



*The only place in the world that tall rainforests grow on sand dunes.
This World Heritage listed Island is a precious part of Australia's natural and cultural heritage, protected for all to appreciate and enjoy.*

Departing Sunday 18 August 2019

Day 1, Sun 18 August 2019

Home to Canberra

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Welcome to our 6-day tour *Fraser Island*. After completing our passenger pick up service, we make our way to Canberra for our overnight stay before our flight out tomorrow morning. Tonight, we have dinner in the hotel. *(Lunch own expense/dinner in the hotel)*

Day 2, Mon 19 August 2019

Heading to Fraser Island

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This morning after an early breakfast we make our way to the airport for our flight to Sydney, then on to Hervey Bay where we are met on arrival by our coach transfer and make our way to *Fraser Island* by Ferry. The Island stretches over 123 kilometres in length and 22 kilometres at its widest point. With an area of 184 000 hectares it is the largest sand island in the world. Fraser Islands' World Heritage listing ranks it with Australia's Uluru, Kakadu and the Great Barrier Reef. It is a place of exceptional beauty, with long uninterrupted white beaches flanked by strikingly beautiful coloured sand cliffs and over 100 freshwater lakes. We arrive at *Kingfisher Bay Resort* and enjoy the facilities. Time to get comfortable and settle into our rooms, as this is our base for the next four nights. We have dinner at the resort this evening and spend the evening getting to know our fellow travellers. *(Breakfast in the hotel/Dinner in Resort)*



Day 3, Tues 20 August 2019

Full day East Coast of Fraser Island

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Our day begins as we hit the beach in our 4-wheel drive vehicle where we travel along eastern side of the Island visiting the *Champagne Pools* and *Indian Head*, the most easterly point on the Island. Next stop is the *Maheno Shipwreck*, the hospital ship having been blown ashore during a cyclone - whilst being towed to Japan! We have a picnic lunch planned today so we can travel as far north as is practical. In one thirty-kilometre section of the beach are 200 creeks running into the Pacific Ocean. Some large, and some appearing as wet sand from the dunes to the surf. The largest and most attractive though is Eli Creek which winds many kilometres inland carving its bed and carrying 8 million litres of water a day into the Pacific Ocean. This clear water is the perfect place to get wet, so don't forget your bathers as we will be swimming in the lower reaches of the creek. Making convenience stops along the way we enjoy the uniqueness of this wonderful island paradise. This afternoon we take a drive along the famous "highway" of 75 Mile Beach and visit the coloured sands of The Pinnacles. On our return to the resort we have a little free time to relax before dinner. (Breakfast and dinner in the resort, picnic lunch included).



This morning will be a highlight as we head off in search of migrating humpback whales with a **Whale Watch cruise**. Seeing a whale in the wild is the experience of a lifetime and one of the easiest and safest places to watch whales is in the **Hervey Bay National Marine Park**. This area is regarded as the whale watch capital of the world because of the number of whales and the calm, clear waters sheltered by Fraser Island which provide excellent viewing. Be sure to take a camera! We return to the resort where we enjoy a **light lunch**, and then the rest of the afternoon is free to further enjoy the resort facilities. If you are still looking for some action you could arrange a ranger guided canoe paddle lesson, fishing lesson or segway tour. *(Afternoon activities at passengers' own expense)* We have a couple of hours to ourselves before we meet up again at **The Jetty Hut** to watch the **sunset** while enjoying a drink and nibbles before dinner. *(Breakfast and dinner in the resort, lunch included).*

