



# Hamilton Island

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Perfectly situated in the Great Barrier Reef, among the 74 Whitsunday Islands, Hamilton Island offers an experience like no other: glorious weather, azure waters, brilliant beaches, wondrous coral reefs, unique flora and fauna, divine food and wines and an amazing calendar of special events. With its laid-back luxury and activities almost too numerous to mention, Hamilton is the great, Great Barrier Reef island.



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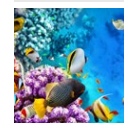
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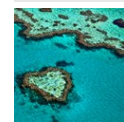
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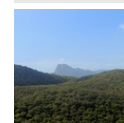
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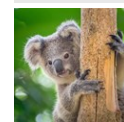
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## THE ISLAND



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Hamilton Island is one of the 74 tropical islands in the Coral Sea, between the Queensland coast and the Great Barrier Reef. It's the largest inhabited island in the Whitsundays, situated 1,222 km north of Brisbane and 655 km south of Cairns.

A picturesque, self-contained destination, Hamilton Island has its own shopping village, commercial marina, restaurants, bars, takeaways and a sports complex. It's also the only island in the Great Barrier Reef with its own airport. You can fly direct from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide and Cairns in next to no time. If you prefer, you can take a pleasant 30 minute boat ride from Shute Harbour or sail there in your own yacht and moor in the marina.

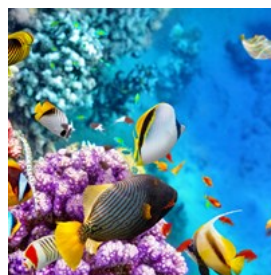
## DO & SEE



*Sarah\_Ackerman (image cropped)*

In the heart of the Great Barrier Reef, Hamilton Island is one of Australia's most outstanding and desirable holiday destinations. When travelling to this beautiful island you will be surrounded by unspoiled white beaches and an amazing coral and marine life. More than 70 percent of Hamilton Island is natural bushland, offering 20 km of scenic bushwalking trails and a home to many Australian animals and bird life, so there will be plenty of fascinating flora and fauna to explore. Just make sure not to miss the world-famous Whitehaven Beach with its crystal clear aqua waters and pristine silica sand and as soon as you arrive you will understand why it is the most photographed beach in Australia. Besides exploring the wonderful nature of Hamilton Island, there are plenty of activities to do such as golf, water sports, sailing, or why not discover some cultural exhibitions and performances?

### Great Barrier Reef



A world heritage listed marine park, the Great Barrier Reef extends for 2,300 km along the North Eastern coast of Australia. It's the world's largest coral reef system, comprising a network of about 2,900 individual reefs and is home to

nearly 2,000 species of fish.

Whether taking a scenic flight, cruising, diving, snorkelling or simply experiencing the wonder through an underwater viewing chamber, it's one of the most magical experiences on the planet, and Hamilton Island is best placed to provide a wide variety of ways that you can share it.

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Address: Great Barrier Reef, Queensland

### Whitehaven Beach

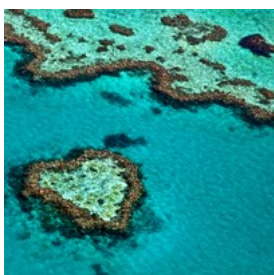


Famous Whitehaven Beach with its stunning white silica sand rests just a mere 20 minute boat ride from Hamilton Island. The beach is so breathtaking, the BBC voted it the number one beach to see before you die.

Photo: Rachili/Shutterstock.com

Address: Whitehaven Beach, Whitsunday Island

### Heart Reef



Heart Reef, located in Hardy Reef, is an amazing composition of coral shaped by nature into a heart. Heart Reef can best be experienced

from the sky by helicopter or seaplane from Hamilton Island.

With Hamilton Island Air you can fly over the world famous Heart Reef which also include landing on the beautiful Whitehaven Beach. For more information see website below.

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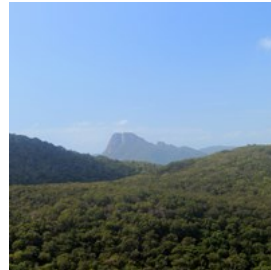
Address: Heart Reef, Hardy Reef

Phone: +61 7 4969 9599

Internet: [www.hamiltonislandair.com](http://www.hamiltonislandair.com)

Email: [fly@hamiltonislandair.com](mailto:fly@hamiltonislandair.com)

### Bushwalking



More than 70 percent of Hamilton Island is pristine natural bushland, which offers over 20 km of scenic bushwalking trails. Take a bushwalk

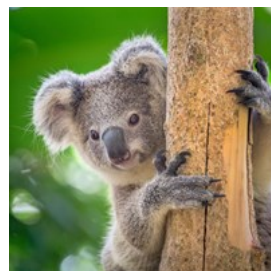
up to Passage Peak, the highest point on the island for the most breathtaking view of the Coral Sea and surrounding islands.

