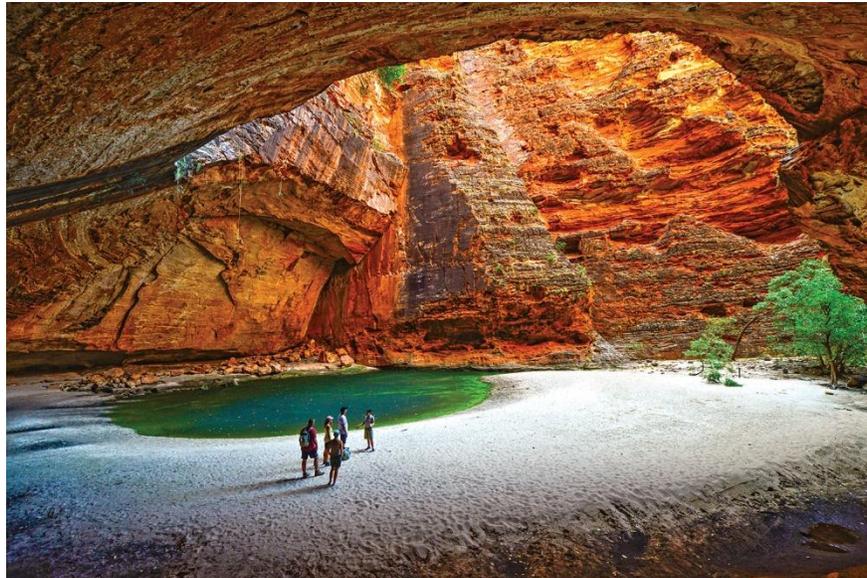




Sydney Symphony Orchestra ensemble to perform in the Kimberley with APT



A Sydney Symphony Orchestra quintet will join luxury Australian tour operator APT for a trip of a lifetime when they perform in a magnificent natural amphitheatre in the Kimberley's Bungle Bungle Range in World Heritage-listed Purnululu National Park this September.

'Symphony in the Kimberley' will see five SSO musicians – Janet Webb (Principal flute), Diana Doherty (Principal oboe), Francesco Celata (Acting Principal clarinet), Matthew Wilkie (Principal bassoon) and Ben Jacks (Principal horn) – perform a program of classical and contemporary music beneath the sandstone domes of Cathedral Gorge.

The trip follows the Orchestra's highly successful collaboration with APT earlier this year in which an SSO string quartet delighted passengers on select departures of APT's Magnificent Europe Cruise in Budapest and Vienna to performances of classical repertoire tailored to these famous musical cities.

Sydney Symphony Orchestra Managing Director Rory Jeffes said a shared passion for excellence has helped APT and the SSO create this unique trip: "The SSO and APT are united by their belief in experiences of the highest quality," Mr Jeffes said. "The chance to hear our world-class musicians perform in the breathtaking surroundings of Cathedral Gorge in the Bungle Bungle Range is a not to be missed event for anyone passionate about music and exploring this wonderful country."

Rob Tandy, General Manager for APT's Kimberley Wilderness Adventures, said: "We're proud and delighted to be working with the SSO on an event that promises to be as unique and special as its surroundings. 'Symphony in the Kimberley' is a once-in-a-lifetime experience and we look forward to welcoming our guests to share this special occasion with us."

APT is a major sponsor of the SSO's flagship Master Series at the Sydney Opera House, showcasing some of the world's biggest musical stars performing music from the heart and soul of the SSO repertoire.

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TRIP DETAILS:

Access to this one off special event is available to guests travelling on the following Kimberley Wilderness Adventures:

- 15 Day Kimberley Complete – 2, 6 and 7 September 2016
- 16 Day Kimberley, Kakadu & Arnhem Land – 5 September 2016
- 16 Day Kimberley, Kakadu & Arnhem Land (Reverse) – 9 September 2016
- 9 Day El Questro, Gorges & Purnululu – 9 and 12 September 2016

Availability is limited and guests wishing to attend APT's *Symphony in the Kimberley* are advised to book now in order to avoid disappointment.

Priced from \$5,595 per person, twin share, included is all accommodation including the chance to stay at APT's network of Wilderness Lodges at Bell Gorge and the Bungle Bungle Range; meals; all sightseeing, park and excursion fees; transfers to and from the airport; expert services of the Kimberley's best driver-guides; travel in a custom built 4WD; and additional guides on selected walks.

A special APT booking offer is available for SSO Subscribers. To find out more see your local travel agent, visit www.aptouring.com.au/sso or call APT on 1300 196 420.

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