



FAR NORTH ESCAPES

4WD - FLY - SAIL



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9-DAY PREMIUM CAPE YORK 4WD ITINERARY

Night 1 – Welcome Dinner at Oak Beach

Tonight, you will be staying at the beautiful eco and wildlife retreat: [Thala Beach Lodge](#). Your bungalow is nestled among 58 hectares of native forest on secluded Oak Beach, where two UNESCO World Heritage sites meet: the [Daintree Rainforest](#) and the Great Barrier Reef. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure before meeting for a group dinner with 180-degree views of the Coral Sea.

Accommodation: Eucalyptus Bungalow, [Thala Beach Lodge](#). Located at stunning Oak Beach, between Cairns and Port Douglas.

Meals: Group Dinner at [Thala Beach Lodge](#).

Day 1 / Night 2 – Oak Beach to Daintree Rainforest

Your day begins with your [luxury 4WD](#) awaiting you at your accommodation at Thala Beach Lodge. Embark on an unforgettable journey from the charming Port Douglas to the captivating Cape Tribulation, experiencing the beauty of Australia's tropical paradise through scenic landscapes and thrilling adventures. Your expedition begins with the eco-friendly Crocodile Cruise Solar Whisperer at the Daintree River, where you'll marvel at magnificent crocodiles in their natural habitat. Next, take in panoramic views of the Daintree Rainforest, Coral Sea, and Great Barrier Reef from Alexandra Lookout. Continue with a leisurely walk on the Madja Boardwalk, immersing yourself in the enchanting rainforest. Satisfy your sweet tooth at the Daintree Ice Cream Factory, indulging in locally-sourced exotic fruit ice cream. Enjoy a sumptuous lunch at the Cassowary Restaurant, a hidden gem nestled within the vibrant rainforest. Check-in at the eco-friendly Ferntree Rainforest Lodge and unwind amidst the soothing sounds of the jungle. As the sun sets, stroll along the idyllic Myall Beach for a serene experience. For the ultimate rainforest adventure, join the optional famous Daintree Rainforest night walk. Led by expert guides, unveil the hidden secrets of nocturnal creatures in this ancient world. This condensed yet action-packed itinerary will leave you with cherished memories of the unparalleled beauty of Port Douglas to Cape Tribulation.

Accommodation: Cottage Cabin, [Ferntree Rainforest Lodge](#) Rainforest Retreat. Secluded cabins [Daintree Accommodation](#), locate with views.

Meals: Breakfast at [Thala Beach Lodge](#), Lunch at [Cassowary Restaurant](#) in [Cape Tribulation](#), and Group Dinner at [Cassowary Restaurant](#).

Day 2 / Night 3 – Daintree Rainforest to Wolverson Station

Begin your day with an exhilarating journey along the famous [Bloomfield Track](#), heading north to the historic Cooktown. Weather permitting, embrace the thrill of river crossings en route to your destination. The day's highlight awaits at the spectacular [Wujal Wujal Falls](#), where you'll be treated to a guided indigenous interpretive walk, hosted by the Kuku Yalanji's Walker Family. Along the way, we'll stop at the iconic [Lions Den Hotel](#). Established in 1875, its walls are adorned with signatures from around the world—a tradition harking back to the old mining days. Immerse yourself in the hotel's lively atmosphere, often featuring live entertainment. Upon reaching [Cooktown](#), soak in stunning views from the renowned Grassy Hill before venturing along the Peninsula Developmental Road to Wolverson Station "[Wildwishes](#)" in the Archer River Region. Here, experience a taste of authentic station life—it's the only station in Far North Queensland with historic cattle droving routes from the 1900s. Settle in for a cozy billy tea and captivating storytelling. Indulge in a truly unique experience as you spend the night at the exclusive [Wildwishes Glamping Tent](#), situated at Wolverson Station, Archer River. This is the ultimate glamping destination in [Cape York](#).

Accommodation: [Wildwishes Glamping Tent](#) (FNE Exclusive use). Located at [Wolverson Station](#), Archer River.

