



SPACE TO *Think*

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 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.

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** | 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** | 23,000 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 INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
15 mins drive from CBD



DENPASAR
2hrs 41 mins

SINGAPORE
4hrs 40 mins

SHENZHEN
5hrs 30 mins



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.

Within 4 hours flight time* of Darwin, conference organisers have easy access to the Australian and booming South East Asian markets. Darwin is a logical central meeting point for Australasian delegates.

NORTH OF DARWIN

485
MILLION
PEOPLE

8
CAPITAL
CITIES

36
TRADING
PORTS

69
INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORTS

SOUTH OF DARWIN

24.5
MILLION
PEOPLE

8
CAPITAL
CITIES

20
TRADING
PORTS

18
INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORTS





3,200 ROOMS
within the CBD

**SHOPS
RESTAURANTS
AND CAFES**

**STOKES HILL
WHARF**

**DARWIN
CRUISE SHIP
TERMINAL**

ENJOY THE DARWIN ADVANTAGE

“Darwin’s close proximity to Asia is a distinct advantage for those conferences with international delegates like ours, plus it’s easy to get to. Everyone can get to Singapore, then fly directly here.”

Professor Peter Terry, President, Asian-South Pacific Association of Sport Psychology, International Congress of Sports Psychology

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.

Major international and domestic carriers fly direct to Darwin from major Australian cities daily, and there are also regular direct services from Denpasar, Singapore, Dili and Shenzhen.

International delegates from the UK, Europe, Middle East and the USA can also easily access Darwin directly via Singapore, China and Indonesia.

The Darwin International Airport is just a 15 minute drive from the city centre and is well serviced by registered taxis and shuttle buses.

The Darwin Convention Centre is only a two-minute drive or easy 15 minute walk from the city hotels. Take the elevated sky bridge and glass-walled lift down into the Darwin Waterfront Precinct.

DARWIN CBD

SKY BRIDGE
connection to the CBD

WAVE
LAGOON

DARWIN
CONVENTION
CENTRE

SANDY
BEACH
LAGOON

ACCOMMODATION

“The delegates enjoyed the warmth of the Darwin community and had the opportunity to see the energy of the region. Supported by the world-class convention centre, we produced a successful event where delegates could deepen their knowledge and develop relationships to pursue fresh business opportunities.”

Paul Gallagher, Executive Director, Australia Japan Business Co-operation Committee 52nd Australia – Japan Joint Business Conference



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.

TAP INTO THE LOCAL TALENT

Hosting your conference at the Darwin Convention Centre gives you the opportunity to invite local industry experts as guest speakers and organise field visits to educational research centres, industry sites or remote communities.

These truly once-in-a-lifetime experiences will give your event an element of difference and your delegates memories they’ll talk about for years to come.

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

OIL AND GAS

With rich resources and major projects of global significance, Darwin is a world-class maintenance and operations hub for the Asia Pacific oil and gas industry.

MINING

Darwin is the supply, service and distribution hub for major projects in northern Australia, the Timor Sea and South East Asia. The development of the Australasia Trade Route has further enhanced Darwin’s position as a key destination for large-scale mining projects.

INDIGENOUS HEALTH

Darwin is leading the development of innovative research, programs and policies aimed at reducing the health disadvantages experienced by Indigenous people.

Research is supported by world-renowned institutions such as the Menzies School of Health Research and the Lowitja Institute.

TROPICAL KNOWLEDGE

Darwin is also equally renowned for research into tropical health, food production, climate change, tropical savannahs, tropical wetlands, exotic pests, tropical flora and fauna, wildlife management and tropical marine environments.

FOOD AND AGRIBUSINESS

The beef cattle industry is the leading food production sector in the Northern Territory, with the Port of Darwin the main outlet for Australian live cattle export trade into South East Asia. Its aquaculture sector is the fastest-growing global food production industry.

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

The Northern Territory’s education sector is internationally regarded for the depth and diversity of its research, teaching and training activity. International education is one of the Territory’s largest exports.

RENEWABLE ENERGY

The Territory’s ideal climate has provided a breeding ground for renewable energy technologies. Thanks to its abundance of sunlight year-round, the Northern Territory’s biggest renewable energy source is solar power.

