

# Cairns Skyrail Rainforest Cableway One Way Experience and One Way Kuranda Scenic Railway with Heritage Class

- Skyrail-approx. 1.5 hours; Scenic Railway- approx. 1.5 hours

## • KEY FACTS •



1. Complimentary parking
  2. One Way Skyrail Rainforest Cableway experience including the Red Peak and Barron Falls Stations
  3. Red Peak: Rainforest Discovery Zone, Ranger Guided Boardwalk Tours, rainforest boardwalk loop, scenic lookout
  4. Barron Falls: The Edge Lookout, CSIRO Rainforest Interpretation Centre, rainforest boardwalk loop, Historical Precinct, panoramic gorge and waterfall views
  5. Free Wi-Fi at all Skyrail stations
  6. One Way Kuranda Scenic Railway journey with Heritage Class
  7. Multi-lingual Interpretive App and Audio Guide
- Vaccination documentation required upon check-in



1. Transport from/to hotels
2. Food & beverages not listed as Inclusions
3. Souvenirs
4. Travel Insurance

## Departure point

- Departs: daily, all year round  
Tour does not run on Christmas Day (25 December), and Maintenance Closures Days

### 【Skyrail Rainforest Cableway】

- Departure Time:
    - First departure from Smithfield is at 08:30 and the last one way or round trip experience from Smithfield departs at 13:00.
    - The last one way experience from Kuranda departs at 15:15 and the latest departure from Kuranda for a round trip experience is at 12:00.
- Departure times are reference only and subject to availability.

### 【Kuranda Scenic Railway】

- Departs from Freshwater to Kuranda
    - Departure Point: Freshwater Railway Station
    - Departure Time : 09:55
    - Arrives Kuranda at approximately 11:25
- Departure times are reference only and subject to availability.
- Departs from Kuranda to Freshwater or Cairns
    - Departure Point: Kuranda Railway Station
    - Departure Time : 15:30
    - Arrives Freshwater at approximately 17:02; Arrives Cairns at approximately 17:25
- Departure times are reference only and subject to availability.

## How to get there

### 【Skyrail - Smithfield Terminal (Address: 6 Skyrail Dr, Smithfield QLD 4878)】

- By Car  
Located approximately 14km north of Cairns, takes about 20 minutes; approximately 15km south of Palm Cove, takes about 20 minutes; approximately 55km south of Port Douglas, takes about 50 minutes.

- [Free] Onsite parking available

- By Public Transport  
Unfortunately there is no direct public transport available. Most visitors drive or arrive on a coach tour. If you do not drive, please book "Railway Start".

【Kuranda Scenic Railway Freshwater Station (Address: Kamerunga Rd, Freshwater QLD 4870)】

● By Car

Located approximately 10.5km northwest of Cairns, takes about 15 minutes; approximately 21km south of Palm Cove, takes about 25 minutes; approximately 62km south of Port Douglas, takes about 1 hour.

- [Free] Onsite parking available

● By Public Transport

The closest Train Station is Freshwater Station

The closest Bus Stop is Kamerunga Road at Freshwater Railway Station

Please check the Transport QLD timetables (<https://translink.com.au/>) for more details to plan your trip.

## Operating hours

Skyrail Rainforest Cableway Daily	08:30 - 16:45	Last departure from Kuranda at 15:15
Christmas Day (25 December)	Closed	
Pre-planned Maintenance	Closed	Please check with Skyrail and Kuranda Scenic Railway website for detailed dates

## Check-in requirements

Please ensure you arrive at the meeting point /departure point 30 minutes before your scheduled departure time to allow enough time to check in. Regrettably, failure to arrive before this time will most likely be classified as no-show and result in forfeiting the booking and it cannot be refunded or transferred.

If you are not familiar with the area or travelling on a weekend or local public holidays / school holidays, please make sure you've checked your timetable or driving route beforehand, and allow extra travelling time for unexpected delays to ensure you do not miss your check in

## What to bring/wear

- Appropriate clothing for all weather conditions, eg. jacket for cooler months.
- Comfortable enclosed walking shoes
- Protective clothing, hat, sunscreen lotion, and sunglasses
- Water bottle, Snacks
- Umbrella / raincoat if rains
- Insect repellent
- Camera
- Money / credit card for optional purchases

## Other info

【Important Post-Covid Service Information】

- Guests aged 16 years and older must be fully vaccinated against Covid-19 from 17 December 2021. Upon entry all guests must provide proof of Covid-19 vaccination or medical exemption documentation. Guests aged 16 years and older, unable to provide the vaccination or medical exemption documentation will be refused entry and no refund will be offered as the consequence.

