O'Shannessy's
QUALITY TOURS

BRISBANE TO CAIRNS

Coastal Explorer



13 DAY FULLY INCLUSIVE TOUR

13th June to 25th June, 2027

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SUNDAY 13TH JUNE TO FRIDAY 25TH JUNE, 2027

Come with us as we hit the road for 1,700+ km of pure Queensland adventure! Chase golden beaches, tropical islands, ancient rainforests and the spectacular Great Barrier Reef. From wildlife encounters and island hopping to epic photo stops, unforgettable experiences and plenty of laughs — this is Queensland at its best! Grab your sunnies. Our adventure awaits!

Tour Highlights

- Maryborough
- Town of Seventeen Seventy
- Rockhampton Botanic Gardens
- Koorana Crocodile Farm
- Marlborough Historical Museum
- Sarina Sugar Shed
- Hideaway Bay, Cape Gloucester
- Bus tour of Magnetic Island
- Texas Longhorn Station
- Golden Gumboot, Tully
- Dunk Island
- Charley's Chocolate Factory
- Paronella Park
- Josephine Falls
- Fitzroy Island

CRUISES

- LARC Tour
- Return Cruise to Magnetic Island
- Return Cruise to Dunk Island
- Return Cruise to Fitzroy Island

FLIGHTS

- Melbourne to Brisbane
- Cairns to Melbourne

Tour Prices

Twin share room first tour:	**$8,995**
Twin share room repeat traveller 2 - 10 Tours:	**$8,895**
Twin share room repeat traveller 11 - 20 Tours:	**$8,845**
Twin share room repeat traveller 21+ Tours:	**$8,795**
Single room supplement:	**$1,310**

Please note a deposit of $500 is required upon booking

As a thank you for travelling with O'Shannessy's Quality Tours, you will automatically receive a saving on the total tour price for your second and subsequent tours.

O'Shannessy's Quality Tours will match single travellers who wish to twin share with another single traveller of the same gender. However, if this is not possible, you will need to pay the Single Room Supplement. If you are willing to twin share but are a smoker, have a CPAP machine or snore, you will need to pay a single supplement for a sole use room.



MULTIPLE NIGHT STAYS

2 nights in Agnes Water,
Mission Beach and Cairns
3 nights in Townsville

ACTIVITY LEVEL

Our moderate tours may include some air travel and a mix of touring styles. Please refer to back cover.



Tour Inclusions

Complimentary Chauffeur Driven Transfers

Victorian passengers from Greater Melbourne, Bendigo, Torquay, Ballarat, Geelong, the Bellarine and Mornington Peninsulas, Phillip Island and selected areas of Gippsland will be picked up and returned home in a private chauffeured vehicle by one of our professional drivers. For passengers not within this pick up zone, or our interstate passengers, a quote can be provided for home pickup in extended areas.

Luxury Touring Coaches

Our full size luxury coaches have only 32-36 passenger seats allowing you even more personal space and extra leg room. Our coaches are fitted with comfortable reclining seats with aisle arm rests, foot rests, seat belts, panoramic windows with blinds, refrigerator for passenger use, restroom, climate control air conditioning and Road Cam monitors which display the road ahead in real time. Each coach has a second door for easier entry and exit and touchless hand sanitizer dispensers at each entry to help keep everyone safe. Our coaches have full air suspension delivering a smooth and quiet ride which also allows us to lower the coach closer to the ground, making boarding and disembarking even easier.

Friendly Tour Directors

Enjoy peace of mind with O'Shannessy's Quality Tours, where our dedicated coach crew and experienced tour directors are on board to ensure your journey is as comfortable and memorable as possible. From start to finish, they're there to assist, guide and take care of every detail. Relax and enjoy the experience without a worry.

Quality Accommodation & Fully Inclusive Tours

Enjoy the best available ensuite motel accommodation each night, ensuring a restful journey. All attractions, flights and tours listed in the itinerary are included, as are fully cooked breakfasts, along with delicious two-course restaurant dinners daily and most morning teas and lunches. Please note: two lunches are at your own expense as outlined in the itinerary.

