

Whitsundays

7 days, departs Aug 14



Whitehaven Beach -photo courtesy of Tourism & Events QLD

Tour Highlights

- Whitehaven Beach and Whitsundays Cruise
- Crocodile Safari
- Daydream Island Cruise and visit
- Bowen and North Whitsunday Coast
- Proserpine Historical Museum
- Whitsunday Gold Coffee Plantation



Day 1 (D) HOME, PROSERPINE, AIRLIE BEACH

Our tropical getaway begins on arrival at Whitsunday Airport where we take the short journey to the coast, arriving at our home for six nights, Coral Sea Resort overlooking the Whitsunday Passage. Time to unpack, relax and take in the delightful scenery prior to enjoying our first dinner together.

Day 2 (B,L,D) PROSERPINE, AIRLIE BEACH

Following a leisurely breakfast we travel to Proserpine and visit the Historical Museum and tour the Whitsunday Gold Coffee Plantation. During the afternoon we explore the township of Airlie Beach, the central hub for the Whitsunday region. Time to stroll along the Main Street, Beach Lagoon or the Bicentennial Boardwalk.



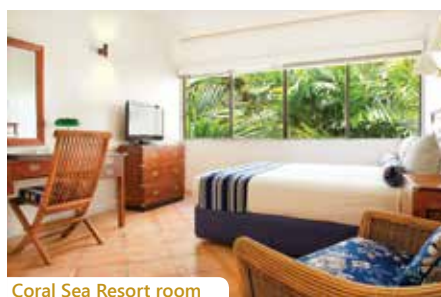
Coffee Plantation -photo courtesy of Tourism & Events QLD

Day 3 (B,L,D) CROCODILE SAFARI

A unique experience as we join a crocodile safari. Cruise along the mangroves and estuaries of the Proserpine River, the natural habitat of approximately 150 saltwater crocodiles. Following our cruise we make our way to the Safari Camp, enjoying a BBQ lunch with billy tea and damper on what was the site of Proserpine's river port, some 100 years ago. Following lunch we board an open air tractor train for a guided tour through the Goorgana Wetlands before returning to our resort.

Day 4 (B,L,D) WHITSUNDAYS CRUISE , HAMILTON ISLAND

A breath-taking highlight today as we cruise the crystal clear aqua waters of the Whitsunday Islands. We travel by ferry to the Island Resort of Hamilton Island. A little free time on arrival. Later relax on board the MV Hamilton Star as we spend the afternoon cruising through spectacular scenery. On return to Hamilton Island we reboard the ferry back to Airlie Beach.



Coral Sea Resort room

The magical Whitsundays are a scenic group of 74 tropical islands each with pristine beaches and picturesque coastlines. Our holiday is based at the ocean facing Coral Seas Resort, just a short stroll from the Airlie Beach Village. The nautical inspired modern rooms offer garden or sea views, most with walk in showers. Enjoy breakfast onsite. Dinners are served onsite and at some local restaurants.



Crocodile -photo courtesy of Mark Scott Johnson

All meals / most morning and afternoon teas

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Daydream Island -photo courtesy of Tourism & Events QLD

Day 5 (B,L,D) BOWEN

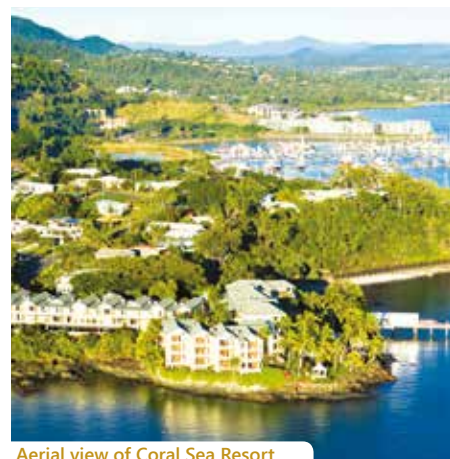
Today we travel to Bowen, located at the northern reaches of the Whitsundays Coast. Bowen is a picturesque seaside township that has one of Australia's best climates, with a daily average of eight hours sunshine. On arrival into Bowen, we visit the Big Mango, a unique attraction, before taking in the wonderful views from Flagstaff Hill Lookout. We explore the township, including viewing some of the 25 murals that are displayed throughout Bowen's streets. Following lunch we visit Bowen Museum and Mullers Lagoon, picturesque parkland in the centre of town and home to 176 species of birdlife.

Day 6 (B,L,D) DAYDREAM ISLAND, AIRLIE BEACH

A later start today as we take the short but scenic cruise across to Daydream Island. Some time to visit the Living Reef, one of the world's largest man made coral reefs, before enjoying a leisurely island lunch. Explore the resort further prior to returning to the mainland. Tonight we enjoy our farewell dinner at a local restaurant.

Day 7 (B,L) AIRLIE BEACH, HOME

This morning enjoy a leisurely breakfast before we transfer to the Whitsunday Airport. Homeward flights complete our relaxing tropical getaway.



Aerial view of Coral Sea Resort

All prices are per person twin share

Tour Price*	\$4,080
Adelaide	\$4,930
Brisbane	\$4,580
Canberra	\$4,930
Hobart	\$5,080
Launceston**	\$5,355
Melbourne	\$4,930
Perth***	\$5,630
Sydney	\$4,730
Single supplement	\$ 575

*Tour commences and ends in Proserpine.

**Pre-tour overnight Melbourne, includes airport transfers, dinner & breakfast.

***Pre and post-tour overnight Melbourne, includes airport transfers, dinner & breakfast.

Deposit of \$400 due within 7 days of booking, plus any additional deposit needed for non-refundable airfares.

Balance due 60 days prior to departure.

Prices from other cities available on application.



Airlie Beach -photo courtesy of eGuide Travel