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Home Valley Station embarks on exciting new era

Outback luxury will be redefined with the multi-million dollar redevelopment of Home Valley Station this year.

The Indigenous Land Corporation has announced extensive funding to upgrade the popular Kimberley tourist operation.

The exciting redevelopment comes on the back of Stage One works completed in early 2007 – which included the construction of the Kimberley's newest level of luxury accommodation, the *Grass Castles* on idyllic Bindoola Creek.

The second stage of works will include significantly improved guest facilities with the construction of 28 ensuited *Homestead Guesthouse* rooms, expanded Bar and Restaurant facilities, further upgrades to in-room features and services in the lavish *Grass Castles*, extensive landscaping including a new lagoon style pool, and brand new Reception and Station Store.

Home Valley Station's already extensive camping facilities will also be significantly enhanced with the introduction of 20 powered campsites, hot showers, more picnic shelters and a children's playground.

Particularly exciting is the development of a state-of-the-art Learning Centre for Home Valley Station's on-site Training Program. Indigenous students studying Tourism and Hospitality, Agriculture and Horticulture, will benefit from new classrooms with high speed internet access. Students will also play an integral role in the development of a new Cultural Centre which will incorporate both an Art Gallery and Conference Centre.

Home Valley Station is a 700,000 acre working cattle station and tourism operation owned by the Indigenous Land Corporation in the East Kimberley, Western Australia.

It is located 120km from Kununurra just off the Gibb River Road at the base of the majestic Cockburn Range. The property is bordered by the mighty Pentecost and Durack Rivers and is an adventure wilderness of ancient gorges, towering waterfalls, natural springs and some of the best barramundi fishing locations in the Australia.

Station Manager Nick Bradley said this final phase of construction will complete a well-balanced upgrade of guest facilities and mark the start of an exciting new era in Kimberley tourism.

"It is very important we retain the rustic appeal of Home Valley Station that has been so popular with our guests in the past. People enjoy our relaxed atmosphere and genuine Australian outback hospitality and those are qualities we believe will only be further enhanced by this development.

"We aim to provide our guests greatly improved facilities designed to provide maximum comfort without taking any of the adventure out of discovering the Kimberley.

"By establishing yet another quality operation in the Kimberley, and an affordable alternative along the Gibb River Road, we believe this is a development that will benefit local tourism as a whole."

Home Valley Station will close for construction from October 1, 2007 and will re-open on July 1, 2008.

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