

Coral Expeditions cruise Cairns to Darwin

Commence the following cruise with Coral Expeditions in Cairns on the 3rd April and ending in Darwin on the 14th April

DAY 1: DEPART CAIRNS



Board *Coral Discoverer* at Cairns Cruise Liner Terminal at 4:00pm for a 5:00pm departure. Enjoy lunch on board and a chance to meet your fellow travellers as we set sail northwards. This evening join guests and the friendly crew as we enjoy the Captain's welcome drinks and sit down to the first of many delicious dinners.

LIZARD ISLAND



Explore secluded Lizard Island, one of the most beautiful islands on the Queensland Coast, and venture into the crystal clear waters for swimming and snorkelling or take a walk along the white sand beach. The more energetic may join our guides on a walk to 'Cook's Look' on the island's peak and the highest lookout on this part of the reef. From this high point, Captain Cook was able to

navigate a safe passage back through the treacherous waters after repairing the *HMB Endeavour* near Cooktown over 250 years ago. A photographer's delight, the views from the lookout over the World Heritage-listed reef and surrounding tropical islands are magnificent.

FLINDERS GROUP AND DAVIE REEF



Visit Stanley Island in the Flinders Group and view the isolated Endaen Aboriginal rock art depicting the first sailing ships to visit Queensland shores. At Davie Reef, enjoy swimming and snorkelling and observe the large seabird rookery.

FORBES ISLAND



Enjoy a day exploring Forbes Island, an excellent spot for swimming or snorkelling from the pristine sandy beaches. Take a walk to the grave of beche-de-mer fisherman Frederick Lancaster.

NORTHERNMOST POINT: CAPE YORK



Go ashore at the northernmost point of the Australian continent as the sun rises, and sip champagne to welcome the new day.

THE TORRES STRAIT ISLANDS



Anchoring at Thursday Island, learn about the historic pearling fleet and the cultural differences between the Torres Strait and Aboriginal peoples. You may also visit other Torres Strait islands, such as Badu or Moa.

CRUISING THE GULF OF CARPENTARIA



Enjoy a relaxing day at sea with time to attend informative presentations by our guest lecturers.

HOLE IN THE WALL AND WESSEL ISLANDS



We travel through the narrow channel between Raragala and Guluwuru Islands, known as the 'Hole in the Wall'.

ELCHO ISLAND: GALIWIN'KU AND GAWA



The friendly locals of Elcho Island proudly welcome us to their community this morning. Meet some of the local artists who have their unique art exhibited in the famous art galleries of the world including the Louvre.

In the afternoon, visit the community and school of Gawa.

MANINGRIDA



Anchor in the mighty Liverpool River and travel ashore to explore the Maningrida Art Centre, museum, and the local boutique, where hand-painted textiles can be purchased.

COBOURG PENINSULA



Discover Garig Gunak Barlu National Park on the Cobourg Peninsula. Join Park Rangers in Port Essington, famous for the failed Victoria Settlement, and explore the ruins while learning about the fascinating history of this early colonial outpost.

TIWI ISLANDS



Visit remote Bathurst Island. With local Tiwi guides, we learn of the unique culture and visit the art centre. Be welcomed with a cultural performance and basket-weaving exhibition before enjoying a traditional Australian afternoon tea of damper and billy tea.

DAY 12: ARRIVE DARWIN



Arrive in Darwin and disembark at 8:30am.

Accommodation: Quest Palmerston Apartments IN: 14th April OUT: 16th April

Depart Darwin 16th April at 12.05PM arrive Cairns 3.00PM – Jetstar

Cost per person \$14717.00 and includes the following:

Airfares

Airport taxes

11 night cruise including all meals