

# Great Barrier Reef Full Day Tour by Reef Magic Cruise Depart from Cairns Reef Fleet Terminal plus Introductory Diving

• 8 hours (approx.) •

## • KEY FACTS •



1. All snorkelling equipment including personal flotation devices in adult/child sizes
  2. FREE Wet suit and lycra suit
  3. On board Marine Biology presentation/talk en-route to the reef
  4. Glass Bottom Boat and Semi-submersible tours
  5. Fish feeding and identification session with our Marine Biologist
  6. Underwater Observatory
  7. Use of Sundeck, Fresh Water Showers and Changing Rooms
  8. Morning/Afternoon Tea
  9. Full hot/cold buffet lunch with vegetarian options
  10. Tea/Coffee and drinking water is available free of charge throughout the day
  11. Introductory diving with all equipment provided.
- Proof of vaccination is required



1. Transport from/to hotels
2. Food & beverages not listed as Inclusions
3. Souvenirs
4. Travel Insurance
5. Any optional extra items (including but not limited to experiences / photo packages) that are not included in the standard admission. All optional extra items are at own expense.

## Departure point

- Departs: Tuesdays, Thursdays, Sundays, plus selected dates during school holiday periods.  
Operating dates and departures are subject to change  
Tour does not run on Christmas Day (25 December)
- Departure Point: Marlin Wharf, right next to Cairns Reef Fleet Terminal (Address: 1 Spence Street, Cairns QLD 4870)
- Departure Time: 09:00 (Departure times are reference only and subject to availability)
- Arrives back at approximately 17:00

## How to get there

- By Car  
Located approximately 7km south of Cairns Airport, takes about 15 minutes; approximately 29km south of Palm Cove, takes about 45 minutes; approximately 69km south of Port Douglas, takes about 1 hour 15 minutes.

### Closest Parking:

- The Pier, Cairns (Address: 1 Pier Point Rd, Cairns City QLD 4870), approximately 2 minutes walk
- Shangri-la Hotel Cairns (Address: Pier Point Rd, Cairns City QLD 4870), approximately 3 minutes walk
- Parking fees apply

### • By Public Transport

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

- Alternatively you can choose to book this product with return hotel transfer services.

## Operating hours

Tuesdays, Thursdays, Sundays	09:00 - 17:00	Check in starts at 08:15
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## Reconfirmation

Please be advised you are required to contact The Service Provider 24 hours prior to the travel

## requirements

date during business hours to reconfirm your booking, departure location and time, and boarding time with your confirmation number. Please adjust your travel plan according to the details given by The Service Provider at time of reconfirming.

## Check-in requirements

Please arrive at the departure point 45 minutes prior to the departure time to exchange for ticket/boarding pass before proceeding to the boarding terminal. 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

- Motion-sickness medicine (if required)
- Swimming costume, towel
- Sunglasses, sunscreen, hat
- Comfortable shoes
- Money for drinks & souvenirs & lockers for personal item

## Other info

- Medical Questionnaire

All diving is subject to successful completion of an on-board medical questionnaire. Certain medical conditions (ie: asthma, epilepsy, high blood pressure or certain medications) and some medications may exclude individuals from diving.

- Child Policy

The minimum legal age for diving is 12 years. All divers under 18 years of age must have parent/guardian consent.

- Certified Divers

Certified Divers must produce Certification Card.

- Diving and Flying

Please note, it is recommended to leave at least 12-24 hours between diving & flying with the time period depends on depth, duration and number of dives.

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**[ Important Post-Covid Service Information ]**

- Please refer to the below webstist for the latest updates during the post-Covid period.

<https://www.reefmagic.com.au/>

## • OVERVIEW •

### **Great Barrier Reef Full Day Tour by Reef Magic Cruise Depart from Cairns Reef Fleet Terminal plus Introductory Diving**

Depart direct from Cairns on a fast, stable catamaran providing a smoother ride and reduced travel time, leaving more of your day to experience the magic of the Great Barrier Reef. The modern fast catamarans are never filled to capacity ensuring unmatched space, comfort & attentive service. Not a confident swimmer? Then stay dry and view the reef from the glass bottom boat or underwater observatory, try a Helmet Dive for a scuba-style experience without getting your hair wet (optional extra at own expense), or soar above it all on a spectacular Reef Scenic Helicopter Flight (optional extra at own expense). With 5 hours at the reef there is time to do it all.



