

Barrier Reef Island Wanderer

- Wander the islands of the Great Barrier Reef, spending over half of your vacation time on Fraser, Hamilton and Dunk islands
- EXCLUSIVE! Enjoy our Bush Tucker BBQ on Fraser Island

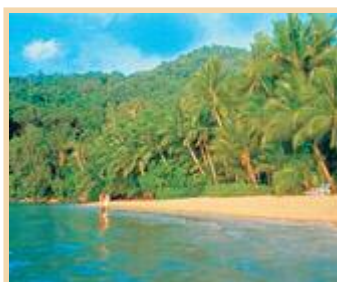
Accommodation	Centrally located hotels in key locations
Tour Code	CN13
Tour Duration	13
Style	Classic Coach / Motor Coach Touring
Finest Dining	Includes 21 Meals
Outstanding Places to Stay	EXCLUSIVE! Stay for two nights on Dunk Island

Itinerary

Day 1 Thur. Sydney, Coffs Harbour.

Departing from Sydney early this morning, we travel over the Sydney Harbour Bridge. Cross beautiful Hawkesbury River en route to the resort town of Coffs Harbour. Enjoy this peaceful coastal town. Enjoy our Welcome Dinner this evening.

Stay: Coffs Harbour, Novotel Pacific Bay Resort. Dx1



Day 2 Fri. Byron Bay, Brisbane.

Travel to Byron Bay, famous for its bohemian lifestyle, unspoilt beaches and coastal scenery. Watch the surfers and maybe even see dolphins off the point. Cape Byron is the most easterly point on the Australian mainland and is an excellent place to watch the humpback whales which travel along the coastline (Jun., Jul.). Cross over the Queensland border to its capital city Brisbane. This evening, stay at the Royal on the Park, conveniently located in the heart of the city, next to the lush Botanic Gardens.

Stay: Brisbane, Royal on the Park. Bx1



Day 3 Sat. Australia Zoo, Sunshine Coast, Cruise to World Heritage, listed Fraser Island.

See the Glass House Mountains on our way to Australia Zoo, made famous by 'Crocodile Hunter' Steve Irwin, and housing more than 500 animals. We continue north via the Sunshine Coast, famous for its golden beaches fringed with native bush. Arriving in Hervey Bay, join a cruise to Fraser Island, the world's largest sand island.

Two Night Stay: Fraser Island, Kingfisher Bay Resort and Village, overlooking the Great Sandy Strait.

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Day 4 Sun. FREEDOM OF CHOICE TOURING, Bush Tucker Talk and Feast.

Rise this morning for an escorted birdwatching walk through bushlands (optional). Later, choose to join the ranger for a 4WD adventure tour to explore the lakes and rain forest of the island. Or, perhaps join a cruise watching for humpback whales or dolphins (subject to season). Tonight, enjoy a Bush Tucker Talk followed by our exclusive BBQ.

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Day 5 Mon. Great Sandy Strait, Cross the Tropic of Capricorn, Rockhampton at Leisure.

Today we farewell Fraser Island and recross the Great Sandy Strait to Hervey Bay before heading north. Cross the Tropic of Capricorn in the cattle town of Rockhampton and visit the Botanic Gardens. Henderson Park Cattle Ranch Stay Stay overnight at a working cattle ranch, enjoying a barbecue dinner and an evening by the campfire. Minimum of two passengers required.

Stay: Rockhampton, Travelodge.

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What's Included

Sightseeing Highlights

- Explore the World Heritage, listed Great Barrier Reef
- See the crocodile show at 'Crocodile Hunter' Steve Irwin's Australia Zoo
- Explore World Heritage, listed Fraser Island
- Visit Henderson Park cattle ranch
- Ride the Skyrail Cableway over the rain forest
- Spend time in the beautiful resort town of Port Douglas
- Choose from three cruises out to the Great Barrier Reef
- Visit Cape Byron, Australia's most easterly point
- Discover Millaa Millaa Falls and Curtain Fig Tree, on the Atherton Tablelands
- Watch the Pamagirri Aboriginal Dancers perform
- Stay in Brisbane

Outstanding Accommodation

- Enjoy six nights on idyllic islands, Dunk, Hamilton and Fraser islands
- Spend a night in stunning Port Douglas
- Stay in tropical Cairns
- All hotel portorage and tipping included

Finest Dining

- Farewell Poolside Barbecue Dinner, Cairns
- 10 hot breakfasts (B) and 5 Freedom of Choice Dinners (D)
- 2 Feature Breakfasts on the Dunk Island (B)
- 1 Feature Lunch on the Great Barrier Reef (L)

Day 6 Tue. Henderson Park Cattle Ranch, Mackay, Whitsunday Cruise to Hamilton Island.

