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WILDERNESS SERIES

2021 VOYAGE

TO THE HEART OF THE REEF & OUTBACK

ULTIMATE CHRISTMAS EXPEDITION



SailSAFE

Our Health & Safety Plan for guests & crew

- > To the Heart of the Reef & Outback
- 14 Nights | 2 Landmark Events
- 10 Exceptional Wines | 90 Guests



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ITINERARY: 14 NIGHTS BRISBANE TO CAIRNS



A DAY IN THE OUTBACK

Fly by private jet to Longreach in the heart of the outback. Enjoy a classic pub lunch and then bask in an outback sunset over sundowners and stories at historic Rosebank station.



SAILING YACHT TO A WHITSUNDAYS LUNCH

Embark on a chartered yacht and enjoy a traditional sail to Whitehaven Beach. Linger over champagne and a decadent seafood lunch with your feet on white sand.



TWO EVENINGS WITH AUSTRALIA'S FINEST WINES

Indulge in a comparative tasting of 10 wines from the highly prized "Exceptional" category of the Langton's™ Classification paired with two gala dinners.

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LANGTON'S

DAY 1: DEPART BRISBANE

After a SailSAFE check-in at 2:00 pm, board *Coral Geographer* at 4:00pm for a 5:00pm departure, before joining your fellow explorers for the Captain's Welcome.

DAYS 2-15:

This is an indicative itinerary covering remote areas. Your Expedition Team will make changes to the daily schedule as necessary to maximise guest experience. Your itinerary includes 2 days at sea.

TANGALOOMA

Moreton Island is 98 percent National Park, and its sandy white beaches and crystal-clear waters present a beautiful aspect this morning. Enjoy snorkelling and kayaking around the Tangalooma wrecks, where crystal-clear waters enable spotting of an array of marine life. Stretch your legs with beach hikes and have the chance to feed the famous bottlenose dolphins.

K'GARI - FRASER ISLAND

Today, discover World Heritage-listed K'gari - Fraser Island, the largest sand island in the world. Be joined by local indigenous guides on a natural culture cruise through the Great Sandy Strait marine reserve. Later, visit Central Station in the heart of the island and stroll beside Wanggoolba Creek to immerse yourself in the tranquility of the rainforest. Swim in the clear waters of Lake McKenzie, famous for its pure white sand.

GREAT KEPPEL ISLAND

Great Keppel Island - Woppaburra - is known for sweeping beaches, inviting waters, and abundant wildlife. Of the island's 17 beaches, we will visit some of the most secluded, such as Long Beach, one of Australia's top 20 beaches. Look for turtles and dolphins on snorkelling excursions over the vibrant fringing reef and enjoy guided walks along the trails to spot wildlife such as goannas and native birds.

MIDDLE PERCY ISLAND

Middle Percy Island has a colourful history - it has seen famous visitors, including Errol Flynn, and for many years was a leasehold providing water to passing sailors. The island still has its famous 'A-frame', where visitors could take shelter and find supplies. Go ashore at West Bay beach and visit the A-Frame where the island's caretakers will share the island's stories. Enjoy guided walks, snorkelling and, if the tide permits, a zodiac cruise through the lagoon.

WHITSUNDAY ISLANDS

Arrive in the tropical paradise of the Whitsunday Islands this morning, and board the catamaran *SY Camira*. Sail to magnificent Whitehaven Beach for Champagne and a decadent seafood lunch with your feet in white sand. With the afternoon sea breeze settling in, sail through tropical rainforest islands rising above the glittering aquamarine sea.

SCAWFELL ISLAND

Scawfell Island is officially regarded as the beginning of the Whitsunday Group and was originally identified by Lt. James Cook in 1770. Spend the day enjoying water activities from our protected anchorage at Refuge Bay and snorkel the vibrant fringing reefs to spot tropical fish.

TOWNSVILLE & LONGREACH

Board your private charter flight from Townsville to the outback. Arriving in Longreach, explore Machinery Mile before a traditional pub lunch at historic Wellshot Hotel. Alan Smith "Smithy" welcomes you to Rosebank Station homestead, for a station tour. End your day's adventure on the homestead's lawn to watch a vibrant sunset while enjoying evening drinks and canapes inspired by local flavours. Fly back to *Coral Geographer* in the evening.

MAGNETIC ISLAND

Today, guests will have time to enjoy several scenic walks, including the Forts Walk, where koalas can be spotted resting in the trees over ahead. For a more relaxed pace, spend the day at Horseshoe Bay, with time to soak up the sun and visit the charming local galleries.

