



FRANKLAND ISLANDS

📍 GREAT BARRIER REEF · CAIRNS

An aerial photograph of a tropical island with a white sandy beach, lush green rainforest, and turquoise water. A small boat is visible in the water, leaving a white wake. In the background, other islands and a clear blue sky with scattered clouds are visible.

Reef and rainforest in one *perfect day*

Snorkel adventures

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 Mandingalbay 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 high-performance transfer vessel 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.

Join us for an all-inclusive full day of adventure or a shorter express escape and enjoy between two and a half to five and a half hours on the island, depending on the tour selected. You can snorkel directly off the beach, take a semi-submarine tour or on the full-day tour, take your experience further with a guided island walk with our marine biologist and Master Reef Guide to discover fascinating island wildlife – from tidal rock pools to lush rainforest.



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

Two ways to explore paradise:

All-Inclusive Day Tour

Adult 17+

Child 4-16

Family 2 ADULT
2 CHILD

\$250 \$125 \$625

Add on an intro dive experience*

\$160 per adult

- Return transfers with commentary from selected Cairns CBD accommodation
- Calm water river cruise
- Up to five and a half hours of island time
- Semi-submarine tour
- Adventure snorkel safari
- Guided beach snorkel tour
- Snorkelling equipment including wetsuits
- Use of kayaks & stand-up paddleboards
- Tropical beachside buffet lunch
- Guided island and foreshore walk
- Kids Snorkel Stars session
- Kids treasure hunt
- Morning and afternoon snacks

CAIRNS TRANSFERS: From 7:00am **RETURN DEERAL:** 4:00pm
CHECK-IN: 8:15am at Deeral **RETURN CAIRNS:** 5:00pm[^]

Express Day Tour

Adult 17+

Child 4-16

Family 2 ADULT
2 CHILD

\$175 \$90 \$440

Add on lunch box**

\$25 per person

- Return transfers with commentary from selected Cairns CBD accommodation
- Calm water river cruise
- Up to two and a half hours of island time
- Semi-sub tour or guided beach snorkel tour
- Snorkelling equipment including wetsuits
- Use of kayaks & stand-up paddleboards
- Afternoon snacks

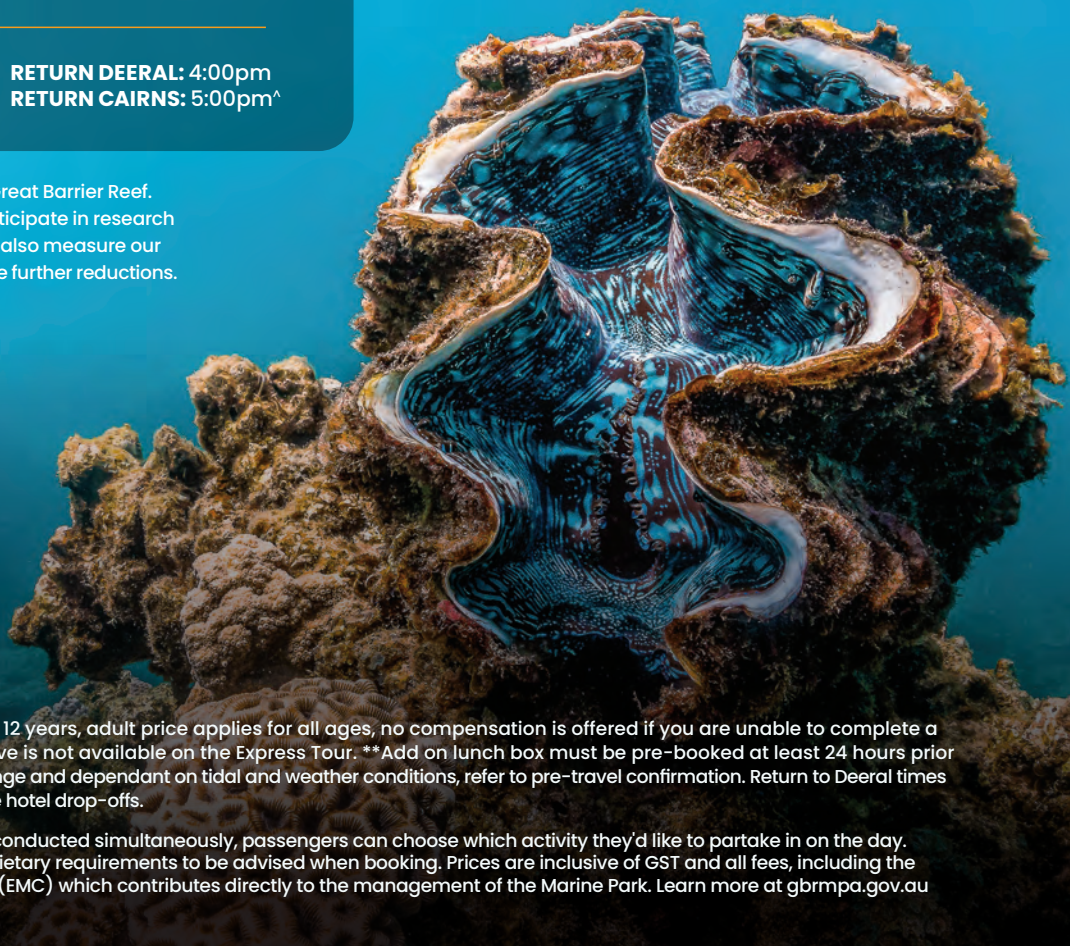
CAIRNS TRANSFERS: From 9:00am **RETURN DEERAL:** 2:30pm
CHECK-IN: 10:00am at Deeral **RETURN CAIRNS:** 3:30pm[^]

We are committed to the protection of the Great Barrier Reef. As an *Ecotourism certified* business, we participate in research and funding for reef-health monitoring and also measure our carbon footprint with *Toitū Envirocare* to drive further reductions. Learn more on our website.



*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. Introductory Scuba Dive is not available on the Express Tour. **Add on lunch box must be pre-booked at least 24 hours prior to departure. ^Tour timings are subject to change and dependant on tidal and weather conditions, refer to pre-travel confirmation. Return to Deeral times are approximate. Return to Cairns times include hotel drop-offs.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS Some activities are conducted simultaneously, passengers can choose which activity they'd like to partake in on the day. Infants (0-3 yo) travel free of charge. Special dietary requirements to be advised when booking. 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





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 facinating 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	From 7:00am ALL-INCLUSIVE TOUR From 9:00am EXPRESS TOUR	RETURN DEERAL	4:00pm ALL-INCLUSIVE TOUR 2:30pm EXPRESS TOUR
SELF DRIVE CHECK-IN	8:15am at Deeral Jetty ALL-INCLUSIVE TOUR 10:00am at Deeral Jetty EXPRESS TOUR	RETURN CAIRNS	5:00pm – 6:00pm ALL-INCLUSIVE TOUR 3:30pm – 4:30pm EXPRESS TOUR
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. 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 Frankland Islands trip. Under normal circumstances, the last introductory scuba dive will be over before 1:30pm.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS Bookings can be changed or cancelled up to 48 hours prior to departure. 100% cancellation fee will apply after this time. Complimentary coach transfers are from selected Cairns CBD accommodation. Tour timings are subject to change and dependant on tidal and weather conditions, refer to pre-travel confirmation. Return to Deeral times are approximate. Return to Cairns times include hotel drop-offs. Prices valid until 31.03.2026. View full terms and conditions at franklandislands.com.au