TOP END *experience*

“Darwin is an exciting place for both Australian and international delegates, plus the weather is warm year-round. Where else could you host a conference welcome reception with real crocodiles? It had our delegates talking within seconds!”

Lyndell Wills, Director, Will Organise
Joint Meeting of the 8th Biennial Scientific Meeting of the Asia Pacific Paediatric Endocrine Society
and the 33rd Australasian Paediatric Endocrine Group Annual Scientific Meeting

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.

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.

Photo: Nitmiluk National Park, Katherine Gorge



DARWIN: IT'S HARD TO TOP

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.

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.

EXPERIENCE ABORIGINAL CULTURE

Connect with the Larrakia people—the traditional owners of this land—through a cultural performance or an Indigenous cultural workshop.

YOU ARE VERY WELCOME

Our local businesses warmly welcome your delegates through the Darwin Welcomes Delegates program.

This special initiative showcases Territory businesses as informed and friendly hosts, who share insider knowledge and privileges to ensure your delegates' visit to the Top End is enjoyable and memorable.

When they arrive in Darwin, your delegates can choose from a wide range of special offers and value-added opportunities at retail outlets, restaurants, hotels and tourist attractions.

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.



Photo: Mindil Beach Markets, Darwin

TROPICAL waterfront

“The Centre’s stunning location within the waterfront precinct along with its light and bright design and spectacular views helped to enhance the mood of the delegates every day!”

Mark Nash, Project Director, Australian Government
World Indigenous Network Conference



OUR WONDERFUL 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, and is home to the Charles Darwin University Business School campus and the Adina and Vibe hotels.

WORLD CLASS *Venue*

A WORLD-CLASS VENUE FOR FIRST-CLASS EVENTS

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

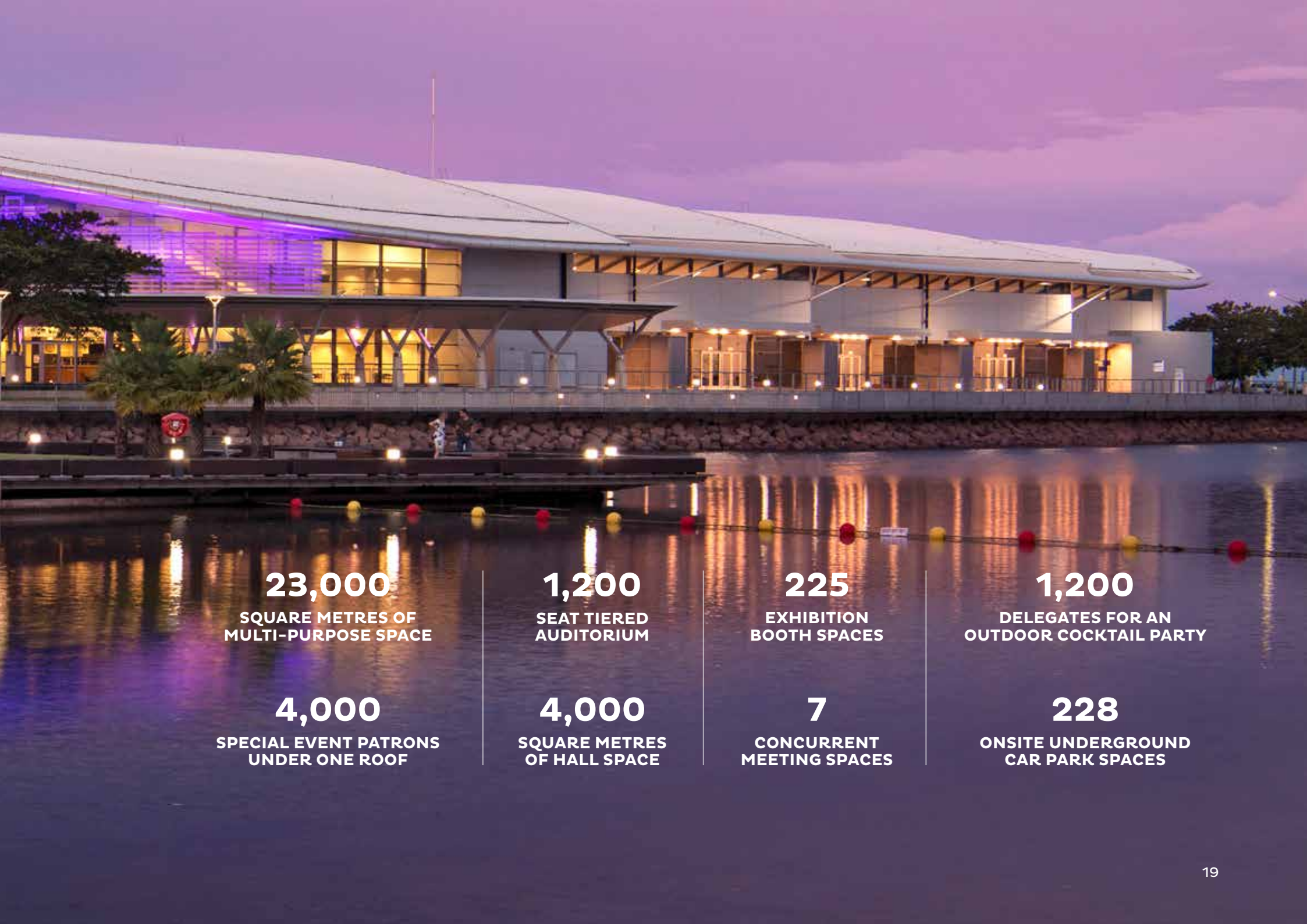
Managed by international venue management specialists ASM Global, this modern, award-winning facility offers a range of multi-purpose and flexible event spaces to accommodate up to 1,200 conference delegates.

