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Darwin is a thriving and prosperous city with lively bars and a wide-ranging cosmopolitan cuisine. This is the gateway to top end outback adventures such as the world heritage Kakadu National Park and Litchfield National Park. Darwin is the most multicultural (75 nationalities) city in Australia with a large indigenous population (25 percent) and a diverse range of immigrants from Asia.

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## THE CITY



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Darwin 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 was virtually rebuilt after being devastated by cyclone Tracy in 1974.

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 young city with a young population and is packed with young travellers during the dry season. Outdoor living is the norm and outdoor activities are its main attraction.

Central Darwin is compact and easily explored on foot, although the suburbs spread out for 12-15 km.

### **Museum & Art Gallery of the Northern Territory**

The museum has a good selection of local artifacts including maritime and natural history exhibits, aboriginal art and a room where you can experience the power of Hurricane Tracy.

Address: Conacher Street, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8999 8264

Internet: [www.magnt.nt.gov.au](http://www.magnt.nt.gov.au)

More Info: Bullocky Point, Fannie Bay

### **Indo-Pacific Marine**

At this tropical aquarium you can admire living coral, sea horses, clown fish and the lethal Box Jellyfish. Indo Pacific Marine also provides unique night tours of the reef include a seafood dinner. The tour is held at the centre.

Address: 29 Stokes Hill Road, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8981 1294

Internet: [www.indopacificmarine.com.au](http://www.indopacificmarine.com.au)

### **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. A great place for sampling a wide range of food from 60 different food stalls including Thai, Malay, Indonesian, Chinese, Indian, and Greek.

There are other markets at Parap (Saturday morning), Rapid Creek (Sunday) and Nightcliff (Sunday).

Address: Mindil Beach, Darwin  
Opening hours: Sunday 4pm-9pm, Thursday 5pm-10pm during April to October.  
Phone: +61 8 8981 3454  
Internet: [www.mindil.com.au](http://www.mindil.com.au)

### **Fish The Top End**

Fishing for Barramundi – Australia's most popular game fish. There are countless companies offering fishing trips.

□ Fish the Top End' is a travel agency offering a wide selection of river and ocean charter fishing.

Address: Casuarina, Darwin  
Opening hours: Open 7 days a week 9am to 9pm  
Phone: +61 8 89457686  
Internet: [www.fishthetopend.com](http://www.fishthetopend.com)  
More Info: [mike@fishthetopend.com](mailto:mike@fishthetopend.com)

### **Crocodylus Park**

Crocodylus Park offers everything you ever wanted to know about crocodiles and then a lot more. They also have a good collection of other Australian animals.

Address: 815 McMillans Road, Berrimah, Darwin  
Opening hours: Open every day from 9am - 5pm, except Christmas Day.  
Phone: +61 8 8922 4500  
Internet: [www.wmi.com.au](http://www.wmi.com.au) / [www.crocodyluspark.com.au](http://www.crocodyluspark.com.au)

### **Outdoor Deck Chair Cinema**

Deckchair Cinema is showing mainly art and non-mainstream films include family favourites, Australian and foreign films in the fresh air. Open from April to November.

Address: Jervois Road, Darwin  
Opening hours: Open 7 nights per week

Phone: +61 8 8981 0700  
Internet: [www.deckchaircinema.com](http://www.deckchaircinema.com)  
More Info: Off Kitchener Drive, Darwin Waterfront

### **Aquascene**

Aquascene gives a unique opportunity to touch and hand-feed sea fish at high tide. There are hundreds of friendly local wild fish swim to the shallow shoreline. This is very popular with children.

Address: 28 Doctors Gully Road, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8981 7837  
Internet: [www.aquascene.com.au](http://www.aquascene.com.au)  
More Info: By the Esplanade

### **The Didgeridoo Hut**

This aboriginal owned and run shop/workshop is half an hour by car down the Arnhem Highway from Darwin. If you ring in advance you may be able to meet and watch artists at work and watch a didgeridoo being made.

