

QUEENSLAND BEACHES & BEYOND

Southern Great Barrier Reef

The eco-charms of **Lady Elliot Island** are irresistible to nature and water lovers who will be seduced by pristine waters and the myriad of marine life that call the Great Barrier Reef's southern tip home. Enter the 'green zone', and experience the wonders of the natural world.



One of only three island resorts on the Great Barrier Reef, Lady Elliot Island is the only resort with direct flight access to the island airstrip. The island is a coral cay at the southern tip of the world

heritage listed, Great Barrier Reef. Scenic flights operate ex Bundaberg, Hervey Bay, Brisbane and the Gold Coast and are the only way to access this relatively remote island location.

1770 By Land And Water

The LARC (a Lighter Amphibious Resupply Cargo vessel) is a must do Central Queensland tour no matter your age or interest. Any visit to the historic town of 1770, and Queensland's birthplace, is not complete without heading off dry land and plunging into the areas waterways and bays in this iconic pink amphibious craft. Your LARC tour takes you to Eurimbula National Park which teeming with birdlife and rich in history. The tour offers a number of combinations including 'LARC and lunch' where guests will be surprised and delighted by the culinary offerings served in sublime surrounds. For a range of exciting and inspiring touring options click onto [Larc Tours](#)



Where The Beach Comes Alive



Each summer from November to March, the beach comes alive at **Mon Repos Conservation Park**, the largest loggerhead turtle rookery in the South Pacific. Colonies of flatback, loggerhead, South Pacific and green turtles come ashore each year to lay their eggs which then hatch some 6-8 weeks later. Mon Repos Conservation Park has been developed as an appreciation and conservation centre that enables visitors to 'connect with nature.' Nightly turtle encounter tours where visitors can see nesting turtles and hatchlings making their way to the water and moving around their nests—the encounter is described by many as 'awe inspiring' and makes for a memorable wildlife encounter of the cutest kind!

On Lady Elliot Island you will discover an altogether relaxed pace of life without pretense and with a focus on the natural environment. Being located in the highly protected 'Green Zone' means environmental principles and practices are strictly adhered to and shared with visitors to the island's Eco Resort. Your on island experience really is a treat of nature with over 40 resident manta rays, turtles and around 1200 species of marine flora and fauna that surround the island's pristine waters. Step off the beach and snorkel, swim or dive into an incredible natural world like no other.

17 Beaches, One Island

Situated just off the coast of Rockhampton, **Great Keppel Island** boasts 17 pristine beaches. The island is a haven for walkers and nature lovers being composed mostly of the natural bushland of this National Park. Fringed with coral reefs, it is also ideal for snorkelling, diving and swimming and every bit the tropical paradise you will be seeking this winter.

Sublime Spa Indulgence

Drawing inspiration from **Heron Island's** dramatic Great Barrier Reef location, the Aqua Soul Spa is influenced by the rich and diverse beauty of the sea. Aqua Soul Spa has been created to enhance your health and well-being by embracing the powerful healing qualities of the sea and earth.

So..Great!

A scenic four hour drive from Brisbane, the Southern Great Barrier Reef region offers a journey of discovery both on land and sea.



Camels On Capricorn

Mercure Capricorn Resort Yeppoon is nestled within a 22,000 acre beachfront wildlife sanctuary, the Resort is an oasis of fun, relaxation, food, action and excitement, with over 25 free activities, 2 world class golf courses, 3 unique restaurants and bars, waterslide, 2 Lagoon pools and an endless array of things to do and see. While remote in atmosphere, the is Capricorn Resort is easily accessible by car, coach, plane and train. The resort was featured on the New Zealand television series, Judy Bailey's Australia where a highlight for Judy, and many a guest is the beach camel ride.

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