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

4,000
SPECIAL EVENT PATRONS
UNDER ONE ROOF

1,200
SEAT TIERED
AUDITORIUM

4,000
SQUARE METRES
OF HALL SPACE

225
EXHIBITION
BOOTH SPACES

7
CONCURRENT
MEETING SPACES

1,200
DELEGATES FOR AN
OUTDOOR COCKTAIL PARTY

228
ONSITE UNDERGROUND
CAR PARK SPACES





SPACE TO THINK, ROOM TO FOCUS

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.

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.

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.

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 functions like exhibitions, conferences, gala dinners and special events.

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.

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.

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 multi-media 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 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 and ISO 22000 accredited and has been awarded the International Association of Congress Centre's (AIPC) Quality Standards Certification.





“The Indigenous-themed signature dinner here was very special. It’s one of the best dinners I have ever attended or hosted.

Having a large hall at the Convention Centre that was made to feel intimate with artwork and lighting was impressive, and the acoustics were fantastic. The Indigenous dancers and the food... it was a beautiful experience.”

Wayne Taylor, Managing Director, Tailored Images
Professional Conference Organiser

OUTSTANDING *dining*





“The quality of the conference food at the plenary events and the dinners was of the highest quality and our client delegates made a point of mentioning this to us. Chef did an incredible job with the bespoke menus for the dinners and your F&B team and staff were second to none.”