Address: 1 Arnhem Highway, Humpty Doo, Northern Territory  
Opening hours: Open 7 Days a week: 9am - 7pm  
Phone: +61 8 8988 4457  
Internet: [www.didgeridoohut.com.au](http://www.didgeridoohut.com.au)

### **Outback and Aboriginal Culture Tours**

Take part in an extraordinary cultural adventure where you will view unique termite mounds and explore many fascinating waterfalls. Amongst the lush national park, the rock holes and waterfalls are the perfect place to take a dip for a refreshing swim on a hot tropical day. Throughout the day you will also have the opportunity to view and touch natural bush resources.

"Northern Territory Indigenous Tours is a wholly indigenous owned, locally based family company specialising in tours of the beautiful Litchfield National Park."

Address: Howard Springs  
Phone: +61 8 8983 1434  
Internet: [www.ntindigenoustours.com](http://www.ntindigenoustours.com)



### **Kakadu National Park**

A 2-3 day trip into Kakadu is a must and should include a boat ride on the Yellow Water Billabong, aboriginal rock paintings at Nourlangie Rock or Ubirr, crocodiles and an endless array of other wildlife.

Address: Kakadu National Park  
Internet: [www.deh.gov.au/parks](http://www.deh.gov.au/parks)

### **Litchfield National Park**

This is a two hour drive and an easy day trip taking in giant termite mounds, bush walking, spectacular waterfalls and swimming in freshwater creeks.

The Jumping Croc excursion is a must do' half-day trip on the Adelaide River, which can also be combined with a Litchfield daytrip.

Address: Litchfield National Park  
Internet: [www.nt.gov.au/nreta/parks](http://www.nt.gov.au/nreta/parks)

### **Katherine Gorge**

Katherine Gorge is world famous, with walls 70 meters high, winding 12 km through the Nitmiluk National Park. There are a total of 13 gorges that were formed 23 million years ago.

Address: Katherine Gorge, Darwin  
Internet: [www.katherinegorge.com](http://www.katherinegorge.com)

### **Fannie Bay**

Fannie Bay lies five minutes from the city centre and is home to the Fannie Bay Sailing Club – great for seafood and sunsets at the racetrack Fannie Bay Goal (1882) with a museum and an old gallows.

Address: Fannie Bay, Darwin

### **Casuarina**

Casuarina is situated 15 minutes from the city centre and has a major shopping centre with cheap eats, clothes and specialty stores. A free shuttle service departs from many city centre hotels every hour on the hour.

Address: Casuarina, Darwin

### **Cullen Bay**

Cullen Bay is the home of Darwin's first Marina and includes trendy restaurants and cafés. It's the place to catch a harbour cruise, book fishing charters or dive tours for marine life and wrecks.

Address: Cullen Bay, Darwin

## **DINING**



Photo: Erik Totten

Australian dining is almost always an easy-going and casual experience, even in smart restaurants. Darwin restaurants have a fabulous range of fresh seafood and its star has to be 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 also have very large 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. Serving mainly modern Australian cuisine with buffet, table d'hote and à la carte service.

Address: Alec Fong Lim Drive, East Point Reserve, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8981 6868  
Internet: [www.peeweess.com.au](http://www.peeweess.com.au)

More Info: 4 km from city centre

### **Hanuman Thai Restaurant**

This attractive restaurant has a great local reputation for authentic Thai and Malaysian food. The chef only uses freshly sourced ingredients and the restaurant has an excellent wine list.

Address: 93 Mitchell Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8941 3500  
Internet: [www.hanuman.com.au](http://www.hanuman.com.au)

### **Lizards Outdoor Bar and Grill**

Enjoy a casual garden dining experience, a place where you can eat modern Australian steak and seafood. There are also some Asian options.

