

RAINFOREST WALKING TOURS

Cairns Rainforest Estate is a remarkable 160 Acre property combining ancient World Heritage rainforest, an extensive tropical fruit orchard and a pioneering heritage linked to the historic Barron Falls Hydroelectric Power Station of the 1930s.

The Estate forms part of a vital wildlife corridor and important refuge for native plants and animals, including rare and endemic species found naturally nowhere else in the world.



HALF-DAY TOUR



In only a 30-minute (25km) transfer from Cairns, guests are out of the vehicle and exploring dense rainforest trails.

Walks cover approximately 3km (1.9 miles) and take around 90 minutes. Allow 4 hours for the total experience from pick-up to drop-off.



STEP INTO NATURE



A guided rainforest walk offers the ultimate rainforest immersion - a quiet, intimate and tactile experience with the expert interpretation and insight needed to appreciate the complexity of this remarkable habitat. The slower we move, and the closer we look and listen, the more extraordinary the rainforest becomes!



EXCLUSIVE ACCESS



All tours are operated as exclusive charters. Our passionate and knowledgeable guides lead guests on interpretive walks along the Estates private rainforest trails, inaccessible to the general public.

NATURAL TRAILS



Tours are low intensity suiting any active individual with a love of nature and a basic level of fitness. Guests must be capable of walking unassisted for up to 3 km (1.9 miles) along natural rainforest trails with sections of uneven ground and minor obstacles including low-level creek crossings and occasional steep sections.

After periods of heavy rain, the ground may become slippery in places, so appropriate footwear is recommended.



UNIQUE ENCOUNTERS



Nestled between the Barron Gorge and Kuranda National Parks, the Estate is an established foraging and breeding habitat that has supported successive generations of the endangered Southern Cassowary.

Despite consistent sightings on tour, a chance encounter with these iconic “rainforest gardeners” in the wild remains a rare privilege and one of the region’s most sought-after and memorable nature experiences.

A LIVING ARK

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Located in Queensland’s Wet Tropics World Heritage Area, the Estate forms part of the oldest continually surviving tropical rainforest on earth, with a fascinating natural history spanning 130 million years.

Covering less than 0.2% of Australia, the Wet Tropics supports an extraordinary concentration of the nation’s biodiversity including 60% of its butterfly species, 40% of bird species, 30% of marsupial and frog species, and 65% of its fern species.



“The question is not what you look at, but what you see” Henry David Thoreau

TAKE A CLOSER LOOK



From symbiotic fungi in the undergrowth to the upper reaches of the sunlit canopy, everything here has a place and a purpose.

Marvel at enormous emergent trees while being dwarfed by their towering buttress roots, anchoring massive trunks and strong limbs supporting vast crowns spreading high overhead.

Within this living framework thrives a rich variety of climbers, epiphytic ferns and orchids while woody vines and grappling plants reach between the trees forming aerial highways for rainforest animals away from the congested forest floor.

Discover the fascinating defence, display and dispersal strategies of rainforest plants and their intricate interdependence with the forest’s unique fauna.

Throughout the year, across the different seasons, and even the course of a single day, the forest is in a constant state of change. Each day is a new adventure with endless things to discover!

A TASTE OF THE TROPICS

The Estate's 8-acre orchard is home to a diverse range of tropical fruit trees, including several rare and exotic species.

During the 1970s, the orchard produced mangosteen, durian, jackfruit and other tropical fruits in commercial quantities.

Today, guests can sample a variety of these tropical flavours, from seasonal fruit grown on the Estate as well as produce sourced from other local producers who farm the rich volcanic soils of the nearby Atherton Tablelands.

Subject to availability, tastings may include papaya, rambutan, langsat, carambola, sapote, dragon fruit and more.



TOUR VEHICLES



Our vehicles include a luxury late-model SUV, suiting couples or small families; a 10-seat commuter, perfect for a group of friends, colleagues or extended family; through to our super-spacious custom built 4WD Mercedes Benz, designed to accommodate ad hoc groups and tour series up to 20 guests, with comfortable coach style seating and oversized viewing windows.

GUEST TRANSFERS



Our full-service tours include return transfers from Cairns City or Northern Beaches accommodation, with Port Douglas available on request. Guests may also be picked up or dropped off directly at Cairns Airport or Cairns Cruise Line Terminal, to coincide with airline and ship schedules.

Our vehicles can accommodate guest luggage making it easy to incorporate the tour into a group's arrival or departure day, maximising their time in region by turning a gap in the itinerary into a memorable rainforest experience.