Day 5, Thur 22 August 2019

Centre of the Island

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After breakfast we set out to explore the island further in a 4WD touring coach which takes us to **Lake Mackenzie**, one of the 40 perched lakes found on the island. With its clear, blue fresh water and white sandy shores, Lake McKenzie covers an area of 150 hectares and is over 5m in depth. Perched high in a sand dune, it is 100m above sea level. This postcard like, picture perfect watering hole is worth a photo to remind us it is actually real. Next, we head to **Central Station**, the historic heart of Fraser Island, where we'll see the original headquarters of the island's forestry operations. From 1920 to the late 1950s it was the logging village from days when tree felling was permitted here. Central Station was also once home to around 30 houses and a school which was built for the children of the loggers. Our comfortable walking shoes will come in handy today as we make our way through the forest. Lunch is waiting for us back at the resort and we listen to a bush tucker talk given by one of the resident rangers. *(Breakfast, lunch and dinner in the resort)*



Day 6, Fri 23 August 2019

Heading Home

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Wow – what a great time we have had – time to head for home already. We farewell our hosts and connect up with our ferry and flights to arrive home later this evening. Stopping for dinner in Cooma on the way home *(Breakfast in the resort / lunch own expense/Dinner Pha's Thai Kitchen).*

All itineraries are subject to change due to occasional restrictions in opening times/days of some attractions, eg, churches, wineries etc. We cannot be held responsible for any changes due to closures, inclement weather etc.

COST PER PERSON:	Travel Club Members	\$2424.00	twin share
		\$2713.00	sole occupancy
	Non-Members	\$2545.00	twin share
		\$2835.00	sole occupancy

Cost Includes: Economy Class Airfares, 5 nights' accommodation, 5 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 6 Dinners, morning & afternoon teas where applicable, entrance fees, tours and attractions as per itinerary and luxury coach travel.

Please note there are some optional activities on day 4 which are at your own expense.

Tour Bookings & Payments: \$500.00 booking confirmation per person & balance required by 15 July 2019.

Cancellation Policy:

Notice Given	Reservation to 46 days	45-31 days	30-14 days	Under 14 days
Amount payable	\$500.00	25%	50%	100%

Accommodation: Your comfort is important to us so our accommodation will be of a high standard, offering a reasonable range of room amenities all with private facilities and hotel services. Furnished to a comfortable standard. Facilities in some remote areas may be less elaborate.

Meals: Lunch is supplied on days 3,4 & 5. Breakfast is supplied each day. Dinner is supplied each night. All meals supplied will offer a wonderful diversity. An excellent standard of cuisines is an essential part of your holiday. Meal codes as seen in itinerary: (B) = Full cooked breakfast, (L) = Lunch, (D) = Evening

What to Bring: Usually casual so bring comfortable casual clothing. Nights can be cooler, so bring some warm clothing to suit. Remember to bring sun hat, sunglasses, sunscreen and a pair of sturdy walking shoes.

The Small Print: Bega Valley Coaches / helloworld Bega

- Advises the price is effective for the dates specified but maybe subject to change without notice.
- The itinerary may be subject to change without notice. Whilst every effort is made to adhere to the itinerary as provided. We reserve the right to vary the itinerary in anyway at any time deemed necessary, by circumstances and conditions outside the company's control. Alterations may be made to ensure the smooth running of the tour. Every attempt will be made to ensure alteration do not adversely affect the operation of the tour. All additional expenses incurred as a result of such delays, cancellation or alterations will be the sole responsibility of the passenger.
- Accepts no responsibility for damage or loss of personal belongings and suggest that suitable insurance be affected for the protection of the same.
- Accepts no responsibility or liability for delays, accidents, injury, irregularity or damage caused by other transport / touring companies used as part of this tour
- If a passenger is a Forced Single and there is no one to share with within the group, they will have to pay the sole use component.
- This tour may be cancelled if numbers are insufficient to warrant economic operation.
- Seat rotation will take place on tour. Passengers suffering from motion or travel sickness are advised to take necessary precautions.

Exclusions: Travel Insurance is not included but is recommended and available if required for an additional cost. Tour cost excludes room service, telephone calls, drinks, meals not mentioned in inclusions and other items of a personal nature.

Optional touring is not included. If you wish to take any of the optional tours, please advise at the time of booking.



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