- Please wear face masks.

- Not to attend Skyrail if you feel unwell in particular if you have any of the common COVID-19 symptoms.

- To provide personal contact details as requested for contact tracing if required.

- Complete pre-screening questions and declaration.

- Use hand sanitisation products provided upon entry and during your visit.

- Practice good hygiene at all times during your visit.

- Advise Skyrail staff immediately if you feel unwell during your visit.

- Maintain minimum social distancing requirements.

- Adhere to any requirements as prescribed by package partners and bus transfer service provider.

- Arrive at Skyrail no earlier than 15 minutes prior to allocated boarding time.

- In off peak periods, exclusive gondola use may be offered.

- Skyrail and Scenic Railway package availability is limited & sold out on certain days. Round trip (return) Skyrail experiences are recommended.

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● Days of Travel

Travel on Skyrail and Kuranda Scenic Railway must be completed on the same day. Kuranda Scenic Railway cannot be split for travel on separate days.

● Operating hours may change due to maintenance, improvements or safety reasons. Please always check with the Service Provider visit their official website for updated information regarding scheduled maintenance and closures before purchasing, and when closer to travel date to plan your visit.

● Freshwater Railway Station (Kuranda Scenic Railway) is approximately 7km from Skyrail

Smithfield Terminal, please make your own way back to your vehicle at the completion of the journey.

[Skyrail Rainforest Cableway]

- Children (14 years and younger) must be accompanied by an adult throughout the duration of the Skyrail experience.
- Each standard gondola seats a maximum of 6 people (including infants) or a maximum of 480kg (1058 lbs) whichever is first. Non-shared use of gondolas is subject to availability.
- Please note that timings are dependent on cableway operational constraints and may be longer than these recommended times.
- You can spend as much time as you like at Skyrail's rainforest mid-stations enjoying the facilities and rainforest atmosphere.
- For the protection of the environment, smoking and the consumption of food and drink is prohibited in all gondolas. Eating and drinking is allowed at all of Skyrail's Terminals and Stations.
- Day packs and fold up strollers can be taken on Skyrail Rainforest Cableway. Luggage is not permitted on the cableway or bus transfers. Small coin operated lockers are available at Smithfield (Cairns) Terminal (subject to availability and at own risk).
- Skyrail endeavours to limit any delay or disruption in service. However, where the service is delayed or disrupted for safety reasons or due to circumstances outside Skyrail's control (for example, due to inclement weather) Skyrail will not be liable for any loss, damage or inconvenience arising from or incidental to any such delay or disruption.

• **OVERVIEW** •

**Cairns Skyrail Rainforest Cableway  
One Way Experience and One Way  
Kuranda Scenic Railway with Heritage  
Class**

[Skyrail Rainforest Cableway]

Skyrail Rainforest Cableway takes you on an amazing experience over Australia's World Heritage listed Tropical Rainforest canopy and deep into the forest. A one way Skyrail experience should take approximately 1½ hours, this includes spending time at the two rainforest stations Red Peak and Barron Falls.

[Kuranda Scenic Railway]

Board the historic Kuranda Scenic Railway as it meanders its way between Cairns and Kuranda. Opened in 1891, this famous railway ascends from the coastal plains of Cairns through Freshwater Railway Station and on to Kuranda, the Village in the Rainforest, some 328 metres (1,076 feet) above sea level. Your historic journey in fully refurbished vintage carriages includes English commentary and a short photo opportunity stop at Barron Falls.



**Cairns Skyrail Rainforest Cableway One  
Way Experience and One Way Kuranda**

# Scenic Railway with Heritage Class

## Skyrail Rainforest Cableway

Skyrail Rainforest Cableway is an iconic, must-do experience that takes guests over and through the World Heritage listed Wet Tropics Rainforest, home to the oldest continually surviving tropical rainforest on Earth. Immerse yourself in the sights, sounds, smells and tranquility of one of the world's most botanically fascinating areas that has remained relatively unchanged for 130 million years. The cableway stretches 7.5 kilometres or 4.7 miles between Smithfield (Cairns) and Kuranda. There are 32 towers in total and the highest tower stands 40.5 metres (133 feet) high.

