

Pre and Post Touring: Must-do Eco Bucket List

Whether it's out on the water or in your hotel, make sure you're choosing to stay sustainable with these eco-friendly experiences in Townsville North Queensland.

Go Eco Certified

These certified tours and products are backed by a strong, well managed commitment to sustainable practices and provides high quality nature-based tourism experiences.

Adrenalin Snorkel and Dive

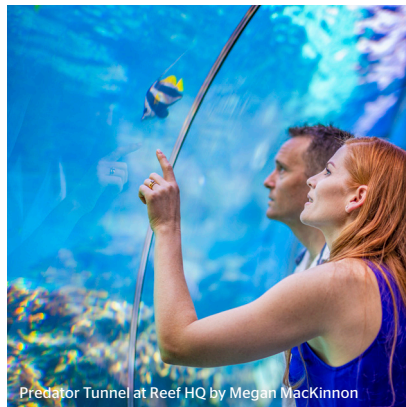
Specialising in snorkeling and diving trips, join Adrenalin to witness and explore the spectacular Great Barrier Reef or S.S. Yongala Shipwreck. Did you know that your booking includes a contribution to the management of the Great Barrier Reef through the EMC (Environmental Management Charge), so just by visiting the reef you are helping to protect it!

Billabong Sanctuary and Bungalow Bay Koala Village

Billabong Sanctuary and Bungalow Bay Koala Village offers Australia's best interactive wildlife experience, featuring native animals in their natural habitats!

Magnetic Island Sea Kayaks

Hit the water with Magnetic Island Sea Kayaks (powered by your own body!) and discover the best of Magnetic Island's surrounding marine park.



Reef HQ Great Barrier Reef Aquarium

Reef HQ Great Barrier Reef Aquarium is recognised as the national education centre for the Great Barrier Reef so there is no better place to learn about the world's greatest natural wonder.

Immerse yourself in the underwater viewing tunnel, have a hands-on experience at the touch tank, hear from the experts during one of the daily tours and meet the sick and injured turtles being rehabilitated in the Turtle Hospital.



Big Mama Sailing

Big Mama has plenty of deck space to relax in a bean bag, a comfortable inside saloon area or join in the fun and action of sailing and other water activities.

Yongala Dive

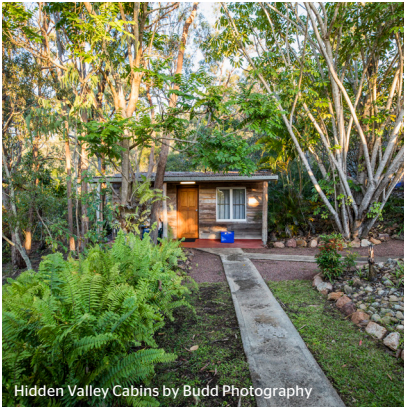
Yongala Dive offers a full range of dive courses, dive accommodation and day trips to one of the world's top dive sites- the historic S.S. Yongala Shipwreck.

Aquascene Charters Magnetic Island

Discover the incredible beauty of Magnetic Island from above and below the water. Not only experience mesmerising snorkelling on coral reefs, but learn about the island's history, its marine life and hear a few yarns along the way.



Pre and Post Touring: Stay With a Difference



Hidden Valley Cabins

Hidden Valley Cabins is an award-winning eco resort, located one and a half hours north west of Townsville, on the western slope of the Paluma Range. Due to the resort's elevation, the climate is cooler and less humid than areas close to the coast - the perfect temperature year-round. Hidden Valley Cabins is operated on 100 percent solar power.

Orpheus Island Lodge Resort

This is the ultimate in eco-luxury. Orpheus Island is a secluded, unspoilt tropical paradise, and stretches across 11km of immaculate turquoise coastline. Located on the Great Barrier Reef and

comprising more than 1000 hectares of National Park, the Orpheus Island Lodge Resort is amongst the best that nature has to offer and there are plenty of ways this high end property gives back:

- \$50 per guest is donated towards the Reef Keepers Fund created by the resort
- More than 810 gleaming solar panels means the resort uses 100% renewable-energy
- An on-site veggie garden and fruit trees provides chefs with a constant supply of fresh produce
- Each guest receives a reusable water bottle
- You won't find a plastic straw here
- You'll be served sustainable seafood (and trust us when we say it'll be the best seafood you've ever tasted)

Grand Hotel and Apartments

Guests of the Grand Hotel and Apartments can choose not to have their towels laundered, and instead a donation can be made to Townsville's very own Turtle Hospital at Reef HQ Great Barrier Reef Aquarium. While you're staying in Townsville's most grand accommodation take a trip over to Reef HQ to see where your contribution goes.

Bungalow Bay Koala Village

During 2006, Bungalow Bay Koala Village Magnetic Island received Advanced Accreditation with the Australian Eco Tourism Association in acknowledgement of its dedication to conservation and the environment.

With their dedication to minimising impact on the environment, conserving energy, and caring for sick, injured or orphaned native animals, Bungalow Bay is recognized as the hub of conservation on Magnetic Island.

Every aspect of the operation takes the environment into consideration.