Meals: Breakfast at [Cassowary Restaurant](#), Lunch and Dinner catered by Far North Escapes.

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Day 3 / Night 4 – Wolverton Station to Iron Range National Park

Over the next two days we travel back toward the coastline, experiencing the Lockhart River region. Visiting untouched waterfalls, and the long coastline of stunning [Chilli Beach](#). We also stop to explore the Lockhart River Art Centre which continues to encourage, work with, promote and represent local artist and their diverse range of artworks through paintings, ceramics, basket weaving and prints. A highlight will be experiencing the [Iron Range National Park](#) with long sweeping beaches, rocky out crops, and the largest area of lowland tropical Rainforest in Australia. Our afternoon arrival brings us to [The Temple Cape York](#): off-grid, isolated living at its finest. This is a great location with something for everyone! Fishing addicts, bike enthusiasts, bird watchers, military history buffs, and general lovers of life who want to just soak in the sea views.

Accommodation: [The Temple Cape York](#) (FNE Exclusive use). Located in Lockhart, just 10 mins from iconic [Chilli Beach](#).

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner are catered by The [Temple Cape York](#).

Day 4 / Night 5 – Choose to relax, undertake activities, or explore the Iron Range National Park

A day at leisure or a day of complete adventure at [THE TEMPLE CAPE YORK](#)...

Choose to flop and drop and enjoy a day at leisure on the stunning sands of [Chilli Beach](#) at [THE TEMPLE CAPE YORK](#). Or choose your own adventure, with optional extras available to book in advance:

- Trip to Restoration Island (up to 15 persons)
- Private Cape York Fishing Charters (up to 15 persons)
- Dirt Bike Hire
- One Day Dirt Bike Tour including Bike, Lunch, Guide
- Blo Kart Hire

Speak with the team at Far North Escapes about arranging activities prior to arrival.

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Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner catered by The [Temple Cape York](#).

Day 5 / Night 6 – Iron Range to Bramwell Station

Today we travel wind inland to [Bramwell Station](#), the most northerly cattle station in Australia. We are treated to a Station Talk followed by live entertainment. Located 2 hours North of Archer River and 4 hours South of the Tip – the station is a well known and well-loved stop for visitors to the Cape over the last 40 years...however it is most famous for its location: the start of the famous 4WD challenge the [“Old Telegraph Line Track”](#), also known as the “OTL”.

Accommodation: [Bramwell Station](#)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch catered by Far North Escapes, Dinner a Bramwell Buffet

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Day 6 / Night 7 – Bramwell Station to Cape York Peninsula

Weather permitting, today we start on the Telegraph Track and the mighty Jardine River Crossing. Heading further north over the next two days we edge ever closer to our 'bucket list' experience, with some incredible 4WD adventure and hidden waterfalls along the way. You're in the heart of it all now!

Accommodation: [Cape York Peninsula Lodge](#)

Meals: Breakfast at Bramwell Station, Lunch catered by Far North Escapes and Group Dinner at [Cape York Peninsula Lodge](#).

Day 7 / Night 8 – Cape York Peninsula to the Tip of Australia "Panjika"

Today, we experience the [Tip of Australia](#) at Cape York! Here, we offer you plenty of time for you to get your "Tip" photo souvenir and soak it all in!

Mid-morning, you will be treated to a scenic [Cape York helicopter flight](#) over The [Tip of Australia](#), with the most spectacular views thanks to Coastal Rotors. What an exciting way to celebrate this incredible experience. Dinner will be hosted at the Northernmost Bar, [Cape York Peninsula Lodge](#) for an afternoon at leisure.

Accommodation: [Cape York Peninsula Lodge](#)

Meals: Breakfast catered by [Cape York Peninsula Lodge](#), Lunch catered by Far North Escapes and Dinner at [Cape York Peninsula Lodge](#).

