

A large sea turtle is swimming towards the left in clear, turquoise water. The turtle's shell is a mix of brown and green with distinct scutes. Its flippers are spread out, and its head is visible. Below the turtle, a complex coral reef structure is visible, with various types of coral and some sandy patches. The water surface is visible at the top, with ripples and light reflecting off it.

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

In Cairns & Great Barrier Reef we encourage visitors to leave as custodians of our region and its stories. We support you to leave our destination greater than before your event was held, and your delegates to leave greater as people than before they attended your event.



CAIRNS AQUARIUM TURTLE RESCUE CENTRE

Location: Cairns

Distance from Cairns: Within CBD

Cairns Aquarium's Turtle Rescue Centre operates exclusive behind-the-scenes Turtle Hospital tours to meet recovering sea turtles and learn about the importance of their protection. The Turtle Rescue Centre is dedicated to raising awareness and motivating guests to become more conscious of how their actions impact the environment. The tour invokes a sense of wonder and appreciation of the marine turtle's home, the Great Barrier Reef. Profits from the tour are donated directly back to the Cairns Turtle Rehabilitation Centre's efforts.

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CAIRNS TURTLE REHABILITATION CENTRE

Location: Fitzroy Island

Distance from Cairns: 45 minutes (Island Transfer departs from within CBD)

Cairns Turtle Rehabilitation Centre (CTRC) is a voluntary non-for-profit organisation dedicated to the rehabilitation of sick and injured turtles. CTRC supports the work of all organisations, individuals and agencies in their efforts to conserve sea turtles and the habitats they live in. Located on Fitzroy Island, delegates can participate in various activities at the rehabilitation centre, on cleaning up the tanks, rehabilitation centre, and turtle feeding opportunities.

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CITIZENS OF THE GREAT BARRIER REEF

Location: Great Barrier Reef

Citizens of the Great Barrier Reef (CoGBR) is a conservation organisation combining leading science with meaningful citizen action. Bringing together scientists, universities and the people who live and work on the Great Barrier Reef, CoGBR draws upon individuals, communities, businesses, organisations, schools and clubs to join and support the initiative. Through the use of innovative technologies both in the water and on land, every citizen can be a conservationist and provide valuable intelligence to the scientific and conservation community to protect the reef.

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ECO SHAMBA TREE FARM

Location: Port Douglas

Tourism icons Sailaway Port Douglas and Wildlife Habitat Port Douglas have collaborated to create a new Koala Eucalyptus plantation, Eco Shamba Tree Farm. 68 acres of land that used to be cane paddocks, was donated by Sailaway to be home to 250 different Eucalyptus species. Due to the significant amount of water available from the catchment and from adjacent slopes of World Heritage-listed rainforest, a dam was constructed as an irrigation reservoir, and to improve the biodiversity of the habitat as well as preventing erosion.

The original trees planted in 2013 were harvested in 2020 and contributed to providing the 400-500 grams of Eucalyptus leaf that each Koala at Wildlife Habitat Port Douglas consumes per day. The plant provides 100% of its water requirements.

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HABITAT HEROES (ADOPT AN ANIMAL)

Location: Port Douglas

Distance from Cairns: 1 hour, 10 minutes

The Wet Tropics Rainforest is home to some of the country's most endangered and vulnerable species. Your organisation, business event or delegates can adopt one of the endangered animals at Wildlife Habitat Port Douglas and become a Habitat Hero. Your contribution will assist in the rehabilitation, veterinary provision and wild release of your adopted animal and assist Wildlife Habitat with: threatened species breeding programs, animal husbandry, food and exhibit maintenance, vet requirements and rehabilitation of rescued animals (Tropical Animal Rescue Centre).

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POSEIDON OUTER REEF – DIVE & SNORKEL

Location: Port Douglas

Distance from Cairns: 1 hour, 10 minutes

Quicksilver Group's Poseidon has been certified with an Advanced Ecotourism Certification (the highest attainable in Australia) from Ecotourism Australia since 2002 and as such, are committed to the environmental sustainability and preservation of the Great Barrier Reef. The Poseidon vessel has been repowered in September 2024 with two new generation engines that are ready for sustainable fuels in the future and provide an ideal platform for an ecotourism adventure. Tours/charters can also include citizen science which offers an opportunity to observe and participate in a GBRMPA monitoring survey, marine biologist in-water interpretation for snorkellers and drift diving from a dedicated dive tender (subject to conditions).

