

Gladstone & Agnes Water / Town of 1770

Gladstone is full of unexpected surprises with contrasting features of industry, nature and the Great Barrier Reef, while Agnes Water and the Town of 1770 is the birthplace of Queensland and a relaxed hub of natural encounters.

HIGHLIGHTS: Gladstone & Agnes Water / Town of 1770

DAY 1 - GLADSTONE & AGNES WATER / TOWN OF 1770

Explore the wide green spaces of the Marina Parklands in Gladstone or wander the East Shores area with waterfront walks, stunning views from Auckland Point Hill and parks galore. Or find inspiration and relaxation in the Japanese Tea Gardens and lake front views of the Tondoon Botanic Gardens. Take a tour with a local guide and learn the stories of the area with **Gladstone Region Tours**.

An easy 90 minute drive will take you to the relaxed seaside communities of Agnes Water and Town of 1770, with striking beaches looking over the deep blue waters of the Coral Sea. Relax on Queensland's most northern surf beaches or explore the menus of the quaint cafes of the town.

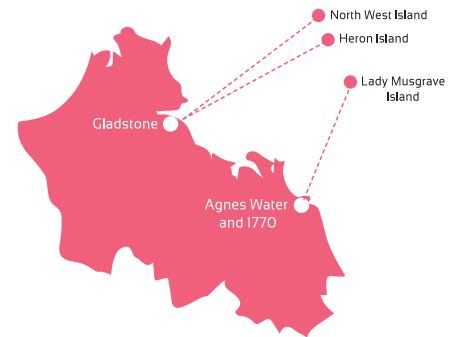
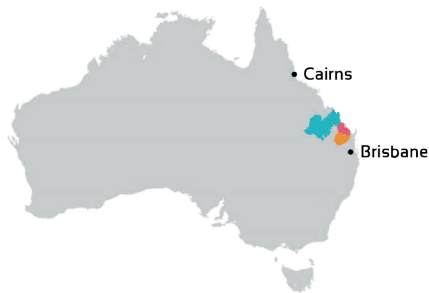


ADD ON AN ISLAND

Stay overnight on Heron Island or Wilson Island or camp on North West Island

DAY 2 - AGNES WATER / TOWN OF 1770

Get back to the very heart of nature with one of the many day trips on offer in Agnes Water. Hop



aboard with the iconic pink 1770 LARC! Tours to discover the secluded sandy beaches and pristine waterways of the Eurimbula National Park. Or explore the spectacular waterways with **Salty Life 1770**.

This is one of the few places on the Australian mainland where you can watch the sun rise and set over water so make your way to the 1770 Headland and Lookout to enjoy the colourful skies of the waning day.

DAY 3 - AGNES WATER / TOWN OF 1770

Start your morning with yoga on the beach or enjoy a lazy breakfast in a cafe of your choice.

Get your blood pumping as you kayak or go stand up paddle boarding. Then, explore the many walking trails that offer incredible views of the area. Make time for selfies on the whimsical circular Paperbark Trail or find the magnificent blue tiger butterflies migrating each autumn and winter in the Joseph Banks Conservation Park.



ADD ON AN ISLAND

Take a day trip to Lady Musgrave Island with 1770reef tours



LADY MUSGRAVE ISLAND (ex Town of 1770)

Lady Musgrave Island is set on 3000 acres of living reef with a protected lagoon, making it a perfect spot for snorkelling and diving, with day trips departing from the Town of 1770. Teeming with bird life above the water, and giant marine life below the water, you can swim with the turtles, dive alongside the manta rays, dance with the dolphins and witness the whales play.

DAY TRIPS - 1770reef Great Barrier Reef Eco Tours

HERON & WILSON ISLANDS (ex Gladstone)

Heron Island is a true coral cay located right on the Great Barrier Reef, offering guided island and reef walks, semi-submersible cruises and private beach picnics are on offer. An amazing array of animals and bird life can be seen throughout the year. The island is also world famous for its fantastic scuba diving and snorkelling.

ACCOMMODATION - Heron Island Resort

Only a 40-minute boat ride from Heron Island, Wilson Island is the ultimate adults-only island castaway experience, offering peace and tranquillity in a setting of unrivalled natural beauty.

ACCOMMODATION - Wilson Island

NORTH WEST ISLAND (ex Gladstone)

Situated 75km north-east of Gladstone and only accessible by boat, North West Island is ideal for tent camping and allows a maximum of 21 nights. Guests here will find composting toilets, fuel storage and a compressor bunker, but must bring everything else, including all food and drinking water. This camp area is nestled within a pisonia forest with access to a walking track, and offers easy access to snorkelling and diving or reef walking at low tide.