Address: 10 Daly Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8981 6511  
Internet: [www.topendhotel.com.au](http://www.topendhotel.com.au)  
More Info: Located inside The Top End Hotel

### **Yots Café**

Yots is more a restaurant than a simple café, with dining on the boardwalk overlooking the marina. It has an excellent range of modern and traditional Greek cuisine such as mousaka and Greek salad. They also serve fresh seafood.

Address: 54 Marine Boulevard, Cullen Bay, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8981 4433  
Internet: [www.yots.com.au](http://www.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 selling beer and wine.

Address: Stokes Hill Wharf, Darwin

### **Pizza Pasta Pasta Pizza**

This Italian owned restaurant offers traditional Italian fare in a simple, casual setting. It also has a take away service. It is located in the heart of Darwin city next to the Crocosaurus complex.

Address: 58 Mitchell Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8981 2680  
Internet: [www.pizzapasta.com.au](http://www.pizzapasta.com.au)

### **The Bent Bull Bar and Grill**

The Bent Bull Bar and Grill is a roundhouse located in Emerald Springs. It offers a full pub-style menu and serves breakfast, lunch and dinner. A local favourite is the mixed grill. There are also mouth-watering desserts like lemon meringue pie and homemade ice cream.

Address: Portion 721 Stuart Highway, Emerald Springs, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8976 1169  
Internet: [www.emeraldsprings.com.au](http://www.emeraldsprings.com.au)

### **Hingston Chinese Restaurant**

This busy eatery serves fresh and tasty Chinese food. It is claimed to be one of the best Chinese Restaurants in Darwin. The menu has a wide selection of dishes such as beef with black bean sauce, Mongolian lamb on hot plate and Peking duck.

Address: 53 Yanyula Drive, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8927 8088  
Internet: [www.hingstonnt.com](http://www.hingstonnt.com)  
More Info: Shop 1, Anula Shopping Centre

### **Moorish Café**

Moorish Café 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. Here you can eat tapas and main dishes like Portuguese seafood and roasted duck leg.

Address: 37 Knuckey Street, Darwin  
Opening hours: Monday to Friday 10am - 2.30pm and 6pm - late, Saturday 10am - late  
Phone: +61 8 8981 0010  
Internet: [www.moorishcafe.com.au](http://www.moorishcafe.com.au)

## Char

Looking for an intimate dinner for two or a long business lunch, then restaurant Char might be the place for you! The restaurant delivers a unique dining experience by serving innovative cuisine which is made of fresh local produce. In addition there are both international and local wines to enjoy.

Address: Knuckey Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8981 4544  
Internet: [www.charrestaurant.com.au](http://www.charrestaurant.com.au)  
More Info: Corner The Esplanade and Knuckey Street

## Saffron

If you would like to eat Indian food, head over to restaurant Saffron. The menu features delights from north and south India as well as delicacies from the tandoori oven. This is an award-winning, sustainably- certified restaurant.

Address: 14/34 Parap Road, Darwin  
Opening hours: Lunch Tue to Fri from 11.30am - 2 pm, Dinner Tue to Sun from 6.00pm - Late  
Phone: +61 8 8981 2383  
Internet: [www.saffron.com](http://www.saffron.com)

## Thailicious

At Thailicious you can eat mouth-watering food in a unique ambience - on the rooftop overlooking the city! The chef has been preparing modern and traditional Thai cuisine for over 9 years.

Address: Mitchell Street, Darwin  
Opening hours: Mon to Sat 5.30pm - late, Sunday Closed  
Phone: +61 8 8941 9966  
Internet: [www.thailicious.com.au](http://www.thailicious.com.au)  
More Info: Level 1 Transit Centre, Shop 26/69

## il Piatto

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

Address: Gilruth Avenue, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8943 8940  
Internet: [www.skycitydarwin.com.au](http://www.skycitydarwin.com.au)  
More Info: Skycity Darwin, Gilruth Avenue, The Gardens

## Hot Tamale

Hot Tamale is a Mexican restaurant that burst with bold and complex flavours. The restaurant has a fresh, intense and vibrant ambience. This restaurant offers authentic Mexican food and beverage like beer and tequila.