Photo: portengaround (image cropped)

Address: Passage Peak, Hamilton Island

Internet: [www.hamiltonisland.com.au/bushwalking](http://www.hamiltonisland.com.au/bushwalking)

### Hamilton Island Wild Life Park



The wild-life park on Hamilton Island allows you to get up close and personal with a large collection of native animals including koalas, kangaroos, crocodiles, wombats and frill-necked lizards.

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Address: Resort Drive, Hamilton Island

Phone: +61 7 4946 9078

Internet: [www.wildlifehamiltonisland.com.au](http://www.wildlifehamiltonisland.com.au)

Email: [wlhinfo@merlinentertainments.com.au](mailto:wlhinfo@merlinentertainments.com.au)

### Exploring the Whitsundays



Hamilton Island is a fantastic base from which to explore the local waterways and surrounding islands. Enjoy leisurely day sails,

sea kayaking, dinghy hire, cruises and scenic flights.

Sailing Whitsundays P/L  
4/1 Airlie Esplanade, Airlie Beach  
+61 74914 2425  
www.sailing-whitsundays.com

Salty Dog Sea Kayaking  
Kayaking base at Shute Harbour  
+61 7 49461388  
www.saltydog.com.au

Cruise Whitsundays  
24 The Cove Road, Airlie Beach  
+61 07 4846 7000  
www.cruisewhitsundays.com

Photo: Sasha Davas/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 4/1 Airlie Esplanade, Airlie Beach  
Phone: +61 74914 2425  
Internet: www.sailing-whitsundays.com

### Action



If you prefer to keep busy, Hamilton Island offers a range of activities to choose from: yacht charters, buggy hire, golf driving range, grand prix, go karts, mini golf, sports club, target sports, wire flyer, catamarans, jet and paddle skis, parasailing, deep sea fishing, learn to sail and learn to dive courses, speed boat adventures, tube rides, wakeboarding, waterpolo, waterskiing and windsurfing... just to name a few.

Hamilton Island Water Sports  
Hamilton Island Marina, Hamilton Island  
+61 7 4946 9934  
www.hiwatersports.com.au

Renegade Fishing Charters  
Hamilton Island Marina, Hamilton Island  
www.renegadecharters.com.au  
+61 429 724 822  
info@renegadecharters.com.au

Hamilton Island Golf Club  
Dent Island  
+61 7 4948 9760  
www.hamiltonislandgolfclub.com.au

Photo: Tomas Sykora/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Hamilton Island Marina, Hamilton Island  
Phone: +61 7 4946 9934  
Internet: www.hiwatersports.com.au

### Relaxation



If relaxing is more your thing, indulge in a range of beauty therapies, massages, a long lazy lunch at the Beach House, stroll through the boutique shops, learn to paint, or simply lazy by one of the many pools or on Catseye Beach.

Spa  
Qualia - Great Barrier Reef  
20 Whitsunday Boulevard, Hamilton Island  
1300 780 959 (Local Call Costs)  
reservations@qualia.com.au  
www.qualia.com.au

Main Pool  
Hamilton Island

Bougainvillea Pool  
Hamilton Island

Photo: Tanya Puntti/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 20 Whitsunday Boulevard, Hamilton Island

Phone: 1300 780 959  
Internet: [www.qualia.com.au](http://www.qualia.com.au)  
Email: [reservations@qualia.com.au](mailto:reservations@qualia.com.au)

## DINING



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When it comes to food and wine, Hamilton Island has almost as many dining options as you'd expect to find on the mainland, from gourmet pizza's by the marina to a long lunch at Sails Restaurant. There is also a range of takeaway outlets and bars to choose from, if you're looking for something a little more casual.

### **Bommie**

The new home of fine dining on Hamilton Island, Bommie is the signature restaurant at the iconic Hamilton Island Yacht Club. Make a booking to dine inside the stylish restaurant, with its elegant dark wood and white linen. Or share a drink and snacks outside on the deck, where marvelous views take in the Marina and Whitsunday Passage. Inside and out, Bommie's décor reflects the yacht club's stylish nautical design.

