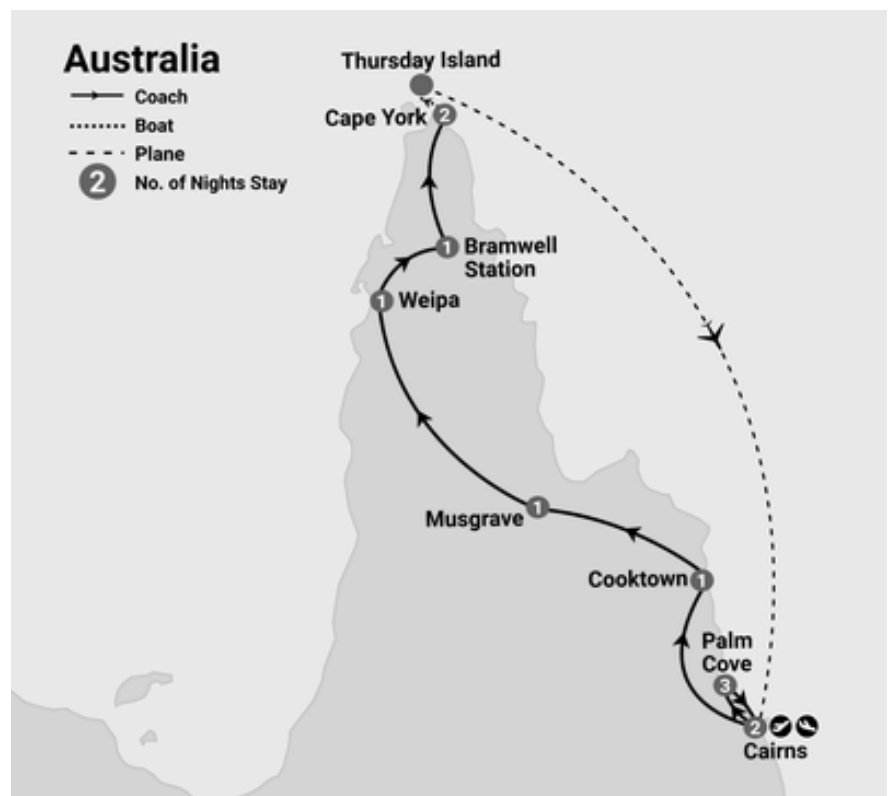


# 12 DAY CAPE YORK & BEYOND

## DESTINATIONS

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CAIRNS  
COOKTOWN  
MUSGRAVE  
WEIPA  
BRAMWELL STATION  
THURSDAY ISLAND  
PALM COVE,QLD



# TOUR ITINERARY

## DAY 1

Destination	Cairns
Meals included	
Hotel	3 ★ Cairns Queen Court, or similar

Welcome to Cairns. On arrival in to Cairns, make your own way to your accommodation. After check-in, enjoy your tropical surroundings.

## DAY 2

Destination	Cairns 🚗 Cooktown
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	4 ★ Sovereign Resort, or similar

After an early morning pick up from your hotel your adventure begins. Travelling north along the scenic Captain Cook Highway, through the World Heritage listed Daintree Rainforest and Cape Tribulation, where the rainforest meets the reef. Then making our way along the jungle shrouded Bloomfield Track (road conditions permitted), stopping off at the unique Lion's Den Hotel, and the mysterious Black Mountain, arriving at the old gold port of Cooktown, where we visit Captain Cooks Landing, before settling in our accommodation with ensuite facilities.

## DAY 3

Destination	Cooktown 🚗 Lakefield National Park 🚗 Musgrave
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	4 ★ The Old Musgrave Telegraph Station, or similar

Today you head west into the outback, visit Split Rock, Aboriginal Rock Art. Then travel on to 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. The afternoon finds us arriving at our overnight accommodation at The Old Musgrave telegraph station - ensuite facilities.

## DAY 4

Destination	Musgrave 🚗 Coen 🚗 Acher River 🚗 Weipa
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	3 ★ Heritage Motel, or similar

This morning, we continue north stopping off at the historic frontier gold town of Coen and the picturesque Archer River, before making our way to the bauxite-mining town of Weipa. Enjoy the spectacular sunset over the Gulf of Carpentaria. Accommodation with ensuite facilities.

