



LUXURY
LODGES
OF AUSTRALIA





The new era of Australian experiential luxury...

In recent years, the Australian travel landscape has changed. We have seen the emergence and consolidation of a new breed of exceptional luxury lodges, camps and experiences.

These independent properties have joined forces to showcase diverse and authentically Australian experiences and unique style of sophisticated, carefree, barefoot luxury.

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There's nothing like Australia for its sheer diversity of natural luxury experiences...

In recent years, Australia has seen the development of a new breed of exceptional luxury properties and experiences, changing the Australian travel landscape significantly.

In 2010 the best of these properties joined forces and formed Luxury Lodges of Australia, to showcase Australia's unique style of sophisticated, carefree, barefoot luxury.

The common theme defining the lodges is the authentic sense of place and the unique experience each lodge offers guests - experiences that really connect their guests to the region in which they are located.

All offer the key luxury standards expected by upscale travellers - outstanding food and wine, high levels of personal service, extremely high quality amenities - but each lodge interprets those standards in their own style, and appropriate to their region.

It is not about how similar the lodges are, but how different, and how they showcase the diversity of Australia's exceptional luxury experiences.

From luxe wilderness lodges and gourmet vineyard retreats, wild bush luxury tented camps in the desert or coastal dunes, private spas and elegant country retreats, vibrant food and wine regions, to exclusive lodges on the unforgettable coast, reef and islands, and the dramatic escarpments of the Australian bush, fertile mountains and the boundless horizons of the outback...

Australia's luxury barefoot paradises are exclusive by virtue of their remoteness, their special location and the small number of guests they accommodate at any one time. Australia's diverse natural environment and wide-open spaces are luxuries of the rarest kind.

Guests at Australia's luxury lodges can discover our land, our people, a sense of timelessness, and take home lifelong memories.




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Planning uniquely Australian experiences and journeys...

Australia is a welcoming and accessible place. It is also a vast land with enormous diversity of inspiring travel destinations, many of them in remote regions, so planning a trip can be challenging, even for seasoned professionals.








Luxury Lodges of Australia is a membership association – an education and marketing initiative – a point of reference for Australia's new breed of experiential luxury.

The Luxury Lodges of Australia have developed a suite of tools for use by trade partners, travel planners and media.

These tools are available to view or download from the website www.luxurylodgesofaustralia.com.au. This website is a point of reference and source of extensive, high quality information for the lodges, the destinations and the experiences.

These tools and information sources are for use by anyone in the business of planning or selling upscale Australian travel experiences to the furthest reaches and most special places on the continent.

For up to date trade information please refer to:
www.luxurylodgesofaustralia.com.au/trade-media

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-  **eBrochures**
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 -  **Hi Res Image Download Library**
For one stop easy access (no registration required) to high resolution images of all the Luxury Lodges of Australia.
 -  **Property Fact Sheets**
Available for download from the website.
 -  **Getting Between Lodges**
An itinerary planning tool offering clear information about getting between any two lodges - door to door - minimising transit times.
 -  **Family Friendly Lodges**
This page indicates family and child policies for all lodges offering an easy reference point when planning trips for families.



Arkaba

An ancient landscape moulded by hundreds of years of geological activity, the Flinders Ranges offers some of Australia's most spectacular outback scenery. Arkaba's 60,000 acre private conservancy is home to a wondrous variety of bird and wildlife and a remarkable conservation story.

Dating from the 1850s, Arkaba Homestead pays homage to a rich pastoral and exploration heritage in a style that is both rustically chic and utterly exclusive. With just five rooms the homestead is an oasis of comfort and style amidst a harsh and rugged landscape, where guests enjoy a taste of classic Australian country hospitality.

The Flinders Ranges is in a class of its own for taking in the sheer size and scale of Australia's outback offering the chance to immerse oneself in 600 million years of geological history. Activities include bush walking, safari drives, wildlife viewing, learning about the rich history of the area.

- Tariff is inclusive of homestead accommodation, all meals and beverages and daily scheduled activities
- Small group guided activities with expert and passionate field guides
- Dining is a hosted experience with all guests dining together accompanied by lodge manager or field guides
- 5 guest rooms all with en-suite, air conditioning and opening on to the homestead terrace
- 4.5 hours drive from Adelaide, 3 hours drive from the Clare Valley wine region, 1.5 hours from Port Augusta
- Minimum 2 night stay
- Suitable for children 8+

"You might come to Arkaba for the wild, open spaciousness of the outback, the sense of being far away from everything, the chance to dine under the stars. But your presence here is not just about you. It's helping to fund a transformation ... returning the land to its natural state, and turning a 150-year-old sheep station into a private wildlife reserve".

