Bespoke Experiences





Tropical North Queensland is a remarkable region where Australia's celebrated Daintree Rainforest meets the World Heritage-Listed Great Barrier Reef. Silky Oaks Lodge is a luxury base from which to explore the natural wonderland, ideally located for access to all the attractions, including Port Douglas, the Daintree Rainforest, Mossman Gorge, the Great Barrier Reef and Cape Tribulation.

Silky Oaks Lodge works with a selection of preferred local tour operators who provide specialised adventures, offering a chance to tailor a personalised experience of the region. To make the most of your time, it's best to plan ahead and the friendly team are available to make recommendations and assist with bookings either on arrival or during your stay. Unless otherwise stated, all tours depart from Reception. Guests are advised to meet 15 minutes prior to scheduled tour departure, please confirm time with Reception.

Daintree Rainforest and Cape Tribulation

Silky Oaks Lodge Safari

Cross the Daintree River in a lodge vehicle and explore the ancient rainforests of Cape Tribulation with a Silky Oaks guide. A full day's adventure includes lunch, a bird-and-crocodile spotting cruise on the Daintree River, guided walks through the rainforest and lookout stops along the way.

DurationFull Day 8.15am - 4pmOperatorSilky Oaks Lodge

Tariff \$257 per person. Minimum 2 people

Available as private tour on request

Capacity Maximum 11 guests

Mossman Gorge Adventure Day with River Drift Snorkelling

The river drift snorkelling adventure is a full-day rainforest experience like no other! Starting with a traditional Aboriginal Kuku Yalanji smoking ceremony, the tour then sets off to explore the magnificent Mossman Gorge back country. After an outdoor lunch, the afternoon's river drift snorkelling tour makes for an unforgettable Daintree adventure!

Duration Full Day 8am - 5.30pm
Operator Back Country Bliss

Tariff \$240 per person, available as private tour on request

Capacity Maximum 12 guests

Daintree River and Mossman Gorge

The tour starts with an easy drive to the Daintree River for a cruise excursion, looking for signs of wildlife including forest birds and the majestic crocodile. Next, head to Mossman Gorge for an interpretive walk through the rainforest. For guests who wish to swim, a swimming area with cool, crystal clear water awaits.

Duration Afternoon 1.30pm – 5.30pm **Operator** Daintree Discovery Tours

Tariff \$99 per person
Capacity Maximum 13 guests









Daintree River and Cassowary Falls

Board the 'Crocodile Express' for a cruise along the Daintree River looking for crocodiles, snakes and birds, before heading to 'Riverhome', a cattle station where a 4-wheel-drive safari begins for the drive to Cassowary Falls. Free of crocodiles, the falls are an ideal place for a swim under the waterfall.

Duration Morning 7.30am – 12.30pm
Operator Daintree Discovery Tours

Tariff \$99 per person
Capacity Maximum 10 guests

River Drift Snorkelling

Drift-snorkelling along the Mossman River downstream from the lodge is at times fast and exciting, other times slow and relaxing, all under the guidance of an experienced instructor. Wetsuits and snorkelling gear are provided.

Duration Morning 9.15am - 12.15pm or Afternoon 2.15pm - 5.15pm

Operator Back Country Bliss

Tariff \$105 per person, available as private tour on request

Capacity Maximum 12 guests

Lodge transfers Provided by operator, complimentary, bookings essential





Great Barrier Reef

Low Isles

The Low Isles is a World Heritage-listed island coral cay, home to a variety of wildlife both above and below the water, from ospreys and terns to anemone fish and turtles. Sailing time is approximately 1 hour aboard a luxury sailing catamaran.

Sailing Reef and Island

Set sail to Low Isles on a luxury sailing catamaran with a small number of fellow passengers. Included in the tour is island access, delicious food, swimming, snorkelling, a glass bottom boat tour and turtle spotting, a reef interpretation with a marine biologist and island heritage walk.