DAY 1 - MELBOURNE TO BRISBANE — Sunday 13th June, 2027

Welcome to our holiday along the beautiful **coast of Queensland** from south to north. With chauffeured pickup from home, we travel to Melbourne Airport. Here we'll be greeted by an **O'Shannessy's Quality Tours** representative who will assist us with check in and see us onto the plane for our direct flight to Brisbane. Arriving at Brisbane Airport, we will be welcomed by our coach crew who will assist us with our luggage. From here, we begin our journey north, travelling through Queensland's scenic landscapes as we make our way to the beautiful **Sunshine Coast** where we settle in for our first overnight stay.

Refreshments inflight

OVERNIGHT: Oaks Sunshine Coast Oasis Resort, CALOUNDRA ★★★★☆

DAY 2 - SUNSHINE COAST TO AGNES WATER — Monday 14th June, 2027

After breakfast, we continue north travelling through the charming town of Tiaro before arriving in historic **Maryborough**. After lunch, have a stroll through the **Gallipoli to Armistice Memorial**, which traces the birth of the ANZAC legend, drawn from the personal perspectives in letters written home to loved ones. We then continue our journey to the **Town of Seventeen Seventy**. Nestled along the Coral Sea and rich in maritime history, this coastal gem will be our home for the next two nights.

OVERNIGHT: 1770 Lagoons Central Apartment Resort, AGNES WATER ★★★★☆

















DAY 3 - DAY LARC TOUR — Tuesday 15th June, 2027

Today, we embark on a **LARC tour** — a unique amphibious adventure along the edge of Eurimbula National Park, traversing vast sandy beaches and the crystal-clear waters of four tidal creeks. Along the way, we learn about the rich history of the **Town of 1770** and **Bustard Head**. Our first stop is a hidden, shaded picnic spot near the edge of Jenny Lind Creek, where we enjoy morning tea in a tranquil setting. Then it's off to one of the world's best aerial viewpoints — seen not from a plane, but from a boat! We arrive at the historic **Bustard Head Light Station**, also known as the "Lighthouse of Tragedy." Here, a volunteer caretaker leads us through the restored light-keeper's cottage, now a museum filled with priceless artefacts, maritime relics and captivating mysteries. If you wish, climb the spiral staircase to the lighthouse balcony for a stunning 360° panoramic view of this breathtaking Queensland location. Afterwards, follow a winding path to the nearby cemetery, resting place of many past residents — each with their own haunting tale. Following a hearty lunch and a cup of Billy Tea, we reboard the LARC to cross the dramatic tidal expanse of **Jenny Lind Creek**, heading toward the towering dunes of **Middle Island**. Here, you can sandboard down a thrilling 35-metre dune — yes, it's perfectly fine to push your friends downhill (on a boogie board, of course)! Or, simply take a refreshing dip or paddle in the clear waters. As we journey back, keep an eye out for local wildlife and enjoy the light-hearted stories of our guides. The pastel hues of the setting sun mark the perfect end to an unforgettable day in paradise.

OVERNIGHT: 1770 Lagoons Central Apartment Resort, AGNES WATER ★★★★☆

DAY 4 - AGNES WATER TO ROCKHAMPTON — Wednesday 16th June, 2027

Today we drive to **Rockhampton**, the Beef Capital of Australia. Situated on the **Tropic of Capricorn** along the Fitzroy River, this is where we might finally be able to take the "jumper" off! We will enjoy a short stop at the beautiful **Rockhampton Botanic Gardens**, one of the oldest public gardens in the country. Following lunch, we will head to **Koorana Crocodile Farm** for a guided tour to learn about crocodile behaviour and witness a live feeding demonstration.

