

CAPE YORK TOUR – Drive/Fly 2018

Duration: 8 Days / 7 nights (Drive/Fly)

Departs Cairns	7:00am
Returns Cairns	6.00pm

Inclusions:

- Modern 4WD vehicle and experienced driver guide
- All accommodation costs
- Breakfast, Dinner and light lunches as per the itinerary
- Morning / Afternoon teas
- All National Park entry fees
- All ferries and barges
- Cruise to Thursday Island and a bus tour of the island
- Cruise to Horn Island and tour of the Island
- Flight from Horn Island to Cairns with QANTAS
- Queensland's "Great Ocean Road"
- Daintree National Park and Ferry Crossing
- Cape Tribulation and its sandy beaches
- Mardja boardwalk
- Bloomfield Track & Falls
- Cedar Bay National Park
- Lion's Den Pub
- Black Mountain
- Lakefield National Park
- Old Laura Homestead
- Batavia Downs
- Wenlock River
- Elliot Falls
- Fruit Bat Falls
- Jardine River
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Itinerary - 2018

Day 1 – CAIRNS TO COOKTOWN VIA THE DAINTREE

Lunch & Dinner Provided

Overnight: Cooktown

Leaving Cairns we head north along Queensland's Great Ocean Road towards Daintree, where we will join the Daintree River Cruise for an hour of exploring the wilderness where crocodiles are often found.

We then cross the Daintree River by cable ferry and make our way toward to Cape Tribulation giving you an opportunity to explore coastal headlands and long sandy beaches stopping to enjoy lunch before we journey through the World Heritage Rainforest.

We then engage 4WD and travel along the Bloomfield Track (weather permitting) enjoying many scenic spots including Bloomfield Falls and Cedar Bay National park. We stop at the Lions Den Pub - another classic Aussie Icon.

We visit Mysterious Black Mountain before arriving in the Historic township of Cooktown.

Day 2 – COOKTOWN TO COEN/MUSGRAVE

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Provided

Overnight: Coen/Musgrave

We start our day with a visit to Grassy Hill Lookout, The James Cook Museum, Botanical Gardens & Powerhouse Museum - this is truly an amazing place. From Cooktown we head west to Battle Camp and onwards into Lakefield National Park.

After visiting "Old Laura" homestead we travel through many fascinating river valleys and numerous giant termite mounds before arriving at our overnight accommodation at Coen or Musgrave.

Day 3 – COEN/MUSGRAVE TO LOCKHART

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Provided

Overnight: Lockhart River

Today we continuing our adventure to one of Australia's most remote area's we head east exploring the Sir William Thompson Range and then crossing the Pascoe River, we head to Iron Range National Park.

As we enter the National Park, we see the spectacular Mount Tozer at the peak of the table range, before descending down to Lockhart River a unique aboriginal community situated on the ocean at Lloyd Bay.

Heading onwards further north - exploring the many wonders of the Iron Range National Park whilst enjoying the dense tropical rainforest being the largest remaining area of lowland rainforest in Australia.

We arrive at Lockhart River for our overnight stay.

Day 4 – LOCKHART TO WEIPA

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Provided

Overnight: Weipa

Leaving the east coast behind, we head inland through the National Park and onwards to more savannah land, country of the Cape and head north.

This afternoon we continue on a westward track towards the West Coast and the famous mining town of Weipa - where we arrive late afternoon.

The Heritage Resort offers warm hospitality and friendly service with modern comfort and style.

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Day 5 – WEIPA TO BRAMWELL

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Provided

Overnight: Bramwell

Weipa located in the Gulf of Carpentaria is the largest town in the Cape York Peninsula with a population of about 3000 people. Its main industries are mining and cattle exports.

We take a stroll through the Jardine National Park to amaze your senses. We then visit the Western Cape Cultural Centre. Be impressed with the stunning and truly authentic aboriginal artwork and learn about the Aboriginal culture. Then take a stroll through the township.

We do Weipa Mine tour (optional) and then depart the port of Weipa and its amazing coastline before travelling onto Bramwell where we overnight.

Day 6 – BRAMWELL TO CAPE YORK

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Provided

Overnight: Loyalty Beach

Departing Bramwell we head through one of the largest cattle station on the Cape - Batavia Downs. We visit the Morton Telegraph Station; this important link in communication to the far north and the cape operated till 1960. We now begin what will be one of the highlights of our tour - it's now time to join one of the original Telegraph Tracks (conditions permitting) Travelling further north to visit Elliot Falls and fruit bat Falls

Joining the Bamaga Development Road we arrive at the Cape's most famous river, the Jardine crossing the crocodile infested stream by ferry, then onwards to the top arriving at Loyalty Beach where we stay for the next two nights.

Day 7 – CAPE YORK TO THE TIP

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Provided

Overnight: Loyalty Beach

Today we visit the remains of Somerset, which was established by the Jardine Family as the Government outpost and Cattle Station. Spend some time at some secluded beaches, where we have previously sighted dugongs and sea turtles. This is a particularly scenic part of the Cape.

We then head for Australia's most northerly point, Cape York. The 30 minute walk to the point has lots of great views, also once we arrive it's time to grab a drink and enjoy the afternoon over the Torres Strait.

Day 8 – THURSDAY ISLAND & CAPE YORK

Breakfast and Lunch Provided

Flight from Horn Island

For our last day, we take a boat cruise across the Torres Strait to Thursday Island and enjoy a guided tour around this small island that is part of Torres Strait culture and history.

The island is situated between Cape York and Australia's nearest neighbour New Guinea.

We then take a short ferry ride to Horn Island, where you will also enjoy a short tour of the Island before being transferred to the Horn Island Airport for your QANTAS flight back to Cairns, arriving at approximately 4.00pm.

Please note that Single Travellers must purchase the optional extra "single supplement" if you prefer your own private room, otherwise you may be roomed with another single traveller.

Please note: Seasonal weather conditions and operational requirements may cause a variation in the tour itinerary. The operator reserves the right to substitute or modify if required. Please read our terms and conditions carefully. Departure and Return times are approximate. Tour is not suitable for infants. We endeavour to room guests in ensuite rooms where available, once full we use shared facilities.

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