



O'Shannessy's
QUALITY TOURS

CAPE YORK

Adventure



11 DAY FULLY INCLUSIVE TOUR

10th August to 20th August, 2026

CAPE YORK *Adventure*

MONDAY 10TH AUGUST TO THURSDAY 20TH AUGUST, 2026

If you have always had Cape York on your “bucket list” now is the time to do it! Get ready to tackle one of Australia’s most remote landscapes on this adventure tour.

Cape York Peninsula is the largest unspoiled wilderness in northern Australia and one of the last remaining wilderness areas on earth.

Leave your watch behind as you follow in the steps of the early explorers on an epic adventure through natural wilderness to the northern most tip of Australia that features un-spoilt beauty. Visit remote savannah and rainforest clad National Parks capturing amazing wildlife, cultural experiences, characters and adventure, and witness a magnificent sunset over the Gulf of Carpentaria.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Cooktown
- Lakefield National Park
- Coen
- Archer River
- Jardine River
- Musgrave Telegraph Station
- Weipa
- Bramwell Station
- Fruit Bat Falls
- Cape York
- Guided Bus Tour on Thursday Island
- Guided Bus Tour on Horn Island
- Torres Strait Heritage Museum
- Cairns

CRUISES

- Weipa Wildlife Eco River Cruise
- Ferry Cruise to Thursday Island
- Ferry Cruise from Thursday Island to Horn Island

FLIGHTS

- Melbourne to Cairns
- Horn Island to Cairns
- Cairns to Melbourne

MULTIPLE NIGHT STAYS

- 2 nights in Bamaga and Cairns



COACH



FLIGHT



BOAT



ACTIVE

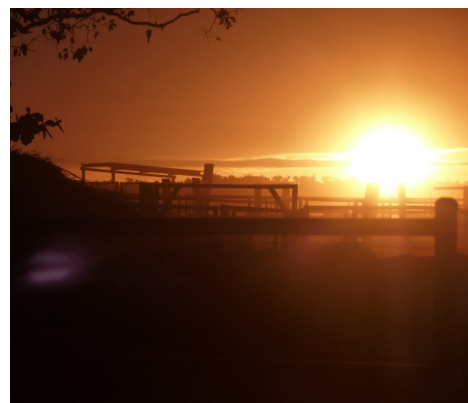


SMALL GRP

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 be required 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.



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.
- **Cairns Coach.** Transfers in Cairns are aboard a local Tour Bus.
- **Heritage Tours** conducts the 4WD Safari. The safari vehicle is chosen both for passengers comfort and ability to handle the sometimes harsh terrain encountered in remote areas.
- **Return Flights.** Economy flights from Melbourne to Cairns and return. One way flight from Horn Island to Cairns.
- **Tour Directors.** Dedicated O'Shannessy's Quality Tours coach crew (tour directors) on board to ensure your travel experience is memorable.
- **Attractions.** All tours and interest venues as per itinerary.
- **Meals.** All breakfasts (either cooked or continental), morning teas and lunches most days and dinners daily. Five lunches at your own expense as per itinerary.
- **No Hidden Extras.** O'Shannessy's Quality Tours are fully inclusive.

DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS AMAZING TOUR - BOOK EARLY!

TOUR COSTS

Twin Share Room First Tour:	\$10,195 per person
Twin Share Room Repeat Traveller 2 - 10 Tours:	\$10,095 per person
Twin Share Room Repeat Traveller 11 - 20 Tours:	\$10,045 per person
Twin Share Room Repeat Traveller 21+ Tours:	\$ 9,995 per person
Single Room Supplement:	\$ 1,600 per person

DEPOSIT
\$600pp
UPON
BOOKING



PLEASE NOTE

Transport

We will be travelling in a purpose built Isuzu off road 4WD tour vehicle with air conditioning, comfortable forward facing reclining seats, footrests, retractable seatbelts, panoramic windows, road cam and on-board toilet. There is a PA System, Satellite portable phone and contact with Royal Flying Doctor Service for our safety and peace of mind.

With a small group tour, we will have the ultimate opportunity to enjoy Cape York at its best. We are promised nothing short of a high-class adventure into remote Australia on a unique and quality tour.

Accommodation

Our overnight accommodation quite often reflects the unique nature of the sparsely inhabited regions in which we will be travelling. The accommodation is varied, with most places having ensuite bathrooms. This tour is limited to a maximum of 14 rooms at each overnight stop, consisting of the following:

- Sovereign Hotel, Cooktown has 14 rooms with ensuite.
- Musgrave Station has 14 basic rooms with ensuite.
- The Heritage Motel, Weipa has 14 standard rooms with ensuite.
- Bramwell Station has 12 rooms with ensuite. Once these rooms are filled, basic rooms with shared facilities will be used.
- Bamaga Motel has 14 rooms with ensuite.
- Gateway Resort, Horn Island has 14 motel rooms with ensuite.

