



JOB DESCRIPTION: What you need to know

Wayward Bus is part of the Adventure Tours Australia Group. The Group includes Australia's leading small group tour brands – [Adventure Tours Australia](#) , [Oz Experience](#), [Outback Safaris](#) and Wayward Bus. All companies provide award winning nature based holiday experiences all over Australia. Upon being a successful applicant you could work for any of these companies and styles of travel.

This is a unique opportunity for suitably qualified people to work at the frontline of Australian Tourism around iconic sites such as Uluru and Kata Tjuta. Full training is provided.

What does it take to be a tour guide?

We are looking for people with excellent people skills, a commitment to sustainable tourism, dedication and resourcefulness. Experience in the hospitality and tourism industry is a bonus, but not a requirement. We are also looking for people with a variety of life experience, so don't be shy, tell us everything. Tour guiding is hard work, but don't let that deter you; it's an incredibly rewarding job and fun too!

Essential Requirements

- Ideally aged between 21 and 40 years
- Australian citizen or permanent resident
- Fluent in spoken and written English
- A clean driving record
- Drivers License: minimum "C" class with a desire to upgrade to a Light Rigid (We can assist you with driver training and licence upgrade in Alice Springs).
- Northern Territory "H" endorsement or Interstate Driver's Authority (or a desire to obtain. We will assist you in obtaining your "H" Endorsement in Alice Springs. Approx cost. \$136.00)
- Excellent interpersonal skills
- Face-to-face customer service experience
- Enjoy solving problems
- Punctuality and ability to work under pressure
- Potential leadership qualities and good time management skills
- Senior Level First Aid Certificate. This must be an Australian qualification (please obtain this before arrival in Alice Springs)
- Willingness to relocate at your own expense to base in Alice Springs.
- Willingness to commit to a comprehensive two week training program
- Willingness to commit to a minimum 6 month period of continuous employment

Desirable Requirements

- Previous tour guiding experience
- Experience in driving heavy vehicles
- Sound knowledge of Australia, it's geography, culture, people, plants and animals
- Travel experience within Australia or overseas
- Experience dealing with people from different countries and cultures

Benefits

- Excellent rates of pay
- Ability to transfer and work as a tour guide in any of our Australia-wide operations (based in Adelaide, Alice Springs, Darwin, Hobart, Sydney)
- Meet people from around the world and gain satisfaction from providing their "trip of a lifetime"
- Daily on-the-road tax free meal allowance and remote allowance
- Within reason, a flexible working schedule
- For a minimum fee, you can choose to live in our exclusive Adventure Tours Australia Guides Houses, provided to ensure a smooth transition for interstate guides (subject to availability)
- Access to staff benefits including:
 - free travel for yourself (subject to approval) on all Oz Experience / Adventure Tours Australia / Wayward products
 - discounted travel on all Experience / Adventure Tours Australia / Wayward products for family and friends

Guides are trained to the highest standard. We take the responsibility for the safety and well-being of our passengers very seriously. Some of the locations we visit are remote and conditions can be difficult, sometimes extreme .

What will it Cost You?

As with any job, there are certain items you will require. Most of the items needed for the training course can be purchased anywhere in the country, but are generally cheaper in larger cities. Living expenses during the training period are moderate; however there are ongoing costs that need to be met while you're training

By providing you with a list of essential requirements and a rough guide to the expenses involved before you arrive, we hope to give you the best possible start with Adventure Tours Australia.

Senior 1st Aid Certificate	\$130
H-Endorsement	\$6
LR, MR or HR driving license	\$27
Police Check (req'd for H-Endorsement)	\$20
Medical Exam (req'd for H-Endorsement)	\$110
Small 1st Aid Kit	\$45
Toolbox	\$125
Hiking Boots & Socks	\$100+
Akubra Hat	\$80+
Hands-free Microphone	\$100
Dolphin Torch	\$20
Uniforms	\$50+
Books	\$100+
Accommodation	\$70 - \$100 p.w.

Don't worry if this sounds like a lot – you don't need it all at once! We just want to make sure you know what you'll eventually need to tour around Australia. But if you're really keen, we recommend you start as soon as possible with obtaining your 1st Aid Certificate, H-Endorsement and LR Driver's License – you'll be that much closer to getting out on the road yourself and making money.