



Welcome to the Mackay Region!

Whilst in the Mackay Region for the 2022 Tropical Queensland Orchid Council Conference in July you can visit one of our two information centres listed below.

**The Mackay Visitor Information Kiosk**

Located at the Bluewater lagoon on River Street, Mackay

Open 9am – 4pm Weekdays and 9am – 1pm on Weekends and selected Public Holiday's.

**The Mackay Regional Visitor Information Centre**

Located 1 Railway Square, Sarina Field of Dreams Parklands, Sarina

Open 9am – 4pm Weekdays and 9am – 2pm on Weekends and selected Public Holiday's.

Our friendly staff here at Mackay Tourism can assist you with the below whilst you are in region.

- Accommodation bookings
- Tours/Tickets Bookings
- Visitor Information Services
- Brochures and maps
- Travel information

*If you would like us to create a customized group tour prior to you arriving that is our specialty! Contact Lucy on 07 4837 1228. Please give us plenty of notice so we can create the best tours at the best price!*

We are looking forward to welcoming you to the region. In the meantime, please check us out on our social media channels or contact us via phone or email. See you in Mackay!

[www.mackayregion.com](http://www.mackayregion.com)

[bookings@mackayregion.com](mailto:bookings@mackayregion.com)

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# In need of some accommodation whilst in Mackay?

Check out the list below of accommodation options in the region. If you need some assistance with booking, please contact 07 4837 1228.

Property	Star Rating	Street Address	Approximate Proximity to MECC	Phone
Shakespeare Motel	4	309 Shakespeare Street	400m	07 4969 0200
Rydges Mackay Suites	4	9 Gregory Street	600m	07 4969 1000
Coral Sands Motel	4	44 Macalister St	1 km	07 4951 1244
Paradise Lodge Motel	3	19 Peel St	1 km	07 4953 3117
Quest on Gordon	4	27 Gordon Street	1 km	07 48421800
Lanai Riverside Apartments	4	20 River St	1.5 km	07 4957 4401
Riviera Mackay Hotel Apartments	4	5-7 Nelson Street	1 km	07 49142460
Best Western Marco Polo	4	46 Nebo Road	2 km	07 4951 2700
Casa Nostra Motel Mackay	3	30 Nebo Rd	2 km	07 4951 1288
Cool Palms Motel	3	4 Nebo Road	2 km	07 4957 5477
Coral Cay Resort	4	14 Nebo Road	2 km	07 49577677
Sun Plaza Motel	3	35 Nebo Road	2 km	07 4951 2688
White Lace Motor Inn	4	73 Nebo Rd	2 km	07 4951 4466
Direct Hotels Pacific Sands	4	3 Kirribilli Avenue	3 km	07 4843 3333
Mackay Oceanside Central Hotel	4	2c Gordon Street	3 km	07 5689 0388
Shamrock Gardens Motel	3.5	48 Donaldson Street	3 km	07 49632333
Alara Motor Inn	4	52 Nebo Rd	3 km	07 4951 2699
Miners Lodge Motor Inn	3	60 Nebo Rd	3 km	07 4951 1944
EconoLodge Beachside Motel	3	2 Bridge Road	4 km	07 4953 0011
Ocean International Hotel	3	1 Bridge Road	4 km	07 49572044
Mackay Resort Motel	4	154 Nebo Road	4 km	07 4944 7944
Mackay Rose Motel	3	164 Nebo Rd	4 km	07 4957 6572
Rover Motel	3	174 Nebo Rd	4 km	07 4951 3711
Tropic Coast Motel	3	158 Nebo Rd	4 km	07 4951 1888
Windmill Motel & Events Centre	4	5 Highway Plaza	5 km	07 4944 3344
Ibis Mackay	4	Christensen Circuit	6 km	07 4898 0015
Mantra Mackay	4	40 Mulherin Drive	8 km	07 4955 9400
The Seabreeze Hotel	3.5	72 Pacific Esplanade	13 km	07 4955 1644
Dolphin Heads	4	6 Beach Road	16 km	07 4944 4777
The Shores Holiday Apartments	3.5	9 Pacific Drive	16 km	07 4954 9444
Comfort Resort Blue Pacific	3	26 Bourke St	16 km	07 4954 9090

Caravan Parks				
Property	Accommodation types	Street Address	Approximate Proximity to MECC	Phone
Central Tourist Park	Sites & Cabins	15 Malcomson Street	3.5 km	07 4957 6141
Premier Caravan Park	Sites & Cabins	152 Nebo Road	4 km	07 4957 6976
Discovery Parks Mackay	Sites & Cabins	265 Harbour Rd	5 km	07 4955 1496
Andergrove Van Park	Sites & Cabins	40-68 Beaconsfield Rd	7 km	07 4942 4922
The Park Mackay	Sites & Cabins	284 Farrellys Road	7 km	07 4952 1211
Big 4 Mackay Blacks Beach Holiday Park	Sites & Cabins	16 Bourke Street	16 km	07 4954 9334
Armstrong Beach Caravan Park	Sites	60-66 Melba St	47 km	07 4956 2425

**Please note – As there are expected to be a large portion of out-of-town registrants we recommend booking in advance to avoid any disappointment.**

If you have a group requiring accommodation, then please complete and return the group booking form on the next page of this document.

