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NEW TOUR
WINTER ESCAPE QLD
8 Day Bundaberg Stayput
6 - 13 August 2024



Come and join me on this wonderful winter escape to Bundaberg and the Southern Great Barrier Reef.

Over the next few day we travel North to Agnes Waters 1770 - Eurimbula National Park Coastline - Cruise to Lady Musgrave Island

Visit to The Bundaberg Barrell, home of Bundaberg Brewed Drinks. We take a look at the True Brew Experience Tour, and so much more....

Inclusions

- * Home pick up and return service
- * Return Qantas flights **Note** Air Taxes subject to change without notice
- * 2 Nights Oaks Sunshine Resort
- * 5 Nights Burnett Riverside Hotel Bundaberg
- * Breakfasts - evening meals - 6 lunches
- * Entrance fees - guided tours - tastings

Cost: \$3,860.00 Per person twin share/double

Single supp \$660.00



Reef Empress

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DAY 1 (D) MELBOURNE TO CALOUNDRA Tuesday 06 August 2024

Welcome to our wonderful tour to Bundaberg and the Southern Great Barrier Reef. Our direct flight departs Melbourne at 9:55. Arriving into the Sunshine Coast at approximately 1215 our local coach operator will be waiting to meet us. From the airport we head to Caloundra, where we check into our hotel for our overnight stay.

Oaks Sunshine Coast Oasis Resort, Caloundra

DAY 2 (BLD) SUNSHINE COAST TO BUNDABERG Wednesday 7 August

Our local touring starts today with a stop at the Eumundi Markets. Held every Saturday and Wednesdays, the Eumundi Markets are one of the oldest and largest markets in Australia. From here we now head north to Maryborough for lunch and enter the world of Mary Poppins. We'll visit the heritage listed birthplace of Helen Lyndon Goff, known to the world as P.L. Travers, author of Mary Poppins stories which has been transformed into The Story Bank - a bank that trades in stories. Delve into the cabinet of curiosities and the library of inspiration. Interact with characters and settings from her popular Mary Poppins stories. From Maryborough we continue on to Childers for our afternoon stop before reaching Bundaberg late afternoon. We are here for the next 5 nights so un pack and settle in. Dinner tonight will be in the hotel.

Burnett Riverside Hotel, Bundaberg - 5 nights

DAY 3: (BLD) BUNDABERG Thursday 8

Our first stop this morning is to the Bundaberg Botanic Gardens where we take a look through the impressive gardens as well as visit the Hinkler Hall of Aviation dedicated to the life and times of the famous aviator Bert Hinkler. In 1928 he made the first solo flight between England and Australia. The house in which he lived his final years was transported from Southampton, England to its present location within the gardens. We enjoy lunch at Café 1928 located in the gardens before heading to the icon of the region, The Bundaberg Rum Distillery. Explore the museum and distillery on a guided tour and enjoy samples of the internationally award-winning rum. We complete our day with a visit to The Bundaberg Barrell, home of Bundaberg Brewed Drinks. We take a look at the True Brew Experience Tour, which has interactive touch screens showing us how the ginger root is transformed into the delicious Ginger Beer produced. We have a chance to sample some of their 14 flavours and of course there will be time to purchase our favourites.

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DAY 4: (BLD) AGNES WATERS & SEVENTEEN SEVENTY

This morning we travel north to **Agnes Waters and to Seventeen Seventy** (also known as 1770) where we discover the vast sandy beaches and crystal-clear water. We'll experience the same magnificent beauty that greeted Lieutenant James Cook when he stepped ashore here more than two centuries ago. On arrival we join 1770 LARC tours that was the first amphibious tour operator in Australia. Our 2-hour picnic lunch tour takes in the magical views and magnificent wildlife of the Round Hill Creek and the Eurimbula National Park coastline while enjoying informative and entertaining commentary on the local history, culture, flora and fauna. On our return to town we have some free time before taking a look at the Agnes Water Museum and return to Bundaberg late afternoon.

DAY 5: (BLD) LADY MUSGRAVE ISLAND Saturday 10

We have a very early start this morning, but it will be definitely be worth it. Lady Musgrave Island is a protected Island and reef lagoon with pristine clear waters and buzzing coral reefs wildlife located on the Southern Great Barrier Reef. Known for its resident turtles, manta rays, migrating humpback whales, fantastic visibility and no stingers all year round. Departing Bundaberg, we travel on the luxurious 35 metre catamaran called the **Reef Empress** and spend some time on Lady Musgrave HQ - a world class liveaboard pontoon that also offers accommodation. We also discover the pristine reef habitat many marine and land animals call home by glass bottom boat or take an island walk. The tour will also include a delicious buffet lunch onboard the Reef Empress. What an incredible day on the Great Barrier Reef!

DAY 6: (BLD) MORE OF BUNDABERG Sunday 11

We start our day with a sightseeing drive out to Bargara and Mon Repos. This stretch of coastline supports the largest concentration of nesting marine turtles on the eastern Australian mainland and has the most significant loggerhead turtle nesting population in the South Pacific region. Returning to Bundaberg we visit the Macadamias Australia Farm. Here we are taken on a guided tour of one of Australia's working Macadamia Farms and then enjoy lunch in the on-site café. This afternoon we join the Bundy Belle for a cruise along the beautiful Burnett River. From aboard this fully restored classic river ferry, we will see the bulk sugar terminal, the trawlers unloading their catch at the seafood processing plants and the Bundaberg marina. We'll enjoy the tranquillity

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of the river's lower reaches as we sit in comfort in the cabin or out on the deck. Back on dry land we have some free time before our final night's dinner in Bundaberg across the road at the Old Bundy Tavern.

DAY 7: (BLD) BUNDABERG TO CALOUNDRA Monday 12

Following breakfast, we depart our hosts and head south to Gympie for a visit to the Woodworks Museum and Interpretative Centre. The museum offers a glimpse into the days of the wood men and timber getters. We'll see a showcase of tools and equipment used by our timber pioneers, hear the live talks and demonstrations about the early timber era and learn about the different wood in the region. This afternoon we re-trace our steps through to the Sunshine Coast where we arrive at the Oaks Oasis Resort Caloundra for our final night stay of the tour.

Oaks Sunshine Coast Oasis Resort, Caloundra - 1 night

DAY 8: (B) HEADING HOME Tuesday 13 August 2024

Sadly, our tour must come to an end today. Following breakfast, we farewell our wonderful hosts and make our way to Yandina. At the Ginger Factory we discover the inner workings of this factory while listening to our interesting guide reveal the Ginger Story. We'll learn how its grown, harvested and processed as well as ride around the lush subtropical gardens on the historic train. We have morning tea then head to the Sunshine Coast airport where we check in for our flight back to Melbourne departing at 12:55. Back in Melbourne our flight arrives at approximately 15:30 and we collect our luggage and head for home.

All itineraries are subject to change due to occasional restrictions in opening times/days of some attractions, e.g. churches, wineries etc. We cannot be held responsible for any changes due to closures, inclement weather etc.

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Cheques make payable to 'Lamble Tours' Address as above.

FINAL PAYMENT: The date is specified on each individual receipt

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