**Louise Southerden,
Sydney Morning Herald.**

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ARKABA
Wild Bush Luxury



Bamurru Plains

Located near Kakadu National Park, a profusion of birds and wildlife are on the doorstep of this unique bush camp that exudes 'Wild Bush Luxury' and brings a touch of style to a remote and beautiful wilderness.

Each of the 9 safari bungalows has been designed to expose guests to the sights and sounds of the bush. Our concept is simple – we focus on key comforts: a supremely comfortable bed; and exceptional food and wine. Lodge facilities include a swimming pool, outdoor deck and an indoor dining and bar area. Our guides and hosts provide an informal level of attention that is only possible in a small and exclusive camp.

It is the local knowledge and passion of the guides that brings the experience alive: included in the stay is air boating on the floodplains, guided walks and safari drives – local wildlife includes wallabies, wallaroos, dingos, crocodiles, wild pigs and buffalo.

- Tariff is inclusive of accommodation, all meals, beverages from a select open bar, daily scheduled activities: airboating on the floodplains, 4WD safaris, guided walks, wildlife viewing, and a river cruise (seasonal)
- 9 fan-cooled safari bungalows with en-suite
- Small group guided activities with our knowledgeable field guides
- Dining is a hosted experience with all guests dining together accompanied by lodge manager or field guides
- 25 minute flight from Darwin by light aircraft or 3 hour drive from Darwin
- Minimum two night stay
- Seasonal closure from 1st December – 31st January
- Optional excursions: Arnhem Land, Kakadu NP, fishing, scenic flights
- Suitable for children 8+

An utterly remote, stunningly crafted wilderness lodge, Bamurru is... African-style bush luxury. Built on stilts over the wetlands, Bamurru is state-of-the-art rustic with staff who can morph from Jeeves into Crocodile Dundee.

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Bamurru Plains

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BAMURRU PLAINS

Wild Bush Luxury



Capella Lodge

Lord Howe is a 'treasure island' lost in time, a pristine natural environment of rugged volcanic peaks, lush forests awash with rare plants and birds and serene turquoise lagoons home to a kaleidoscope of marine life.

Celebrated as the pinnacle of luxury, Capella Lodge rests atop romantic Lovers Bay. An inspired architectural design welcomes spectacular views of the ocean, reef and mountains into the lodge. A feeling of relaxed sophistication flows throughout this sub-tropical island escape.

Capella's island-style suites feature lavish king beds, beach-chic furnishings and generous decks. This is barefoot luxury at its best.

Outside, guests explore the island and the world's southern-most coral reef. Luxurious surrounds, exceptional island-inspired dining and unforgettable 'first-name' service combine to create an outstanding and exclusive Lord Howe lodging experience.

Capella Lodge sets world-class standards of exclusive luxury on Lord Howe.

- Unique World Heritage listed subtropical island less than 2 hours flight from Sydney or Brisbane
- A limited few enjoy this island paradise; only four hundred guests at a time are permitted on the island
- Lord Howe boasts the world's southern-most coral reef; the warm turquoise waters of the lagoon teem with life and there is no summer monsoon nor stinger season
- Guests take to rainforest walking tracks, relax on white-sanded beaches, snorkel, dive or join a glass-bottom boat tour to explore the underwater world, spend the day deep sea fishing, hand feed the fish or play golf and tennis. Adult mountain bikes and lagoon kayaks are complimentary at Capella
- Nine contemporary island-style suites designed to complement Lord Howe's pristine natural environment provide luxurious, serene refuge
- Fine dining in the Lodge Restaurant showcases a bounty of seafood and fresh regional produce

One explanation for the almost Edenic purity of Lord Howe...is that visitors are capped to a maximum of 400 at a time, a lucky 20 of whom get to stay at Capella Lodge, an unexpectedly luxurious yet laid-back hideaway.

Marion Hume, Time Magazine

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Lord Howe Island
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CAPELLA
LODGE

LORD HOWE ISLAND



Cape Lodge

Cape Lodge sitting on its own vineyard within 40 acres of manicured parkland and gardens is a romantic and relaxed retreat for those seeking an intimate escape from city life in the beautiful Margaret River Wine region.

Described as one of Australia's finest new generation gourmet establishments the food at Cape Lodge is consistently ranked in the World's Best and the restaurant boasts a 14,000 bottle wine cellar and daily changing menu featuring fresh regional produce.

Positioned in the epicentre of the viticulture region of Margaret River and only minutes to 160 kilometres of pristine beaches and coastal trails, Cape Lodge is likened to staying at a private country estate and attracts those who are seeking a stylish and sophisticated retreat.

Designed for couples, Cape Lodge has 22 romantically secluded rooms and suites spread privately throughout the estate and has its own seven-acre vineyard producing the finest Sauvignon Blanc and Shiraz exclusively for guests of the hotel.

