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FRANKLAND ISLANDS

Your great escape



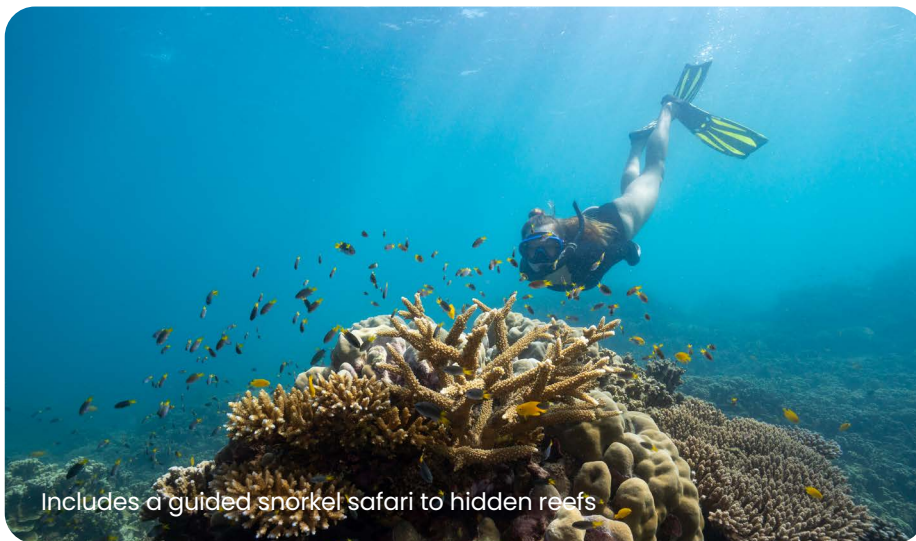
Guided snorkel safaris



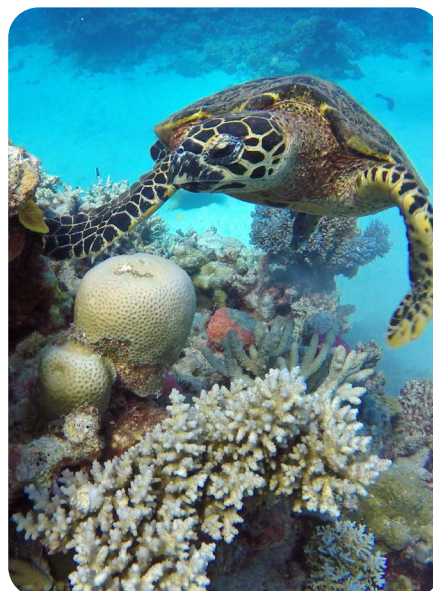
Island nature walk



Abundant marine life



Includes a guided snorkel safari to hidden reefs



The Frankland Islands are a pristine archipelago of five uninhabited islands within the World Heritage listed Great Barrier Reef Marine Park.

Surrounded by healthy fringing reefs, they offer unparalleled snorkelling and diving. Hard and soft corals, giant clams, tropical fish, turtles, octopus and other marine life flourish here, while dugongs, manta rays and whales are regular visitors.

With terrain ranging from sandy beaches lined with coastal grasses, pandanus and coconuts, to mangroves and dense rainforest, the islands are home to an abundance of birdlife.

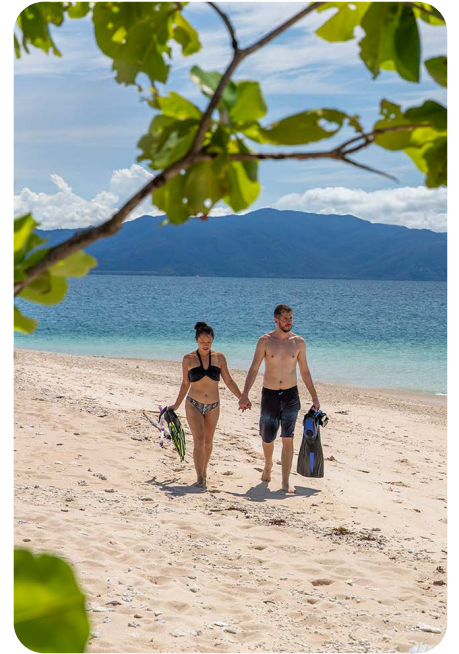
The Frankland Islands have special significance for the Mandingalby Yindinji and Gungandji Aboriginal people who fished, hunted and gathered food on these islands and the adjacent sea country.