OVERNIGHT: Quality Resort Parkhurst, ROCKHAMPTON ★★★★☆

DAY 5 - ROCKHAMPTON TO MACKAY — Thursday 17th June, 2027

Departing Rockhampton, we travel through small isolated country towns on our way to **Mackay**. Our first stop is the **Marlborough Historical Museum**, home to a fascinating collection of textiles, historic photographs and artefacts that offer a glimpse into the region's past. We then continue to the **Sarina Sugar Shed** to enjoy an engaging and interactive tour through the sugar cane growing and crushing process - from observing sugar cane up close in their very own patch to sampling delicious, sugar-based products made right on site.

OVERNIGHT: Oaks Rivermarque Hotel, MACKAY ★★★★☆














DAY 6 - MACKAY TO TOWNVILLE — Friday 18th June, 2027

Today we uncover a true secret this morning at **Hideaway Bay**, Cape Gloucester. Stroll along pristine sands where swaying palms frame the Coral Sea. Afterward, enjoy a delightful waterfront lunch. We continue our journey north through rich sugar cane country. We make a brief stop in Ayr to snapshot a classic Australian roadside landmark, **the Big Python**. This afternoon, we arrive in **Townsville** and check into our accommodation for a three-night stay, set on 11 acres of tropical gardens on the shores of Lake Curralea.

OVERNIGHT: Mercure Townsville, TOWNSVILLE ★★★★☆

DAY 7 - MAGNETIC ISLAND — Saturday 19th June, 2027

We cross the pristine waters of the Coral Sea by ferry to **Magnetic Island**, a tropical paradise enjoying over 320 days of sunshine annually. Upon arrival, a **local guide** welcomes us on a scenic bus tour showcasing "Maggie's" best-kept secrets and spectacular highlights. After a memorable day soaking in the island's natural charm, cruise back to the mainland. Return to the comfort of your Townsville tropical resort to relax and unwind for the evening.

Lunch at own expense and arrangement

OVERNIGHT: Mercure Townsville, TOWNSVILLE ★★★★☆

DAY 8 - TEXAS LONGHORN STATION — Sunday 20th June, 2027

Today we enjoy a unique outback experience at the **Texas Longhorn Station**, home to Australia's only herd of full-blood Texas Longhorns. A guided safari tour takes us up close to these magnificent animals, some with horns spanning more than 2.5 metres, while our hosts share the fascinating history of the breed and life on the station. We also visit the Love Shack cattle-handling facilities and the JR Gallery of Horns, home to Australia's longest-horned animal and a Guinness World Record holder. There is time to browse the gift shop, take photos with the Longhorns and soak up the beautiful outback surroundings before returning to our accommodation.

OVERNIGHT: Mercure Townsville, TOWNSVILLE ★★★★☆

DAY 9 - TOWNSVILLE TO MISSION BEACH — Monday 21st June, 2027

Leaving Townsville behind, we journey north today into **Ingham**—Queensland's 'Little Italy' to visit the New Ingham Cemetery, where ornate marble monuments and handcrafted memorials beautifully reflect the heritage of early Italian settlers. Our lunch stop today is at the waterfront town of Cardwell. Cardwell is a unique coastal town with a spectacular geographic setting; it is the only town in the world where two World Heritage-listed areas directly connect: the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park and the Wet Tropics Rainforest. This afternoon, we stop in Tully to see the iconic **Golden Gumboot** monument before finishing the day at **Mission Beach**, where we stay for the next two nights.

OVERNIGHT: Nightelier Mission Beach, WONGALING BEACH ★★★★☆













DAY 10 - DUNK ISLAND — Tuesday 22nd June, 2027

Our day begins with an unforgettable **boat tour** from Mission Beach, cruising past the spectacular, secluded Family Islands before anchoring along vibrant fringing reefs to swim and spot tropical fish among the coral gardens. Afterwards, we will step ashore onto **Dunk Island** to enjoy a relaxing lunch at the beach and take time to walk and explore the island's lush tropical scenery and walking trails. To wrap up the day, we will cruise back to the mainland for a peaceful afternoon of relaxation around the resort grounds.

