



Great Barrier Reef ~ Town of 1770
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“Great Barrier Reef Island Camping Holiday”

Hi there,

Thank you for choosing Lady Musgrave Cruises for your camping transfers to Lady Musgrave Island. This unique coral cay right on the Great Barrier Reef is an ideal place for campers to experience the magic of an unspoilt island paradise set on a living reef with a protected coral lagoon. Enjoy - swimming, snorkeling, scuba diving, reef fishing, turtle watching, bird watching, island walking, reef walking, fish feeding or simply relaxing.

Campers need to be completely self-sufficient with food, water and equipment. There are no resorts or shops on the island - which of course adds to the adventure! All you will find are toilets and an emergency radio tower. We do deliver perishable items such as milk, bread, ice and bait weather permitting (charges apply).

The Town of 1770 is the closest mainland point to Lady Musgrave Island on the Southern Great Barrier Reef. We offer Day Cruises and Camping Transfers to Lady Musgrave Island aboard the “Spirit of 1770” a 22 metre high speed catamaran which only takes approximately 90 minutes by sea from 1770. Cruises depart on a daily basis weather permitting throughout the year. However tidal changes in 1770 do affect days in which campers can travel to and from the island.

Not only will you visit the Great Barrier Reef, but you will also have the opportunity to see one of the most picturesque, coastal environments in Queensland - the Town of 1770 and Agnes Water. 1770 is situated 130km north of Bundaberg (sealed road), 125km south of Gladstone and 57km east of Miriam Vale off the Bruce Highway. The area is secluded and unspoilt. You will see the last most northern surf beach in Agnes Water which extends 5km along the coastline. There are some breathtaking ocean views and landscapes which are unchanged since Captain James Cook first explored Queensland on the 24th May, 1770. The township is actually named after the year in which Cook first landed in Queensland.

Please find enclosed a Camping Information Sheet, a Booking Sheet, and a list of accommodation in the area. **Please submit your booking sheet with our office by fax or email before booking your permit with EPA.**

If you have any queries or would like more information please contact our booking office between 8.30am and 5.30 pm 7 days per week.

Yours sincerely,

Reservations

Camping Information Sheet

Camping Permits - are required on Lady Musgrave Island and must be purchased in advance from the Environmental Protection Agency. Ph: 13 74 68 or Internet: www.derm.qld.gov.au/parks/capricornia-cays Cost \$5.30/person/night or \$21.30/family/night (children under five are free).

Fresh Water - is not available on the island. 5 litres/person/day is required. Containers can be filled at the 1770 Marina before departure. Please take at least 6 days supply of water then extra water required can be refilled from Spirit of 1770.

Weather - please phone (07) 4974 9077 before commencing your journey to 1770. Adverse weather conditions may **delay** your transfer to the island. Alternatively, you may be marooned on the island so please take extra supplies of tin foods and water for an additional 4 days. Campers are not normally marooned on the island but it can happen so you need to be prepared. **Emergency Radio Tower** - is situated on Lady Musgrave Island.

Town of 1770 - is accessible by road. Lady Musgrave Cruises Bus service available from Bundaberg to 1770 return. Only minimum luggage can be carried on bus. Costs \$80/ad return & \$40/ch return. Greyhound also travel daily to this area (Ph 1300 473 946)

Boarding of luggage on morning of departure at the 1770 Marina, unless another time has been advised for larger groups. Please have equipment ready to load by 7.15am. Ice, milk and bait can be purchased at the Marina tackle shop on morning of departure after 6.30am. You may also place an order with the Reservations office for additional deliveries.

Reservations Office is situated at Shop 2, 1770 Marina, 535 Captain Cook Drive, Town of 1770. Open daily 7.30am to 5.30pm. We strongly advise that campers **collect boarding passes the day prior** if this is convenient so that you are fully advised about loading on the morning and do not need to line up with day passengers to collect boarding passes.

Car Parking - is available opposite Marina. Undercover car and boat storage is available from 1770 Boat Storage - telephone on 07 4974 7047 or mobile 0427 347 047.