## Have an adventurous side?

If you are looking for something adventurous to do in Mackay, then check out these action-packed activities.

Adventure Activities				
Company	Street Address	Suburb	Postcode	Phone
Escape Rooms Mackay	344 Alfred St	Mackay	4740	0484 372 273
Sidetrax Indoor Go Karts	275 Nebo Rd	West Mackay QLD	4740	07 4829 4707
Wake House Mackay	Poco Place	Andergrove QLD	4740	1300 500 261

## Looking for some self-drive itineraries?

Visit <https://www.mackayregion.com/travel-information/drive-itineraries> for some self-drive itineraries you can do in your down time.

To view the Mackay Regional Visitor Guide or Discover Mackay's Best Kept Secrets please visit the below sites.

[https://issuu.com/vinkpublishing/docs/mackay\\_visitor\\_guide\\_2021](https://issuu.com/vinkpublishing/docs/mackay_visitor_guide_2021)

[https://www.mackay.qld.gov.au/data/assets/pdf\\_file/0020/137603/All\\_Facilities\\_Brochure\\_2020\\_ARTWORK.pdf](https://www.mackay.qld.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0020/137603/All_Facilities_Brochure_2020_ARTWORK.pdf)

## Group Booking Form (5+ Rooms)

Booking Name	
Start Date	
Number of Nights	

<b>Contact Details</b>	
Phone	
Email Address	
Post Code	

<b>Room Details</b>	
Proximity to which Location:	
Self-Contained:	<input type="checkbox"/>
On-site Restaurant:	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Number of People		Room Type (e.g. Double room, 2 Bedroom, etc.)
	Number of Adults	Number of Children	
Room 1			
Room 2			
Room 3			
Room 4			
Room 5			
Room 6			
Room 7			
Room 8			
Room 9			
Room 10			
Room 11			
Room 12			
Room 13			
Room 14			
Room 15			
Room 16			
Room 17			
Room 18			
Room 19			
Room 20			

Please return all group booking forms to [bookings@mackayregions.com](mailto:bookings@mackayregions.com) Please ensure to write “Group Booking” into your subject line of your email to prevent any miscommunications.

# Looking for a pre or post tour?



## Reeforest Adventure Tours

An experience you'll never forget!

At Reeforest Adventure Tours Mackay, you will be able to ditch the car and let their local tour guides show you around the region. Explore the best the region has to offer by travelling through the Pioneer Valley, walk through rainforests to waterfalls, spot native animals in the natural habitat and admire the valley views from the Eungella Chalet.

**Tour:** Platypus & Rainforest Eco Safari

**Dates:** Enquire for availability

**Start Time:** Pick up 11am at the MECC

**End Time:** Return Mackay at approximately 6:00pm

**Price:** \$200 per person – includes guided bus tour and lunch

**Itinerary:** Travel to Finch Hatton to the Criterion Hotel for lunch. After lunch enjoy a Bushwalk through the rainforest to Finch Hatton Gorge, a wonderful landscape of waterfalls, lush flora and volcanic boulder formations make Finch Hatton Gorge a must-see attraction. The granite boulders and surrounding vegetation make this an ideal place to take in the scenery. Keep an eye out among the rainforest for rare and unusual flora and fauna, such as the rare gastric brooding frog, the orange-sided skink, Mackay tulip oak, Eungella spiny cray and Eungella honeyeater. ***\*Please note suitable walking shoes will be required for the hike.***

Enroute from Finch Hatton you will make your way up into the clouds to Eungella to stop in at the Historical Eungella Chalet – Enjoy some afternoon tea (at your own expense) with an amazing view over the Pioneer Valley.

From the Eungella Chalet you will take a short drive to Sky window look out for a leisurely walk to admire more amazing views of the Pioneer Valley before travelling on to Broken River to spot Platypus and some freshwater turtles.