- Voted in Condé Nast Traveller's Gold List – 2011 & 2012
- Intimate Private Boutique Hotel – 22 Rooms & Suites
- Five Bedroom Private Residence on its own 3 acres also available
- Award Winning Restaurant – Fresh Local Produce – Daily Changing Menu
- Located in the heart of the Margaret River's Premier Vineyards
- Only minutes to 160km of pristine beaches and coastal trails
- Wine and Gourmet Eco Tours Available
- Winery Restaurants, Art Galleries, Karri Forests and Limestone Caves
- Golf Courses, Horse Riding, Surfing Lessons, Whale Watching, Abseiling

Easily one of the best meals we've had. Ever. Anywhere. A Margaret River must.

The Robb Report

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Cape Lodge



Crystalbrook Lodge

Remote... wild... elegant. Crystalbrook Lodge is part of the historic 85,000-acre Crystalbrook Station – a working cattle station.

Located in the rugged outback of North Queensland this outback mecca is an oasis of luxury perched over the spectacular Crystalbrook Lake.

The lake, some 300 acres in size, is haven to a staggering range of wildlife including birds, freshwater crocodiles and fish. This is a nature lover's paradise. Guests can spend days on the lake or riverside, explore the bush wilderness or just enjoy the serenity and stillness of the outback.

Here in "big sky" country, the colours of dawn and dusk bookend nature's daily theatre.

- An easy 40-minute flight from Cairns and nearby Great Barrier Reef and Daintree Rainforest.
- Accommodating only 10 guests in 5 Courtyard Suites, the lodge is a private retreat from which to explore remote outback wilderness.
- Fabulous wildlife viewing on the lake is a photographer's paradise – on quiet electric boats or kayaks.
- Keen fishermen will be hooked on giant barramundi year round on the lake or heli-fishing in the gulf rivers.
- Experience the traditional cattle station homestead and a visit to the tiny outback town of Chillagoe, famous for its pub and spectacular limestone caves.
- Outdoor dining overlooking the lake or under a perennially clear sky filled with stars features a menu rich in the best produce of the region - tropical fruits and vegetables from the Atherton Tablelands, wild barramundi and grass-fed beef.

"...rugged outback setting, just you and a blood red sunset over the lake ... and the luxury one would expect in a fine chateau..."

**Bob Stanton, Bob Stanton
Corporate Fishing**

Crystalbrook Lodge

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El Questro Homestead

El Questro Homestead is an outstanding blend of remote regional hospitality and the exploration of the superb outback wilderness landscape of the Kimberley. El Questro Wilderness Park is one million acres in size and really is one of the last true frontiers with rugged sandstone ranges, gorges, waterfalls and abundant wildlife.

At the heart of the property lies El Questro Homestead, a boutique oasis, perched atop a cliff with birdseye views of The Chamberlain River. The extensive experiences menu is key to The Homestead offering and there are diverse options for guided 4WD drives, bush, culture and nature tours, bird-watching, gorge hikes, swimming at pristine waterfalls and rock pools, scenic flights, remote picnics and fishing excursions.

After exploring this dramatic land of extremes, guests may soak in the thermal Zebedee Springs, curl up under an ancient Boab tree with a book, or simply join the local wallaby population and lounge in the shade. The Homestead is renowned for serving premium cuisine in dramatic locations, from a secluded cliff top table to The Homestead's spacious verandahs.

- Private, understated, exclusive homestead in the remote and beautiful Kimberley region of Western Australia
- An easy 90-minute drive (just over 100km) from Kununurra or access via private airstrip
- One million acres of Kimberley wilderness to explore
- A diverse menu of exclusive wilderness experiences and a chance to experience local culture and history
- All inclusive with guests able to choose their unique and spectacular dining locations
- Personalised and intimate touring with knowledgeable guides
- A luxurious boutique property – only 9 rooms – maximum 18 guests

"El Questro Homestead is certainly the most covetable getaway in The Kimberley"

"A stay here is all you need to provide you with an awe-inspiring life experience"

Elisabeth Knowles
Australian Traveller
Magazine

El Questro Homestead

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HOMESTEAD
EL QUESTRO
WILDERNESS PARK



Emirates Wolgan Valley Resort & Spa



Carefully sited between two National Parks and spread out at the foot of towering cliffs, Wolgan Valley Resort & Spa is set within its own private conservation and wildlife reserve. The resort itself occupies just two per cent of the total land area of 4,000 acres and features 40 individual suites, each having its own indoor/outdoor swimming pool. The main homestead offers distinctive dining, luxury facilities and stand-alone Timeless Spa.

The property borders the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage region, less than 3 hours by road from Sydney.

