



Heron Island

NATURE'S WONDERLAND
GREAT BARRIER REEF

Canon Collective Itinerary

19th October – 23rd October 2020



Welcome to Heron Island

On behalf of the Heron Island Team we trust that the suggestions made in this itinerary will provide you with unique and valuable experience of our coral cay located in the Southern Great Barrier Reef. We hope you thoroughly enjoy your time at Heron Island.

Website: www.heronisland.com

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Weather Conditions:

Weather forecast <https://www.willyweather.com.au/qld/fitzroy/heron-island.html>

Average Water Temperatures:

January – February: 26-27°C

March – April: 23-24°C

May- August: 21-22°C

September- November: 23-24°C

December: 26°C

Please find following details of your visit to Heron Island.

Heron Island is a natural Coral Cay located in the Southern Great Barrier Reef

Please liaise with Heron Island Team listed below.

Any alterations to this itinerary may be made by contacting our Heron Island Team.

Your Heron Island contact:

Heron Island Groups and Events Coordinator

Phone: 07 4972 9055

Email: events@heronisland.com

In an emergency, or out of hours, contact:

Heron Island Reception: 07 4972 9055

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Please also read Important Information pages at the end of this itinerary.



Monday 19th October 2020

08:30	Arrive at Gladstone Marina for Check-in
09:30	Depart for Heron Island Resort via ferry
11:30 – 12:00	Arrive to Heron Island, Orientation
12:00	Lunch at Shearwater Restaurant or Light Lunch at Bailie's Bar
14:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Welcoming and Opening Brief – Wistari Room Headquarters- Equipment Loans, Introduction to Underwater Photography
15:00	Check-in at Reception
16:30	Sunset Cruise <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Meet at Jetty
19:00	Dinner at Shearwater Restaurant
20:00	Recommended Live Music at Baillie's Bar

Tuesday 20th October 2020

06:00	Self-guided Sunset Snorkel or Island Walk
06:30	Buffet Breakfast at Shearwater Restaurant
08:00 – 11:00	Private Snorkel Boat <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Meet at jetty with gear at 07:45am
12:00	Lunch at Shearwater Restaurant
13:00	Bird Photography
16:30	Self-guided Sunset Snorkel or Island Walk
19:00	Dinner at Shearwater Restaurant
20:00	Editing at Wistari Room HQ Open

Wednesday 21st October 2020

06:00	Self-guided Sunset Snorkel or Island Walk
06:30	Buffet Breakfast at Shearwater Restaurant
08:00	Wilson Island <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Meet at Jetty underneath Rotunda at 07:45am
10:00	Morning Tea – Wilson Island
12:00	Lunch – Wilson Island

Wednesday 21st October 2020

15:00	Afternoon Tea – Wilson Island
16:30	Depart Wilson Island
19:00	Dinner at Shearwater Restaurant – Heron Island
20:00	Editing at Wistari Room HQ Open

Thursday 22nd October 2020

06:00	Self-guided Sunset Snorkel or Island Walk
06:30	Buffet Breakfast at Shearwater Restaurant
08:00 – 11:00	Private Snorkel Boat - Meet at jetty with gear at 07:45am
12:00	Lunch at Shearwater Restaurant
13:00	Bird Photography
16:30	Self-guided Sunset Snorkel or Island Walk
19:00	Dinner at Shearwater Restaurant
20:00	Editing at Wistari Room HQ Open

Friday 23rd October 2020

06:00	Self-guided Sunset Snorkel or Island Walk
06:30	Buffet Breakfast at Shearwater Restaurant
08:00	Self-guided Group Snorkel
09:30	Leave Bags/Suitcases Outside of Rooms for Portage Collection
10:00	Check-out at Reception
12:15	Meet at Jetty Underneath Rotunda
12:30	Depart Heron Island

Heron Island Information

Travelling

Gladstone to Heron Island

The boat will depart Gladstone Marina at 9.30 am (EST) and arrive at Heron Island at 11.30 am (EST). The transfer bus departs Gladstone Airport at 8.00 am (EST).

Please note, Heron Island does not accept responsibility for flight delays or flight schedule changes.

Heron Island to Gladstone

The boat will depart Heron Island at 12.45pm (EST) and arrive at Gladstone Marina at 3.00pm.

The launch service from Heron Island connects with flights departing from Gladstone from 4.30pm onwards. While we do meet these flights, this is weather and tides permitting. Please note, Heron Island Resort does not accept responsibility for flight delays or flight schedule changes.

IMPORTANT:

- *Should the Heron Islander be unavailable on any particular day, we reserve the right to operate the transfer on an alternative vessel.*
- *In case the island must be evacuated just prior to conference, due to Cyclones or any other major emergency, the management will assist in either relocating the conference to Gladstone with no additional costs or refunding all accommodation costs. Heron Island will relocate guests at no extra cost in the best possible manner and time available as determined by Heron Island Management at the time.*

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT CHARGE:

EMC -Reef Tax is to be paid by each guest staying on the island as required by the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority.

