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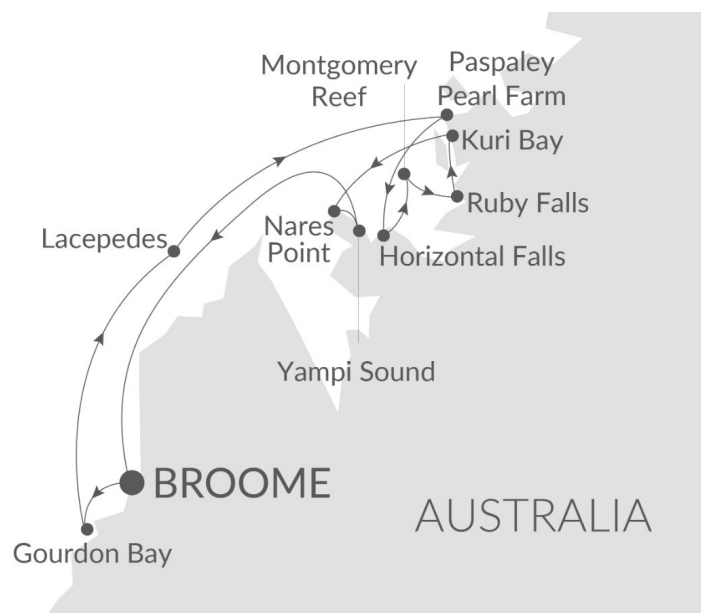
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THE PEARLING COAST - AUSTRALIA'S KIMBERLEY EXPEDITION

The PASPALEY name is inextricably linked with the iconic Kimberley coast. Almost 100 years ago, 19-year-old Nicholas Paspaley, MBE bought his very first pearling lugger. At the time, Broome, Cossack and Darwin were the world's most significant pearling ports. The 1950s brought dramatic change to the natural pearl industry and Paspaley became innovators in the new Australian pearl cultivating industry, inspired by the success of the approach in Japan. Today, due to the superior and widely recognised quality of the South Sea Pearls created by Paspaley, they are regarded in a category of their own and are most commonly recognised simply as 'Paspaley Pearls'. The extensive experience gained in navigating the remote Kimberley coast ensures Paspaley's library of unique destinations and 'secret spots' is unparalleled. Join a select group of like-minded travellers onboard our boutique expedition motor yacht, PASPALEY PEARL, and discover a Kimberley coast unravelled over 100 years of exploration. From the Dampier Peninsula in the South to the Bonaparte Archipelago in the North, the Southern Kimberley coast is one of the remotest locations in Australia. The Buccaneer Archipelago is regarded as one of the most spectacular island groups in Australia, offering a veritable playground of unique experiences. Collier Bay and Camden Sound are home to the second largest tides in the world, creating unique tidal phenomena such as Horizontal Falls (Garaangaddim) and Montgomery Reef (Yowjab). The adjacent Prince Regent National Park is one of Australia's most important conservation sites, regarded for its 'outstanding scenic grandeur' and containing half of the known bird and animal species in the Kimberley. Each Pearling coast itinerary will include an exclusive

visit to a working Paspaley Pearl farm. Guests will witness first-hand the detail and care that is required to produce the most beautiful pearls in the world. Each visit will be closely coordinated with Paspaley operations to coincide with their activities at one of their locations along the



Kimberley coast.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Embarkation | Broome, Western Australia



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Often referred to as the pearl of North West Australia, Broome is Western Australia's coastal gateway to the magnificent wilderness region of the Kimberley. It's also home to the world-famous white sands of Cable Beach, making it one of the State's most popular holiday destinations. Situated 2,240 km (1,390 mi) north of Perth with a permanent population estimated at 14,436, growing to over 45,000 per month during the tourist season.

PASPALEY PEARL will be alongside the wharf in Broome.

DAY 2-3 Buccaneer Archipelago

Extending from the Dampier Peninsula to the Southern edge of Collier Bay the 800 islands of the Dampier archipelago and adjacent mainland offer a veritable playground of unique experiences, ideal for exploration by boutique expedition motor yacht. Named after the English buccaneer and privateer William Dampier, the archipelago is regarded as one of the most spectacular island groups in Australia. There are islands listed as Important Bird Areas by Birdlife International, whilst others are home to Western Australia's largest population of breeding Green Sea turtles. The pristine coastline contains secluded white sandy beaches, mangrove estuaries and spectacular tortured landscapes providing a geological insight into the formation of this remarkable land.

The region is best known for the iconic destinations of The

Lacepede Islands, Yampi Sound, Adele Island and Cape Leveque.

With PASPALEY PEARL, we also have access to destinations inaccessible to larger vessels including Hidden Island, Whirlpool Pass, Sunday Island, Strickland Bay, Tallon Island, Hell's gate, Edeline and Cascade Bay.

DAY 4 Kuri Bay

Located 370km north of Broome and 460km west of Kununurra, Kuri Bay lies at the heart of the Lalang - Garram/Camden Sound Marine Park. It was the location of Australia's first cultured pearl farm and is named after the company's first principal, Tokuichi Kuribayashi. Today the clear pristine waters are the home of Paspaley, the world's most important producer of cultured pearls. Such is the superior and widely recognised quality of the gems they are in their own category and recognised simply as 'Paspaley Pearls'.

Guests will experience a behind the scenes guided walking tour of the Paspaley facilities and discover the intricate processes required to produce the most beautiful pearls in the world.

DAYS 5-7 Collier Bay and Camden Sound

Located in one of the remotest regions of Australia, with no road



access and the nearest town over 250 kilometres away, the stunningly rugged Collier Bay and Camden Sound are home to the second largest tides in the world. This ebb and flow of the tide has shaped the ancient landscape into a breathtaking vista and created unique tidal phenomena such as Horizontal Falls (Garaanngaddim). The region is of cultural significance to the Dambeemangarddee, a saltwater people who have been living along the coast for many thousands of years. Their culture and connection to the environment has evolved with an inherent association to these tidal movements. The rich marine environment is also home to the world's largest inshore reef system, Montgomery Reef (Yowjab) and each year the world's largest population of migrating humpback whales visit the region.

The region is best known for the iconic destinations of Horizontal Falls (Garaanngaddim), Montgomery Reef (Yowjab), Raft Point (Ngumbree) and Freshwater Cove (Wijingarra Bard Bard).

With PASPALEY PEARL, we also have access to destinations inaccessible to larger vessels including Sampson Inlet, Hall Point, Red Cone Creek, Sapphire Falls, Ruby Falls, Sale River, Walcott Inlet, Prior Point and Langgi.

DAY 8 Disembarkation | Broome, Western Australia

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