





peraton Mirage, Hotel Room



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DEPARTURES

Daily

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SHERATON MIRAGE

4 DAYS / 3 NIGHTS

n the tropical environment of North Queensland, the essence of luxury has been captured at Sheraton Mirage Port Douglas, which stunningly combines wilderness and natural beauty. Set on sweeping Four Mile Beach between the Great Barrier Reef and the Daintree Rainforest in Port Douglas, Sheraton Mirage



Sheraton Mirage Port Douglas



Tee off in style at the Sheraton Mirage Port Douglas

FOR THE INDEPENDENT TRAVELER

presents a choice of 294 superbly appointed rooms and suites and two-, three- or four-bedroom villas. In this idyllic setting, the resort offers a host of facilities for relaxation and recreation, including swimming lagoons and a championship 18-hole golf course. There is also a choice of delightful restaurants in the nearby village of Port Douglas.

INCLUDES

• 3 nights accommodation • Great Barrier Reef cruise

• Flames of the Forest

dining experience

• 3 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 1 dinner

• Private car transfers

SUGGESTED ITINERARY

DAY 1: WELCOME TO QUEENSLAND

Travel by private car to Sheraton Mirage Port Douglas, 44 miles north of Cairns. Enjoy your premium Mirage Room and spend the afternoon exploring Four Mile Beach, set between the Great Barrier Reef and the Daintree Rainforest. Overnight: Sheraton Mirage, Premium Mirage Room for 3 nights

DAY 2: GOLFER'S PARADISE & SPECIAL **RAINFOREST DINNER**

Today, play on one of Australia's most spectacular resort courses. The Mirage Country Resort features an 18-hole championship course, aquatic driving range, putting green and bunkers and professional instruction (golf, own expense). Tonight, imagine dining by candlelight in the world's oldest rainforest. Be enraptured by the local culture, customs and cuisine in a once-in-a-lifetime experience. (B,D)

DAY 3: GREAT BARRIER REEF CRUISE

Enjoy the day on an Outer Barrier Reef day cruise. Take a catamaran to a platform moored in protective lagoons on the edge of the Great Barrier Reef. You can explore the reef from the comfort of a semisubmersible or underwater observatory, or snorkel and dive in this unique underwater world. Lunch is a delicious smorgasbord. Afterward there is still plenty of time to snorkel, sunbathe or dive (diving, own expense). (B,L)

Day 4: Depart Port Douglas Transfer by private car back to Cairns for your onward flight. (B)

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GOLD COAST • PALM COVE • SYDNEY

Sebel Reef House & Spa

Nestled between the aqua hues of the Coral Sea and lush rainforest, the Sebel Reef House & Spa is a beautiful beachfront resort; sophisticated, yet with an easy-going atmosphere that is very Australian. Located in Palm Cove, just 20 minutes north of Cairns, this charming boutique hotel is ideally located for exploring the reef and the rainforest. The Reef House Spa offers a luxurious range of uniquely Australian treatments.



Sebel Reef House & Spa, beachfront dining

DAY 1: WELCOME TO THE GOLD COAST Arrive at Brisbane Airport and travel by private car to Palazzo Versace. Spend the evening exploring this extraordinary hotel and the exciting Gold Coast. Overnight: Palazzo Versace, Lagoon Room for 3 nights

DAY 2: WINERIES AND RAINFORESTS

Travel with an intimate group through wineries for a fully-escorted winetasting tour. Mt. Tamborine, an hour's drive from your hotel, offers cafés, art galleries, antique stores and lovely views. Visit the Mt. Tamborine Distillery and vineyards along the new and popular wine trail. (B,L)

DAY 3: RELAX ON THE GOLD COAST

Shop at the Versace store to find some exquisite buys. Relax by the pool or indulge in a luxurious treatment at the Salus per Aquum Spa. (B)

DAY 4: GOLD COAST-CAIRNS-PALM COVE

Depart this morning by private car to the Brisbane Airport to board your flight to Cairns, the gateway to the Great Barrier Reef (flight not included). A private car will transfer you to Palm Cove, 20 minutes north of Cairns. Overnight: Sebel Reef House & Spa, Brigadier Room for 3 nights (B)

DAY 5: ABORIGINAL CULTURE AND **RAINFOREST EXPERIENCE**

Travel with your guide to the Aboriginal Culture Park and experience the rich cultural dance and skills of the Aboriginal people. After lunch we make our way to Skyrail for a trip above the canopy of this World Heritage national park.

Depart for the scenic journey up the Marlin Coast to Port Douglas. Cruise to the Outer Great Barrier Reef by catamaran. Swim, snorkel, see the coral life in the semisubmersible viewer or dive (diving, own expense). (B,L)

DAY 7: CAIRNS - SYDNEY Transfer by private car to Cairns Airport for your flight to Sydney (flight not included). Australia's most vibrant city has it all: friendly people, non-stop entertainment, and historical sites. Overnight: InterContinental Sydney, Royal Botanic Garden & Harbour View Room for 3 nights (B)

DAY 9: SYDNEY AT LEISURE Today is free to explore Sydney - enjoy a ferry ride, shop till you drop, meander through museums or Darling Harbour. Or take a tour to the Hunter Valley wineries, Blue Mountains or wildlife sanctuaries (optional). (B)

10 DAYS / 9 NIGHTS

PALAZZO VERSACE

The Palazzo Versace hotel sets the standard in luxury accommodation and dining, with 205 elegant rooms, 72 condominiums, three restaurants, two bars, Salus per Aquum Spa and Versace boutique. Italian architecture and craftsmanship have created a new experience in design and living combining the best of European style and elegance with the friendliness and enthusiasm for which Australia is renowned.



Palazzo Versace, right on the Broadwater

At Kuranda your guide escorts you to the village, with its famous market. Later, visit the mighty Barron Falls lookout before returning to Cairns (B,L)

DAY 6: GREAT BARRIER REEF DAY CRUISE

DAY 8: SYDNEY CITY SIGHTS & OPERA HOUSE

Travel with your guide through the historic Rocks area to the Sydney Harbour National Park. Tonight a treat is in store at the world-famous Sydney Opera House. You'll be taken on a guided tour of this extraordinary building, enjoy dinner overlooking the harbor, then take your reserved seats for a performance by the Sydney Symphony Orchestra. (B,D)

DAY 10: DEPART SYDNEY

Transfer by private car to Sydney Airport for your onward flight. (B)





Sebel Reef House, Brigadier Room



SUGGESTED ITINERARY

INCLUDES

- 9 nights accommodation
- 9 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 1 dinner
- Private car transfers
- Wineries & rainforest touring
- Great Barrier Reef cruise
- Aboriginal & rainforest experience
- Sydney city sights
- Sydney Opera House evening

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* Sydney Symphony Orchestra may not be available on your requested dates.