Natalie Bell, Associated Advertising & Promotions, One Belt One Road Conference

DINE IN STYLE, DARWIN-STYLE

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

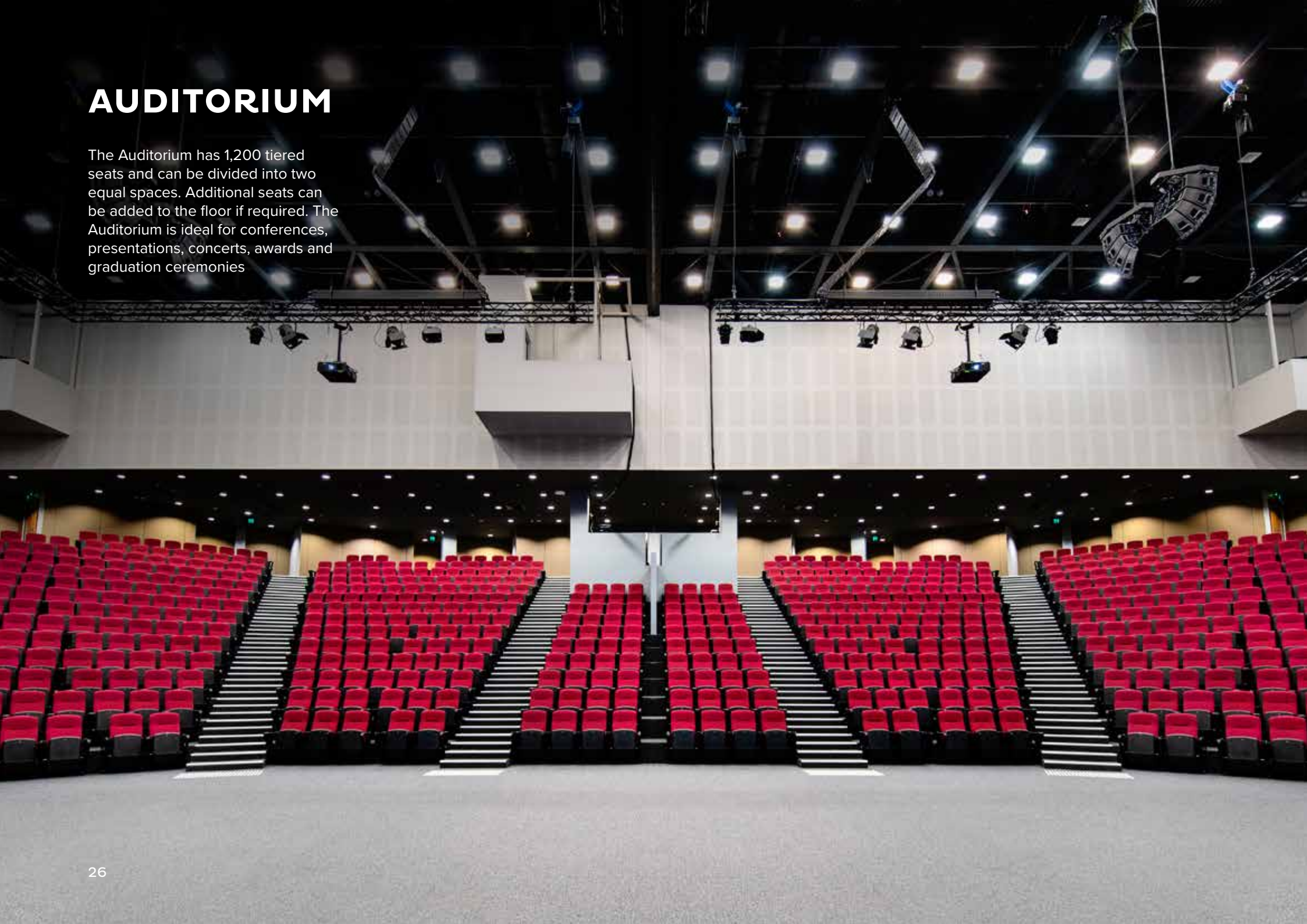
We aim to always produce the very best in terms of quality, variety and service. The Centre’s menus include local and regional specialties to showcase our unique Top End and also feature flavours, recipes and ingredients from around the world.