Visit Henderson Park, a working cattle ranch, for a fascinating tour. Traveling north, we visit Mackay, the sugar capital. At Shute Harbour we join a scenic cruise through the Whitsunday Passage to arrive at Hamilton Island.

Two Night Stay: Hamilton Island Resort, Reef View Hotel, with stunning views of the Whitsunday Passage.

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Day 7 Wed. Hamilton Island, FREEDOM OF CHOICE TOURING, Sunset Drinks, DINE AROUND DINNER.

Awaken to views of the Whitsundays and choose how you'd like to spend the day from our many touring options. This evening, enjoy sunset drinks, then experience one of the island's restaurants with our Dine Around Dinner and let APT pay the bill. Freedom of Choice Hamilton Island: Take a Whitehaven Beach cruise or enjoy a tour of Hamilton Island or take a golf buggy around Hamilton Island or feed the fish at Catseye Beach or play Aquatic Golf or take the Banjo Paterson Twilight Cruise.

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Day 8 Thur. Townsville, Great Barrier Reef, Luxury at Dunk Island Resort, DINE AROUND DINNER.

Today, cruise through the Whitsunday Passage back to the mainland. Stop in Townsville, the center for marine research for the Great Barrier Reef. At Mission Beach, we transfer to Dunk Island, one of the most beautiful Barrier Reef islands. Unwind with two nights on this idyllic resort. This evening choose from one of four restaurants with our Dine Around Dinner.

Two Night Stay: APT EXCLUSIVE! Dunk Island Resort, Garden Rooms.

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Day 9 Fri. Relaxation on Tropical Dunk Island.

Today has been left at leisure for you to relax at the resort or explore the nearby reef and rain forest. Perhaps discover the vibrant marine wonders of the Great Barrier Reef (own expense).

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Day 10 Sat. Skyrail Cableway, Port Douglas.

Explore the lush Atherton Tablelands with its rich volcanic soil and high rainfall, volcanic lakes and spectacular waterfalls. Enjoy a short walk to beautiful Millaa Millaa Falls and then marvel at the unusual Curtain Fig Tree. Join the Skyrail Cableway for a magnificent journey above the World Heritage, listed rain forest. Travel along spectacular coastline to the resort town of Port Douglas. Relax over pre, dinner drinks and canapes.

Stay: Port Douglas, Radisson Treetops Resort and Spa, absolute luxury set in rain forest gardens.

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Day 11 Sun. Outer Barrier Reef Cruise, FREEDOM OF CHOICE TOURING.

Today explore the Great Barrier Reef your way, at no extra cost to you. . Freedom of Choice Great Barrier Reef: Choose from three different cruises, take the 'Wavepiercer' and cruise to the beautiful Agincourt Reef, or sail on the 'Wavedancer', an elegant catamaran, to an island paradise or the 'Silversonic', to enjoy a day of snorkelling and swimming on the colorful reef or perhaps take a early morning balloon flight.

Two Night Stay: Cairns, Rydges Tradewinds Hotel, guaranteed ocean view rooms, overlooking beautiful Trinity Bay.

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Day 12 Mon. Cairns, FREEDOM OF CHOICE TOURING, Farewell Dinner.

Choose how you would like to spend the day. Visit the Rainforestation, where you can see the Pamagirri Aboriginal Dancers and view wildlife, including koalas. There's also time to ride aboard the Army Duck for a journey on land and through water. Later ride the Kuranda Scenic Railway, passing waterfalls as we journey down the range. Discover Cape Tribulation, or go whitewater rafting on the Barron River. Take it easy with a spa treatment or a relaxing cruise on Trinity Inlet. This evening enjoy our poolside Farewell Barbecue Dinner.

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- 3 Feature Dinners, Coffs Harbour, Fraser Island and Cairns (D)

Feature Benefits

- Met on arrival in Australia, included transfer from airport to tour hotel
- Cultural Touring Experiences
- Fully trained Tour Director and Driver/Guide
- Luxury coaches featuring panoramic windows

Downloads

Additional Information

- [Australia - Hotel Tour Hints.](#)
- [Australia's Climate](#)
- [Australia - Your Coach and Crew](#)
- [Australia - Touring Information](#)
- [Packing for Australia](#)

Day 13 Tue. Cairns, Home.

Enjoy a leisurely morning in Cairns. This afternoon transfer to the airport.

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