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RAINFORESTATION

Location: Kuranda

Distance from Cairns: 40 minutes

Rainforestation incorporates CSR principles across their parks and activities, including partnerships encompassing the entire CaPTA Group. They offer a variety of CSR interactive experiences, all of which honour our First Nations people from whom we have so much to learn.

Depending on the season, some experiences include: wildlife rest area maintenance (clear and refurbish safe park wildlife refuge areas), Rainforest regeneration (tree planting of native rainforest species), Nesting box builds for native birds and/or bats, Beehive building for native Bee colonies.

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RAINFOREST RESCUE

Location: Throughout Australia

Rainforest Rescue is a not-for-profit organisation that has been protecting and restoring rainforests since 1999 by providing opportunities to protect Rainforests forever.

Their projects re-establish rainforests through planting, maintenance, and restoration programs, as well as purchasing and protecting high conservation value rainforests. By doing this, Rainforest Rescue is increasing essential habitat for rare and threatened wildlife, such as the Southern Cassowary, increasing connectivity and protecting biodiversity for future generations.

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REEFCONNECT (BY REEF UNLIMITED)

Location: Great Barrier Reef

Developed in collaboration with research experts, the Reef Connect program caters to sustainability-focused and culturally curious delegates. Their team of marine and cultural experts have created three bespoke programs enabling delegates to visit the reef while immersing in hands-on experiences with a deep connection to country and the Great Barrier Reef.

Centred around conservation, citizen science and indigenous culture, the programs can be added to all Reef Unlimited Island or Outer Reef experiences departing from Cairns and Port Douglas and are suitable for groups of 10–250 delegates.

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REEF RESTORATION FOUNDATION

Location: Great Barrier Reef

Reef Restoration Foundation is a community-based not-for-profit and registered charity. Their purpose is to build reef resilience and to facilitate accelerated recovery of coral reefs after disturbances, including increasingly frequent and severe mass coral bleaching. Their ocean-based coral nurseries act as egg batteries that produce over a billion coral babies every year. They are still developing opportunities for casual participation; however, your tax-deductible donation will assist this community action group to help the Great Barrier Reef amid changing environmental conditions.

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REFOREST

Location: Throughout Australia

Reforest is a tool for climate leaders. It helps businesses, events, and individuals plant trees in local, biodiverse reforestation projects to remove the carbon emissions from a conference or incentive program. Reforest provides a meaningful, tangible result, restoring local ecosystems with the progress visible through either their app or your event app and website, or by displaying a QR code during your business event. When you hold your business events in Cairns & Great Barrier Reef, you can eliminate the event's carbon impact by supporting local project Wet Tropics Conifers.

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SKYRAIL RAINFOREST CABLEWAY

Location: Smithfield

Distance from Cairns: 20 minutes

Skyrail Rainforest Cableway offers a unique experience for delegates to forge meaningful connections with their colleagues, nature's stories and themselves. In the heart of the Wet Tropics World Heritage area, this journey of discovery creates an ideal environment for team building while inspiring corporate social responsibility, from the rainforest to the boardroom and beyond. With a commitment to protecting this living natural and cultural wonder through environmental responsibility, sustainable management, understanding, research and education – shared through a transfer of knowledge empowering delegates to become agents of change. Join us to protect the natural environment for future generations by becoming advocates and sharing a greater appreciation for a sustainable future. Ways to contribute to the protection and conservation of the ancient rainforest include: Interpretive Ranger Option (guided experience), Sustainability Seminar or Becoming a Member of the Skyrail Rainforest Foundation.

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TANGAROA BLUE FOUNDATION BEACH CLEAN

Location: Along Great Barrier Reef Coastline

Tangaroa Blue Foundation is an Australian-wide not-for-profit organisation dedicated to the removal and prevention of marine debris: one of the major environmental issues worldwide. Get your delegates together, spend a morning walking the iconic Four Mile Beach (and cleaning up debris) then finish with a tropical alfresco lunch at your hotel or one of the many nearby restaurants. If you can't fit a beach clean into your itinerary, consider supporting Tangaroa Blue in other ways; contribute to their administration, make a donation and be sure to adopt a sustainable lifestyle.

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