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



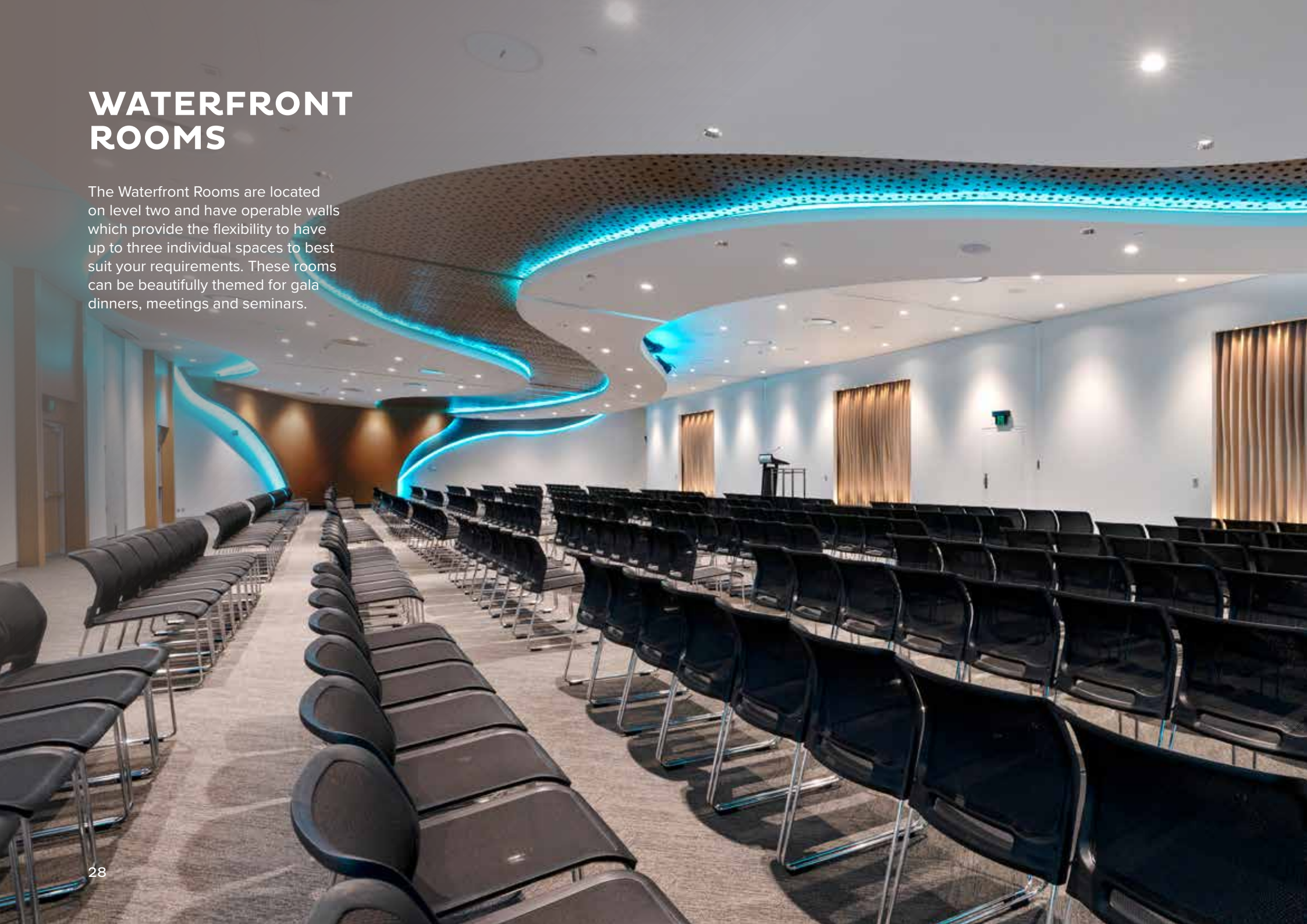


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WATERFRONT ROOMS

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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.

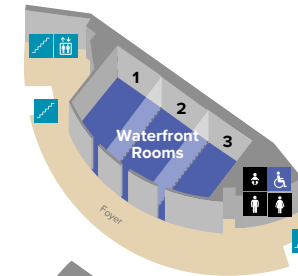


DARWIN CONVENTION CENTRE CAPACITIES

	Venue	Area		Maximum Capacities						
		metres ²	feet ²	Theatre	Classroom	Cabaret	Banquet	Cocktail	Trade booths 3m x 3m	
	Auditorium 1 & 2	669	7,024	1,236	-	-	-	-	-	
	Auditorium 1	334	3,507	618	-	-	-	-	-	
	Auditorium 2	335	3,517	618	-	-	-	-	-	
Lectern Only	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	36	40	40	70	-	
	Meeting Room 2	85	892	82	48	48	60	100	-	
	Meeting Room 3	85	892	82	48	48	60	100	-	
	Meeting Room 4	63	661	64	36	40	40	70	-	
		Waterfront Rooms 1, 2 & 3	429	4,621	463	258	216	300	600	28
Lectern Only	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	
	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 or 3 & 4	2,000	21,000	1,560	-	920	1,150	2,200	112
Allowance for Stage (12 m x 4.8 m)	Halls 1, 2 & 3	2,800	29,400	2,420	-	1,344	1,820	3,230	157	
	Halls 1, 2, 3 & 4	4,000	42,000	3,660	-	2,024	2,740	4,700	225	
	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	

DARWIN CONVENTION CENTRE FLOOR PLAN

LEVEL 2



LEVEL 1



GROUND LEVEL

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



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



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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**THE
TERRITORY**
BOUNDLESS POSSIBLE