

# Great Barrier Reef Full Day Tour by Reef Magic Cruise Depart from Helicopter Terminal: Fly/Cruise

• 6 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. One-way helicopter flight to Reef Magic Pontoon and one-way cruise back to Cairns
  - 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: Cairns (address: 2 Pier Point Road, Marina Point, Cairns QLD 4870)
- Helicopter Departure Time: 10:35 (approx.)  
Departure times are reference only and subject to availability
- Cruise leaves outer reef at approximately 15:30
- Arrive Cairns Reef Fleet Terminal at 17:00

## How to get there

- By Car  
Located in Cairns City, approximately 250m from The Pier Cairns

Closest Parking:

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

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| Tuesdays, Thursdays, Sundays | 10:35 - 17:00 |
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## Check-in requirements

Please arrive at the ticket office 30 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)
- Swimwear, towel
- Protective clothing, hat, sunscreen lotion, and sunglasses
- Comfortable shoes
- Light jacket / sweater for windy or cool days
- Camera (waterproof)
- Money / credit card for optional purchases

**Other info**

- Accurate passenger weights are requested at time of booking for all helicopter passengers.
- Child age for all helicopter flights is 3-14 years.
- One (1) infant under the age of 3 may travel free of charge if seated on a guardian's lap. Maximum one infant per helicopter as per CASA regulations - subject to pilot approval.
- Bookings can be made for individuals, however a minimum of 2 persons is required for helicopter to operate. Flights are subject to pilot's discretion, weather, air traffic control and availability.

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

- Minimum booking of 6 passengers. Tours may not proceed if minimum number is not met.
  - 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 Helicopter Terminal: Fly/Cruise**

The Reef Magic Pontoon is moored 45kms east of Cairns, at Moore Reef. With depths ranging from 1 – 25m there is a variety of coral and marine life, making it the perfect Cairns reef tour & location for snorkelling, scuba diving and sea trek helmet diving.



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Travel in style and book a helicopter flight to/from Reef Magic Pontoon (one-way helicopter flight, one-way cruise – approx. 20 minutes flying time).

Breath taking scenic reef flights are an alternative to in-water activities and coral viewing vessels, soar above it all in a helicopter for a spectacular birds eye view of the Great Barrier Reef!

From the moment you lift off uninterrupted panoramic views provide a unique perspective of this stunning World Heritage Listed location. The turquoise waters of the Coral Sea are alive with extensive coral formations. Spot turtles, rays, reef sharks and schooling fish.

### **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.*

| <b>Time</b>          | <b>Itinerary</b>   |
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| <b>09:30 - 10:00</b> | Check-in   |
| <b>10:35</b>         | Helicopter Departs Cairns. Travel time is only about 20 minutes.                     |
| <b>11:00</b>         | Arrive at Reef Magic Pontoon on the Outer Great Barrier Reef. Reef duration: 5 hours |
| <b>15:30</b>         | Cruise Departs Reef Magic Pontoon  |
| <b>17:00</b>         | Arrive back in Cairns Reef Fleet Terminal  |

### 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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