Frankland Islands Reef Cruises is the only commercial operator licensed to land on beautiful Normanby Island, so you can relax and explore with plenty of space and time. Plus, once you're on the island, you can customise your day trip to suit your interests – our all-inclusive day tour has a fabulous range of optional activities to choose from.

Welcome to paradise

Your tropical island adventure begins as you travel south from Cairns past ancient mountains and fields of sugar cane. Board our luxury boat, the Turtle Islander, and enjoy a leisurely 30-minute cruise down the Mulgrave River, lined by rainforest and mangroves. From the river's mouth it's a quick crossing to the Frankland Islands – the shortest open water crossing of any Great Barrier Reef day tour.

Normanby Island is surrounded by sandy beaches, with reefs you can snorkel straight from the shore. Here you have up to four hours to relax and explore. Choose to snorkel, do an intro dive (at extra cost), kayak, paddleboard, or join our marine biologist and Master Reef Guide for an island walk to discover the diverse wildlife that thrives here, from the rock pools to the rainforest. Our friendly team is on hand to help you enjoy this pristine Great Barrier Reef national park island.



Star of the Reef

Discover a beach side galaxy on your day trip to Frankland Islands! Marvel at the unique star sand—twinkling remnants of Foraminifera organisms that decorate our shores with nature's own stardust. These beautiful little exoskeletons are unique to Frankland Islands.

These tiny celestial sands are just some of the fascinating creatures to discover around the island.

What to bring

- Swimsuit and towel, hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, shoes that can get wet and sandy, and a refillable water bottle
- Debit/Credit card (Visa/Mastercard)
- Please note there are no paved walkways. Prams must be carried or pushed in the sand



Your day includes

- Return transfers to and from selected accommodation in Cairns to Deeral Jetty
- Spectacular 30-minute calm water cruise along the Mulgrave River
- Snorkel Stars – kids snorkeling tutorial and certificate
- Morning and afternoon tea with fresh water throughout the day
- Fresh tropical lunch provided (special dietary requirements to be advised when booking)
- Up to 4 hours on Frankland Islands

Book your Frankland Islands experience today

Adult + Intro Dive with full gear hire

Adult

Child

\$389

\$229

\$129

Family package (2 Adults + 2 Children)

\$587

Prices are inclusive of GST and all fees, including the GBRMPA environmental management charge (EMC) which contributes directly to the management of the Marine Park. Learn more at gbrmpa.gov.au

*minimum age for Introductory Scuba Dive is 12 years, adult price applies for all ages, no compensation is offered if you are unable to complete a pre-booked intro dive.

Island activities

Reef semi-sub expedition



Guided snorkel safari



Guided Island and foreshore walk



Kids Treasure Hunt



Unlimited beach snorkelling



Snorkelling equipment & tuition



Use of kayaks & paddle boards



Optional: Ask about our introductory scuba upgrade*



River, reef & rainforest

The Mulgrave River, lined by rainforest and mangroves makes for a fascinating start to your Frankland Islands adventure. As we wind our way out to sea, keep an eye on the river banks for many brightly coloured birds, crocodiles and more fascinating flora and fauna that surround this national park island.

Acknowledgement of Country

Frankland Islands Reef Cruises respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the lands and waters in which we operate, and pays respect to their Elders, past, present, and emerging. We honour their stories, their culture and their connection to this land.



CAIRNS TRANSFERS	Pick-up from CBD accommodation for coach transfer between 7.00am - 7.45am	RETURN DEERAL	4:00pm at Deeral (Approximately)
SELF DRIVE CHECK-IN	8:15am at Deeral Jetty	RETURN CAIRNS	5:00pm – 6:00pm (including hotel drop offs)
GETTING THERE	Please allow 45 minutes for travel on Bruce Highway. Approximately 15 minutes after Gordonvale, you will get to the township of Deeral. Stay on Bruce Highway until you see Ross Road on your left. If you see the actual service station, you've gone too far.		

MEDICAL AND ALTITUDE INFO All introductory scuba participants must meet medical questionnaire requirements and some conditions or medications may prevent you from diving.

Queensland code of practice on diving states that for a single dive, you should not fly/go to altitude for at least 12 hours, or 24 hours if divers have had multiple dives per day for several consecutive days, or have made dives that require decompression stops. Altitude is defined as 300m/1000ft above sea level. This includes going to the Atherton Tablelands (a popular local scenic attraction), so please be aware if booking tours to follow your dive trip. Under normal circumstances, you should be out of the water on your last dive at 2:30pm.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS Bookings can be changed or cancelled up to 48 hours prior to departure. 100% cancellation fee will apply after this time. Prices valid until 31.03.2025. View full terms and conditions at franklandislands.com.au