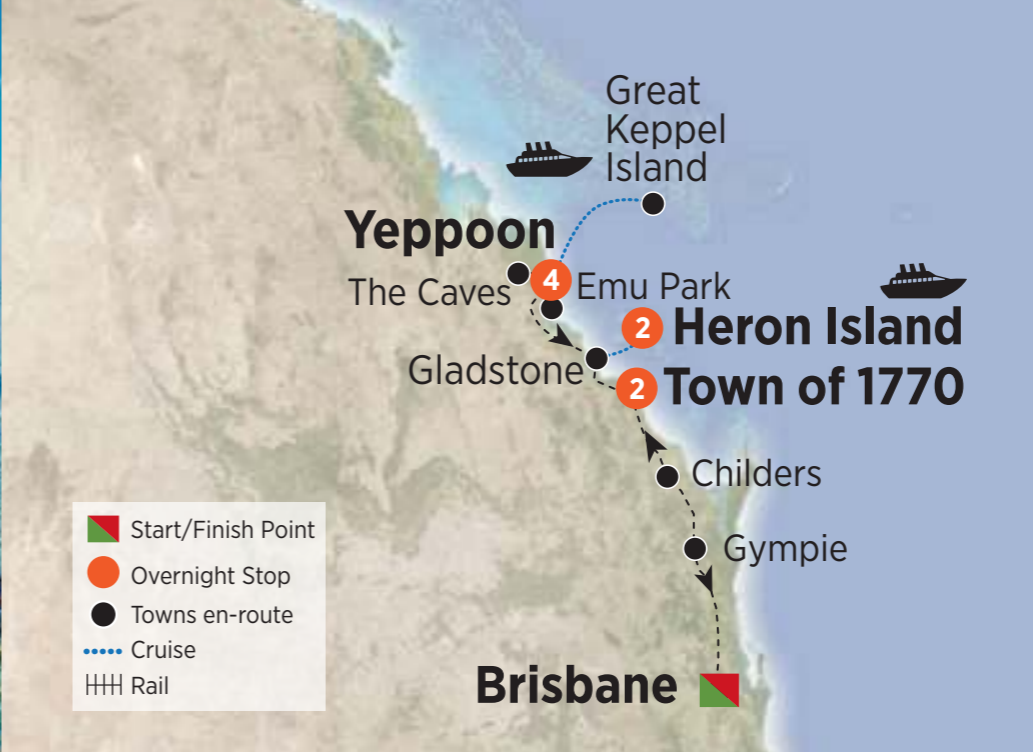




Heron Island Resort

**EARLY BIRD DEAL!**  
 Save \$200 PER COUPLE \$100 SINGLE  
 MARCH 2021 DATE - BOOK BY 31 OCT 2020



Great Keppel Island



LARC amphibious vessel

**9 DAYS**  
 ESCORTED  
 TOUR

# SOUTHERN GREAT BARRIER REEF COLLECTION

PHYSICAL RATING  
**2**  
 MODERATE



## TOUR OVERVIEW & INCLUSIONS

- Luxury 'Gold Class' coach travel
- 4 nights beachfront at Yeppoon
- Capricorn Caves Cathedral Cave tour
- Footlights Theatre Restaurant lunch and show
- Great Keppel Island day tour including glass bottom boat cruise and lunch
- High Valley Dawn Permaculture Farm 'Paddock to Plate' tour
- Capricorn Coast scenic loop drive; Singing Ship monument
- 2 nights Heron Island with daily guided naturalist tours and reef walks
- 2 nights Town of Seventeen Seventy
- Full day LARC eco tour to Bustard Bay Lighthouse and Middle Island
- Historic Childers
- 25 meals

## PRE & POST TOUR EXTENDER OPTION

### 2 additional days (TOTAL 11 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\*\**

**PLEASE NOTE: PHYSICAL RATING**  
 This tour carries a strict fitness level. Please carefully read the Terms & Conditions on Page 3

### DAY 1 (MT,L,D)

Board our luxury 'Gold Class' coach at Roma Street Brisbane for our journey to the **Southern Great Barrier Reef**. We stop at the **Gympie Duck Ponds** for a leg stretch and morning tea before we are back on the road heading through the farming township of **Childers**, breaking at **Gin Gin** for lunch. The last leg of our journey takes us to **Mount Larcom** for a comfort stop before a short continuation to the coastal town of **Yeppoon**.

