

EXPLORING TROPICAL PARADISE: 14-DAY MOTORHOME ADVENTURE AROUND CAIRNS



Highlights

- Scenic Flights over the Great Barrier Reef
- Reef Cruise: diving and snorkelling
- Embark on a Skyrail in the rainforest
- Have a walk on Port Douglas' palm-fringed beaches
- Embark on the crocodile cruise
- Encounter with wild animals
- Most iconic waterfalls of Queensland
- Visit Dunk Island

Day 2: Cairns

Distance: 13 Kms **Time:** 22 Minutes

- **Morning:** Take a scenic ride over the **Great Barrier Reef** and admire up to 140 kilometres of the Outer Barrier as well as many inner islands, reefs and sand cays.
- **Afternoon:** Learn about Indigenous culture at the **Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Park** or visit the **Cairns aquarium**.
- **Evening:** Return to your campsite and reflect on your adventures over a barbecue dinner and plan your next days' escapades.
- **Where to stay:** BIG4 Ingenia Holidays Cairns Coconut, 23/51 Anderson Rd, Woree QLD 4868. Powered site.



Great Barrier Reef, Scenic Flight

Day 1: Cairns

Distance: 7 Kms **Time:** 13 Minutes

- **Morning:** Touch down in Cairns and pick up your motorhome. Begin your adventure with a leisurely exploration of the city centre. Don't miss the vibrant **Cairns Esplanade** and the refreshing **Cairns Lagoon**.
- **Afternoon:** Settle into your motorhome and stock up on essentials at local markets or supermarkets.
- **Evening:** For your first night, unwind at **Cairns Coconut Holiday Resort**; enjoy a barbecue under the stars or take a dip in their tropical pool.
- **Where to stay:** BIG4 Ingenia Holidays Cairns Coconut, 23/51 Anderson Rd, Woree QLD 4868. Powered site.

Day 3: Great Barrier Reef - Cairns

Distance: 0 Kms **Time:** 0 Hours

- **Morning:** Embark on a **reef cruise** from Cairns. Snorkel or dive among vibrant coral gardens and marine life.
- **Afternoon:** Explore multiple reef sites, relax on the sun deck, or join guided **marine biology tours**.
- **Evening:** Spend the night on the reef tour boat, enjoying the serenity of the ocean under a star-filled sky.
- **Where to stay:** Leave your campervan at your campsite while you enjoy your boat tour.

Day 4: Great Barrier Reef - Cairns

Distance: 0 Kms **Time:** 0 Hours

- **Morning:** Enjoy the sunrise over the ocean from the boat. Admire the vibrant colours reflecting on the sea while drinking a hot coffee. Snorkel or dive again before the boat starts its way back.
- **Afternoon:** Your tour comes to an end. The boat will take you back to Cairns around 3-4 p.m.
- **Evening:** Enjoy a wander at the **Cairns Night Markets** for an easy and relaxing night. You'll find souvenirs, yummy food, handcrafted goodies, and body massages.
- **Where to stay:** BIG4 Ingenia Holidays Cairns Coconut, 23/51 Anderson Rd, Woree QLD 4868. Powered site.
- **Note:** You may need to leave the vehicle at the campsite while on the boat.



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Day 5: Kuranda

Distance: 12 Kms **Time:** 21 Minutes

- **Morning:** Drive to Kuranda, a village nestled in the rainforest canopy. Ride the **Skyrail Rainforest Cableway** or the historic **Kuranda Scenic Railway**.
- **Afternoon:** Explore **Kuranda's markets** and art galleries, then visit **Barron Falls** for a stunning natural spectacle.
- **Evening:** Enjoy a good meal at Frogs on Coondoo, which offers fresh, quality, and local products. Stay overnight at **Kuranda Rainforest Park**, surrounded by lush tropical gardens. At night, enjoy the tranquillity of the rainforest.
- **Where to stay:** Kuranda Rainforest Accommodation Park, 88 Kuranda Heights Rd, Kuranda QLD 4881. Powered Site.
- **Note:** Enquire about **booking** at least three days before your visit to ensure you have tickets (this isn't an automatic booking service).