Address: F2/19 Kitchener Dr, Darwin  
Opening hours: Mon to Sun 12pm - Late  
Phone: +61 8 8981 5471  
Internet: [www.hottamale.net.au](http://www.hottamale.net.au)

## Monsoons

The restaurant Monsoons has a perfect location on the vibrant Mitchell Street. It used to be a cinema but now restored into a food 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.

Address: 46 Mitchell Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8941 7171  
Internet: [www.monsoons.net.au](http://www.monsoons.net.au)

## CAFES



*Photo: Erik Totten*

Darwin has plenty of cosy cafés to choose from, so whether you fancy a long and relaxing brunch, a quick coffee or an afternoon drink—it is all here situated on the street corners or in the small alleyways.

### Roma Bar

This café opened its door in 1973 and has a funky modern style. Roma Bar is popular for its great Aussie breakfast and genuine espresso coffee.

Address: 9-11 Cavenagh Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8981 6729  
Internet: [www.romabar.com.au](http://www.romabar.com.au)

### The Banyan Tree

Opens at 5.30am and is a popular breakfast stop for travellers off on early start excursions. Typical daily lunchtime specials include cottage pie and beef stroganoff.

Address: 14 Mitchell Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8981 8577

### Salvatores

This is a small café 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.

Address: 800/21 Smith Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8941 9823  
Internet: [www.salvatorescafe.com](http://www.salvatorescafe.com)  
More Info: Knuckey Street/Smith Street

### Cavenagh Café

An attractive poolside café located in a mainly backpackers hotel. Serves mostly Mediterranean style food and casual snacks such as bowls of nachos, and accompanied by loud music.

Address: 12 Cavenagh Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8941 6383  
More Info: The Cavenagh Hotel

### Café 21

This is a good central Darwin location for alfresco dining away from traffic. It is a popular morning coffee and lunchtime venue. The staff is also serving beer.

Address: 21 Smith Street Mall, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8942 3111  
Internet: [www.cafe21.com.au](http://www.cafe21.com.au)

### Bar Zushi

This restaurant is part of a national chain and serves traditional Japanese cuisine including sushi, sashimi, teriyaki and bento boxes. Bar Zushi is located at Casuarina Shopping Square.

Address: 247 Trower Road, Casuarina, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8945 7622  
Internet: [www.barzushi.com](http://www.barzushi.com)  
More Info: Casuarina Shopping Square

## BARS & NIGHTLIFE



*Photo: Andrew Turner*

Darwin has always had a reputation for playing hard, and now young travellers keep up the tradition, especially on the weekends. Just about every pub also serves food and some have rather extensive menus.

In recent years, Darwin has become very cosmopolitan with fabulous multicultural markets, shopping centres, casinos, nightclubs, a smorgasbord of restaurants and – of course – pubs galore.

### Shenannigans

This is a classic Irish theme pub serving Guinness and Kilkenney on tap with an air-conditioned interior and a large street-side veranda. Serves up a filling Irish stew along with regular live music.

Address: 69 Mitchell Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8981 2100  
Internet: [www.shenannigans.com.au](http://www.shenannigans.com.au)

### Squires Tavern

At Squires Tavern you can take a tasty drink in a quiet and relaxing venue. There is also a beer garden if the weather is nice. The bar offers a wide selection of beers on tap and an impressive wine list.

Address: 3 Edmunds Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8981 9761  
Internet: [www.squiestavern.com.au](http://www.squiestavern.com.au)

### The Cavenagh

The Cavenagh has a funky 70's retro look and live music

on Sundays. It serves food and has a large cocktail menu. There is comfy seating in smoking or non-smoking sections, and a deck area with a swimming pool in the garden.

Address: 12 Cavenagh Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8941 6383  
Internet: [www.thecavenagh.com](http://www.thecavenagh.com)

### Darwin Sailing Club

This is not an up-market sailing club, but it is one of the best places to sip a quiet drink and watch the sunset over the Indian Ocean. It is also a popular alfresco dining option.