Heralding a new era of conservation based luxury in Australia, the carbon-neutral resort actively protects its surrounding habitat and indigenous wildlife species while delivering the first-class standards and quality expected in luxury resorts.

The seclusion of Wolgan Valley creates a natural sanctuary where guests can relax and explore in unsurpassed luxurious comfort. This is the quintessential luxury Australian bush experience - a unique blend of wildlife, dramatic natural beauty, conservation and heritage in a spectacular Australian bush setting.

- Inclusive tariff – daily rate includes gourmet breakfast, lunch and dinner, selected wines and beer with meals, all non-alcoholic beverages, and two on-site nature based activities per person
- Accessible from Sydney – private transfers by road or helicopter can be arranged with accommodation
- Family friendly – recommended for children eight years and over
- 36 one bedroom Heritage suites, 3 two bedroom Wollemi Suites and 1 three bedroom Wolgan Suite
- The stand alone Timeless Spa features six double treatment rooms
- A range of included activities are available – Four wheel drive wildlife tours, horse riding, mountain bike tours, guided bush walks and heritage tours

What can we say?

Beautiful, and brainy, too – the world's first carbonzero resort, which loses nothing to hairshirtery and gains everything in a real and profound engagement with its environment. And did we mention the staff? Going above and beyond the call of duty, they're a great team full of personality and passion for their secret inland island.

**Cate Blanchett &
Andrew Upton**

Mr and Mrs Smith review

Emirates Wolgan Valley Resort & Spa

Blue Mountains
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Emirates Wolgan Valley
RESORT & SPA • AUSTRALIA



Lake House

One of Australia's most in demand getaways – Lake House sits on the shores of Lake Daylesford. The small luxury hotel is renowned for its restaurant and cellar, which draws foodies from around the world. Six acres of country gardens extend down to the lakeshore and provide guests with immediate access to the Wombat State Forest beyond.

A la carte and tasting menus change with the availability of the region's best produce and you'll often see the crew of 20 chefs in the orchard or herb garden picking delicate edible flowers or other such items to finish off the daily menus. The cellar is a standout with over 800 references and more than 10,000 bottles – it's regarded as one of Australia's most interesting and edgy wine lists. The Salus Spa designed with blond wood and splashes of Tiffany blue, is surrounded by waterfall fed streams and completes the picture of this indulgent and blissful retreat.

- One of Australia's most awarded restaurants – Lake House has 2 chefs hats in The Age Good Food Guide and the award for Best Country Restaurant
- The Salus Spa boasts use of the region's famed mineral water springs and books fast – reservations are recommended prior to arrival
- Each season brings a different beauty to the region. We recommend Autumn for true foodie travellers, Winter for those after something romantic, Summer for long lunches on the waterfront terraces and long swims in the lake and Spring for those with a love of gardens and the great outdoors
- Lake House is located 80 minutes from Melbourne and is a wonderful addition to a visit to the great cultural city
- Three days will only scratch the surface of what's available in the region – cellar doors, farm gate tours, markets, galleries, open studios, nature walks, golf, horse riding and so much more are on offer

...Wolf-Tasker understands that haute cuisine is best achieved with haute ingredients, and that when you marry technical accomplishment to an understanding of the essence of flavour, you've got yourself one helluva plate of food.

The Weekend Australian Magazine A-List 50 Great Australian Restaurants

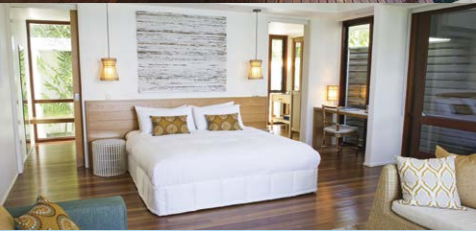
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Lizard Island

Lizard Island, Australia's northern-most island beach resort, is truly secluded from the rest of the world. It is uniquely located right on the Great Barrier Reef, 240 kilometres north of Cairns, and has 24 powdery-white beaches, over 1000 hectares of national park, the Azure Spa and the bluest of clear blue ocean views from every angle.

Lizard Island seduces with a multitude of reef and water activities. Sensational diving opportunities abound, including the famous Cod Hole or snorkel straight from the beach to experience coral gardens and brightly coloured tropical fish.

Lizard Island has a stunning choice of private villas, suites, or the pavilion. In addition to the reef and water activities, secluded picnics on private beaches, superb dining in the open and expansive main lodge area and indulgent spa treatments complete the Lizard Island experience.

- Located on the Great Barrier Reef
- One of the world's top ten resorts
- 24 powdery white sand beaches
- World-renowned diving location
- All inclusive
- The quintessential active Great Barrier Reef experience

This is really, seriously, died-and-gone-to-heaven fantastic. The scenery, the beach, the rooms, the food, the heat....Sunset Point Villas have the view, but it's a clean, cool, Scandinavian styled Anchor Bay Suite you want.