EXPLORE FUTHER

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For guests with time to explore further, combine a half-day visit to Cairns Rainforest Estate with one of the many other tours, attractions and experiences in the region, such as:

- Skyrail Rainforest Cableway
- Kuranda Scenic Rail
- The Australian Butterfly Sanctuary
- Bird World and Kuranda Koala Gardens
- A half-day Great Barrier Reef snorkel or dive experience
- Aboriginal cultural experiences
- Scenic Helicopter Flights
- The Cairns Aquarium
- Hot Air Ballooning
- White Water Rafting (Barron River)
- Hartley's Crocodile Adventures





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Port Douglas

Palm Cove Beach ●



Kuranda Skyrail &
Train Stations

Barron Falls
Station

Red Peak
Station

Skyrail Rainforest Cableway
Smithfield Terminal

Barron River

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Cairns Airport

Freshwater
Station

Package with a half day
Great Barrier Reef
or island experience

Cairns Central Station



● Cairns Reef Fleet Terminal
● Cairns Cruise Line Terminal

KEY

- Kennedy Highway
- ++++ Kuranda Scenic Rail
- Skyrail Rainforest Cableway
- Barron River

RAINFOREST WALK & TROPICAL FRUIT TASTING		Tour Code: CRE		\$185.00pp nett (min charge per charter: \$1110.00)	
Standard inclusions: • Guided rainforest walk (approx. 3km, 90 mins) • Tropical fruit tasting - seasonal fruits from the region • Return transfers - Cairns City or Northern Beaches		AM Tour Depart: 08:00 Return: 12:00	PM Tour Depart: 13:00 Return: 17:00	Tour Duration 4 hours	
- Minimum charter rate: \$1110.00 nett, covers up to 6 guests with private vehicle and guide - Additional guests at the per person rate to a maximum of 20 guests per tour - Maximum 1 x FOC Tour Leader per booking, with additional guide(s) at the per person rate - All tours are operated on a private charter basis with exclusive use vehicle, guide and trail access - Tour timings are flexible to suit the guest's individual needs and where possible can be tailored to align with arrival / departure schedules or other planned activities in destination - Tours operate daily, except 25-December - Rates are nett, in \$AUD and include all taxes and levies					

TOUR DESCRIPTION

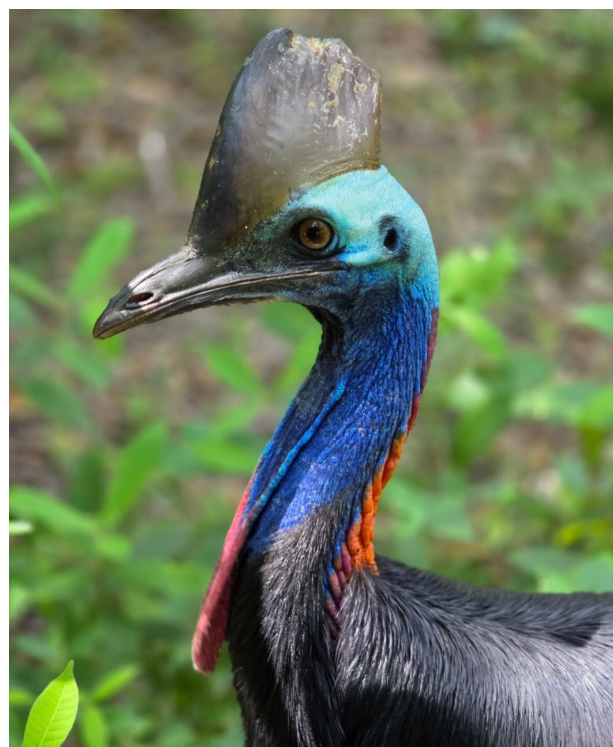
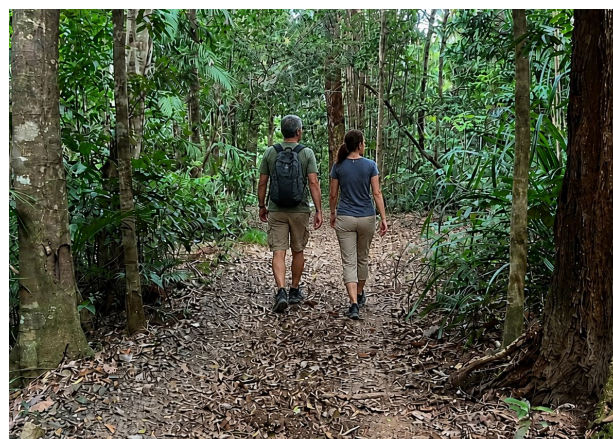
Located within Queensland's Wet Tropics World Heritage Area, Cairns Rainforest Estate invites guests to explore private rainforest trails on exclusive half-day guided walking tours.

The Estate forms part of an important nature corridor and a refuge for native plants and animals, including rare and endemic species found nowhere else on the planet.

Expert guides enrich this intimate, immersive and tactile experience with interpretation and insight, helping visitors appreciate the remarkable complexity of this ancient habitat and the intricate interdependence of the forest's unique flora and fauna.

The walk covers approximately 3km (1.9 miles), takes around 90 minutes and is followed by a tropical fruit tasting.

Allow 4 hours for the complete experience from pick-up to drop-off.



