



Whalesong whale watching cruise



Fraser Island 4WD safari

6 DAYS ESCORTED TOUR FRASER ISLAND WHALES AND WILDERNESS

Hervey Bay, the Humpbacks in Migration and Fraser Island

PHYSICAL RATING **2** MODERATE



TOUR OVERVIEW & INCLUSIONS

- Luxury 'Gold Class' coach ex Brisbane
- Glass House Mountains camel farm
- Gympie
- Guided tour of Maryborough with 'Mary Heritage'
- 2 nights ocean view rooms at Hervey Bay
- Half day whale watching cruise
- 3 nights Fraser Island
- Full day 4WD island tour
- Lake McKenzie
- Bush Tucker talk and taste
- Sundowner drinks at Jetty Hut
- Guided tour of heritage-listed Brooklyn House
- 16 meals

PRE & POST TOUR EXTENDER OPTION

2 additional days (TOTAL 8 DAY TOUR)

- Return economy class flights ex Sydney, Melbourne or Adelaide to Brisbane
- 2 additional nights bed & breakfast (1 night pre & 1 night post tour) at Sofitel Brisbane Central
- Return Airtrain tickets ex Brisbane Domestic Terminal to Central Station

Plus \$860pp Twin Share
Plus \$1025 Sole Use

Subject to availability - some block out dates apply. Prices are subject to change without notice

DAY 1 Tuesday (MT,L,D)

Board one of our signature 'Gold Class' coaches at **Brisbane Transit Centre on Roma Street**, sit back and relax as we make our way to the **Fraser Coast**. We break for morning tea and cuddles with camels near the **Glass House Mountains**. This unique farm offers views over the mountains, an **informative talk** and a meet and greet with the **cuddly camels** all whilst you enjoy a delicious morning tea and **camel milk tasting session**. We continue onto **Gympie** for lunch before taking the next leg of our journey to **Maryborough** where we collect local character 'Mary Heritage' for a city sights tour of the amazing heritage buildings. Next we drive a short distance to the coastal township of **Hervey Bay** to check-in to our hotel situated on the **Urangan Marina**. Enjoy the lovely water views from your room during our stay.

2 Night Stay: Mantra Hervey Bay ★★★★★

DAY 2 Wednesday (B,MT,L,D)

Today we take to the water in **Australia's humpback playground**. Here the humpbacks aren't just passing through on their way to their breeding grounds, they're actually taking time out in the pristine waters of **Hervey Bay** to socialise, have some fun, learn some essential life skills and nurture their young. Our **whale watching cruise** has us joining a crew with over 30 years' experience, who **guarantee sightings** and offer water level viewing. We get up close and personal with these majestic creatures as they glide alongside our vessel and usually put on an almighty show, slapping their tails, shaking their pec fins and leaping into the air.

A lovely day watching nature whilst enjoying morning tea and a tropical buffet lunch on board. We return to shore for a free afternoon taking in the shops of the **Esplanade** or walking to the end of **Hervey Bay's historic jetty**.

DAY 3 Thursday (B,L,D)

Enjoy a leisurely start to today before being transferred to **River Heads** for our 12:30pm ferry across the bay to **World Heritage listed Fraser Island**. Positioned on the western side of **Fraser Island**, our resort overlooks the calm waters of the **Great Sandy Strait** and blends seamlessly with nature. On arrival, we make our way to the **Maheno Deck** to enjoy a leisurely late lunch overlooking the lagoon pool. After lunch we check-in to our rooms then take the afternoon to discover the resorts facilities and beautiful natural surrounds. Tonight, enjoy an island style buffet dinner in the **Maheno Bar & Grill**.

3 Night Stay: Kingfisher Bay Resort, Fraser Island ★★★★★

DAY 4 Friday (B,L,D)

Paradise... a place we can all imagine. To the Aboriginals, Fraser Island was paradise. The island has **rainforests, eucalyptus woodland, mangrove forests, wallum and peat swamps, sand dunes and coastal heaths**. It is made up of sand that has been accumulating for approximately 750,000 years on volcanic bedrock that provides a natural catchment for the sediment which is carried on a strong offshore current northwards along the coast. Our **guided tour** will tell tales of how the **Butchulla tribe** occupied the paradise of Fraser Island at least 5000 years ago. As we discover the **world's largest sand island**, our off-road adventure takes us tackling

inland bumps and humps through towering **Satinay trees**, followed by a boardwalk through majestic beauty of nature as rainforests and rare plant life surround the area. We unearth **shipwrecks and sheltered bays** and take plenty of time to stop and enjoy the view. Climb **Indian Head** and gaze down upon schools of **fish, sharks, dolphins, rays and turtles**, enjoying their own sea safari. We also stop off at picturesque **Lake McKenzie** which shines sapphire blue, surrounded with shores of snow-white sand. We return to the resort for some down time before dinner.

DAY 5 Saturday (B,L,D)

Enjoy a lazy sleep in this morning and take in breakfast at your leisure before enjoying the morning at your own pace. Perhaps enjoy one of the many activities on offer at the resort. Join a ranger for a presentation or guided walk of the beach, mangroves or striking Wallum Heath that grow beside the resort, paddle a canoe or take a Segway adventure. Do as little or as much as you like, why not indulge with a day spa treatment or simply bubble away in the jacuzzi?

We regroup for lunch, then later join the **resort ranger and chef** for our exclusive **Bush Tucker talk and taste**. Tantalise your taste buds with a selection of **unique bush cuisine** and find out how these foods can be used to enhance most dishes. The ranger presents a selection of foods in their natural and raw state and explains where and how they can be found. The chef will then show us how to use them, share some recipe secrets and present the cooked dishes for us to taste. As the day draws to a close, we meet for **pre-dinner sundowner drinks** at the **Jetty Hut** then it's time to take our taste buds on another voyage of discovery as we dine in the **award-winning Seabelle Restaurant**.

DAY 6 Sunday (B,L)

Enjoy a relaxed breakfast this morning prior to checking out of the resort where we take the ferry back to the mainland. Here we board our coach to head to **Brooklyn House in Howard**. We partake in a guided tour of the **heritage-listed Queenslander** and enjoy lunch surrounded by history before continuing south to return to **Brisbane Transit Centre** late afternoon.

DEPARTURE DATE 2020

18 August

TOUR PRICES PER PERSON

Twin Share \$2190
Sole Use \$2660

GGP OPTION

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Select the GGP option on this tour and help reduce extra pressures on our natural environment. You will be rewarded with a reduced rate on your tour.

SAVE: \$20PP TWIN SHARE OR \$40 SOLE USE

DEPOSIT

Non-refundable deposit of \$500pp required within 14 days of making booking to secure your reservation.

N.B. This package is subject to a fuel levy without notice for coach component.

INCLUDED MEALS

B = Full Breakfast **MT** = Morning Tea **L** = Lunch
AT = Afternoon Tea **D** = Two Course Dinner



Kingfisher Bay Resort

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This tour carries a strict fitness level. Please carefully read the Terms & Conditions on Page 3