Address: Atkins Drive, Fannie Bay, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8981 1700  
Internet: [www.dwnsail.com.au](http://www.dwnsail.com.au)

### Jabiru Bar

Its internal tropical cocktail bar is 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.

Address: 100 Esplanade, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8941 0755  
More Info: Located inside Novotel hotel

### Sky City

This hotel/resort has a beautiful beachside location with several restaurants and bars. Ranging from fine dining to bargain eating options and has the only full casino in the Northern Territory.

Address: Gilruth Avenue, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8943 8888  
Internet: [www.skycitydarwin.com.au](http://www.skycitydarwin.com.au)

### Darwin Entertainment Centre

This is the city's main concert venue and located in the heart of Darwin's central business district. The Darwin Entertainment Centre offers more formal evenings out watching plays, ballet, cabaret and concerts.

Address: 93 Mitchell Street, Darwin



Phone: +61 8 8980 3366  
Internet: [www.yourcentre.com.au](http://www.yourcentre.com.au)

## SHOPPING



*Photo: Ken Hodge*

Darwin is no great shakes as a designer shopping venue except in terms of outback necessities and aboriginal artifacts. There are no large department stores, although they can be found in the nearby Casuarina shopping mall. Darwin's main shopping streets are Mitchell Street and the parallel pedestrian precinct of Smith Street.

Mitchell Street is mainly tour excursion shops, cafés, bars, Internet cafés, aboriginal art and artifacts and a few other miscellaneous shops. There is also the air-conditioned Mitchell Street Shopping Mall with stores selling jewellery, mobile phones, clothes, photographic equipment and toys along with Cole's 24 hour supermarket.

The Smith Street pedestrian precinct is a more relaxing retail environment with fountains, outdoor cafés, bookshops, shoe shops and tourist stores. Unique local specialty buys include the rare pink diamonds from the Argyle Diamond mine at Creative Jewelers, south sea pearls from Paspaley Pearls and crocodile fashion accessories (locally farmed) from di Croco.

A few minutes' walk from Smith Street is the NT General Store in Cavenagh Street. This huge store is the best place to buy all your camping, hiking and other outdoor necessities for exploring the harsh Aussie outback.

## ACCOMMODATIONS



*Photo: Kimble Young*

Whether you are planning a romantic holiday, family trip, special weekend or a business meeting, rest assured, you will find a place that appeals to you. Darwin offers a wide range of accommodation to suit all needs, a diverse collection of five- star luxury hotels, motels, bed and breakfast and comfortable backpacker and budget accommodation.

### Sky City

Sky City is a 5-star boutique hotel situated close to from the CBD. This is a smart beachside resort hotel with several restaurants, golf course, casino and an infinity swimming pool.

Address: Gilruth Avenue, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8943 8888  
Internet: [www.skycitydarwin.com.au](http://www.skycitydarwin.com.au)

### Darwin Central Hotel

The brightly coloured, seven-story Darwin Central hotel is a funky boutique style hotel located in the centre of town. There is a trendy feel to it, and it has a small plunge pool and breakfast is at an adjacent franchise establishment.

Address: 21 Knuckey Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8944 9000  
Internet: [www.darwincentral.com.au](http://www.darwincentral.com.au)

### Value Inn

Value Inn is a budget hotel and located in the heart of the vibrant Mitchell Street. This hotel has its own Internet café, bar, pool and off street parking.

Address: 50 Mitchell Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8981 4733  
Internet: [www.valueinn.com.au](http://www.valueinn.com.au)

### **Chillis Backpackers**

This refurbished hostel has double and dorm rooms as well as a bar, restaurant and pool. Chillis Backpackers has a friendly atmosphere and situated right in the city centre.