RIBBON REEF #5

The Ribbon Reefs are a line of outer coral reefs on the edge of the continental shelf. Enjoy the rare opportunity to snorkel and dive over this excellent reef, with its wide variety of marine life and pinnacles cloaked in coral. Join a guided snorkel tour led by our Master Reef Guide and witness this extraordinary ecosystem up close - you may spot iconic marine species such as potato cod, sharks and turtles.

OSPREY REEF

Remote Osprey Reef is the summit of a 2,000m undersea mountain. Enjoy amazing underwater visibility here, and observe magnificent corals, plummeting drop-offs and many fish. Osprey Reef is a highly prized tropical dive location, called an 'oasis for living creatures of all kinds' by Sir David Attenborough. Osprey Reef is a true expedition-style destination and our visit is subject to weather conditions.

LIZARD ISLAND

Spend the day at Lizard Island, and start your explorations with a stimulating hike to the summit of Cook's Look. From this peak, enjoy the same view Lt. James Cook did when searching for safe passage through the maze of coral reefs. Later, snorkel over giant clam gardens at Watson's Bay, relax on the white-sand beach and learn about the tragic story of Mary Watson.

DAY 15: ARRIVE CAIRNS

Arrive to disembark at 8:00 am.



Ultimate Christmas Expedition

As the year draws to a close, be one of a special few to experience a unique adventure that combines the essence of the Great Barrier Reef with the spirit of the Queensland Outback.

Sail through the islands of the Queensland coast aboard *Coral Geographer*. En route, be whisked away on two signature events and indulge in two gala dinners paired with 10 extraordinary wines from the highly prized 'Exceptional' category of Langton's Classification. Along the way, enjoy encounters with the diverse marine species including dolphins, rays and turtles. Snorkel amongst vibrant coral reefs and discover connections with Indigenous culture at World Heritage-listed K'gari, accompanied by our expert guides who will share their deep knowledge and love of this land.

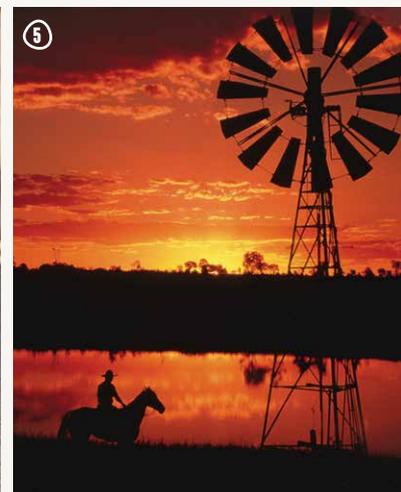
Find freedom on this extraordinary voyage.

Expedition Highlights

- > Explore Queensland Island icons of Lizard and Magnetic Island with guided nature walks and relaxing snorkelling and kayaking adventures
- > Dive and snorkel over the vibrant outer reef including Osprey Reef and Ribbon Reef #5
- > Visit with traditional owners on UNESCO World Heritage-listed K'gari with bush tucker tastings
- > Encounter marine species including dolphins, rays, and ever-present turtles during the hatching season
- > Enjoy expert guidance and storytelling along the way from Master Reef Guide and outback storytellers

Inclusions

- > All excursions and sightseeing (scuba diving at additional cost)
- > Daily lectures and briefings
- > Signature events, including charter flights, yacht cruise and Langton's exceptional classification wines (ten wines served by 180ml glass with paired gala dinners)
- > All meals, chef-prepared on board
- > Selected wines, beers, and spirits, soft drinks and juices served with lunch and dinner, as well as coffee and selection of teas
- > All entrance fees to National Parks and Ports
- > Post-cruise transfers
- > Tips and gratuities



IMAGES 1 Hill inlet, Whitehaven Beach | 2 Onboard Coral Geographer | 3 Snorkelling Tangalooma, credit TEQ | 4 Rock Wallaby, Magnetic Island | Rosebank Station, credit TEQ