Address: Front St, Hamilton Island  
Phone: +61 7 4946 9999

### **Romano's Italian Restaurant**

Romano's overlooks the marina and offers fantastic Italian fare and a fresh seafood menu that changes daily.

Address: Front Street, Hamilton Island  
Phone: +61 7 4946 8212  
More Info: Marina Side

### **Steakhouse**

Steakhouse sources premium quality meat from regional areas. The menu is designed to enhance the natural flavour of the meat, with a range of cuts available including Sirloin, T-Bone and Angus Export Rib Fillet.

Address: Front Street, Hamilton Island  
Phone: +61 7 4946 8019  
More Info: Marina side

### **Manta Ray**

This restaurant is a favourite with guests and locals. Located in Marina Village, Manta Ray offers a huge menu of delicious gourmet wood-fired pizzas.

Address: Front Street, Hamilton Island  
Phone: +61 7 4946 8213  
Internet: [www.hamiltonisland.com.au/manta-ray-cafe/](http://www.hamiltonisland.com.au/manta-ray-cafe/)

### **Sails**

The hub of Hamilton Island overlooking Catseye Beach. Enjoy a poolside breakfast, lunch, dinner or snack. A great venue for some late night jazz or a local band.

Address: Resort Dr, Hamilton Island  
Phone: +61 7 4946 8562  
More Info: Resort Centre

### **Marina Deli**

In the heart of the Marina Village, Marina Deli enjoys a relaxed atmosphere with a casual gourmet menu to match, including fresh paninis, foccacias and wraps. Enjoy take away or dine in with views out to the marina.

Address: Marina Village, Hamilton Island

### **Pool Terrace**

Set among tropical landscaped gardens and overlooking the Reef View pool, the Pool Terrace restaurant offers a fantastic buffet breakfast as well as a delicious lunchtime snack menu and buffet dinner.

Address: Reef View Hotel/Resort Dr, Hamilton Island  
Phone: +61 7 4946 9999

### **Mariners**

Mariners affords you stunning views of the marina while enjoying a menu that offers not only the freshest seafood but also an array of contemporary dishes.

Address: Front Street, Hamilton Island  
Phone: +61 7 4946 8628  
More Info: Marina side

### **Denison Star Cruise & Dine**

Enjoy canapes and drinks followed by a 4-course meal as you sail through the Whitsundays. The skilled chefs use freshest seasonal Australian produce to get that perfect flavour. While eating the first class dinner with your loved one make sure to appreciate the stunning sunset over the smooth, untouched waters.

Address: Hamilton Island  
Phone: +61 7 4946 9664  
Internet: [www.exploregroup.com.au](http://www.exploregroup.com.au)  
More Info: The Denison Star leaves from marina arm A4 opposite the ice cream parlour on Front Street.

### **Breakfast with the Koalas**

This is a unique and very popular dining option: The Koala Gallery Wildlife Experience offers a delicious breakfast and afterward, you can even cuddle with a Koala.

Address: Resort Drive, Hamilton Island  
Phone: +61 7 4946 9078  
Internet: [www.wildlifehamiltonisland.com.au](http://www.wildlifehamiltonisland.com.au)

## **CAFES**



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If you are looking for a relaxing time, Hamilton Island offers a wide selection of laid-back cafes, where you can get a hot cup of coffee, a delicious light meal or something sweet like a cake. All cafes are to be found within the resort of Hamilton Island. There are also some great choices of takeaway or why not have a pre-prepared picnic lunch?

### **Toucan Tango - Resort Centre**

The centre of Hamilton Island overlooking Catseye Beach with fun, colour and entertainment. A great venue for some late night jazz or a local band.

Address: Catseye Beach, Hamilton Island  
Phone: +61 7 4946 8562

### **Manta Ray - Marina Village**

Situated on the foreshore of the Marina Village and overlooking the harbour. A true cafe experience with wood-fired gourmet pizzas and a cosmopolitan menu.

Address: Marina Village, Hamilton Island

### **Marina Cafe - Marina Village**

Marina Cafe serves a range of food and drinks, fresh drinks such as fruit and vegetable juices and barista-made coffee and tea. Here you can enjoy a late night snack to relaxing jazz tunes

while overlooking Catseye Beach. This laid-back cafe is perfect for families or groups of friends.

Address: Marina Village, Hamilton Island

### Bob's Bakery

This bakery is housed in an old fashioned building and it is a haven for the family with kids. Here you will get savoury homemade pies, sausage rolls, sweet buns and pastries among other things. Why not pick up some croissants for takeaway snacks or order a picnic basket for an alfresco lunch?