MOBLIE PHONE COVERAGE:

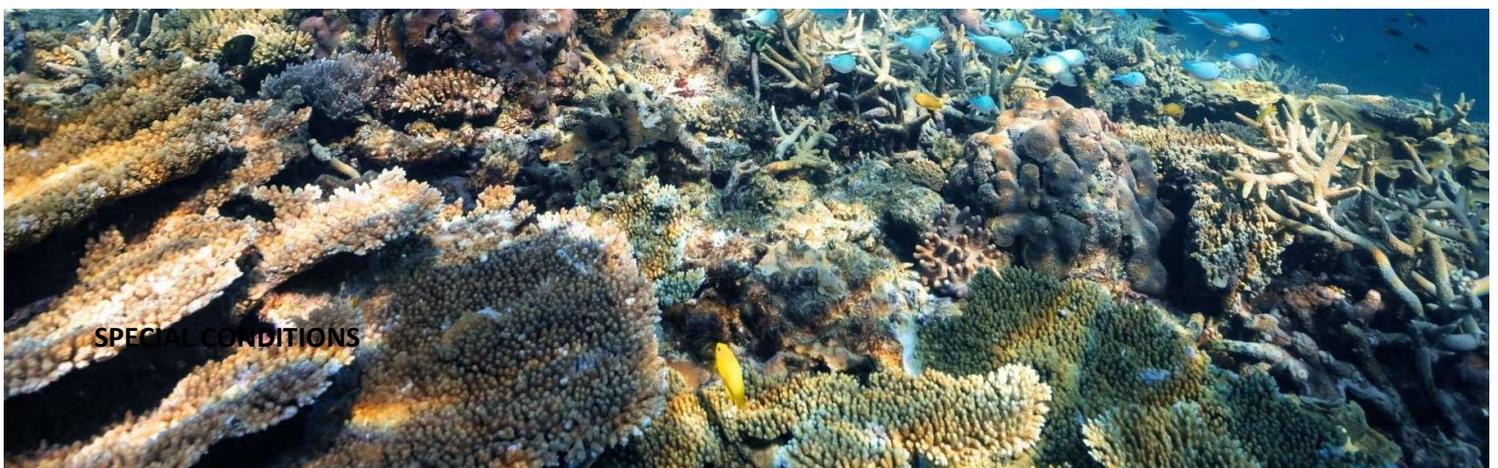
There is no mobile phone coverage on the island. However, there are two card-only payphones and reception sells phone cards.

WIFI:

Wi-Fi is available for an additional charge. Given the island's location, internet can be intermittent at times.

DRINKING WATER:

Desalinated water - guests can drink water from taps in rooms.



Quoin Island Turtle Rehabilitation Centre: Many guests come to the Island specifically to see the incredible Green and Loggerhead turtles which swim in our waters. Quoin Island Rehabilitation Centre is Gladstone and Central Queensland's first permanent marine turtle rehabilitation facility. This locally owned and operated facility has been built by the motivation and initiative to protect and rehabilitate our precious marine wildlife. Heron Island invites all guests to support our partnership with Quoin Island Rehabilitation Centre.

Travel Insurance: Our remote and unique location makes for the perfect holiday destination. It is important to note that travelling to paradise comes with risks that are out of our control, and yours. For this reason, we highly recommend that all of our guests purchase travel insurance prior to travelling. Please take the time to review your travel insurance policy to ensure that you are covered in the unlikely event that your travel plans are disrupted due to weather.

Guests who are unable to depart Heron Island on their departure date due to force nature or transfers being unavailable will be required to pay 50% of the nightly rack rate for accommodation. This rate is non-commissionable and is to be paid by guests directly to the Resort upon check-out.

Terms and Conditions: (a) Aldesta Hotels will not be liable for any loss or damage due to any delay in the performance of this agreement caused by weather, high swells, strike, lock-out, labour dispute, fire, riot, war, embargo, civil commotion. Any such delay will excuse from performance as long as the event causing the delay is in progress.

You are responsible for making the following arrangements prior to departure:

- **Passport** - validity meets Australian entry requirements
- **Visa** - appropriate visa for purpose of travel www.dfat.gov.au/visas
- **Luggage restrictions** - refer to relevant international and domestic airlines

What should you pack?

Queensland has a warm, sunny climate so lightweight clothes (in natural fibres) are generally worn. Smart casual clothing is suitable in most resorts, hotels, restaurants and bars. Pack shorts and at least one swimsuit is a must. It is advisable to wear a hat during the day, sunglasses, long-sleeve shirt and water resistant sunscreen to protect you from the warm rays of the sun. Comfortable walking shoes for everyday wear, sandals for beachwear and sturdy enclosed shoes if you are hiking. A light rain jacket and a small umbrella are useful during summer months, and we suggest bringing a sweater or jacket for evenings, particularly during winter months June-August when temperatures can drop.



We also suggest

- Business cards for introduction to Heron Island
- Luggage tags (ensure luggage is clearly marked with your name and contact details)
- Mobile Device/Camera and charger
- Australian Travel power adaptor

Your itinerary does not include:

- Items of a personal nature e.g. purchases from Heron Island Boutique
- Telephone, mobile, fax, internet or other communication costs – unless specified in itinerary
- Meals, drinks and alcohol – unless specified in itinerary
- Tipping - not expected in Australia
- Excess luggage – refer relevant airline for luggage restrictions
- Personal Travel Insurance
- If you alter the itinerary any additional costs associated such as accommodation, meals, entry fees and transport are at your own expense.
- All other items and expenses of a personal nature or noted as “own arrangements/own expense” are to be met by you, the participant.

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