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## Introductory Diving

No experience necessary. All equipment supplied including wetsuit & souvenir dive certificate to hang on your wall.

While at the Great Barrier Reef there is no better opportunity to experience the thrill of Scuba Diving for the very first time. If you can kick and have a heart beat chances are you can dive, so give it a go it's an experience you will never forget!

Scuba diving in Australia is safe and highly regulated with qualified instructors and strict operational procedures. Your safety is the number one priority and the safety record remains unblemished.

On the way to the reef the friendly and experienced instructors will answer all your questions, introduce you to the scuba equipment and brief you on the very basics you need to know to enjoy this experience of a life time.

The Reef Magic Pontoon provides a safe, controlled environment perfect for the novice diver. Stairs lead into a sheltered "moon-pool" where you will spend time practicing some basic scuba skills before heading off on your dive.

Group size is kept small with a maximum of 4 divers per instructor (less if nervous divers) so you know you are in safe hands.

## Snorkelling

The Reef Magic Pontoon has been hand picked for its superior water clarity, biological diversity and overall quality of marine life. It is without doubt one of the most beautiful reef locations available anywhere in Australia and perfect for snorkellers.

On arrival at Reef Magic Pontoon the crew will provide some handy tips on the correct use of snorkelling equipment and then help fit you with a mask, snorkel and fins so you can take to the water with confidence (all included in the cruise price).

The snorkel area is supervised at all times and personal flotation devices are readily available in adult and child sizes. Stairs lead down from the main deck to a submersed snorkel platform where you can sit down and put on your mask and fins. Access to the water could not be easier with the snorkel platform opening directly into a shallow, bright and sheltered coral lagoon.

Beginner snorkellers will feel comfortable being able to see the bottom at all times and an array of colourful corals and incredible fish life can be immediately seen without even letting go of the platform!

## Glass Bottom Boat Tours

The open-air Glass Bottom Boat is more maneuverable, allowing your guide to hover over beautiful coral gardens, giant clams, schools of colourful reef fish and more!

Tours last around 30 minutes and include a running commentary.

## Underwater Observatory and Fish Feeding Demonstration

The underwater reef viewing observatory is open for you to walk through at any time of the day. Watch the Introductory Scuba Divers head off from the moon pool.

At lunch time the Marine Biologist will announce the fish feeding demonstration which starts in front of the observatory windows before moving to the snorkel platform.

The feeding frenzy includes large schools of Red Bass, Trevally and the star of the show, Wally, the resident Giant Maori Wrasse!

For an exhilarating experience grab your snorkelling gear and get amongst it or take a seat on the submersed snorkel platform as the fish bustle in around you looking for a free lunch!

## Marine Biologist Presentation

En route to Reef Magic Pontoon the Marine Biologist conducts an informative slide show presentation, loaded with interesting facts on the Great Barrier Reef and tips on how to make the most of your reef visit. The presentation is conducted in the main saloon and relayed to TV monitors throughout the vessel. Reference books are also available as well as waterproof fish/coral ID cards designed to be taken diving or snorkelling.

## Sample Itinerary

*Reference Only. Subject to change without notice. Itineraries may operate in reverse order, in a different sequence, be swapped around, or in rare circumstances be replaced by other best suited items to suit tides, times & conditions.*

Time	Itinerary
08:00 - 08:30	Check-in, Reef Fleet Terminal, Reef Magic Cruises counter
09:00	Depart Marlin Jetty Cairns. Travel time is only 90 minutes direct from Cairns on a fast stable motor catamaran
10:30	Arrive at Reef Magic Pontoon on the Outer Great Barrier Reef. Reef duration: 5 hours
15:30	Depart Reef Magic Pontoon
17:00	Arrive back in Cairns

## 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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