Australian Gourmet Traveller

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Great Barrier Reef
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Longitude 131°

Longitude 131° offers immersion in the Australian outback in the purest sense.

Explore the World Heritage listed wilderness of Uluru-Kata Tjuta and encounter an expansive living cultural landscape, rich in history. Whether you spend your time learning of the ancient cultures of the traditional custodians, or exploring the stunning flora and fauna with expert guides, this irresistible land will make your senses come alive.

Elevated 'tents' on rust-red dunes, offer the illusion of camping amid unfettered luxury with high canopy ceilings and one entirely glass wall providing unparalleled private vistas of fabled outback icon, Uluru (Ayers Rock). Guests 'own' their exclusive view.

Relax in the Dune House and savour world class cuisine celebrating a fusion of modern and indigenous flavours. Dine under the stars at Table 131°, listen to the sounds of the desert and be mesmerised by the movement and songs of an ancient culture by firelight.

The feeling that 'I can have almost anything I desire', is balanced, refreshingly, with a complete absence of ostentation. Timeless and enriching, Longitude 131° promises an unforgettable encounter with this spirited land.

- Only 15 tents, catering to a select number of guests
- Private views of Uluru from luxury, elevated pavillions
- Generously inclusive tariff including all dining, open bar with premium wines and spirits and in-suite bar
- Intimate touring program within Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park
- Table 131° outdoor dining experience
- Return airport transfers included
- Minimum two night stay
- Children 10 years and over welcome

Once the beaming red hue of Uluru browns and darkens as the sun sets on Australia's spiritual centre, most visitors begin to depart, leaving the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park to its Aboriginal custodians. But for those who stay at Longitude 131° – a five-star tented eco-camp with just 15 luxury tents, a stone's throw from the sandstone monolith – the evening comes alive with the sound of a didgeridoo as the stars twinkle in the skies above.

Food and Travel Magazine (UK)

Longitude 131°
Ayers Rock (Uluru)
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LONGITUDE 131°

ULURU-KATA TJUTA



Pretty Beach House

An extraordinary, quintessentially Australian, super sophisticated guest house, perched high on the escarpment at Pretty Beach, on the NSW Bouddi Peninsula. Just 100 kilometres north of Sydney, this guest house offers a new style of luxury in designer pavilion style accommodation with all inclusive rates and around the clock butler service.

Guests arrive at the top of the steep winding driveway and discover a forest of ancient angophora eucalypts leading to the main guesthouse. Beyond the glass entrance hall guests are welcomed into the atrium dining room, which opens to the vast infinity pool deck and sparkling water views. Surrounding this sanctuary are Pretty Beach House's three private pavilions, each with its own heated plunge pool, beautifully appointed lounge areas, outdoor day beds and generous private decks.

Pretty Beach House guests can experience exceptional dining with one of Australia's most iconic and celebrated chefs, Italian born Stefano Manfredi.

- All inclusive rates with emphasis on fine food and exceptional wine
- Multi award winning chef, Stefano Manfredi
- Only 6 people (3 couples) at any one time
- Only 90 mins drive north of Sydney (Kingsford Smith International Airport, transfers available on request)
- Only 90 mins drive south of Newcastle Airport (transfers available on request)
- Peaceful, private, exclusive – designed for a relaxing, intimate retreat
- 24 hour, around the clock, butler service
- Cooking classes and beauty and massage treatments available in-house
- Set in the Australian coastal bush, with activities including guided bush walks, beach picnics and access to the 38 foot Cabo sports cruiser for fishing or sightseeing

“High above the inlets and coves of Brisbane waters, just north of Sydney, this NSW Bouddi Peninsula haven only 90 minutes from Sydney ...is a place to catch your breath, reconnect with someone special and indulge in some of the best resort food in Australia – under the guiding hand of Stefano Manfredi – when ever and wherever you want it”
Sally Hammond, 'Dream Destinations' The Sydney Morning Herald

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qualia

qualia (pronounced kwah-lee-ah), meaning “a collection of deeper sensory experiences.”

qualia is a unique Australian expression of world-class luxury, situated on the secluded northern-most tip of Hamilton Island, surrounded by the unsurpassed beauty of the Great Barrier Reef.

It's a truly special place where everything has been meticulously considered to relax the mind yet completely spoil the senses.

qualia's sun-drenched northern aspect provides the ideal location to appreciate the passing beauty of each day, with 60 private pavilions nestled amongst tropical landscaped gardens. The Leeward Pavilions have a large sundeck and tropical landscape and Coral Sea views. The Windward Pavilions feature their own sundeck and private plunge pool with expansive Coral Sea views. Or, for the ultimate in privacy the one and only Beach House is a secluded pavilion with private lap pool and separate guest pavilion, offering uninterrupted Coral Sea and Whitsunday Island views. All pavilions feature a minibar, wireless internet access and movies on demand.

