

Pre / Post Touring Itinerary **Great Barrier Reef,** Australia







Monthly Average Maximum

Month	Max Temp (C)	Max Temp (F)
January	28	82
February	27	81
March	26	79
April	25	77
May	23	74
June	21	71
July	20	69
August	21	70
September	22	73
October	24	76
November	26	79
December	27	82

Port Douglas

Port Douglas, once a tiny fishing village, is now indisputably the tourism capital of the Far North due largely to its proximity to all the attractions of the Great Barrier Reef and Rainforest Coast, and its superb year-round climate.

Less than an hour's drive north of Cairns, Port Douglas sits at the end of a peninsula on a natural harbour that harks back to the town's earliest days as a busy sea port.

Port Douglas is the hub of the region's flourishing tourism industry courtesy of its proximity to two of Australia's largest drawcards - the majestic Wet Tropics rainforests of the Daintree and Cape Tribulation national parks, and the spectacular Great Barrier Reef, the largest coral reef system in the world stretching for more than 2,000 kilometres along the Queensland coast.

The North Queensland climate is typically tropical with distinct wet and dry seasons. The ideal time to visit the region is during the dry seasons, which runs from May to October. The dry season along with the low humidity and cool breeze makes it pleasurable for activities.

Arrive Cairns

On arrival at Cairns Airport your driver will meet you for your private transfer to the Resort (Transfer time approximately one hour).

QT Port Douglas

Nestled amongst the lush tropical surroundings of beautiful Port Douglas and located only 55 minutes from Cairns Airport, QT Port Douglas is the perfect location from which to explore the Great Barrier Reef.

This vibrant, designer hotel has 170 accommodation rooms, with chic designer touches throughout. All rooms have been given a facelift with new QT dream beds, 42" flat screen LCD TV's, and hand sourced stylish fabrics and finishes

Enjoy signature concepts such as Bazaar Marketplace serving breakfast daily, Estilo Lounge serving alfresco a la carte dinner daily, SpaQ and Moonlight Cinema, a custom cinematic experience designed especially for our guests that runs from mid June until September.

Full Day Outer Great Barrier Reef Cruise

The Great Barrier Reef is a living phenomenon. The reef's coloured branches sit upon banks of limestone polyps, which have been built up slowly over thousands of years from the seabed. The colours of purple, pink, yellow, white and red are intermixed and made more startling by the spectacular shapes of the coral. Spread among these waving fields of soft coral is colourful anemones, shellfish, sea urchins and sea slugs. Brightly coloured tropical fish glide and dart through the coral gardens and the banks of the coral are separated by channels of water, from the delicate green of the shallows to the deepest blue.

For an experience of a lifetime, today a friendly crew on a non-exclusive chartered cruise 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. Upon boarding you will be served morning tea, and once departed from the marina are taken to the pontoon at the Reef, a magnificent ribbon reef where you will experience first hand the magic that is the Great Barrier Reef.

You may swim, try snorkelling - all the equipment is on board - or drift through the coral in a Quicksilver semisubmersible. The pontoon is shaded from the sun with tables and chairs. An underwater observatory is located on the pontoon. A delicious smorgasbord lunch is included.

Day One



Day Two



Full day at leisure

Today you have a day free to enjoy the many fresh and saltwater lagoons, golf or tennis at the Sheraton Mirage Port Douglas, shop in the town of Port Douglas or to go on an optional tour.

Accommodation: QT Port Douglas

Depart Port Douglas

Meet with your driver in the lobby of for your transfer to Cairns Domestic Airport.

Day Three







Price and Inclusions

The above tour is priced at AUD\$850.00 per person

* Price based on minimum 2 persons, twin share

Tour includes:

- 3 nights accommodation at QT Port Douglas in a Resort Room
- Full Buffet Breakfast daily in the Hotel Restaurant
- Full Day Outer Great Barrier Reef Cruise with Quicksilver Cruises
- Transfers to and from Cairns Airport and the Hotel

Please Note

- This is a suggested itinerary only and can be tailored to individual requirements
- Airfares are not included in the above costs. Please ensure your air travel is booked to and from Melbourne
- Travel can be booked through your Travel Agent, or on line with the following domestic airlines:

www.qantas.com.au www.virginblue.com.au www.ietstar.com

Please provide your flight details as soon as these have been confirmed.
 Please also provide your hotel details in Sydney.



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