

SPACE TO *think*



DARWIN  
CONVENTION  
CENTRE

# WELCOME TO DARWIN NORTHERN AUSTRALIA

Darwin, the spectacular tropical capital city of Australia's Northern Territory, is a dynamic, unique and ideal destination for your next conference or business event.

Darwin is a naturally beautiful city set on a stunning harbour peninsula. With its lush tropical parklands, turquoise water, striking coastal scenery, modern city skyline, wonderful waterfront precinct and blazing sunsets, Darwin is a dazzling dream come true for those lucky enough to experience it.

Darwin itself is a vibrant, modern metropolis with a thriving business culture based on innovation and enterprise.

Thanks to its strategic location at the spectacular Top End of Australia, close access to Asia and ongoing development of its many natural assets, Darwin has developed considerable strategic strengths across the fields of agribusiness, tropical health, mining, international education, oil and gas, renewable energy, tourism and defence.

So it's no wonder Darwin attracts so many visionary leaders and entrepreneurial organisations from other countries to its shores.

Darwin is also home to a diverse mix of more than 60 cultures, including the area's traditional owners, the Larrakia people, who themselves have historically enjoyed close relationships with both the sea and regional neighbours they traded with. This amazing diversity is reflected in Darwin's welcoming customs, multicultural fare, exciting cultural festivals and array of colourful weekly markets.

With its year-round tropical weather, relaxed outdoor lifestyle, thriving business environment and quintessential Top End adventures, Darwin promises to offer delegates space to think, opportunities to learn and time to network.





## THE TOP 10 FOR THE TOP END

- 1** | Unique Top End experiences
- 2** | 4-hour flight time from many Australian and South East Asian cities
- 3** | Ultra-professional team who deliver outstanding events
- 4** | First-class food and exceptional service
- 5** | Resort-like setting with tropical weather year-round
- 6** | Modern, world-class conferencing and exhibition facilities
- 7** | 22,900 square metres of flexible space under one roof
- 8** | Stunning waterfront setting
- 9** | Close to city accommodation, shops and restaurants
- 10** | Exciting pre- and post-touring opportunities  
(Including Kakadu and Litchfield national parks)

Photo: Aboriginal Rock Art, Kakadu National Park

# A STRATEGIC *location*

Darwin is Australia's northern-most capital city and is very close to South East Asia.

In just three to five hours' flying time, delegates from across Australia and Asia can converge at Darwin's central and convenient location.



**DENPASAR**  
2hrs 41 mins

**SINGAPORE**  
4hrs 40 mins

**SHENZHEN**  
5hrs 30 mins

**DARWIN  
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**  
15 mins drive from CBD



 **PERTH**  
3hrs 35 mins

**ADELAIDE**  
3hrs 55 mins

**SYDNEY**  
4hrs 20 mins

**MELBOURNE**  
4hrs 20 mins

**BRISBANE**   
3hrs 55 mins



\*Approximate average flight time from Australian capital cities.

# ENJOY THE DARWIN ADVANTAGE

The Darwin Convention Centre is only a two-minute drive or easy 10 minute walk from the city hotels. Take the elevated sky bridge and glass-walled lift down into the Darwin Waterfront precinct.



**SKY BRIDGE**  
connection to the CBD

**DARWIN CONVENTION CENTRE**

**3,200 ROOMS**  
within  
15 minutes

**DARWIN CBD**

**SANDY BEACH LAGOON**

**WAVE LAGOON**

**SHOPS RESTAURANTS AND CAFES**

**Future WESTIN DARWIN HOTEL**

**STOKES HILL WHARF**

**ACCOMMODATION**

**DARWIN CRUISE SHIP TERMINAL**

# DEVELOPING THE NORTH

Representing 40% of the Australian land mass, northern Australia provides vast natural resources and connections across the tropics, along with the untouched land, skills and institutions the wider Asia Pacific region needs.

‘Developing the North’ is a long-term Australian Government strategy to unlock northern Australia’s full potential and opportunities. This comprehensive blueprint encompasses building priority roads, developing water resources, increasing agricultural production, creating new export markets, developing a sustainable workforce and ensuring effective governance arrangements.

The strategy aims to build a strong and prosperous economy by leveraging the strengths and advantages of this enormous region.

Darwin and the Top End offer world-leading expertise in the specialist fields of:

- Tourism
- Oil and gas
- Mining
- Indigenous health
- Tropical knowledge
- Food and agribusiness
- International Education
- Renewable Energy.



# TOP END *experience*

Darwin is refreshingly unique as a business events destination. This vibrant, contemporary city offers your delegates amazing Top End experiences and attractions to enjoy and explore.

