

TROPICAL NORTH



9 DAY FULLY INCLUSIVE TOUR

30th June to 8th July, 2026

TROPICAL NORTH Queensland Escape

TUESDAY 30TH JUNE TO WEDNESDAY 8TH JULY, 2026

Welcome to Cairns and Port Douglas the gateway to Australia's Great Barrier Reef. No matter who you are or how long you're there, these are bucket list destinations not to be missed. Glide above the rainforest in the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway, do some snorkelling and rub fins with Nemo or just stroll along the pristine beaches.

We even throw in a crocodile encounter to keep you on your toes!

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Port Douglas
- Mossman Gorge
- Rainforest Habitat Wildlife Sanctuary, "Breakfast with the Birds"
- Daintree Discovery Centre
- Hartleys Crocodile Farm
- Cairns
- Marineland Melanesia

- Kuranda Markets
- Rainforest Skyrail Cable Car
- Josephine Falls
- Historic Paronella Park
- Jaques Coffee Plantation
- Atherton Tablelands
- Millaa Millaa Falls

CRUISES

- Daintree River Cruise
- Daintree Ferry crossing
- Hartleys Crocodile Lagoon Boat
- Cruise to Green Island
- Lake Barrine Cruise

FLIGHTS

- Melbourne to Cairns
- Cairns to Melbourne

MULTIPLE NIGHT STAYS

- 5 nights in Cairns
- 3 nights in Port Douglas

RAIL

Kuranda Scenic Train













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.







DEPOSIT

\$500pp UPON

BOOKING

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, 3 axle 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.
- o **Return Flights.** Economy flights from Melbourne to Cairns and return.
- o **Tour Directors.** Dedicated O'Shannessy's Quality Tours coach crew (tour directors) on board to ensure your travel experience is memorable.
- o Best Available Quality Accommodation. Ensuite motel accommodation each night.
- o **Attractions.** All tours and interest venues as per itinerary.

 Meals. All full cooked breakfasts, morning teas and lunches most days, and two course restaurant dinners daily. Three lunches at your own expense as per itinerary.

o **No Hidden Extras.** O'Shannessy's Quality Tours are fully inclusive.

TOUR COSTS

Twin Share Room First Tour: \$6,785 per person

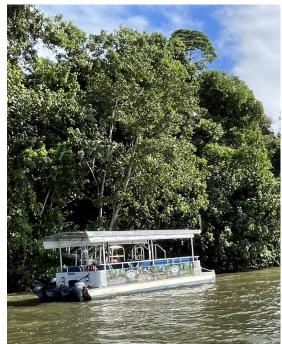
Twin Share Room Repeat Traveller 2 - 10 Tours: \$6,735 per person

Twin Share Room Repeat Traveller 11 - 20 Tours: \$6,685 per person

Twin Share Room Repeat Traveller 21+ Tours: \$6,635 per person

Single Room Supplement: \$1,260 per person





DAY 1

Tuesday 30th June, 2026

MELBOURNE TO PORT DOUGLAS

Welcome to our 9 Day **Tropical North Queensland** tour. 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**. Upon our arrival, we will be welcomed by our **O'Shannessy's Quality Tours** coach crew who will help us with our luggage. We board the coach and travel the very scenic route north following the beautiful coastline to **Port Douglas** and our accommodation for the next three nights. There's time to unpack and relax before joining the group for our first dinner together.

Refreshments inflight

OVERNIGHT: Oaks Resort, PORT DOUGLAS ★★★★

DAY 2

Wednesday 1st July, 2026

MOSSMAN GORGE AND DAINTREE

This morning we enjoy the beautiful **Mossman Gorge**. A shuttle bus will take us to the heart of the Gorge where we will journey through the lush green rainforest, taking in views of the Mossman River and the mountain ranges beyond. From here we continue further north to the quaint township of **Daintree**. We enjoy lunch before we take a **cruise on the Daintree River**. Our cruise takes us through tranquil everglades and mangroves, where we hope to see different species of birds and butterflies, and maybe even a crocodile basking on one of the river banks.

