

An aerial photograph showing a coastal city with a mix of residential and commercial buildings, a wide sandy beach, and turquoise ocean water with white surf. The sky is clear and blue.

9 Days

Sunshine Coast and Fraser Island

Tuesday 1st November 2022

A scenic view of a coastal landscape. In the foreground, a large, spiky palm tree stands on a rocky outcrop. The background shows a sandy beach, turquoise ocean water, and distant hills under a blue sky with light clouds.

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Departs: Tuesday 1st November '22

Price: \$4336
(Single Room Option \$1990)

TOUR INCLUDES: * Free passenger pickup & return (please refer to booking schedule) * Quality Accommodation * Luggage Labels * Name Badge * Fraser Island Package * a Devonshire Morning Tea * No Hidden Extras * ALL Breakfasts * Two Course Dinners * All Admission fees, sightseeing tours cruises & flights as per itinerary * Fraser Island Guide with extensive local knowledge * Morning & Afternoon Tea (weather/time permitting)
B=Breakfast L=Lunch D=Dinner

Day 1 – Tuesday 1st November '22 MELBOURNE (D)

Today we make our way down to the Melbourne where we stay at the **Best Western Airport Motel** and get a good night's sleep before our flight the following morning.

Day 2 – Wednesday 2nd Nov MELBOURNE – SUNSHINE COAST (B, D)

This morning after breakfast we take a shuttle bus to the **Tullamarine Airport** for our flight to the Sunshine Coast. On arrival you will be met by our Coach Captain who will take you into town for lunch at your own leisure. Following lunch, and a look around, you will be taken to your accommodation for the next three nights at **Oaks Oasis Resort, Caloundra** where you will have time to rest and freshen up for dinner.

Day 3 – Thursday 3rd Nov SEA LIFE – SEAFOOD CRUISE (B, L, D)

After breakfast this morning we depart and travel to **Sea Life**. Sea Life Sunshine Coast is Queensland's best aquarium! You will discover tropical fish, rays and other amazing creatures as you surround yourself in the beauty of thousands of marine and freshwater creatures. No trip to the Sunshine Coast is complete without visiting Sea Life Sunshine Coast! Walk underwater through the glass viewing tunnel and see Australia's marine life like never before! Come within inches of huge sharks, rays and turtles and see some of the remarkable marine and freshwater animals that Australia is famous for. Then it's time for a wonderful **Seafood Cruise**. All meals are collected from direct from the waterfront seafood market at the Mooloolaba Spit. Sit back, relax and enjoy the multimillion dollars views while enjoying the freshest seafood the Sunshine Coast has to offer. Cruise effortlessly through the Mooloolaba Harbour, river & canals viewing our famous "Fishing Fleet", Pilot Boats & Recreational Vessels. Head out to the river mouth to enjoy picturesque views of the bay of Mooloolaba. Glide into the main river and canals to enjoy the sights of the Minyama mansions along Millionaire's row. We then depart the cruise for the **Queensland Air Museum**. Queensland Air Museum acquires, restores and maintains a collection of 75+ historically significant aircraft and related aviation displays at a 2 hectare site opposite the Caloundra Airport. The display has grown from just one aircraft in 1973, a Canberra Bomber to now more than 75 aircraft including a F-111, Mirage Jet, Australia's oldest DC-3. We then delight in afternoon tea in the **Botanical Gardens** before heading back to our accommodation.



Day 4 - Friday 4th Nov AUSTRALIA ZOO (B,D)

This morning we enjoy a hearty breakfast before setting off to our day at the **Australia Zoo – Home of the Crocodile Hunter**. Located on Queensland's Sunshine Coast, Australia Zoo is a team of passionate conservationists working around-the-clock to deliver an animal experience like no other. Steve and Terri Irwin's vision has always been to make Australia Zoo the biggest and best wildlife conservation facility in the entire world, and there is no other zoo like Australia Zoo!

Day 5 - Saturday 5th Nov**HINTERLAND****(B,D)**

This morning we head to the **Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve** where we delight in a Devonshire Morning Tea. Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve comprises 55 hectares of subtropical rainforest overlooking the Glass House Mountains landscape. A remnant of the rainforests that once covered the Blackall Range, the reserve is a living museum of diverse plant and animal life which will delight with its tranquility and beauty. Continuing on the theme of the beauty of nature we visit the **Maleny Botanic Gardens and Birdworld** - Lush property featuring walkways past exotic plants & waterfalls, plus bird & animal enclosures. After lunch we head to **The Big Pineapple**. The Big Pineapple is an iconic food-tourism destination, with a history of showcasing and celebrating Queensland's world-class produce. In the Big Pineapple's heyday, it was the nation's most popular tourism attraction, and is **now** making a come-back, with food again at the heart of our tourism. Then it's on to **Nutworks** - a proud supplier of macadamia nut in shell, kernel, flavoured nut products and confectionery. Have you ever wondered how their delicious nuts are produced? Come and see! We leave the Macadamia nuts behind and venture into the world of Ginger at the famous **Ginger Factory**. Here, you will discover the world's largest operating ginger factory selling a vast range of the finest ginger products as well as fun rides, tranquil gardens as well as some fantastic shopping opportunities. Then it's time to return to our accommodation and put our feet up.

Day 6 - Sunday 6th Nov**FRASER ISLAND****(B,D)**

This morning, following breakfast, we head to **Hervey Bay**, stopping enroute for morning tea. On arrival in Hervey Bay we enjoy a spot of lunch before catching the Ferry to **Kingfisher Bay Resort**. We settle into our accommodation for the next three nights, before taking a wonderful **Sunset Cruise with nibbles**. Tonight's dinner is at the **Sand & Wood Restaurant**.