Day 6: Cairns to Port Douglas

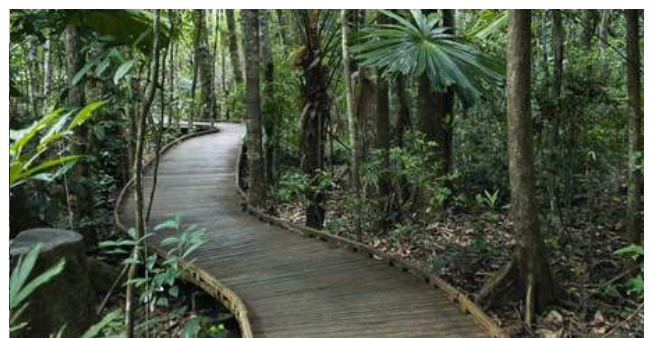
Distance: 61.5 Kms **Time:** 1 Hour

- **Morning:** Hit the road early and head north to Port Douglas. The scenic coastal drive offers glimpses of palm-fringed beaches and lush hinterland.
- **Afternoon:** Wander through the boutique shops and cafes along **Macrossan Street**, or take a small hike to Trinity Bay Lookout and admire stunning panoramic views of Trinity Bay, the Four Mile Beach, and the Coral Sea.
- **Evening:** Nestled in a serene setting, relax with a campfire dinner. After dinner, go for a sunset walk on **Four Miles Beach**.
- **Where to stay:** Tropic Breeze Caravan Park, 24 Davidson St, Port Douglas, QLD 4877. Powered site.

Day 7: Daintree National Park

Distance: 55.4 Kms **Time:** 50 Minutes

- **Morning:** Drive north to **Daintree Village**. Take your time to stop at viewpoints along the way for breathtaking views of the rainforest meeting the Coral Sea.
- **Afternoon:** Embark on a **Daintree River Cruise**, offering an opportunity to spot crocodiles, various bird species, and other wildlife that inhabit the mangrove-lined riverbanks.
- **Evening:** After your cruise, return to the **Daintree Rainforest Village**, nestled in the heart of the rainforest. The village offers powered and unpowered sites suitable for our Cruisin' Motorhomes, with BBQ areas and laundry services.
- **Where to stay:** Daintree Rainforest Village, 2094 Cape Tribulation Rd, Diwan QLD 4873. Powered site
- **Note:** Plan your arrival time for the Daintree River Ferry, which operates frequently but can have wait times during peak hours.



Daintree Rainforest

Day 8: Cape Tribulation

Distance: 17.9 Kms **Time:** 25 Minutes

- **Morning:** It's time to visit one of North Queensland's most stunning areas with a road trip from Daintree Village to Cape Tribulation! Enjoy a late breakfast at the Turtle Rock Café. Then, enjoy breathtaking views from **Kulki Lookout**.
- **Afternoon:** Set up camp at the caravan park for a relaxing afternoon. Stroll along the **Dubuji Boardwalk** (45-minute circuit) or relax at **Myall Beach**.
- **Evening:** Nestled in the middle of the **Kulki Anga Nature Reserve**, dine on locally caught fish and delicious Australian cuisine paired with local drinks at the Cassowary Restaurant, only a 4-minute walk from your campsite!
- **Where to stay:** Safari Lodge and Campground, Turtle Rock Cafe, Cape Tribulation Rd, Cape Tribulation, QLD 4873. Powered site.



Cape Tribulation Beach

Day 9: Atherton Tablelands

Distance: 225 km + 21.3 Kms **Time:** 2.5 hours + 20 minutes

- **Morning:** Depart for Atherton and enjoy a scenic drive through lush tropical landscapes and rolling hills. Stop for breaks at viewpoints along the way to stretch and take in the scenery.
- **Afternoon:** Head 20 minutes out to **Lake Eacham**, a volcanic crater lake perfect for a swim or a lakeside walk. Alternatively, visit nearby **Lake Barrine** for a guided boat tour, where you can learn its history and spot wildlife like turtles and fish.
- **Evening:** Settle in at your campsite and wander in town for dining options in Atherton or nearby **Yungaburra**, known for their cafes and restaurants offering local specialties.
- **Where to stay:** NRMA Atherton Tablelands Holiday Park, 141 Herberton Rd, Atherton QLD 4883. Powered site.
- **Note:** Look out for local markets or events in Atherton or Yungaburra. These offer insights into the region's culture and community.