OVERNIGHT: Oaks Resort, PORT DOUGLAS ★★★★

THE DAINTREE

With a unique start to our day we enjoy "Breakfast with the Birds" at the Wildlife Habitat Sanctuary. This award-winning Wildlife Habitat is Australia's leading environmental wildlife experience. It allows you to wander along elevated boardwalks, observing up close a huge range of flora and fauna as birds fly and roam freely. We depart the sanctuary continuing to the real tropical part of North Queensland, crossing the Daintree River on the Ferry. A trip to Far North Queensland just isn't complete without experiencing the raw, prehistoric beauty of the mighty Daintree Rainforest. We visit the Daintree Discovery Centre to view the oldest tropical rainforest in the world, estimated to be over 150 million years old! The Daintree Rainforest is home to the endangered Southern Cassowary and the oldest flowering plant species known as Idiot fruit. There are many interesting things to see as you step back into a prehistoric era, learning all about the weird and wonderful things you can see in North Queensland. The Daintree Discovery Centre, is an award-winning world class interpretive facility that allows visitors easy access to every level of the Daintree Rainforest; from the forest floor to the upper most reaches of the canopy.

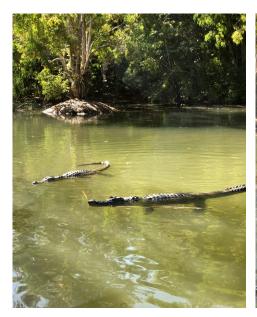
OVERNIGHT: Oaks Resort, PORT DOUGLAS ★★★★















DAY 4

Friday 3rd July, 2026

PORT DOUGLAS AND HARTLEYS CROCODILE FARM

This morning we enjoy some free time in the township of **Port Douglas.** Wander the tree lined street of Macrossan where you can find locally run art stores and fashion boutiques or wander through Anzac Park and see the historic church, "St Mary's by the Sea". From Port Douglas, we make our way to **Hartleys Crocodile Farm**. Lunch today is your own expense at the Croc Farm — "a crocodile burger please... and make it snappy!" Their award-winning waterhole and feed station has a variety of food to choose from. After lunch, we take an informative **lagoon boat tour** to observe not only the behaviour of the crocodiles and all the other plants and animals that share their home. Every cruise is different. You might see a majestic Sea Eagle or a jewel-like Azure Kingfisher, a brighteyed Tree Snake or an impossibly delicate wild orchid. One thing remains constant, the crocs are always there - waiting! We then head to our accommodation in the heart of Cairns City on Pier Point Marina. All rooms have private balconies along with memorable views of tropical gardens or Marlin Marina.

Lunch at own expense and arrangement

OVERNIGHT: Shangri-La Hotel, The Marina, CAIRNS ★★★★

"...Famous for being located between two of the world's most valuable World Heritage listed areas, the Great Barrier Reef and the Daintree Rainforest - Port Douglas continues to delight visitors of all ages and origins..."

GREEN ISLAND

Today we head off to explore **Green Island**, a beautiful 6000 year old coral cay located in the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park. It's just a short journey in an airconditioned vessel to the island, where you can enjoy the tropical rainforest on the island and the coral formations of the reef in a glass bottom boat. Take a visit to **Marineland Melanesia**, a unique attraction on Green Island; home to over 50 crocodiles, marine aquariums with coral, fish, giant sea turtles and a magnificent range of tribal carvings. Also displayed are a number of old and restored marine artefacts and stationary engines. After a few hours on the island and a delicious buffet lunch on the catamaran, we make our way back to the mainland.