Address: 69 Mitchell Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8941 9722  
Internet: [www.chillis.com.au](http://www.chillis.com.au)

### **Cullen Bay Apartments**

Located in a quiet and attractive suburb although not so centrally located for the shops and nightlife of central Darwin. Some rooms have excellent sea views and there is a pool. There are self contained 1 and 2 bedroom apartments available.

Address: 26 Marina Boulevard, Cullen Bay, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8981 7999  
Internet: [www.cullenbayapts.com.au](http://www.cullenbayapts.com.au)

### **Hilton Darwin**

Pamper yourself with a luxurious stay at this 5-star hotel with an ideal location in the heart of the city. It has beautiful views over the Darwin Harbour. The spacious guest rooms are with modern and comforting amenities. You will have free access to an outdoor swimming pool (on 10th floor) and a fitness centre. In addition there is a restaurant and bar on-site at this hotel.

Address: 32 Mitchell Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8982 0000  
Internet: [www3.hilton.com](http://www3.hilton.com)

### **The Leprechaun Resort**

The Leprechaun Resort is a 3-star resort and located 7 km from Darwin city centre. Stay in one of the 41 rooms with a modern and sleek look. The resort features an outdoor swimming pool and 2 BBQ areas.

Address: 378 Stuart Highway, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8984 3400

Internet: [www.theleprechaunresort.com](http://www.theleprechaunresort.com)

### **Quest Parap**

Quest Parap is situated only 5 minutes' drive from Darwin CBD and is a 4, 5-star accommodation. It features 84 stylish studios, one, two and three bedroom apartments. Each apartments boast spacious living and dining areas, fully equipped kitchens and balconies.

Address: 49 Parap Road, Parap, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8919 8100  
Internet: [www.questapartments.com.au](http://www.questapartments.com.au)

### **Youth Shack Backpackers Darwin**

If you are looking for a budget alternative, head over to this hostel. It has an ideal location in Darwin's tourist and central business district which means close to main attractions, shopping centres, pubs and beaches. This is a hostel with modern comforts and provides facilities such as an outdoor swimming pool, a bar and a sun terrace.

Address: 69 Mitchell Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 1300 793 302  
Internet: [www.youthshack.com.au](http://www.youthshack.com.au)

### **Vibe Hotel Darwin Waterfront**

With a beautiful location on the waterfront, this 4-star hotel offers stunning views. At this hotel guests can unwind in a deckchair and watch a movie at the "Deckchair Cinema". The well-appointed hotel rooms feature a fresh and exciting décor and come with modern amenities.

Address: 7 Kitchener Drive, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8982 9998  
Internet: [www.vibehotels.com.au](http://www.vibehotels.com.au)

### **Palms City Resort**

Palms City Resort is surrounded by lush tropical gardens and situated in the picturesque Esplanade in the heart of Darwin CBD. It offers you a relaxing oasis with top facilities and services like a 24 hour reception and a swimming pool. The air-conditioned villas and rooms are furnished with fresh colours.

Address: 64 The Esplanade, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8982 9200  
Internet: [www.palmscityresort.com](http://www.palmscityresort.com)

### **Paravista Motel**

This small and inexpensive motel is conveniently located on a quiet street just off the Stuart Highway. Each room features air conditioning, a satellite TV, free WiFi and a private balcony. There is also access to a shared kitchen and laundry facilities.

Address: 5 MacKillop Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8981 9200  
Internet: [www.paravistamotel.com.au](http://www.paravistamotel.com.au)

### **Mantra Pandanas**

Stay in a contemporary apartment-style accommodation with a breath-taking view of the city or beautiful Darwin Harbour. There are 336 stylish hotel rooms, studios, one and two bedroom apartments. All apartments include a fully equipped kitchenette.

Address: 43 Knuckey Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8901 2900  
Internet: [www.mantrapandanas.com.au](http://www.mantrapandanas.com.au)

### **Poinciana Inn**

When staying at Poinciana Inn the guests will have close to shopping, business and entertainment centre. It is rated as a 3, 5 star hotel and offers friendly service. Facilities like an outdoor pool and a barbecue area can be used at the site. The rooms include free WiFi and a private balcony with city views.

