



The largest independent new book store in Northern Territory, The Bookshop Darwin is only a short walk from many other shops and cafes, as

well as the state library. Friendly and knowledgeable staff will help you pick a book on the history of the wild Top End, the latest page-turner or a beautiful coffee table book as a memento of your trip.

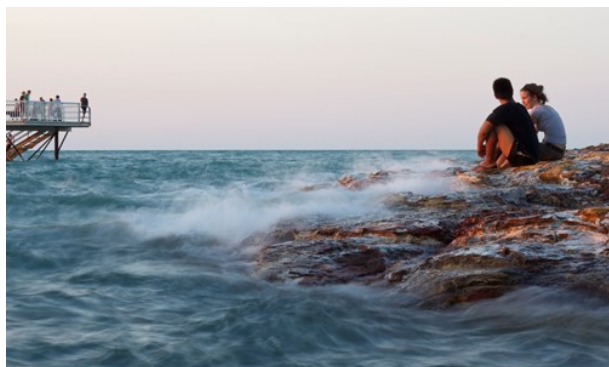
Photo: Noémi Macavei-Katócz/unsplash.com

Address: 1/30 Smith Street Mall, Smith Street, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8941 3489

Internet: www.bookshopdarwin.com.au

TOURIST INFORMATION



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Darwin International Airport



Darwin International Airport (DRW) is located 13 km from the city centre, around a 15 minute drive. The city-wide airport shuttle

bus serves all Darwin hotels, and tickets can be purchased at the airport or at Darwin's transit

centre. It departs in front of the Terminal and meets all flights. Arrange airport transfers by telephone or from the hotel reception. There is also a taxi rank located in front of the terminal.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Darwin International Airport, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8920 1811

Internet: www.darwinairport.com.au

More Info: www.darwinairportshuttle.com.au

Public Transport



Darwinbus is the main public transport network in Darwin, incorporating bus and ferry transport. Bus interchanges are located at Harry Chan

Place in Darwin, Bradshaw Drive at Casuarina Shopping Square in Casuarina, and the corner of Temple Terrace and Roystone Avenue in Palmerston.

Tickets can be bought when boarding the bus. Drivers carry limited change so try to prepare the exact fare. You can also buy your ticket at any of the Interchanges in Darwin, Casuarina or Palmerston.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

Phone: +61 8 8924 7531

Internet: www.nt.gov.au/transport

Taxi



You will find taxi ranks at the Knuckey Street end of Smith Street Mall, outside Skycity Casino and outside the Darwin Cinemas on Mitchell

Street at night and on weekends. One of the best ways to catch a taxi is to call direct or ask for help to book a taxi at your hotel reception.

Darwin Radio Taxis
131 008
www.darwinradiotaxis.com.au

Metro Mini-Bus Service
+61 8 8983 0577
metrominibus.com.au

Photo: ArrivalGuides

Post

Post Office:



Photo: Andy Fuchs
Address: 48 Cavenagh Street, Darwin
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-5pm, Sat 9am-12:30pm
Phone: +61 8 8981 8366
Internet: www.auspost.com.au/pol/app/locate/post-office/NT/Darwin/0800/Darwin-GPO-Post-Shop-545393

Pharmacy

Amcal Pharmacy Darwin
— Bardens Cavanagh
Street:



Photo: Gemma Garner
Address: Woolworths Complex 1, 47 Cavenagh Street,
Darwin
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-8pm, Sat & Sun 9am-5pm
Internet: www.amcal.com.au/store-locator/amcal-pharmacy-darwin-bardens-cavanagh-street

Telephone

Country code: +61 Area
code: 8



Photo: Jardson Almeida

Electricity

230V / 50Hz Plug type I
(Used in Australia, New
Zealand, Papua New
Guinea, Argentina and
others)



Photo: Stirling Tschan

Safety

Do not swim in Darwin
waters between October
and May because of the
deadly Box Jellyfish. Also
always beware of
saltwater



crocodiles.

Remember to stay hydrated and use suncream.

Photo: Victor Z / Shutterstock.com

Internet: northernterritory.com/plan/useful-information/safety-information

Population

147,255 (2019, estimated)

Currency

Australian Dollar (AUD) \$1 = 100 cents

Opening hours

Most shops are open 7 days a week. Generally on weekdays
they open 9am-5pm and on weekends 10am-3pm.

Newspapers

The Northern Territory News

Emergency numbers

000 (Ambulance, Police and Fire)

Tourist information

Top End Travel and Information Centre

6 Bennett Street, Darwin

Corner Bennett and Smith Streets

+61 8 8980 6000

info@tourismtopend.com.au

Opening hours:

Mon–Fri 9am–4:30pm



Austin Lane	C3	Gardens Hill Crescent	B1	Mc Lachlan Street	B2
Bambra Crescent	A2	Gardens Road	B1 B2	McMinn Street	B1 C2
Barneson Street	C2	Gardiner Street	C2	Melville Street	B1
Barossa Street	A2	Gilruth Avenue	A1	Merkur Crescent	A1
Beagle Street	A1	Gothenburg Crescent	C1	Mirambeena Street	B1
Bennett Street	C3	Guy Court	C1	Mitchell Street	A2 B2
Blake Street	B1	Guy Street	D1	Mongola Crescent	A1
Briggs Street	B2	Harriet Place	B2	Morinda Street	A2
Buffalo Court	B1 B2	Harry Chan Avenue	C3	Mott Crescent	B2 B3
Burt Street	B1	Harvey Street	C2	Packard Place	A2
Carey Street	C2	Herbert Street	C3	Packard Street	A2
Cavenach Street	B2 C3	Houston Street	A1 A2	Peary Street	A2 B2
Chapel Lane	C3	Huges Avenue	C3 C4	Peel Street	B3
Chin Quan Road	A1	King Street	C1	Queen Street	C1
Church Lane	C3	Kitchener Drive	C3 C4	Ramrez Road	B1
Daly Street	B2	Knuckey Street	C3	Searcy Street	B3 C2
Dashwood Crescent	A2 B2	Lambell Street	A1	Shadforth Lane	B3
Dashwood Place	B2	Larrakeyah Terrace	A2	Shepherd Street	B2 C2
Day Street	B2 C2	Leydin Court	C3 D3	Smith Street	A2 B2 B3 C3
Dinah Beach Road	C1	Lindsay Street	B2 C2	Stuart Highway	C1
Dinah Court	D1	Litchfield Street	C3	Tiger Brennan Woolner Road	C1 D1
Doctors Gully Road	A2	Malabar Street	A1 A2	Tipperary Court	D1
Duke Street	C1	Manoora Street	A2	Voyager Street	C1
Edmunds Street	C2 C3	Manton Street	C2	Warrego Court	A1
Esplanade	A2 B2 C3	Marella Street	A2	West Lane	C3
Finniss Street	B1	Margaret Street	C1	Whitfield Street	B2
Fishermans Place	D2	Marsina Crescent	A1 A2	Winston Avenue	C1
Foelsche Street	C2 C3	Mauna Loa Street	A2	Woods Street	B2 C3
Frances Bay Drive	D2	Mavie Street	D3	Zealandia Crescent	A2