

WILSON ISLAND

The Great Barrier Reef - Queensland



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GREAT BARRIER REEF



Wilson Island Via Gladstone Queensland

Wilson Island is a small coral cay that is in the Great Barrier Reef as nature intended. Those that are drawn to Wilson Island will enjoy the natural beauty of our Great Barrier Reef island, its seclusion and the freedom from modern day living is part of the appeal.

EL QUESTRO
WILDERNESS PARK
*Homestead
Emma Gorge
Station*
HERON ISLAND
KINGS CANYON
LIZARD ISLAND
WILSON ISLAND

LIVING & WORKING ON WILSON ISLAND

Wilson Island is essentially natural – a divine sweep of caster sugar sands that is home to turtles and birds. This tiny coral cay is part of the Great Barrier Reef and surrounded by it. Its pristine waters host unimaginable variety of marine life including coral and fish – in fact some of the best snorkeling on the Great Barrier Reef is right of the beach at Wilson Island. Covering just 5.24 acres, Wilson Island is the ultimate island castaway experience, offering seclusion in a setting of unrivalled natural and playing host to just 12 guests at any one time.

LOCATION

A coral cay situated on the southern end of the Great Barrier Reef, located 80km off the city of Gladstone on the central Queensland coast & 15km from nearby Heron Island.

GETTING THERE

Wilson Island is a 40 minute boat ride from Heron Island. Transfer times between Heron & Wilson Islands are subject to tide and weather conditions.

Access to Heron Island takes around 1 hour 40 minutes each way onboard the Heron Islander, which is free for Resort employees. A Helicopter transfer service is also available to Heron Island, and is provided by Australian Helicopters. Resort employees are eligible for standby rates.

Qantas link operate flights to Gladstone via Brisbane (flight time approx. 50 min).

By train or by car, the journey from Brisbane to Gladstone takes approx. 6 hours, whilst a coach takes 10 hours.

If you have a car, there are several options for storage in Gladstone.

SUPPLIES

A weekly barge operated on behalf of the Resort transports all operating supplies from Gladstone, and Resort staff are welcome to use this service to transport their belongings to the Island at no charge.

CLIMATE

The climate is near perfect twelve months of the year with the average temperature around 26°C.

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MARKET PROFILE

Approximately 70:30 ratio of Domestic and International Tourists. The target market is anyone wanting to experience a luxury castaway experience on the Great Barrier Reef.

TARIFFS

Tariffs for Accommodation on Wilson Island are from \$671 per person twin share (min 2 night stay). All Meals and selected beverages are included in the tariff.

WILSON ISLAND CLOSURE

Wilson Island is closed from January 26 to February 28 by National Parks to allow resident bird and turtle population the peace & quiet they need to nest.

WORKING ON WILSON

There are 2 Host Couples that work on a rotational 7-day roster. As a Host Couple, you and your partner will be responsible for the entire guest experience whilst on Wilson Island. Whilst off Island, Wilson Island Hosts live on Heron Island.

LIVING ON HERON AND WILSON

Accommodation for Hosts is provided on Wilson & Heron Islands.

Wilson Island has a Staff Tent (identical to our guests' accommodation) which is located in the centre of the Island.

Whilst living on Heron Island, we provide Hosts with a small managers' unit, which consists of a bathroom, bedroom & living room with kitchenette.

WILSON'S NATURAL STATE

All power on Wilson Island is provided by battery or solar power, therefore 240V appliances will not operate on Wilson Island. Our fresh water is supplied by rainwater. Bottled drinking water is provided.

Solar power allows for hot showers and other creature comforts to be enjoyed in the central amenities building. Each tent (including the Staff Tent) has its own designated private shower & dressing area in the washhouse. Toilets and vanities are also located in this building.

HERON ISLAND LIVING FACILITIES

Laundry facilities are provided on Heron Island in the main amenities block (facilities include washing machines, dryers, laundry detergent, irons and ironing boards).

There is no mobile phone coverage on either Island; however, there are public phones available to both staff and guests on Heron Island.

You may like to bring a television to Heron Island as all main TV stations are shown as well as selected Austar channels.

There are computers with internet access for staff, or if you wish you may set up your own account with a designated ISP.

EATING & DRINKING

Food and Beverage is provided by Heron Island Resort for Host couples on Wilson Island. Depending on the guest requirements, you may be asked to dine with them or dine by yourself – this of course is done whilst providing the guests with a memorable dining experience.

Whilst on Heron Island, there is a Staff Dining Room which is open at prescribed times for all meals. Alternatively, employees may dine in the Resort's Shearwater Restaurant (numbers permitting) for a small charge.

A staff bottle shop on Heron Island (open twice a week) allows staff to purchase alcoholic beverages, soft drinks and snacks.

GOTTA GETAWAY?

On days off, staff members may choose to travel to Gladstone to enjoy the various attractions (restaurants, shopping, cinemas, hairdresser etc). Alternatively, some staff remain on Heron island to enjoy the diving, snorkeling, fishing and other activities.

Rockhampton is a one and a half-hour trip north by road. Close to Rockhampton is Yeppoon where there are other resorts and islands for staff to visit. Further afield, Mackay is a 4 hour drive north or Brisbane a 6 hour drive south, or you may choose to use the Qantas Link service.

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