Address: Front Street, Hamilton Island Marina  
Phone: +61 4946 58281

## BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Sit back and relax with a tasty cocktail by the marina or order a drink from the swim-up bar, but be prepared for an evening of dancing, live music and good company at the stylish bars and nightclubs on Hamilton Island while admiring the amazing environment.

### Marina Tavern

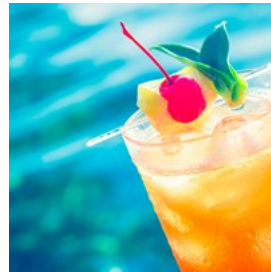


Try the Marina Tavern for a cool beer or a glass of wine during the day or a cocktail in the evening. Located right on the waterfront.

Photo: iko/Shutterstock.com

Address: Front Street, Hamilton Island  
Phone: +61 4946 9999

### Bougainvillea Bar



The Bougainvillea Bar is a favourite and offers poolside drinks throughout the day. This is truly the ideal spot to relax and to have a tasty cocktail while enjoying life and the beautiful setting. A snack menu is also provided during the day.

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Address: 9 Resort Drive, Hamilton Island  
Phone: +61 4946 8296

### Reef Lounge



An informal bar located on the ground floor of the Reef View Hotel. Here you can have pre-dinner drinks or a nightcap in a laid-back and informal atmosphere. The bar offers live music every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and is the perfect place to meet up with friends.

Photo: Roman Samborskyi/Shutterstock.com

Address: 12 Resort Drive, Hamilton Island

### Bommie Deck



Located at the Hamilton Island Yacht Club, designed by renowned Australian Architect Walter Barda, this is the perfect spot for late-afternoon drinks with beautiful waterfront views. Prepare for a great feeling of luxury as The Hamilton Island Yacht Club is set to define

the Hamilton Island with its unique design that was inspired by the rich colours of the Coral Sea. The wing-like copper roof is meant to resemble the silhouette of full sails. With its lounge-bar feeling, Bommie Deck is open daily for a tapas style menu and light meals to go with your cocktail in the sun.

Photo: Ralph Bestic (image cropped)  
Address: Front Street, Hamilton Island  
Phone: +61 7 4946 9999

### One Tree Hill Sunset Cocktails



Perhaps one of the best places to watch the sunset, One Tree Hill has surely a great location up in the hills and offers a breath-taking view over Hamilton Island. Wine, cocktails, mocktails and coffee can be found on the menu.

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Address: One Tree Hill, Hamilton Island

### SHOPPING



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Hamilton Island features fantastic shopping with 20 boutiques and specialty stores throughout the Marina Village and the Resort Centre, including a General Store through to local art and fashion. There are also all the necessities such as a pharmacy, newsagent, video store, medical

surgery, bank, beautician, TAB and more.

### ESSENTIAL INFORMATION



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#### Airport



Hamilton Island is the only Whitsunday Island with its own airport. There is a direct connection to Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and

daily service to Brisbane. The airport is serviced by around 50 flights per week, with complimentary shuttle buses available to take you directly to your accommodation.

Photo: Juan Garces  
Address: Hamilton Island Airport  
Phone: +61 7 4946 9574

#### Time Zone



Hamilton Island is located in the Australian Eastern Time Zone (UTC+10:00).

Photo: Marek Polakovic



### Public transport



The island is only 5 km long from north to south, and 3.5 km wide from east to west, laid out so that everything can be reached easily. Your

exploring can be done on foot, using the free Island Shuttle, or in a golf buggy which is available to hire on an hourly, half-daily or daily basis.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

### Pharmacy



The Hamilton Island Pharmacy is located on Front Street at the Marina.

Photo: Gemma Garner

Address: Front Street, Hamilton Island

Phone: +61 7 4946 9053

### Post



The island's only post office is located at the end of Front Street: Care PO Hamilton Island +61 7 4946 9462 Opening hours: Mon - Fri 8:30am -

4:30pm

Sat - Sun Closed

Photo: Andy Fuchs

### Telephone



Country Code: +61 Area Code: 071

Photo: Jardson Almeida

### Electricity

240 V / 50 Hz



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### Population

5,000

### Currency

Australian Dollar (AUD) \$1 = 100 cents

### Newspapers

Whitsunday Times  
(Best for local listings)  
The Queensland Times

### Emergency numbers

000  
(Police, Fire and Ambulance)

### Tourist information

Whitsunday Information Centre  
192 Main Street, Proserpine Queensland  
+61 7 4945 3967