Learn about Australia's fascinating defence history, relax on a scenic harbour cruise, hold a baby saltwater crocodile, dine at an alfresco waterfront restaurant, watch the glorious sun set into the ocean, take in a movie at the open-air cinema, indulge in multicultural fare and be entertained at the Mindil Beach Sunset Markets. There's so much to see and do in Darwin.

From onsite entertainment and small-group activities to offsite excursions and private touring, the Top End offers an impressive range of exciting and unique sightseeing experiences.



Photo: Ubirr Rock Sunset, Kakadu National Park

## PRE AND POST TOURING

There aren't many places in the world where you fish in tropical waters, canoe through magnificent gorges, dive into crystal clear waterholes, marvel at indigenous rock art, and trek, walk, ride or drive through some of Australia's most diverse landscapes.

### **KAKADU NATIONAL PARK**

Experience the magic of Kakadu National Park with its cascading waterfalls, rugged escarpments, aboriginal rock art, giant crocodiles and exotic bird life. With a World Heritage-listed national park as your playground, the options are endless and so are the views.

### **LITCHFIELD NATIONAL PARK**

Get set for a real adventure and to connect with nature at Litchfield National Park. At just over an hour from Darwin it's a favourite day trip with its waterfalls and waterholes, bushwalks, four-wheel drive tracks, birds and wildlife.

### **NITMULUK NATIONAL PARK (KATHERINE)**

Katherine is where the outback meets the tropics. Discover a region full of gorges, misty waterfalls, thermal springs and ancient Aboriginal culture. Nature comes alive at Nitmuluk Gorge as you cruise, canoe or fly along the Gorge by helicopter. Take a more challenging route and hike the Jatbula Trail, or if it's luxury you are after, stay at Cicada Lodge.

### **ARNHEM LAND**

Escape to one of Australia's last true wilderness areas. Arnhem Land's scenery is beautiful and diverse, including rugged coastlines, sandy beaches and remote island escapes, rivers teeming with fish, towering escarpments and Garig Gunak National Park.



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## EXPERIENCE ABORIGINAL CULTURE

Connect with the Larrakia people—the traditional owners of this land—through a cultural performance or an Indigenous cultural workshop. Within three hours' drive of Darwin, delegates can take in the natural beauty and wildlife adventures at the World Heritage-listed Kakadu National Park and in 1.5 hours at Litchfield National Park.

Admire the dramatic beauty of cascading waterfalls, cool down in tranquil rock pools, spot wildlife on a scenic wetlands cruise, experience the thrill of catching a wild barramundi, see the jumping crocodiles or learn about Aboriginal rock art.

## WARM ALL YEAR ROUND

Darwin enjoys a tropical climate with warm weather year-round. There are two main seasons: the 'wet' and the 'dry'. The daily temperature averages 32 degrees Celsius all year, but subtle changes occur throughout these seasons. A summer wardrobe and shoes are essential.



## STAY IN STYLE

Darwin has accommodation options and rate categories to suit conferences of any size or style.

Delegates staying in city properties can quickly and easily walk to the Darwin Convention Centre via the elevated sky bridge and through the picturesque Waterfront Precinct. Or a custom shuttle bus service or taxis can look after door-to-door transfers to suit your conference timetable.

**3,200 hotel rooms, serviced suites and apartments within 15 minutes walk.**

# TROPICAL waterfront



**The Darwin Convention Centre is the spectacular centrepiece of the picturesque Darwin Waterfront precinct.**

This vibrant, stylish enclave offers high-quality accommodation, upmarket shops and eateries, a sheltered sandy beach, Wave Lagoon, pleasant walkways and lush parkland—all right on the doorstep of the Darwin Convention Centre.

The Waterfront Precinct hosts lively events and festivals on weekends and is also a popular spot for exercise. The Centre overlooks Darwin Harbour, which is active with commercial and leisure craft year-round.

The beautiful resort-like setting, blue, sunny skies and the leisurely Darwin ambience all help take delegates away from the usual hustle and bustle of big cities. Instead, they find themselves more relaxed with more mind space to concentrate on the conference agenda.

The serene waterfront setting allows delegates to combine business with leisure and pleasure: head out for a morning walk and soak up the views, do yoga in the park or swim in the recreation lagoon or the hotel pool.

The excellent alfresco dining options, cafes and bars overlooking the water are ideal for connecting and networking or simply unwinding at the end of the day.

The Waterfront Precinct is within an easy 10-minute walk of Darwin city via the elevated sky bridge.

