

Cairns, Queensland

SIGHTSEEING

Cairns, the heart of Tropical North Queensland is Australia's primary gateway to the Great Barrier Reef. This vibrant, eclectic city is framed by the spectacular twin backdrops of rainforest mountain ranges and the sparkling Coral Sea. The World Heritage listed Wet Tropics Rainforest, Great Barrier Reef and the Outback are within easy reach. It is an adventure-lovers paradise with numerous tours and adrenalin activities on offer, from white water rafting to bungee jumping and skydiving - and with hundreds of tours visiting the Great Barrier Reef each year, you're sure to find at least one to try.

Outer Barrier Reef with Quicksilver

For your experience of a lifetime, Quicksilver's wave piercing catamarans and friendly crew will take you to a reef at the very edge of Australia's Continental Shelf, to an underwater world that is a dazzling kaleidoscope of colour and brilliance. Choose to dive, snorkel, or stay dry and explore the stunning reef from the comfort of a Quicksilver semi-sub, just one metre underwater. Watch the fish feeding from Quicksilver's unique underwater viewing platform or fly in a helicopter over the reef.

from AU\$218 pp



Kuranda Tropical Rainforest



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Colonial Club Resort

LOCATION: Set in lush tropical gardens 4km from the city centre.
ACCOMMODATION: 345 rooms with connection for laptop, air-conditioning, TV, in-house movie, radio, direct dial phone, hairdryer, tea / coffee making facilities and refrigerator.
FACILITIES: 24 hour portage and room service, 3 outdoor pools, gym, tennis, shop, beauty parlour, baby sitting, laundry facilities, disabled facilities and business centre.

from AU\$68 pp



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Holiday Inn

LOCATION: Close to the centre of Cairns, overlooking Trinity Bay.
ACCOMMODATION: 237 rooms with internet via television, laptop connection, air-conditioning, TV, in-house movie, radio, direct dial phone, mini bar, hairdryer, trouser press, automatic wake-up call.
FACILITIES: Large lobby, 7 floors, 3 lifts, 24 hour portage and room service, pool, shop, boutique, baby sitting, Laundry facilities, disabled facilities.

from AU\$100 - 254 pp

Port Douglas, Queensland

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Located just north of Cairns, Port Douglas is a popular base from which to explore the Great Barrier Reef and the rainforests of the Wet Tropics, Daintree and Cape Tribulation. Enjoy one of numerous tours that embark from Port Douglas, many combining the adventure experiences of the Reef and the Wet Tropics. Accommodation options in Port Douglas offer a unique insight into the splendour of nature. Enjoy a massage to the sounds of the rainforest or the waves crashing on the beach...in Port Douglas it's all possible.

Kuranda Heritage Experience

Glide over the rainforest canopy and enjoy a walk through the rainforest, surrounded by a diversity of plants and birdlife. At Kuranda "Village in the Rainforest" spend your time wandering through the many shops and markets. Experience Kuranda Scenic Railway, this famous historic rail journey winds its way along the Kuranda Range through 15 tunnels and over 40 bridges, clinging to the rock face where one can almost touch the tumbling waterfalls.

from AU\$209 pp



A hop, skip & jump away from the Great Barrier Reef



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Mantra Treetops Resort & Spa

LOCATION: 10-minute drive from Port Douglas, close to the beach.
ACCOMMODATION: 303 Rooms with connection for laptop, air conditioning, television, satellite television, in-house movie, radio, direct dial phone, mini bar, hairdryer, automatic wake-up call.
FACILITIES: Large lobby, 2 restaurants, spa, 2 lifts, 24 hour portage and room service, pool, gym, sauna, shop, boutique, beauty salon, baby sitting, laundry facilities and disabled facilities.

from AU\$111 - 162 pp



Four Mile Beach, Port Douglas