Enjoy a truly unique perspective of this ancient landscape with unsurpassed panoramic views of Barron Gorge and Australia's Wet Tropics World Heritage Area. Glide metres above the pristine jungle canopy between Smithfield (Cairns) and Kuranda, enroute descend to explore the rainforest close up at Red Peak and Barron Falls. Red Peak is Skyrail's highest point at 545 metres above sea level (1,788 feet). The Kuranda Terminal sits at 336 metres (1,100 feet) and Smithfield (Cairns) Terminal is just 5 metres above sea level (16 feet).

Traversing the ancient rainforest between Smithfield and Kuranda, a one-way Skyrail Experience will take approximately 90 minutes to complete including time spent exploring Red Peak and Barron Falls.

- **Smithfield (Cairns) Terminal**

Skyrail Rainforest Cableway is located just 15 minutes north of Cairns city and 50 minutes south of Port Douglas. Traverse the spectacular landscape between Smithfield (Cairns) and Kuranda, on your 90 minute experience. A glimpse into an ancient world nestled in the fascinating Barron Gorge.

- **Discover Red Peak – it's a jungle down there!**

Descend through the canopy to explore one of the most ancient pockets of rainforest on Earth, where unique plants and animals have survived the forces of nature and time. This is the home of lush fern gardens, climbing palms, rare butterflies, birds and imposing rainforest giants, all of which are in constant competition for life-giving light. Exploring the rainforest at Red Peak is an experience not to be missed, so allow yourself approximately 20 minutes to encounter, discover and immerse yourself in this fascinating living museum.

Explore Red Peak

- Ranger Guided Tours
- Rainforest Discovery Zone
- Rainforest Boardwalk Loop
- Scenic Lookout

- **Discover Barron Falls – a prehistoric landscape**

Known as Din Din to the Djabuganydji people – Barron Falls is a sacred place that has been an important part of their storytelling for thousands of years. While it is a spectacular sight at any time of the year, it really comes into its own during the wet season (December to March), when tropical rains bring the waterfall to life. Exploring the spectacular, rugged beauty and pioneering history is an experience not to be missed. Plan to spend around 20 minutes discovering the rainforest stories of Barron Falls.

Explore Barron Falls

- The Edge Lookout
- Historical Precinct
- CSIRO Rainforest Interpretation Centre
- Panoramic gorge & waterfall views

- **Kuranda - Village in the rainforest**

Kuranda offers an amazing rainforest experience with spectacular scenic walks and some amazing wildlife attractions and activities. The famous Kuranda markets and village shopping has something for everyone and a wide range of restaurants and cafes offers relaxed outdoor dining and a taste sensation to suit most discerning taste buds. Depending on your itinerary and interests, allowing 2-3 hours exploring the world famous Kuranda Village.

## Skyrail Interpretive App & Audio Guide

Ensure you get the most out of your experience by downloading Skyrail's multi-lingual Interpretive App & Audio Guide that places the story of Australia's ancient tropical rainforest directly in your hands.

- Enhance your experience with in gondola commentary
- See augmented reality rainforest animals appear right before your eyes
- Track your journey
- Learn more about your experience
- Capture and share photos to your social networks

## One Way Skyrail Experience

Allow 20 minutes for each station, to enjoy Ranger guided boardwalk tours and visit the Rainforest Interpretation Centre, lookouts and historical precinct. Enhance your experience and unlock the secrets of the ancient rainforest at the new Rainforest Discovery Zone at Red Peak, put the story of the rainforest in your hands with the Skyrail Interpretive App & Audio Guide and experience the beautiful Barron Falls and Gorge like never before from The Edge Lookout.

## Trip Timings

Stations: Smithfield Terminal - Red Peak Station - Barron Falls Station - Kuranda Terminal

- **Smithfield Terminal - Red Peak Station**

- Gondola Travelling Time: approximately 10 minutes
- Distance: 2.7 kms
- At Red Peak Station: Rainforest boardwalk including complimentary Ranger Guided Tour. Plan to spend approximately 20-30 minutes

- **Red Peak Station - Barron Falls Station**

- Gondola Travelling Time: approximately 12-14 minutes
- Distance: 3.1 kms
- At Barron Falls Station: Rainforest Interpretation Centre, lookouts, historical display. Plan to spend approximately 20-30 minutes.

- **Barron Falls Station - Kuranda Terminal**

- Gondola Travelling Time: approximately 7-8 minutes
- Distance: 1.7 kms

If commencing journey from Kuranda Terminal, the stops will be in reverse.