OVERNIGHT: Nightelier Mission Beach, WONGALING BEACH ★★★★☆

DAY 11 - MISSION BEACH TO CAIRNS — Wednesday 23rd June, 2027

This morning, we farewell Mission Beach and visit **Charley's Chocolate Factory** for Australia's only Cocoa Tree to Chocolate Bar experience. Discover how cocoa is grown and transformed into delicious chocolate, learn about the plantation's innovative growing methods, and enjoy the opportunity to sample some handcrafted treats. We then travel to the magical **Paronella Park** near Innisfail. Built in the 1930s by Spanish immigrant José Paronella, this unique castle ruin is surrounded by beautiful tropical gardens and features North Queensland's first privately owned hydroelectric system. A guided tour showcases the park's fascinating history before we enjoy a light lunch. This afternoon, we visit the beautiful **Josephine Falls**, where a gentle 45-minute return walk through the rainforest leads to stunning views of the cascading falls. We then continue to Cairns, where we settle in for the final two nights of our tour.

OVERNIGHT: Shangri-la The Marina, CAIRNS ★★★★★

DAY 12 - FITZROY ISLAND — Thursday 24th June, 2027

Today, we escape the crowds to discover **Fitzroy Island**, a pristine continental paradise where lush tropical rainforest meets the vibrant Great Barrier Reef. Located just a short 45-minute cruise from Cairns, this idyllic island offers an effortless reef experience. Step straight off the boat onto the pier—with absolutely no beach-wading required—and enjoy flat, shallow water entry right from the shore. Slip on a snorkel to swim alongside green sea turtles, colourful parrotfish and clownfish in calm, protected waters, or explore the island's flat, shaded concrete walkways. Whether you prefer a relaxed stroll or a scenic trek, the well-graded paths cater to every pace. Choose between the easy, 45-minute shaded Secret Garden Walk or the moderate Nudey Beach Track, which leads to a world-famous stretch of pristine white coral sand. Tonight, we gather to enjoy our last dinner together, celebrating an unforgettable tour.

OVERNIGHT: Shangri-la The Marina, CAIRNS ★★★★★

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is one of Australia's most beloved destinations,
drawing in tourists from all over the globe
year after year.
With its excellent climate, diverse landscapes
and welcoming attitude,
it's not hard to see why..."

coast.qld.guide/Tourism

DAY 13 - CAIRNS TO MELBOURNE — Friday 25th June, 2027

This morning, we pack our bags and head for Cairns Airport to board our flight back to **Melbourne**. Upon arrival, our chauffeurs will be waiting to transport us safely home with many wonderful memories of our **Queensland Coast adventure**.

Lunch at own expense and arrangement / Refreshments on flight.

PAYMENT AND CANCELLATION POLICY

Receipt of payment of funds will be taken as acceptance of O'Shannessy's Quality Tours conditions of travel for this tour. Prices include GST and all taxes. Deposit is fully refundable until **61 days** prior to departure date. Balance due on invoice.

Cancellation within **60 days** of tour departure date:	**No refund**
Cancellation **on or after** tour departure date:	**No refund**

If a tour is cancelled for any reason by O'Shannessy's Quality Tours before the departure date, all passengers will be offered the option of transferring to another tour of their choice, hold the funds in trust for a future tour or a full refund. There is no time limit as to when this must be used. If a lockdown is implemented while a tour is in progress, our first priority is the safety and wellbeing of our passengers and ensuring that we get each and every one of them home safely, and therefore we treat every situation individually. The Australian Government (see www.smarttraveller.gov.au) recommends all travellers no matter where you are going, obtain comprehensive travel insurance from a reputable provider. It may enable you to claim back the cost of your tour if you are unable to travel or have to cancel at late notice. Always read the PDS provided, to ensure the cover meets all of your needs. We are able to provide travel insurance through Nib Insurance.

If you would like a quote for travel insurance, please call our office on 1800 354 352.