Departure & Fares

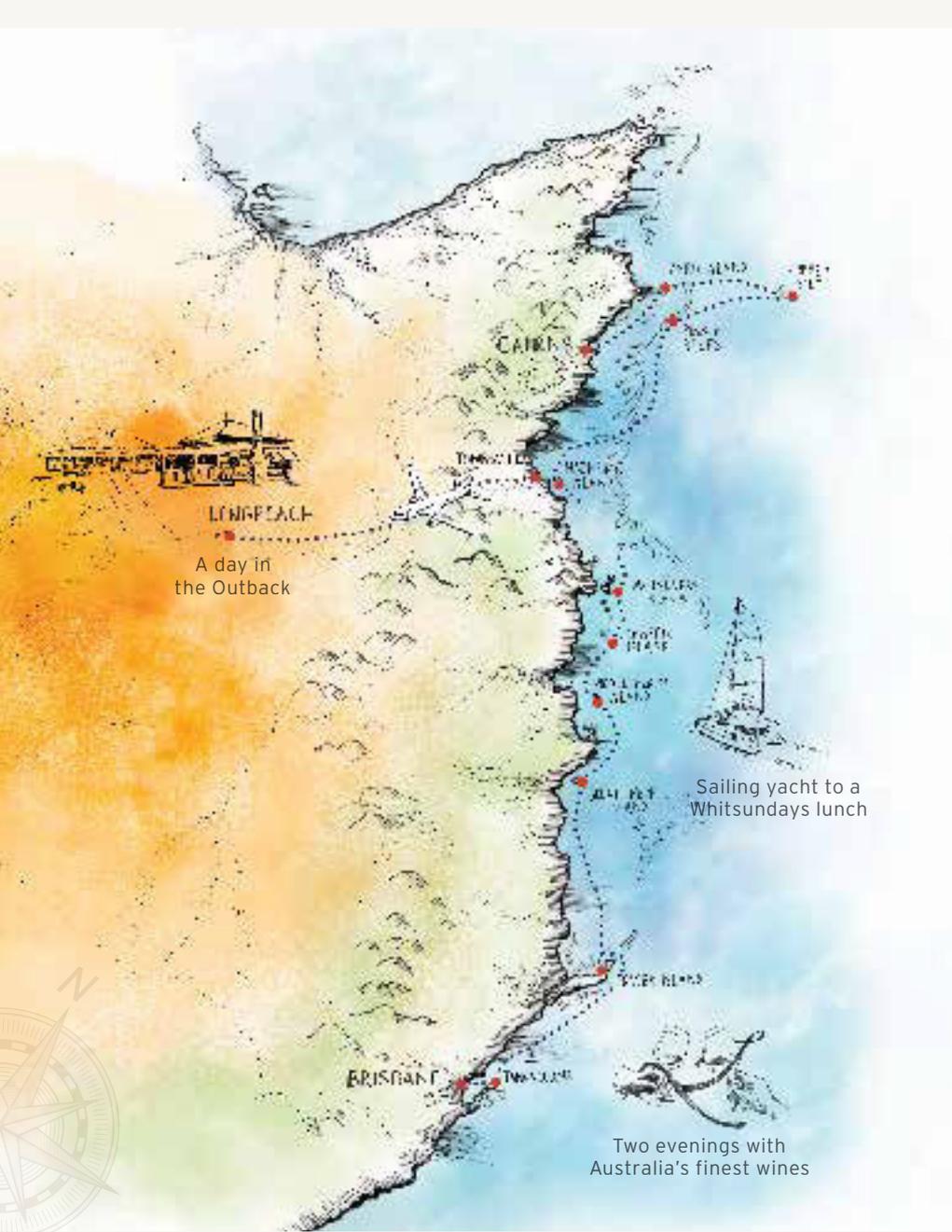
14 Nights - Departs: 20 Dec 2021 from Brisbane aboard *Coral Geographer*

| | Bridge Deck Balcony Suite | Explorer Deck | Promenade Deck | Coral Deck |
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| Twin Share | \$25,790 | \$19,190 | \$16,190 | \$11,990 |
| Sole Use | n/a | n/a | \$24,285* | \$17,985* |

Prices are per person, listed in Australian Dollars (AUD) and include GST.
*Limited sole use occupancy available.

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Coral Geographer

Launched in 2021, *Coral Geographer* is the newest addition to our fleet. She features over 1000 square metres of deck for relaxation and observation, expansive indoor and outdoor lounge spaces, majority balcony staterooms and suites, and public areas featuring a collection of Australian Indigenous art. Her Xplorer tenders and zodiacs allow deeper exploration on shore excursions.

Features

- 2 Xplorer tenders, 6 Zodiacs
- Navigator Lounge in Bridge
- Single seat dining
- Three cocktail bars
- Well-equipped gym
- Elevator
- Anchor-free technology

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