### Kuranda Scenic Railway Heritage Class

The original Kuranda Scenic Railway Heritage carriages offer the old world charm of travelling in authentic timber carriages some of which are over 100 years old. Experience your scenic journey in the refurbished original red-wooden heritage carriages. Sit back and enjoy the scenery and numerous photographic opportunities as you wind through World Heritage-listed rainforest.

Kuranda Scenic Railway Heritage Class inclusions:

- Souvenir trip guide available in 9 languages
- Seated in refurbished Heritage carriages
- Ambient, historical carriage décor
- Audio commentary
- Stop and disembark at Barron Falls station, with stunning views of Barron Falls
- Chilled refresher towel, in summer months
- Filtered water available in each carriage

### Planning Your Trip

- You can start with either Skyrail Rainforest Cableway or Kuranda Scenic Railway
- A one-way **Skyrail Cableway** journey takes approximately 1 ½ hours including time spent exploring Red Peak and Barron Falls.
- First Skyrail experience departure is at 09:30 from Smithfield and the last experience departure is at 15:15 from Kuranda.
- Skyrail Gondolas depart continuously throughout the day and bookings are made in 15 minute intervals.
- A one-way **Kuranda Scenic Railway** journey takes approximately 1 ½ hours.
- Morning trains depart from Freshwater Railway Station to Kuranda at 08:55 and 09:55.
- Afternoon trains depart from Kuranda to Freshwater Railway Station (continuing to Cairns Central Railway Station) at 14:00 and 15:30.
- Morning departures are from Freshwater Railway Station only and are not available from Cairns Central Railway Station.

### Timetable & Itineraries

*Reference only and subject to change without notice.*

#### Skyrail Start

Departure Time Skyrail @ Smithfield Terminal	Return Time Kuranda Scenic Railway @ Kuranda Railway Station
10:15	14:00 or 15:30
10:30 (Best time)	14:00 or 15:30
11:15	14:00 or 15:30
11:30	14:00 or 15:30

#### Sample Itinerary

*Reference only and subject to change without notice.*

- Depart Skyrail Smithfield Terminal at 10:30
- Visit Red Peak and Barron Falls on your journey
- Arrive Skyrail Kuranda Terminal at approximately 12:30
- Free time in Kuranda Village
- Train departs Kuranda Railway Station at 15:30
- Arrive Freshwater Railway Station at 17:02
- Arrive Cairns Central Railway Station at 17:30

#### Kuranda Scenic Railway Start

Departure Time Kuranda Scenic Railway @ Freshwater Railway Station	Return Time Skyrail Rainforest Cableway @ Kuranda Terminal
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08:55 or 09:55	13:15
08:55 or 09:55	14:00 (Best time)
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08:55 or 09:55	15:00

Sample Itinerary

Reference only and subject to change without notice.

- Train departs Freshwater Railway Station at 09:55
- Arrive Kuranda Railway Station at 11:25
- Free time in Kuranda Village
- Depart Skyrail Kuranda Terminal at 14:00
- Visit Red Peak and Barron Falls on your journey
- Arrive Skyrail Smithfield Terminal approximately 16:00

How to choose the right experience?

Skyrail (upgrade to Diamond view) + Kuranda Scenic Railway (KSR, upgrade to Gold Class)

Need hotel transfer?					
Yes			No		
Upgrade to Skyrail Diamond View Gondola			Upgrade to Skyrail Diamond View Gondola		
Yes		No	Yes		No
Upgrade to KSR Gold Class			Upgrade to KSR Gold Class		
Yes	No		Yes	No	
<a href="#">Diamond + Gold + Transfer from Cairns and Northern Beaches</a>	<a href="#">Diamond + KSR + Transfer from Cairns and Northern Beaches</a>	<a href="#">Skyrail + KSR + Transfer from Cairns and Northern Beaches</a>	<a href="#">Diamond + Gold</a>	<a href="#">Diamond + KSR</a>	<a href="#">Skyrail + KSR</a>
<a href="#">Diamond + Gold + Transfer from Port Douglas</a>	<a href="#">Diamond + KSR + Transfer from Port Douglas</a>	<a href="#">Skyrail + KSR + Transfer from Port Douglas</a>			

• POLICY •

Cancellation Policy

- If you cancel at least 7 day(s) in advance of the scheduled departure, there is no cancellation fee.
- If you cancel between 0 and 6 day(s) in advance of the scheduled departure, there is a 100 percent cancellation fee.
- If no show, no refund.

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