## DAY 5

Destination	Weipa 🚗 Wenlock River 🚗 Bramwell Station
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	4 ★ Bramwell Station, or similar

This morning you have ample time to explore the township of Weipa, or you have the option to join a Wildlife Eco River Cruise (own expense). After lunch, we head for our overnight accommodation with ensuite facilities at a 'true blue' Aussie cattle station, Bramwell Station.

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### DAY 6

Destination	Bramwell Station 🚗 Fruit Bat Falls 🚗 Cape York
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Seisia Holiday Park, or similar

After an early start, we head north travelling along part of the Old Telegraph Track to arrive at Fruit Bat Falls for lunch. Relax, swim, and enjoy this unique area with its enchanting waterfall. Then northwards across the Jardine River, to arrive at Cape York! We will be staying at Seisia.

Seisia is ideally located for our next few days, being in walking distance from the Seisia Wharf, the departure point for the ferry to Thursday Island and a famous fishing spot. Our accommodation at Seisia Holiday Park are cottages with ensuite facilities.

### DAY 7

Destination	Cape York 🚗 Somerset 🚗 Cape York
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Seisia Holiday Park, or similar

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. We have lunch on palm fringed Anchorage Beach which Overlooks the Albany Passage. A walk on the beach completes your day before returning to Seisia.

### DAY 8

Destination	Cape York 🚗 Thursday Island ✈️ Cairns
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch
Hotel	3 ★ Cairns Queen Court, or similar

An early morning departure as you cruise through island studded straits to explore our northern community, Thursday Island. Here 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. Then board your plane at Horn Island for your flight back to Cairns. Arriving late afternoon in Cairns your tour finishes with a drop off at your hotel.

### DAY 9

Destination	Cairns 🚗 Palm Cove
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	4 ★ Paradise on the Beach Resort, or similar

This morning you will be transferred by seat in coach from your accommodation in Cairns to Palm Cove

### DAY 10

Destination	Palm Cove
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	4 ★ Paradise on the Beach Resort, or similar

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### BREAKFAST WITH THE KOALAS

A great way to start your day is breakfast at Hartley's Crocodile Adventures. Enjoy your breakfast relaxing on the deck overlooking Hartley's Lagoon. Breakfast is a delicious cooked breakfast, including scrambled eggs, bacon, hash browns, sausages & toast with fruit juice, tea or coffee. One of our Wildlife Keepers will be on the deck between 9:00am & 9:30am with a Koala. This is a great time to ask questions & pat the Koala. After breakfast, enjoy all the wildlife presentations at Hartley's Crocodile Adventures including a boat cruise on Hartley's Lagoon.

### DAY 11

Destination	Palm Cove
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	4 ★ Paradise on the Beach Resort, or similar

### KURANDA ARMY DUCK EXPERIENCE

Start your day with a trip on the Kuranda Scenic Railway, winding your way up the mountain through rainforest, past waterfalls and including a stop at the breathtaking Barron Gorge. Enjoy a tour across land and water on the historic World War II Army Ducks at the award-winning Rainforestation Nature Park, spotting flora and fauna in their natural habitat, and then finish your day with a peaceful return to Cairns on Skyrail Rainforest Cableway.

### DAY 12

Destination	Palm Cove
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Enjoy breakfast at your resort before checking out and continuing your onward journey.

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### Inclusions

#### WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Small group tour, up to 25 guests only
- Incredible sightseeing, visit the Daintree, Cape Tribulation, drive the incredible Bloomfield Track, see UNESCO Aboriginal rock art, swim Fruit Bat Falls and stand on the north point of Cape York
- 11 nights' accommodation in hotels and lodges including the spectacular 4 star Palm Cove beach break
- Daily breakfast, 5 Lunches, 6 dinners
- Fully escorted by professional tour leader day 2 - 8
- Dedicated, comfortable air-conditioned 4WD transportation
- Flight from Cairns to Horn Island (or visa versa)
- In depth sightseeing throughout

#### SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- Cross the Daintree River and enter the Daintree Rainforest, a world untouched by urban development, noise and air pollution. Disconnect from the bustle, breathe in the purity and explore your natural surroundings. Here in Cape Tribulation, this breathtaking coastal region is the very spot where the world's oldest rainforest collides with the spectacular Great Barrier Reef.
- Bloomfield Track to Wujal Wujal on the Bloomfield River and beyond is an unforgettable experience, full of spectacular views, creek crossings, secluded beaches, a rainforest archway, majestic plants, unexpected wildlife and history.
- Cooktown a beautiful, unspoilt coastal town, and one of Australia's most historically significant townships.
- Lakefield National Park the largest national park on the peninsula, and the second largest (after Simpson Desert) in Queensland
- Split Rock – Aboriginal Rock Art. The rock art galleries in Quinkan Country near Laura are listed by UNESCO as being among the top 10 sites in the world.
- Musgrave Telegraph Station a heritage-listed former telegraph station and now roadhouse at Peninsula Developmental Road
- Bramwell Station the most northerly cattle station in Australia
- Fruit Bat Falls a must-see and must-swim on the way up to the Tip.
- Leave your watch behind when you go to Thursday Island as this colourful island paradise is where time really does seem to stand still.
- Cape York – Most Northern Tip of Australia

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### Fine Print

#### BOOK WITH CONFIDENCE

Inspiring Vacations has been globally recognised and awarded for its handling of COVID-19 during the pandemic. The safety and wellbeing of our guests is our highest concern during this time of uncertainty, and we are continuously monitoring the evolving COVID-19 situation.

We have adopted the advice of the WHO to ensure all customers can travel with the knowledge of how to travel safely and with confidence.

Australian owned and operated with 100% Australian Customer Service support

We are proudly 100% Australian owned and operated, with our head office located in Melbourne, Victoria. When you make your booking, you will receive dedicated and ongoing support from our team of travel professionals throughout your booking, up until you are due to depart.

#### **Flexible Date Change Option**

Book now, change later with our Flexible Date Change option. You may select this \$99pp option at time of purchase, giving travellers the flexibility to change your date without penalty (subject to availability, less third party costs incurred, plus any applicable surcharges for the new date selected).

Date change must be requested prior to 65 days before your original selected departure date\*. Once inside 65 days of departure, date changes are not permitted.

\*some packages may have a varied period in which you can request a date change due to limitations with the third-party provider.

Please refer to our 'Book with Confidence' section for terms and conditions.

The Flexible Date Change option does not cover cost incurred for components not fulfilled by Inspiring Vacations or in the event extra services have been booked with Inspiring Vacations outside of the standard package, including but not limited to airfares, pre/post accommodation or insurance.

#### **Cooling off period**

If you change your mind within 7 days of making your booking online, you can request a refund of your initial deposit payment as part of our

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cooling off period.

Once your purchase date falls outside of the 7 day period, our standard terms and conditions will apply. Please ensure that any request to cancel your booking is received via email to [support@inspiringvacations.com](mailto:support@inspiringvacations.com), including the reason for cancellation.

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### HOW TO BOOK & PAYMENTS

#### Deposit & Payments

- Secure your package with only a \$99 deposit per person.
- Pay a 2nd instalment of \$900 per person within 28 days.
- You will then be invoiced for final payment 90 days prior to departure.

#### Booking Process

- 'Sign Up' first by entering your email and creating a password
- Then select the red 'Book now' tab of the tour you have selected
- Select your Departure Date, Number of Passengers, Room Configuration, any Upgrade Options, and enter any Special Requests
- Click the red 'Proceed to Secure Checkout' tab
- Enter your credit card or PayPal details to secure your deposit/payment. You may also pay via BPAY (not available within 70 days of departure)
- Once your order is complete, you will be prompted to complete a Booking Form so that we can fulfil your booking
- Your booking is on request and will be confirmed by Inspiring Vacations once all components of your package have been secured with our partners, please see below for further information

#### Booking On Request

- Your Inspiring Vacations package is made up of multiple components and travel partners. Once your booking is made and passenger details form submitted, we will begin to confirm all of your arrangements. Please note, this process can take several business days to complete.
- Once all elements have been confirmed we will send you an email confirmation, if we are unable to confirm we will provide you with alternative dates or offer a full refund of your deposit or re-credit your account if a travel credit was used.
- Please DO NOT book any additional services, such as flights, until we have confirmed your Inspiring Vacations package in writing. Inspiring Vacations will not be liable for any fees or charges incurred to change or cancel components not booked by Inspiring Vacations should your selected package be unavailable.