Day 8 / Night 9 – Cape York Peninsula to Thursday Island

An early morning Ferry from Sesia to [Thursday Island](#). We will arrange for luggage to be taken to your [Thursday Island accommodation](#) the Grand Hotel, while you enjoy the last day of touring. Firstly, you'll join an Indigenous guided tour of [Thursday Island](#). This in-depth tour brings the remote Island's history to life. Places you'll visit include Green Hill Fort and the Japanese Pearl Divers Memorial. We are treated to a comprehensive commentary which includes important aspects of the maritime, cultural and military history that has shaped the region. Your TI guide will drop you back to The Top Pub where you will enjoy Lunch. Afterwards your guide will escort you back to the Villa where you can enjoy an afternoon at leisure. Tonight, Dinner will be hosted at The Grand Hotel Bistro, where you will farewell your Far North Escapes Guide and reflect as a group on the amazing adventure that was.

Accommodation: [Thursday Island accommodation, Grand Hotel](#).

Meals: Breakfast catered by [Cape York Peninsula Lodge](#), Lunch at Top Pub, Dinner at the Grand Hotel Bistro

Day 9 / Night 10 – Thursday Island to Cairns

Ferry transfer from [Thursday Island](#) to Horn Island.

Departing flight from HID-CNS with Qantas mid-morning

Meals: Breakfast catered by Grand Hotel Bistro

Please note: All itineraries are subject to change due to weather, road conditions, unexpected circumstances or Tour Guides decision based on what is best for the group and preferences. This itinerary is ONLY a guide. Our itineraries are flexible, at Far North Escapes we modify our itineraries based on our guests needs and requirements. We believe in accommodating all our guest's needs and creating a remarkable Far North Queensland Adventure.






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LUGGAGE

The luggage limits for each passenger are as follows:

One (1) medium-sized soft bag or suitcase weighing no more than 16kg per person* (see exceptions below). The sum of the case's length (L), width (W) and depth (D) is not to exceed 140cm.

One (1) hand luggage/backpack to be stored in the overhead racks weighing no more than 3kg per person.

MAJORITY OF TOURS		EXCEPTION TOURS	
1 x Soft Bag/Suitcase	1 x Backpack/Hand Luggage		
			Canning Stock Route, Simpson Desert, Binns Track Adventure One (1) medium sized soft bag or suitcase weighing no more than 14kg per person plus up to 3kg hand luggage.
			Wet Season Spectacular, Christmas Wilderness Escape One (1) medium sized soft bag or suitcase weighing no more than 12kg per person plus up to 3kg hand luggage.
			Eyre Peninsula Whale and Seafood Discovery, Seven Spirit Bay Short Breaks, Easter at Seven Spirit Bay One (1) medium sized soft bag or suitcase weighing no more than 15kg per person plus up to 3kg hand luggage.
L + W + D = 140cm maximum Example: 60cm (L) + 35cm (W) + 40cm (D) = 135 (140cm maximum) Please note: The measurements must include wheels			

PACKING CHECKLIST

Due to the warm, tropical climate of this region, guests should pack lightweight clothing which can be layered if necessary. Whilst we take care of most things for you, the below tips will ensure your Far North Escape is a seamless one:

- ☐ A Small Day pack to take on excursions for water, your photography equipment, or other supplies.
- ☐ Comfortable, broken-in walking shoes (old sneakers are fine!)
- ☐ Long sleeve shirt or rashie for sun protection
- ☐ Comfortable, pants or shorts
- ☐ Hat and Sunglasses
- ☐ Sunscreen & insect repellent – a supply is available however you may wish to bring your own. We recommend 50+ sunscreen that is non-toxic to marine life.
- ☐ Photography equipment
- ☐ Face mask if your itinerary includes a Domestic flight (Eg: Fifio Trip to the Tip/6-Day Safari)
- ☐ Prescription medication
- ☐ Personal hygiene items

Additional suggested items

- ☐ Journal & Pen
- ☐ Photography equipment
- ☐ Device chargers and storage cards
- ☐ Binoculars

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