The Darwin Waterfront is home to the Charles Darwin University Business School campus and the Adina and Vibe hotels. The new 5-star Darwin Westin hotel will also be located in the precinct.

# WORLD CLASS *Venue*

The Darwin Convention Centre is world-renowned as Darwin's premier business events venue.

Managed by global venue management specialists ASM Global, this modern, award-winning facility offers a range of multi-purpose and flexible event spaces to accommodate up to 1,200 conference delegates.

Take advantage of the stunning tropical setting, eternally warm weather and magnificent sunset over the harbour for your own specially themed outdoor event.

The Centre can host large conferences, high-profile business summits, interactive public and trade exhibitions, awards ceremonies and gala dinners, themed outdoor cocktail functions, concerts by touring performing artists, sporting events and demonstrations, fashion parades and bespoke, intimate dinners.

Whatever the occasion, the professional, expert team at the Darwin Convention Centre are ready to work with you to create an outstanding, memorable event.



**23,000**  
SQUARE METRES OF  
MULTI-PURPOSE SPACE

**1,200**  
SEAT TIERED  
AUDITORIUM

**225**  
EXHIBITION  
BOOTH SPACES

**1,200**  
DELEGATES FOR AN OUTDOOR  
COCKTAIL PARTY

**4,000**  
SPECIAL EVENT PATRONS  
UNDER ONE ROOF

**4,000**  
SQUARE METRES  
OF HALL SPACE

**7**  
CONCURRENT  
MEETING SPACES

**228**  
ONSITE UNDERGROUND  
CAR PARK SPACES

# SPACE TO *think*



## **1,200 SEAT AUDITORIUM**

Ideal for conferences, presentations, concerts, awards and graduation ceremonies, this is a formal setting with tiered seating for up to 1,200. It can be divided into two equal spaces.

## **OUTDOOR EVENTS**

Host a spectacular outdoor event and enjoy the glorious warm weather, waterfront view and stunning sunset. The external spaces are great for gala banquet dinners, cocktail functions and tropical market-themed events.

## **WATERFRONT ROOMS**

Operable walls provide flexibility to have up to three individual spaces on Level Two. These rooms can be beautifully themed for gala dinners, weddings, meetings and seminars.

## **SPACIOUS FOYERS**

Enjoy spectacular harbour views from the large, light-filled foyer spaces on all three levels. Suitable for morning and afternoon tea breaks, buffet luncheons, pre-dinner drinks and cocktail receptions.

## **MEETING ROOMS**

Our multi-functional meeting rooms with presentation facilities are designed for small and medium-sized meetings spaces. Rooms can be divided into two or four spaces.

## **HALLS**

With a combined area of 4,000 square metres of column-free space, or easily divided into three separate spaces. The four halls are perfect for medium to large functions like exhibitions, conferences, gala dinners and special events.

# YOU BECOME THE MAIN EVENT

## **CLEVER, COORDINATED EVENT SOLUTIONS**

Our dedicated event planners will work with you to create an event to suit your conference theme and budget. Our experienced planners will carefully coordinate every detail and element of your event with the Centre's internal departments and external stakeholders and suppliers to ensure a minimum of fuss and worry for you and your team and deliver an outstanding event experience for your delegates.

## **COOL, CALM AND CONNECTED**

Darwin Convention Centre's leading-edge, integrated technology ensures maximum connectivity for your delegates. Interactive multimedia technology, wireless internet, networking solutions and digital signage are all on hand to keep your conference well connected 24/7.

## **MAJOR PRODUCTIONS, MINOR CONCERNS**

The Centre's expert in-house production team will bring in-depth knowledge and innovative ideas to your lighting, sound and imaging. From basic data projection to custom-designed production, our hardworking technicians will ensure the end result is dynamic, eye-catching and within your budget.

## **SHOW YOUR BRAND IN ITS BEST LIGHT**

The entire Centre can be themed exclusively for your event with conference, corporate or sponsor branding, creating a striking and memorable impact on your audience.

## **SPECIAL NEEDS ACCESS**

All public areas are wheelchair accessible, and there are disabled car parking spaces close to the Centre's lifts. A wireless hearing augmentation system and Braille directional signage are in place throughout the Centre.

## **THE HIGHEST STANDARDS**

We work hard to maintain the highest possible quality standards.

The Centre is ISO 9001 accredited and has been awarded the International Association of Congress Centre's (AIPC) Gold Quality Standards Certification.



# OUTSTANDING *dining*

Whether catering for a boardroom luncheon or hosting a gala banquet dinner, the Darwin Convention Centre prides itself on delivering an outstanding dining experience.