Fitness Level

A reasonable level of fitness is required to board and alight the 4WD vehicle. There will be a number of walks included in the tour.

Luggage restrictions apply

- 1 small soft travel bag up to 10kg per person, maximum size 300mm x 300mm x 700mm as space is limited.
- No wheeled bags permitted.
- A small day pack for items you will need daily such as a hat, sunscreen and camera.
- Any excess luggage, e.g. hard suitcases with wheels, can be stored at the Novotel Cairns Oasis Resort in Cairns whilst away at Cape York.

MELBOURNE TO CAIRNS

Welcome to our adventure to **Cape York**. 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 flight to **Cairns**. On arrival, we'll meet our Tour Directors and take a short drive into the city to our accommodation situated just one block from the Cairns Esplanade. Free time this afternoon to relax, walk along the Esplanade and unwind before meeting for our first dinner together.

Lunch at own expense and arrangement / Refreshments on flight

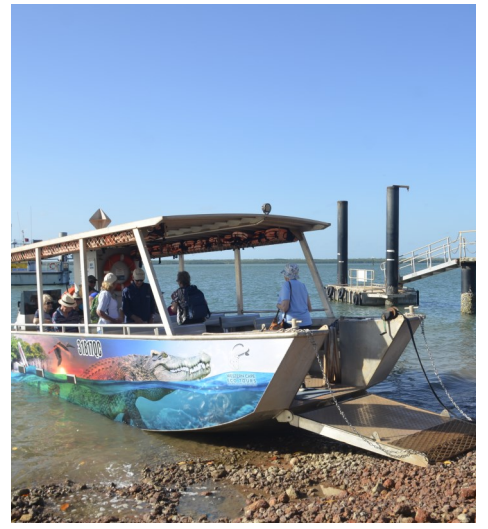
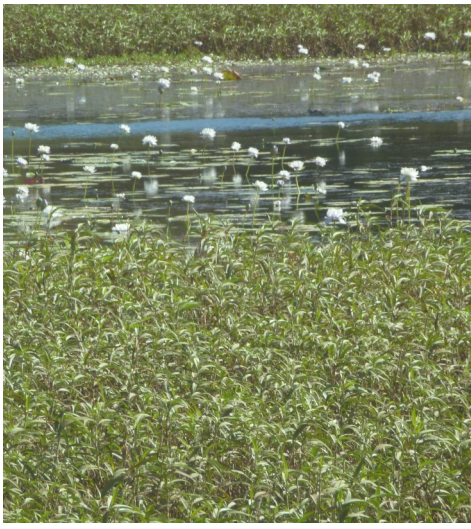
OVERNIGHT: Novotel Cairns Oasis Resort, CAIRNS ★★★★★

CAIRNS TO COOKTOWN

After an early breakfast, we are picked up by our 4WD vehicle to start our Cape York adventure. Travelling north along the scenic Captain Cook Highway, we turn and drive up the Rex Range towards Mt Molloy. We will make our way to Maitland Downs and Palmer River Roadhouse with its rich history, before stopping at the unique **Lion's Den Hotel** and the mysterious Black Mountain. We will arrive at the old gold port of **Cooktown**, where we visit **Captain Cook's Landing** and the museum, before settling in our accommodation.

OVERNIGHT: Sovereign Motel, COOKTOWN ★★★★★





DAY 3

Wednesday 12th August, 2026

LAKEFIELD NATIONAL PARK, MUSGRAVE

Today, we head west into the outback to explore **Lakefield National Park** (road conditions permitting), a haven for the many birds and animals native to this area. Lagoons, billabongs and wide river lakes are home to both fresh and saltwater crocodiles. The afternoon finds us arriving at our overnight accommodation at The Old Musgrave Telegraph Station.

OVERNIGHT: The Old Musgrave Telegraph Station, MUSGRAVE ★★☆☆☆

DAY 4

Thursday 13th August, 2026

COEN, ARCHER RIVER, WEIPA

This morning, we continue north stopping off at the historic frontier gold town of **Coen** and the picturesque **Archer River**, before making our way to the bauxite-mining town of Weipa. Enjoy the spectacular sunset over the Gulf of Carpentaria.

OVERNIGHT: Heritage Motel, WEIPA ★★☆☆☆

DAY 5

Friday 14th August, 2026

WENLOCK RIVER, BRAMWELL STATION

This morning we enjoy a **Wildlife Eco River Cruise** exploring the eco systems and local culture of **Weipa**. Cruise the harbour, the Embley River to Hay Point and learn about the local culture, history and view the abundance of wildlife this area has to offer. This afternoon, we head for our overnight accommodation at a true blue Aussie cattle station.

