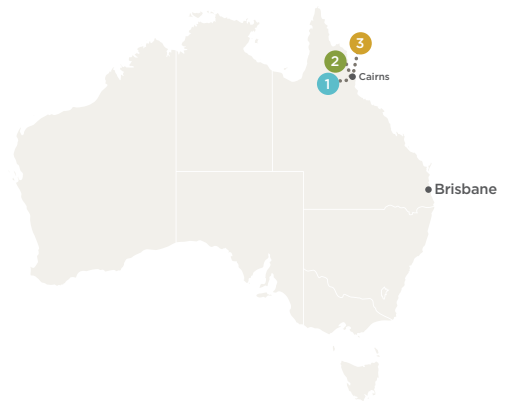


Tropical North Queensland Trifecta



Suggested itinerary duration:

9 nights, plus a night or two at your arrival or departure destination as desired.

This itinerary embraces Tropical North Queensland's luxury trifecta, a complementary contrast between rainforest, reef and outback with the ease of access via Cairns, the gateway to northern Queensland. The itinerary features three diverse lodges reflecting the vibrant colours of Queensland, and proximity to irreplaceable World Heritage sites. From the brilliant terracotta's of the outback, the soothing, dense greens of The Daintree rainforest and the intense blues of the ocean and Great Barrier Reef, these three landscapes are seamlessly combined into one very easy to plan journey.

From Cairns, 3h 4WD drive to Mt Mulligan Lodge or arrange to arrive via scenic flight.

1 Mt Mulligan Lodge

Northern Outback, Queensland

3 nights

Quintessentially Australian, **Mt Mulligan Lodge** offers modern laidback luxury in the untamed outback environment of **Northern Outback Queensland**. Set on a 28,000-hectre outback cattle station, the luxury lodge is situated on a secluded site, in the shadow of majestic Ngarrabullgan - Mount Mulligan. Discover a range of handcrafted experiences designed to showcase the best of the rugged and captivating landscape, steeped in gold and coal rush history.

What will I do there?

- Take a 4WD safari to Tyrconnell Gold Mine where the thundering sound of Australia's oldest operating gold crusher echoes what it was like to work in one of the country's most productive goldmines.
- Get behind the wheel of an all-terrain vehicle (ATV) exploring boulder-strewn creeks, navigating outback tracks before resting at the picturesque south end of Mount Mulligan with a chef-prepared gourmet picnic.
- Head up to the Mt Mulligan Lodge Sunset Bar and enjoy a sundowner watching the everchanging moods of the Mount Mulligan escarpment.



From Mt Mulligan Lodge, 3hr drive to Silky Oaks Lodge or arrange to arrive via scenic flight.

2 Silky Oaks Lodge

The Daintree, Queensland

3 nights

Silky Oaks Lodge offers an extraordinary experience of Tropical North Queensland where Australia's celebrated **Daintree Rainforest** meets the World Heritage-listed Great Barrier Reef. Luxury, treehouse-style suites, the acclaimed Treehouse Restaurant and the Healing Waters Spa complement an unforgettable wilderness experience.

What will I do there?

- Join a guide from Walkabout Cultural Adventures for a walk through Mossman Gorge and discover the culture and traditions of the Kuku Yalanji, the First Nations people of the Daintree.
- Grab snorkel and fins for a dip in the Mossman River to explore the underwater world, home to turtles, fish and the elusive platypus.
- Set among lush rainforest gardens, the Healing Waters Spa is a tranquil sanctuary. Sink into a mineral rich bath, cocoon in a detoxifying marine wrap and emerge renewed from a green tea salt therapy under the Vichy shower.



70min drive to Cairns Airport, private 60min scheduled scenic flight direct to Lizard Island Airport, 5min hosted drive to Lizard Island Resort.

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Lizard Island

Great Barrier Reef, Queensland

3 nights

The **Great Barrier Reef** stretches some 1200km along the tropical north Queensland coast and is one of the seven wonders of the natural world and a world heritage listed, natural inspiration. **Lizard Island** is a beautiful, natural, remote island retreat and the northern-most Great Barrier Reef resort. It offers 24 white powdery sand beaches, five star cuisine, indulgent spa treatments and is an outstanding dive and snorkel destination.

What will I do there?

- Sensational snorkelling and diving opportunities. Dive the famous Cod Hole or snorkel straight from the beach to experience magical coral gardens, a giant clam garden and a colourful array of tropical fish.
- Enjoy a day fishing out on the surrounding reefs. Expect to hook anything from Spanish mackerel to tuna, coral trout or red emperor, with the added bonus of having the chefs prepare and cook your catch.
- A motorised dinghy will allow you to access Lizard's secluded beaches all around the island. Ask the team to pack you a picnic hamper so you can spend hours exploring and soaking up the remote and romantic island surrounds. You may well be the only people on the beach the entire day.



Travel tip Tropical North Queensland boasts incredible diversity of landscapes and Australian experiences. This blend of outback, rainforest and reef can be experienced in any order, with easy access from Cairns, maximising time experiencing vs travelling.

The **Luxury Lodges of Australia** are more than just a place to stay. They are devoted to connecting their guests with an experience of place, reflecting their region and the depth and diversity of Australia's luxury. These **itineraries** are a guide only as transport options and desired number of nights may vary. Prior to or upon arrival, a personalised itinerary can be created by expert lodge hosts. **Planning Tips:** Take a look at these resources to assist with planning: **what's included** at each lodge, **what to do when** at specific times of the year and to identify additional **experiences** available. **How to Book:** For availability, rates and to book, contact each lodge individually or speak to your trusted travel advisor. Find out more at luxurylodgesofaustralia.com.au