Duration Full Day | Snorkel – Island – Lunch 8.30am – 4.00pm

Afternoon Sunset | Snorkel - Island - Sunset sail 1.00pm 6.30pm

(Fully inclusive of all beverages)

Operator Sailaway

Departs Crystalbrook Superyacht Marina, Port Douglas

Tariff All reef and island tours \$281.50 per person
Inclusive of Environmental Management Charge

Available as private tour on request

Capacity Maximum 33 guests to Low Isles

Lodge transfers Provided by operator, private on request - additional \$336 return,

up to 4 guests







Outer Reef

At the edge of the Great Barrier Reef is the continental shelf, where the water is crystal clear, highlighting the vibrant corals and marine life. Sailing time is approximately 2 hours or 1.5 hours aboard a cruise vessel.

Agincourt Reef and Optional Helicopter Flights

Travel to the Outer Reef and visit a purpose-built platform on a modern, spacious 'wave-piercer' vessel. Passengers travel on semi-submersible boats, allowing a Great Barrier Reef encounter without getting wet. Extra activities on offer are snorkelling, scuba diving, an informative marine biology talk, helmet diving and helicopter flights (additional charges apply).

Duration Full Day 9.30am – 5.30pm

Operator Quicksilver

Departs Crystalbrook Superyacht Marina, Port Douglas

Tariff \$264 per person

Inclusive of Environmental Management Charge

10 minute heli scenic flight from pontoon from \$189 per person

additional

Capacity Maximum 450 guests

Lodge transfers Provided by operator, on request - \$17 per person return

Outer Reef Mackay Cay - Snorkel & Sail

Full Day Outer Reef sailing and snorkelling eco adventure to Mackay and Undine Coral Cays. Snorkelling specialists for small groups with expert guiding with marine biologists.

Duration Full Day 8am – 5pm

Operator <u>Sailaway</u>

Departs Crystalbrook Superyacht Marina, Port Douglas

Tariff All reef and island tours \$281.50 per person
Inclusive of Environmental Management Charge

Available as private tour on request

Capacity Maximum 45 guests to the Outer Reef

Lodge transfers Provided by operator, private on request - additional \$336 return,

up to 4 guests

Agincourt and Opal Reef - Snorkel and Dive

Agincourt and Opal Reefs are considered among the best locations to snorkel and dive on the Great Barrier Reef. Explore three great sites on a full day tour, enjoy a delicious buffet lunch, an informative marine talk and guided snorkelling tours.

Duration Full Day 7.30am – 5pm **Operator** Calypso Snorkel & Diving

Departs Crystalbrook Superyacht Marina, Port Douglas

Tariff \$255.50 per person

\$6.50 Environmental Management Charge payable on vessel by

cash or credit card

Capacity Maximum 85 guests

Lodge transfers Provided by operator, on request - \$18 per person return

Private Reef Charter

MV Monsoon is a luxuriously appointed motor vessel with day charters to the reef catering for a maximum of 10 guests. Overnight charters are available for a maximum of six guests. Charters and itineraries may be tailored to suit your preferences.

DurationFull Day Private 8am - 4pmOperatorMonsoon Reef Charters

Departs Crystalbrook Superyacht Marina, Port Douglas

Tariff \$3,500

Capacity Maximum 10 guests

Lodge transfers Self drive or contact reception for transfer options











Indigenous Encounters

Kuku Yalanji Dreamtime Walk

The Daintree's indigenous people live in harmony with their natural environment and invite guests to discover it with them. A guided rainforest walk with an indigenous guide demonstrates traditional use of plants for food and medicine and explains the Dreamtime legends of the rainforest. The Dreamtime Gorge Walk takes visitors on a journey along gentle rainforest tracks, visiting traditional shelters or humpies. An indigenous guide welcomes guests to country with a traditional 'smoking ceremony'.

Duration 90 minute walk departing 10am, 11am, 1pm and 3pm Daily

Operator <u>Mossman Gorge Centre</u>

Tariff \$78 per person, available as private tour on request Lodge transfers Self drive or contact reception for transfer options



Local Aboriginal guides lead a tour of Kuku Yalanji country which encompasses both traditional and modern-day legends of the land. Operator Juan Walker and his team share traditional knowledge and experiences with guests. The Cultural Tour on the Daintree River's southern side includes a guided rainforest walk learning about traditional hunting techniques, seasonal bush foods and medicine identification, while the Sightseeing Tour travels north, exploring Cape Tribulation and includes a guided rainforest walk with an introduction to seasonal bush foods and medicines.