**4 Night Stay: Ocean View Rooms at Salt, Yeppoon ★★★★★**

*\*\*Please note: As accommodation is apartment style, there is no service to rooms during our stay.*

### DAY 2 (B,L,D)

This morning we explore the unique **Capricorn Caves** for a 1-hour underground tour of **Cathedral Cave**. Follow your experienced guide into the brightly lit limestone cavern that contains rare ferns, massive tree roots, and some small bats. The high-domed the **Cathedral Cave** is renowned for its acoustics and as a setting for special events. From here we return to **Yeppoon** and let loose with some fun and laughter over lunch with a show at **Footlights Theatre Restaurant**. We then make our way to our beautiful beachfront accommodation and settle in, taking in the views from your private balcony overlooking the group of **Keppel Islands**.

### DAY 3 (B,L,D)

Today we cruise through the **Great Barrier Reef Marine Park**, the largest heritage listed area in the world. On arrival our cruise crew will advise times for our **glass bottom boat venture** for a **coral viewing and fish feeding tour**. The glass-bottom boat tour is a quiet, relaxed alternative for those wishing to view the wonders of the reef and spectacular marine life without even getting their feet wet. We then get some free time on the island, enjoying lunch overlooking the pristine waters off **Great Keppel Island**.

### DAY 4 (B,L,D)

This morning we take a scenic drive along the **Capricorn Coast** making our way to **The High Valley Dawn Permaculture Farm**. The farm, a 140 acre seaside allotment, evolved from passion for wellness and sustainable development, then collided with a desire to serve fresh, local, organically grown produce at the farm's nearby restaurant **Beaches Rosslyn Bay**. The farm is also home to free ranging animals - horses, ducks, chickens, cattle, sheep, 2 dogs, a pig, and a goat. We enjoy a guided **'Paddock to Plate'** experience learning all about the farm followed with lunch savouring the produce. Our afternoon takes us along the coastal scenic loop showcasing **13 beautiful beaches**. We stop at **Emu Park** to visit the **Singing Ship**, a monument that commemorates the area's legacy of the historical explorations of **Captain James Cook**. We return to our accommodation mid-afternoon to enjoy some free time downtown.

### DAY 5/6 (B,MT,L,D)

From Yeppoon we make our way to **Gladstone Marina** to board the **Heron Island** fast cat. Located in the World Heritage listed **Great Barrier Reef, Heron Island** is a haven for nature lovers and is surrounded by pristine beaches and brilliant blue waters. Enjoy two nights at **Heron Island Resort**, where we join **naturalist eco guides** for daily activities discovering the **birdlife**, reef walk the **coral cay formations** and discover **native flora and fauna**. We check-in to our **Reef Rooms**, which are located near the beach and offer reef views with a living area which extends out to a private balcony or garden. At low tide, we take the **reef walk** that will expose some of the most fascinating creatures found on the coral reef.

*\*\*Please note: Fast cat transfers take 2 hours and are in open waters. Those who suffer motion sickness are advised to take the necessary precautions. Optionally, at additional expense you may like to organise return helicopter transfers from Gladstone.*

**2 Night Stay: Heron Island Resort in Reef Rooms ★★★★★**

### DAY 7 (B,L,D)

We enjoy a leisurely morning on beautiful **Heron Island**, before an early afternoon departure on the fast cat. Back on the mainland, we take a short journey to the **Town of Seventeen Seventy** (1770). Surrounded on three sides by the **Coral Sea** and **Bustard Bay**, 1770 is a picturesque village rich in wildlife and scenery.

**2 Night Stay: Lagoons 1770 Resort & Spa ★★★★★**

### DAY 8 (B,L,D)

This morning we take the ideal getaway on the **Pink Amphibious LARC**. Take in the highlights of **Agnes Water** by land and sea on-board a unique **LARC amphibious vehicle**. Our adventure takes us across tidal creeks, sandy beaches and 4WD drive trails, as you explore the **Town of 1770** and **Bustard Bay**. We cross four tidal creeks and take a **4WD tour** up the steep climb to the historic **Bustard Head Light Station** to take in the magnificent views and tour the lighthouse itself. Enjoy lunch on **Middle Island**, then get your adrenaline pumping as you try sandboarding (optional) down the dunes of **Middle Island**.

### DAY 9 (B,MT,L)

Homeward bound this morning, we break at historic **Childers** for a cuppa and time to visit the **Palace Backpackers Memorial**. After lunch in **Gympie**, we make our way back to the **Brisbane Transit Centre** arriving at approximately 4:30pm.

## DEPARTURE DATES 2021

**6 March**      **10 April**

## TOUR PRICES PER PERSON

**Twin Share**      **\$3800**  
**Sole Use**      **\$5370**

## DEPOSIT

**Non-refundable deposit of \$800pp required within 14 days of making booking to secure your reservation.**

**N.B. This package is subject to an additional levy for coach component that may be imposed and is out of Fun Over Fifty's control.**

## INCLUDED MEALS

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



Heron Island Reef Walk