- Located on Hamilton Island, one of 74 Whitsunday Islands situated just off the Queensland coast of Australia
- Access is easy with daily direct flights from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Cairns
- Facilities include two serene pools, a gymnasium, a library, boutique, two bars and restaurants and Spa qualia which offers a range of authentically Australian spa treatments designed to rebalance the synergy between mind and body
- Complimentary drop-offs to one of the many nearby secluded beaches can be arranged for qualia guests upon request
- Guests have easy access to explore the nearby wonders of world-famous Whitehaven Beach or the spectacular Great Barrier Reef

This utopia sits in sublime isolation on the northern-most tip of Hamilton Island in the Whitsundays, overlooking the Coral Sea.
Conde Nast Traveller

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qualia
GREAT BARRIER REEF



Saffire

Saffire Freycinet is Australia's new luxury coastal sanctuary on Tasmania's East Coast, delivering sophisticated and intimate style and an inspirational experience. Discreetly positioned overlooking the Hazards Mountains, and the pristine waters of Great Oyster Bay, Saffire blends mankind and nature with breathtaking beauty.

Featuring 20 luxurious suites ranging from \$1750 to \$2750 a night, exclusive day spa, restaurant, guest lounge and bar, this new experience is a celebration of the art of service, internal and external wellbeing, local culinary delights, ancient landscapes and abundant wildlife. Saffire's approach to luxury accommodation delivery is not constrained by conventional five-star ratings. Staying at Saffire is an experience designed to enrich and uplift, giving a new perspective in this unique environment.

The food philosophy is focused on procuring the finest regional produce to craft cuisine that highlights the best of the Tasmanian East Coast, and guests are encouraged to engage and connect with the location through various complimentary activities and paid experiences.

- 20 luxurious suites inspired by the beauty of the local coastal environment offer incredible vistas
- Located on Tasmania's east coast with some of the most beautiful beaches and freshest air in the world
- Tailored itineraries for each guest
- A range of over 17 activities and experiences celebrate Tasmania's history, beauty and produce, delivering a sense of learning and achievement
- Spa Saffire features a range of deluxe facials, invigorating and restoring body treatments and massage therapies
- Saffire's acclaimed restaurant Palate offers daily changing degustation menus and lunchtime gourmet BBQ's. Chef Hugh's Whitehouse's cooking classes are a must
- Premium suites feature plunge pools and kitchen and dining areas
- In its first year Saffire has been awarded Best Overall Hotel Australia by AHA and best Luxury Lodge - Australian Traveller

Very few resorts manage to get all the ingredients right when opening but we can assure you, this beauty of a hotel has ticked all the right boxes. We were literally left speechless — and that takes some doing — as we feasted our eyes on the breathtaking vistas, indulged our senses in our gorgeous suite and in the spa, and devoured the food that made any thought of a diet ridiculous.

**Bill Tikos, The Coolhunter
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Saffire
FREYCINET





Sal Salis Ningaloo Reef

Hidden amongst the dunes overlooking a magnificent stretch of pristine coastline, Sal Salis Ningaloo Reef is the perfect place from which to experience the Ningaloo Coast in a way that is utterly in tune with the environment.

Each year the marine spectacle of the reef is enhanced by the arrival of the world's largest fish, the whale shark, on its migration northwards to Asia. The 9 tented camp, designed on strict environmental principles, is styled on Wild Bush Luxury lines that expose guests to the surrounding environment, while also delivering key luxury standards: a supremely comfortable bed; an en-suite bathroom; and outstanding food and wine.

The coastal dunes and gorges in the Cape Range National Park provide a prolific terrestrial wildlife experience with Red Kangaroo, Euros and emus seen in and around the camp. Our Sal Salis guides deliver an extraordinary insight to one of Australia's best kept natural secrets - the World Heritage listed Ningaloo Reef.

- Tariff is inclusive of accommodation, all meals, beverages, use of snorkel gear and daily scheduled activities which may include guided snorkel, kayak snorkel and gorge walks
- 9 wilderness tents with eco-friendly en-suite
- Small group guided activities with our knowledgeable field guides
- Dining is a hosted experience with all guests dining together accompanied by lodge manager or field guides
- Whale sharks migrate April - August, Humpback whales migrate July - December
- 1.5 hour drive from Exmouth airport, daily flights with SkyWest or thrice weekly with Qantas from Perth
- Minimum two night stay
- Seasonal closure from mid-January until mid-March
- Suitable for children 5+

... I discovered my hammock strung outside my tent and, more important, I discovered that if I lay in it long enough, I could watch whales blowing and curling out on the ink-blue horizon.