Duration Full Day 8.30am – 5.30pm

Half Day 8am - 1pm or 12.30pm -5.30pm

Operator Walkabout Cultural Adventures

Tariff Full day \$209 per person, half day \$165 per person

Available as private tour on request

Capacity Maximum 11 guests

Janbal Art Gallery and optional Art Workshop

Janbal Art Gallery is owned and operated by indigenous Kuku Yulanji people, housing its own artist in residence. Guests learn stories told through Aboriginal paintings and create their own artwork to take home under the guidance of acclaimed Aboriginal artist Brian 'Binna' Swindley.

Duration 1.5 hour group workshop 9am and 3pm - Monday to Friday

Operator Janbal Art Gallery

Location 5 Johnston Road, Mossman

Tariff \$50 per person. Available as private tour on request Lodge transfers Self drive or contact reception for transfer options









Helicopter Experiences

Helicopter tours can be tailored to each guest's interests and range from rainforest and outback tours to a discovery of the inner and outer Great Barrier Reef. Departures can be arranged from Silky Oaks Lodge nearby heli-pad. Arrival and departure transfers are also an option from Cairns Airport.

Reef Discovery

Viewed from the air, the turquoise waters and rainforest fringed coastline of North Queensland really come to life. This is just the beginning of an odyssey that takes guests soaring over one of the greatest natural wonders on the planet, the World Heritage-Listed Great Barrier Reef. Visible from space, it's even better close up in a helicopter!

Duration30 minutesOperatorGBR HelicoptersDepartsPort Douglas Heli-pad

Tariff \$299 per person. Minimum 2 passengers, maximum 6 passengers
Lodge Transfers Provided by Silky Oaks Lodge, on request - additional \$250 return,

up to 4 quests

Duration40 minutesOperatorGBR Helicopters

Departs Silky Oaks Lodge Heli-pad

Tariff \$549 per person. Minimum 2 passengers, maximum 6 passengers Lodge Transfers Provided by Silky Oaks Lodge, complimentary, bookings essential



The meaning of the term 'fringing rainforest' becomes apparent on this scenic heli flight. Ancient rainforests and mountains lead to the rugged beauty of the Great Dividing Range where rivers and creeks run year-round, creating dramatic cascading waterfalls. The tour flies from Mossman Gorge and follows the Daintree River to Cape Tribulation.

Duration 60 minutesOperator GBR Helicopters

Departs Silky Oaks Lodge Heli-pad

Tariff \$699 per person. Minimum 2 passengers, maximum 6 passengers Lodge transfers Provided by Silky Oaks Lodge, complimentary, bookings essential

Rainforest Waterfall Escape

A truly magical tour that feels like a Jurassic Park adventure! Accessible only by helicopter, the coastline flight takes in rivers and creeks before the dramatic Mossman Gorge gives way to a picture perfect waterfall. Swim, relax and feast on a gourmet hamper and premium beverages.

Duration 2 hours

Operator GBR Helicopters

Departs Silky Oaks Lodge Heli-pad

Tariff \$941 per person. Minimum 2 passengers, maximum 6 passengers Lodge transfers Provided by Silky Oaks Lodge, complimentary, bookings essential











Local Favourites

Oaks Kitchen and Garden

Oaks Kitchen and Garden was created by Ben Wallace and Rachael Boon, inspired by their appetite for Southeast Asian cuisine and culture. Join a masterclass and share their passion for cooking diverse and interesting menus using fresh, seasonal ingredients.