TRANSFERS - Curtis Island Ferries

5 Night Itineraries

Coastline Explorer

ROCKHAMPTON & CAPRICORN COAST - 2 NIGHTS

The Capricorn Coast is an undiscovered paradise at the top of the Southern Great Barrier Reef. The coast is speckled with small townships, beautiful beaches, fantastic fishing and much more.

Explore some of the thirteen beaches along the scenic coastline from Yeppoon to Emu Park, or take a swim in the picturesque Yeppoon Lagoon followed by a walk along esplanade. The coastal townships are rich in cafes, restaurants and boutiques just waiting for you to discover them.

The the Wreck Point scenic lookout at Cooee Bay offers sweeping 360 degree views of the Capricorn Coast and Keppel Bay, or explore the unique tunes of the Singing Ship and exploring the history of the ANZAC Memorial Walk and Emu Park Memorial Museum.

The nearby village of Byfield is a haven for craft and nature lovers where you can enjoy picnics beside rainforest edged creeks.

No visit is complete without seeing Capricorn Caves and Koorana Crocodile farm - some of Queensland's oldest attractions offering both action-packed adventure and all-ages education.

Take in the spectacular sunsets on board an evening cruise through Keppel Bay.

Wander the historical streetscapes of Rockhampton, situated on the mighty Fitzroy River, and experience the thrill of watching professional bull riders in the Beef Capital at the Great Western Hotel in Rockhampton.

ADD ON AN ISLAND



Take a day trip to Great Keppel Island, or stay overnight on Great Keppel or Pumpkin Islands

Departing Yeppoon



TOWN OF 1770/AGNES WATER - 2 NIGHTS

Yeppoon to Agnes Water - 3hrs, 225kms

Agnes Water and the Town of 1770 sit snugly at the halfway point between Bundaberg and Gladstone, and it's here that Captain James Cook first set foot on the sparkling sands of the Sunshine State.

It's one of the Southern Great Barrier Reef's best kept secrets, offering some of the most sought after swimming, kayaking, kite surfing and bush walking anywhere in Queensland. Agnes Water also boasts the state's most northern surf beach, all within minutes from quaint cafes, surf shops and a range of beach front accommodation from backpackers to camping to resorts.

Don't miss the famous pink LARC. The day tour is the only way to explore Eurimbula National Parkland while their unique Goolimbil 'Black Cockatoo' Walkabout is an authentic indigenous hunting, gathering and tasting experience of a lifetime. Or immerse yourself in Australia's unique wildlife with a mainland tour.

You might also like to try your hand at stand up paddle boarding or an exciting kayak adventure too.

See unique Australian coastal nature on the many walking trails that offer incredible views of the area. Make time for selfies on the whimsical circular Paperbark Trail or find the magnificent blue tiger butterflies migrating each autumn and winter in the Joseph Banks Conservation Park.

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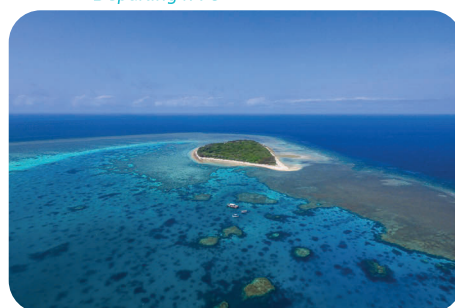


Stay overnight on Heron Island or North West Island

Departing Gladstone

Take a day trip to Lady Musgrave

Departing 1770



BUNDABERG & BARGARA - 1 NIGHT

Agnes Water to Bundaberg - 1h 15min, 121km

Just over an hour and a half south will bring you to the Bundaberg region including Woodgate Beach, Elliot Heads, Bargara, Mon Repos and Moore Park where you can swim, snorkel, surf and sun bake all year round.

Bundaberg is rich with year-round fresh produce and iconic drinks. Enjoy a visit to the famous Bundaberg Rum Distillery or the Bundaberg Brewed Drinks Barrel, or meet the artisan producers on a guided cellar door tour.

Explore the red dirt roads to purchase direct from local farmers at the roadside stalls, or go behind the farm gates and meet the farmers themselves on a food tour. Choose from the ever-changing local cafe menus and creative dishes as chefs aim to showcase the best and freshest produce the region has-to offer. You are guaranteed to go home with a full tummy when you visit Australia's food bowl.

Bargara is a 13 kilometre drive through lush sugarcane fields from Bundaberg. It is a popular seaside area which harbours a peaceful and relaxed community ideal for family holidays. Roam deserted beaches or snorkel coral straight off the coast at Barolin Rocks.

Boasting open surf beaches and still water swimming areas, Bargara is also home to the largest turtle rookery in Australia on Mon Repos Beach, where you can join a ranger-led tour to see these magnificent creatures nest and hatch (Nov - March).

ADD ON AN ISLAND



Take a day trip to Lady Musgrave or Lady Elliot Islands, or stay overnight on Lady Elliot Island

Departing Bundaberg