Max Anderson, The Sunday Times

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Wild Bush Luxury



Silky Oaks Lodge

Silky Oaks Lodge is located in a stunning riverside location adjoining the oldest living rainforests the World Heritage listed Daintree National Park. The modernised and elegant lodge offers ecological and culturally sensitive experiences, adventure or indulgent leisure. The surrounding region is diverse featuring lush tropical rainforests, vast savannahs, lava caves, unique river excursions as well the nearby Great Barrier Reef. The journey by road from Cairns takes in the gorgeous scenery of sealed coastal road meandering along deserted beach vistas and the sparkling waters of the Coral Sea.

Located close to the Mossman Gorge and its indigenous experiences including the Dreamtime Walk, the activities at the Lodge itself range from hiking trails, river swimming, paddling, canoeing, snorkelling, picnicking, biking excursions, guided bird walks and yoga by the river. There are thirty six designer furnished lodges with large spa baths and balconies ranging from the Billabong Suites and Family Retreat to River and Treehouses set in 80 acres of grounds adjoining The Daintree National Park.

The Treehouse Restaurant presents diners with an exciting menu using high quality locally sourced produce. The mineral rich waters of the river provide an inspiration for the Healing Waters Spa and a wide range of treatments using the luxurious organic Sodashi products enabling a perfect therapeutic escape and total relaxation.

- Experience the oldest living rainforest on the planet - The Daintree
- Just over an hour drive from Cairns Airport and 20 minutes from Port Douglas
- World-renowned lodge, recently rebuilt and refurbished under new ownership
- Endless options to explore the region: hiking, canoeing, river snorkelling
- Award winning Healing Waters Spa

"There is no question of being impervious to the environment here. The lodge borders The Daintree National Park, home to 74 species of mammals, twice as many types of reptiles and amphibians, and 330 kinds of birds... It's a companionable destination of appropriate luxury and lots of creature comforts..."

Susan Kurosawa,
Wish Magazine.

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SILKY OAKS LODGE
& HEALING WATERS SPA



Southern Ocean Lodge

Kangaroo Island is renowned as Australia's Galapagos and brims with diverse wildlife and natural beauty. On the island's southwest coast, globally celebrated Southern Ocean Lodge offers unrivalled luxury in a uniquely Australian setting. Blending seamlessly with the pristine landscape the lodge commands spectacular panoramic vistas.

At the heart of the Lodge, the Great Room offers cinematic ocean views; guests enjoy island-inspired dining in the Restaurant, or a relaxed drink at the convivial open bar with an exclusively South Australian wine selection. Contemporary suites feature bespoke furnishings, dramatic glass walled bathroom, sunken lounge and private terrace with hypnotic Southern Ocean views.

Exceptional guided adventures invite guests to experience abundant wildlife first hand, whilst the Southern Spa features Kangaroo Island botanicals to relax and rejuvenate. Exclusive and award-winning, Southern Ocean Lodge is Australian luxury defined.

- Globally celebrated luxury lodge offering a unique Australian travel experience
- Kangaroo Island is a short flight from Adelaide, South Australia
- Dramatic wilderness location with spectacular ocean views
- Architectural masterpiece comprising twenty-one spacious suites
- Exceptionally generous all-inclusive tariff – rates include all dining, open bar with premium beverages, in-suite bar, signature experiences and island airport transfers
- Signature guided adventures explore the wonders of Kangaroo Island, renowned as Australia's Galapagos
- World-class dining in the Lodge Restaurant showcasing fine, locally-sourced food and wine
- First name service – guests are invited to enjoy the lodge as their luxe island home
- Secluded Southern Spa to relax and rejuvenate

At Southern Ocean Lodge the mix of fabulousness and nature finds new frisson... It's bold, it's progressive, it's queen of the wilderness wonderland. Southern Ocean Lodge is really a pair of cool, calm binoculars focused on an astonishing place.

Melinda Stevens, Travel Editor announces Tatler 'Hotel of the Year' Winner, Southern Ocean Lodge

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**SOUTHERN
OCEAN
LODGE**

KANGAROO ISLAND



Spicers Peak Lodge

Located on 8000 acres, with breathtaking views of the World Heritage listed Main Range National Park, Spicers Peak Lodge is Queensland's highest mountain lodge retreat. This architecturally stunning lodge offers ten luxurious suites and two Private Lodges (26 guests maximum), providing an intimate and relaxing accommodation experience in one of South East Queensland's most beautiful wilderness areas.