We aim to always produce the very best in terms of quality, variety and service. The Centre's menus include local and regional specialties to showcase our unique Top End and also feature flavours, recipes and ingredients from around the world.

We take full advantage of Darwin's amazing market-fresh fruit and vegetables and fresh, sustainably caught local seafood such as wild barramundi, tiger prawns and mud crabs.

Our talented team of chefs' innovative menus and signature dishes cater for individual tastes and budgets. We can create a bespoke menu to match your occasion or special dietary requirements.



# AUDITORIUM

The Auditorium has 1,200 tiered seats and can be divided into two equal spaces. Additional seats can be added to the floor if required. The Auditorium is ideal for conferences, presentations, concerts, awards and graduation ceremonies.







# HALLS

The four Halls have a combined area of 4,000 square metres of column-free space. They can be divided in three separate spaces. The Halls are ideal for functions such as exhibitions, conferences, gala dinners and special events.

# WATERFRONT ROOMS

The Waterfront Rooms are located on level two and have operable walls which provide the flexibility to have up to three individual spaces to best suit your requirements. These rooms can be beautifully themed for gala dinners, meetings and seminars.

# MEETING ROOMS

Four multi-functional Meeting Rooms are conveniently located on the ground level of the Centre and are fitted with presentation facilities. The rooms are ideal for small and medium-sized meetings and functions and can be divided into two or four spaces.

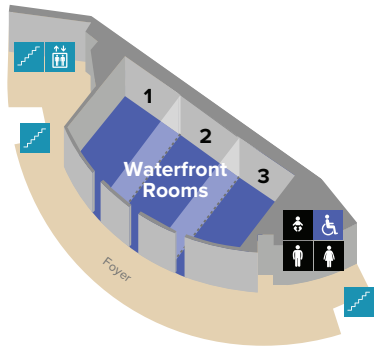


# CAPACITY CHART

	VENUE	AREA		CAPACITIES					Trade booths 3m x 3m
		Metres <sup>2</sup>	Feet <sup>2</sup>	Theater 	Classroom 	Cabaret 	Banquet 	Cocktail 	
Lectern Only	Auditorium 1 & 2	669	7,024	1,236	-	-	-	-	-
	Auditorium 1	334	3,507	618	-	-	-	-	-
	Auditorium 2	335	3,517	618	-	-	-	-	-
	Meeting Rooms 1 & 2	148	1,554	156	84	96	100	170	-
	Meeting Rooms 3 & 4	148	1,554	156	84	96	100	170	-
	Meeting Room 1	63	661	64	30	40	40	70	-
Lectern Only	Meeting Room 2	85	892	82	40	48	60	100	-
	Meeting Room 3	85	892	82	40	48	60	100	-
	Meeting Room 4	63	661	64	30	40	40	70	-
	Waterfront Rooms 1, 2 & 3	429	4,621	463	258	216	300	600	28
	Waterfront Rooms 1 & 2	284	3,062	278	141	144	180	420	19
	Waterfront Rooms 2 & 3	284	3,067	278	141	144	180	420	19
Allowance for Stage (12 m x 4.8 m)	Waterfront Room 1	142	1,530	134	69	72	90	210	9
	Waterfront Room 2	141	1,519	144	72	72	90	210	9
	Waterfront Room 3	143	1,547	134	69	72	90	210	9
	Halls 1, 2, 3 & 4	4,000	42,000	3,660	-	2,024	2,740	4,700	225
	Halls 1, 2 & 3	2,800	29,400	2,420	-	1,344	1,820	3,230	157
	Halls 1 & 2 or 3 & 4	2,000	21,000	1,560	-	920	1,150	2,200	112
	Hall 1	1,200	12,600	800	-	448	530	1,200	68
Hall 2	800	8,400	630	-	360	440	700	45	
Hall 3	800	8,400	630	-	360	440	700	45	
Hall 4	1,200	12,600	920	-	544	580	1,200	68	

# FLOOR PLAN

## LEVEL 2



## LEVEL 1



## GROUND LEVEL



- Toilets
- Baby Change
- Accessible Toilets
- Stairs
- Escalators
- Lift
- Cafe/Bar
- Pay Phone
- Operable walls

The following rooms can be divided:

**Auditorium:** into two equal spaces

**Halls 1 – 4:** into three spaces

**Meeting Rooms:** into two or four spaces

**Waterfront Rooms:** into three spaces

Take a virtual tour of our event spaces  
and the Darwin Waterfront Precinct:

[www.darwinconvention.com.au/  
thecentre/virtualtour](http://www.darwinconvention.com.au/thecentre/virtualtour)





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