OVERNIGHT: Shangri-La Hotel, The Marina, CAIRNS ★★★★

DAY 6

Sunday 5th July, 2026

KURANDA RAILWAY, SKYRAIL AND MARKETS

A "must do" tour in Cairns is a ride on the historic **Kuranda Railway** for the spectacular journey to the famous **Kuranda Station**. The train journey takes us through the magnificent **Barron Falls National Park**. Highlights of the ride are picturesque valleys, railway bridges, 15 tunnels built over a century ago and the Barron Falls themselves. Time to wander through the village of **Kuranda** and enjoy the famous markets. This afternoon we catch the World Heritage listed **Skyrail Rainforest Cableway** - the world's longest gondola cableway, stretching 7.5 kilometres across the rainforest canopy. Returning to our hotel, we have time to relax and ready ourselves for this evening's outing. Tonight we dine on the water! A **Spirit of Cairns** dinner cruise is the perfect way to end a perfect day in paradise. We board the sailing catamaran and enjoy an evening of calm water cruising on Trinity Inlet, taking in the sights and sounds of this tropical port city and its surrounds as they transition to night.

Lunch at own expense and arrangement

OVERNIGHT: Shangri-La Hotel, The Marina, CAIRNS $\star \star \star \star \star$













DAY 7

Monday 6th July, 2026

PARONELLA PARK

We travel south this morning, stopping on the way for a walk into Josephine Falls, before heading to the historic Paronella Park. Paronella Park is an amazing place created in the 1930's by Spanish immigrant Jose Paronella. This "castle" is surrounded by acres of gardens, modeled on the best botanic gardens in Europe. The castle was lit by power generated by North Queensland's first hydro electric scheme. Our walking tour takes us through the "Kauri Avenue". Following lunch we return to Cairns where you can enjoy free time, take a walk on the esplanade or do some souvenir shopping.

OVERNIGHT: Shangri-La Hotel, The Marina, CAIRNS ★★★★

"...José Paronella's dream was to build a castle.

He chose a special part of Australia
and created Paronella Park.

On 5ha beside Mena Creek Falls he built his
castle, picnic area by the falls, tennis courts,
bridges, a tunnel, and wrapped it up in an
amazing range of 7,500 tropical plants and
trees, now a lush rainforest..."

ATHERTON TABLELANDS

Our first stop this morning will be in Mareeba at Jaques Coffee Plantation. Our tour starts off with a short "Jaques Coffee Movie" in the purpose built theatrette where you are shown the different aspects of the Coffee Plantation and learn about the processing and harvesting of coffee in Australia. Take a walk to see the coffee trees and harvester and enjoy a Cappuccino, Latte, Short Black or Long Black. We continue across the top of the Atherton Tablelands driving through the townships of Tolga & Yungaburra. What makes the Tablelands so special is the combination of its geographic location in the Tropics (between 400 and 1100 metres), and its pleasant climate along with the volcanic activities that have shaped parts of its landscape. One of the most dramatic examples of this is Lake Barrine — a beautiful volcanic crater lake. Here we will enjoy lunch and a cruise, taking in the most amazing rainforest eco-systems, with a good chance of seeing turtles and eels. We then make our way back in to Cairns via Millaa Millaa Falls.

OVERNIGHT: Shangri-La Hotel, The Marina, CAIRNS ★★★★















DAY 9

Wednesday 8th July, 2026

CAIRNS TO MELBOURNE

Completing our memorable tour of naturally beautiful **Tropical North Queensland**, we head to **Cairns Airport** for our return flight to Melbourne. Upon arrival in Melbourne, our chauffeurs will be waiting to take us safely home with many interesting stories to tell of our Tropical Queensland Adventure, all part of the **O'Shannessy's Quality Tours** service.

Lunch at own expense and arrangement / Refreshments inflight

"...Connect with nature in a place unlike anywhere else.

In Cairns, you'll experience the astounding diversity and realise there's something greater. It's not just about relaxing on the beach or by the pool, it's about making a connection to this special part of the world..."

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Cancellation within 60 days of tour departure date

No Refund

On or after tour date departure

No Refund

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UPCOMING TOURS Available

Essence of the Kimberley - August 2026

Canberra Floriade - September 2026

Kangaroo Island and the Coorong - October 2026

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