Duration 3-4 hour classes. 3pm Monday – Friday and 11am Saturdays

Operator Oaks Kitchen and Garden

Location Lot 3, 11-13 Nancy Close, Oak Beach

Tariff From \$165 per person. Available as private tour on request

Capacity Maximum 8 guests

Lodge Transfers Self drive



Tucked away in a hidden valley, Spring Creek bushwalk is a 3 hour (3 km) return walk, ideal for the adventurous traveller. Rock-hop along creeks in a narrow valley to reach the magnificent Spring Creek Falls. Relax and watch for wildlife or enjoy a swim in the deep rock pools. A challenging yet rewarding walk, Spring Creek is set away from the crowds and is a favourite with the locals.

Duration Morning 7.30 – 12 midday

Operator <u>Back Country Bliss</u>

Tariff \$120 per person. Available as private tour on request

Capacity Maximum 8 guests

Lodge transfers Provided by operator, complimentary, bookings essential

Daintree Rainforest Mountain Biking

Travel through magnificent ancient rainforest by mountain bike or on a state-of-the-art electric full suspension mountain bike. Bike tours are available for all fitness levels, including the Mt Lewis tour, an easy ride through the pristine rainforest. Other trails include the historical Mt Molloy Trail, Hartley's Falls and the famous Bump Track, regarded as one of the ten best mountain bikes rides in Australia.

Duration Full Day 8 hours, Half Day 4-5 hours or Night Rides 3 hours

Operator Bike & Hike

Tariff \$135 per person - half day

\$249 per person - full day \$120 per person - night ride Available as private tour on request

Lodge transfers Provided by operator, complimentary, bookings essential

Horse Riding

Suitable for all levels, riders experience the unique meeting of the Great Barrier Reef and The Daintree Rainforest on horseback. Ride through rainforest, along pristine beaches and across several creek crossings as an unforgettable way to experience Cape Tribulation.

Duration 1.5 hours. 8am – 9.30am or 11am - 12.30pm

Operator <u>Cape Tribulation Horse Rides</u>

Tariff \$110 per person. Available as private tour on request

Capacity Maximum 8 riders

Lodge Transfers Self drive











Wildlife Encounters

Bird Watching

Operated by renowned naturalist Doug Herrington, guests enjoy a bird watching and/ or bird photography tour covering many different habitats from coastal heath to rainforest and dry woodland environments.

Duration Full Day 6.30am - 4.30pm Summer | 7am - 5pm Winter

Half Day 6.30am - 12.30pm Summer | 7am - 1pm Winter

Birdwatching Tropical Australia Operator Tariff Full Day \$250 per person Half Day \$200 per person

Private charter on request

Capacity Maximum 4 quests

Lodge transfers Provided by operator, complimentary, bookings essential



Wildlife Habitat is a wildlife immersion space, an outdoor interactive environment for guests and animals to mingle in a natural setting. Cassowaries, tree kangaroos and many other animals, reptiles and birds are at home here, while crocodile feeding and koala 'selfies' are an option.

Duration General admission includes multi-entry over 5 days

Operator Wildlife Habitat Location Port Douglas Tariff \$34 per person

Lodge transfers Self drive or contact reception for transfer options

Daintree River Cruises

Bruce Belcher's Daintree River Cruises offers a one-hour river cruise on the Daintree River. Their experienced interpretive guide is accustomed to the nuances of the river and rainforest and can spot an incredible variety of camouflaged wildlife. Birds, snakes and even four-metre crocodiles are difficult to see in their natural environment. Tide dependent.

Duration

Operator Bruce Belcher's Daintree River Cruises

Location 2856 Mossman-Daintree Road, Lower Daintree

Tariff \$30 per person

Capacity Maximum 18 passengers

Lodge transfers Self drive

Other Experiences

- Hot Air Ballooning
- Hiking

- Scuba Diving
- Sunset Sailing
- Golf
- Kuranda Rainforest Cableway

For more information, please contact our friendly team.

• Fishing Charters









Terms & Conditions

Rates are subject to minimum numbers set by external operators and are subject to change. A 48-hour cancellation policy applies. No refund applicable if cancelled within 48 hours of travel. Touring options, inclusions and times are subject to change without notice. Experiences can be customised to individual requirements at the discretion of external operators. Some experiences are subject to weather conditions.