CONDITIONS OF TRAVEL

These terms and conditions form the basis of the contract between You and O'Shannessy's Quality Tours (O'Shannessy's Quality Tours "We", "Us", or "Our" contract). It is important that You read the complete list of terms and conditions provided to you upon invoice carefully and that you understand your rights and obligations. A complete list will be provided upon invoice, alternatively they are available upon request via phone, mail, email or on our website. By agreeing to participate in a tour arranged by Us, You are deemed to have accepted these terms and conditions in full. Any special requests, dietary/personal must be notified to Our office at the time of booking. All efforts will be made to accommodate any special requests. It is your responsibility to advise O'Shannessy's Quality Tours of any pre-existing medical conditions that may affect your ability to participate on the tour. No passenger will be permitted to embark on or continue the tour while their physical or mental condition is, in the opinion of any representative of O'Shannessy's Quality Tours, such as to render them incapable of caring for themselves, or whereby they become objectionable to other passengers or they become a hazard to themselves or other passengers. Passengers rotate seats in the coach daily to ensure fairness to all passengers. No exceptions will be made. The information presented in any printed publications, itineraries, brochures or touring programs is to the best of our knowledge correct at the time of publication. The itinerary may be subject to change without notice. Whilst every effort is made to adhere to the itinerary provided, O'Shannessy's Quality Tours reserves the right to alter the touring and attractions as dictated by circumstances and conditions outside the company's control. Alterations may be made to ensure the smooth running of the tour. O'Shannessy's Quality Tours cannot be held responsible for printing or typographical errors arising from unforeseen circumstances. O'Shannessy's Quality Tours representatives/crew or any associated carrier, reserves the right at its discretion to exclude from a tour or to terminate the travel arrangements of any person during the course of the tour, without refund, of anyone who: Presents on the day of the tour departure as ill or unwell in any way, including but not limited to: cough, runny nose, sneezing, vomiting or temperature above 37.5 deg C, Is incapable of caring for themselves without a minder/carer, Is unable to cope with the requirements of the tour or who may need or require services or facilities that are not available, Fails to comply with the reasonable instructions of O'Shannessy's Quality Tours crew, Engages in undesirable behaviour or interferes with the enjoyment of other passengers, Is a hazard to themselves or other passengers and/or is likely to become objectionable to other passengers, O'Shannessy's Quality Tours staff and or third party suppliers. Anyone so excluded will be required to disembark at a safe public location, transport from which will be wholly their responsibility. However, if and where possible, O'Shannessy's Quality Tours staff may assist in obtaining transport. You agree that O'Shannessy's Quality Tours is released from all liability for You and You agree not to hold O'Shannessy's Quality Tours responsible for termination of Your travel arrangements.

Activity Level - Moderate

Our Moderate Tours are for those comfortable with a bit more movement while still enjoying a relaxed pace; our moderate tours may include air travel and a mix of touring styles. You should be prepared to:

- Embark and disembark the coach unassisted
- Negotiate some steps and gentle, undulating paths
- Embark and disembark watercraft and other vehicles via stairs
- Walk or stand for up to an hour at a time, including through domestic airports
- Negotiate a flight of stairs
- Travel for up to 2 hours in various vehicles for guided tours
- Manage uneven ground such as sand, pebbles or gravel
- Handle different climates, including heat and humidity
- Occasionally stay above ground floor (no guarantee of ground floor rooms)

Upcoming Tours

Cape York Adventure - August 2027

South Africa Expedition - September 2027

Kangaroo Island and the Coorong in Spring - October 2027

Travelling with like-minded, mature aged travellers means you'll experience a casual and relaxed atmosphere, where fellow travellers become new-found friends.

Keep in Touch

Be sure to visit our website **oshannessys.com.au** where you'll be able to stay up to date with information, tour inspiration or simply enjoy sharing your travel experiences with us.

You can subscribe to our **eNewsletter** so you'll be the first to find out about our additional tours that pop up throughout the year.

You can also find us on **Facebook** at *O'Shannessy's Quality Tours* and stay up to date with our posts by liking the page. We would also love to see your pictures exploring Australia or travelling the world with O'Shannessy's Quality Tours so be sure to tag us in your travels!
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Feel free to call into our office for a chat with our friendly team at **2121 Point Nepean Road, Rye Vic 3943**. You can also email us at **enquiries@oshannessys.com.au** or call us:

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