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### EXCLUSIONS

- Travel insurance (recommended)
- Tipping
- Anything not mentioned in the itinerary
- Optional activities
- Personal expenses

### OPTIONAL TOURS

To enhance your journey, we are offering guests a choice of the following optional activities (prices are per person):

- Palm Cove (Day 10): Breakfast with the Koalas - \$90 per person
- Palm Cove (Day 11): Kuranda Army Duck Experience - \$187 per person

Optional tours can be selected once you have finalised your tour purchase and paid your deposit. When completing your Passenger Booking Form, you will be asked if you would like to add Optional Tours, where any applicable cost will be added to your final balance. If you choose not to select them at this time, you can choose to add them later by logging in to your Account online or speaking with your Dedicated Support Agent for assistance.

Please note that you must select your Optional Tours no later than 65 days before departure, after which you will be required to purchase them on tour. Please keep in mind that anything purchased on-tour is subject to availability. We appreciate your understanding.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

#### **COVID-19**

Due to COVID there may be disruptions to standard operating schedules of particular components of this itinerary. Should a component be effected a substitute will be confirmed prior to departure.

#### **Fitness Requirements**

While the tour itinerary should give you some guidance and overview to the expected requirements, to determine if this tour is right for you we categorise each of our tours in terms of their intensity. These guidelines are to ensure that each tour group is conducted as expected and to ensure the overall satisfaction of all Inspiring Vacations customers.

As a general rule, portage is not included, therefore at all times you are expected to handle your own luggage where help may not be available.

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This particular tour is categorised as a "3":

3 – Moderate Tour: A good level of fitness and mobility is required, as this tour includes a moderate level of physical activity and is considered a medium-fast paced tour. You should be able to walk up and down stairs, get on and off the coach and able to walk reasonable distances of approximately 2 kilometres per day or more with ease. Any physical ailments you may have must be disclosed at the time of booking to determine your suitability. If you have any form of walking aids, other than a walking stick or hiking poles, then this tour is not suitable.

### **Accommodation**

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences however any changes are beyond our control.

### **Single Supplement**

Single supplement is available on this tour at a cost of \$4,308

### **Triple Share**

Not Available

### **Travel Insurance**

Travel insurance is required to protect yourself against the unexpected.

### **Tour Documentation**

Final documentation and hotel details will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

### **Group Size**

10 to 25 people.

### **Children**

Children must be 5 years old or over and share a room with parents at all times. Children are the same price as adults.

### **Bedding requests**

We do our best to meet your bedding preference, however, bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only and cannot be guaranteed. All efforts will be made to meet your preference, however, any changes are beyond our control and limited by the hotel facilities and availability.

**Tour Styles** - This package is a Partially Escorted style.

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To meet the needs of various types of travellers, we choose to operate various types of tours and depending on your selected package will mean different services are provided throughout your trip. The following descriptions of each tour style we hope will ensure that each traveller has appropriate expectations before they start their travels:

- Independent - On these packages you will travel from city to city on your own, exploring at your own pace. We have arranged transportation in most cases and day tours for you to see the destination. Enjoy the time and flexibility to linger longer or pick up the pace and see as much as possible.
- Partially Escorted - A portion of these packages runs as a group tour where you will be escorted by an expert tour leader. Another portion is independent, whether conducted by rail, cruise or land, and you will travel between destinations on your own, with free time to explore at your own pace.
- Fully Escorted - This tour is fully escorted by an expert English-speaking guide who will accompany you throughout the tour.

### **Who is operating this package**

We have partnered with a wide range of third party operators who assist in fulfilling your booking and delivering an enjoyable on-tour experience. Each package will consist of multiple operators meaning both guides and fellow travellers may change day to day. But don't worry, regardless of the operator, you'll be in good hands to experience the most out of each destination.

### REVERSE ITINERARY

Please note, this itinerary does operate in reverse on select dates. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to access the itinerary in the reverse order.

### PRE & POST HOTEL INFORMATION

You can enhance your holiday by arriving early or staying longer upon conclusion of the tour. On this tour you can choose from the following options:

#### **Pre and post tour accommodation**

- Pre-tour accommodation in Cairns: \$123 per room per night for double/twin/single including breakfast
- Post-tour accommodation in Palm Cove: \$267 per room per night for double/twin/single including breakfast