

Girls On Tour: "Cape York Adventure"

12 days from 1st September to 12th September 2023



Day 1 – Friday 01 September, 2023 - CAIRNS

Your tour commences in Cairns at the Novotel Cairns Oasis Resort right near the Esplanade. Upon arrival, check in after 2pm, and then meet the rest of your fellow passengers in the lobby prior to dinner.

Day 2 – Saturday 02 September - CAIRNS - FREE DAY

Cairns is considered the gateway to Australia's Great Barrier Reef. Spend the day exploring at your own leisure. The Cairns Esplanade which is close by, is lined with bars and restaurants, and has a beautiful swimming lagoon. (B)

Day 3 – Sunday 03 September – HORN ISLAND

Our early morning flight takes you to Horn Island. Upon arrival, we take a tour of the island before visiting the Torres Strait Heritage Museum learning about WWII history. As this is an early morning flight, we may have a boxed breakfast this morning. (B,L,D)

Day 4 – Monday 04 September – THURSDAY ISLAND – CAPE YORK

After breakfast, we take the ferry from Horn Island to Thursday Island. Upon arrival, you will be taken on an informative guided bus tour of the island and its picturesque Harbour, once home to the romantic pearl lugger fleet. This afternoon board your ferry to the mainland, where you will be met by your guide, who will take you to Seisia. Seisia is ideally located for our next few days, being in walking distance from the Seisia Wharf, a famous fishing spot. (B,D)



Day 5 – Tuesday 05 September – CAPE YORK

An unforgettable day! Stand at the very top of mainland Australia. We then visit Somerset (road conditions permitted), once the home of the legendary Jardine family and government outpost established in 1864.

We have lunch on the palm fringed Anchorage Beach, which overlooks the Albany Passage. A walk on the beach will complete your day before returning to Seisia. (B,L,D)



Day 6 -Wednesday 06 September – FRUIT BAT FALLS – BRAMWELL STATION

Southward bound, we cross the mighty Jardine River, stopping at Fruit Bat Falls for lunch. Relax, swim and enjoy this unique area with its enchanting waterfall. Travel along part of the Old Telegraph Track, before we make our way to a 'true blue' Aussie cattle station, Bramwell Station our home for tonight. (B,L,D)

Day 7 – Thursday 07 September - WEIPA

A southerly run through the wilderness with all its varied landscapes to cross the Wenlock River. We head for the shores of the Gulf of Carpentaria and Weipa. Upon arrival in Weipa, we enjoy the Weipa Wildlife Eco River Cruise which is designed for the person who truly wants a unique experience and to engage and immerse themselves in our beautiful eco systems and local culture of Weipa. The boat can seat 28 passengers with 2 crew, has a toilet on board. Cruise the harbour, the Embley River to Hay Point and learn about the local culture, history and view the abundance of wildlife this area has to offer. Cruise takes approximately 1 to 1.5 hours. (B,D)



Day 8 – Friday 08 September – MUSGRAVE, COEN

We continue south, stopping off at the picturesque Archer River, then on to the historic frontier gold

town of Coen. The afternoon finds us arriving at our overnight accommodation. (B,L,D)

Day 9 – Saturday 09 September – MUSGRAVE, LAKEFIELD NATIONAL PARK, COOKTOWN

After an early start, we head east towards Princess Charlotte Bay where we explore Lakefield National Park (road conditions permitted), a haven for the many birds and animals native to this area. Lagoons, billabongs, and wide river lakes are home to both fresh and saltwater crocodiles. Travelling on, we visit Split Rock, Aboriginal Rock Art, before arriving in the old gold port of Cooktown, where we visit Captain Cooks Landing, before settling in to our accommodation in Cooktown. (B,L,D)



Day 10 – Sunday 10 September – COOKTOWN, CAPE TRIBULATION, CAIRNS

Our final day on the road, but before returning to Cairns, we make our way south passing the mysterious Black Mountain and the historic Lions Den Hotel. Traversing the jungle shrouded Bloomfield Track (road conditions permitted) we see where the 'rainforest meets the reef' at Cape Tribulation. We travel through the splendour of a World Heritage listed rainforest and a scenic drive along the Marlin Coast back to Cairns and our accommodation. (B,L)

Day 11 – Monday 11 September – SKYRAIL + KURANDA SCENIC RAILWAY

We are transferred by bus to the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway, where we take you on a fascinating journey of discovery over and deep into Australia’s Wet Tropics - World Heritage listed rainforest. Glide mere metres above the pristine rainforest canopy before descending to explore the forest floor at Red Peak and Barron Falls. Immerse yourself in the unique sights, sounds, smells and feel of the rainforest. Once at the top in Kuranda, take a short walk up into the main street into the Kuranda Village (the Village in the Rainforest). Spend some time exploring the Village or perhaps visit the Australian Butterfly Sanctuary while there. Later this afternoon we return to Cairns via the historic



Kuranda Scenic Railway as it meanders its way down the mountain back into Cairns. This famous railway opened in 1891 and is 328 metres above sea level. Your historic journey is in fully refurbished vintage carriages with commentary and a short photo opportunity stop at Barron Falls. Upon arrival into Cairns Railway Station, it is only a short walk back to your accommodation. (B)

Day 12 – Tuesday 12 September – DEPART FOR HOME

Breakfast this morning is our last meal on the tour and we say goodbye at checkout. We are sure you will have many stories to tell of your Cape York Adventure. (B)

INCLUSIONS

- 11 nights twin share accommodation including 4 nights at Novotel Cairns Oasis Resort
- All Park Entry Fees & permits as shown on itinerary
- Meals as specified
- Local experts and guides
- Domestic flight Horn Island.
- Ferries and other transfers as shown on itinerary
- Private 4WD purpose-built vehicle with onboard toilet**

EXCLUSIONS

- Pre/Post tour flights.
- Meals other than shown.
- Tips and gratuities
- Personal items, travel insurance

To book contact Judy on
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Cost - \$8,883pp twin share* LAND

ONLY

Single supplement \$1,489

* based on minimum group of 16 and maximum 21 travellers

**If we have less than 16pax in our GOT group the supplier reserves the right to sell the extra seats.