Luggage - please restrict your luggage to half a cubic metre per person, that is, *the essentials*. To assist in measuring this, the following example would apply - for 4 adults the total equipment excluding water containers should fit onto a 6 x 4 foot trailer. Equipment will be measured in our campers trolleys before boarding. If you have more than the limit an additional charge per trolley will apply if we have available room on the vessel to transport extra gear. The cost is \$100 per trolley. Any additional equipment you would like to take such as dinghy, gas fridges etc does involve an additional charge which is listed on the booking sheets attached. Please remember there is only a limited amount of room and restricted weight on vessels for luggage and passengers. The more you take, the more you need to carry on and off vessels. Please tape together all loose items such as poles. All boxes and containers are best with a lid. Bags that close – no loose plastic bags as items will fall out. Maximum table size is 2 metres by 1 metre. Alcohol in cans and not bottles please. Gas cylinders need to be stored outside of cabins. Please label all luggage so that it's not misplaced. **We reserve the right not to carry handspears/sparguns so please check with reservations upon booking.**

General Schedule - Our crew will show you where to stow your luggage upon boarding. On arrival in Lady Musgrave lagoon morning tea is served then passengers and luggage will be transferred aboard our glass-bottom boat to the **island lagoon entrance**. There are two wheelbarrows available to assist campers to transport equipment from the lagoon entrance 300m to the designated camping site. Lunch is not available to campers on the outbound journey. On the day of return from the island, we ask that all campers are ready to load luggage at 11am from the **island lagoon entrance**. On day of return campers are welcome to a buffet lunch and enjoy the day cruise afternoon activities including snorkeling, the semi-sub, or optional scuba diving and reef fishing (extra fee applies - bookings essential before day of departure). We return to 1770 between 4.30pm & 6.00pm depending on 1770 tides, normally at 5pm - check upon booking.

Rubbish - please return all rubbish including food scraps to the mainland. Garbage bags are not provided on the island. We recommend that you take several strong bags. Rubbish to be returned on a daily basis and collected from lagoon entrance.

Dinghies - 12ft Aluminium light weight dinghies (no wider than 1.5 meters), or inflatable dinghies with detachable motors, can be transferred aboard the Spirit of 1770, with maximum 2 x 20 litre fuel containers per day. Please check available space upon booking as we can transport one dinghy & one deflated rubber dinghy per day.

Deliveries - of food, ice or fuel is available. **Please order with crew aboard Spirit of 1770. Please allow up to 2 days for delivery of items. Delivery charge is \$12 for ice, bait, milk and fuel from the Marina, \$25 for small deliveries from Agnes Water, \$50 for large deliveries requiring pick-up in Agnes Water. A credit card number must be left with our reservations office to secure all deliveries before departure to the island.** An invoice for deliveries with credit card receipt of payment will given to campers by crew on day of return. Please remember that adverse weather conditions may prevent any deliveries.

Extra Camping Equipment Transfer Charges

Campers wishing to take the following items are welcome to, however extra equipment must be approved as space is limited. Thank you.

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>COST per ITEM (return)</u>	<u>TOTAL COST</u>
GAS FRIDGE		\$40.00	
SURFBOARDS		\$20.00	
DEFLATABLE BOAT		\$60.00	
BOAT MOTOR		\$20.00	
DIVE COMPRESSOR		\$50.00	
SCUBA SET with tank		\$10.00	
SCUBA TANK		\$10.00	
SURF SKIS (9 ft)		\$50.00	
CANOES–13ft (3.9 m) lightweight		\$60.00	
TOTAL – EXTRA EQUIPMENT TRANSFER CHARGE			\$

Please Note: We cannot carry handspears, spearguns to and from Lady Musgrave Island

HIRE EQUIPMENT

1. **KAYAKS/CANOES** – contact 1770 Liquid Adventures on 0428 956 630 or email info@1770liquidadventures.com.au
2. **CAMPING EQUIPMENT** – contact Malu Wanderers Camping Hire on 0402 981272 or email to maluwanderers@bigpond.com
3. **DIVE EQUIPMENT** – contact Bundaberg Aqua Scuba on 07 4153 5761 or email to julian@aquascuba.com.au

Camping transfer rates overleaf include carriage of basic camping equipment and note that transfer charges will be applicable for any additional equipment requiring transfer to the island (subject to weight and space restrictions) – Additional equipment will incur costs of \$100.00 per trolley.