Lunch at own expense and arrangement

OVERNIGHT: Bramwell Station, BRAMWELL ★★☆☆☆

FRUIT BAT FALLS—CAPE YORK

After an early start, we head north travelling along part of the **Old Telegraph Track** to arrive at **Fruit Bat Falls** for lunch. Relax, swim, and enjoy this unique area with its enchanting waterfall. Then northwards across the Jardine River, to arrive at Cape York! We will be staying at **Bamaga** which is ideally located, being a short drive to the Seisia Wharf, the departure point for the ferry to Thursday Island and a famous fishing spot. Our accommodation is at the Cape York Peninsula Lodge in Bamaga

OVERNIGHT: Cape York Peninsula Lodge, BAMAGA ★★★★★

“...Welcome to the wilderness. On the mainland’s border nudging the Torres Strait, you’ll find Cape York Peninsula, the farthest northern tip of Queensland. The definition of remote, this is the kind of destination where a decent sense of adventure is required. The largest unspoiled wilderness in the country’s north will see us travel through the bush cattle stations, historic gold towns and wetlands which populate the district...”

www.queensland.com/au/cape-york





DAY 7

Sunday 16th August, 2026

TOP OF AUSTRALIA—CAPE YORK, SOMERSET

We have an unforgettable day ahead! Stand at the very **top of mainland Australia** – you need to be reasonably fit and have your walking shoes on for this. If you prefer, you can sit on the beach and enjoy the view. We then visit **Somerset** (road conditions permitting), once the home of the legendary Jardine family. We have lunch on palm fringed **Anchorage Beach** which overlooks the Albany Passage. A walk on the beach completes our day before returning to Bamaga.

OVERNIGHT: Cape York Peninsula Lodge, BAMAGA ★★★★★

“...For nature enthusiasts,
Cape York is a paradise.

The area boasts remarkable biodiversity,
from its pristine beaches and coral reefs
to the dense rainforests and savannahs.

Watch for unique wildlife
including numerous bird species, reptiles
and the iconic saltwater crocodile...”

THURSDAY ISLAND, HORN ISLAND

An early morning departure as we cruise through island studded straits to explore our northern community, **Thursday Island**. Here you will be taken on an informative guided bus tour of Thursday Island and its picturesque harbour, once home to the romantic pearl lugger fleet. Later this morning, we take the local water taxi to **Horn Island** and our accommodation at the Gateway Torres Strait Resort. After checking in to our accommodation and having lunch, our local guide will show us the highlights of Horn Island, including the **Heritage Museum**.

OVERNIGHT: Gateway Torres Strait Resort, HORN ISLAND ★★★★★

“...Thursday Island is the best known of the Torres Strait Island group and is easily reached by ferry from Horn Island.

Here you'll find many sites, activities and attractions that showcase the military and maritime history and cultural heritage...”

www.qantas.com/au/travel-guides/australia/qld/horn-island





DAY 9

Tuesday 18th August, 2026

HORN ISLAND TO CAIRNS

Today we leave the “**Top of Australia**” and return to Cairns from the **Horn Island Airport**. On arrival in Cairns, we will be transferred back to the Novotel Cairns Oasis Resort. This afternoon is free to enjoy their pool, take a walk into the city, or relax at the Cairns lagoon on the Esplanade.

Lunch at own expense and arrangement

OVERNIGHT: Novotel Cairns Oasis Resort, CAIRNS ★★★★★

DAY 10

Wednesday 19th August, 2026

CAIRNS—FREE DAY

A free day today to relax! Our hotel is right in the city and close to the beautiful Cairns Esplanade where there are plenty of scenic walking tracks and shops to do your last minute shopping. Or, you may like to pre-book a day trip up to the cute township of Kuranda via the famous Skyrail and return on the Scenic Railway (*additional cost*). Or, you can catch the local bus to the Cairns Botanic Gardens to enjoy the tropical plants grown up in the tropics.

Lunch at own expense and arrangement

OVERNIGHT: Novotel Cairns Oasis Resort, CAIRNS ★★★★★

DAY 11

Thursday 20th August, 2026

CAIRNS TO MELBOURNE

Today, we fly home from Cairns. We are sure you will have many stories to tell of your Cape York Adventure to the Top of Australia. Upon our arrival at **Melbourne Airport**, our chauffeurs will be waiting to transport us home—all part of **O’Shannessy’s Quality Tours** superior service.

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 **101 days** prior to departure date. Balance due on invoice.

Cancellation within 101 days of tour departure date

No Refund

On or after tour date departure

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 please call our office toll free 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.

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UPCOMING TOURS *Available*

Samoa Serenity - September 2026

Lord Howe Island in Spring - October 2026

Discover Tasmania in Spring - November 2026

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



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We would love to see your tour pictures exploring Australia or travelling the world with O'Shannessy's Quality Tours and tag us in your travels.

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