### Itinerary Highlights:

- Platypus spotting at Broken River.
- Discovery of amazing flora and fauna.
- An interpretive walk in Finch Hatton Gorge.
- Spectacular scenic views of the Pioneer Valley from the Eungella Range at 2,400 feet
- Return bus transfers
- Local guide
- Lunch at the Criterion Hotel

***To book, please call 07 4837 1228 or 1300 130 001 to secure your seat. Book early to avoid disappointment as there are limited seats available.***

# Looking for a pre or post tour?



## Wild Cat Mackay

New to the region from December 2021 Wild Cat Mackay will depart the Mackay Marina each morning.

Are you ready to get off the beaten track? Wildcat offers you a ride to remember!

This tour will take you on a journey of discovery to some of the most picturesque and untouched locations on the Great Barrier Reef.

**Tour:** Mackay Islands Tour

**Dates:** Daily

**Start Time:** Departs - Mackay Marina Village at 9:30 am.

**End Time:** Returns - Mackay Marina Village at 4:30 pm.

**Price:** Adults \$179, Children \$149 (Child between 4-12yrs), Family Package \$599

**Itinerary:** Tour around the Mackay Islands in style, blending technology and practicality, this one-of-a-kind custom-built vessel aims to provide guests of all ages with the smoothest and fastest ride possible. Destinations Wildcat will be visiting include Cockermouth, Brampton, Keswick, St Bees, and Scawfell islands, as well as some secret, hitherto unexplored spots. Departing the Mackay Marina each morning, no two days aboard Wildcat will be identical. Includes, morning tea, lunch, and afternoon tea along with use of stinger/wetsuit, snorkeling equipment and stand-up paddle boards.

### Itinerary Highlights:

- Swim in crystal clear waters
- Snorkel fringing reefs
- Discover secluded beaches on one of the many islands
- Indulge in a tasty lunch and morning/afternoon snacks
- Enjoy a cold beer or drink onboard Wildcat with our fully licensed bar
- A day of adventure with creature comforts
- Beautiful natural surroundings
- Explore the island waters via paddleboard
- Feel peace of mind that you are travelling on a Climate Action Leading tour

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or 1300 130 001 to secure your seat.***



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## Sarina Sugar Shed

Sarina Sugar Shed is a multi-award-winning attraction that offers a genuine and authentic paddock-to-plate food tourism experience and showcases the rich heritage of the sugar cane industry in Queensland.

Through their daily guided tours, Sarina Sugar Shed celebrates the achievements of the sugar cane pioneers who brought great prosperity to the region through their back-breaking work and mechanical ingenuity, and then, via their miniature mill, they demonstrate the process of taking the raw

sugar cane plant and turning it into both crystallised sugar ready for refining and ethanol for alcohol production.

The journey ends with tastings of the products that they produce which highlight the many delicious uses of sugar, including rum, rum liqueurs and fruit liqueurs made onsite in the boutique distillery, plus their range of Chefs' Gusto chutneys, relishes and sauces, and non-alcoholic ginger beer.

With offerings in the café, such as house-baked scones with homemade strawberry jam, cheese and tasting platters using their own chutneys and relishes, and 10 flavours of ice cream made in-house, Sarina Sugar Shed is true food tourism experience, satisfying the sweet tooth of all ages

**Tours Daily:** 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm and 2:00pm

**Price:** Adult \$26.50, Child (under 18 years) \$13.30, Children under 5 years – No charge, Family 2 Adults and 2 Children (plus \$8.20 for each additional child u18) \$69.20, Concession \$22.50 (ID required)

**To book, please call 07 4837 1228 or 1300 130 001 to confirm your tour Alternatively, you can book online on <https://sarinasugarshed.com.au/tours/>**

## Sunrise with the Wallabies Tour



**Now a free experience**, Sunrise with the Wallabies Tour is one of Australia's iconic wildlife experiences, where Eastern Grey Kangaroos and Agile Wallabies come onto the beach to feed on mangrove seed pods. Nowhere else in the wild will you get so close to Kangaroos and Wallabies. Such a wonderful opportunity to capture a magical moment of sunrise on the beach with our national symbol and reflect on our role in looking after Australia's natural beauty. Set in beautiful Cape Hillsborough, rich in history and culture, this magical experience will leave you transformed. Located in Cape Hillsborough, 48 kilometres

north of Mackay CBD. Please note that this is a self-drive experience. Please meet at the beach 30 minutes prior to sunrise.

**Expression of interest open for a guided Sunrise with the wallabies tour. Please register your interest with [bookings@mackayregion.com](mailto:bookings@mackayregion.com) and information will be sent out once available.**

We hope that you enjoy your time in the Mackay Region.

For further tourist information or bookings please contact us on

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