Day 10: Waterfall Day

Distance: 44 Kms **Time:** 43 Minutes

- **Morning:** Visit **Millaa Millaa Falls**, one of North Queensland's most iconic waterfalls. Its 18-metre drop, crystal-clear pool, and tranquil surrounds make it an ideal spot for a refreshing break.
- **Afternoon:** Continue along the Waterfall Circuit to **Zillie** and **Ellinjaa Falls**, where rainforest trails, photo-worthy views, and chances to spot local wildlife make for a memorable stop.
- **Evening:** Relax in the **tropical gardens** of the caravan park, swim in the pool, play golf, or go for short walks. Enjoy a homemade dinner cooked in the comfort of your Cruisin' Motorhome.
- **Where to stay:** Millaa Millaa Caravan Park, Corner Lodge Ave Millaa Millaa-Malanda Road, Millaa Millaa QLD 4886. Powered Site.



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Day 11: Mission Beach

Distance: 101 Kms **Time:** 1 Hour 25 Minutes

- **Morning:** Start your journey towards Mission Beach and enjoy the scenic views as you pass through tropical landscapes and approach the coastal area.
- **Afternoon:** Take some time to relax on the golden sands of Mission Beach. If you're looking for activities, you can enjoy tours such as **sea kayaking**, or for the more adventurous, you can even book a **skydive**!
- **Evening:** After setting up camp, take a short hike to **Bicton Hill** Lookout for sweeping views of Mission Beach and nearby islands, especially at sunset. Finish the day with fresh seafood or a café meal by the ocean.
- **Where to stay:** Mission Beach Hideaway Holiday Village, 58-60 Porter Promenade, Mission Beach QLD 4852. Powered Site.

Day 12: Dunk Island

Distance: 0 Kms **Time:** 0 Hours

- **Morning:** Embark on a day trip to Dunk Island or join a **snorkelling tour** to explore the vibrant underwater world. Dunk Island offers pristine beaches, rainforest walks, and snorkelling opportunities along its fringing reefs.
- **Afternoon:** Look out for the impressive variety of flora and fauna that call this park home. You can get an underwater cover for your phone to take stunning images!
- **Evening:** After returning from the trip, you can relax at your campsite or visit local markets in Mission Beach or nearby towns for fresh produce, crafts, and souvenirs.
- **Where to stay:** Mission Beach Hideaway Holiday Village, 58-60 Porter Promenade, Mission Beach QLD 4852. Powered Site.

Day 13: Palm Cove

Distance: 164 Kms **Time:** 2 Hours 25 Minutes

- **Morning:** Appreciate a leisurely drive back north to Palm Cove, soaking in the landscapes along the way.
- **Afternoon:** Enjoy a walk along the Palm Cove **Esplanade**, lined with boutique shops, cafes, and restaurants offering ocean views.
- **Evening:** Explore local boutiques for souvenirs or indulge in a spa treatment at one of Palm Cove's luxury resorts.
- **Where to stay:** NRMA Palm Cove Holiday Park, 149 Williams Esplanade, Palm Cove QLD 4879. Powered site.



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Day 14: Cairns

Distance: 23.2 Kms **Time:** 24 Minutes

- **Morning:** Spend your final hours in Cairns. Enjoy a leisurely afternoon exploring Cairns, perhaps indulging in souvenir shopping, revisiting favourite spots, or visiting the **Cairns Botanic Gardens**.
- **Afternoon:** Drop your motorhome back at our Cairns branch before 12pm.



Cairns Botanical Gardens, Tourism & Events Queensland

Packing Tips For Your Cairns Road Trip

Discover the best of Cairns with our Tropical North Queensland 14-Day itinerary. Whether you're a nature enthusiast, adventure seeker, or simply looking to unwind in paradise, this motorhome itinerary promises an unforgettable journey through rainforests, reefs, and cultural gems.

- Appropriate footwear (comfortable walking shoes and thongs for beaches)
- Hat, **sunscreen** and sunglasses
- **Swimwear** and beach towels
- Mixture of clothing for different weather/activities
- Insect repellent + band-aids
- Motion sickness tablets
- **Camera**/phone + chargers
- Light backpack (to carry food + water bottle)

Have a great trip!