**Day 7 - Monday 7th Nov****FRASER ISLAND****(B,L,D)**

This morning we head out to explore Fraser Island on the **Beauty Sports Tour**. Visit stunning scenic sights such as Lake McKenzie, Central Station and Woongoolba Creek, Pile Valley, The Maheno shipwreck, Seventy-five Mile Beach, Eli Creek, Coloured Sands and Stonetool Sandblow and more. We enjoy lunch at **Eurong Beach Resort**. Late afternoon we enjoy Sunset Drinks at the Sunset Bar. Tonight's dinner is at the **Sand & Wood Restaurant**.

Day 8 - Tuesday 8th Nov**FRASER ISLAND****(B,D)**

Following an early breakfast we head out on a **West Coast Explorer Cruise**. Cruise along the western coast of Fraser Island and explore the remarkable sights of the UNESCO awarded Great Sandy Biosphere. Our expert ranger crew will help you spot marine life along the way, including turtles, dugongs and dolphins, plus a range of coastal and migratory birds. We enjoy lunch at the **Sand & Wood Restaurant** with time to explore the **K'Gari World Heritage Centre**, a visual space where visitors can learn, appreciate and form a greater understanding for the natural wonder that is Fraser Island! The Discovery Centre features a series of informative panels and striking **photographs that give** an insight into the unique and complex ecology of the world's largest sand island. It is these natural values that led to the island's World Heritage listing back in 1992. Visitors can learn about the vegetation, such as rainforests growing from sand and pristine freshwater lakes, paired with the unique wildlife that inhabit this diverse landscape. This afternoon we take part in a **Ranger Guided Walk – Bush tucker talk & Bush Medicine**. We enjoy a bush tucker talk and taste experience. Explore the **Tastes of Australia program** and experience the delights of our native bush tucker ingredients. Nibble on native berries bursting with flavour, and relish in the **refreshing citrus of lemon myrtle**, as our Chef and Resort Ranger explain how these ingredients can be utilised in cooking. With an endless list of native ingredients on our doorstep, our Chef will present a selection in their natural, and raw state, detailing their origin, and pairing them with freshly cooked kangaroo, crocodile and emu. With many of the ingredients **grown on Fraser Island**, watch on as **Chef demonstrates how to use them**, presents the cooked dishes for you to taste, and shares some recipe secrets. As Australia develops its own modern cuisine, and bush tucker become increasingly popular, you'll be fascinated to hear how these foods can enhance various dishes. The Bush tucker talk and taste is a fantastic introduction to your Australian culinary journey, before indulging in a fine dining experience at **Seabelle Restaurant**.

Day 9 - Wednesday 9th Nov**FRASER ISLAND - HOME****(B,D)**

After breakfast it's time to say goodbye to Fraser Island as we board the Ferry back to **Hervey Bay**. We travel to the **Sunshine Coast Airport** where we board our flight back to **Melbourne**. On arrival in Melbourne you will be met by a Cardwell's Representative who will transport you back to your home, after a memorable Sunshine Coast and Fraser Island holiday.

BOOKING CONDITIONS

A deposit of \$150.00 per person is required on booking to confirm your reservation.

Balance is by 1st October '21. Full payment is required if booking after the above date.

Name Badges:- Will have your **Preferred** First Name displayed.

Please Advise:- Your Telephone Number, Address & any Special Meal or Room Requirements.

Accommodation Preferred: - Twin / Double / Single / Triple / Will Share – Passengers who are willing to share with other passengers. *Please Note: For all 'Will Share' Passengers we will endeavor to find another single traveler of the same gender. If we are unable to find someone for you to share with then **SINGLE SUPPLEMENT will apply.** In the event that either passenger finds they are not compatible they will each have to pay for a single room option, if available.

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FREE PASSENGER PICKUP & RETURN SERVICE: For the convenience of all our passengers CARDWELL'S COACH TRAVEL provide Free Passenger Pickup & Return Service from all major Towns in North, North-East, Central Victoria & Southern NSW. (For Example: Albury, Wodonga, Wangaratta, Benalla, Seymour, Bendigo, Finley, Kerang, Echuca, Deniliquin, Yarrawonga, Corowa, and towns within these areas). For Passenger's who live outside these areas Cardwell's provide Overnight accommodation in Numurkah and 'Free lock up car storage' at our Numurkah depot.

CANCELLATION POLICY: To cover the costs involved the following cancellation fees apply. Notice given before the Balance date \$25 per person Administration Fee and monies that have been paid on your behalf will not be refunded. After the Balance Date or once tour has departed No Refund will be given.

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SEAT CHANGES: A seat rotation system everyday ensures that all passengers have the opportunity to enjoy similar seating arrangements.

LUGGAGE: One medium suitcase per person, not exceeding 20kg (42lbs) and one carry bag for inside the coach. Over limit luggage cannot be carried.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: We can arrange for passengers to take out travel insurance to cover any unforeseen circumstances which may arise (including cancellation fees, medical & curtailment expenses, loss of luggage, early departure from tour due to death or illness etc.) Ask our friendly staff at Cardwell's Coach Travel or your Travel Agent for details at time of booking.

FORCE MAJEURE: If by any means of any event of force majeure (which shall include terrorism, pandemic or any cause or event outside our control) we shall be delayed in or prevented from performing our obligations, then such delay or non-performance shall not be deemed a breach or entitle a damage claim. Our obligations shall be suspended whilst such event of force majeure continues.

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