CAMPING PASSENGERS CHECKLIST

Please complete and return with Camping Booking Forms

BOOKING NAME: _____

OUTBOUND DATE: _____ INBOUND DATE: _____

- There is no fresh water on the island. I confirm that we are taking at least 5 litres of fresh water per person per day for at least 6 days. **Water top ups from boat only if staying longer than 6 days.**
- There is an emergency radio tower on the island which can be used in case of an emergency. Please ask our crew where the tower is located on the island.
- Does everyone in your group have **travel insurance** or emergency ambulance cover in case you are injured while camping and require an emergency air lift from the island. YES / NO.
- I understand that we can be marooned on the island for several days due to adverse weather preventing our return transfer as scheduled.
 - (i) We have taken at least 4 days extra food.
 - (ii) We do not hold LMCruises and there agents responsible for missing flights, buses or tours booked or any inconvenience this may cause.
- We understand that the baggage restriction is 1/2 cubic metre per person. One blue trolley at top of jetty equals luggage for 3 persons excluding water supplies. **Any excess may not be taken if the vessel is fully loaded. A \$100 excess will apply per trolley if extra gear can be taken.**
- We confirm we are not taking spear guns or hand spears in our luggage.
- We have tagged all our equipment with the booking name.
- We understand that if our dinghy is wider than 1.5 metres, Spirit of 1770 is unable to transport dinghy to the island. On return please meet our crew at lagoon entrance at 11am to organise return of dinghy. **DO NOT** drive dinghy to pontoon where snorkellers will be in the water.
- We understand that all gas bottles & gas fridges are to be shown to crew upon boarding so they are stowed outside of cabin areas.
- We understand that all vehicles be parked on the opposite side of the road to 1770 Marina and all trailers to be parked in trailer parking area opposite the boat ramp.
- If we want to fish on our return trip the seats have been PRE-BOOKED
- If we want to scuba dive on our return trip the dives have been PRE-BOOKED & paid to our reservations office. If by chance extra dives are booked while on island the payment for those dives must be made direct to Aqua Scuba on the day dives are made.
- If planning on Scuba Diving on the Outer Reef Wall during camping on the island please bring a surf board with you to be able to access the pontoon on the day of your dive (please note all dives to be pre-booked).**
- We have heavy duty rubbish bags on hand to return all rubbish from the island. We do not have any glass bottles. Garbage pick up from the beach daily at 11am to prevent a return trip from the island with a boat load of smelly rubbish !! Thank you.

We understand that any delivery will take 2 days to receive ie. order from crew on Monday, then delivery will be received on Wednesday. All goods can be ordered on the beach at 10am with our crew. All goods will be delivered to island lagoon entrance and left on the beach at approx 11am two days after order or on the first day out following adverse weather conditions.

If there are a number of families traveling in one group then all orders must be in the **booking name** noted on this checklist otherwise we will not be able to process the order as we will not know who the camper is & will not have credit card details for payments of goods.

Deliveries of Bait, Ice, Milk & Gas will incur a \$12 fee.

Small deliveries of **other** items that need to be picked up from Agnes will incur a fee of \$25.

Large deliveries that need to be picked up from Agnes will incur a \$50 fee.

Deliveries of 20 litre fuel drums incur a fee of \$10 per drum. No more than 40litres can be transported on any one day due to Qld Maritime Safety cartage limitations.

We agree to return on the date booked or an additional return transfer fee will apply. If a request to transfer your return date is made 2 days prior to return date & is approved by the Skipper and Management then no additional fee will apply.

No lunch provided outbound.

I give permission to Lady Musgrave Cruises to use :

Card Number : _____

Cardholder : _____

Expiry Date : ____/____/____ to pay for all deliveries and delivery charges to the above mentioned booking name.

I confirm that I have read the LMI Camping Information pack supplied by the Environmental Protection Agency (if received or ask for one on checking in.)

I confirm that I will not remove any coral from Lady Musgrave Island Reef and will leave the camp ground clean.

If during your stay you see any unauthorised or unusual practices by persons please let our crew members know.

I confirm that during our stay on the island I understand that I cannot access, use, sleep on or fish from Lady Musgrave Cruises pontoon.

Finally, I agree that a refund will not be given for my return trip if I elect to return with another vessel without prior notification with Lady Musgrave Cruises.

Lady Musgrave Cruises would like to thank you for completing this checklist so as to assist us in ensuring that campers have all information required to make your camping holiday an enjoyable one. If after your camping experience you are unhappy about our service or had any issues during your visit to the island please complete our Company Questionnaire so that we can rectify any problems you may have encountered.

Please provide details of any bookings that you would like us to cancel or alter in case you are marooned and if you would like us to contact anyone.

NAME.....SIGNED.....DATE