Address: 84 Mitchell Street, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8981 8111  
Internet: [www.poincianainn.com.au](http://www.poincianainn.com.au)  
More Info: Corner Mitchell and McLachlan Streets

### **Novotel Atrium Darwin**

Novotel Atrium Darwin overlooks the Darwin Harbour and is set in the city centre. This 4-star hotel is boasting 140 spacious rooms and features a magnificent tropical indoor rainforest, an outdoor swimming pool and a spa. In

addition there is an on-site bar and restaurant at this hotel.

Address: 100 The Esplanade, Darwin  
Phone: +61 8 8941 0755  
Internet: [www.accorhotels.com](http://www.accorhotels.com)

## **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**



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### **Airport**

Darwin International Airport (DIA) is located 13 km from the city centre, around 15 minutes' drives.

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. Arrange airport transfers by telephone or from the hotel reception. Darwin Airport Shuttle bus (\$29.00 return) meets all flights.

[www.darwinairportshuttle.com.au](http://www.darwinairportshuttle.com.au)  
+61 8 8981 5066

A taxi rank is located at the front of the Terminal and costs about \$25-30 to the city centre.

Address: Darwin International Airport, Darwin

Phone: +61 8 8920 1811

Internet: [www.darwinairport.com.au](http://www.darwinairport.com.au)

More Info: Prices updated July 2013

### Public transport

Darwinbus is the main public transport network in Darwin, incorporating bus and ferry transport in Darwin. Bus interchanges are located at Harry Chan Place in Darwin, Bradshaw Drive at Casuarina Shopping Square in Casuarina, and corner of Temple Terrace and Roystonea Avenue in Palmerston.

Tickets can be bought when boarding the bus - drivers carry limited change so try to ensure you have the correct fare. You can also buy your ticket at any of the Interchanges in Darwin, Casuarina or Palmerston. Ticket price for 1 adult is \$3.00 (unlimited bus travel for 3 hours).

Phone: +61 8 8924 7531

Internet: [www.nt.gov.au/transport](http://www.nt.gov.au/transport)

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### Campervans

Apollo Motorhomes offers a wide range of quality rental campervans and hire cars at very competitive prices in Australia and New Zealand. All the campervans and motorhomes in their fleet are modern and well-appointed.

Phone: +61 7 3265 9200

Internet: [www.apollocamper.com](http://www.apollocamper.com)

### Taxi

City Radio Taxis

+61 8 8981 3777

[www.radiotaxi.com.au](http://www.radiotaxi.com.au)

Darwin Radio Taxis

+61 131 008

People Movers NT - Mini-Bus Service

+61 8 8983 2111

[www.peoplemoversnt.com.au](http://www.peoplemoversnt.com.au)

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

### Post

The Post Office

Address: 48 Cavenagh Street, Darwin

Opening hours: Monday-Friday 9.00am-5.00pm,

Saturday 9.00am-12.30pm, Sunday Closed

Internet: [www.auspost.com.au](http://www.auspost.com.au)

### Pharmacy

Better Health Pharmacies is located :

Shop 4, Mitchell Centre 55-59

Corner Knuckey Street & Mitchell Street

Address: Mitchell Street, Darwin

Opening hours: Monday - Friday: 8.30am-6pm Sat: 9am-5pm Sun: 10am-3pm

Phone: +61 8 8981 4442

Internet: [www.betterhealthpharmacies.com.au](http://www.betterhealthpharmacies.com.au)

More Info: [mitchell@betterhealthpharmacies.com.au](mailto:mitchell@betterhealthpharmacies.com.au)

### Telephone

Country code: +61

Area code: 08

### Electricity

240 V

### Tips

Don't swim in Darwin waters between Oct-May because of the deadly Box Jellyfish. Also beware of saltwater crocodiles.





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