WHAT TO BRING

- Comfortable enclosed walking shoes (they may get wet)
- Dress to suit physical activity in a tropical environment
- Summer is warm and humid – spray jacket if rain forecast
- Winters are mild – light jacket recommended Jun-Aug
- Hat, sunglasses, sunscreen
- Refillable water bottle
- Camera
- Insect repellent (optional)

PACKAGES: CRE+

2027-28 nett rates

01-Apr-2027 through 31-March 2028

- ❖ Package rates are 2027-28 - please contact us for travel prior to 01-April-27.
- ❖ Package rates are your CRE charter rate + the relevant per person cost for the additional activities below.
- ❖ Package components (IE: Skyrail / Train) are on a share basis
- ❖ During the Skyrail 2.0 Upgrade Project (Jul 2026–Nov 2027), tour timings and particulars of the cableway experience will vary. Details will be confirmed once intended travel date is advised.
- ❖ **Skyrail Rainforest Cableway** block out dates, please visit: [Closure Dates & Notices](#)
- ❖ **Kuranda Scenic Railway** block out dates, please visit: [Planned Closure Dates](#)

CRE + 1-WAY SKYRAIL RAINFOREST CABLEWAY	Tour Code: CRES		CRE + \$77 / Adult (15 yrs+) CRE + \$38.50 / Child (4-14 yrs)
<i>Standard inclusions:</i> • Guided Rainforest Walk (approx. 3km, 90 mins) • Tropical Fruit Tasting - seasonal fruits from the region • 1-way Skyrail Rainforest Cableway • Return transfers - Cairns City or Northern Beaches	AM Tour Depart: 08:00 Return: 13:30	PM Tour Depart: 12:00 Return: 17:30	Tour Duration 5.5 hours

CRE + 1-WAY KURANDA SCENIC RAIL (KSR)	Tour Code: CRET		CRE + \$60 / Adult (15 yrs+) CRE + \$30 / Child (4-14 yrs)
<i>Standard inclusions:</i> • Guided Rainforest Walk (approx. 3km, 90 mins) • Tropical Fruit Tasting - seasonal fruits from the region • 1-way Skyrail Rainforest Cableway • Return transfers - Cairns City or Northern Beaches	AM Tour Depart: 08:00 Return: 13:30	PM Tour Depart: 12:00 Return: 17:30	Tour Duration 5.5 hours
UPGRADE OPTIONS FOR KURANDA SCENIC RAIL – tour timings may vary if upgrade option selected			
Heritage Plus - Seating in heritage carriages for groups of 10 or more , including a gift bag with light, locally sourced snacks			CRE + \$87 / Adult (15 yrs+) CRE + \$57 / Child (4-14 yrs)
Gold Class - Individual seating in lounge style chairs with a dedicated host service provided. Includes a range of refreshments with tasty appetisers and a gift pack. ** Highly recommended **			CRE + \$119 / Adult (15 yrs+) CRE + \$89 / Child (4-14 yrs)

CRE + 1-WAY SKYRAIL RAINFOREST CABLEWAY AND 1-WAY KURANDA SCENIC RAIL	Tour Code: CREST	CRE + \$137 / Adult (15 yrs+) CRE + \$68.50 / Ch (4-14 yrs)
<i>Standard inclusions:</i> • Guided Rainforest Walk (approx. 3km, 90 mins) • Tropical Fruit Tasting - seasonal fruits from the region • 1-way Skyrail Rainforest Cableway • 1-way Kuranda Scenic Rail (Heritage Class) • Return transfers - Cairns City or Northern Beaches	FULL DAY TOUR ONLY Depart: 08:00 Return: 16:30	Tour Duration 8.5 hours
UPGRADE OPTIONS FOR KURANDA SCENIC RAIL – tour timings may vary if upgrade option selected		
Heritage Plus - Seating in heritage carriages for groups of 10 or more , including a gift bag with light, locally sourced snacks		CRE + \$87 / Adult (15 yrs+) CRE + \$57 / Child (4-14 yrs)
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TOUR LEADER POLICY

Cairns Rainforest Estate Rainforest Walk & Tropical Fruit Tasting (CRE)	1 x FOC Tour Leader per booking Additional Tour Leader(s) at normal adult rate
Skyrail Rainforest Cableway & Kuranda Scenic Rail	1-14 guests: 1 x Tour Leader at 50% discount 15+ guests: 1 x FOC Tour Leader Additional Tour Leader(s) at normal adult rates
For any other packages booked via Cairns Rainforest Estate, the tour leader FOC policy of the 3 rd party operator will apply.	

PAYMENT TERMS

For non-account customers, payment of the full charter amount is kindly requested no less than 7 days prior to travel. Payment can be made by direct deposit or Credit Card. Bank details provided on the booking invoice.

CANCELLATION POLICY

In the event a cancellation is required, and rescheduling is not possible the cancellation policy below will apply:

- More than 72 hours prior to travel - eligible for a full refund
- Between 48-72 hours prior to travel - eligible for a 50% refund
- Less than 48 hours prior to travel - non-refundable

Where we are unable to operate due to adverse weather or other unforeseen circumstances a full refund is available.

GENERAL ENQUIRIES / PRODUCT / RESERVATIONS

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