All meals and beverages, including its celebrated degustation dinner menu, are included at Spicers Peak Lodge where guests enjoy privacy, intimacy and very high levels of service. There is a range of experiences designed to give guests access to this strikingly beautiful part of the Australian wilderness including guided bushwalks, mountain biking adventures, local horse riding and wine tasting at the nearby Granite Belt wine region.

Offering a unique blend of luxury accommodation and fine dining, Spicers Peak Lodge is an intimate destination for those who appreciate the finer things in life.

- Multiple award-winning lodge and restaurant – 2010 Best Luxury Accommodation in Queensland
- 90 minutes drive from Brisbane and 2 hours from the Gold Coast
- Lodge facilities include an infinity edge swimming pool, outdoor spa, library with billiard table, bar, telescope deck, tennis court, and an extensive lounge and dining area with large stone fireplaces
- All inclusive experience with focus on great food and wine
- Purpose-built Spa Anise day spa with professional therapists and a wide range of luxurious treatments
- Peaceful and private retreat with the ability to book the entire property exclusively
- Professional guided one to four day bushwalks tailored to your fitness level and interests
- Optional private car or helicopter transfers

The long two-storey lodge appears from the mist like a developing photograph. Blurred lines harden to a silhouette, then there it is, an improbable oasis on top of the world. If there were snowfields in Queensland, this is where you'd want your alpine chalet to be.

Susan Kurosawa,
Weekend Australian

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SPICERS
PEAK LODGE

Relaxed Luxury



The Louise

The Louise, an idyllic luxury vineyard retreat, encompassing acclaimed restaurant Appellation, is situated on a gentle hill surrounded by hundreds of acres of vines, with breathtaking vistas across the world renowned Barossa Valley.

Just fifteen luxurious suites, each with its own private courtyard and terrace, provide guests with complete privacy. The look is soft contemporary, with inspired design and artworks a focus throughout the property.

Casual and elegant are the hallmarks of destination restaurant Appellation at The Louise, where an inspired culinary team guide one of Australia's finest regional dining venues. The daily changing Chef's Tasting Menu and seasonal a la carte menu show a passion for fresh, local produce, and complement an extensive wine list.

The Louise specialises in creating bespoke, authentic Barossa guest experiences, showcasing the region's acclaimed food, wine and culture. Private tastings and winemaker introductions may be arranged by professional, informed staff, who are keen to share their knowledge. Enjoyable diversions include hot air ballooning, cycling, hiking, the acclaimed Barossa Farmers' Market, Breakfast with the Kangaroos, and much more.

- The Louise is an easy one hour drive from Adelaide Airport and CBD
- Each suite offers luxury, private spaces and generous ensuites with spa tubs with views of the surrounding vineyards of the Barossa
- Premium suites are appointed with fireplaces and outdoor rain showers
- Rates include gourmet continental breakfast delivered in suite
- Appellation is widely acknowledged as one of Australia's finest regional dining experiences
- Priority booking at Appellation for guests of The Louise
- Signature guest experiences: Breakfast with the Kangaroos and Most Brilliant Blend winemaking experience
- The Louise specialises in exclusive tastings and winemaker introductions tailored to guests' interests

It is bold gastronomic statements like these that inspire foodies to fly in from Australia, Japan and the United States to stay at The Louise and sample the food at Appellation.

Vinod Advani,
MW Magazine

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True North

North Star Cruises Australia conducts adventure-cruises all around the stunning and remote Australian coastline aboard the True North..

All cruises are activity based - extended periods at sea are specifically excluded and carefully crafted itineraries allow ultimate opportunity to experience the destination. Daily activities can include scenic walks, fishing, snorkelling, diving, picnics and cultural events.

The True North is purpose built to access wilderness areas - bigger ships cannot go where we go! Multiple expedition boats explore further in small groups. And to add yet another dimension to adventure, most cruise options feature an on-board helicopter. The True North also features the ultimate in comfort and style. Spacious cabins offer modern decor, en-suites, satellite telephones and in-cabin entertainment.

Guest numbers are limited to 36 and an Australian crew of 20 uniquely chaperones every experience. Guests consistently respond with *"that's the best holiday I have ever had!"*

- North Star Cruises is a market leader operating with impeccable customer satisfaction - guests commonly remark "that's the best holiday I have ever had"
- Pioneered luxury adventure-cruising along the Kimberley coast - others cannot equal our experience!
- The True North:
 - is the only Kimberley adventure-cruise ship that travels with a full-time helicopter!
 - is purpose built for accessing shallow coastal environs - bigger ships cannot go where the True North goes!
 - welcomes just 36 guests and, an Australian crew uniquely chaperones every experience
 - carries 6 dedicated expedition boats
- Cruises are activity-based and extended periods at sea are avoided

The most fantastic trip I have ever experienced.

Sir Peter Derham,
former Chairman,
See Australia

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